



NOTES FROM THE PRESIDENT

How can deeds be used effectively in genealogical research? This was a question that came to my mind often before I began using a computer. Now I find them very useful in locating and identifying persons.

The grantor deeds and their associated plats often contain the wife's name and the name of neighbors. Early deeds almost always give the location on a stream and the county of residence. These facts are usually clues as to a person's children and who they married since most early deeds were in thinly populated rural areas.

Most genealogical computer programs allow a combination of search methods. The name, county, stream, neighbors, date and acres can be used in a combination search. Often this is all that is needed to identify a person.

In collecting deeds on your family, it is wise to abstract all deeds in that family name rather than searching for particular given names. The very name you omit could be just the link you need later. Each abstract should contain the minimum of: name, county, date, location, neighbors, and acres. They should be entered in the computer so that this combination can be used in a search.

COMMENTS FROM THE EDITOR

I would like to encourage all our members to use the Newsletter to help them in their research. I am getting only a few queries from our local members. There may be someone out there who is working on a missing ancestor and can carry your ancestral line back another two or three generations. If that person does not know about your missing ancestor, they can't help you. Our Newsletter goes to various genealogical chapters in the state and to members who live out of state. Usually people who are members from out of state do a lot of research, and are members because they have ancestors who lived here and are looking for local ties or information on local ancestral lines Get queries to me and in the Newsletter and lets see what happens.

ANDERSON CO. CHAPTER - OFFICERS

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CHAPTER DUES & OFFICIAL PUBLICATION

Dues are for the calendar year:

- \$10.00 Individual Membership
- \$13.00 Family Membership
- \$ 5.00 Associate Membership

The official periodical of the Chapter, "*The Anderson Record*", will be published quarterly, March, June, September, and December.

JANUARY MEETING

Carl Ellison, the Chapter's new president presided over the first meeting of the year on Monday, 7 Jan. 1991. It was also our first meeting to be held at our new meeting site, the United Way Bldg, at 114 W. Greenville St. in Anderson.

After the meeting was called to order, Debbie Price read the minutes, there was a Treasurer's report and Carl made some announcements.

Carl asked for more volunteers to continue help on sorting the court records to be moved to the new Court House. Thelma Wilson and Pauline Averett were asked to look into the possibility of forming a committee for the serving of coffee and doughnuts at our monthly meetings.

The Chapter discussed and then voted to print another 500 copies of "Yandivers History of Anderson." The book was completely sold-out and many members report that they still have people asking about buying copies. The book should be available in late spring or early summer.

Margaret Coker donated a copy of the book, the *Whitmire Research Notebook, Henry Whitmire*, compiled by Nancy Flesch & Lynda Wright. This is a family group listing of the Whitmire family of upstate S.C. & primarily of Oconee & Pickens Co's. This is an excellent research book and as well documented as I have ever seen. Ed.

Carl Ellison has completed the writing of Vol. 4 of the Anderson Co. Cemetery Survey and will have the 8000 names indexed for printing later this year.

Jim Harper gave out copies of the recently completed surname index of ancestors that our members are researching. Jim and Harvey Mullikin have been working on this.

Carl spent the rest of the meeting telling us about different software available on genealogy and how the computer is able to help us in our research.

FEBRUARY MEETING

The Chapter's Feb. meeting was held on Monday, 4 Feb. 1991, at the United Way Bldg. on West Greenville St.. There were some thirty or more members present and we had some visitors; Ken West from Anderson, Carrol Potter from Iva, and Janet Masters from Easley.

Carrie Sue Charping read the minutes and there was a Treasurer's report.

Carl announced that the indexing for Vol. 4 of the Anderson Co. Cemetery had been completed and was ready for printing. . After some discussion, a motion was made and passed that we print Vol. 4 The book will contain some 184 pages and will be indexed. The selling price will be \$18.00 ea. plus S.C. Tax. The book should be ready for sale by early summer.

Mrs. Carl Lund informed the Chapter that the people at the Court House are very appreciative of the work that our Chapter has done in helping sort loose court records, but she said more work is still needed and asked for help from our members. They work on Tuesday & Wednesday from 9 till 12.

Our speaker was Penny Forrester from the Greenville Library. Ms. Forrester gave a very informative talk and gave each of us a copy of the research material that is available at the Greenville Library. Many researchers consider the Greenville Library to be the best research facility in South Carolina and if you have ever visited their local history room you know how helpful Ms. Forrester can be. Thanks Penny.

One of our visitors at the meeting joined the Chapter afterwards. A hearty welcome to Kenneth A. West - 118 Brentwood Circle - Anderson, S.C. - 29625 ... Tel. 231-0901.

THE ANDERSON INDEPENDENT
Issue of 25 Jan. 1991 - By Joanne Thrift

TEXAS WAGON TRAIN DESCENDANTS SOUGHT

From 1864 to 1866, the Rev. William Berry Long of Anderson served the Lebanon Baptist Church as pastor. His dream was to organize a wagon train and travel to Texas to claim land.

In early 1866, his dream began to develop and at mid-year, participants met at the farm of the late Henry Jolly whose widow, Nancy Mary Campbell Jolly, joined the group to go to Texas.

Mrs. Jolly had these children to go: William, Cassandra Angelina, Levi, Elizabeth & Erskine. Others were Joseph Lewis Jolly, his wife and two children, the Long family, Newton Harper, wife, Martha Elizabeth Millwee and six children, James "Jim" B. Copeland and some Campbells.

Cassandra, "Cassie" A. Jolly and J.B. "Jim" Copeland were married soon after the wagon train reached, Jasper, Texas.

Edith Carter of Hollis, Okla., is trying to get information concerning this wagon train.

"Was Henry Jolly (killed in Civil War) son of John Albert Jolly and Mary Bolt and grandson of Henry Jolly and Cassandra? Who were the parents of Nancy Mary Campbell Jolly? Any help would be appreciated, she writes.

If you have pertinent information, please write:

Edith Carter, 423 W. Eula, Hollis, Okla. - 73550.

THE ANDERSON INDEPENDENT

Issue of 27 Jan. 1991 - by Steve Biondo

More than 50 years in the making, a seven volume history of the Burriss family of Anderson County is being published.

The Burriss family tendrils run deep throughout Anderson, said attorney Charles Welborn, Jr., who traces his own family history to the Burrisses. Those associated with the publishing of the history will distribute 225 pre-ordered copies of the book in a ceremony at 3 P.M., Feb. 10 at Mountain Creek Baptist Church - ancestral home of the Burriss clan - on U.S. 29 South. Extra copies of the history (published by Keys Printing Co. of Greenville, whose owners are Burriss descendants) will sell for \$38.00 per set.

The history represents the life work of the late Maude Burriss Johnston of Anderson, said Mr. Welborn. The task was begun by the late David J. Watson of Clemson in 1940, who formed a committee to begin the research; he assembled a mountain of material and made source contacts around the U.S.. By 1975, when a new committee was formed, Mrs. Johnston had compiled thousands of pages of handwritten testimony. The committee raised money to pay for the typing of the huge manuscript.

"I would visit her from time to time, sitting in her parlor, and we would talk of our ancestors and her dream for the publication of the book," said Mr. Welborn.

Mrs. Johnston did not live to see her dream realized. In 1986, not long after falling and breaking her hip, she died at the age of 93.

Mr. Welborn sees the history as a link to that "living past" which the South prizes so deeply. "I would sit on the front porch with the grown ups, listening to them talking about days gone by," wrote Mr. Welborn in the book's preface. "Much that we want to know about our kinsmen, our ancestors, is lost forever in the mists of time. But we are fortunate, you and I, that those who came before us preserved so much of our history. As Maude Burriss Johnston used to joke, "You can trace yourself back to Joshua - who else can do that?"

THE MANN'S OF UPSTATE SOUTH CAROLINA

There appears to be four sets of original Mann's in upstate S. C.

- 1) The **James Mann** set from Fairfield Co., S. C.
- 2) The **Nuby Mann** set from Edgefield Co., S. C.
- 3) The **Robert Mann** set from Newberry Co., S. C.
- 4) The **Samuel Mann** set from Abbeville Co., S. C.

In addition to these Mann's there is a reference to a **John Michael Mann** who obtained "warrant on the bounty for 50 acres to be laid out in the forks between Broad & Saluda Rivers..." dated 3/6/1752. No other references have been located pertaining to this individual.

1) - **James Mann** - Fairfield Dist., S. C. - A James Mann migrated from Ireland to S. C. in the ship, *Pennsylvania Farmer*, in 1767 and petitioned for 200 acres of land. No location was given, but it is believed that this James Mann settled in Fairfield Dist. There was a James Mann that was granted three plots of land before the Revolutionary War. Records indicate that there were two James Mann's from S. C. that fought in the Revolutionary War. One was from Newberry, S. C. and the other is believed to be the James Mann from Fairfield. Census records for Fairfield show a James Mann in 1790 and 1800. No other references have been found indicating who his wife was and who his children were.

2) - **Nuby Mann & John Wats Mann** - Edgefield Dist., S. C. - Newby Mann was granted land on Cuffetown Creek in Edgefield Dist. in 1774. He was a Revolutionary War Soldier and served in the militia after the fall of Charleston. **John Wats Mann** was granted land on Cloud Creek in Edgefield Dist. in 1774. Records indicate he was born circa 1739 and married Elizabeth _____. He served in the Revolutionary War from S. C. and died circa 1790. An Elizabeth Mann is listed as head of household in the 1790 census, most probably his widow. John Wats Mann had three sons; Thomas the eldest, Gilbert and Wats. They had three daughters; Nan, Elizabeth, and Martha. It is suspected, but not proven, that Nuby and John Wats Mann were brothers and may have migrated from Va.

3) - **Robert Mann** - This family migrated from Ireland to S. C. in 1767 and was granted 300 acres of land in 1768 in Berkley Co., in what is now Newberry Co. His wife was Susannah ____ and they brought with them four children; James, who later migrated to Elbert Co., Ga., Janet, John, and Robert.

4) - **Samuel Mann** - Abbeville Co. - I have no documented evidence for this, but I believe Samuel Mann migrated from Augusta Co., Va. to Long Canes in Abbeville Dist. in 1768. I base this on the fact that a lot of the early settlers of Long Canes come from Augusta Co., Va. There is a Gilbert Crawford listed in Augusta Co., Va. in 1753, and it is believed he migrated to the Calhoun Creek area in Abbeville Co. in 1785, and is a neighbor to some later Mann's. Also the John Houston family migrated from Augusta Co., Va., to this same area of Abbeville Co. and later a daughter married Robert M. Mann.

Samuel Mann first appears in S. C. records in 1768 when he obtained a grant of 250 acres on Flag Reed Creek, waters of Calhoun Creek, in Long Canes of Abbeville Dist. He served for 50 days in the S. C. Militia in 1779 during the Revolutionary War. His estate was administered on 31 March 1783 by Wm. and Margaret Simpson. The Margaret Simpson was Samuel's widow and she married Wm. Simpson. This indicates that Samuel died circa 1780 and there is the possibility that he died from wounds received in the Rev. War.

There is no documentation for this, only circumstantial evidence, but it is believed that Samuel Mann had at least three sons; Thomas, Gilbert, and John. All three of these men appear in the 1790 and 1800 census of Abbeville Dist., living near each other in the Flag Reed/Calhoun Creek area where Samuel Mann obtained his land grant. Later records indicate that John Mann, believed to be one of the sons, owned 250 acres (the same amount granted to Samuel) on Flag Reed Creek. Also, Thomas Mann, another believed to be a son, named his first son, Samuel.

THE MANN'S OF UPSTATE SOUTH CAROLINA

(continued)

There also appears to be two or three different sets of Mann's in early Abbeville Co.

1) The **Gilbert and John Mann** family of Flag Reed/Calhoun Creek area. These two families stayed in the Flag Reed Creek area of Abbeville County until the 1840's when some of the descendants migrated to Newton Co. in Georgia. Gilbert M. Mann, died in Abbeville Co., circa 1843. He left no wife and estate settlement mentions only one son, Robert Mann. John Mann died after 1830. In his son's, John G. Mann's estate settlement, it lists his three sons; John G., Michael S. and William R. Mann. His wife's name is Margaret and she migrates to Newton Co., Ga. along with some of her sons.

2) The **William and Robert Mann** family that is located in the Antreville/Lowndesville area. The relationship between William and Robert Mann is unknown, but they appear to be brothers. This family may be part of the Newberry Co., Mann's. Family names only appear as clues. There appears to be no direct ties to the other Abbeville Co. Mann's..... William Mann was married to Sarah _____ and from census records had a large family. These records list children as: James A., Margaret L., John M., Elizabeth A., William L. and Coke D. Three of the sons served in the Civil War; James, John, and William. Two of the sons, John and James, died in service in Va.... The youngest son, Coke D. Mann, married Eliza J. Milford and Coke became a well known minister in S. C.. One of their sons, James L. Mann, became an educator and James L. Mann high school in Greenville is named after him.... William Mann and his wife Sarah are found living with the Coke D. Mann household in the 1880 Abbeville Co. census..... Some of the descendants of William and Robert migrated to Newton Co., Ga.

3) **Thomas Mann** - believed to be the oldest son of Samuel Mann and a brother of Gilbert and John Mann listed above. One record states that he was born in Virginia. He was married to Sarah Tackett and was a Revolutionary War soldier from S. C. He died on 31 May 1834 and his wife, Sarah, drew a Rev. War pension from 1840 till 1858. Thomas and Sarah are believed to have had 8 children; 3 sons and 5 daughters. Only one daughter is known, Rachel born circa 1800 and married Andrew Medlin. His three sons were:

A) **Samuel Mann** - born circa 1788 and moved to Pickens Co. of Pendleton Dist. where he is found buying and selling land. These transactions are witnessed by his father, Thomas Mann. No records have been found indicating who his wife was, but 1830 and 1840 census records indicate that he had a large family. He last appears in the 1840 census.

B) **Lewis Mann** - born circa 1796. Moved to and settled in Pickens Co.. Was married at least twice; first to Lucinda _____ and they had two known children; Sarah Cansadia who married William H. Perry and Aaron A. Daniel Mann who married Frances Darnell. Aaron A. Mann died in Virginia during service in the Civil War... Lewis's second wife was Martha/Patsy _____. Other children, unknown from which marriage (from census records); Ambrose E., Lucinda J., Thomas, who married Millie Chapman, Mary E., and Jane who married William Hargrove. ... Aaron A. D. Mann's grandson, Alford C. Mann, was the Mayor of Greenville, S. C.

C) **Thomas Crawford Mann** - born circa 1798 in Abbeville Co., moved to Pickens Co., and later to Anderson Co. .. He was married to Martha/Patsy _____. Only two of his children are known: Samuel H. who served in the Civil War, was captured at Strausberg and died at Point Lookout, Maryland, on 21 Feb. 1865. His brother and son of T. C. Mann, Alfred K. Mann also served in and survived the Civil War, was married to Margaret McCoy, this family settled and lived just east of the city of Anderson. Other children of Thomas C. Mann (from 1850 census) are: William, Robert, and Sally. No further data on these children. Thomas Crawford Mann last appears in the 1870 census in Anderson Co., and it is believed he died between 1870 and 1880.

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MONDAY - 1 APRIL 1991 - 7 P.M.
at
114 W. GREENVILLE ST.

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Beginning 1 March 1991
MONDAY - closed
TUESDAY thru FRIDAY - 9 till 9
SATURDAY - 9 till 6
SUNDAY - 1 TILL 6.