

Burton Pelt

March 19, 1991

Dear Jim,

Thank you so much for the latest information. There are several very interesting items that motivate me to do further research. I hope sometime to find out if Rubin, Henry, and Columbus Bishop were related to my John Bishop. My grandfather is sometimes listed as John G. and other times as Green. His full name according to family Bible is John Greenberry Bishop. It is interesting to see who was living at home at various times.

My family has always been very close to the Wagners. In fact, I usually stay with Joel and Claire when visiting Marion. Enclosed is a diagram showing relationships.

You enclosed an excerpt about a Bishop from abstracts of Fairfield County, South Carolina. If that book is still available to you and if it is convenient, would you please check on the Harmon's? Dr. Stephen Harmon's grandfather, Stephen Harmon, was in Chester County in 1800 and in Fairfield District in 1810. There were a number of Stephen Harmon's, but this appears to be ours since there is a record of the marriage of one of his children being witnessed by Burwell (Burrell) Harmon who was also his child (uncle of Dr. Stephen Harmon). I suspect that these Harmon's were in North Carolina earlier and moved to South Carolina prior to 1800, but have been unable to make connections to those in North Carolina whose given names are similar. I have been wanting to order Fairfield County records on microfilm through the Mormon Church Library, but an upcoming wedding in the family (our son) has curtailed my activities along this line.

I do appreciate all of the information you send.

Sincerely,

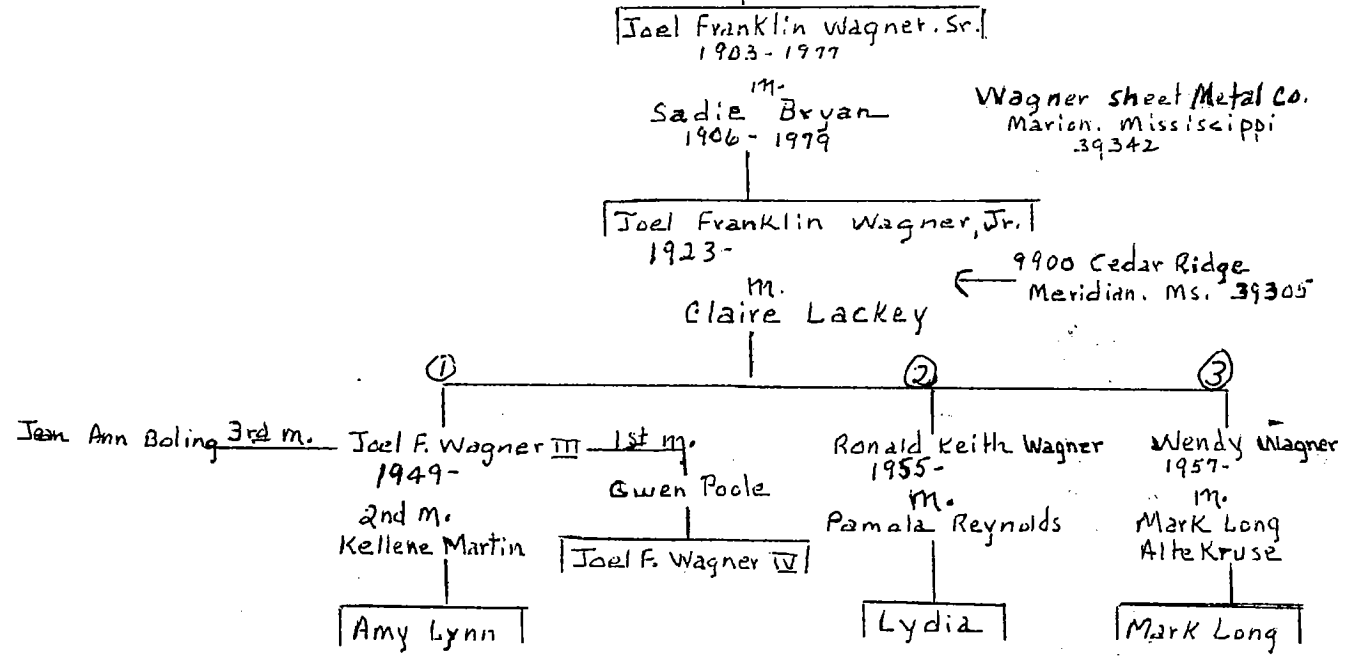
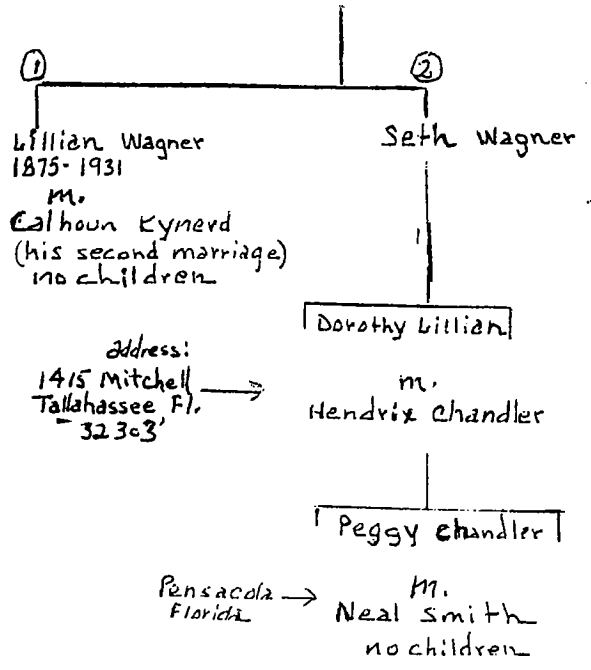
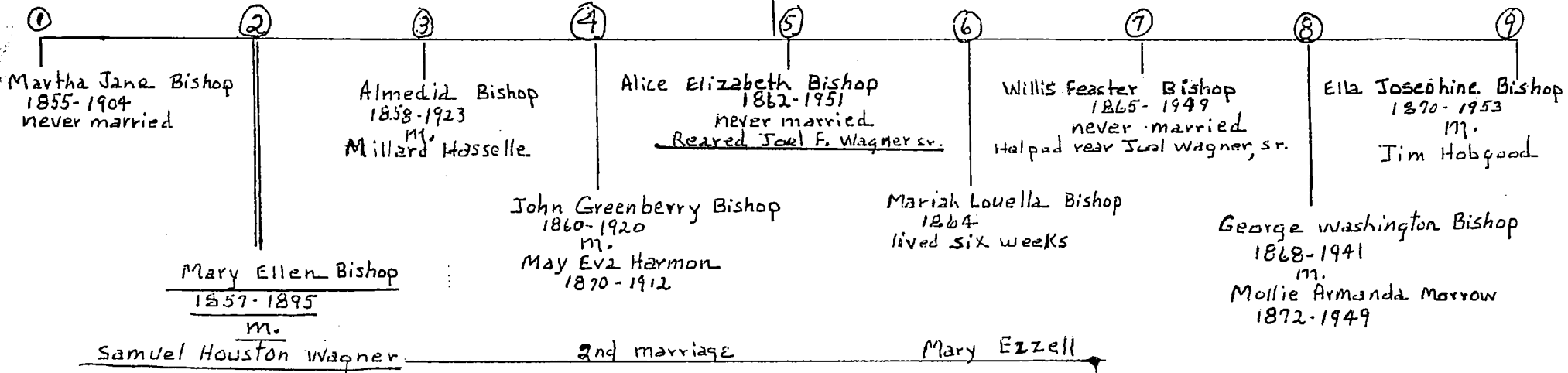
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W. H. Pelt
March 19, 1991

Albert A. Bishop
1832-1915
son of John and Mary Woods Bishop

Martha Welch 1832-1914
daughter of Warren Welch and Martha Gray Weld.
1780-1841 died 1853



111 Overbrook
Goldsboro, North Carolina 27534
Januray 28, 1991

Dear Jim,

Thank you so much for the last material you sent. All of those you checked on the cemetery records are close relatives - parents, grand-parents, great grandparents, aunts, uncles, etc. Also, Maggie L. Kinard is my maternal grandmother. Buried beside her is my grandfather Eddie M. (Martin) Kinard who is not listed. However, he is listed in the Kinard book I gave to the Archives and anyone seeking information would most likely refer to this book. Also, I am their only descendant. *(plus my children)*

Thank you for the dates on George Bishop and wife. He was a son of Albert A. Bishop and Martha Welch Bishop, and grandson of the John Bishop whose second marriage was to James McRae's widow. Two of Uncle George's daughters still live in Meridian - Mary Alice Boswell and Mattie Shank, who is an aunt by marriage of Jack Shank. I am probably telling you more than you want to know!

I can remember my Dad. saying that two Bishop brothers came into Lauderdale county and one settled near Lauderdale and the other near Marion. I do not know the name of the Lauderdale one, but assume he was a brother of the John we have been discussing. At one time there were a number of Bishops in the Lauderdale area, but I have never been acquainted with them. It would be interesting to know the name of this brother. I am wondering if some of them might have early Bishop history that I don't have. If you are ever in contact with any of them, would you please inquire?

Again, let me express my appreciation for the work you are doing in the area of microfilming and abstracting records.

Sincerely,

Marion L.

Mailande

Check for brother

Mr Henry Selman

111 Overbrook

NC 27534

Goldsboro,

Put in Bookings file

November 25, 1990
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Goldsboro, North Carolina
27534

Dear Jim,

Forgive me for waiting so long to thank you for the very interesting information you sent. Between helping my next door neighbor get ready for her daughter's wedding and all of our children coming home for this event and part of them returning for Thanksgiving, I haven't had a minute to do anything else.

I enjoyed looking over the minutes of the Whynot Methodist Church, and am especially pleased to have the map of the Whynot area showing locations of Hunters and Dr. Harmon.

My cousin, Joan Travis McLean, has the original photograph of Dr. Stephen Harmon. It is very faded, but if you are interested in copying it, I believe she would lend it to you. Her address is: Mrs. Walter McLean, 991 Colonial Drive, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806.

I greatly appreciate your offer to send any information on the Bishops that you happen to run across. The John Bishop from Marion who moved to Whynot was my great-great grandfather. He was born in Edgefield District, South Carolina in 1799 and moved with his father, John Bishop, to Wayne County Mississippi in 1818. He married Mary Woods and lived in Hinds County for a few years before moving to Lauderdale County. I knew that his second marriage was to the "Widow Mc Rae", and that he moved from the homeplace, but I did not know that it was Whynot. He is the father of Albert A. Bishop (my great grandfather), who married Martha Welch, and as you know, they are pictured in "Paths to the Past". I had wondered where he is buried, and it is probably in the Whynot area. You gave me additional information by giving his middle initial, G. My grandfather was John Greenberry Bishop, and I had wondered if the Greenberry had come from his grandfather. Apparently, it did. Research on the early Bishops is difficult because there were so many of them. An unbelievable number were named John. In fact, I have five ancestors named John Bishop. Two of them are by way of the Asa Bishop line, both his father and grandfather. There was a John Bishop in Jamestown in 1625. There were several here in eastern Carolina in eighteenth century. I do have some information on Asa, including a copy of his will. His daughter Elizabeth married her first cousin once removed, Abisha Nelson, and they were the parents of Dr. Harmon's mother, Miriam. Miriam and John Harmon are buried in Marion.

I am flattered that you ask me to write up the Hunter information. However, I believe it would be better for a descendant of Libbeus to do this. A. D. Hunter? He could use the information I sent and would surely be able to update and add bits of information that I am unaware of. My Hunter line is Marion related and I have not yet established proof of a connection to the Whynot settlers. However, I believe it is so. My Hunter history goes back to John Hunter in Chatham County, North Carolina. The last time I went to the Archives in Raleigh, I found a will that

indicated his father was Elisha Hunter. On the chart I sent you will see that Isaac Hunter had a son named Elisha. Another source states that there was an Elisha, Jr., also. If I can prove that this Elisha, Jr. moved to Chatham County, I will have it. Another member of this family did move to an adjacent county and is a well known figure in their history.

You are doing a great service by microfilming the old records. I have been able to order Alabama county records on microfilm through the Mormon Church Library here. They have been helpful in my work on the Harmon line. Dr. Harmon's grandfather was Stephen Harmon who lived in St. Claire County, Alabama, but I have been unable to learn who he married. I need to order South Carolina records next. I got sidetracked by an interest in the Hunter line. I received the notes of a deceased cousin who had done some work on this line.

Many thanks again.

Sincerely,

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Mailande Bishop Schrum

I did find a record of this marriage (1835) there
was several Stephen Harmon in Alabama at that time,

By way of microfilm I found that this one deced had to
Dr. Harmon's father, John Little Harmon. I know find land the
value of the work you are doing with the old records.

September 3, 1987

Dear Dot,
I apologize for taking so long to get this material together. It seems that there are always so many interruptions when you are trying to get something done. There will be a few more pictures later. Sidney needs to do some more photographing of the pictures of grandchildren of Albert and Martha Bishop. I am wondering if we should continue this and have pages for the great grandchildren (our generation). Do you have a photograph of your grandmother Almedia? I have a picture that I believe is one of the "Bishop girls" but I'm not sure which one. I am going to get Sidney to photograph that one and send it to you. If you have one of your grandmother you can compare. Anyway, I would like to update the Bishop history. Will you please send me information about your family. I will compile in diagram form, similar to the Welch outline, as soon as I hear from everyone. I will be happy to send you a copy then. (I am not sure of the names of Almedia's children that fit into a notebook or album. After going to eight different stores, I found some lightweight inexpensive ones (eighteen cents each) and have enclosed a sample, in case you like the idea. Where it was possible to get a half-way clear picture from office copiers, I have included those for two reasons: First, the life of photographs such as those I am sending is fifty to seventy five years according to those in the business. It may be that the images from the copiers will last longer. I don't know. Second, if you wish to use the pictures in another album or frame any of them, there will still be the same information with the notes.

A professional photographer told me that the reproductions they make of old photographs will last one hundred to one hundred twenty five years. They will take a negative that Sidney made and make an eight by ten or smaller for ten dollars, or they will start from scratch, photographing the old picture with their better equipment and charge twenty five dollars for the first one and ten dollars for each additional one. I have not done either one, but would like to later. I don't know how much longer the originals will be good. Some are becoming dim now.

I am going to try to get some information on Uncle George's family. I remember visiting them when I was a child, but can't remember whether Allen and Green Bishop are his children or whether they came from a different line.

If you should want extra prints, I shall be happy to send them. Some of the pictures from the office copiers turn out better from the originals. Let me know if I can be of any help with those.

Sincerely,

Pauline

Maitlande

These notes were compiled in 1987 by Mailande Bishop Schrum. The old photographs of the Bishop, Welch, and Harmon families were given to me by Alice Elizabeth Bishop and Willis Feaster Bishop (brother and sister). Because they lived near us, I was a frequent visitor in their home. Two other factors contributed to my numerous trips to their house: the loneliness of an only child and the fact that Auntie made the best pound cake in the world. They enjoyed talking about relatives and the "old days". In good weather we sat on the front porch while Uncle played classical music on the guitar between stories, and Auntie served pound cake. The music, the white-washed tree trunks, the fragrance of the Cape Jasmine, the quince bush from which Auntie made jelly, the yard cleanly swept with broom sage bundled together, and the taste of the pound cake are all fresh in my memory. All of the people are very real to me even though many died before I was born. Auntie and Uncle were concerned about the preservation of these photographs and their being passed on to future generations. I feel that in sharing copies with other people, I am carrying out their wishes. I hope that those who receive this material will become acquainted or re-acquainted with our kin who have walked before us.

The Welch notes were given to me by Erlene Welch (Mrs. James Eric Welch). They were taken from the writings of A. Jarvis Welch, Toomsuba, Mississippi, and Eric Austin Welch. I received the old statements, which belonged to Albert A. Bishop, from Joel and Claire Wagner.

My husband, Sidney Schrum, was kind enough to photograph the old pictures, making it possible to reproduce them.

Some of the genealogy is repetitious, but it seemed necessary in order to make the relationship of each person easily understood.

Mailande Bishop Schrum
(Mrs. Sidney Schrum)
111 Overbrook Drive
Goldsboro, North Carolina 27530
(Daughter of: Albert Harmon
Bishop and
Ruby Kinard
Bishop)

BISHOP ANCESTRY
(According to Willis Feaster Bishop)

John Bishop Sr. emigrated from South Carolina (Edgefield District) and settled in Wayne County Mississippi in 1818 A.D. and lived till his death in same county. John Bishop, Jr., son of John Sr., was born in South Carolina in the year 1799 and emigrated with his parents to Wayne County Mississippi and remained there till about the age of about twenty two years. At about this time he married a young lady of Tennessee, a Miss Woods. After marrying, he moved to Hinds County Mississippi and remained there several years, and from there he removed to Lauderdale County Mississippi, and settled about four miles north of Marion Station, Mississippi, and lived there till after the Civil War of 1860 - '5 between the States. During the invasion of General Sherman's Army, they confiscated all his property such as horses, mules, and Negroes. His first wife having died in 1859, he married the second time the following year to the Widow McCrae and then moved from the old homestead to the South East part of the County and lived till 1867, which year, he and his wife both died. Of the first marriage four sons and one daughter were born unto them as follows: John Green Bishop, Allen A. Bishop, Willis L. H. Bishop, Albert A. Bishop, and Harriett (married Abraham Butcher and moved to Texas). All the children were born in Hinds County Mississippi. Albert A. Bishop, the youngest son was born in the year 1832 A.D. The family having removed to Lauderdale County as stated above. Albert A. Bishop married Marth W. Welch in the year 1852 and ten children were born unto them as follows: Martha Jane, April 2, 1855, Mary Ellen, March 14, 1857, Almedia, September 1858, John Greenberry, March 1860, Alice Elizabeth, June 25, 1862, Mariah Luella, September 1864, Willis Feaster November 29, 1865, George Washington, September 1868, Ella Josephine, April 3, 1870. At the beginning of the Civil War of 1860, Albert A. volunteered and enlisted the second year in Company A 37 Mississippi Infantry and served till the surrender and received from his officers an honor discharge.

Martha W. Welch was born in Wilcox County Alabama in the year 1832 and removed to Lauderdale County Mississippi in the year 1850 in the company with her Mother and three brothers and one sister: Pricilla, Bennis, Daniel, and Dempsey.

Marth W. Bishop wife of A. A. Bishop died September 15, 1914.

Albert A. Bishop husband of Martha W. Bishop died March 15, 1915

1840 Lauderdale County, Mississippi, Census

John Bishop: Males 10-15, 2; 15-20, 2; 40-50, 1; Females 10-15, 1, 20-30, 1.

THE RISHOPS OF LAUDERDALE, LAUDERDALE COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI

1850 Lauderdale County, Mississippi, Census

John Bishop	52	Born South Carolina, 1798
Mary	52	Born South Carolina, 1798
Asberry	25	
Willis R.	24	
Mary	18	Born Mississippi
Albert A.	18	Born Mississippi
Emily R. Walker	11	Born Mississippi

John Bishop is listed in the 1835 Lauderdale County, Miss., tax list.

In 1840 John Bishop is listed as having land in Lauderdale County, Mississippi, valued at \$300. There were 160 acres of land

1860 Lauderdale County, Mississippi, Census

Albert A. Bishop	28	Born Mississippi (Overseer for John Keeton)
Martha W. (Welch)	27	Born Alabama
Martha J.	5	
Mary F.	3	
Almeda	1	
John G. (Green)	6/12	Children all born in Mississippi
D. Welch	24	
Eliz. Welch	25	
Adela J. (Welch)	3	
Columbus (Welch)	1	

1870 Lauderdale County, Mississippi, Census

Albert A. Bishop	33	Farmer	Born Mississippi	
Martha W.	38	Wife	Born Alabama	
Martha J.	15			(Never married)
Mary F.	13			(Married to Willard Wassell)
Almeda	11			
John G.	10			
Elizabeth*	7			(Never married)
Willis F. (Feaster)	4			(Never married)
George W.	2			
Ella	1/12			(Married James Thomas Hobgood)

1880 Lauderdale County, Mississippi, Census

Albert A. Bishop	48	Born Miss; Father born S. C.; Mother born Tenn
Martha W.	48	Born Alabama
Martha J.	24	
J. G.	21	
Alice	17	
W. F. (Feaster)	15	(Called Mat; never married)
George W.	13	
Ella	10	

*Elizabeth is listed as Alice in the 1880 census. She was always called Alice until the time of her death. She and Willis Feaster never married. They lived together at Marion, Mississippi, until their deaths. They reared Joel Waggoner, a nephew.

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THE FAMILY OF JOHN GREEN BISHOP, SON OF ALBERT A. BISHOP (See 1860 census),
GRANDSON OF JOHN BISHOP (See 1850 census)

John G. Bishop (Born Mar. 1, 1860; Died January 27, 1920)

Mary Harmon married (Born August 20, 1870; Died February 11, 1912)

(Mary Harmon was the daughter of Robert H. Harmon, M. D., born Oct. 30, 1844; died Apr 11 30, 1910. Robert Harmon was married to Bettie Hunter, born January 14, 1852; died December 1, 1905.)

The children of John G. Bishop and Mary Harmon Bishop:

Albert married Ruby Kinard: had one daughter, Matland, married to Dr. Sidney Schrum. They and their children live at Goldsboro, N. C.

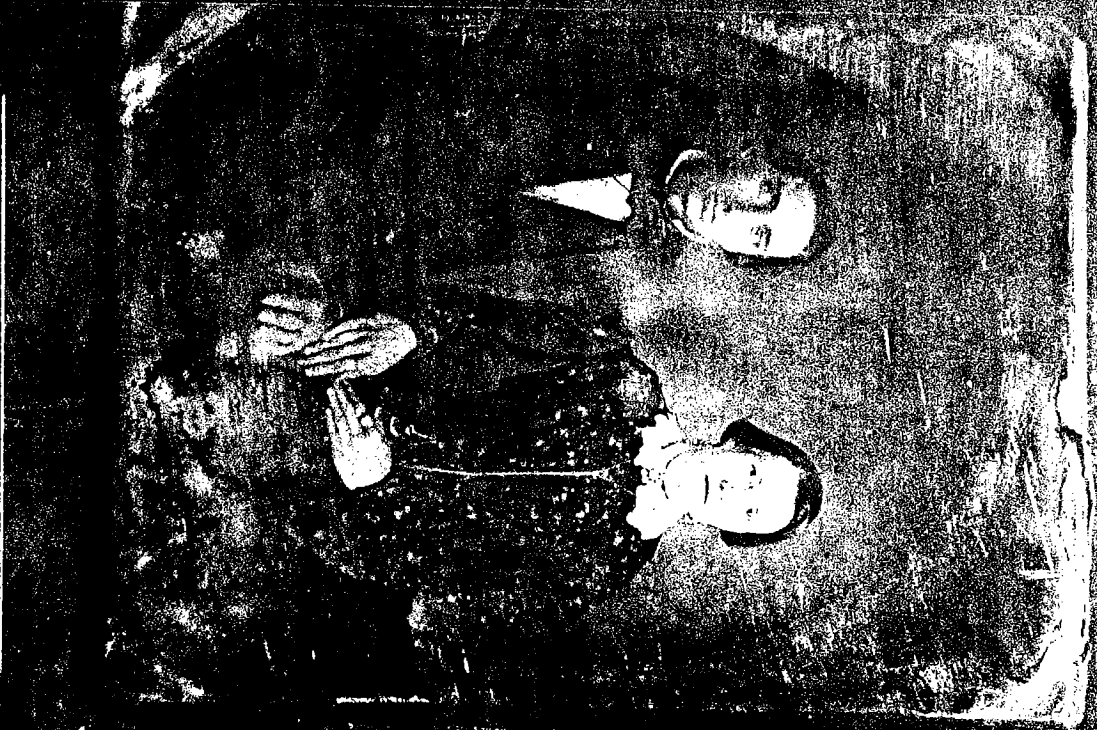
Fva married Hollie C. Watkins: Children Hollie C., Doris, and James

Wallace married Nina Easterling: Children Mary Frances, Wallace Harmon,
William Fred.

Willis Fred married Ethel Snelgrove: Children Mary Ann married Charles Easterling
Children: Carol Ann M., Robert D., Evans
Child: Kelly Sinclair (F.)
Laura Jean

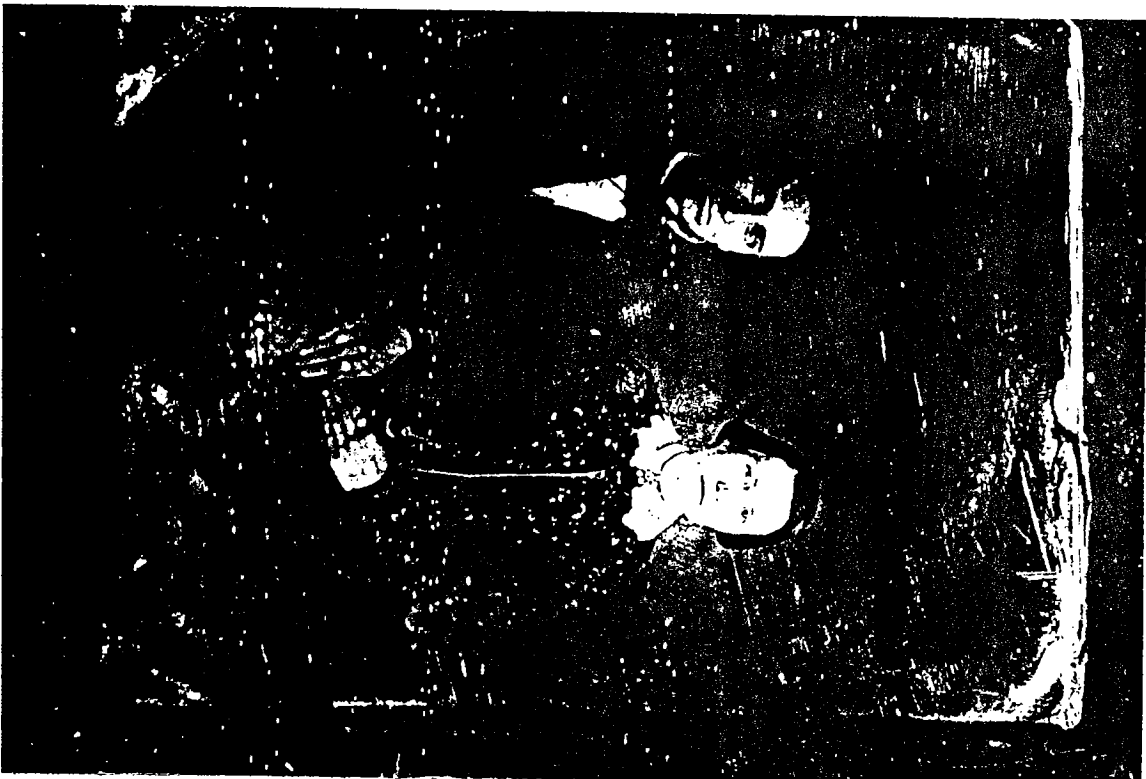
Bettie Hunter married Charles Duncan
Children: Charles H.
Joseph Sinclair

Bettie Hunter. Never married; died without heirs.



ALBERT A. BISHOP AND
MARTHA ELCH on their
wedding day in 1852
They were married in
Alamucha, Mississippi
(Lauderdale county)

ALBERT A. BISHOP AND MARTHA VELCH ON THEIR WEDDING
DAY IN 1852



ALBERT A. BISHOP was the son of John Bishop, Jr. and Mary Woods Bishop.
He was the grandson of John Bishop, Sr. born in Edgefield
District, South Carolina

MARTHA VELCH was the daughter of Warren Velch by his second marriage. Both
parents died when she was nine or ten years old. After that,
she was reared by her half-brother, Dr. J. P. Velch and wife.

CHILDREN OF ALBERT A. AND MARTHA VELCH BISHOP:

Martha Jane	1855	Willis Feaster	1865
Mary Ellen	1857	George Washington	1868
Almedia	1858	Ella Josephine	1870
John Grenberry	1860		
Alice Elizabeth	1862		
Mariah Luella	1864		



WILLIS L. H. BISHOP
brother of
Albert A. Bishop

Wm. M. L. & A. Baker
Apoc. Inst.
No. 2. Edin. 1811.

1811.

Am. \$383.88

1897 *Account of Dr. J. W. C. ...*

To Mr. ...

May 10 To 25 yds. ... 250c.

" " " 5 " ... 50c

" 26 " Balance on Bottle Oil 35c.

June 1 " 1 Pin Stone 25c.

" " " 5 Sheeps Needles 10c.

" " " 1 Pin Stones 5c.

" " " 3 Cakes Soap 45c.

" " " 1 Paper Pins 10c.

" " " " ...

" " " 240 lbs.

" 13 " 1 Pin Stone 12c.

" " " 10 yds. Calico 25c.

" " " 5 " " "

" " " 3 " " "

" " " 2 Bell's 10c.

" " " 25 yds. ... 27c.

July 15 " 1 Set returned

Aug. 14. 1 1/2 yds. ... 8c.

" " " 1 Pin. Stone 40c.

" " " 1 Bottle Soap 6c.

\$151.65



DR. JACOB PERRY WELCH
Half-brother of Dennis,
Dempsey, MARTHA, Daniel,
and Priscilla Welch.
He was the son of Warren
Welch by his first marriage

MRS. JACOB PERRY WELCH
(Martha Susan Whitaker)

In addition to their ten children,
they reared the half brothers and
half sisters of Dr. Welch after the
death of their parents. Their names
are listed above.



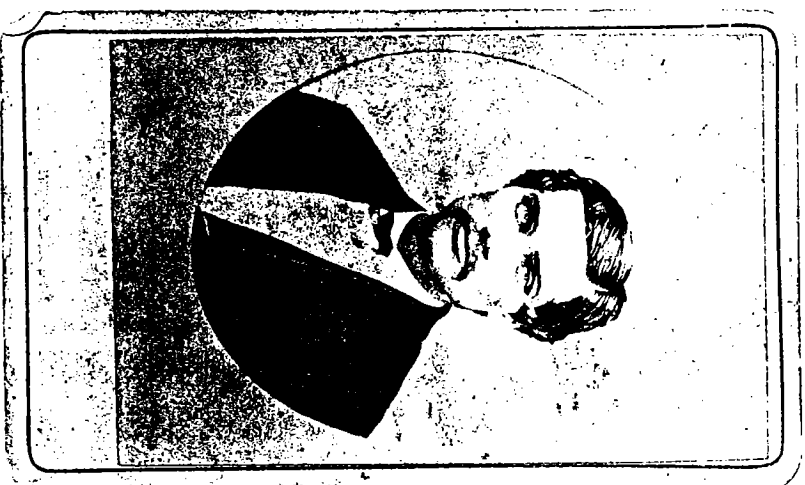
DR. JACOB PERRY WELCH
1807 - 1901



MISS J. P. WELCH
(MARTHA SUSAN WHITAKER)
1825 - 1900



GEORGE ELCH
1848 - 1888



BILLY WELCH
1847 - 1927

B-1662 ^{Yates}
 D-1742 ^{Richmond Va}
 Emigrated to America 1690

James

Michael

Jacob

Isaac

Dempsey Sr
 B 1725 in Virginia
 D 1792 Burke Co. Ga.
 M

Pricilla Perry

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Jacob
 B-1746 Burke Co, Ga.
 D-1807
 M - Wake Co. N.C.
 Mary Cole
 (she was an orphan)
 7 children

Isaac
 B-1751
 NEVER MARRIED

Michael
 B 1753
 M

Mary
 B 1765 D 1832
 M - Burke Co Ga.
 1782
 Robin Berryhill
 NC 15502
 Settled in Amite Co MS

Mary Berryhill

Isaac M
 Michael M
 Elizabeth M
 Madeline M
 Mary Hill M
 Catherine Bailey M
 Jacob Young M
 m Pool M

Sarah
 B 1769
 D M - 1793
 Wiley Sharp

Dempsey Jr
 B-1755
 D-1827
 M - Ga.
 M
 Mollie Wilkie
 D-1855

② M
 Jacob Neely
 in Simpson Co

James
 B-1749
 D-1807
 M-①

Clarissa Marrell

M②
 Elizabeth Bryant

Children of James were

William
 James
 Isaac
 John

Michael
 Elizabeth
 Sarah
 (2) - M -
 in Amite Co. MS
 married James Hooper

Hansford
 M D 1854
 Miss Latham
 D-1824
 Copiah Co. Ms

Mary
 M -
 Dempsey III
 M
 Elizabeth Young
 This was the cousin
 Capt. Joan Wilson

Raised a large family
 who still resided in
 Copiah Co. MS in 1857

Gemina
 M -
 Mr. Foster

Maria (young)
 - M - 1825
 Arthur Brown
 Had 10 children
 resided 6 mo
 N of Marion M.
 on Salville Rd

9/1

7 children

Jacob Welch
B-1746 D 1807
son of Dempsey Welch Sr
Sons of Jacob Welch from
Hales

-M-

Mary Cole

an orphan from Wake Co. C.
B 1750 D - about 1834 or 1835
Her 2nd marriage was to Baron James
They had 1 child
B-1805 - Melvina or Levina James
3rd marriage to John Rutledge
about 1818

Warren
B 1780
D 1840
Johnston Co. N.C.
-M- Dec 25, 1805
Mary M. Cullers
B-1788
they had children
she died in Burke Co. Ga.

Pricilla
B-1782
-M-
Jonathan Day

Barbara
B-1784
D 1807

Sarah
B 1786

George Walker
B 1788
D 1838
-M-
Frances Griffin
No issue

Michael
B 1790

Mary
B 1792

this family listed on next page

oldest son by his 1st wife

Sarah or Sara
B 1819

George W
May
B 1815
D Nov 6, 1838
-M-

Mary Ann
B 1814
-M-

Warren
B 1811
D June 26, 1857
Haley Sharp
B-1809
D-1821

Mr. Jacob Perry
B-1807 Oct 25
D-5-8-1901 M-1840
Susan Whitaker
B-1825 July 10th
in Washington Co. Ga
10 children
once owned 3,000
acres in Old Town
4 miles south of
Kennesaw near
old Wrens Road

- Nancy M. Niell
C
1. George
2. Warren
3. Charles
4. John
5. Mary M. Gae Pressnell
6. Mariast M. M. Smith

Robert Foysey
5 children

Almeda Ainsworth
No children

Samuel Haley
B 1854
D March 25 1926
19th
A. G. Perry
Haley

Nancy Cantley
B 1843
-M- 1867
An Cameron

Warren Perry
B 1844
D 1854
at the age of 10

George Washington
B Oct 1848
D 1885
Sara Crowell
B 1853
D 1924
-M-

Jacob Warren
B-1855
D-1914

Martha Whitaker
B-1857
D-1862

James Madison
B 1865
D 1871

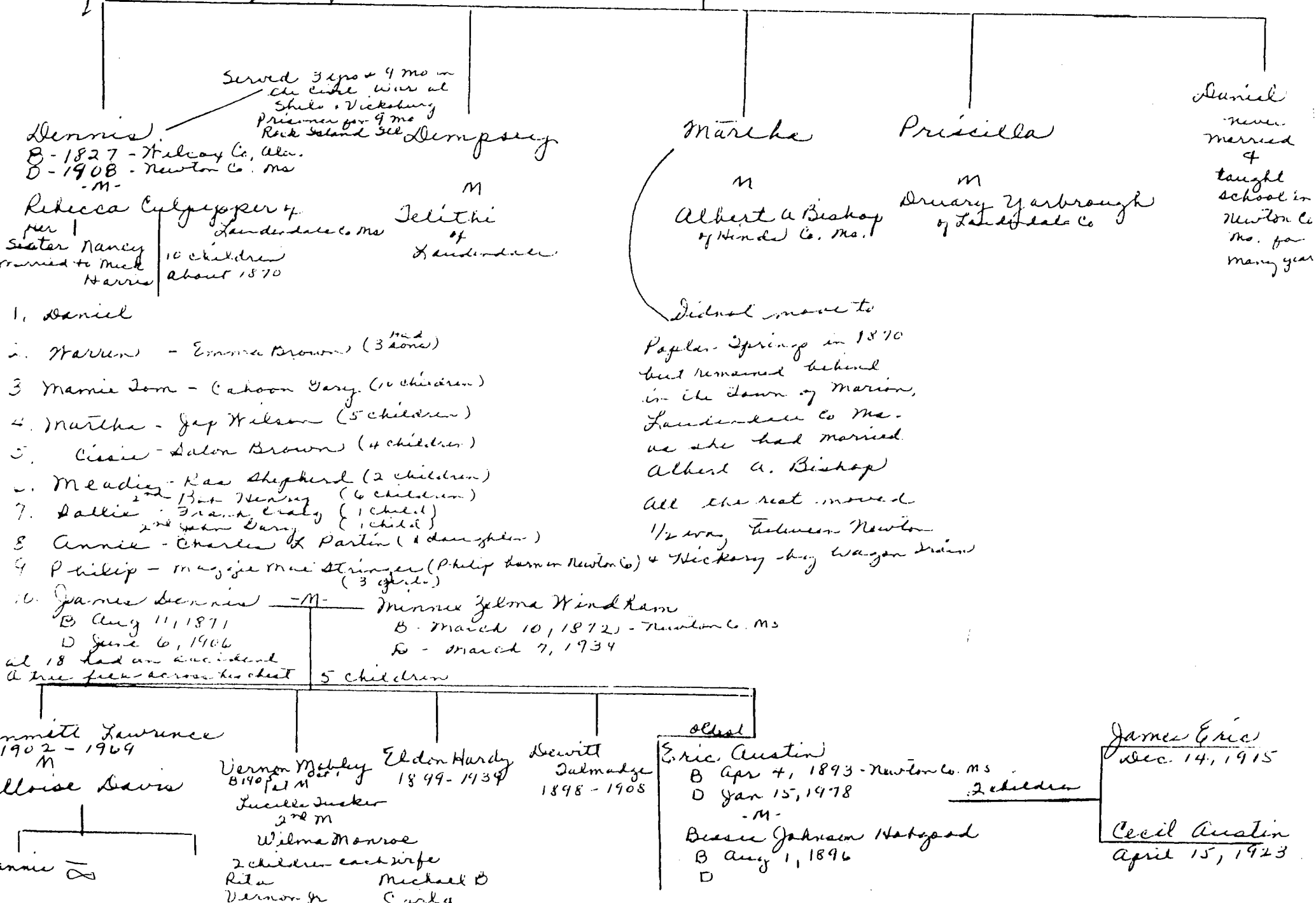
Eugeneus
B 1862
D 1892
M
George Nett
B 1850

William Thomas (uncle Billy)
B-1847
-M-
9 children
7 children
Mary Smith

B1780
 D 1841 and Wilcox Co., Ala.

Then brought her to Wilcox Co., Ala.
 & here she 2nd family was born

oldest son & Grandfather of Eric Austin Hask



WELCH FAMILY HISTORY ACCORDING TO ERIC AUSTIN WELCH IN MARCH 1977
(Eric was the husband and third cousin of Bessie Hobgood Welch,
daughter of Ella Bishop Hobgood and granddaughter of
Albert A. Bishop and Martha Welch Bishop)

This saga concerns the history of part of that part of the Welch clan as related by kin of this writer.

My name is Eric Austin Welch. I was born in Newton county, Mississippi April 4, 1893.

That part of the Welch clan as were related to this writer originated in Richmond, Virginia, having emigrated from Wales prior to the Revolutionary War, in the person of Jacob Welch. When and where Jacob Welch was married and to whom is not known. He had a son born in Virginia. His name was Dempsey Welch.

Some way not known to this writer, Jacob Welch amassed quite a fortune. When, in the South, cotton became King, Jacob Welch sold his business in Virginia and with his family moved to Burke County Georgia. There he bought a large tract of land and some slaves. Subsequently engaging in the cultivation of cotton. Dempsey Welch died in Burke County Georgia and his son Warren Welch became head of the vast plantation. Warren Welch then sold the holding in Burke County Georgia and moved to Wilcox county Alabama. He acquired a large tract of land on the Alabama River. He owned about one hundred slaves. He raised cotton and shipped it by flat boat on the Alabama River to Mobile, Alabama. Warren Welch had been married to a fine lady back in Burke county Georgia. They had one son, Jacob Perry Welch.

The mother of Jacob Perry Welch died in Burke county Georgia. Then Warren married another lady and brought her to Wilcox county Alabama where the second family was born.

Dennis Welch was the oldest son. He was the grandfather of this writer. Then there followed Dempsey, Daniel, MARTHA, and Priscilla.

Warren Welch died in Wilcox county Alabama when my grandfather Dennis was fourteen.

The oldest son of Warren Welch by his first wife had become a medical doctor. After the death of Warren Welch, Dr. Jacob Perry Welch quit his medical practice and took charge of the Welch plantation and slaves. My grandmother was not capable of managing the estate. Dr. Welch was not as good at business as he was at medicine, but he was a truly fine man. When he moved from Wilcox county Alabama to Lauderdale county Mississippi, he brought along the entire Welch family including his stepmother, (She was my great grandmother), his half brother Dennis Welch (my grandfather), half brothers Dempsey and Daniel, and half sisters MARTHA and Priscilla. In the meantime, Dr. Welch had married a fine lady back in Georgia. She was a gracious lady of the old south. She and Dr. Welch built an ante-bellum style house near Keewanee. ("Old Town", four miles south of Keewanee) in Lauderdale county on their 3,000 acre plantation which comprised over fifty slaves. My grandfather helped manage the plantation. We are not proud of being a part of the slave system and mention of it here as information. Dr. Welch and his wife lived the elegant life of the Southern planter of the old South. His stepmother, half brother and half sisters were also provided for and lived well.

When my grandfather Dennis Welch became of age, he was made overseer of the Dr. Welch plantation and slaves. This is a regrettable episode in the Welch history as far as this writer is concerned and is mentioned here as information at as a matter of pride.

The half brothers and half sisters of Dr. Welch grew up on the Welch plantation in Lauderdale county Mississippi. Dennis, my grandfather, married Rebecca Culpepper of Lauderdale county. Dempsey married a Lauderdale county woman whose first name was Telitha, family name unknown. Daniel never married. He had a physical handicap, being a club footed, because of his physical condition, he was educated for a school teacher. He taught school in Newton county Mississippi for many years. Priscilla married Drury Yarborough of Lauderdale county, and MARTHA MARRIED ALBERT A. BISHOP of Hinds county Mississippi. Dr. Welch and his wife raised up a mighty fine family of men and women in Lauderdale county Mississippi. I am unfamiliar with their names because after the Civil War the Welch clan split up. This was caused by economic reasons.

This was during horse and buggy days and the Welchs and distance kept them out of contact with each other, especially the younger generations. When the Civil War broke out, my grandfather was married and was the father of two children. He joined the Confederate Army and was in service three years and nine months. He was in the battle of Shilo and in the siege of Vicksburg. He was made prisoner when Vicksburg fell and spent nine months in the Federal prison in Rock Island, Illinois. After the war was over, he walked two thirds of the way from Illinois to his home in Lauderdale county Mississippi. When Dennis Welch arrived home from the war, he was sick, ragged, and hungry. He found his wife and children in the same condition. Federal troops under Col. Trierson had carried away everything of value of the Welch plantation - food, rain, livestock, cattle, and all the slaves. The land had grown up in weeds, the cabins were abandoned, and there was desolation everywhere. The time was in the fall of the year, too late to plant crops. There were a few stray cows and a few mules that had been inadvertently left behind by the Federals. Dennis and his family somehow survived the winter and regained some of their health and strength. With the help of a few straggling ex-slaves, they planted a crop in the spring. Cotton was sixty cents a pound when it was gathered in the fall. This good fortune gave Dennis a stake which enabled him to strike out on his own, which he later did. Then he subsequently lived in Lauderdale county for a number of years.

About the year 1870, the production of cotton caught up with the demand and the price of cotton on the Liverpool market declined to the pre-war level of eight cents a pound. For some reason not known, Dennis decided to move away from Lauderdale county. He selected and bought a piece of land about half was between Newton and Hickory in Newton county Mississippi. The community was called Popular Springs. The area had been settled by people from western Alabama and was good cotton growing land. Dennis and Rebecca Welch and family left Lauderdale county by wagon train bound for Newton county. The party consisted also of Dempsey and his wife Telitha, Daniel, Priscilla and husband, Nancy the sister of Rebecca and her husband Michael Harris. MARTHA HAD MARRIED ALBERT A. BISHOP AND REMAINED BEHIND IN THE TOWN OF MARTIN, MISSISSIPPI LAUDERDALE COUNTY.

When my father James Dennis was eighteen, he was the victim of an accident. While cutting timber, a tree knocked his down and fell across his chest, causing his lungs to collapse. He never did have good health from that time on.

Written by
Eileen Meech July 23, 1986 - Copied from a family book

As taken from the book "Our children's Ancestry
by Sarah Conley Whitaker Allen. Published by author
1935.

I Jacob Meech, born in Wales 1662 emigrated
to America - ^{Richmond Va 1690.} Died 1742
Master brick 17509

his children
II, ① Sampson Meech, ② James Meech, ③ Michael Meech
④ Jacob Meech and ⑤ Isaac Meech
These are Sampson's children - ^{mother was Priscilla Per}
① Sampson Meech

② James Meech
B-1749
Married Elizabeth Perry
Wrote c. to machine

A - Sarah Meech
A - Mary Meech

son + daughters
dempsey, a
Meech
1. Married Clarence Howell
Elizabeth Bryant
children are William, James, Isaac
John, Michael, Elizabeth, and Sarah
born 1769 in Georgia. Married Hilda
Sharp - children Elm, Fiddy, ②2 Matt
and Kyrad (Tipton).

③ Michael Meech
Born 1758 married Mary Bayliffe
children Isaac, Michael, Elizabeth
and Martha.
Born in 1751 - not married - lived
in Burke County, Georgia.

④ Isaac Meech
Born in 1746 died 1807 married
Mary Cole. Wrote c. n.c. on orphan girl
children - next page

III Jacob Meech

He was 6'2" and slim - long legs. He could plow a mile down anyday, but he hated farming with a passion, and soon left the farm to engage in the trade of sawmilling. He became very good, but we moved from place to place following the saw mill trail. My mother was not too happy about that. When James Dennis Welch was thirty three, we moved to the last saw mill. The place was in Neshoba county Mississippi. The mill was located by the side of the newly built railroad track, by the side of a little creek called Kentarky Creek. The town doctor's son who was about the same age as myself used to fish in Kentarky Creek for red bellies. I remember this boy very well. He had a million dollar smile and a gold front tooth. We had lots of fun. I went back there fifty years later. The boy with the gold front tooth was gone. Where? The creek was a mere trickle over shiny pebbles and not one red bellie was to be seen. The lot in the little town upon which stood the house in which my father died in 1906 was vacant and the house had long since passed from view.

As the day came to a close, I looked into the sunset. The shadows became long and ghostly. I saw a little boy swinging on a gate with rusty hinges. - I heard the voice of a whipporwill singing: Margarite, Margarite. I said goodbye.

The following paragraph was omitted:

My father was James Dennis Welch. My Mother was Minnie Zelma Windham Welch. My father was born in Lauderdale county, Mississippi. My mother was born in Newton county, Mississippi. This writer had four brothers:

Dewitt Talmage Welch died at age eleven.

Eldon Hardy Welch died at age thirty six.

Emmett Lawrence Welch died at age sixty seven.

Vernon Mobley Welch is still living as of this date March 1977.

My brothers Dwitt and Eldon are buried in the Popular Springs church cemetary in Newton county, Mississippi. Emmett is buried in the Whispering Pines cemetary in Los Angeles, California (worked for one of the movie studios)

My father died at age thirty three. My mother died at age sixty four. Both

are buried in the Popular Springs church cemetary in Newton county, Mississippi. My grandfather was Dennis Welch, born in Wilcox County Alabama in 1827, died in 1908 in Newton county, Mississippi, buried same as above.

1. Priscilla Steel born 1782 - married Jonathan Day died when Dr. P. Steel was quite young. Children - Jacob, John, Rebecca & others -
2. Barbara Steel born 1784 - died 1807
3. Sarah Steel born 1786 - had a number of children
4. George Steel born 1788 - died 1838 - married Frances Griffin - no children.
5. Mary Steel born 1799 - died 1862 married William Hill Jeter, married Peter
6. Geneva Steel

IV
Warren Steel

- Sold at child, born in Johnson Co. N.C. in 17 moved to Burke County Ga. He was quite a realtist. Married Mary M^{rs} Cullen. She served in Nov of 1812. Moved to Lawrence Co Ga. Children, moved to Montgomery Ala in 1816. Purchased farm in 1817. Great wife died then moved back to Ala.
- 1 - Sarah - B 1819 m - J. G. Stevenson
 - 2 - George M B 1815 m - Mary M^{rs} Hill - C. 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754, 755, 756, 757, 758, 759, 760, 761, 762, 763, 764, 765, 766, 767, 768, 769, 770, 771, 772, 773, 774, 775, 776, 777, 778, 779, 780, 781, 782, 783, 784, 785, 786, 787, 788, 789, 790, 791, 792, 793, 794, 795, 796, 797, 798, 799, 800, 801, 802, 803, 804, 805, 806, 807, 808, 809, 810, 811, 812, 813, 814, 815, 816, 817, 818, 819, 820, 821, 822, 823, 824, 825, 826, 827, 828, 829, 830, 831, 832, 833, 834, 835, 836, 837, 838, 839, 840, 841, 842, 843, 844, 845, 846, 847, 848, 849, 850, 851, 852, 853, 854, 855, 856, 857, 858, 859, 860, 861, 862, 863, 864, 865, 866, 867, 868, 869, 870, 871, 872, 873, 874, 875, 876, 877, 878, 879, 880, 881, 882, 883, 884, 885, 886, 887, 888, 889, 890, 891, 892, 893, 894, 895, 896, 897, 898, 899, 900, 901, 902, 903, 904, 905, 906, 907, 908, 909, 910, 911, 912, 913, 914, 915, 916, 917, 918, 919, 920, 921, 922, 923, 924, 925, 926, 927, 928, 929, 930, 931, 932, 933, 934, 935, 936, 937, 938, 939, 940, 941, 942, 943, 944, 945, 946, 947, 948, 949, 950, 951, 952, 953, 954, 955, 956, 957, 958, 959, 960, 961, 962, 963, 964, 965, 966, 967, 968, 969, 970, 971, 972, 973, 974, 975, 976, 977, 978, 979, 980, 981, 982, 983, 984, 985, 986, 987, 988, 989, 990, 991, 992, 993, 994, 995, 996, 997, 998, 999, 1000
 - 3 - Mary Ann B 1814 - - - - - m - Ralt Jurgley - 5 children
 - 4 - Warren B 1811 m - Almada Lennawell - no child
 - 5 - Wiley Sharp B 1809 - 1821

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83

As the early 1840's trips and hunting did not
 a pair - introduced.

With seen their died September 24, 1900

Her parent Perry Metek & Marika Sam. had 10 children

1. Mary Conroy Metek B - 1843 m John Cameron in 1867
2. Warren Perry Metek B - 1844 d. 1854 at the age of 10
3. William Thomas Metek B - 1847 d. 1927 - m 1856 d. 1866-193.
4. George Mackinon Metek B - Oct 1848 d. 1888
4 children
5. David Crowell Metek B - 1853 d. 1924 m Mary Smith
(1852-1911)
6. Jacob Warren Metek B - 1855 d. 1914 d. 1922
7. Marika Metaka Metek B - 1857 d. 1862

~~James Metek B - 1865 d. 1871~~

- 4.8 Eugénie Metek B - 1862 d. 1892 m 1888 d. 1892
- 4.9 James Mackin Metek B - 1865 d. 1871 Metek (1850-1932)

~~James Metek B - 1859 d. 1925~~
 a. James Metek's Grand Father m. Marika Metaka
 were: of Judge m. M. Metaka m. 1810, 1882 their children

1. Mrs. Ke Virginia - Feb 27, 1887 - d. 1986
2. Eleanor Metek Oct 8, 1888 - d. Jan 13, 1946
3. Warren Metek B - Feb 1891

VIII 4. Milton Perry Metek B - Dec 5, 1892 d.

- (3) a. James J Metek B - July 9, 1920
- (1) M. Charles B - Sept 25, 1917 - m. Marie Kuyper
- (3) Edith Metek B - November 9, 1920
- (4) Richard Metek B - June 13, 1931 m. Mary
- Charles - Rick - Marika Susan Metek 14 in 1956

GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY OF MARION COUPLE

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Martha Welch Were Made Man and Wife
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of the marriage register prepared for presentation to the venerable couple.

The seal of the court appears in red and gold on the yellow document, which is surmounted by engravings of two lovely cherubs swinging a marriage belt in their chubby hands, and fringed with beautifully wrought silver of roses and other flowers interwoven with silver ribbon.

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FARMERS INSTITUTES

At Causeyville, on Friday, August 1st and at Landerdale, Saturday, August 2d, President J. C. Hardy, of the A. & M. College, will speak on the development of the country. The sources of the country on the same occasion, State Superintendent H. L. Whitfield will deliver a lecture on the development of the rural schools and the extension of the Public School Term.

Both of these gentlemen are well known and deserve a good hearing. Every one who is interested in either or both of these important subjects is urged to attend.

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MR. ROBY HERE

Mr. Roby, who was present to see the original certificate, passed some time in the afternoon of the 27th day of July, 1852, in the office of the circuit court at Marion, where he found the original certificate in the record book of the court.

SEE FOLLOWING PAGE
TO READ

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appearing on the record beside that of Judge Hancock. If it were left to
Mr. Cameron to swear that his signature was his, it is probable that he
would not be able to do so although he does not doubt the word of Mrs.
Bishop that he was present at her wedding and was a witness to the contract.

As a matter of fact Mr. Cameron does not remember the happy event which
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Three of their ten children are still living, being W. F. Bishop, Miss Alice Bishop, and Mrs. Ella Hobgood, all of Marion. Later, we will review the 1902 paper, selecting interesting items, but right now here are references from the Bishop Golden wedding item:

"True, old-fashioned country hospitality was dispensed most lavishly. Among those present were Hon. W. D. Cameron and Hon. B. V. White, Meridian; James Hobgood and family, Frank Brown and family, J. G. Bishop and family, M. D. Hasselle and family, George W. Bishop and family, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hobgood, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Sam Wagoner, Dr. and Mrs. Robert W. Harmon, Miss Annie Hunter, Mt. Pleasant, Tenn., and Mrs. M. B. Harmon of Wynot.

No description could possibly do justice to the magnificent feast to which the guests were conducted at noon. There were musical selections on the piano, violin, mandolin, and guitar. Mr. Cameron presented Mr. and Mrs. Bishop with a beautifully embossed marriage certificate. The couple were married at Alamucha, Miss., by Judge Hancock, July 27, 1852."

The Meridian Evening Star, date of October 29, 1910, carried a reference to Mr. Bishop as probably the oldest active farmer in Lauderdale county. In that year, Mr. Bishop had reached the age of 87, and was in fine health, with the strength and vigor of a man a quarter of a century younger. He was doing his own work in the field, producing crops of corn, cotton, potatoes, peas, and sugar cane.

"The prosperity of Lauderdale county is built on such men as Mr. Bishop." the article concluded.

THE ABOVE ARTICLE APPEARED IN THE MERIDIAN STAR SOMETIME DURING THE 1940S



MARTHA JANE BISHOP born 1877
Oldest child of Albert A.
and Martha Welch Bishop

LILLIAN WAGNER 1875-1931 daughter
of Mary Ellen Bishop Wagner
Grand daughter of Albert A.
and Martha Welch Bishop



MARY ELLEN BISHOP WAGNER
(Mollie)

BORN March 14, 1857
DIED November 4, 1895

MARRIED Samuel Houston Wagner

CHILDREN: Lillian Wagner - no children
Seth Wagner - daughter, Dorothy Lillian Wagner Chandler
DAUGHTER of Albert A. and Martha Welch Bishop
GRAND DAUGHTER of John and Mary Woods Bishop
GREAT GRAND DAUGHTER of John Bishop who moved to Mississippi in 1818
from Edgefield District, South Carolina
JOEL WAGNER, SR. was Sam Wagner's son by his second marriage. Alice and
Feaster Bishop reared Joel Franklin Wagner, Sr. after
the death of Sam and Mary Fzzell Wagner.

Address of Dorothy Lillian Wagner Chandler:
Mrs. Hendrix Chandler
1451 Mitchell Avenue
Tallahassee, Florida 32303

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ALICE ELIZABETH BISHOP
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CHILDREN of Albert A. and
Martha Welch Bishop
Their grandparents were
John and Mary Woods
Bishop, Warren Welch
and his second wife



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ELLA BISHOP

JOHN GREENBERRY BISHOP

WILLIS FEASTER BISHOP

They are children of Albert A. and Martha Welch Bishop
Grand children of Mary and John Bishop, Jr. (born in
South Carolina in 1799)
Great-grand children of John Bishop, Sr. who lived in
Edgefield District, South Carolina and moved to Mississippi
in 1818.

Their grandfather on their mother's side: Warren Welch, Sr.
great-grandfather: Jacob Welch
great-grandfather: Dempsey Welch
great-great-grandfather: Jacob Welch, born in Wales in 1666



PEASTER AND BUD

WILLIS PEASTER BISHOP 1865-1949

JOHN GREENBERRY BISHOP 1860-1920

SONS of Albert A. and Martha
Welch Bishop



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WILLIS PEASTER BISHOP

Their parents were Albert A. and
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ALICE ELIZABETH BISHOP
DAUGHTER of Albert A. and
Martha Welch Bishop
NEVER MARRIED - Lived in
Marion, Mississippi



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1865-1949
Marion, Mississippi
SON of Albert A. and Martha
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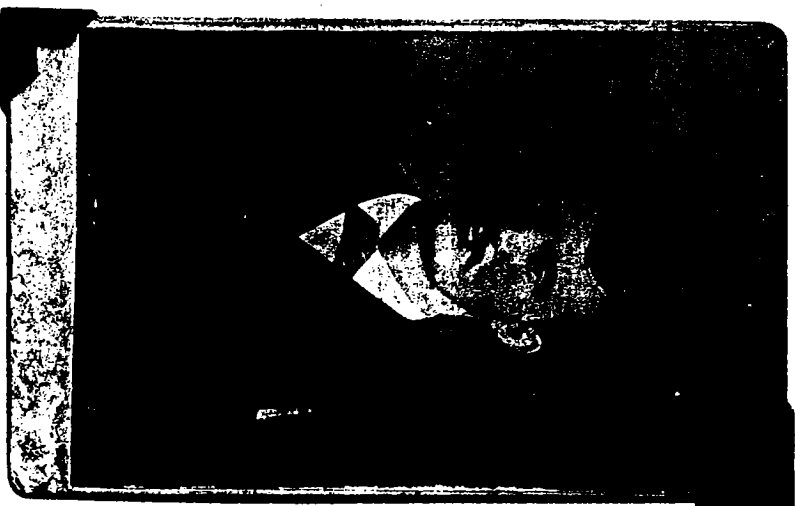


ALICE ELIZABETH BISHOP

BORN June 25, 1862

DAUGHTER OF Albert A. and Martha Welch Bishop
GRAND DAUGHTER of John and Mary Woods Bishop
GREAT GRAND DAUGHTER of John Bishop who moved from Edgefield District, South Carolina to Wayne county Mississippi in 1818

NEVER MARRIED - lived with her brother Willis Feaster Bishop



WILLIS FEAST R BISHOP

BORN November 29, 1865
DIED January 17, 1949

SON of Albert A. and Martha Welch Bishop
GRANDSON of John and Mary Woods Bishop
GREAT GRANDSON of John Bishop who moved to Mississippi from Edgefield
District in 1818.

OCCUPATION: Farmed and kept books for William Atkinson
ACTIVE in Marion Masonic Lodge. The following is taken from an article
in the Meridian Star in 1947:

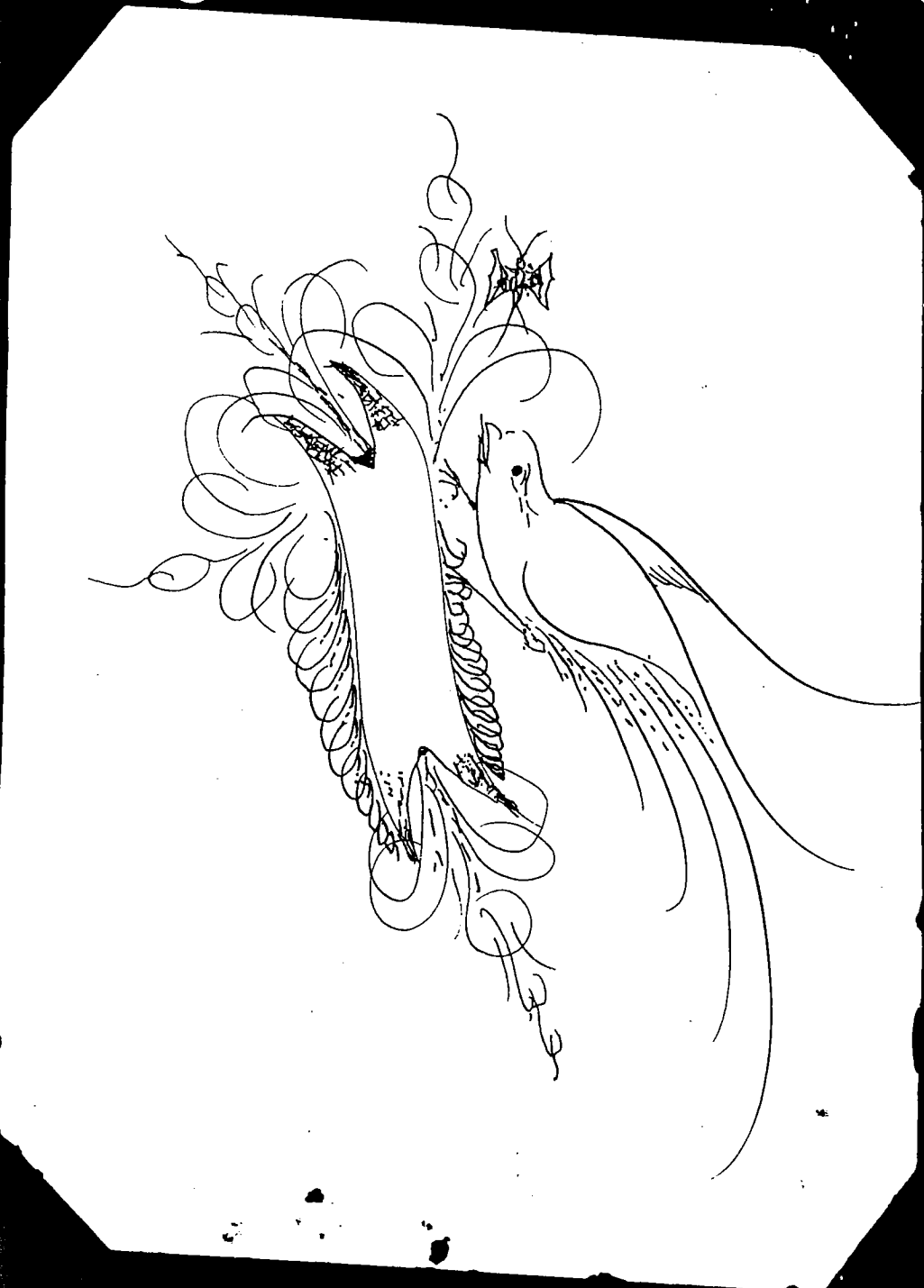
"The Marion Lodge is the oldest lodge in Lauderdale county, having been organized in the year 1844. W. F. BISHOP, secretary of the Marion lodge, has served in this capacity since 1909. He has been a Mason since 1888, or 59 years, and is one of the oldest living Masons in the state in point of membership.

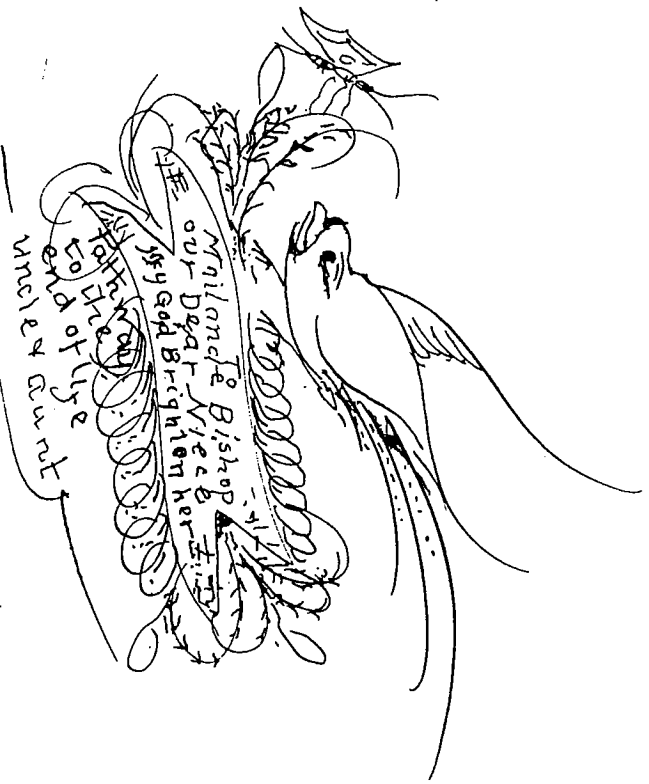
The grand secretary states that MR. BISHOP is one of the best secretaries of a local lodge in the state, besides being one of the best penmen in the state, and one of the few who still use the old flourishing Spencerian type of penmanship with shaped letters.

NEVER MARRIED * Was engaged, but her parents prevented her from leaving home.

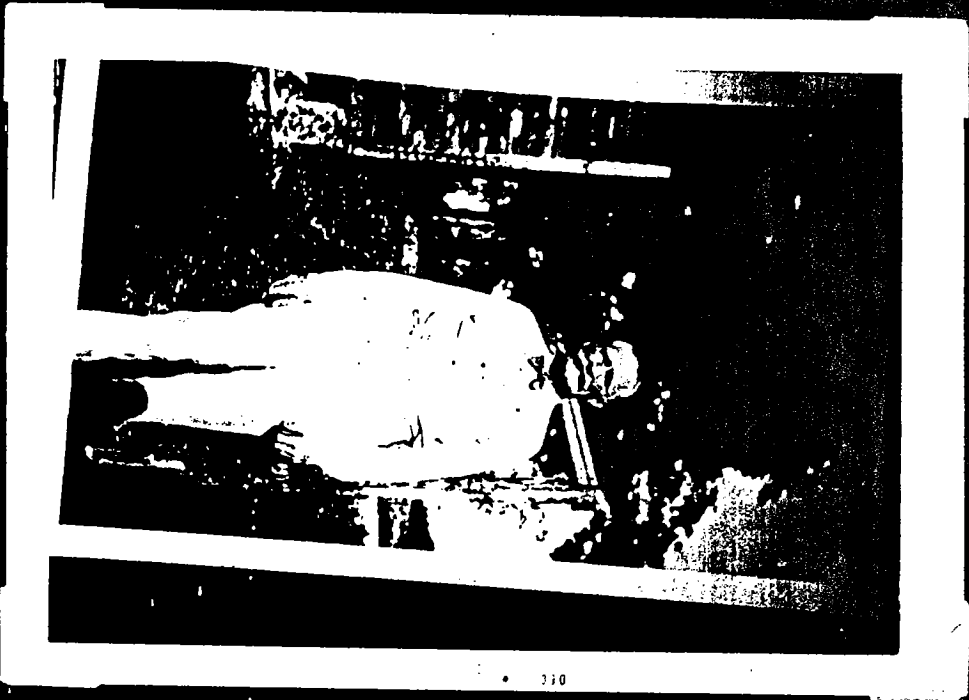


Edward J. [unclear]





uncle Feaster Bishop
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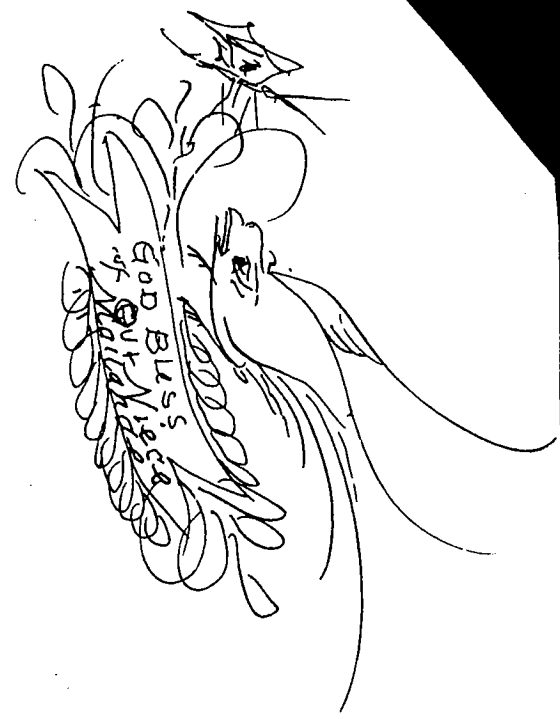




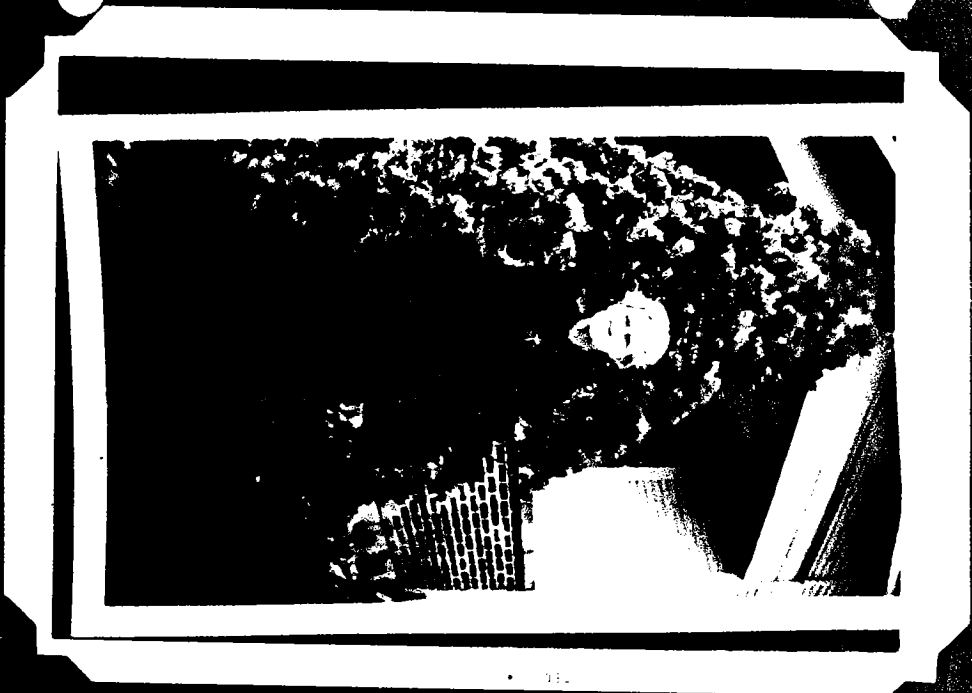
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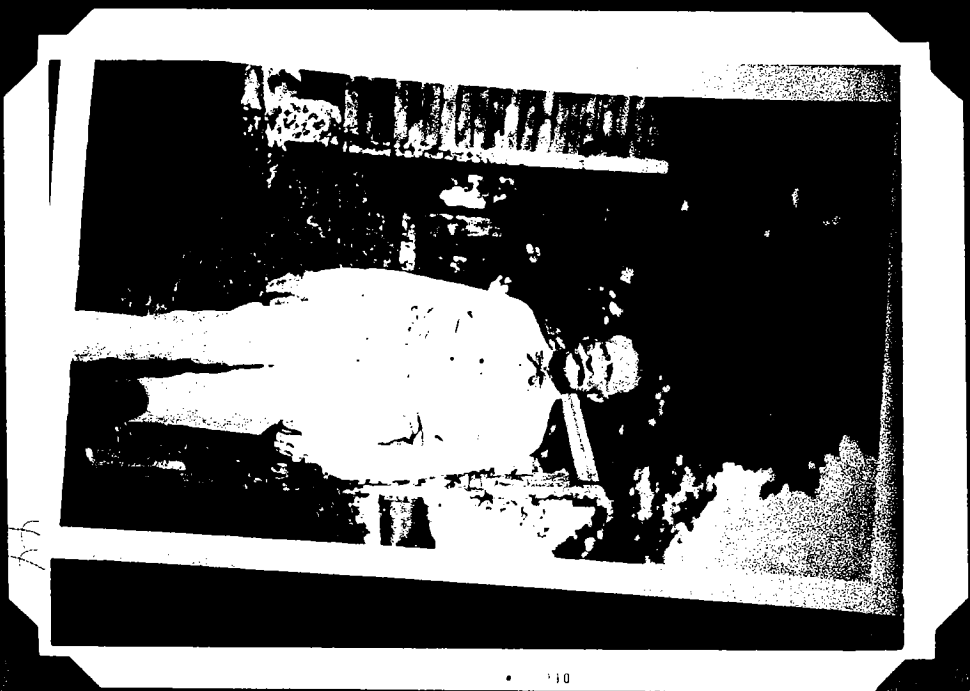


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WILLIS FECOL R BISHOP
(1865-1949)
Son of Albert A. and Martha
Welch Bishop

ALICE ELIZABETH BISHOP
Daughter of Albert A. and
Martha Welch Bishop
Picture taken in the 1940s



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Cousin Sally of New York
This was probably placed in the family album
as a joke by Uncle Foaster.
He believed in t anything from New York
was special. One time he ordered some
socks out of the New York Times. When
they arrived, he discovered they were
stamped: "made in Meridian, Mississippi".



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ELLA BISHOP HOBGOOD

Youngest daughter of Albert A. and Martha Welch Bishop
JAMES THOMAS HOBGOOD
STRODE HOBGOOD

The story of their elopement was told to me as follows:

When the Bishop family buggy pulled into the church yard one Sunday morning, Mr. Jim Hobgood pulled up beside them in his buggy. He said,

"Miss Ella would you care to go for a ride?" Her sister, Alice Elizabeth, She moved into his buggy and they rode away. She pulled up her long dress and started running after them as fast as she could shouting, "Ella, Ella, come back." Ella waved to them and said, "Good-bye Alice."

The next morning, her brothers mounted their horses with their guns and rode to Mr. Jim's house. Ella came out and said, "Boys, I have married Mr. Hobgood. You can put your guns away and go on back home. This is my home now and I intend to stay here." Mr. Jim came out and told them to shoot if they wanted to. They put their guns away and left. When Aunt Ella dressed on Sunday morning, she put on as many clothes as was possible. She was nineteen and he was thirty nine. He had five children by a previous marriage



JOHN GREENBERRY BISHOP 1860-1920
Marion, Mississippi
SON of Albert A. and Martha Welch
Bishop
MARRIED May Harmon
CHILDREN: Albert Harmon, Robert J.,
Eva, Wallace, Fred, and
Betty



John Greenberry Bishop
photograph

*From Street,
Meridian, Miss*

JOHN GREENBERRY BISHOP

BORN March 1, 1960; DIED January 27, 1920
SON of Albert A. and Martha Welch Bishop

GRANDSON of John and Mary Woods Bishop

GREAT-GRANDSON of John Bishop, Sr. from Edgefield county, South Carolina
MARRIED ~~May~~ Eva Harmon December 10, 1890. She was the daughter of Dr.

Robert Hunter Harmon and Betty Hunter Harmon. She died February 7, 1912

OCCUPATION: Farmer and Carpenter. He did interior finish work, such as
carvings on staircases. He worked in many of the fine old

homes in Meridian, Mississippi

CHILDREN of John Greenberry and Mae Harmon Bishop:

- Albert Harmon October 13, 1891 - February 4, 1957
- Robert Jennings December 2, 1893 - October 8, 1894
- Eva Hunter April 30, 1896 - July 12, 1940
- William Wallace October 3, 1899
- Willis Fred June 18, 1903 - July 17, 1945
- Betty January 18, 1906 - April 27, 1928

GREAT EDIFICE IS CLOSE TO COMPLETION

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH BUILDING WILL BE ONE OF HANDSOMEST IN SOUTH, ACCORDING TO MAN WHO HAS SEEN SIMILAR BUILDINGS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTRY.

The new building for the First Presbyterian church is rapidly approaching completion and will be finished within about six weeks. Speaking of this building, Wm. Neill of this city, expert carver on the lower, expresses his delight with the structure of the same, as shown by the following interview furnished The Dispatch:

"Meridian may feel justly proud of possessing the most classic building in the south. Every detail of the church building, which is strictly Gothic in style is, the highest form of ecclesiastical architecture, whilst its general form, it is so symmetrical as to be unsurpassed by any Gothic church I have ever seen, throughout the United States; whilst a thorough tour of the leading Cathedrals of Europe has shown no church more symmetrical in form. No German barrel is met by the divine who ministers within its classic walls. Its very beauty should attract the eye of the average layman the highest aesthetic imagination. Unrivalled in symmetry, a splendid harmony in the unity of its variety. It is built of the highest representative materials of the north and the south, reflecting also the idealistic and practical mind of the architect who conceived it. What a thousand and one thoughts it calls forth. The history of the Gothic, whence came these battlemented roofs, these lofty windows, these carved door ways, what mean these crosses, and who originated these massive towers, capped by exquisite carvings which stand firm and strong, pointing the way heavenward, symbolic of all that is christian?"

"The new Masonic cathedral, the numerous modern buildings throughout the state, along with this church, are their own proof that we have located here on the greatest architects of the south. P. J. Krouse.

"The superstructure of the building was erected by the Daly Contracting Company which is now located here permanently. The president of this company is Miss Ida Daly, one of the few lady contractors of the country.

"The great roof now well under way defied the minds and skill of several experts from eastern states, who were baffled by its design and it remained for a local farmer, Mr. Bishop, to carry out the design completely to the architect's orders.

"In a short time only will be the

church dedicated. The pealing anthems swell their note of praise within the classic walls, and the real work of the church begins. A great design, well-executed. May the congregation of this noble edifice rise to their great responsibilities and may the city feel justly proud of the greatest classic building in the south."

CAP-A-COLD FOR 25c.

DISPOSING OF PROPERTY.

Land Company Not Willing to Stand for Tax Raise.

Purvis, Miss., Dec. 16.—Ben L. Foster of Hattiesburg, agent for the Blodgett Land Company, was at the sheriff's office this week checking up and paying taxes for his company. The Blodgett people are fast disposing of their timber holdings in this county on account of the high taxes which they are having to pay. The tax formerly paid by this syndicate to this county was upwards of \$23,000 a year, when the timber lands were assessed at from \$10 to \$20 an acre. But now since selling off several large tracts of their timber, with assessments of \$34 an acre, this company is paying \$15,000 taxes to Lamar county.

CAP-A-COLD FOR 25c.

MUNICIPAL CHRISTMAS TREE IDEA SPREADS OVER COUNTY

New York, Dec. 16.—The municipal Christmas tree for 5,000,000 Yorkers has been set up in Times Square. The idea of a municipal Christmas tree in New York was first tried for

John Greenberry Bishop



MAY HARMON BISHOP 1870-1912
JOHN GREENBERRY BISHOP 1860-1920
MARRIED DECEMBER 10, 1890

May Harmon was the daughter of Dr.
Robert Hunter and Betty Hunter
Harmon



ALBERT HARMON BISHOP 1891-1957
Marion, Mississippi
GRANDSON of Albert A. and Martha Welch
Bishop
SON of John Greenberry and May Harmon
Bishop
MARRIED Ruby Kinard
ONE CHILD: Mailande Bishop Schrum



ALBERT HARMON BISHOP

SON of John Greenberry and May Harmon Bishop
GRANDSON of Albert A. and Martha Welch Bishop
GREAT-GRANDSON of John and Mary Woods Bishop
GREAT-GREAT GRANDSON of John Bishop of Edgefield District, South Carolina

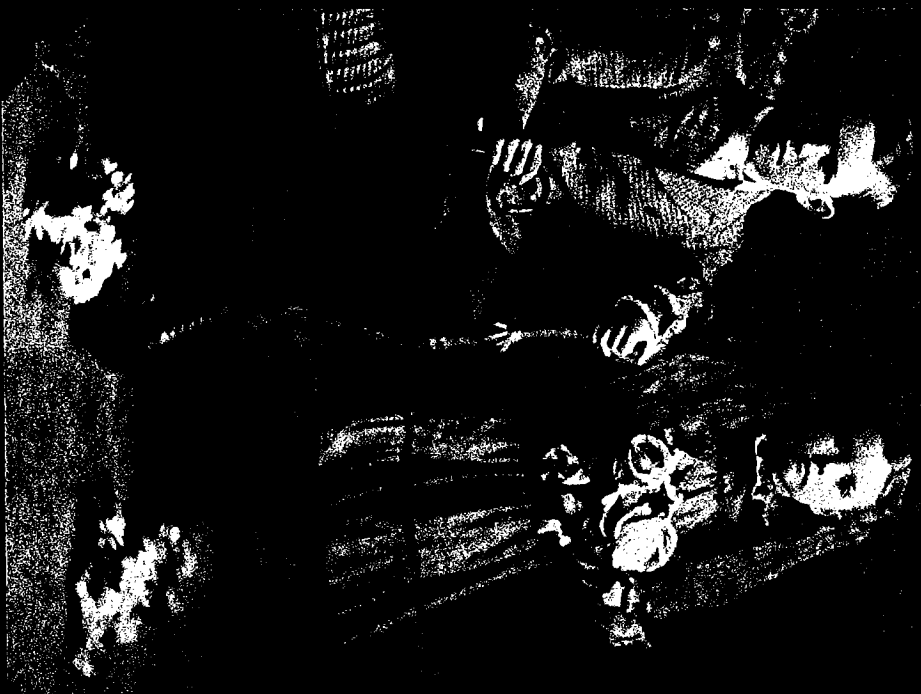
OCCUPATION: Farmed and worked for the Railroad while health permitted.

MARRIED: Ruby Kinard, daughter of Ed Martin Kinard and Maggie Speed Kinard

ONE CHILD: Mailande Bishop Schrum (Mrs. Sidney Schrum, 111 Overbrook
Goldsboro, N.C. 27530

SERVED in Army in World War I

ACTIVE in Marion Methodist Church

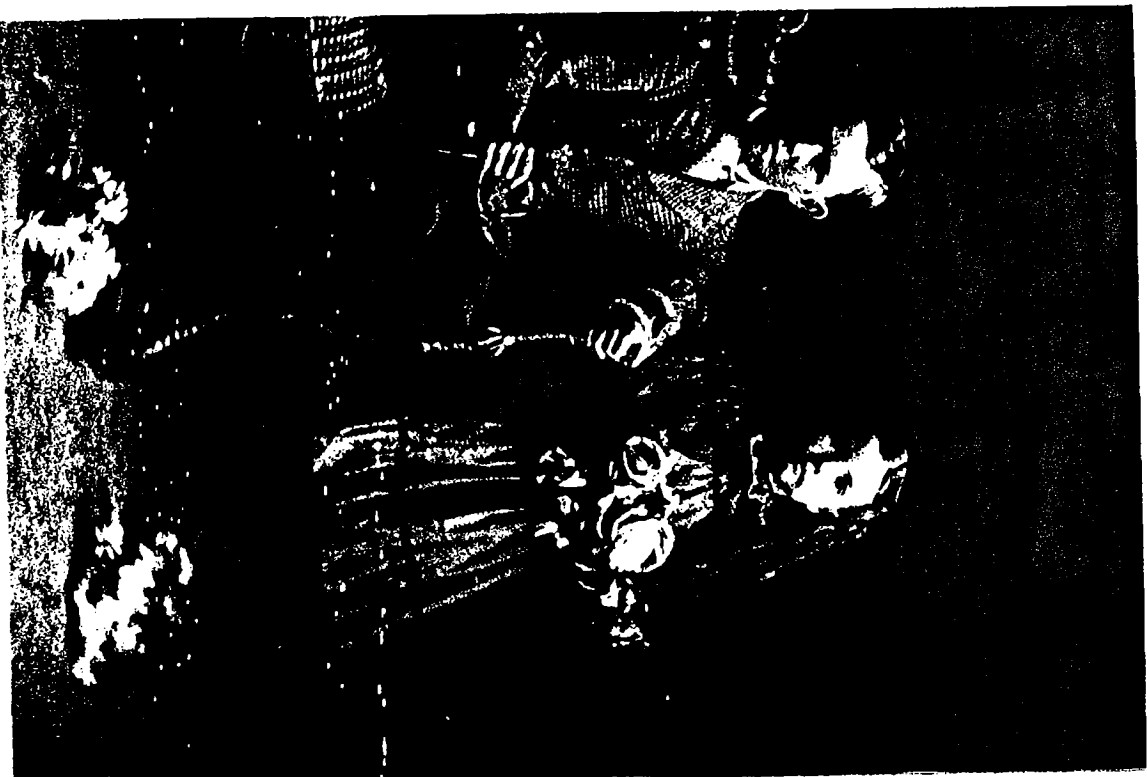


BESSIE HOBGOOD (WELCH)
Married Eric Austin Welch

STRODE HOBGOOD - never married

CHILDREN of Jim and Ella Bishop Hobgood
GRAND CHILDREN of Albert A. and Martha
Welch Bishop

STRODE HOBGOOD
BESSIE HOBGOOD (WELCH)



CHILDREN of Jim and Ella Bishop Hobgood
GRANDCHILDREN of Albert A. and Martha Welch Bishop
GREAT GRANDCHILDREN of John and Mary Woods Bishop
GREAT - GREAT GRANDCHILDREN of John Bishop who left Edgefield District; South Carolina in 1818 and settled in Mississippi

STRODE lived in Marion, Mississippi; never married

BESSIE married Eric Austin Welch
Children of Bessie and Eric Welch:
James Eric Welch - married Erlene Harvister; R.F.D.#8 Meridian, Miss.
Children of James Eric and Erlene Welch:

Cecil Welch



LILLIAN WAGNER
DAUGHTER of Mary Ellen
Bishop Wagner and
Sam Wagner
GRAND DAUGHTER of Albert and
Martha Welch Bishop



LILLIAN WAGNER

BORN: June 25, 1875; died January 21, 1931

GRANDDAUGHTER of Albert A. and Marth Welch Bishop

DAUGHTER of Mary Ellen Bishop who married Samuel Houston Wagner.
They had a son named Seth Wagner. His daughter Dorothy
Lillian Chandler lives: Mrs. Hendrix Chandler

1451 Mitchell Avenue
Tallahassee, Florida 32303
When Mary Ellen died, Sam married Mary Ezzell. Their
son was Joel Franklin Wagner, Sr.

After the death of Sam and Narry Wagner, Aunt Alice and
Uncle Feaster Bishop reared Joel Franklin Wagner, Sr.

Lillian married Calhoun Kynerd in 1922, after the death
of his first wife. This is listed on page 83 of "Footsteps
of Jacob Kynerd" by Dan Kinard.

WORKSHEET

HUSBAND Mellard Douglas of _____
 Birth November 20, 1856 Place Alabama
 Chr _____ Place _____
 Death June, 1917 Place Meridian, Ms
 Burial Larker's Cemetery Place Marion, Ms
 Mar _____ Place _____
 Father _____ Mother _____

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 Periodical Marriage _____ Estate _____ Extract _____
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(Almeda, Ala)
 WIFE Mattie Bishop of _____
 Birth September 18, 1858 Place _____
 Chr _____ Place Ashe Hospital
 Death October 16, 1923 Place Meridian, Ms
 Burial Larker's Cemetery Place Marion, Ms
 Father Albert Bishop Mother Malch

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Male or Female	CHILDREN	When BORN			Where BORN		State or Country	DIED			MARRIED		
		Day	Mo.	Yr.	Town	County		Day	Mo.	Yr.	Place	Date	Place
F	(Beck) Annie H. Balch	12	Feb	1882	Marion		Ms	June 21, 1928				Charles	Balch
F	(Lyndon) Lissy H. Brown				Marion		Ms	New Orleans La				Robert	Brown
F	Sessie H. Massey				Marion		Ms	New Orleans La				Thos	
F	Ellie F. Williams	6-17-88			Marion		Ms	Meridian, Ms	Feb. 1969			Fred	
M	Edward H. Jusselle				Marion		Ms	Meridian, Ms				Lissy	
M	James Jusselle	2			Marion		Ms					the most	
M	William E. Jusselle	26	Sept	1876	Marion	Lauderdale	Ms	Feb. 22, 1954				Carl	Jusselle
F	Effie M. Clay	2	July	1884	Marion	Lauderdale	Ms	Marion, Ms				Ed	Clay
M	William H. Jusselle	9	Dec	1892	Marion	Lauderdale	Ms	Jan 20, 1912				Bonnie	

