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1815 TO 1853

MONEYMORE, IRELAND TO MOBILE, ALABAMA U.S.A.

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JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

The Surnames of Ireland

More than 4,000
Gaelic, Norman, and Anglo-Irish Surnames:
a detailed and compact guide
giving a wealth of information
on the background of Irish family names
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- BUCHANAN** (Bohannon-Mawhannon) A well known
scottish Toponymic quite numerous in
Tyrone and other Ulster Counties.
- CARNEY** MACCARNEY - O'CARNEY - O'KEARNEY.
Originally of BallyMacarney, County
Meath. This name has been located in
Ulster, but the prefix "MAC" having been
widely discarded. It is usually
indistinguishable from (O)CARNEY.
- COWLEY** One of the ten (Tribes of Kilkenny) the
name is usually an English Toponymic,
MACCOWLEY a variant of MACAULEY in North
Connacht and Donegal and also in Isle of
Man where, however, the MAC is not
retained.
- FLYNN** O'FLYNN - O'FLIONN (ruddy). This
numerous and wide spread name originated
in a number of different places.
Including Counties Kerry and Clare, Cork
was a branch of the CORCA LAOIDHE, the
other, Lords of MUAKERYLINN in North
Connacht. The O'FLYNN were leading men
under the Royal O'CONNORS, and there was
also an ERENAGH Family there. While
further west on the shores of Lough Conn
another distinct ERENAGH family was
located.

KENNEDY

O'KENNEDY (ugly-head). An important Dalcessian sept of east County Clare which settled in North Tipperary and spread thence as far south as Wexford whence came the family of Pres. John F. Kennedy. The Scottish KENNEDYs are by remote origin Irish Gaels.

NELSON

(or NEILSON) Derived from "NJALL", the Norse form of the Irish NIALL. The name came to Ireland from Scotland and is numerous in Dublin and Ulster since the early seventeenth century. It is "Gaelicized" as MACNEIGHILL.

SHAW

This name, that of a branch of the Scottish Clan MACKINTOSH is on record in Ulster since the sixteenth century, but most families so called came at the time of the plantation of Ulster and subsequently. It is found in all provinces but is still more numerous in Ulster than elsewhere. The first of the Dublin Family, to which George Bernard SHAW belonged, was an officer in the Army of William III.

SMITH

When not the name of an English settler family, SMITH is usually a synonym of MACGOWAN, nearly always so in County Cavan. MACGOWAN may also appear as O'GOWAN or rare cases GOWAN.

VAUGHAN

This is a common Welsh name and as such it has been in Ireland since early sixteenth century. The majority of VAUGHNs in Ireland are either of Families of MOHAN, or MAUGHAN, Ballyvaughan.

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WHY ???

After the crushing of the Wolfe Tone's United Irishmen Rising of 1798, the British engineered an Act of Union for the sole purpose of total political suppression of the Irish.

Cornwallis, the Viceroy of Ireland, embarked on a campaign of trickery intended to coerce the Dublin Parliament into dissolving itself after 500 years. When this was accomplished, the Cross of St. Patrick was added to the British Cross of St. George and the Scottish Cross of St. Andrew.

The Irish Bishops that sold out to the British were promised, as payment, Catholic emancipation.

Under British rule many hardships were applied to the Irish Catholics. Not only were they heavily taxed on almost everything, but were also forced to tithe to the Anglican Church or Church of England. Most were extremely poor and referred to as "Croppies" (share croppers). Almost all property was owned by some British Lord or some other loyal Britisher given the property as payment of some kind or another. Since all crops were the property of the owner and a quota assigned to the renter, the Croppie, had little available for his own use. The only thing the Croppie was allowed to keep for his own use was the potato. One might relate the Croppie's status to the sharecroppers of the 1920's and 1930's in southern United States and to the mill hands and miners of the eastern United States up until about 1970. Everything must be bought from the owner which created more debt and poverty. If the potato crop came in strong in September, then the Irish had a chance to survive one more year.

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In 1800 Ireland had a population of about 8 million. Two to three million had no jobs or land and wandered about the countryside living off anything that could be found. An average man ate between eight and twelve pounds of potatoes a day with the skins going to feed the chickens and pigs. Turf (peat) was burned for heat and cooking. Anytime one staple is relied on for survival, catastrophe cannot be far away.

In September of 1845, disaster arrived in the form of the potato blight. When the crops which were very good were removed from the ground and placed into the storage bins or cribs they appeared to be very healthy and large, however, almost overnight they turned black and mushy and had a very nauseating odor. When secretly tried on livestock they caused death. **The Potato Famine had arrived!**

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Most homes were of stone and sod construction with a single beam across the roof. This beam or peak was the high point for the thatch roof. They were generally of two room construction - sleeping room and living/cooking quarters with some also containing the stable for livestock. Many of these "Famine" houses can still be seen in Ireland today.

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Most are in ruin.

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The people either died and were buried as soon as possible or simply closed the door and left everything they owned to immigrate. Today the population of Ireland is about 10 million with about 40 million either claiming to be Irish or of Irish descent residing in the United States.

FAIRY RINGS or FAIRY CIRCLES

The circle of rocks shown here in the picture for many years have been referred to as "Fairy Rings or Fairy Circles". Many stories have been told of them all suggesting the wee people made them for some reason or another. However, in recent years further investigation has revealed them to be mass graves from the "Famine Years". As the many deaths occurred to the peasants, or Croppies, with little or no funds, they were buried here in unmarked graves. Just as during the Yellow Fever epidemics of the 1850's in the United States, it was necessary to get them below ground as quickly as possible and no one was left to mark or note the graves. The survivors either emigrated or left the area.



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WHO???

In 1958 I began a search for our family history by writing to my Aunt Johnnie (Johnnie Miller Smith Buchanan). Several pieces of the puzzle came from her reply. In 1959 my father, Lee Potter Smith, and I went to Mobile, Alabama, in order to confirm this information and search for any more information that was available. We found the record of baptismal for my grandfather, John William Smith, and also visited the orphanage (new location) where he was raised.

We also located the burial site for Michael and Margaret Smith along with the unmarked grave for my great-grandfather, John William Smith, his wife, Mary Byrnes Smith, and twin sons names unknown. They are all buried in the same grave and all died within about six months from nephritis. Not far away in the Old Catholic or Davis Street Cemetery is the mausoleum of the Shaws.

Since this time, my father has continued the search and with the help of our known decendants and the Rouse family of Mobile, the following information has been gathered. No amount of thanks would be sufficient to Margaret Kennedy of Mobile, Alabama and William (Bill) L. Rouse of Mobile, Ala. Without their help much of this information would not be available.

Robert Lee Smith

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

NAME	BORN	LOCATION	DIED	LOCATION
JOHN WILLIAM SMITH	1815	IRELAND	9/2/1853	MOBILE, ALA
JOHN WILLIAM SMITH	1834-1838	IRELAND	1874	MOBILE, ALA
ELIZABETH SMITH SHAW	1838	IRELAND	8/23/1909	MOBILE, ALA
MICHAEL SMITH	1842	IRELAND	3/7/1911	MOBILE, ALA
KATE (CATHERINE MARY	2/18/1846	IRELAND	1882	MOBILE, ALA
JOHN WILLIAM SMITH	10/7/1863	MOBILE, ALA	10/27/1929	BONITA, MS.
BESSIE LAURA SMITH	1/26/1902	BONITA, MISS	12/7/1907	BONITA, MISS
EVA SMITH NELSON	2/22/1904	BONITA, MISS	7/28/1982	BONITA, MISS
JOHNNIE MILLER SMITH	8/26/1906	BONITA, MS.	7/9/1977	MERIDIAN, MS
LEE POTTER SMITH	6/8/1910	BONITA, MISS		
KATIE ANDERSON SMITH	12/17/1913	BONITA, MISS	3/8/1920	BONITA, MISS
ROBERT LEE SMITH	2/26/1932	MERIDIAN, MISS		
EVA KATHLEEN SMITH	2/25/1954	MONTGOMERY, ALA		
BERYL EILEEN SMITH	11/10/1956	CHARLOTTE, N. C.		
SHARON MARIE SMITH	11/30/1959	CHARLOTTE, N. C.		

ELIZABETH SMITH SHAW

NAME	BORN	LOCATION	DIED	LOCATION
JOHN WILLIAM SMITH	1815	IRELAND	9/02/1853	MOBILE, ALA.
ELIZABETH SMITH SHAW	1838	IRELAND	8/23/1909	MOBILE, ALA
MAMIE ELIZABETH	1862	MOBILE, ALA	3/29/1887	MOBILE, ALA
JOHN WILLIAM SHAW	12/12/18	MOBILE, ALA	11/02/1934	NEW ORLEANS, LA
MARGARET E. SHAW	1868	MOBILE, ALA	11/2/1913	MOBILE, ALA
MICHAEL P. SHAW	1874	MOBILE, ALA	3/30/1892	NEW ORLEANS (?)
LIZZIE A. SHAW	1875	MOBILE, ALA	4/20/1891	MOBILE, ALA
R. EMMETT SHAW	1878	MOBILE, ALA	12/1/1886	MOBILE, ALA

MICHAEL SMITH

NAME	BORN	LOCATION	DIED	LOCATION
JOHN WILLIAM SMITH	1815	IRELAND	9/02/1853	MOBILE, ALA
MICHAEL SMITH	1842	IRELAND	3/07/1911	MOBILE, ALA

CATHERINE (KATE) MARY ANN SMITH FLINN

NAME	BORN	LOCATION	DIED
JOHN WILLIAM SMITH	1815	IRELAND	9/02/1853
CATHERINE MARY ANN (KATE) SMITH FLINN	2/18/1846	IRELAND	1882
MARGARET MARY (MAGGIE) FLYNN ROUSE	11/09/1873	MOBILE, AL	10/21/1949
WILLIAM P. ROUSE	8/04/1895	MOBILE, AL.	5/30/1896
VELMA ROUSE	UNKNOWN	NEW ORLEANS,	UNKNOWN
BARBARA ROUSE	UNKNOWN	NEW ORLEANS	UNKNOWN
EMMETT R. ROUSE	11/01/1901	MOBILE, AL	1/18/1970
EMMETT RICHARD ROUSE JR.	1/18/1926	MOBILE, AL.	
DEBRA CAMILLE ROUSE	3/22/1950	UNKNOWN	
MARGARET ANN ROUSE	12/20/1929	MOBILE, AL	
JOHN FIELDEN KENNEDY JR.	2/16/1952	MOBILE, AL(?)	
MARGARET MARY KENNEDY	12/25/1953	MOBILE, AL(?)	UNKNOWN
PATRICK FOREST ROUSE	12/05/1931	MOBILE, AL(?)	
PATRICK FOREST ROUSE JR.	8/25/1956	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN
LYNN VAUGHN ROUSE	12/18/1958	MOBILE (?)	
CLAY RICHARD ROUSE	6/21/1961	MOBILE (?)	UNKNOWN
WILLIAM LEE ROUSE JR.	2/27/1910	NEW ORLEANS	
WILLIAM LEE ROUSE III	1942	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN
JOHN SHAW ROUSE	1944	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN
MICHAEL THOMAS ROUSE	1954	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1834/1838 - 1874

NAME	BORN	LOCATION	DIED	LOCATION
JOHN WILLIAM SMITH	1815	IRELAND	9/2/1853	MOBILE, AL
JOHN WILLIAM SMITH	1834-1838	IRELAND	1874	MOBILE, AL
ELIZABETH SMITH SHAW	1838	IRELAND	8/23/1909	MOBILE, AL
MICHAEL SMITH	1842	IRELAND	3/7/1911	MOBILE, AL
KATE (CATHERINE MARY A	2/18/1846	IRELAND	1882	MOBILE, AL
JOHN WILLIAM SMITH	10/7/1863	MOBILE, AL	10/27/1929	MERIDIAN (BO
BESSIE LAURA SMITH	1/26/1902	BONITA, MS	12/7/1907	BONITA, MS
EVA SMITH NELSON	2/22/1904	BONITA, MS	7/28/1982	BONITA, MS
JOHNNIE MILLER SMITH B	8/26/1906	BONITA, MS	7/9/1977	MERIDIAN, MS
LEE POTTER SMITH	6/8/1910	BONITA, MS		
KATIE ANDERSON SMITH	12/17/1913	BONITA, MS	3/8/1920	BONITA, MS
ROBERT LEE SMITH	2/26/1932	MERIDIAN, MS		
EVA KATHLEEN SMITH	2/25/1954	MONTGOMERY,		
BERYL EILEEN SMITH	11/10/1956	CHARLOTTE, N		
SHARON MARIE SMITH	11/30/1959	CHARLOTTE, N		

NAME: JOHN WILLIAM SMITH
 BORN: 1815
 LOCATION: IRELAND
 DIED: 9/2/1853
 LOCATION: MOBILE, AL
 MARRIED: ~~UNKNOWN~~ *1870 W.K.*
 SPOUSE: E. (ELIZABETH ?)
 BORN: 1813
 DIED: 8/30/1853
 ISSUE: JOHN W. SMITH, ELIZABETH SMITH SHAW, MICHAEL SMITH, KATE SMITH
 FLINN
 REMARKS: FATHER, MOTHER, AND FOUR CHILDREN DIED MOBILE - YELLOW FEVER

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH
 1834-1838
 IRELAND
 1874
 MOBILE, AL
~~UNKNOWN~~ *12/20/1878 mobile*
 MARY BYRNES (B.W.N.S.)
 UNKNOWN
 1/??/1875
 JOHN WILLIAM SMITH, ANNIE MARGARET SMITH DOWNEY, TWIN SONS NO NAMES
 JOHN WILLIAM-FATHER, MARY BYRNES-MOTHER, TWINS SONS DIED 1874 MOBILE

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

ELIZABETH SMITH SHAW

1838

IRELAND

8/23/1909

MOBILE, AL

UNKNOWN

PATRICK SHAW

1822 - IRELAND

11/12/1882 - MOBILE, AL

MAMIE DIXON, MICHAEL P., LIZZIE A., R. EMMETT, MARG. E. MCGRADY, JOHN W.
BURIED DAVIS ST. CATHOLIC CEMETERY - MOBILE, ALA

MICHAEL SMITH

1842

IRELAND

3/7/1911

MOBILE, AL

UNKNOWN

MARGARET

7/6/1832

8/7/1902 - MOBILE, AL

NONE

BURIED DAVIS ST. CATHOLIC CEMETERY - MOBILE, ALA

KATE (CATHERINE MARY ANN) SMITH FLINN

2/18/1846

IRELAND

1882

MOBILE, AL

7/16/1872

PATRICK FLINN (FLYNN ?)

1843 - IRELAND

3/24/1879 MOBILE, AL

BOTH BURIED CATHOLIC CEMETERY - MOBILE, AL.

MARGARET MARY (MAGGIE) FLYNN B.11/9/1873 D.10/21/1949

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH

10/7/1863

MOBILE, AL

10/27/1929

MERIDIAN (BONITA), MS

12/26/1900

LEILA GORDON VAUGHN

12/31/1874

6/19/1953

BESSIE LAURA SMITH, EVA NELSON, JOHNNIE BUCHANAN, LEE P. SMITH, KATIE S.
FATHER/MOTHER/BESSIE/KATIE BURIED OAK GROVE CEMETERY - BONITA, MISS.

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

BESSIE LAURA SMITH

1/26/1902

BONITA, MS

12/7/1907

BONITA, MS

NO

NO

NO

NO

NONE

DIED DIPHTHERA AGE 5 YRS, 10 MOS, 11 DAYS. OAK GROVE CEM. BONITA, MS

EVA SMITH NELSON

2/22/1904

BONITA, MS

7/28/1982

BONITA, MS

5/9/1923 - MERIDIAN, MS

EDGAR DEWEY NELSON

1/22/1898 - YANTLEY, AL.

9/9/1967 - MERIDIAN, MS

CECIL, DAVID, FREIDA, LYNN, JUDY, LYLE, ERIC

BURIED OAK GROVE CEMETERY - BONITA, MISS

JOHNNIE MILLER SMITH BUCHANAN

8/26/1906

BONITA, MS

7/9/1977

MERIDIAN, MS

6/7/1925 - BRANDON, MS.

JAMES WHITE BUCHANAN

1/2/1892 - RUSH'S HOSPITAL - MERIDIAN, MS.

11/29/1948 - MERIDIAN, MS.

JAMES Wm., HARRIET ANNICE, JOHN McQUEEN, JOSEPH SPEAR, MALCOLM, RICHARD

BURIED ROSE HILL CEMETERY - MERIDIAN, MISS

LEE POTTER SMITH

6/8/1910

BONITA, MS

11/21/1929

MARGARET ANN WHITE

7/8/1910

ROBERT LEE SMITH

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

KATIE ANDERSON SMITH

12/17/1913

BONITA, MS

3/8/1920

BONITA, MS

NO

NO

NO

NO

NONE

CONTRACTED POLIO VERY EARLY AGE..6 YEARS, 2 MONTHS, 20 DAYS

ROBERT LEE SMITH

2/26/1932

MERIDIAN, MS

2/7/1953

JUANITA MULLOY

7/28/1930

EVA KATHLEEN HOLBROOK, BERYL EILEEN OLIVIT, SHARON MARIE SZABO

EVA KATHLEEN SMITH HOLBROOK

2/25/1954

MONTGOMERY, AL

9/27/1975

HARRY LOUIS HOLBROOK

5/11/1950

CORY SCOTT HOLBROOK, CARA LEANN HOLBROOK

BERYL EILEEN SMITH OLIVIT

11/10/1956

CHARLOTTE, N C

5/2/1981

KEITH OLIVIT

3/21/49

NONE

SHARON MARIE SMITH SZABO

11/30/1959

CHARLOTTE, N C

10/20/1984

MARK DAVID SZABO

12/15/1958

NONE

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

SMITH - NELSON

NAME	BORN	LOCATION	DIED
EVA SMITH	2/22/1904	BONITA, MS.	7/28/1982
CECIL LAMAR NELSON	3/24/1924	BONITA, MS.	
DAVID NOEL NELSON	2/18/1926	BONITA, MS.	
FREDA ELAINE NELSON	3/21/1928	BONITA, MS.	
VICTOR LYLE NELSON	3/15/1930	BONITA, MS.	
ERIC GAIL NELSON	9/12/1932	BONITA, MS.	
SANDRA LYNN NELSON	4/29/1935	BONITA, MS.	
JUDITH EDRYE NELSON	7/31/1936	BONITA, MS.	

NAME: EVA SMITH
BORN: 2/22/1904
LOCATION: BONITA, MS.
DIED: 7/28/1982 MERIDIAN, MS.
MARRIED: 5/09/1923 MERIDIAN, MS.
SPOUSE: EDGAR DEWEY NELSON
BORN: 1/22/1898 YANTLEY, AL.
DIED: 9/09/1967 MERIDIAN, MS.
ISSUE: CECIL, DAVID, FREDA, LYLE, ERIC, LYNN, JUDITH
REMARKS: EVA AND EDGAR BURIED OAK GROVE CEM., BONITA, MS.

CECIL LAMAR NELSON

NAME	BORN	LOCATION	DIED
CECIL LAMAR NELSON	3/24/1924	BONITA, MS.	
JOHN HIROTOSHI FUKAMI	3/26/1950	UNKNOWN	
STACY NELSON	D.O.B. UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN	UNKNOWN

NAME: CECIL LAMAR NELSON
BORN: 3/24/1924
LOCATION: BONITA, MS.
MARRIED: 10/02/1956 TOKYO, JAPAN
SPOUSE: KAZUYO FUKAMI
BORN: 3/15/1930 AMAKUSA, JAPAN
REMARKS: ADOPTED JOHN HIROTOSHI

JOHN HIROTOSHI FUKAMI
3/26/1950
UNKNOWN
DATE UNKNOWN
AMY KOMAKI
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
STACY NELSON

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

STACY NELSON
D.O.B. UNKNOWN - 1973
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN

DAVID NOEL NELSON

NAME	BORN	LOCATION
DAVID NOEL NELSON	2/18/1926	BONITA, MS.
LINDA MARIE LYNCH NELSON	5/28/1947	WINTHROP, MA.
CYNTHIA ANN FLATT	11/02/1967	JACKSONVILLE, FL.
WILLIAM BRYAN FLATT	3/13/1976	VIRGINIA BEACH, VA.
SHEREE LYNN FLATT	7/01/1978	VIRGINIA BEACH, VA.

NAME: DAVID NOEL NELSON
BORN: 2/18/1926
LOCATION: BONITA, MS.
MARRIED: 2/16/1954 DORCHESTER, MA.
SPOUSE: JUNE C. ST. JOHN (WELCH) LYNCH
BORN: 6/18/1924
REMARKS: NONE - STEP DAUGHTER LINDA MARIE LYNCH NELSON
STEP DAUGHTER LEGALLY CHANGED NAME TO NELSON
AFTER MAJORITY

LINDA MARIE LYNCH NELSON
5/28/1947
WINTHROP, MA.
7/??/1966 JACKSONVILLE BEACH, FL.
WILLIAM E. FLATT
UNKNOWN
CYNTHIA ANN, Wm. BRYAN, SHEREE LYNN
CHILDREN OF LINDA MARIE TREATED AS GRANDCHILDREN OF DAVID NOEL

CYNTHIA ANN FLATT
11/02/1967
JACKSONVILLE, FL.

WILLIAM BRYAN FLATT
3/13/1976
VIRGINIA BEACH, VA.

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

SHEREE LYNN FLATT
7/01/1978
VIRGINIA BEACH, VA.

FREDA ELAINE NELSON

NAME	BORN	LOCATION	DIED
FREDA ELAINE NELSON	3/21/1928	BONITA, MS.	
WILLIAM ROCKNE SMITH	10/21/1949	MERIDIAN, MS.	
SUSAN MARIE SMITH	1/08/1951	MERIDIAN, MS.	
STEPHEN NELSON SMITH	12/06/1952	CHARLESTON, S. C.	
KIMBERLY ANN MITCHELL	9/07/1971	ELIZABETH CITY, N	

NAME: FREDA ELAINE NELSON
BORN: 3/21/1928
LOCATION: BONITA, MS.
MARRIED: 3/05/1947 BONITA, MS.
SPOUSE: WILLIAM EDWARD SMITH JR.
BORN: UNKNOWN
DIED: UNKNOWN
ISSUE: WILLIAM ROCKNE, SUSAN MARIE, STEPHEN NELSON
REMARKS:

WILLIAM ROCKNE SMITH
10/21/1949
MERIDIAN, MS.
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE

SUSAN MARIE SMITH
1/08/1951
MERIDIAN, MS.
SEE REMARKS
NONE
KIMBERLY ANN MITCHELL
MAR. 7/12/68 TO CHARLES RUSSEL GIBBS, PORTSMOUTH, VA. DIV. 9/70
2ND MAR. 12/30/70 TO JESSE C. MITCHELL, ELIZ. CITY, N.C., NOW DIV.

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

STEPHEN NELSON SMITH
12/06/1952
CHARLESTON, S. C.
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE

KIMBERLY ANN MITCHELL
9/07/1971
ELIZABETH CITY, N. C.
NO
NO
NO
NO
NO
NO

VICTOR LYLE NELSON

NAME	BORN	LOCATION	DIED
VICTOR LYLE NELSON	3/15/1930	BONITA, MS.	
STEVEN E. WILSON	D.O.B. UNKNOWN	PORTLAND, OR	
VICTORIA MARIE NELSON	10/16/1957	CAVITE, R. P	
JEANNA LEE NELSON	5/20/1959	CAVITE. R. P	

NAME: VICTOR LYLE NELSON
BORN: 3/15/1930
LOCATION: BONITA, MS.
MARRIED: 4/24/1956 PHOENIX, AZ.
SPOUSE: INEZ DANIELS
BORN: 3/10/1926 WASHINGTON (?)
ISSUE/REMARKS: STEPSON - STEVEN E. WILSON..ADOPTED VICTORIA
MARIE, JEANNA LEE

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

STEVEN E. WILSON
D.O.B. UNKNOWN 1943
PORTLAND, ORE.
DATE UNKBOWN
JUDY (MAIDEN NAME UNKNOWN)
DATE AND LOCATION UNKNOWN
DONALD RAY CRAWFORD (STEPSON), KATHY WILSON
DONALD BORN 1964..KATHY BORN NOV. 1968

VICTORIA MARIE NELSON
10/16/1957
CAVITE, R. P.
05/1977
STEVEN BOLECHOWSKI
1947 - EAST GERMANY
JEREMIAH LYLE 1/13/1980..JOSHUA CHRISTOPHER 3/26/1983 MSP, MN.
ADOPTED DAUGHTER

JEANNA LEE NELSON
5/20/1959
CAVITE, R. P.
6/1977
RICKIE MATOY
5/03/1958 NORCO, CA.
DAWN LEE 9/20/1979...AMANDA ANN 5/04/1982 - ORANGE, CA.
ADOPTED DAUGHTER

ERIC GAIL NELSON

NAME	BORN	LOCATION	DIED
ERIC GAIL NELSON	9/12/1932	BONITA, MS.	
SANDRA ANN GUZY	10/07/1949	JANESVILLE, WI.	
BARBARA LEE NETZORG	9/06/1954	FRANKFURT, GER.	
LESLIE EARL BACHUS	6/01/1956	EL PASO, TX	

NAME: ERIC GAIL NELSON
BORN: 9/12/1932
LOCATION: BONITA, MS.
MARRIED: 11/16/1964 OXNARD, CA.
SPOUSE: LOIS ANN WIXSON
BORN: 5/14/1932
ISSUE: SANDRA ANN GUZY, BARBARA LEE NETZORG, LESLIE EARL
BACHUS

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

SANDRA ANN GUZY
10/07/1949
JANESVILLE, WI.
5/16/1979 HAWAII
STEVE GUZY
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
NO

BARBARA LEE NETZORG
9/06/1954
FRANKFURT, GER.
3/13/1982 LAS VEGAS, NV.
JOHN NETZORG
UNK
UNK
UNK
UNK

LESLIE EARL BACHUS
6/01/1956
EL PASO, TX
04/1982 LAS VEGAS, NV.
DAWN (MAIDEN NAME UNKNOWN)
UNK
UNK
UNK
UNK

SANDRA LYNN NELSON

NAME	BORN	LOCATION	DIED
SANDRA LYNN NELSON	4/29/1935	BONITA, MS.	
HAROLD SCOTT NEWELL	2/12/1955	MERIDIAN, MS.	
MARK DAVID NEWELL	7/22/1958	MERIDIAN, MS.	NONE
PAUL CRAIG NEWELL	9/28/1959	MERIDIAN, MS.	NONE
TERRI LYNN NELSON	8/24/1961	MERIDIAN, MS.	

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

NAME: SANDRA LYNN NELSON
BORN: 4/29/1935
LOCATION: BONITA, MS.
MARRIED: 2/25/54 MARION, MS.
SPOUSE: HAROLD DAVID NEWELL
BORN: 4/28/1929
ISSUE: HAROLD SCOTT, MARK DAVID, PAUL CRAIG, TERRI LYNN
REMARKS: NONE

HAROLD SCOTT NEWELL
2/12/1955
MERIDIAN, MS.
11/07/1981 COLLINSVILLE, MS.
DONNA KAY RAINER GANN
UNKNOWN
STEPSON DONALD BRADFORD, KIMBERLY BROOKE
DONALD BORN 1/10/1973...ADOPTED BY SCOTT 2/11/1982
KIMBERLY BROOKE BORN 9/11/1982..MERIDIAN, MS.

MARK DAVID NEWELL
7/22/1958
MERIDIAN, MS.
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE

PAUL CRAIG NEWELL
9/28/1959
MERIDIAN, MS.
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

TERRI LYNN NELSON
8/24/1961
MERIDIAN, MS.
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE

JUDITH EDRYE NELSON

NAME	BORN	LOCATION	DIED
JUDITH EDRIE NELSON	7/31/1936	BONITA, MS.	
ERNEST NELSON SILVERS	12/27/1957	YOUNGSTOWN, O.	
KEITH BRADLEY SILVERS	3/30/1959	YOUNGSTOWN, O.	
SHAWN MARIE SILVERS	10/22/1970	SANTA ANA, CA.	

NAME: JUDITH EDRIE NELSON
BORN: 7/31/1936
LOCATIONS: BONITA, MS.
MARRIED: 1/15/1957 BONITA, MS.
SPOUSE: LEWIS ERNEST SILVERS
BORN: 9/2/1932
ISSUE: ERNEST NELSON, KEITH BRADLEY, SHAWN MARIE
REMARKS: NONE

ERNEST NELSON SILVERS
12/27/1957
YOUNGSTOWN, O.
5/06/1979, ANAHEIM, CA.
DEANNA CRACRAFT
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN

KEITH BRADLEY SILVERS
3/30/1959
YOUNGSTOWN, O.
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

SHAWN MARIE SILVERS
10/22/1970
SANTA ANA, CA.
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE
NONE

SMITH - BUCHANAN

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BORN</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>DIED</u>
JOHNNIE MILLER SMITH	8/26/1906	BONITA, MS	7/09/1977
JAMES WILLIAM BUCHANAN	3/19/1926	MERIDIAN, MS	
HARRIET ANNICE BUCHANA	5/10/1928	MERIDIAN, MS	
JOHN MCQUEEN BUCHANAN	7/12/1930	MERIDIAN, MS	
JOSEPH SPEARS BUCHANAN	6/27/1932	MERIDIAN, MS	9/07/1940 -
MALCOLM GERALD BUCHANA	6/05/1934	NEWTON, MS.	
RICHARD SMITH BUCHANAN	12/23/1938	MERIDIAN, MS	

JAMES WILLIAM BUCHANAN

<u>NAME</u>	<u>BORN</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>
JAMES WILLIAM BUCHANAN	3/19/1926	MERIDIAN, MS
MICHELLE ANN BUCHANAN	02/1950	MERIDIAN, MS 02/1950
WILLIAM ANTHONY BUCHANAN	7/10/1951	MERIDIAN, MS NO
TERESA CLAIRE BUCHANAN	3/03/1952	MERIDIAN, MS NO
JAMES PATRICK BUCHANAN	2/08/1955	MERIDIAN, MS NO
MELANIE JOAN BUCHANAN	4/18/1958	MERIDIAN, MS NO
VIRGINIA GAY BUCHANAN	6/03/1962	MERIDIAN, MS NO

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

HARRIET BUCHANAN

HARRIET ANNICE BUCHANAN

5/10/1928

MERIDIAN, MS

09/1978 HERNANDO, MS.

WILLIAM JAMES CLARK

MEMPHIS, TN

04/1982

NONE

NONE

JOHN BUCHANAN

NAME	BORN	LOCATION	DIED
JOHN MCQUEEN BUCHANAN	7/12/1930	MERIDIAN, MS	
JAMES WILLIAM BUCHANAN	9/20/1956	TUPELO, MS.	
RICHARD SUTTON BUCHANAN	7/27/1962	WARNER ROBIN	
		JOSEPH BUCHANAN	

JOSEPH SPEARS BUCHANAN

6/27/1932

MERIDIAN, MS.

9/07/1940 - MERIDIAN, MS.

NO

NO

NO

NO

NONE

JOE DIED FROM RUPTURED APPENDIX AGE 8 YEARS, 2 MOS., 11 DAYS

MALCOLM BUCHANAN

NAME	BORN	LOCATION	DIED
MALCOLM GERALD BUCHANAN	6/05/1934	NEWTON, MS.	
CRAIG OCTO BUCHANAN	5/28/1963	MEMPHIS, TN.	
LISA MICHELLE BUCHANAN	2/09/1966	MEMPHIS, TN	
LESLIE ALLISON BUCHANAN	9/24/1973	JACKSON, MS	

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

RICHARD BUCHANAN

RICHARD SMITH BUCHANAN
12/23/1938
MERIDIAN, MS.
UNKNOWN
VIRGINIA FRIDAY
UNKNOWN
NONE
NONE

JAMES WILLIAM BUCHANAN
3/19/1926
MERIDIAN, MS
DATE UNKNOWN - MERIDIAN, MS
VIRGINIA COVERT
UNKNOWN
MICHELLE A., TONY, PATRICK, TERESA CLAIRE, MELANIE JOAN, VIRGINIA GAY
NONE

MICHELLE ANN BUCHANAN
02/1950
MERIDIAN, MS.
02/1950
DIED AT BIRTH

WILLIAM ANTHONY BUCHANAN
7/10/1951
MERIDIAN, MS
NO
SHARON PUGH

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

TERESA CLAIRE BUCHANAN
3/03/1952
MERIDIAN, MS.
NO
1975
MICHAEL SIMMONS

JAMES PATRICK BUCHANAN
2/08/1955
MERIDIAN, MS
NO

MELANIE JOAN BUCHANAN
4/18/1958
MERIDIAN, MS.
NO
KEITH GADDIS

VIRGINIA GAY BUCHANAN
6/03/1962
MERIDIAN, MS.
NO

JOHN MCQUEEN BUCHANAN
7/12/1930
MERIDIAN, MS
12/24/1951 MERIDIAN, MS
PATRICIA LEE SUTTON
6/03/1932

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

JAMES WILLIAM. RICHARD SUTTON
NONE

JAMES WILLIAM BUCHANAN
9/20/1956
TUPELO, MS.
1/23/1982 -MOBILE, AL.
NANCY MEYERHOFFER
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
NONE

RICHARD SUTTON BUCHANAN
7/27/1962
WARNER ROBINS AFB, GA.
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
NONE

MALCOLM GERALD BUCHANAN
6/05/1934
NEWTON, MS.
10/27/1962 BALDWIN, MS.
VIRGINIA RUTH HOUSTON
6/23/1937
CRAIG OCTO, LISA MICHELLE, LESLIE ALLISON
NONE

CRAIG OCTO BUCHANAN
5/28/1963
MEMPHIS, TN.
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
NONE

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

LISA MICHELLE BUCHANAN
2/09/1966
MEMPHIS, TN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
NONE

LESLIE ALLISON BUCHANAN
9/24/1973
JACKSON, MS
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
NONE

EXAMPLE OF LABEL FORMAT

NAME: JOHN MCQUEEN BUCHANAN
BORN: 7/12/1930
LOCATION: MERIDIAN, MS.
DIED: -
MARRIED: 12/24/1951 MERIDIAN, MS.
SPOUSE: PATRICIA LEE SUTTON
BORN: 6/03/1932
DIED: -
ISSUE: JAMES WILLIAM, RICHARD SUTTON
REMARKS: NONE

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

SMITH - ROUSE

CATHERINE (KATE) MARY ANN SMITH FLINN 1846-1882

NAME	BORN	LOCATION	DIED	LOCATION
JOHN WILLIAM SMITH	1815	IRELAND	9/2/1853	MOBILE, AL.
CATHERINE MARY ANN (KATE) SMITH	2/18/1846	IRELAND	1882	MOBILE, AL
MARGARET MARY (MAGGIE) FLYNN	11/9/1873	MOBILE, AL	10/21/1949	UNKNOWN
WILLIAM P. ROUSE	8/4/1895	MOBILE, AL.	5/30/1896	UNKNOWN
VELMA ROUSE	UNKNOWN	NEW ORLEANS,	UNKNOWN	NEW ORLEANS
BARBARA ROUSE	UNKNOWN	NEW ORLEANS,	UNKNOWN	NEW ORLEANS
EMMETT R. ROUSE	11/1/1901	MOBILE, AL	1/18/1970	HARVEY, LA.
EMMETT RICHARD ROUSE JR.	11/18/1926	MOBILE, AL.		
DEBRA CAMILLE ROUSE	3/22/1950	UNKNOWN		
MARGARET ANN ROUSE	12/20/1929	MOBILE, AL		
JOHN FIELDEN KENNEDY JR.	2/16/1952	MOBILE, AL		
MARGARET MARY KENNEDY	12/25/1953	MOBILE, AL		
PATRICK FOREST ROUSE	12/5/1931	MOBILE, AL		
PATRICK FOREST ROUSE JR.	8/25/1956	UNKNOWN		
LYNN VAUGHN ROUSE	12/18/1958	MOBILE (?)		
CLAY RICHARD ROUSE	6/21/1961	MOBILE (?)		
WILLIAM LEE ROUSE JR.	2/27/1910	NEW ORLEANS		
WILLIAM LEE ROUSE III	1942	UNKNOWN		
JOHN SHAW ROUSE	1944	UNKNOWN		
MICHAEL THOMAS ROUSE	1954	UNKNOWN		

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH

1815

IRELAND

9/2/1853

MOBILE, AL.

UNKNOWN DATE

E. (ELIZABETH - ?)

1813

8/30/1853 - MOBILE, AL.

JOHN Wm., ELIZABETH, MICHAEL, CATHERINE MARY ANN (KATE)

JND. WM., E., AND 4 CHILDREN DIED 1853 - MOBILE, ALA - YELLOW FEVER

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

CATHERINE MARY ANN (KATE) SMITH FLINN

2/18/1846

IRELAND

~~1882~~ 1/10/1882

MOBILE, AL

7/17/1872 - MOBILE, AL.

PATRICK FLINN (FLYNN-?)

1843 - IRELAND

9/24/1879 - MOBILE, AL

MARGARET MARY (MAGGIE) FLYNN *UNIDENTIFIED Daughter DIED IN FAMILY*
BURIAL PLACE BOTH KATE AND PATRICK - CATHOLIC CEMETERY - MOBILE, AL.

MARGARET MARY (MAGGIE) FLYNN ROUSE

11/9/1873

MOBILE, AL

10/21/1949

MOBILE, AL.

6/6/1894 - MOBILE, AL.

WILLIAM L. ROUSE SR.

10/21/1860 - GREENVILLE, N. C.

4/6/1941 - MOBILE, AL.

WILLIAM P., VELMA, EMMETT R., WILLIAM L. JR., BARBARA

NONE

WILLIAM P. ROUSE

~~8/4/1895~~ ~~8/11/1895~~ 9/2/1895

MOBILE, AL.

5/29/1896

MOBILE, AL.

NO

NONE

~~NONE~~ Age 9 mos 29 days

NONE

NONE

NONE

VELMA ROUSE

UNKNOWN

NEW ORLEANS, LA

UNKNOWN

UNKNOWN

~~UNKNOWN~~ DIED IN FIRST YEAR

UNKNOWN

UNKNOWN

UNKNOWN

UNKNOWN

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

DIED IN FIRST YEAR IN NEW ORLEANS, LA.

BARBARA ROUSE
BORN UNKNOWN - NEW ORLEANS, LA.
DIED UNKNOWN - NEW ORLEANS, LA
DIED IN FIRST YEAR

EMMETT R. ROUSE
11/1/1901
HARVEY, LA.
1/18/1970 MOBILE, AL.
6/30/1925 (?)
ANNIE LOUISE GILLEY
9/2/1904 - YELLOW PINE, AR.
EMMETT RICHARD JR., MARGARET ANN, PATRICK FOREST
BURIED DAVIS AVE. CATHOLIC CEMETERY - MOBILE, ALA.

(X)

EMMETT RICHARD ROUSE JR.
11/18/1926
MOBILE, AL.
UNKNOWN DATE
6/5/1948
GERTRUDE CAMILLE FULFORD
11/13/1927 NEW ORLEANS, LA.
6/18/1974 MOBILE, AL.
DEBRA CAMILLE ROUSE
NONE

*William Lee Rouse JR
2/27/1910
New Orleans, LA.
WLC —*

DEBRA CAMILLE ROUSE
3/22/1950
UNKNOWN
DATE UNKNOWN
DONALD RAY CARTER
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
JULIE ANN, DONALD RAY JR., JUSTIN ALEXANDER
NONE

MARGARET ANN ROUSE
12/20/1929
MOBILE, AL
DATE UNKNOWN
11/25/1950 MOBILE

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

JOHN FIELDEN KENNEDY
7/27/1927 MOBILE, AL.
UNKNOWN
JOHN FIELDEN JR., MARGARET MARY (PEG)
NONE

JOHN FIELDEN KENNEDY JR.
2/16/1952
MOBILE, AL
DATE UNKNOWN
5/29/76
PENOLA ELIZABETH POSEY (BETH)
1/26/1953 HEADLAND, AL.
LYDIA ADELLE KENNEDY BORN 12/18/77 FT. RILEY, KA.
DIVORCED PENOLA ELIZABETH SEPT. 1977 AND MARRIED MARTHA JILL TYNES
BORN 7/15/1948 MANY, LA.

MARGARET MARY KENNEDY
12/25/1953
MOBILE, AL.
UNKNOWN
11/12/1977 MOBILE, AL. (?)
PATRICK GLENN HILLIARD
8/2/1954 MOBILE, AL.
UNKNOWN
ABBY VAUGHN HILLIARD - BORN 8/5/1980 MOBILE, AL.
NONE

PATRICK FOREST ROUSE
12/5/1931
MOBILE, AL.
DATE UNKNOWN
4/23/1955 MOBILE, AL. (?)
CLAY FRANCES PORTER
4/3/1933 MOBILE, AL.
UNKNOWN
PATRICK FOREST JR., LYNN VAUGHN, CLAY RICHARD
NONE

PATRICK FORREST ROUSE JR.
8/25/1956
MOBILE, AL.

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

UNKNOWN
9/29/1983
MARY LYNN SIMPSON
12/13/1944 BIRMINGHAM, AL.
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
NONE

LYNN VAUGHN ROUSE
12/18/1958
MOBILE, AL.
UNKNOWN DATE
GERALD FRANK GUPTON
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
NONE

CLAY RICHARD ROUSE
8/21/1961
MOBILE, AL.
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
UNKNOWN
NONE

WILLIAM LEE ROUSE JR.
2/27/1910
NEW ORLEANS LA., ST. MARY'S UPTOWN
UNKNOWN
5/29/1940 MOBILE, AL. (?)
ANNIE LOUISE NEWBOLD
2/26/1910
12/17/1960 - MOBILE, AL.
WILLIAM LEE III, JOHN SHAW, MICHAEL THOMAS
AFTER ANNIE LOUISE DEATH 1960
MARRIED 1/20/1965
SHIRLEY MARION WHITE (PIAZZA)
10/5/1922 NEW ORLEANS, LA.
7/23/1965 MOBILE, AL. (?)

JOHN WILLIAM SMITH 1815 - 1853

WILLIAM LEE ROUSE III

10/7/1942

MOBILE, AL.

UNKNOWN

UNKNOWN

6/7/1976

LINDA MARIE OLSEN

7/10/1953 EDMONTON ALBERTA, CANADA

UNKNOWN

RYAN WILLIAM BORN 8/16/1977 PENSACOLA, FL.

NONE

JOHN SHAW ROUSE

4/21/1944

MOBILE, AL.

UNKNOWN

SINGLE

UNKNOWN

UNKNOWN

UNKNOWN

UNKNOWN

UNKNOWN

NONE

MICHAEL THOMAS ROUSE

8/7/1954

MOBILE, AL.

UNKNOWN

10/13/1979 MOBILE, AL.(?)

SALLIE ELAIN PHILIPP

8/9/1958 MOBILE, AL.P

UNKNOWN

ANNIE LOUISE

NONE

ANNE LOUISE ROUSE

9/6/1983

MOBILE, AL.

Msgr. Burns Dies At 74; Rites Here

The Rt. Rev. Monsignor John J. Burns, pastor emeritus of St. Patrick's Catholic Church in Meridian, died Monday about 9 p.m. at a priest's rest home in Signal Mountain, Tenn.

Requiem High Mass will be held at St. Patrick's Church Wednesday at 11 a.m., with Bishop R. O. Gerow and Auxiliary Bishop J. B. Brunini officiating. Interment will follow in Catholic Cemetery. Rosary will be held tonight at 8 o'clock at Webb Funeral Home.

Msgr. Burns was a native of Moneymore, County Derry, Ireland. He was ordained in 1914 and came to Mississippi in the same year. He became pastor of St. Patrick's in July, 1923, and was named pastor emeritus in 1957.

Msgr. Burns, who was 74 in July, had spent nearly 50 years in the priesthood, with 40 of these in St. Patrick's parish. He called Meridian his home. He had been in declining health for some time and had moved to the Signal Mountain home in March. He suffered two strokes in the past three weeks.

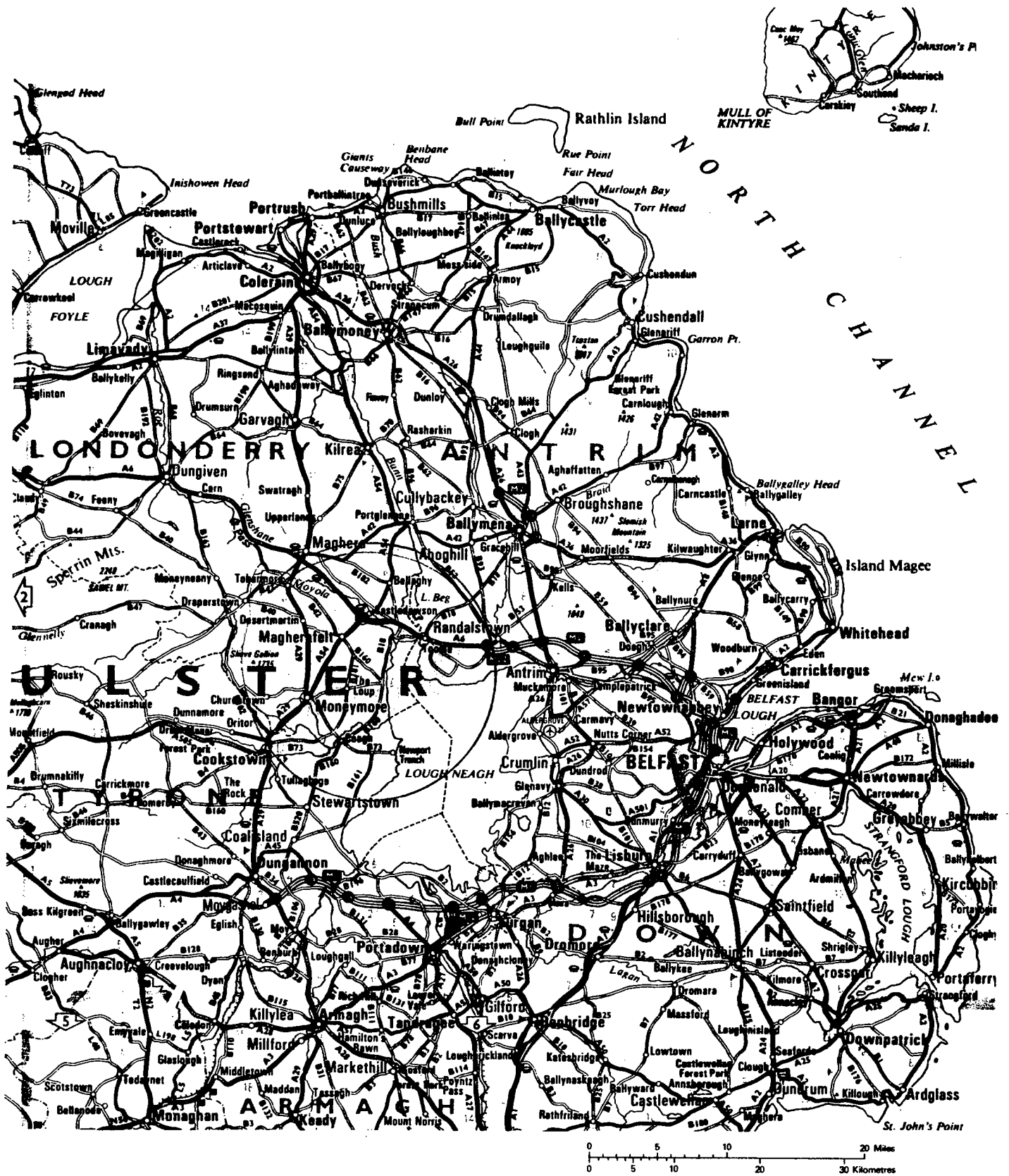
Prior to coming to Meridian, Msgr. Burns served in Pass Christian, Vicksburg and Canton, Mississippi. During his first years here, he was instrumental in modernizing the church structure, and adding two marble altars, plus other innovations. The priests' home was also constructed during that time.

His activities were many, and reached beyond the parish which he headed.

Msgr. Burns was a baseball enthusiast and was a strong supporter of Meridian professional and amateur teams. In order to help inaugurate Little League baseball in Meridian, he placed at the disposal of the Optimist Club the land across the street from the parish house for use as a playing field. Boys used the field until construction began for the new St. Patrick's elementary school.

Msgr. Burns leaves relatives in Ireland.

Antrim, Armagh, Down, Londonderry and Tyrone



NECROLOGICAL.

DEATH OF MRS. E. SHAW.

Although a patient suffer for many years, Mrs. E. Shaw, relict of the late Patrick Shaw, calmly gave her soul into the hands of her Maker last evening after an immediate illness of less than two weeks. Kind friends and relatives joined with her grief-stricken children, Mrs. Kate Carney of this city, Mrs. Hugh McGrade of Montgomery, the Rev. J. W. Shaw of the Cathedral, and her only surviving brother, Michael Smith, in making her last hours on earth as comfortable as possible.

Miss Elizabeth Smith was the second of eight children who came with their parents from Ireland to this city in 1853. The yellow fever of that year quickly carried off her parents, a sister and three brothers. Like many an exile of Erin in those dark days, when pestilence stalked through the land, Miss Smith, although yet in her teens, with a courage and a faith that nothing could daunt, set herself to the arduous task of making a success of the battle of life. Her many friends, and especially her devoted children, know how well she succeeded. In 1858 Miss Smith gave her hand and heart to the late Patrick Shaw, well known in this city for his integrity of life and for his unswerving devotion to upright business dealings with his fellowmen.

A large family blessed their marriage vows, but only three survive. Mrs. Shaw was a model wife and a fond and devoted mother, whose thoughts night and day were for the loving ones whom God gave her. In the sunset of her life it was her joy to be surrounded by her children, who lavished upon her every mark of love and affection.

Although of a naturally retiring disposition, yet this good lady made many friends. Many, also, will remember her numerous acts of kindness and truly Christian charity. For more than fifty years Mrs. Shaw was a faithful member of St. Vincent's church. Her devotion to all her duties and her unassuming piety were a lesson to all. No greater tribute can be paid to the memory of this Christian woman than to say that she copied in her life the virtues of the valiant woman spoken of in the Book of Proverbs: "Her children rose up and called her blessed."

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this the 21st. day of August, A. D. 1909

Henry Bellinger.

(Official Seal)

County Judge.

State of Alabama
Mobile County.

I, Price Williams, Jr. Judge of the Probate Court, in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that the within instrument of writing has this day in said Court, and before me as the Judge thereof been duly proven by the proper testimony to be the genuine last will and Testament of William Fisher, deceased, and that said will together with proof thereof have been recorded in my office in Book of Wills No. 9 and on pages 676-677-678-679-680-681

In Witness of all which I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the said Court this 11th day of September, 1909.

P. Williams, Jr. Judge

(Probate Court Seal)

ELIZABETH SHAW.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF MRS. E. SHAW, MOBILE, ALABAMA.

I, Elizabeth Shaw of Mobile, Ala., make and declare this present writing my Last Will and Testament hereby revoking all my previous Wills.

(1) I appoint my son, Rev. J. W. Shaw, Executor without bond of this my last will. He will pay all my just debts as soon as practicable after my demise, and will deliver to my daughter, Mrs. Catherine E. Carney all my personal effects of every kind.

(2) I bequeath to my daughter, Mrs. C. E. Carney, for her life use and benefit the following property: the house and lot S. E. Cedar and Charleston, the houses and lots N. Charleston, second and third E. of Cedar Street.

(3) I bequeath to my daughter, Mrs. Margaret E. McGrade, the following property: the house and lot N. E. Cedar and Charleston Sts., the house and lot E. Cedar, second N. of Charleston St. the house and lot E. Cedar, second S. of Charleston St. I bequeath these properties for her life use and benefit only. My executor will provide for the final disposition in his Will of the properties bequeathed to my daughters in the way described in Nos. 2 & 3

(4) To my son, Rev. J. W. Shaw, I bequeath the following properties: the houses and lots on N. Charleston, first and second E. of Wilkinson; the houses and lots known as No. 406 and 408 S. Conception St. My son may dispose of these properties during his life, otherwise his sisters collectively and individually in the event of their surviving him, will enjoy the revenue of these properties, the same at their deaths to go to the purposes designated by my son in his Last Will and Testament.

(5) To my son-in-law, Hugh McGrade, I bequeath the sum of \$200.; to Henry Conrad \$200.; to his wife, Mrs. M. Conrad, \$200.; to their son, Henry Emmet Conrad, \$200. To the Rt. Rev. E. H. Allen and his lawful successors in office \$250. for the Roman Catholic Asylum of Mobile.

(6) In the event of my son Jas. C. Shaw, returning, my executor will pay him \$500. as his share of my estate. Should my daughter, Mrs. M. E. McGrade, die leaving issue, it is my wish that the property bequeathed to her go to her issue.

(7) All my legatees must keep their properties in good repair, pay all taxes and insure the same to a reasonable amount.

(8) In the event that I have not sold my home No. 309 S. Charleston St., my executor

may, in his judgement, dispose of the same for the settlement of my debts and be-
quests, or retain the same for the life use and benefit of his sisters, disposing
of the same in his Last Will and Testament.

In Witness of the foregoing instrument being my Last Will and Testament, I
have signed and sealed the same in the presence of the undersigned this 28th day
of June, 1909.

Elizabeth Shaw (Seal)

We, the undersigned have witnesses the above signature and seal, and in the
presence of the Testator and of each other have signed and sealed this document as
her Last Will and Testament this 28th day of June, 1909.

Katie E. Kelly (Seal)

Anna M. Bischof (Seal.)

STATE OF ALABAMA
Mobile County.

PROBATE COURT OF SAID COUNTY.

In the matter of the probate of the last will and testament of Elizabeth Shaw,
deceased.

Before me, Price Williams, Jr. Judge of the Probate Court in and for said
County and State, personally appeared in open Court Miss. Katie Kelly and Miss. M.
Bischoff, who having been by me first duly sworn and examined did and do depose and
say on oath that they are the subscribing witnesses to the instrument of writing now
shown to them and which purports to be the last will and testament of Elizabeth
Shaw deceased, late an inhabitant of this County, and that Elizabeth Shaw, since
deceased signed and executed said instrument on the day the same bears date, in the
presence of the subscribing witnesses, and declared the same to be her last will and
testament. Affiants further state that they signed the said instrument on the day
the same bears date at the request and in the presence of said testatrix, and in the
presence of each other as subscribing witnesses thereunto, that said testatrix was on
the day of the date of said will of the full age of twenty-one years and upward and
in the opinion of deponents fully capable of making her will at the time the same
was so made as aforesaid.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this
the 16th day of September, 1909

Miss. Katie Kelly
Miss. M. Bischof.

P. Williams Jr.
Judge.

(Probate Court Seal)

STATE OF ALABAMA.
Mobile County.

I, Price Williams, Jr. Judge of the Probate Court in and for said County and
State, do hereby certify that the within instrument of writing has this day in said
Court, and before me as the Judge thereof been duly proven by the proper testimony
to be the genuine last will and testament of Elizabeth Shaw, deceased, and that said
Will together with said proof thereof have been recorded in my office in Book of Will
No. 9, and on pages 681 and 682

In Witness of all which I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the said
Court this 16th day of September 1909

P. Williams Jr.

(Probate Court Seal)

Judge.

Patrick Shaw Port of Mobile. In the name of God, Amen!
Mobile County. I Patrick Shaw being of sound
State of Alabama mind and memory, and on the eve
of crossing the Atlantic Ocean, and mindful of the
uncertainty of human life, do, of my own free will
make this my last will and testament; and
hereby revoke all wills and testaments by me
previously made

1st I give, will and bequeath to my beloved
wife Elizabeth Shaw all of my property real
and personal in or about the Port of Mobile
or wherever elsewhere located to have and to
hold forever, and the right to dispose of it
whenever she deems it proper to do so.

2nd I appoint and constitute my said beloved
wife Elizabeth Shaw, my sole executrix of this
my last will and testament, and it my wish
that she should not be subject to any bonds.
Mobile May 20th 1852
Patrick Shaw

We the undersigned witnesses testify that
in our presence the above testator Patrick Shaw
signed the above instrument as being his last
will and testament, and we are his witnesses,
and in the presence of each other do sign this

4-17-86

Summary of the total amount of property distributed by
Last Will and Testament of Elizabeth Shaw 1838-1909
Executor: Her son Rev. John W. Shaw 1863-1934
Will was probated 16th September 1909

Willed to
Mrs. C. E. Carney
(daughter)
1868-1916

House and lot S. E. Cedar and Charleston.
House and lot W. Charleston, second E. of Cedar Street.
House and lot W. Charleston, third E. of Cedar Street.

Willed to
Margaret E.
M. E. Grady
(daughter)
1868-1913

House and lot N. E. Cedar and Charleston Sts.
House and lot E. Cedar, second W. of Charleston St.
House and lot E. Cedar, second S. of Charleston St.

Willed to
Rev. J. W.
Shaw
(son)
1863-1934

House and lot W. Charleston, first E. of Wilkerson.
House and lot W. Charleston, second E. of Wilkerson.
House and lot 406 S. Conception St.
House and lot 408 S. Conception St.
Family Home 309 S. Charleston St.

Total of Eleven (11) houses and lots.

Family of Frank Carney and Catherine (Kate) Shaw Carney

Mary Elizabeth Carney (Adopted) Conrad (Mamie)		1889-1967	
Henry Mathew Conrad	(husband)	1888-1956	
Emmitt H Conrad	(son)	1908-	Calif.
Elizabeth Conrad Freeman	(daughter)	1910-	deceased
Rose Mary Conrad Cowley	(daughter)	1917-	
Janileen Conrad	(daughter-Adopted)	-1922	deceased

MORTUARY

MRS. MOLLIE SUZANNE FLYNN.

The funeral of Mrs. Mollie Suzanne Flynn, widow of Henry Flynn, took place Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, from her home on Franklin avenue. Rev. Father J. W. Dunne, pastor of St. Matthew's Catholic church, conducted the service. The burial was in Magnolia cemetery. The following were the pallbearers: J. H. Murray, G. H. Goleman, W. D. Simms, Mike Desmond, Townley Rush and John Chisholm.

CHOIR ORGANIZED FOR BISHOP SHAW'S INSTALLATION

First step in preparation for the ceremonies attending the installation of Bishop John W. Shaw, of San Antonio, as archbishop of New Orleans, will be taken Tuesday at 8 p. m., when the members of the Knights of Columbus choir, which has been selected to furnish the music at the installation service, will hold their first rehearsal in the Knights of Columbus hall, Carondelet street. Rev. Raymond Carra has been appointed director of the rehearsals and of the choir service for the ceremony.

SAN FRANCISCO BISHOP WILL CELEBRATE MASS

Reverend Edward J. Hanna, archbishop of San Francisco, will celebrate mass Sunday morning at St. Patrick's pro-cathedral. He arrived in New Orleans late Saturday night and is spending the day as the guest of Rev. Raymond Carra. He leaves Sunday night for Washington, where he is to attend the annual after-Easter meeting of the archbishops of the United States.

ARCHBISHOP SHAW IS PRAISED BY VISITOR

Tribute to the late Archbishop John W. Shaw of New Orleans was paid, Tuesday morning, in a sermon preached by Archbishop John J. Glennon of St. Louis during a requiem high mass at the old St. Louis Cathedral in Jackson Square, for the repose of Archbishop Shaw's soul.

"Our Fath," said Archbishop Glennon, speaking of his church, "will never fail in this world unless our priests fail.

"I come," he said, "as a brother bishop from a sister city to speak of our friend, my friend and yours, the late Archbishop Shaw. Such

friendship as he gave is rare. The elements were so gently mixed in him that he stands in our memories as one of the noblest works of God. He stood for the ideal of what a Christian should be. He was one who was always ready to serve. He was a true shepherd to his flock. They heard his voice and they followed him.

"I remember him as 50 years ago and more, he stood among his fellow students. He stood out then in his calm serenity, as though his

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FUNERAL OF MRS. SHAW

The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Shaw took place Wednesday morning from St. Vincent's Church with solemn requiem mass. The officers of the mass were Rev. J. W. Shaw, son of the deceased, celebrant; Rev. T. Eaton, deacon, and Rev. M. Henry, subdeacon. The master of ceremonies was Rev. E. B. Kennedy of St. Vincent's Church. Rt. Rev. Bishop Allen delivered a touching eulogy of the life and virtues of this truly Christian mother, prefacing his remarks by reading several verses from the last chapter of the Book of Proverbs, wherein is portrayed the valiant woman. The bishop also took occasion to set before parents their duty in fostering vocations in their

K. C. Choir Rehearsal Tuesday.

The Knights of Columbus choir will meet at 8 p. m., Tuesday in the K. of C. parlors in Carondelet street, to begin rehearsals to be sung at the installation of the new archbishop of New Orleans, the Most Rev. John W. Shaw, now bishop of San Antonio. The bulls from the Pope have been issued, and are understood to be on the way over. The installation probably will take place early in May.

1916 DIOCESE OF MOBILE

Bishop Shaw Pontificates at the Funeral of His Only Sister. Her Death Widely Deplored.

The Morning Star briefly chronicled last week the death of Mrs. Kate Carney, one of the best-known and most esteemed residents of Mobile, sister of the Right Rev. John W. Shaw, Bishop of San Antonio. At her passing, Mobile has lost one of its noblest women and the Catholic Church a true and devoted daughter.

Mrs. Carney was a native of Mobile. She was the widow of the late Frank Carney, one of Mobile's most honored citizens. She was much beloved, and was the center of a large circle of friends who clustered about her in loving devotion, because of her gracious and charming character and true womanhood, which attracted others as the magnet to the pole. Mrs. Carney's great gifts of mind and heart were all laid at the feet of Christ in service to Him and His poor. Her charities were many, and the poverty-stricken homes of Mobile, which had so often felt the touch of her gentle, ministering hand, have lost a friend indeed.

Mrs. Carney died on Jan. 20 at 1:05 o'clock, after a lingering illness, which she bore with such heroic patience and Christian fortitude as to edify all about her. She had the great consolation in the last week of her illness of having at her side her devoted brother, the beloved Bishop of San Antonio, who came to visit his sister and console her in death's trying hour. The funeral took place Jan. 21 at 9 a. m. from the family residence, 309 Charleston street, and was largely attended. The deep grief on the face of all attested the sincere sorrow at her passing and the fragrance of her memory. The funeral cortege proceeded to St. Vincent's Church, where Mrs. Carney had worshipped for nearly half a century. The church was thronged. Solemn Pontifical Requiem Mass was celebrated by the Right Rev. John W. Shaw, of San Antonio, and assistants were Revs. Fathers Dunne, Kennedy, McGowin, Gerow, Hackett, Brady, Cummings, Gensheimern, Cassidy and Gannon, the latter from Montgomery. The interment was made in the Catholic cemetery. The following relatives served as pallbearers: Messrs. James T. Duggan, John Nelson, M. J. Duggan and John Smith.

Mrs. Carney is survived by her brother, Right Rev. Bishop John W. Shaw, of San Antonio, Texas, and her daughter, Mrs. H. M. Conrad; two grandchildren, and other relatives.

To the Bishop of San Antonio and the bereaved family, The Morning Star ex-

HERITAGE

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By ROBERT ZIETZ
Genealogy Staff
Mobile Public Library

In last week's "Heritage" column, the library's George Schroeter wrote of the mysterious disappearance of young James Shaw, Christmas Eve of 1883. This prompted a response from William Rouse and Hays Thompson, both of whom claim blood relationship to Shaw. They dropped by to tell us that Shaw was not an only child. He had two sisters and a brother, John William, who was studying for the priesthood in Rome at the time of James's death. John William later became Archbishop of New Orleans.

HERITAGE

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By GEORGE H. SCHROETER
Local History Division
Mobile Public Library

Mobile's heritage is filled with many stories, some typical of the long ago, some as modern as today. Put together, they form a background of the life of our city. This is one of those stories:

It was two days before Christmas, 1883. In a house on Augusta Street, just 1½ blocks from the railroad, the holiday decorations were already in place. This was the home of Elizabeth Shaw, a widow whose husband, Patrick, had been dead only a year. She and her 17-year old son, James, were preparing for Christmas.

The approach of the holiday season had so far been marred only by James's unsuccessful attempts to find a job. On this morning, however, he told his mother of an offer of a job as assistant bookkeeper for a firm in New Orleans. He and a friend, Walter Dawsey, were going over there that day.

James Shaw hoped to have an answer right away about the job, and assured his mother he would be home by the next day, or Christmas at the latest. Taking no suitcase, he went out into the brightness of the December morning, and headed east toward the New Orleans and Mobile Railroad. Mrs. Shaw watched him go. She never saw her son again.

When he had not returned by Christmas, Mrs. Shaw went to his companion, Walter Dawsey. Dawsey said he and James had, indeed, gone to New Orleans, and he had left James in the company of one Lawrence Hubert.

Mrs. Shaw then went to New Orleans to try to learn what had happened. The police there could find no clues, but did tell her that Lawrence Hubert had a bad reputation. In desperation she later turned to private detectives, but they could uncover nothing further. When they questioned Hubert, he admitted walking with James toward the L&N depot, but said he had left

him on Canal Street. James continued on toward the depot at that time, to return to Mobile ... and so vanished forever.

March 16, 1884, the Mobile Register wrote up the account: The lonely widow, the lost son, the grief that had been caused. The Register explained that no real motive could be found for any harm coming to the boy, because the only things of value that James had on him were "a silver watch and a pair of handsome cufflinks."

The New Orleans Picayune reprinted the article and, for a time, that was all. Except that, April 8, the Register received a small package in the mail: A blue matchbox containing the clipping from the Picayune, with a notation in ink "April 4, 1884. Bought this in N.O." There was no signature, and no return address. Beneath the clipping in the box was a badly damaged and broken silver watch.

There the story ends. James Shaw, aged 17, height 6-foot-1, boyish face and neat appearance, vanished without a trace. The years passed, the old neighborhood changed, and Mrs. Shaw finally moved to Charleston Street. When the 20th century was not quite a decade old, the widowed mother died. Her lonely vigil was ended. She had gone to meet her son.

Lord of Hosts, Scatter Our Enemies from Before Thee

—Archbishop J. W. Shaw.

The most Reverend J. W. Shaw, archbishop of New Orleans, delivered the following powerful and patriotic invocation at the Loyalty Day celebration in Lafayette Square Thursday evening:

"To Thee, O, King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, we Thy people who have come through the generations out of every tribe, and tongue, and people, and nation, into this promised land of the new dispensation, lovingly and gratefully lift up our minds and hearts on this the one hundred and forty-second anniversary of the declaration of our national independence.

"As Moses and Aaron, the leaders and saviors of the people of Israel, enjoined upon their people that the day of their deliverance from the yoke of Egyptian bondage should be a 'memorial' and a 'feast to the Lord with an everlasting remembrance,' so George Washington, the father of our country, and the immortal patriots who signed the Declaration of Independence, the Magna Charta of the rights and liberties of a free people, have transmitted unto the American republic a trust and duty to commemorate, in loving thanksgiving to the God in Whom they trusted, every Fourth of July the immortal fact of history when the American colonies took their place among the nations of the earth, free and independent, to be known for all time as the United States of America.

"In this land of equal rights and privileges, with no aristocracy except that of virtue and genius, in this 'land flowing with milk and honey,' where oh, Heavenly Father, 'Thou openest Thy hand and fillest every creature with blessing,' we Thy favored children 'with one heart and one soul' renew our undying allegiance to Thee to be always a God-fearing and Christian people. Once more on this the birthday of our beloved country we return Thee grateful thanks for 'every best gift and every perfect gift' for human liberty and human rights, and for the priceless boon of freedom of conscience and freedom of education.

"And do Thou, oh, King of Kings, the source of all power and authority, Who holdest the nations in the palm of Thy hand, deign to hear our humble prayer and enlighten with 'the wisdom that sitteth by Thy throne' the fearless and beloved President of our country that he may be a ruler after Thy heart.

"Heavenly Father, Thou seest that our country's rights and liberties are assailed by implacable enemies who would recognize no rights human or divine, we call upon Thee as the Lord God of Hosts to arise in Thy might and scatter our enemies from before Thy face. Teach, we pray Thee, the hands of our valiant soldiers to fight and their fingers to war. Make our soldiers and sailors to be 'of the seed of those men by whom salvation was brought' to the American nation. And, 'Holy Father, keep them in Thy name,' in Thy holy fear in cleanliness of life, in faith, hope and charity; accept the sacrifice they may make of their lives for their country and their brethren, and bless fair Columbia that she may ever be the sacred shrine and temple of human liberty and human rights.

"Amen."



OF YOUR CHARITY

Pray for the Repose of
the Soul of

ELIZABETH SHAW,

Who died August 23d, 1909,

At Mobile, Ala.,

Fortified by the Sacraments of Holy Mother Church.

Aged 71 years.

O God, who hast commanded us to honor our father and mother, look in the tenderness of Thy mercy upon the soul of our mother, and forgive her sins, and grant unto us the joy of seeing her again in the glorious light of everlasting life. Amen.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon her.

"We have loved her in life, let us not forget her in death."—*St. Ambrose.*

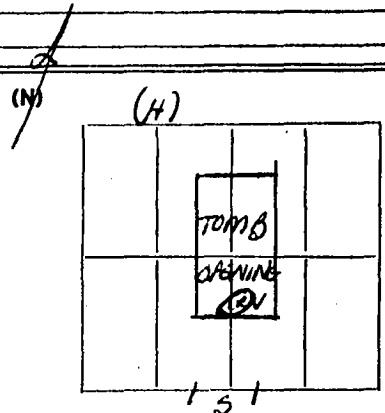
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Cemetery Lot Information Form

SEC. XIV LOT 5 DATE PREPARED 1974 19__
 ORIG. LOT PURCHASER OR OWNER, IF KNOWN P. Shuur
 EASEMENT NO. _____ EASEMENT DATE _____; OTHER _____
 OLD CEMETERY:
 NAME ON STEPS TO LOT P. Shuur ON SEC. PLAT Patrick Shuur
 SIZE OF LOT concrete tomb NO. GRAVES _____ OTHER _____
 OTHER INFORMATION: _____

INTERNMENTS, THIS LOT, PLACED ON ALPHA. INTERMENT CARDS _____
 THIS LOT CROSS-INDEXED ON CARDS _____

(On diagram to right, indicate "head" of lot and direction of North; mark lot to correspond with interment info listed below; indicate location memorials, if any; show used graves by shading; indicate location of steps, if any involved on lot; indicate any unusual information or condition (permanent) of lot.) IF THIS DIAGRAM NOT APPROPRIATE, USE DIAGRAM INSIDE BACK COVER THIS FOLDER.



RECORD OF INTERMENTS:

ON MARB. MON:

NAME OF DECEASED:	RELATIONSHIP:	DATE OF INTER:	D/B CONT:	MEMORIALS:
Patrick Shuur		1882		
Mamie E. Dixon		1887		
Michael P. Shuur		1892		
Lizzie A. Shuur		1891		
R. Edmunt Shuur		1886		
Elin Shuur (wife of Patrick)		1909		
Margaret E. McShurle (wife of Aug. McShurle)		1913		
In memory of Archbishop J.W. Shuur buried at St. James Cathedral, A.C., 1934				

(If additional space needed, see inside back sheet of folder)

PRESENT LOT OWNERSHIP:

NAME:	ADDRESS:	OWNERSHIP, INTEREST, OTHER:
1. <u>Wm. Rouse</u>	<u>2207 St. Theresa Ct, Mobile Ala.</u>	
2. <u>Wm L. Rouse</u>	<u>2207 St. Teresa St</u>	<u>Mobile Ala</u>
3.	<u>Tel. 205-478-3813</u>	

INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM: OWNER, OTHER(S) WITH INTEREST Wm. Rouse
 OBSERVATION: _____ RECORDS _____ OTHER PERSONS _____ (IF LATTER) NAME(S) _____

DATE INFORMATION OBTAINED 9/7/1963 REMARKS: _____

OTHER INFO OR NOTES, THIS LOT: _____

X-REFERENCE: ALSO SEE FOLDER
 FOR: SEC X LOT 5
 SEC XVII LOT 24
 SEC _____ LOT _____

This form prepared by: J.M.S.
 Date Aug. 8 1974

"CARE" PROGRAM: PERPETUAL CARE _____ DATE IN 48 _____ AMT. PAID \$ _____
 ANNUAL CARE _____: DATE IN (IF NEW) _____, 19__; RATE \$ _____

THE CATHOLIC CEMETERY 1700 STONE ST., MOBILE, ALA.

Mobile, Ala.,

Jan. 2. 1916.

My Dear Fr. Kume;-

I presume that you have received the telegram I sent you Saturday night relative to my sister's condition. While I found her somewhat improved I regret to say that she is still in a critical condition. When she is not under the influence of an opiate her sufferings are intense. Her system is now thoroughly saturated with the poison. Last night the nurse told me she suffered excruciatingly. Humanly speaking I do not see how she can last much longer. I am happy to say that she is perfectly resigned to the holy Will of God and realizes that she is going to die. Please ask the good Sisters and children to continue their prayers that she may have a peaceful and holy end.

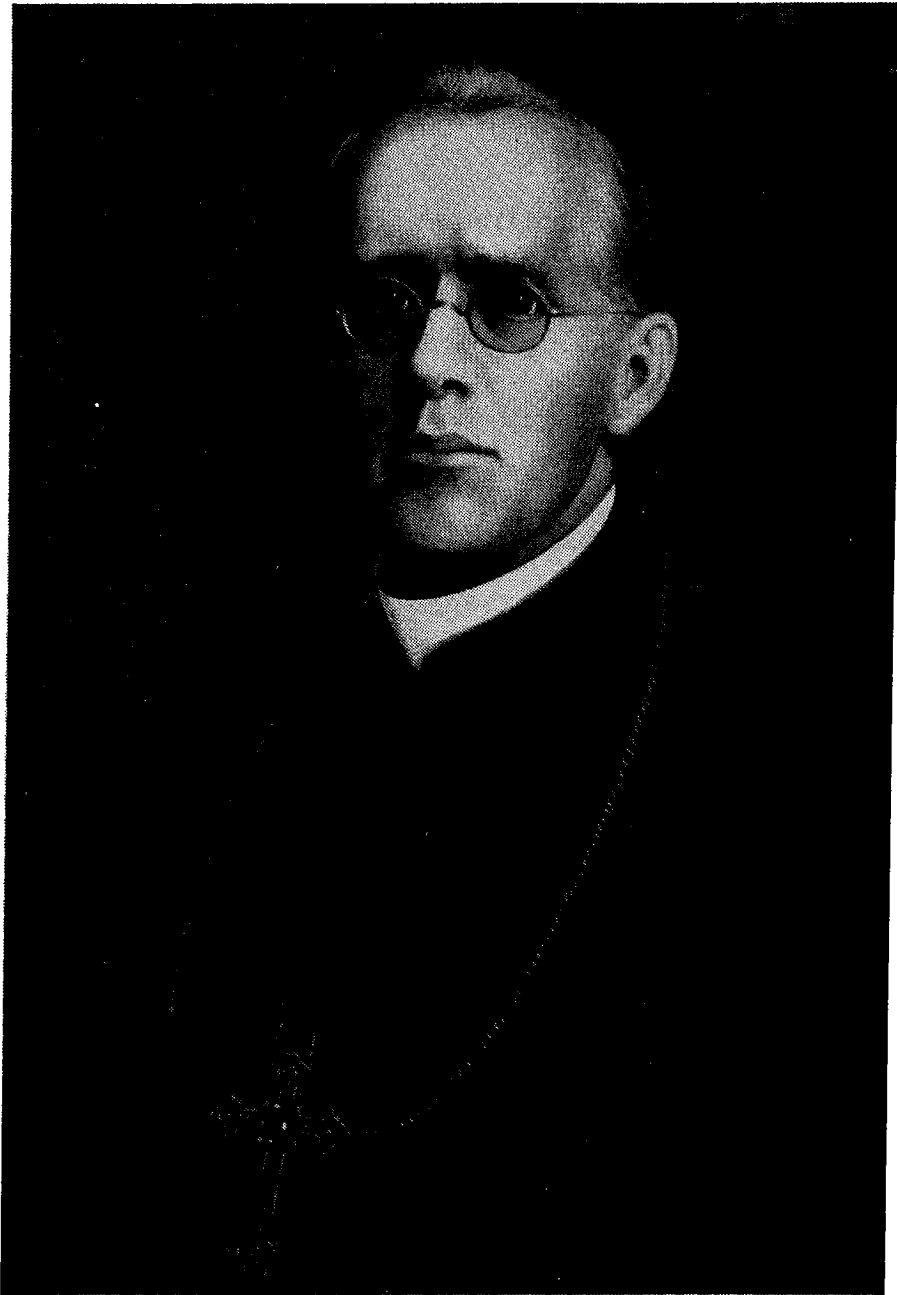
As for myself I am glad to say that I am none the worse for the hurried trip to Mobile. The weather is very disagreeable here.

I am enclosing copies of letters which I have written to Cardinal Gibbons and Seelig Deutschmann. I hope that they will be satisfactory. I shall ask to keep the copies.

I sent a telegram last evening to Fr. Meiser to notify Fr. Haska to postpone his visit to San Antonio. If you have any letters of importance you might forward them until further notice.

All your friends here have inquired very kindly for you. With kindest regards and best wishes to you and all inquiring friends, I am as ever yours sincerely in Xto,

+ J. W. Shaw



Arch Bishop
John W Shaw
New Orleans La.

Mobile, Ala.,

Jan. 22. 1916.

My Dear Fr. Hume; -

Just a line to let you know that I expect to leave here at noon on next Thursday the 27th inst. I expect to arrive home either Friday night or early Saturday morning. However I shall let you know in ample time when I shall reach San Antonio. I may have to stop in New Orleans a part of a day to see a very sick cousin.

I am happy to say that I have answered all the letters so far. This is a great relief, as you can well imagine.

To-morrow I go to B'ham and then to Mont'gy. I shall return here Tuesday evening, arrange all matters on Wednesday and then bid adieu to my old home.

We laid my dear sister to rest yesterday morning with Solemn Pontifical Mass. There was a very large crowd in St. Vincent's. My dear sister had many friends to come from all the parishes of the city.

I have been very much consoled by the many expressions of sympathy here and from San Antonio. I intend to put a notice of thanks in the Messenger. If you send letters by the Monday evening mail, I shall get them here before I leave.

With kindest regards and best wishes, to you and all kind friends, I am as ever yours sincerely in Xto,

+ J. W. Shaw

Mobile, Ala.,

Jan. 10. 1916.

My Dear Fr. Hume; -

Many thanks for the packets of letters which I received yesterday and to-day. I have answered all with the exception of the letters from Extension., which I hope to do to-morrow.

I am glad that you wrote to Mr. Moran at Midland relative to the taxes, I am very sorry to say that my dear sister is near the end. I do not see how she can live beyond to-morrow. It will be a happy release for her, as notwithstanding the opiates she suffers very acutely. I cannot tell you how depressed I feel over the prospect of losing the last tie of our family, but God's holy will be done. I need not tell you that after she passes away I shall settle up her affairs as soon as possible and return to San Antonio. I feel that if I am kept more occupied I shall not feel my loneliness so much. I shall have little occasion to visit Mobile after her death.

Don't you think that it would be a good idea to touch up the Motor Chapel a little before Mgr. Kelley reaches San Antonio? I leave it to your judgment to make the necessary repairs. I think above all that it ought to receive a coat of paint. After all that Extension has done for us, it is no more than right to do this little for them. Besides I would not have them think that we took no interest in the Chapel. Besides what an impression would Bishop Schrembs form of us if he received the Chapel in its present condition?

With kindest regards and best wishes to you and all in quiring friends
I am as ever yours sincerely in Xto,

+ J. W. Shaw.

CHAPTER XXI

ARCHBISHOP SHAW

UPON the death of Archbishop Blenk, Very Rev. Jules B. Jeanmard, who had been private secretary to the deceased prelate, became administrator of the archdiocese, through instructions left by Archbishop Blenk. In January, 1918, Bishop John William Shaw of San Antonio, Texas, was notified by the Holy See that he was to be elevated to the Archdiocese of New Orleans and the Vatican also notified Father Jeanmard. On January 11, 1918, the Holy See also issued Bulls for the erection of a new diocese in Louisiana, the Diocese of Lafayette, with the city of Lafayette as the See City. The new diocese was to include all that part of the Archdiocese of New Orleans west of the Atchafalaya River. (1)

Bishop Shaw debated for a long time as to whether or not he would accept the difficult burden that Rome desired him to undertake. It is said that for several weeks, he spent some time in his chapel daily before the Blessed Sacrament, praying for God's guidance in the matter. Finally, he accepted the honors and notified Rome accordingly. He left San Antonio and passed through New Orleans unobtrusively on his way to Mobile to prepare to take up his new duties. (2)

John William Shaw was a native of Mobile, Ala., born on December 12, 1863, the son of Patrick Shaw and Elizabeth Smith, staunch Irish Catholic parents who reared a family of six children in a deep faith and piety. As a boy, young Shaw was sent to St. Vincent de Paul's parochial school at Mobile, conducted by the Brothers of the Sacred Heart. Later he was sent by his parents with one of his brothers to the Diocesan Seminary at Navan, County Meath, Ireland, to complete his high school studies. He decided to enter the priesthood, so went to Rome where he made his ecclesiastical studies at the American College during a period of six years, graduating with high honors. On May 26, 1888, he was ordained in the Basilica of St. John Lateran. Back in his native Diocese of Mobile, he was assigned to St. Peter's church at Montgomery, Ala., then to his home parish of St. Vincent de Paul. So zealously did he work, that in 1892, having been ordained only four years, he was appointed rector of the Cathedral of Mobile by the late Bishop Sullivan. Shortly before the Bishop's death, Father Shaw was appointed chancellor. In 1897, Bishop Allen, the new Ordinary, reappointed Father Shaw as chancellor and secretary, posts which he held for 14 years. (3)

When in 1910, Bishop Forrest of San Antonio, stricken with illness, asked for a Coadjutor, the late Archbishop Blenk called a meeting of the Bishops of the ecclesiastical province of New Orleans and it is said that the young Mobile chancellor was the unanimous choice. The Vatican approved and he was consecrated Titular Bishop of Castabala and Coadjutor of San Antonio by Archbishop Blenk in the Mobile Cathedral on April 14, 1910, having been granted the right of succession to the San Antonio See. With characteristic energy, he undertook work at San Antonio, relieving Bishop Forrest of most of his duties. He gave special attention to exiled Mexicans, befriending many priests and Sisters. Upon the death of Bishop Forrest, Bishop Shaw succeeded him as Ordinary of San Antonio on March 11, 1911. As head of the Diocese of San Antonio he spent himself with labors and continued his work in behalf of the Mexicans. So numerous were his benefactions for the latter that Pope Benedict XV addressed him a personal letter of thanks for his solicitude and work, and in recognition, made him assistant at the Pontifical throne in September, 1916. When the United States entered the World War, Bishop Shaw showed the great patriotism that fired him by his many services rendered, especially during the Liberty Bond campaigns and other patriotic movements, making frequent addresses and urging his flock to devote themselves to the welfare and defense of their country. (4)

On the death of Archbishop Blenk, Bishop Shaw was chosen by the Holy See to fill the vacancy in the Archdiocese of New Orleans. After spending a short time at Mobile, the new Ordinary came to New Orleans and on June 2, 1918, he was tendered a huge reception by the people of New Orleans; a parade miles long filed past the episcopal residence on Esplanade avenue; this was climaxed by ceremonies at St. Joseph's church on Tulane avenue. On December 8, 1918, the pallium was conferred upon the Archbishop by Most Rev. John Bonzano, Apostolic Delegate to the United States, at the St. Louis Cathedral. In the meantime, Father Jeanmard was notified by the Vatican of his appointment as Bishop of the newly created Diocese of Lafayette. On the same occasion that Archbishop Shaw received the pallium, the new Bishop of Lafayette was consecrated, also Father Arthur Drossaerts, former Baton Rouge pastor, who had been named

(1) Personal Notes.
(2) Ibid.

(3) Ibid.
(4) Ibid.

Bishop of San Antonio to succeed Archbishop Shaw. The conferring of the pallium and the double consecration was one of the most memorable religious events in New Orleans to that time. (5)

In 1924, Archbishop Shaw made his first *ad limina* visit to Rome as Archbishop of New Orleans. His second visit was made in July, 1934, just before his death, when he was received with touching kindness and affection by Pope Pius XI. During his episcopacy in Texas and in New Orleans, Archbishop Shaw always displayed a keen interest in civic affairs, lending his support in all worthwhile endeavors, but always rigidly shunning everything that had even the semblance of politics, with one single exception. This was during the Ku Klux Klan outbreak, when he boldly urged citizens to support candidates who were pledged to uphold the constitutional rights of freedom of religion. During the sessions of the state legislature when sterilization measures were proposed, Archbishop Shaw took a determined stand against such proposals. When the Community Chest was organized in New Orleans, he promptly gave his endorsement and urged all Catholics to give this plan their support, bringing about the success of this civic venture and setting the example by generous annual contributions. At the same time he organized the Associated Catholic Charities under the direction of Monsignor Wynhoven and a board of clergy and outstanding laymen. (6)

Archbishop Shaw's ideal was a native clergy trained in his own diocese in a worthy seminary, a substantial building that would insure the permanency of such an important diocesan institution. Practically all of his predecessors had sought by various means to bring this about, had not succeeded to any great degree. Archbishop Shaw decided to tackle and solve this problem once and for all. On August 20, 1920, Archbishop Shaw called a meeting of prominent laymen at his residence and proposed that the time had come when a major seminary should be built for the archdiocese. As a result of favorable action, Archbishop Shaw appointed a committee composed of two priests and four laymen and charged them with the task of raising a million dollars and building the seminary. On Sunday, January 8, 1921, after Solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, the crusade to raise the fund to build the diocesan seminary was launched. In less than two weeks, over one million dollars had been pledged by 50,000 subscribers. General Allison Owen was chosen as architect. Among those who did much in the campaign were Rt. Rev. Msgr. August Bruening, who served as chancellor for a time, John X. Wegmann, Charles I. Denechaud, Frank Barker and others. On February 10, 1922, in the presence of Archbishop Shaw, the first pile was driven and on May 12, the first stone was laid. On June 18, 1923, the main building was completed; the chapel was completed on September 1, 1923. The first academic year began on September 18, 1923, with 25 students from three dioceses of Louisiana. The Marist Fathers were invited by Archbishop Shaw to direct the seminary. One of the students was ordained to the priesthood in January and four in June, 1924. Archbishop Shaw had the consolation of ordaining some 10 classes of young priests who completed their studies at the seminary he had established, finally bringing to a substantial reality what the Bishops and Archbishops of New Orleans had sought for and dreamed about for more than 100 years! (7)

Archbishop Shaw was deeply interested in all educational and charitable institutions of the diocese, particularly Chinchuba Deaf-Mute Institute, the chapel at Carville, the House of the Good Shepherd and the orphanages. Many poor persons were regular callers at his home to receive charity and many organizations received regular and substantial gifts from his personal funds, among them needy convents. Many priests were also frequently assisted by the Archbishop and many poor parishes were likewise the beneficiaries of his charity, but all of this good work was done quietly and with the injunction that it should not be made public. (8)

During the episcopacy of Archbishop Shaw the Church made great strides and the expansion and building program of Archbishop Blenk was carried on to an even greater degree and to a point, in the establishment of new parishes, that was reminiscent of Archbishop Blanc. Twenty-one new parishes for whites were established and 12 for Negroes, a total of 33, the largest number since the days of the great church builder of antebellum days. Seventeen new churches were built in New Orleans, and 23 chapels, churches and missions in the rural sections. In the city 18 white parochial schools were started and 11 outside of New Orleans. It was during his administration that Mt. Carmel Academy at Lakeview, Xavier University, Hotel Dieu, Mercy Hospital, the chapel at the U. S. Marine Hospital at Carville, Madonna Manor and Hope Haven were built, all projects that he had encouraged and approved. He also remodelled the old St. Anthony's church on North Rampart street, which he opened as Our Lady of Guadalupe church for Spanish-speaking people and reopened St. Mary's church adjoining the first Ursuline Convent, as an Italian church. Some months before his death, he authorized the signing of the

(5) Ibid.
(6) Ibid.

(7) Notre Dame Seminary Notes.
(8) Personal Notes.

contract for the building of the Lafon Boys' Home. The Louise, under the Sisters of Charity, was also opened, in the former New Orleans Female Orphan Asylum as a day nursery. The St. Vincent de Paul Society and the Holy Name Society increased in membership and influence through his interest and encouragement and to these must be added the Federation of Catholic Societies of Louisiana. (9)

Archbishop Shaw also established in 1927 a new religious congregation, the Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Eucharist, a group of Sisters whose object is to perform catechetical and educational work in the poorest and most neglected sections of the diocese. The congregation began under Mother Catherine Bostick, the foundress and first superior, at Amite, La., and established its first house at Albany, La. In 1936, Archbishop Rummel established the Sisters' motherhouse and novitiate in the old St. Vincent's Hotel on North Rampart street, adjoining Our Lady of Guadalupe church. (10)

Three religious orders of men and two of women were established in the archdiocese—the Oblate Fathers, who were placed in charge, in 1918, of the Cathedral, St. Mary's Italian church. Our Lady of Guadalupe church and the missions of Livingston Parish; the Franciscans, who took the new parish of St. Mary of the Angels in New Orleans and the missions of the Lower Coast on the Mississippi River; and the Fathers of the Divine Word, who took charge of Pointe-a-la-Hache and Belle Chasse; the Theresian Sisters and the Sisters of the Incarnate Word. (11)

All of this work of expansion and building went to quietly, for Archbishop Shaw was uncompromisingly opposed to publicity. Seldom he issued statements; and interviews he granted even more rarely. Once, when leaving for an ad limina visit, only when a prominent Catholic layman pointed out to him that the photographers were only carrying out their orders and had to earn their living, in charity, so noted with him, he consented to being photographed, but only on condition that others at the station were photographed with him. Once he contributed an article to "Catholic Action of the South," the official diocesan organ, on his work, and this was on his Confirmation visit to the hospital at Carville; the reason, however, was that he desired to interest Catholics to contribute to the badly needed chapel at the colony. (12)

Archbishop Shaw gave his immediate attention to the needs of the various sections of the city and rural areas that needed spiritual attention and the care of a resident priest. One of the first parishes that was subdivided was that of Cornerview. During the administration of Father J. C. Gonon, the Chapel Car St. Paul, on a missionary tour, visited Gonzales, La., in 1917, at the instance of the pastor. Both Father Gonon and the chapel car missionary, Father W. Graham, C. Ss. R., urged the Archbishop to divide the parish. This he did, building a church during the war at Gonzales and establishing the parishes of Prairieville and St. Amant, Cornerview being attached to Gonzales as a mission. This was done in 1918. Father Gonon retired in March, 1918, and Father E. Hubert was named pastor of St. Theresa's church at Gonzales, in April of that same year; he served Gonzales until 1933, when Archbishop Shaw assigned Rev. William J. Castel, a native Louisianian, to the pastorate, in July. The Archbishop appointed Father A. Delnom to take charge of the new parish of Holy Rosary at St. Amant. Father Victor Baron succeeded him in 1921 and built a new church. His successor was Rev. Allard Domsdorf. St. John the Evangelist parish at Prairieville was placed in care of Rev. E. D. Miller. When he retired, Archbishop Shaw appointed Rev. Herman Hammerstein. (13)

During the administration of Archbishop Blenk, Father Theophile Stenmans, who had been placed in charge of St. Joseph's church at Gretna, built a chapel at McDonoghville, to provide a house of worship conveniently located for the Catholics of that end of Gretna parish. This church, St. Anthony's, was served by Father Stenmans and later by his successor, Monsignor Wynhoven, the latter providing the parish with a school in 1919. However, the distance of McDonoghville from the mother church at Gretna and the growing number of Catholics induced Archbishop Shaw to erect St. Anthony's into an independent parish in 1920. Father John F. X. Walsh, World War chaplain, was appointed the first pastor; he served McDonoghville until his death in 1937. (14)

Father Stenmans had also built a chapel at Westwego in 1906. Monsignor Wynhoven had brought the "Little Jesuits'" church from New Orleans, across the river to a new location on the highway through the town. The distance of Westwego from Gretna and the number of Catholics there who desired to have a resident pastor induced Monsignor Wynhoven to appeal to Archbishop Shaw to form the town into an independent parish and this was done on February 8, 1920, under the invocation of Our Lady of Prompt Succor. Father Albert Koenig was assigned to Westwego as the first pastor. In 1922 a school for the parish was built by Father Koenig and placed under the direction of the Sisters of Mt. Carmel. The old chapel was converted into a home for the

(9) N. O. Archd. Archvs.

(10) Ibid.

(11) Cornerview, Gonzales, St. Amant, Prairieville Parish Notes.

(12) St. Joseph, Gretna, Notes; Ten Years in Jefferson, 1927; Cath. Action, Jan. 28, 1937.

(11) Ibid.

(12) Personal Notes.

Sisters. During the administration of Monsignor Wynhoven, the residents of Waggaman petitioned the Archbishop to attach their mission, the former Church of the Guardian Angels—formerly an independent parish—to St. Joseph's at Gretna. The church at Waggaman, destroyed by the 1915 storm, was rebuilt at once and it was served by the Gretna clergy, until in 1920, when Westwego was erected as a parish, it was attached to the latter. The church at Waggaman was destroyed by fire on July 16, 1935, but again rebuilt and blessed by Archbishop Rumel on November 8, 1935. Italians of the Amesville section, desired to have a church of their own. This was done during Monsignor Wynhoven's administration at Gretna. One of the prime movers in this work who co-operated with Monsignor Wynhoven was J. Paternostro. The church and school at Anies Farms were completed in 1923 and dedicated under the patronage of St. Joseph. Later, Amesville was transferred to Westwego. (15)

Prior to 1918, the people of Marrero on the west bank of the Mississippi River, opposite uptown New Orleans, were compelled to hold their Sunday services in a hall above a grocery, reminiscent of pioneer days of the West. The settlement was served then by St. Joseph's church at Gretna. Monsignor Wynhoven, pastor of Gretna, decided to remedy that situation. On the first Christmas Day as pastor of Gretna, he preached to the Marrero congregation, using as his text the words of the Gospel: "There was no room in the inn." There was an immediate response to his appeal for a church and soon a building was under way. Around Easter, 1918, the new Church of the Immaculate Conception at Marrero was blessed by Bishop Jeanmard, who was then administrator of the See of New Orleans. Monsignor Wynhoven then undertook the construction of a school. In the meantime, Archbishop Shaw felt convinced of the need of establishing a resident pastor at Marrero and he did this in 1924. On July 4 of that year, he assigned Father Joseph Wester, assistant at Gretna, as pastor of Marrero; it was Father Wester who had been serving Marrero as a mission. Included in the new Immaculate Conception parish were the missions of Harvey, Crown Point, Barataria and Lafitte. After the establishment of the Lafitte-Barataria parish under Rev. Edwin Gubler in 1936, only Harvey remains as a mission of Marrero. Under Father Wester, the school was completed. In 1934, the building was remodelled. It was placed in the care of the Sisters of Notre Dame. The Italian Catholics of Harvey long desired to have a church of their own which they desired to dedicate to St. Rosalie. Monsignor Wynhoven of Gretna in 1923, readily fell in with their plans and a church was begun. It was dedicated by Archbishop Shaw on September 4, 1923, and first attached to Gretna, but later assigned to Marrero. The first Mass at Harvey was celebrated by Father Wester, then assistant at Gretna. One of the features of the church at Harvey is the annual ceremony and procession in honor of St. Rosalie. (16)

All the upper portion of New Orleans, known as Carrollton and the section extending from the Mississippi River to the lake and up to the lower limits of the Kenner church parish, were for years the territory of Mater Dolorosa parish of New Orleans, even during the time of the late Rt. Rev. Monsignor J. Francis Prim, P. A., pastor. As different parts of this vast area developed, they were cut off and erected into independent parishes. Monsignor Prim had erected a small chapel on the Labarre Road near the Louisiana Railway and Navigation Company tracks, and another chapel at East End on the lake front, near West End, which was dedicated to St. Louis. The Labarre Road chapel, under the invocation of St. Catherine of Siena, was first served by Rev. Leo Jarysch, assistant at Mater Dolorosa. Later Monsignor Prim moved this chapel back some six blocks from the Metairie Road. In 1921, Archbishop Shaw established the rear section of Mater Dolorosa parish, from the railroad tracks to the lake, and from the Shrewsbury Road to the New Basin, as an independent parish dedicated to St. Catherine of Siena. Rev. J. J. Furlong was named first pastor. He was obliged to rent a house as there was no rectory. Father Furlong also attended to St. Louis Chapel at East End and it was there that he performed the first baptism in the parish, that of Edward T. Lestrade, February 20, 1921. Three years later (1924), Father Bernard J. O'Donnell became administrator, but shortly after he had moved the church close to Metairie Road and enlarged it, he became ill and died, January 31, 1925. On April 23, 1825, Father Leo Jarysch, who had served the chapel when it was on Labarre Road, was assigned as pastor by Archbishop Shaw. He at once undertook the work of thoroughly organizing the parish. The school and church-auditorium were built in 1926, immediately after the completion of a new rectory. The school was placed in charge of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word. In 1926, Father Jarysch undertook improvement of the grounds and the erection of a grotto of the Passion. (17)

Archbishop Shaw further subdivided the Metairie section in 1924, when a part of St. Catherine of Siena parish, beyond the New Basin and extending to the railroad and

(15) Westwego Notes; Ten Years in Jeff.

(16) Marrero Parish Notes; Ten Years in Jeff.

(17) St. Catherine of Siena Parish Notes.

out to the lake, was formed into the parish of St. Francis Xavier. Canonical erection took place on January 1, 1924. Rev. Francis X. Rombouts was named the first pastor. He said the first Mass in the new parish on New Year's Day, 1924, in the St. Louis Chapel at East End. On Sunday, January 27, Father Rombouts said the first Mass at temporary quarters at the Seventeenth Street Canal and Avenue E, Metairie Ridge. The present church plant on Metairie Road was dedicated on Passion Sunday, March 21, 1926. The new church was made possible through the Vincent donation of land to which the congregation added by purchase, property from Valentine Betz on February 27, 1929. The parish school began to function in September, 1926, under the Sisters of Mercy. A new school annex was built in September, 1931. (18) Rev. Felix F. Miller was the next pastor.

When Grand Isle began to be settled by fisher folks and other settlers, it was visited by priests from lower Bayou Lafourche. Priests from New Orleans also made occasional visits to that section, instructing, baptizing and preparing children for First Communion. When a church was established at Cheniere Caminada, the famous resort on the Louisiana Gulf Coast, Father Espinosa visited Grand Isle from Cheniere and later Father Grimaud served the chapel at Grand Isle. This chapel was many times blown down by the terrible hurricanes that swept in from the Gulf of Mexico. Archbishop Janssens visited the island during his episcopate. Priests from Jesuit Bend or Larose visited the Barataria section and went down occasionally to Grand Isle. Father Ehrhart and later Father Stenmans looked after the island from Gretna. In 1917, Monsignor Wynhoven, pastor of Gretna then, determined to give Grand Isle a substantial church that could withstand the dread West Indian squalls. Monsignor Wynhoven placed his plans before Captain Florace Harvey, who promised him that he would build foundations for a chapel such as no storm could blow away. His only condition was that the safest spot of the island be obtained. This was obtained through the generosity of Miss Mercedes Adams, who gave a lot in the center of the island among age old oaks. Another benefactor, though not a Catholic, was Dr. Theodore Engelbach. In the fall of the year 1918, Archbishop Shaw, in the presence of Bishop Jeanmard and a large gathering of people, dedicated the sturdy chapel under the invocation of Our Lady of the Isle. For some years, Grand Isle remained as a mission of Gretna and then Marrero, but in 1934, Archbishop Shaw decided to place a resident priest there and Father Roy, a priest from Canada, assistant at Montegut, La., was sent as administrator of Grand Isle. A few months later, Father Sebastian Arjonilla, assistant at St. Agnes church, Baton Rouge, was sent to Grand Isle as administrator, and he at once set to work organizing various parish societies and the first unit in Louisiana of Catholic Sea Scouts. (19)

Another parish established by Archbishop Shaw in Jefferson Parish was that of St. Agnes at Suburban Acres, just above New Orleans. This was done in March, 1931. Rev. Charles F. Beauvais was appointed the first pastor. The church for the parish was then located at Central avenue and the River Road, what was then the Manresa House of the Jesuits. On July 19, 1931, the Archbishop called Rev. M. J. Habeb from Canal, La., to assume the pastorate of St. Agnes at Suburban Acres. Noting the inconvenience of the church location, Father Habeb sought a better location. Arrangements were made with R. T. O'Dwyer and Max Karger to lease what was formerly Tranchina's Night Club for a period of five years, for the payment of taxes and insurance. Father Habeb repaired the place and St. Agnes church was established there on January 20, 1932, the building being blessed by Father Habeb by delegation of the Archbishop. Archbishop Shaw appointed Father Arjonilla as assistant to Father Habeb and he served here until July 5, 1933, when he was sent to Baton Rouge. Monsignor Prim had planned the establishment of another parish at Shrewsbury under the name of St. Mary Magdalene, but this was later changed to St. Peter's. On July 3, 1933, with permission of Archbishop Shaw, Father Habeb closed St. Peter's mission at Metairie Terrace. In June, 1935, Messrs. O'Dwyer and Karger donated six lots of ground and the building being used as St. Agnes church, on condition that they be used for a church, school and convent. Father Habeb then made over the roof and improved the place. Harahan, between Kenner and Suburban Acres, was formerly served by the pastor of Kenner. A church had been built there by Monsignor Roth. At the end of July, 1934, Archbishop Rummel assigned St. Rita's mission at Harahan to the parish of St. Agnes and the chapel there was renovated by Father Habeb. (20)

Archbishop Shaw founded four new parishes at Baton Rouge. On December 17, 1921, he erected the parish of St. Anthony, while Rt. Rev. Magr. F. M. Racine was pastor of St. Joseph's church in that city. Rev. Vincent Prats, assistant at St. Joseph's, used to say Mass in the residence of Mrs. McConnell on the Scenic Highway and Ontario street, in the suburb of Istrouma. Monsignor Racine built a small church on three lots, situated at Tecumseh and Ontario streets, obtained during the administration of Father Dros-

(18) Rev. F. X. Rombouts, St. Francis Xavier Church, Metairie.

(19) Grand Isle Parish Notes.

(20) Rev. M. Habeb, St. Agnes, Suburban Acres, Parish Notes.

aerts. Father R. V. Lawrence was the first resident pastor of St. Anthony's at Istrouma. The congregation soon outgrew the small church, so Father Lawrence acquired a square of ground on the Scenic Highway and in 1923, built a combination church and rectory, but before it was completed, he was transferred and Rev. Thomas Colbert in June, 1923, was appointed Administrator; three years later, Archbishop Shaw named him pastor. In February, 1935, Father Colbert transferred the church to a new location and larger building, because the congregation had outgrown the other church. He also built a new rectory and in 1936, opened a parochial school under the Sisters of Notre Dame. Missions served from St. Anthony's are Zachary (formerly known as The Plains), Baker and Comite P. O., also Our Lady of the Lake Sanitarium and the Greenwell Springs Sanitarium. (21)

In 1924, Rt. Rev. Msgr. F. L. Gassler, pastor of St. Joseph's church at Baton Rouge, bought a site for a church in the rear of Baton Rouge, from the Duggan family at a cost of \$9500. What came to be known as Ushers' Hall, was then a house at the corner of Duggan and North streets. Monsignor Gassler had this remodelled and used it as a catechetical center, and it became Sacred Heart Mission. Instruction work was undertaken by zealous Catholic ladies, Miss Margaret Lee Jolly being principal and she was ably assisted by Miss Emma Booth. The catechism center opened in September, 1924. In October, 1924, the present temporary frame church was begun and finished in time for the opening of Sacred Heart Mission on Easter Sunday, April 12, 1925. The first Solemn Communion class approached the Holy Table on the last day of April and on May 11, were confirmed by Archbishop Shaw at St. Joseph's church, Baton Rouge. To awaken proper interest in the Italian-speaking population of that section, Monsignor commissioned Rev. Dominic Blasco to preach a mission in Italian and to instruct the people as to their duties in regard to supporting their parish church and their pastor. The mission was a success. After the first Solemn Communion in 1925, several catechism classes were formed with Miss Jolly as principal and the personnel of the staff increased. Mrs. Zoe Oubre and Miss Lucretia Jolly were added to the staff. In 1926, Miss Rosalie Cangelosi joined the group and later, Mrs. Bertha Reynolds volunteered, while Chetta Cangelosi volunteered the year after. Assisting in the catechetical work were Father Blasco, Rev. Edward C. J. Prendergast (who later became superintendent of Catholic schools) and Rev. L. J. Caillouet, all at the time, assistants at St. Joseph's. In May and June, 1926, a pavillion was built to provide a place for parish gatherings. In December, 1928, Archbishop Shaw came to Baton Rouge and canonically erected the Sacred Heart parish. Father Blasco was named first pastor. A large new church is planned by the pastor and the congregation is co-operating with him in this endeavor. A school was established by Father Blasco in a new building dedicated in September, 1929, and under the direction of the Sisters of St. Joseph. (22)

It was through the zeal of Father Francis Rombouts that the Catholic Negroes of Baton Rouge obtained their own church. While serving as pastor of St. Agnes, Father Rombouts took a census of Negro Catholics in Baton Rouge, a task that required much work and endless patience. As a result it was decided to build a church for the colored. In 1918, Most Rev. Louis B. Pastorelli, superior of the Josephite Fathers, sent Rev. Joseph Dube, S. S. J., to Baton Rouge to take care of work among the Negroes, at the invitation of Archbishop Shaw. Father Dube said Mass at St. Agnes church at first and spent spare moments between instructions and calls in planning for a church and casting about for a location. Property at the corner of South 11th and Julia streets was bought and work of building a church was started. The new church was completed at the end of 1919, and dedicated under the patronage of St. Francis Xavier. Father Leo V. Murphy, S. S. J., arrived at Baton Rouge and took up work in 1920 at St. Francis Xavier's church. It was his task to build a school, which was placed under the direction of the Sisters of the Holy Family. The next Josephite Father to administer St. Francis Xavier was Rev. Thomas F. Slater, S. S. J., who came in September, 1921, and remained for the better part of 13 years. During the year of his arrival at Baton Rouge, the rectory was built. Through his efforts, the congregation increased and soon the small church could not accommodate the number of parishioners. The work of building was accomplished by Father Thomas P. McNamara, the next pastor, who had been called from St. Augustine's at New Roads, October, 1934. Foundations for the new building were laid in September, 1935, and it was dedicated by Archbishop Rummel on June 28, 1936. A mission was established by the Josephites at Plaquemine at the old Negro school of St. Augustine, after the Fathers made a visit there in July, 1936. It is served by the Fathers from St. Francis Xavier's church at Baton Rouge. (23)

St. Luke's church for the Colored, in charge of the Josephite Fathers, was started at Thibodaux, through the efforts of Rt. Rev. Msgr. A. M. Barbier, while he was pastor

(21) Rev. Thomas Colbert St. Anthony's Church, Baton Rouge, Parish Notes.

(22) Sacred Heart, Baton Rouge, Parish Review.

(23) St. Francis Xavier, Baton Rouge, Parish Notes.

of St. Joseph's in that city, and was intended to serve the Negro Catholics of Thibodaux and environs. The parish was organized in January, 1924. The first baptism is recorded on January 12, 1924, the first marriage on January 16 of the same year, and the first funeral, that of Henry Jules, one of the pioneer trustees, on the 13th of that month. Rev. Joseph P. Van Baast, S. S. J., was assigned as first pastor. When he was transferred, he was followed by Rev. Lorenz Reith, S. S. J. His successor was Rev. Joseph J. Winczner, S. S. J.; the next to hold the pastorate was Rev. Stephen A. Boysko, S. S. J. (24)

Archbishop Shaw had asked Father Pastorelli, Josephite Superior, to send a priest to take charge of Negro work in the New Roads section, but due to shortage of priests, the Josephites were unable at the time to comply. However, on September 1, 1922, Rev. E. P. Hartnett, S. S. J., came to New Roads and opened the Mission of St. Augustine. A piece of land was pointed out to him, but there was no church, no school, no home. His parish covered a wide area. Disregarding the hardships that faced him, Father Hartnett set to work, as it was necessary to build a church, St. Mary's church being inadequate to accommodate all parishioners whites and Negroes. Rev. John Hoes, pastor of St. Mary's at New Roads, was devoted to the Negroes of his parish and he encouraged the Negroes of his parish to establish their own church. He generously cared for Father Hartnett until the latter could get things under way. In December, 1922, an old country store was given to Father Hartnett to use for Mass and it was there on Christmas Eve that the first Mass was said in New Roads for the Negro congregation. People and priest worked together and by December, 1923, a church was completed and Christmas Mass (1923) was celebrated in it. Father Hartnett remained at St. Augustine's church until October, 1926. Rev. Thomas P. McNamara, S. S. J., succeeded him and at once erected a school which was completed in 1933. It is taught by lay teachers. Father McNamara was sent to Baton Rouge and Rev. A. J. Eck, S. S. J., was sent as pastor. St. Augustine's parish plant now consists of a church, school, auditorium and rectory. (25)

Archbishop Shaw shortly after his installation, asked the Josephite Fathers to establish additional parishes in New Orleans for the care of Negro Catholics. All Saints' church was founded in Algiers in 1919 and the first church built on Teche street. The parish began to hold services after its establishment in Holy Name of Mary Hall, pending the building of the church. A school was opened under the care of the Sisters of the Holy Family. Rev. Vincent J. Severino, S. S. J., served as pastor at All Saints' until 1937, when Rev. John J. Callery, S. S. J., was assigned to the pastorate. (26)

The same year that All Saints' was founded (1919), after the congregation of St. Ann's parish in New Orleans, under Very Rev. F. Badeaux, had moved its parish church to a new location on Ursuline avenue, the old church on St. Philip street was turned over by Archbishop Shaw to the Josephite Fathers and they established the parish of St. Peter Claver. Rev. Edward V. Casserly, S. S. J., after serving as pastor for several years, was transferred in 1937, to Corpus Christi church, New Orleans, and was succeeded at St. Peter Claver by Rev. H. F. Kane, S. S. J., as pastor. The year before (1918), Blessed Sacrament parish had been founded with a church erected on Constance street. Father Casserly had also served in this parish and was succeeded by Rev. Thomas F. Slater, S. S. J., who had labored for several years at Baton Rouge. In the rear portion of Paris avenue, during Archbishop Shaw's administration, St. Raymond's parish was formed and a small church erected under the Josephite Fathers. Rev. James J. Crowe, S. S. J., came in 1929, built a new church and aroused enthusiasm in the work of the parish and the school. Illness forced him to give up his splendid work. Later Rev. John Meskill, S. S. J., became pastor. Another parish in the rural sections established by the Josephites was that of St. Catherine's at Donaldsonville to serve the Negroes of that area, in 1925. The parish grew steadily under the direction of Rev. J. P. Van Baast, S. S. J. (27)

Since the days that Father LeBeau first took up labors in the swamp lands between Melville and Washington, La., the work of the Josephite Fathers had developed by leaps and bounds and finally more adequate attention is being given to Negro work. It is the realization of the dreams and plans of Archbishop Odin and the carrying out of the recommendations of the Council of Baltimore after the War Between the States. Conversions by the hundreds have been counted by the Josephites and thousands have been held to the path of the Faith through their capable and zealous efforts, and many hardships and self-sacrifices. Archbishop Janssens had visioned the great work to be done in this field and gave it renewed impetus. His ideas and his views, despite objections raised at the time, were after all correct. Negroes themselves have benefitted tremendously from the establishment of their own parish churches and schools. The formation of many parish societies has awakened a keen interest in Church matters and the work of the Josephites, the Fathers of the Holy Ghost, the Fathers of the Divine Word

(24) Rev. S. A. Boysko, S. S. J., St. Luke's Parish Notes.

(25) Rev. A. J. Eck, S. S. J., St. Augustine, New Roads, Parish Notes.

(26) All Saints, Algiers, Parish Notes.

(27) Parish Notes, Various; Archdiocesan Ordos.

and the Sisters of the Holy Family and the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament in this direction, in addition to catechetical and educational work is rapidly bearing a rich harvest, but one that should have been garnered many decades ago. A great deal of the mission work and educational work along Catholic lines has been due to the noble generosity of Mother Katherine Drexel, superior of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament. Her gifts and her assistance to this work in Louisiana has been simply astounding. She has been truly the apostle and patroness of Negro missionary work in Louisiana. Her generous benefactions have made possible numerous endeavors, otherwise unthinkable, and the carrying on of many others, not to mention the parishes for Negroes that it was possible to start because of her generosity. Many a little spire topped by a cross surmounting a modest little rural church where Christ, the King of all hearts dwells, stands as a haven of consolation and inspiration to hundreds of formerly neglected souls, all through the countryside of Louisiana, because of the devotion and apostolate of Mother Drexel, who has translated into action the words of Christ: "Other sheep I have," and His invitation to all to come to Him, all who labor and are heavy burdened. She has provided the soil where the laborer may go out and sow the seed and then reap the harvest, and even the laborers she has sent, her devoted daughters, the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament.

A chapel had been erected below Baton Rouge during the administration of Archbishop Blenk and dedicated to St. George. The Society of the Holy Ghost had established a school for Catholic children at that point during the administration of Archbishop Janssens. In 1920, the section was separated from Baton Rouge and made into an independent parish. Father Gustave Dorval has served at St. George's for many years. (28)

Since 1859, the Church of the Immaculate Conception at Chenal near New Roads, had been the center of the parish. On June 4, 1896, Rev. Louis Savoure was appointed pastor by Archbishop Janssens. In 1926, after arrangements with Archbishop Shaw, a new brick church was built at Lakeland by Father Savoure and this became the parish church. (29)

In 1929, Archbishop Shaw decided to provide spiritual ministrations to the many Catholic students at Louisiana State University, so purchased some property there for the erection of a chapel and student center. The establishment was to be known as St. Thomas of Aquin Mission. Rev. Maurice Schexnayder was appointed by Archbishop Shaw as chaplain. Because of the lack of a building, since his appointment, Father Schexnayder has been obliged to use the auditorium of the agricultural building of the university. In 1936, Archbishop Rummel together with Bishop Jeanmard and Bishop Desmond of Alexandria, appealed to the Knights of Columbus in Louisiana and the Catholic Daughters of America in the state to collect the funds necessary for the erection of the required buildings for St. Thomas Aquin Mission. (30)

A chapel had been built at Canal, La., in the Bayou Lafourche section, in 1858, and it was attended at regular intervals by the priests from parishes along the bayou, including Plattenville and Napoleonville. The chapel was always kept in good condition. Archbishop Shaw decided to establish a resident priest at Canal. People responded enthusiastically and at once erected a rectory. On June 26, 1920, Archbishop Shaw installed Father Leo Jarysch as pastor of the Church of the Immaculate Conception at Canal. When the Archbishop arrived, a salute of guns was fired. Edgar Breaux delivered an address of welcome. The next day Father Jarysch sang a High Mass, the first time in the parish. At four o'clock on that Sunday afternoon, a large crowd of people, headed by altar boys and 24 flower girls gathered at the presbytery to say farewell to Archbishop Shaw, who was followed by Monsignor Cassler, Father Jan of Napoleonville and Father Jarysch. A cavalcade of men on horseback escorted the Archbishop and his party to the end of the parish. This was the greatest day in the religious annals of Canal. In 1922, a large pavillion was erected on the grounds for fairs and other parish functions. Father M. Habeb served as pastor later, then Father C. F. Beauvais. During the administration of Archbishop Rummel, Canal was assigned to the parish of Pierre Part. (31)

The Archbishop established Gibson as a separate parish with Bayou Black attached to it as a mission, in April, 1921. Rev. Charles Gescher was named pastor. The canonical erection of the parish, however, did not take place until March 24, 1925. The pastor at first resided near St. Anthony's mission on Bayou Black. After the act of incorporation was drawn up in 1925, the seat of the parish was established at St. Patrick's church at Gibson. The present Gibson church stands at this time in a corner of the cemetery, across Bayou Black from the rectory. Part of the cemetery was given and the rest purchased from Ivy Rochelle. A new rectory was built in 1925. The island on which the rectory stands was donated by Miss Mary O'Rourke, daughter of an old Gibson family. Rev. Cyprien Foret was appointed pastor at Gibson by Archbishop Shaw in

(28) Report of the Society of the Holy Ghost; Parish Notes.

(29) Savoure, *Op. cit.*

(30) St. Thomas of Aquin Mission, Notes.

(31) Canal Parish Notes.

1931. Bayou Black's Church of St. Anthony was incorporated into the Gibson parish with the status of a parish church and the pastor is rector of both churches. (32)

Archbishop Shaw invited the Oblates of Mary Immaculate in 1918 to take up work in the Archdiocese of New Orleans. That year, they were placed in charge of the St. Louis Cathedral, and they were also placed in charge of St. Anthony's church which was remodelled, placed under the invocation of Our Lady of Guadalupe, and opened for Spanish-speaking people, under the direction of Rev. Jules Bornes, O. M. I., World War veteran. St. Mary's church at the old archbishopric on Chartres street, was likewise placed in the care of the Oblates and established as a church for Italian-speaking Catholics. Rev. John Massero, O. M. I., was followed as pastor by Rev. Carmelo Gagliardoni, O. M. I. At the Cathedral, Father Antoine, Father Guennegues and Father Serrodes, Oblates, served as pastors, and under their energetic direction great strides were made in the parish in the way of educational work and organizational effort. The mission field of Livingston Parish was placed in the care of the Oblates and they established themselves at French Settlement in 1921 in St. Joseph's church, and at Albany in 1927 at St. Margaret's church. From these points a number of missions are served, in scattered sections of the wide territory under supervision of the Oblates. (33) French Settlement had been served from 1892 to 1896 by Father Francis Cools.

The Benedictine Fathers established parishes at several points in the extreme eastern part of the state which forms the Covington deanery. When Right Rev. Columban Thuis, O. S. B., was elected Abbot of St. Joseph's Abbey at St. Benedict, La., he became dean. Under his vigorous and energetic direction, a new era began for the Benedictine missions, as well as for the abbey, and for St. Joseph's Preparatory Seminary, which continued under the direction of the Benedictines. The parish of St. Jane Frances de Chantal was formed at Abita Springs in 1927, a new church having been built in 1924; the parish of the Annunciation was formed at Bogalusa in 1907. (34)

The Franciscan Fathers were also invited into the Archdiocese by Archbishop Shaw. The new parish of St. Mary of the Angels was assigned to them and they also took over the missions of the Lower Coast on the lower stretches of the Mississippi River. At the annual Franciscan Chapter in July, 1925, Very Rev. Edmond Klein, O. F. M., Provincial, accepted the invitation of the Archbishop. Rev. Linus Braun, O. F. M., and Rev. Hubert Lorenz, O. F. M., were assigned to found the new parish in New Orleans, and Rev. Joachim Markus, O. F. M., and Rev. Walter Gottbrath, O. F. M., were sent to the Lower Coast. Brother Conrad Kraus, a Tertiary Brother, was also sent to the new field. Father Joachim, Father Walter and Brother Conrad went to Buras on July 22, accompanied by Father R. B. Laurence, pastor of Our Lady of Good Harbor church at Buras, and the latter turned over the mission to the Franciscans. Later, Rev. Martin Hoefl, O. F. M., became pastor at Buras, and during his administration, the mission developed rapidly, a new church built at Happy Jack, where a school was also started with the Sisters Marianites of the Holy Cross in 1937, and missions formed at Pilottown, Venice, Port Eads, Home Place, Empire and Burwood. (35)

The Fathers of the Divine Word also began work in the See during Archbishop Shaw's administration. The parish of St. Thomas at Pointe-a-la-Hache, which had been under the guidance of beloved Father Girault de la Cognais for many years, was assigned to this religious congregation. In 1930, the parish of Our Lady of Prompt Succor at Belle Chasse was formed and placed in care of the Divine Word Fathers. For a number of years, Rev. Cosmas Schneider, S. V. D., served as pastor there. (36)

The parish of Sacred Heart of Jesus was established at Cut Off, La., on January 1, 1924, and since then Rev. F. Weiss has guided the destinies of the parish. He enlarged the church and built the rectory. (37)

Seven parishes were established in New Orleans by Archbishop Shaw, for whites. The first of these was St. James Major in the Gentilly section. In 1916, Father Prim celebrated Mass for the first time in this parish in a roughly constructed building formerly used as a warehouse on Music street. Originally intended as temporary quarters, this was used for four years, then a more suitable place was erected on St. Roch avenue. During its construction, Mass was said in the basement of Gentilly school. Three years later, because of the constantly increasing congregation, the present church was built and shortly afterwards, the other building was rolled from St. Roch avenue to its present location on Wisteria street, where it was later used as quarters for the Sisters of Mt. Carmel. Archbishop Shaw cut off the Gentilly section and formed it into an independent parish in the latter part of 1919 and appointed Rev. Minor Chauvin as first pastor. He served the parish zealously until his death on April 1, 1932. Father De la Fuente, who had been assistant, became administrator, until September 1, 1932, when Rev. Thomas Gaffney, former diocesan director of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith was

(32) Foret, Gibson, Op. cit.

(33) Personal Notes.

(34) Ibid.

(35) St. Mary of the Angels Parish Notes; Personal Notes.

(36) Personal Notes.

(37) Cut Off Parish Notes.

appointed pastor of St. James Major. He died in 1935 and Rev. Paul Gauci, became administrator. During his direction of the parish, the church was materially enlarged. When he was transferred to Morganza, La., Rev. Sidney J. Skiffington was appointed pastor. The parochial school of St. James Major was established through the persistent efforts of Father Chauvin. It opened for its first session on September 10, 1923, with Mother Augustine of the Sisters of Mt. Carmel as first superior. The first classes were held in the building now used as Toups' Pharmacy. When the enrollment became too large, Father Chauvin turned over part of the rectory for use as classrooms. A modern new school building was built in September, 1928. St. James had as a mission the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception at Milneburg. (38)

The parish of St. Matthias in the Broadmoor section of New Orleans was established by Archbishop Shaw in February, 1920. Rt. Rev. Msgr. George Andree was named first pastor. He built a \$20,000 church, which was dedicated on Sunday, September 10, 1921, by Archbishop Shaw. St. Matthias' parochial school was opened on October 3, 1921 in the basement of the rectory, with the Dominican Sisters in charge. In 1922, a temporary school building was erected by Monsignor Andree. The pastor turned his attention to providing first of all a modern school and this was completed in 1928, presenting one of the most modern parochial schools of its time in the city. In January, 1938, the Holy Father elevated the pastor to the rank of Domestic Prelate and with five others, Monsignor Andree was solemnly invested at the Cathedral on February 28, 1938, by Archbishop Rummel. Monsignor Andree served as diocesan consultor. (39)

The parish church of St. Leo the Great began in a Pullman car. Archbishop Shaw, realizing the need for taking care of Catholics in the rear of the seventh ward, appointed Rev. Vincent Prats as pastor of the new parish. Father Prats had no home and no church. Through the generosity of the Catholic Church Extension Society, Father Prats was able to obtain the use of the St. Paul Chapel Car to serve as church and residence and the society charged nothing. For nine months, the chapel car was used as church and rectory. In the meantime, the few faithful parishioners worked devotedly soliciting donations for the purchase of grounds and erection of a temporary church. On November 21, 1920, the humble parish church was dedicated by Archbishop Shaw. The Mass was sung by Father Prats and the sermon was preached by Monsignor Cassler. The parish developed by leaps and bounds. Within a little more than a decade, St. Leo the Great parish had a beautiful new church, modern rectory, an up-to-date school building and a residence for the Dominican Sisters who were placed in charge of the school, all through the administrative ability and work of Father Prats and the loyal, patient and unflinching co-operation of the parishioners. (40)

A chapel had been built in the rear part of Carrollton avenue to serve the parishioners of that part of Mater Dolorosa parish under direction of Monsignor Prim. This section of the city was cut off by Archbishop Shaw in 1922 as an independent parish, under the invocation of the Incarnate Word. Rev. Fred W. Bosch, who had spent 17 months as a chaplain in the American army, 11 months overseas, was assigned as first pastor of the new Incarnate Word church. The parish was incorporated on August 5, 1922. Father Bosch had no rectory and depended on the hospitality of one of the parishioners, until a new rectory was erected. In 1923, a school was established and placed under the direction of the Sisters Marianites of the Holy Cross. Within a few years, a new church was built to accommodate the rapidly growing congregation. Rev. J. F. Pierre was pastor of Incarnate parish for a number of years. (41)

The new parish of St. Dominic was the outgrowth of St. Anthony's parish and resulted from the rapid development of the Lakeview section of the city, this section being under the guidance of the Dominican Fathers. St. Dominic's was a mission within the parish of St. Anthony. After 1920, the growth of the Lakeview section was such that it necessitated the creation of a new parish. The decree of its erection was issued by Archbishop Shaw on May 31, 1924, and by this the parish was given "in perpetuum" to the Dominicans. The church was first used for Midnight Mass, Christmas of 1923, five months before the papers were signed by Archbishop Shaw. On September 8, 1924, the Sisters of Mt. Carmel opened St. Dominic's parochial school with an enrollment of 118 pupils. Very Rev. P. L. Perretta, O. P., was appointed pastor and later became the Vicar-Provincial of the Dominican Fathers in Louisiana. (42)

The Franciscans, as noted, had been invited to take charge of a new parish in New Orleans. Archbishop Shaw erected the parish in the territory in the rear of St. Vincent de Paul parish, above the Industrial Canal, in 1925. When the Franciscan Fathers arrived, Rev. Linus Braun, O. F. M., and Rev. Hubert Lorenz, O. F. M., were assigned the task of founding the new parish, placed appropriately under the invocation of St.

(38) St. James Major Parish Notes.

(39) St. Matthias Parish Notes.

(42) St. Dominic's Parish Notes.

(40) St. Leo the Great Parish Notes.

(41) Incarnate Word Parish Notes.

Mary of the Angels, so noted in the history of the Franciscan Order. These were the first Franciscans to labor in New Orleans since the death of the last Capuchin priest, Pere Antoine de Sedella, the last Recollect Franciscans to work in Louisiana had been the Spanish Franciscans during the Spanish regime; they had withdrawn just before the transfer of Louisiana to the French and then to the United States. Archbishop Shaw showed the Fathers the site for the new parish church, a plot which he had purchased for \$6500, in the square bounded by Gallier, Fonti and Congress streets. Father Linus rented a four-room house at 2113 Desire street, used by him as a rectory. While he remained for a few days at the Seminary, he rented a three-room house at 1734 Congress street and in it he erected an altar on which was placed an altar-stone donated by the Archbishop. This was the first St. Mary of the Angels parish church. Mass was said there for the first time on October 2, 1925, with 60 people in attendance. Canonical erection of the parish was made on July 25, 1925, and the act of incorporation was signed on September 12 of that year by Charles I. Denechaud, K. S. G. The Fathers moved to the permanent rectory on Desire street on March 3, 1926. Additional property was bought, parishioners were organized and in June, 1926, erection of a school was begun. In that year bids were opened for the building of a frame church. Franciscan Sisters from Indiana arrived in August to take charge of the school, which was dedicated by Archbishop Shaw on September 19, 1926, and opened with an enrollment of 109 pupils. Work was undertaken on the new church and this new edifice was dedicated by the Archbishop on February 20, 1927. Spiritual life blossomed and bore fruit quickly, testifying to the splendid labors of the Franciscans. Father Linus was transferred in 1927 and Father Osmond Braun, O. F. M., became pastor, but when he was transferred in 1930, Rev. Alcuin Kammer, O. F. M., was sent to assume the pastorate. Several times the school had to be enlarged and an annex added to care for the increasing enrollment. A number of parish societies was established, with steadily increasing membership and many activities undertaken. St. Anthony's shrine was solemnly dedicated on February 5, 1928, by Bishop Laval. The Third Order of St. Francis was established and membership quickly grew.(43)

Archbishop Shaw also erected the parish of St. Rita in the section between Broadmoor and Carrollton in 1921 and Rev. Patrick Walshe was named pastor. A school was opened under the direction of the Sisters Marianites of the Holy Cross.(44) In 1922, the Archbishop combined the parishes of St. Mary's Assumption, St. Alphonsus and the former Notre Dame parishes, into the Redemptorist parish. The Redemptorist Fathers established another church on Prytania street, under invocation of Our Mother of Perpetual Help.(45)

At the close of the 1910-1911 session of the College of the Immaculate Conception at New Orleans, functioning since 1847, the Jesuit Fathers discontinued their college department and retained at the Baronne street institution only the high school. The college was combined with Loyola University. This was made necessary because of the very large increase in the enrollment of both the high school and the college. In 1900, the Fathers had erected an attractive and spacious building at the corner of Baronne and Common streets to house the College of the Immaculate Conception. However, it soon became evident that it would be impossible to continue at the old location because of the inability to expand facilities of the Jesuit High School in keeping with the increasing number of students. Furthermore, the business section that surrounded the school, made it imperative to select a more suitable location. Accordingly, during the 1924-1925 session, a square of ground was purchased at South Carrollton avenue and Banks street. Erection of a magnificent, modern school building, designed to be easily enlarged, was begun at once. The new building was dedicated in 1926, and classes began in the fall of that year.(46)

During the administration of Archbishop Shaw, Monsignor Wynhoven founded Hope Haven, a modern school for orphaned and abandoned boys, on the Barataria Road just below Marrero, La. The purpose was to provide homelike surroundings for boys in a rural and healthy setting and to develop a school where boys would be taught useful trades so as to be self-supporting when of age to leave the institution. Back in 1910, Monsignor Wynhoven had founded with the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, the St. Vincent's Hotel and Free Labor Bureau, caring for thousands of unemployed and wayfarers. It was the sight of these many men, untrained and unguided in their youth that impelled him to undertake the foundation of a home to train dependent boys. Gradually the original shed and a silo in a field in 1925 were transformed and an imposing array of beautiful buildings arose, finally dedicated by Archbishop Shaw in 1930. Diocesan priests and lay teachers first managed the school, then Franciscan Brothers. When they left, the Salesian Fathers took charge of Hope Haven with Father Celestine Moskal, S. C., as the first director. The crowded condition of some of the New Orleans asylums and

(43) St. Mary of the Angels Parish Notes.

(44) Personal Notes.

(45) Redemptorist Parish Notes.

(46) College of the Immaculate Conception Notes.

the need for thorough renovating of some of these or rebuilding, led to the decision of Archbishop Shaw to establish another institution opposite Hope Haven for the care of smaller children. Under Monsignor Wynhoven's direction, a modern, attractive and homelike institution was erected and Madonna Manor was dedicated on Labor Day, 1932. It was placed in care of the Sisters of Notre Dame. St. Mary's Orphanage was transferred to Madonna Manor as was St. Joseph's Orphanage, while St. Alphonsus Orphanage was discontinued. All children from these institutions were transferred to Madonna Manor and Hope Haven, while many were able to be placed in homes of relatives. The charities of the archdiocese had been organized, but in 1924, Archbishop Shaw confided the work of reorganization and bringing up to current social service methods and systems, of the charities bureau, to Monsignor Wynhoven and the Associated Catholic Charities was formed. Monsignor Wynhoven was made the first director. In 1937, Father Herman J. Jacobi who had been sent by Archbishop Rummel to the Catholic University at Washington for a special course, was appointed director. When in June, 1934, the founder of Hope Haven and Madonna Manor celebrated the silver jubilee of his ordination, Pope Pius XI, in recognition of his many labors and achievements, elevated him to the honor of Domestic Prelate with the title of Right Reverend Monsignor. Archbishop Shaw also approved the Community Chest plan that was placed in effect in New Orleans and entered the Catholic institutions and welfare agencies in the program of community solicitation. (47)

On August 3, 1926, the Holy See created the Archdiocese of San Antonio and severed from the Metropolitan Province of New Orleans the states of Texas and Oklahoma which had previously been part of the New Orleans Province. Bishop Arthur Drossaerts, who had served zealously in various parishes of the New Orleans See, was made first Archbishop of San Antonio. The New Orleans Province was left with the Dioceses of Alexandria, Lafayette, Little Rock, Mobile and Natchez. Prior to the erection of the San Antonio archdiocese, the New Orleans Province also included the Dioceses of San Antonio, Galveston, Corpus Christi, Dallas and Oklahoma. The Diocese of New Orleans had been under the Metropolitan of Santo Domingo during the Spanish regime. When the Archdiocese of Baltimore was erected, the New Orleans See did not come under its Archbishop, but was directly answerable to the Holy See. Though Bishop Blanc attended the Provincial Council of Baltimore, he did so without prejudice to this position as he expressly stated. The Archdiocese of New Orleans was established in 1850 and included the states of Texas, Oklahoma, Arkansas, Mississippi and Alabama.

Another important event of Archbishop Shaw's administration was the convocation of the seventh Diocesan Synod, which was held on February 6, 1922. If we recognize the Synod of Bishop Dubourg, this should be the seventh, though it is listed as the sixth. The sessions were held at the St. Louis Cathedral. This convocation was the first in 33 years, the previous one having been called by Archbishop Janssens in May, 1889.

In the fall of 1932, Archbishop Shaw made arrangements with Monsignor Wynhoven for the establishment of a diocesan paper, to replace the Morning Star which had suspended publication in 1926. The first issue of the new paper appeared as a monthly in December, 1932, under the name of "Catholic Action of the South." In December, 1933, it became a weekly. Monsignor Wynhoven was editor-in-chief, the author of this work, associate editor, and John W. McCandless, became business manager. (48)

Archbishop Shaw during the summer of 1934 left for Rome to make his "ad limina" visit. Upon his return, he undertook a Confirmation tour among the difficult missions of the southern reaches of the archdiocese. Shortly after his return to the city in October, 1934, he was stricken with a heart attack. He lingered for several days and finally expired on the morning of November 2, despite all efforts of physicians to overcome heart failure. The body lay in state in the chapel of Notre Dame Seminary which he had built, and was then transferred in the midst of a long cortege of clergy and laymen, to the St. Louis Cathedral where societies of men and women took turns at maintaining a guard of honor. At the funeral ceremonies in the Cathedral, all Suffragans attended and gave the absolution. Many other Bishops attended the obsequies. The body was interred in the sanctuary near the wall and toward the altar railing on the Epistle side. Archbishop Shaw was the seventh occupant of the See buried in the Cathedral sanctuary. (49)

The achievements of Archbishop Shaw were notable and go down in the annals of the Archdiocese of New Orleans as representing the greatest accomplishments since the days of Archbishop Blanc. His record of the establishment of 33 parishes in the See and the erection of more than a score of new churches is surpassed only by the great builder, Monseigneur Blanc. The work of establishing Catholic schools also gained great impetus, his administration rivalling that of Archbishop Blenk in this activity. The establishment of a substantial and permanent diocesan seminary, however, was perhaps his

(47) Personal Notes.

(48) Ibid.

greatest contribution, greater than that of any former occupants of the See of New Orleans; it settled a problem that had vexed and worried every previous prelate. With the strengthening of the preparatory seminary and the firm establishment of a major seminary, the Archdiocese of New Orleans at last could look forward to a native clergy and the removal of the slur so often cast, that Louisiana was unable to furnish its priesthood. With the establishment of the seminary in 1925, just 203 years had elapsed since the first efforts had been made to have a seminary at the southern end of the Mississippi Valley! It is the glory of Archbishop Shaw that he brought the efforts and dreams of two centuries to a firm, substantial reality. And it is a coincidence that this was brought about through the first native American Archbishop that New Orleans ever had. The lengthening years will give the administration of Archbishop Shaw its proper place in the glorious picture of achievements and expansion of the Church in the Archdiocese of New Orleans, despite the extreme reticence of Archbishop Shaw and his consistent aversion to public glorification of his many labors, done always quietly and unostentatiously—vast, substantial and resultful nevertheless.

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TURDAY, DECEMBER

WILL OF PRELATE APPROVED BEFORE JUDGE PROVOSTY

Bulk of Archbishop Shaw's Estate to Be Used in Education

With a gross estate totaling \$19,786, the inventory of the succession of the late Archbishop John W. Shaw, D. D., was homologated Friday before Judge Michel Provosty in civil district court.

Immediately after the filing of the inventory, Charles I. Denechaud, attorney and Knight of St. Gregory, who was named in the archbishop's will as executor and universal legatees of the estate, announced that the bulk of the estate will be turned over to the New Orleans diocese for use in the education of students for the priesthood at Notre Dame seminary.

The principal items in the estate, according to the inventory, included \$11,290 in bonds, \$5125 in homestead stock and \$2444.28 cash.

Mr. Denechaud asserted that one of the episcopal rings of the late archbishop would be kept for himself as a remembrance and that gifts would be made to a few friends in accordance with the wishes expressed by Archbishop Shaw.

Inventory Filed

The text of the statement issued by Mr. Denechaud follows:

"The inventory of the succession of the Most Reverend John W. Shaw, late archbishop of New Orleans, was filed today in the civil district court. The gross estate totals the sum of \$19,786.

"I desire to state that I will retain for myself, as a remembrance, one of the episcopal rings which belonged to His Grace, and that, with the exception of some small gifts which I intend to make to several friends of the deceased, the entire succession of the late archbishop, after the payment of a few debts of his succession and taxes, will be given by me to the archdiocese of New Orleans for burses for the education of deserving native students for the priesthood in Notre Dame seminary, Carrollton avenue, New Orleans; this being, in every respect, in conformity with the wishes of the late archbishop as expressed by him to the Rev. Michael A. Geehan, chancellor of the diocese, and to me."

Archbishop Shaw's Will Leaves Blessing to Flock; Denechaud Made Legatee

Last Testament of Prelate Filed and Probated Be- fore Judge Gleason in Civil Court

Naming Charles I. Denechaud, New Orleans attorney and Knight of St. Gregory, as executor and legatee, the last will and testament of Archbishop John W. Shaw, D. D., was probated Wednesday before Judge Walter L. Gleason in civil district court.

Attached to the archbishop's will and testament was a solemn declaration in which he wrote, "I lovingly forgive all who may have offended me, and I humbly ask forgiveness of all whom I may have offended."

Petitions to open the sealed envelope containing the will were filed with the court by Mr. Denechaud and the Rev. Michael A. Geehan, chancellor of the archdiocese. The will was written, dated and signed October 10, 1927.

The court authorized Ernest J. Robin, notary public, to make an inventory of the estate. Witnessing the probating of the will, in addition to Mr. Denechaud and Father Geehan, were Roger Meunier, attorney, and E. C. Carrere, New Orleans real estate man.

The text of the last will and testament and the solemn declaration follow:

"In the Name of the Most Holy Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, Amen."

"Conscious of the uncertainty of life and being of sound mind and body, I, John W. Shaw, archbishop of New Orleans, make and declare this present writing to be my last will and testament, and I hereby revoke, recall and annul any and all previous wills and testaments I have made.

"This, my last will and testament, is written, dated and signed by me, alone and unassisted, this 10th day of October, 1927, in the city of New Orleans.

"I name and appoint Mr. Charles I. Denechaud as the executor of this, my last will and testament, giving him seizure from the moment of my death and dispensing him from any bond.

"I give and bequeath to my executor as my universal legatee all my property, real, personal and mixed, I may possess at the time of my death. I have no forced heirs. Done and signed with my own hand and over my own seal in the archbishop's house, 2809 South Carrollton avenue, New Orleans, this 10th day of October, 1927.

(Signed) "JOHN W. SHAW,
"Archbishop of New Orleans."

"With the solemn avowal that I have loved and humbly hope and pray from the Grace of God to die in the faith of the Holy Roman Catholic and Apostolic Church, and with the humble confidence in the infinite goodness and promises of Jesus Christ, our Redeemer, and in the intercession of His Blessed Mother, the Immaculate Virgin Mary, I recommend my soul into the hands of my merciful Judge, in the hope of a happy immortality.

"My beloved clergy and laity, whom I have always loved in the charity of Christ, will kindly remember in their pious prayers and masses the soul of their departed Shepherd and Pastor of their souls.

"I lovingly forgive all who have offended me, and I humbly ask forgiveness of all whom I have offended.

"A loving farewell and a paternal blessing to my archdiocese."
(Signed) "JOHN W. SHAW, Arch-
bishop of New Orleans."

Archbishop Shaw, Native Of Mobile, Expires At 71 After 50 Years As Priest

(By The Associated Press)
 NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 3.—A priestly career of nearly a half century that marked the rise of a son of Irish immigrants to a high place in the American Catholic hierarchy came to an end today with the death of the Most Rev. John William Shaw, archbishop of New Orleans.

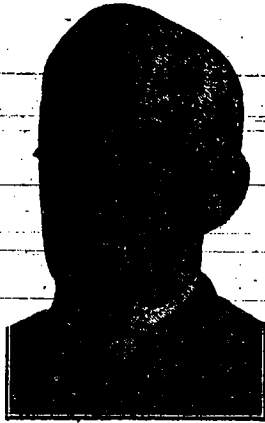
The 71-year-old prelate succumbed at 9:30 a. m. to the ravages of a heart attack he suffered a week ago, due partly to overwork and partly the New Orleans States, quoted his friends as saying, to worry over a series of poison pen letters making vicious charges against him and some of his priests. Postal authorities are seeking to trace the source of the letters.

"He died a saintly death," one of his intimates said. "While he was in delirium, he was continually saying mass."

With the knowledge he was dying, he left this message:

"Thank all the priests—thank everybody—for their kindness. —Tell

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ARCHBISHOP SHAW

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them that I have nothing in my heart against any priest in my archdiocese; that I have nothing in my heart against any living being. I have nothing but gratitude in my heart toward all of them. I have tried to do my work. I am ready to die."

The body of the prelate will lie in state in front of the high altar of St. Louis cathedral in Jackson square until the funeral at 10 a. m. Tuesday at a solemn pontifical high mass. Burial will be in the floor of the cathedral.

The prelate suffered a heart attack last Thursday a short time after he returned from coastal parish churches, where he had gone to administer the sacrament of confirmation to children. His condition showed some improvement at the beginning of the week, but Wednesday he suffered a relapse and that night received the last rites of the church. He died at 9:30 a. m. today.

Archbishop Shaw, the first native-born American to occupy the New

Orleans see, came here in 1918 from San Antonio, Tex., where he was bishop of the diocese.

Most Rev. John W. Shaw, D.D., was born in Mobile December 12, 1863, son of Patrick and Elizabeth Smith Shaw, natives of Ireland and members of St. Vincent's parish, Mobile. Archbishop Shaw's early training was received at St. Vincent's school under the supervision of the Sacred Heart Brothers.

His father took him to Kells, County Meath, Ireland, when he was nine years of age, to receive his grammar and high school education. Because of his desire to enter the priesthood, he enrolled in the American college, Rome, to pursue his studies and was ordained in Rome May 24, 1893. His young brother, Michael, served as secretary.

Returning to Mobile a year later as an assistant at St. Peter's church in charge of missions nearby. Two years later he returned to Mobile and in 1923 became rector of the cathedral parish and then chancellor of the diocese.

Named Texas Bishop

After serving as secretary to the Right Rev. Edward P. Allen, bishop of Mobile, he took a six months' vacation tour around the world. During his absence on this voyage, he was named coadjutor bishop of San Antonio, Texas, with right of succession. On March 11, 1916, he became bishop of San Antonio upon the death of his superior.

For his work in providing refuge in San Antonio for priests and nuns who fled from Mexico, he received an autographed letter of appreciation from Pope Benedict XV. He not only cared for religious fugitives, but established a seminary for the education of Mexican youths for the priesthood.

At the age of 55, he was installed as head of the archdiocese of New Orleans on June 2, 1918. Neither his parents nor any of his four sisters and two brothers lived to witness the elaborate ceremonies at St. Joseph's church.

Served 16 Years

During his 16 years as head of the New Orleans archdiocese, Archbishop Shaw pursued an energetic building program throughout all the parishes. Of all his work, he took particular pride in the establishment of Hope Haven and Madonna Manor, across the river from here, where orphans are cared for and taught trades.

He but recently returned from a trip to Rome, where he made a report of the affairs of the archdiocese to Pope Pius XI. Hardly had he returned and brought the greetings of the pontiff in a pastoral letter to Louisiana Catholics when he was stricken with his fatal illness. The letter containing an account of his visit with the pope was read in all Catholic churches of the city.

ARCHBISHOP SHAW LAPSES INTO COMA

NEW ORLEANS, La., Nov. 1.—(U.P.) The Most Rev. John W. Shaw, archbishop of New Orleans, lapsed into a coma today as a climax to his serious illness. Rev. Michael A. Geehan, chancellor of the archdiocese, said: "We expect his grace to pass away at any moment."

An apostolic benediction was received from Pope Pius XI. The pope, in an accompanying message, said: "We are wishing you every spiritual consolation and are praying for your recovery."

JOHN WILLIAM SHAW

The death of Archbishop John William Shaw, of New Orleans, is a matter of intimate regret in Mobile among all classes of citizens, not only because the distinguished prelate was a native of this city and spent much of his useful and inspiring life here, but also because during his nearly fifty years of service as a priest he had met fully the gentle and helpful obligations imposed upon him by his faith, consoling the distressed, ministering to the weak and lowly, and in other ways seeking to balm the hurts of humanity, to repair the broken places in the human line, and to build better, cleaner, stronger and more useful human characters. The final message of Archbishop Shaw, in the presence of the inevitable, and realizing it, and facing it with the fortitude of his Catholic faith, was typical of his life:

Thank all the priests—thank everybody for their kindness. Tell them I have nothing in my heart against any priest in my archdiocese; that I have nothing in my heart against any living being. I have nothing but gratitude in my heart for all of them.

It was a beautiful and consoling message, warm with the eloquence of a deep devotion to the unselfish labors of a life usefully spent in a care for the spiritual and material welfare of others, as consoling to an aged prelate falling into his last sleep after a long life of service as it is to friends and admirers who survive him.

Archbishop Shaw's passing will be keenly felt not only by the Catholic church, in which he had become an outstanding leader, but by citizens of all faiths in all the communities served by him, for his sympathies were broad and genuine, and the catholicity of sentiments met all the tests of his faith and his priestly calling.

BODY OF PRELATE TAKEN TO CHURCH

Procession Six Blocks Long Follows Cortege of Archbishop at Orleans

Requiem mass for the repose of the soul of the late Archbishop John W. Shaw, former Mobilian, who died in New Orleans Friday, will be said in the various Catholic churches of the city this morning.

(By The Associated Press)
 NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 4.—Driven slowly through lines of thousands of mourners, the body of the Most Rev. John William Shaw, archbishop of New Orleans, was taken to the scene of his last resting place, historic St. Louis cathedral, in the heart of the French quarter.

A solemn procession six blocks long accompanied the prelate's body from Notre Dame seminary, where he died Friday after a protracted illness, to the cathedral.

FINAL RITES HELD FOR ARCHBISHOP

Prelate Entombed in St. Louis Cathedral at New Orleans; Through Attends Service

(By The Associated Press)
 NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 4.—Historic St. Louis Cathedral here became the tomb of another high church official, when Archbishop John William Shaw, of New Orleans, was lowered into a specially prepared crypt before its main altar today.

The mortal remains of the deceased prelate joined those of his predecessors, the Archbishops James Hubert Blaik, Francis Janasse and Placide Louis Chapelle.

Through Attends Rites
 Actual interment followed a pontifical high mass of requiem, celebrated by the Rt. Rev. John B. Morris, bishop of Little Rock, and senior suffragan bishop of the province of New Orleans. Ever since Archbishop Shaw died last Friday, after a 10-day illness, the most respectful and picturesque ceremonies have paid homage to his memory.

Sorrowing laymen were admitted into the balcony of the famous old church, crowded to capacity long before the morning services began. After the clergymen had been admitted into the lower floor, the doors of the cathedral were swung wide that as many as possible might witness the final services.

The old cathedral was thronged during the services. One man, Alphonse Abadie, 64, died of a heart attack while seated on a bench in Jackson square across the street from the church.

THOUSANDS PASS BY ARCHBISHOP'S BIER

Final Ceremonies For Former Mobilian Today at Orleans

NEW ORLEANS, La., Nov. 4.—(AP)—Thousands of persons filed past the bier of the Most Rev. John William Shaw, archbishop of New Orleans, in St. Louis cathedral today for a last glimpse of the prelate whose body will be interred in the cathedral tomorrow after services at 10 a. m.

The body of Archbishop Shaw has lain in state in the cathedral since yesterday.

A solemn pontifical requiem mass will precede the burial ceremonies. The Rt. Rev. John B. Morris, bishop of Little Rock, Ark., will officiate at the solemn requiem mass.

After the funeral, it is expected a temporary successor to the archbishop will be chosen by the diocesan board of consultants pending the permanent selection of a new archbishop by the Vatican.

A solemn high mass was held for Archbishop Shaw at 9 a. m. Monday in the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Mobile, honoring the former Mobilian.

Rt. Rev. Thomas J. Toolen, bishop of the Mobile diocese; Rt. Rev. Monsignor Philip Collins, and Rt. Rev. Monsignor J. R. O'Donohue are in New Orleans for the services today.

ADMIT *Mrs M. L. House & L. House jr*

TO PEW No. *2 left*

SOLEMN INSTALLATION OF
HIS GRACE ARCHBISHOP SHAW

VERY REV. JULES B. JEANMARD,
ADMINISTRATOR S. V.

Souvenir

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The Investiture with the
Sacred Pallium

of

Most Rev. J. W. Shaw, D. D.
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When we receive Jesus in
the Sacred Host, we receive
our joy and our happiness.
(The blessed Child Jesus)

*Admitted Mrs. Mrs. Louis Rouse,
Mrs. Mrs. Thomas & Rouse
Mrs. Barbara Rouse, Mrs. S. M.
Elliott, wife,
Most Rev. J. W. Shaw, D. D.
+ J. W. Shaw
Archbishop of New Orleans,*

New Orleans, La.

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Northeast Corner St. Joseph and
State Streets.
TELEPHONE 64

FUNERAL NOTICE

SMITH—Entered into rest Tuesday, March 7, 1911, MICHAEL SMITH.
The funeral will take place from the residence of his niece, Mrs. Frank Carney, 309 Charleston street, TO-MORROW (Thursday) MORNING at 8:30 o'clock, and from St. Vincent's Church with requiem mass at 9 o'clock. Interment in Catholic cemetery.

Michael Smith.

I, Michael Smith, a resident of Mobile for many years, make and declare this my last will and testament.

1. I give to Mrs Henry Conrad one hundred dollars.
2. I give to Margaret Downey, Galveston, Texas, one hundred dollars.
3. I give to John W. Smith, Bonita, Miss, one hundred dollars.
4. I give to Margaret Rouse, Algiers, La., one hundred dollars.
5. I give to Margaret McGrade one hundred dollars.
6. I give to Rt. Rev. Jno. W. Shaw, Coadjutor Bishop of San Antonio Texas, one hundred dollars. I give to my friend Father C. T. O'Callaghan Two hundred and fifty (250) dollars.

All of the rest and residue of my property, real; personal or mixed, I give, devise and bequeath unto my niece, Kate Carney, and I appoint my said niece and very Rev. C. T. O'Callaghan, executrix and executor of my will without bond or security.

Given under my hand this 19th Feby 1911.

Attest:
Geo. J. Sullivan
Chas. Meyers.

Michael Smith
his
Michael x Smith
mark

State of Alabama
Mobile County

Probate Court of said County.

In the matter of the probate of the last will and testament of Michael Smith, Deceased Before me Price Williams, Jr., Judge of the Probate Court in and for said County and State, personally appeared in open Court, George J. Sullivan and Charles Myers who having been by me first duly sworn and examined, did and do depose and say on oath that they are the subscribing witnesses to the instrument of writing now shown to them and which purports to be the last will and testament of Michael Smith, deceased, late an inhabitant of this County, and that said Michael Smith since deceased, signed and executed said instrument on the day the same bears date, in the presence of the subscribing witnesses, and declared the same to be his last will and testament. Affiants further state that they signed the said instrument on the day the same bears date at the request and in the presence of said testator and in the presence of each other as such subscribing witnesses thereunto, that said testator was on the day of the date of said will of the full age of twenty-one years and upward and in the opinion of deponents fully capable of making his will at the time same was so made as aforesaid.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this)
17th day of April, 1911.

Geo. J. Sullivan,
Chas. A. Meyers.

P. Williams, Jr., Judge.

(Probate Court Seal)

State of Alabama) I, Price Williams, Jr., Judge of the Probate Court in and for
Mobile County) said County and State, do hereby certify that the within instrument of writing, has this day in said court, and before me as the Judge thereof, been duly proven by the proper testimony to be the genuine last will and testament of Michael Smith, deceased, and that said will together with said proof thereof have been recorded in my office in Book of Wills No. 10 and on page 147.

In Witness of all which, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of the said Court this 17th day of April 1911.

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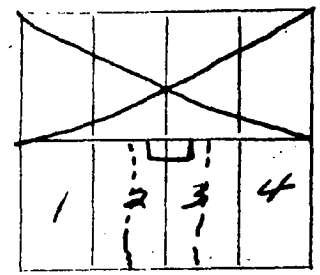
Cemetery Lot Information Form

SEC XXXII LOT 21 DATE PREPARED 2/1 1964
 ORIG. LOT PURCHASER OR OWNER, IF KNOWN _____
 EASEMENT NO. _____ EASEMENT DATE _____ ; OTHER _____
 OLD CEMETERY:
 NAME ON STEPS TO LOT M. Smith ON SEC. PLAT M. Smith
 SIZE OF LOT _____ NO. GRAVES 4 OTHER _____
 OTHER INFORMATION: _____

INTERMENTS, THIS LOT, PLACED ON ALPHA. INTERMENT CARDS _____
 THIS LOT CROSS-INDEXED ON CARDS _____

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(On diagram to right, indicate "head" of lot and direction of North; mark lot to correspond with interment info listed below; indicate location memorials, if any; show used graves by shading; indicate location of steps, if any involved on lot; indicate any unusual information or condition (permanent) of lot.) IF THIS DIAGRAM NOT APPROPRIATE, USE DIAGRAM INSIDE BACK COVER THIS FOLDER.



RECORD OF INTERMENTS:

NAME OF DECEASED:	RELATIONSHIP:	DATE OF INTER:	D/S CONT:	MEMORIALS:
1.				
2. <u>M. J. Smith</u>		<u>1902</u>	<u>✓ IT</u>	<u>slab - Tomb</u>
3. <u>Michael Smith</u>		<u>1911</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>Exposed 2 yrs</u>
4. <u>Emmett Rouse Sr.</u>		<u>1-1970</u>	<u>✓</u>	
5.				
6.				
7.				
8.				

(If additional space needed, see inside back sheet of folder)

PRESENT LOT OWNERSHIP:

NAME:	ADDRESS:	OWNERSHIP, INTEREST, OTHER:
1. <u>Mr Emmett Rouse, Jr</u>	<u>2919 Brierwood</u>	<u>Mobile, Ala</u>
2. <u>Mrs Emmitt R Rouse Sr</u>	<u>2919 Brierwood Dr</u>	<u>Mobile Ala 36606</u>
3.	<u>Tel 205-473-4797</u>	

INFORMATION OBTAINED FROM: OWNER, OTHER(S) WITH INTEREST _____
 OBSERVATION: _____ RECORDS _____ OTHER PERSONS: _____ (IF LATTER) NAME(S) _____

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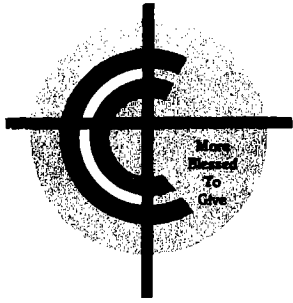
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X-REFERENCE: ALSO SEE FOLDER

FOR: SEC _____ LOT _____
 SEC _____ LOT _____
 SEC _____ LOT _____
 This form prepared by: _____
 Date _____

"CARE" PROGRAM: PERPETUAL CARE _____ DATE IN _____ AMT. PAID \$ _____
 ANNUAL CARE _____ DATE IN (IF NEW) _____ 19 _____; RATE \$ _____

THE CATHOLIC CEMETERY 1700 STONE ST., MOBILE, ALA.



CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

Archdiocese of Mobile, Alabama



CATHOLIC CHARITIES

April 12, 1983

UNITED WAY

Lee P. Smith
P. O. Box 28
Meridian, MS 39301

Dear Mr. Smith:

Check for \$10.00 was received. Thank you. I have checked the record book for the Catholic Boys Home and obtained the following information.

John W. Smith - Age 11,
Admitted CBH August 3, 1874
Discharged to Uncle, August 1, 1880
Father Dead, Mother Alive

I checked but we do not have a family record and this is all the information available to us. Concerning the death records, there is no master file other than at the Cemetery. We would have to know what church in order to search here. Have you tried getting this information from the Bureau of Vital Statistics?

Write to: Mr. James Pope, Bureau of Vital Statistics, Mobile County Health Department, P. O. Box 2867, Mobile, AL 36652. Mr. Pope says you will need to send him as close a death date as possible and as much information as you can. For instance, where they lived, kind of work, burial place, names of their parents etc. This will help in case there are other deaths under that name. The charge for this is \$5.00 for the record search.

I hope this information will be helpful.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Rosemary Butler, MSW, LCSW
Social Worker

RB:aa

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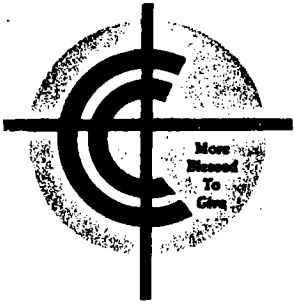
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CATHOLIC SOCIAL SERVICES

Archdiocese of Mobile, Alabama



CATHOLIC CHARITIES

UNITED WAY

May 3, 1983

Mr. Lee P. Smith
P. O. Box 28
Meridian, MS 39391

Dear Mr. Smith:

The name on the information I obtained is not the same as the one you gave - Margaret Smith. However, all other facts coincide so I am positive it is the same person.

The records for St. Mary's Home for girls gives the following facts.

Annie M. Smith, age 8 Irish
admitted August 3, 1874
Father dead
Mother living (Mother expired January 1875)
Discharged - October 30, 1880
"Learning a Trade"

I believe this is the same person as the M., probably is for Margaret and there were no other Smiths admitted during that time.

I hope this is correct. If not, please let me know.

Thank you for the \$10.00 advance check.

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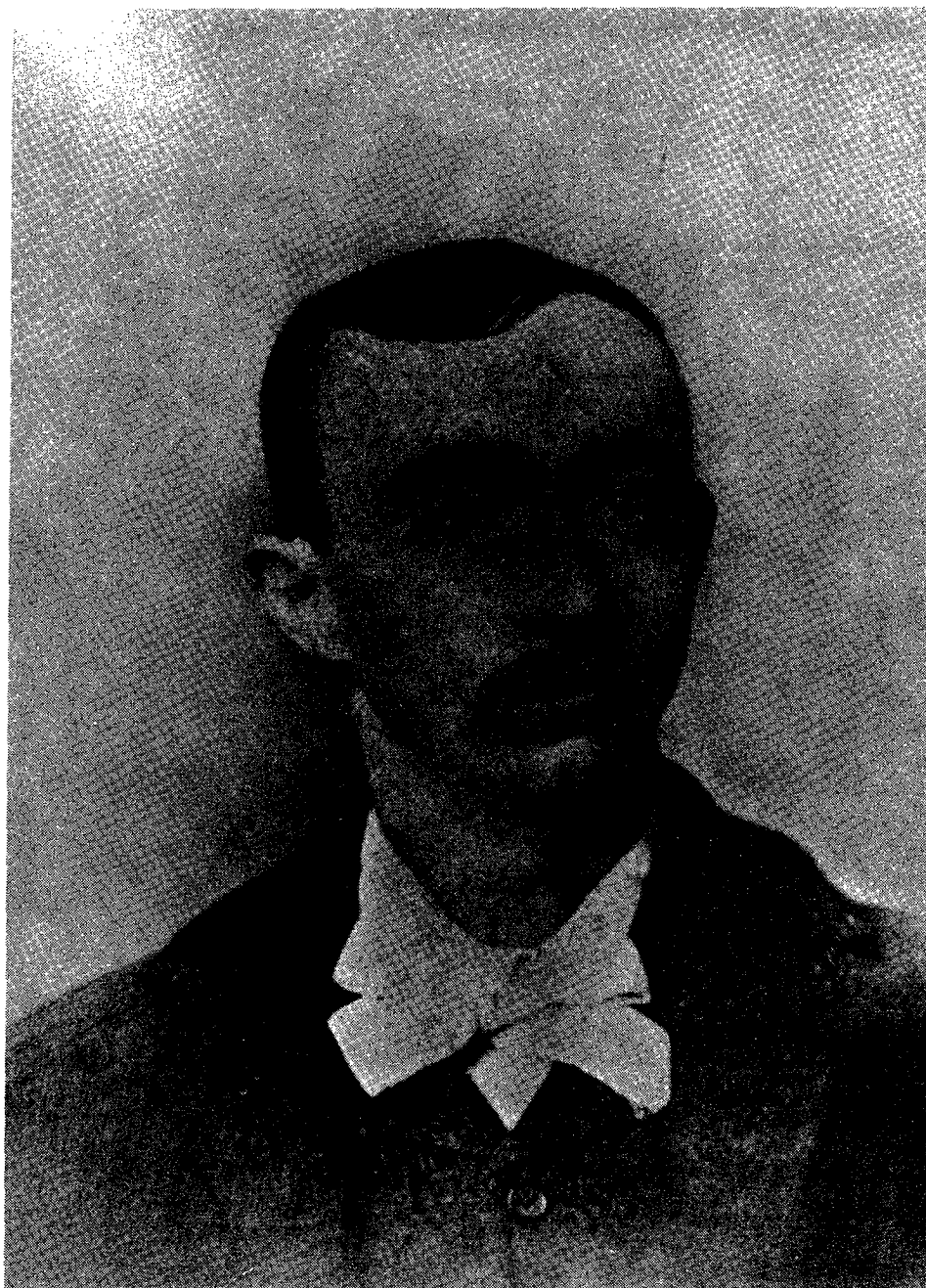
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John W. Smith III
Buried in Oak Grove Cemetary

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, } MARRIAGE AFFIDAVIT.

County of Lauderdale

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared John W. Smith who being by me duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that there is no legal cause to obstruct the marriage of Miss Lela G. Vaughn (Signed)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 27 day of Dec, 1890

Recorded the _____ day of _____, 1890

By W. H. Cameron, Circuit Clerk. Deputy.

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, } CONSENT OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN TO MARRIAGE OF MINOR.

County of _____

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared _____, who, after being by me duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the _____ of _____; that _____ is _____ years of age, and that he, the said _____ of the said minor, hereby freely and fully gives his consent to the marriage of said minor to _____ (Signed)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this _____ day of _____, A. D. 1890

Recorded the _____ day of _____, 1890

By _____, Circuit Clerk. Deputy.

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, } PROOF OF CONSENT TO MARRIAGE OF MINOR.

County of _____

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared _____, who, after being by me duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that _____, the _____ of _____, a minor, did sign the attached certificate, giving consent to the celebration of the marriage of said minor to _____ (Signed)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this _____ day of _____, A. D. 1890

Recorded the _____ day of _____, 1890

By _____, Circuit Clerk. Deputy.

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, } MARRIAGE LICENSE AND CERTIFICATE.

and County of Lauderdale

TO ANY PERSON LAWFULLY AUTHORIZED TO CELEBRATE THE RITES OF MATRIMONY:

You are hereby Licensed to celebrate the Rites of Matrimony between Mr. John W. Smith and Miss Lela G. Vaughn, and for so doing this shall be your warrant.

Given under my hand and official seal, this 27 day of Dec, in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Ninety

By W. H. Cameron, Clerk. D. C.

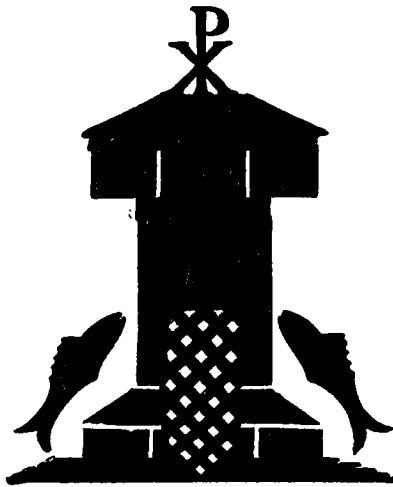
STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, Lauderdale COUNTY.

By virtue of a License from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County of Lauderdale, I have this day celebrated the Rites of Matrimony between Mr. John W. Smith and Miss Lela G. Vaughn Given under my hand and seal, this 26 day of Dec, A. D. 1890

J. C. Fivard, J. P. (Seal)

The foregoing Certificate of Marriage was filed for record in my office on the 17 day of Jan, A. D. 1890

By W. H. Cameron, Circuit Clerk. Deputy. L. M. Graham



Going therefore, teach ye all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Matt. 28-19

The Holy Sacrament of Baptism

This is to Certify

That John William Smith
The Son } of John Smith + Mary Byrnes
~~The Daughter~~ }
and _____

born in Mobile on Oct 7 1863
CITY

was Baptized on Oct 18 1863 in the Church of
St. Vincent de Paul, Mobile, Ala
CITY

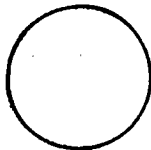
according to the Rite of the Roman Catholic Church

by Rev. D. Nanncy

Sponsors were John Keenan

and Mary Keenan

as recorded in the Baptismal Register of this church.



SEAL OF CHURCH

Rev. George W. Johnson Pastor

Date Oct 15, 1959

Symbol—The fishes, or souls of the faithful, seek Baptism at font, then enter basket, or Church.

This is the story that has been passed along to me from my father, Lee P. Smith, my aunt Johnnie Buchanan, and my aunt Eva Nelson. I have also spent time in Mobile, Ala. examining "City Directories". During one of my trips to Mobile, I visited St. Mary Catholic Church and St. Vincent Catholic Church. My Dad and I visited the Catholic Boys Home, located at that time on Dauphin Street, and also visited the "Davis Street Cemetery" which was once called "Three Mile Cemetery" or the "Old Catholic Cemetery".

In the early 1860's, three families who were living in Ireland, (probably in or near Moneymore) decided to go to the U.S.A. They entered through the port of Mobile. The family had always understood, or assumed, that my Grandfather John William Smith III was born in Ireland. On the first trip to Mobile, in the 50's, I was given a "Baptismal" from the records of St. Mary. The story that has been passed on to me suggest that my Great-Grandfather and Mary Byrnes were either married just before leaving Ireland or onboard ship enroute, and my Grandfather was either born onboard ship or soon after arrival. My Great Grandfather was born in Moneymore according to Father Burns, who was the Rector of the Meridian, Miss. Catholic Church until his retirement. Father Burns Held the funeral service for my Grandfather in 1929. He later passed away at the Priest's Retreat at Chattanooga, Tenn.

I have found in the records at the Boy's Home, now closed, that my Grandfather was placed in the Boy's Home in 1874. His sister, Margaret (Maggie) Smith, was placed in the Catholic Girl's Home,

At the time my Grandfather and Aunt Maggie were placed in the homes, My Great-Grandfather was dead, but my Great-Grandmother Mary Byrnes Smith and twin sons were still living. All died within six months of each other and are buried in the Davis Street Cemetery, Mobile, in a common, unmarked grave alongside Uncle Mike and Aunt Margaret Smith.

The next record we found of my Grandfather was that he was discharged to his Uncle "Mike" Smith. Uncle Mike was a contractor, and the first job my Grandfather had was as a "Hod Carrier". His health was not good so he was advised by a doctor to leave Mobile (Swamp Misma). He got a job driving a flock of turkeys from Mobile to near Errata, Miss. His first job upon arrival was carrying mail one day to Richton and the next to Paulding, Miss. When the Southern Railroad was being built, he was one of the roadbed foreman. While working, in what is now Laurel, Miss., he lived with a Smith family (no relation). They offered to loan him the money to buy the land ("stump ground" from logging) which is now Laurel. The price -- \$1.00 per acre.

His next move was to "Old Marion" to work as a field hand for Mrs. Rushing. During the Civil War, Mrs. Rushing put all of her money into \$20 gold pieces, sewed them into rolls, and buried them in her garden. General Sherman came through with his troops enroute to Vicksburg, and camped at her place. If you walk through the Old Marion Cemetery, you can still see evidence of the damage that was done by the troops. For the next two years, my Grandfather dug in this garden plot

My Grandfather was now in his middle 30's and it was time to look for a wife. He found "Lela Gordon Vaughn". They were married by a Justice of the Peace, Mr. T. C. Kinard, on December 26, 1900. They moved to Topten and Grandfather worked as a field hand and also in a Mr. Gunn's Grocery Store.

He had lost touch with Mobile, but a young man about his age named Joe Milan was an engineer on the M & O Rail Road. About once a week he pulled a train North and you could hear the lonesome train whistle as he pulled up the Topten Hill.

The family began to grow so they moved to Bonita and worked in the "Red" store run by Mr. Blanks and in the Cotton Gin that was located at Bonita. Bessie Laura Smith was born Jan., 26, 1902. Grandma ran a boarding house and they had a wagon yard just behind the boarding house. This was located just North of what is now Mazingo Grocery Store.

Eva came along and also Johnnie Miller. They bought a home on the Old Russel Road. It was time to change jobs again, so my Grandfather worked for W. L. Parker for a time. Mr. Nathan Louis Potter offered to loan him \$200 to buy half interest with Mr. Robert M. Snell in a large country store. My dad, Lee Potter was born in 1910. He was named Lee (for Lela - his mother) and Potter for Mr. N. L. Potter.

In 1922, Mr. R. M. Snell wanted to sell out and go to Texas, the Rio Valley. Mr. L. M. Sharp bought the store. My Grandfather, with his share bought what was then know as the "Allen Wood Store". Again, he bacame Postmaster.

In December 1913, "Little Katie" was born with polio and during the flu of 1918 her lungs could not fight off the dreaded flu and she died - age five years.

On October 27, 1929, just as the great depression got under way, my Grandfather died. In 1900, when he and my Grandmother were married, his first cousin - Arch Bishop John W. Shaw, insisted that the children be consecrated to the Catholic Church and was refused. My Grandfather continued attending the Catholic Church until he died, but could not be buried from the church. He is buried in the Baptist Cemetery, Bonita.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Robert W. Smith". The signature is written in dark ink and is positioned in the lower right quadrant of the page.

WHITE MARRIAGE LICENSE RECORD

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
County of Lauderdale.

MARRIAGE AFFIDAVIT.

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared E. H. Nelson

who, being by me duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that there is no legal cause to obstruct the Marriage of Himself, whose age is 25, and whose postoffice address is Henrietta Miss to Miss Eva Smith whose age is 19, and whose postoffice address is Henrietta Miss, and the postoffice address of his, the said _____ parent, is _____ and the postoffice address of her, the said _____ parents is _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 9th day of May, 1923,
(Signed) E. H. Nelson
By _____, D. C.

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
County of Lauderdale.

CONSENT OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN TO MARRIAGE OF MINOR.

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared _____
who, after being by me duly sworn, according to law, deposes and says, that _____ he is the _____ of _____ that _____ is _____ years of age, and that _____ he the said _____ of the said minor, hereby freely and fully gives his consent to the marriage of said minor to _____

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this _____ day of _____, 192_____
(Signed) _____
By _____, D. C.

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
County of Lauderdale.

MARRIAGE LICENSE AND CERTIFICATE.

To Any Person Lawfully Authorized to Celebrate the Rites of Matrimony:

You are hereby Licensed to Celebrate the RITES OF MATRIMONY between
Mr. E. H. Nelson and Miss Eva Smith
and for so doing this shall be your warrant.

Given under my hand and official seal, this 9th day of May in the Year of our Lord Nineteen
Hundred and Twenty Three
By M. L. Rush, Circuit Clerk.

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
County of Lauderdale.

By virtue of a License from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the said County of Lauderdale, I have this day celebrated the RITES OF MATRIMONY between Mr. E. H. Nelson

and Miss Eva Smith
Given under my hand and seal, this 9th day of May, 1923
By J. A. Bull (Seal)

The foregoing Certificate of Marriage was filed for record in my office, on the 10th
day of May, 1923
By M. L. Rush, Circuit Clerk.

Family Register

May 9 - 1923 MARRIAGE Meridian Miss
DATE WHERE

Elean Dewey Nelson
HUSBAND

Jan 22 - 1898
DATE OF BIRTH

Yantley Ala.
BIRTHPLACE

Sept 9 - 1967
DIED

Meridian Miss.
WHERE

Eva Smith
WIFE

Feb 22 1904
DATE OF BIRTH

Bonita Miss
BIRTHPLACE

July 28, 1982
DIED

Meridian, Miss
WHERE

Children

NAME <i>Cecil Lamin</i>	
DATE OF BIRTH <i>Mar 24-1924</i>	WHERE <i>Bonita Miss</i>
DATE MARRIED <i>10-2-56</i>	WHERE <i>TOKYO JAPAN</i>
TO WHOM <i>KAZUYO SUKAMI</i>	
DATE OF DEATH	WHERE

NAME <i>Victor Lyle</i>	
DATE OF BIRTH <i>3-15-30</i>	WHERE <i>Bonita Miss</i>
DATE MARRIED <i>4-24-56</i>	WHERE <i>PHOENIX-ARIZONA</i>
TO WHOM <i>INEZ DANIELS</i>	
DATE OF DEATH	WHERE

NAME <i>David Noel</i>	
DATE OF BIRTH <i>2-18-26</i>	WHERE <i>Bonita Miss</i>
DATE MARRIED <i>2-16-54</i>	WHERE <i>DORCHESTER-MASS</i>
TO WHOM <i>JUNE STEVAN LYNCH</i>	
DATE OF DEATH	WHERE

NAME <i>Eric Sall</i>	
DATE OF BIRTH <i>Sept 18-32</i>	WHERE <i>BONITA MISS</i>
DATE MARRIED <i>11-16-66</i>	WHERE <i>OXNARD-CALIF.</i>
TO WHOM <i>LOIS ANN BACHUS</i>	
DATE OF DEATH	WHERE

NAME <i>Freda Elaine</i>	
DATE OF BIRTH <i>Mar-21-1928</i>	WHERE <i>BONITA MISS</i>
DATE MARRIED <i>MAR-5-1947</i>	WHERE <i>BONITA MISS</i>
TO WHOM <i>WILLIAM EDUARD SMITH, JR.</i>	
DATE OF DEATH	WHERE

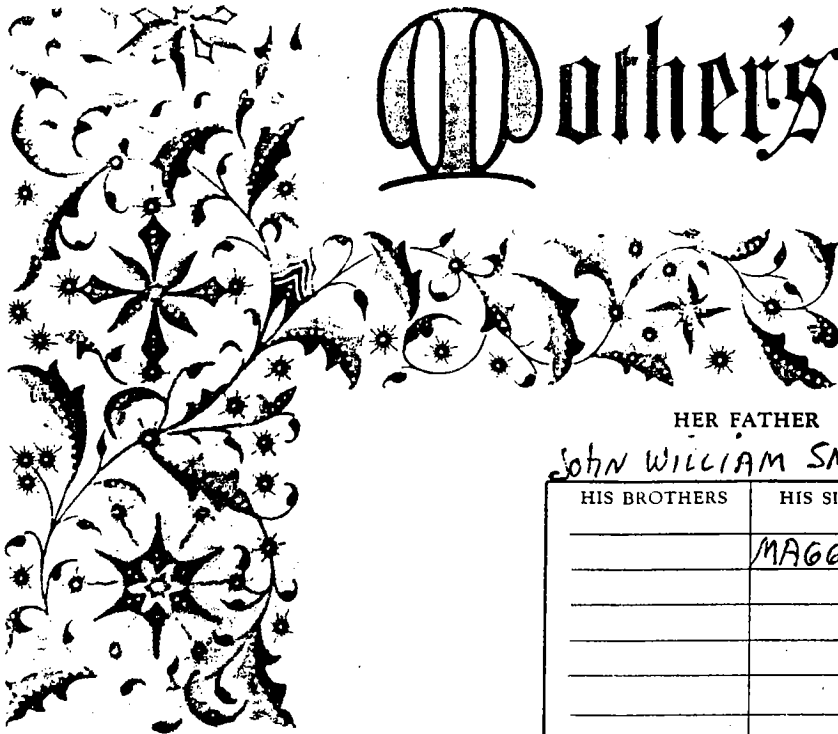
NAME <i>Sandra Lynn</i>	
DATE OF BIRTH <i>4-29-35</i>	WHERE <i>BONITA MISS</i>
DATE MARRIED <i>2-25-54</i>	WHERE <i>MARION MISS</i>
TO WHOM <i>HAROLD DAVID NEWELL</i>	
DATE OF DEATH	WHERE

JUDITH EDRY
July 31-36 Bonita Miss

MARRIED OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH
1-15-57

TO: LEWIS E. SILVERS

Mother's Family



HIS FATHER

HIS BROTHERS	HIS SISTERS

HER FATHER

John William Smith

HIS BROTHERS	HIS SISTERS
	MAGGIE

HIS MOTHER

HER BROTHERS	HER SISTERS

MOTHER'S NAME

~~LEILA~~ EVA Smith

HER BROTHERS	HER SISTERS
LEE LEE POTTER	BESSIE
	JOHNNIE
	RATIE

HER FATHER

ALEXANDER VAUGHN

HIS BROTHERS	HIS SISTERS

HER MOTHER

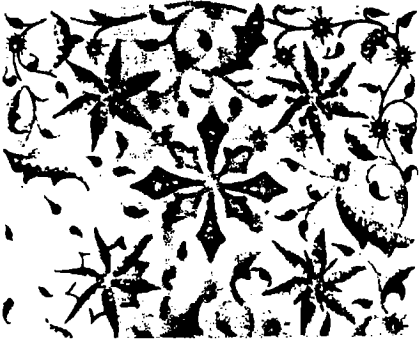
LEILA G. VAUGHN

HER BROTHERS	HER SISTERS
CAMBRIDGE	MARY ANN

HER MOTHER

LUCINDA THOMPSON

HER BROTHERS	HER SISTERS
HENRY	ELIZABETH



CECIL LAMAR NELSON

Born: March 24, 1924

Married

KAZUYO FUKAMI

Amakusa, Japan

Born: March 15, 1930

Son (Adopted)

JOHN HIROTOSHI FUKAMI

Born: May 26, 1950

Divorced

Son Married

AMY KOMAKI

Born: Unknown

Their Only Child

STACY NELSON

Born: Unknown, 1973

FREDA'S CHILDREN

WILLIAM ROCKNE

October 21, 1949

Meridian, MS

Married: None

SUSAN MARIE

January 8, 1951

Meridian, MS

Married: Charles Russel Gibbs
Portsmouth, VA
July 12, 1968

Divorced: September, 1970

Married: Jesse Council Mitchell
December 30, 1970
Elizabeth City, NC

Divorced:

Offspring: Kimberly Ann
September 7, 1971

STEPHEN NELSON

December 6, 1952

Charleston, SC

Married: None

FAMILY OF:

MAN'S NAME IN FULL Mx David Noel Nelson

Event	Mon.	Day	Year	County	Town	State
Born	2	18	26	LAUDERDALE COUNTY		MS.
Mar.	2	16	54			
Died						
Residences	<u>MS. MASS. CUBA TEXAS VA. FL.</u>					
Buried						

His Father Edgar Dewey Nelson His Mother Eva Smith Nelson

*** WIFE'S FULL NAME JUNE C. (WELCH) Nelson Born 6-18-24
Died _____

Born _____
Died _____

Wife's Father GEORGE C. WELCH Wife's Mother EVERLYN DELANEY

Linda M. Lynch Nelson *****
children: ***** Welch

	Full Name	Event	Mon.	Day	Year	County	Town	State
1	<u>LINDA MARIE</u>	Born	5	25	47	Rever	Winthrop	MASS.
		Died						
Wed	<u>Wm E. Flatt</u>	Mar.	7		66	DUVAL	Jacksonville Beach	FL.
2	<u>CHILDREN</u>	Born						
		Died						
Wed		Mar.						
3	<u>Cynthia Ann FLATT</u>	Born	NOV	2	67	DUVAL	Jacksonville	FL.
		Died						
Wed		Mar.						
4	<u>BRYAN FLATT</u>	Born	3	13	76		VA. Bch.	VA.
		Died						
Wed		Mar.						
5	<u>SHEREE LYNN FLATT</u>	Born	7	1	78		VA. Bch.	VA.
		Died						
Wed		Mar.						
6.		Born						
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Uncle Lee / Aunt Margaret - Jun 5 - 83

Greetings - Hope that this day
finds you & yours well & happy.

June & I are fine thank you, as are
Linda & her family. Her husband, Bill
is recuperating from a hernia operation.
Other than that all is Norm. In the
summer term again & the A/C business
is moving along @ a fast pace. Like
previously stated, everything is Norm.

Know that your research into
the Smith Family must be an interesting
undertaking for you. Would like
very much to see the end results.
Hopefully we've provided the info.
that you require. Also listed our
three Grand Children - this you
did not ask for & it will be of the

2

Value on this particular project. -
Let's just say it listed for the hell
of it - General info, or what have you.

Linda was born to Jim & Bill
Lynch in 47. This marriage was
dissolved in divorce in 49.

Jim & I took the vows in 54 -
Linda's father refused to agree to
~~my~~ my adoption of Linda. In
67 Linda, of her own accord went
to court & legally had her name
changed to Nelson.

Will close & get this off to you -
wishing you the best - Always

David & Jim

5/1/83

(4)

VICTOR LYLE NELSON

MARRIED

INEZ MARIE QUAIL (3/10/26 WASH)

STEPSON

STEVEN E. WILSON
BORN PORTLAND ORE
1943

ADOPTED
DAUGHTER

VICTORIA MARIE NELSON
BORN 10/16/57 CAVITE, R.P.

MARLSD STEVEN BOLECHOWSKI IN MAY
1977

BORN 1947 E GERMANY

2 CHILDREN (SONS)

JEREMIAH LYLE BOLECHOWSKI
BORN 1-13-80 MINNEAPOLIS
MN

JOSHUA CHRISTOPHER BOLECHOWSKI
BORN 3-26-83 NIPLES MN

ADOPTED
DAUGHTER

JERUNA LEE NELSON
BORN 5/20/59 CAVITE, R.P.

MARRIED RICKIE MATOY IN JUNE 1977
BORN MARCO CA 1958 (5/3)

2 CHILDREN (DAUGHTERS)

DAWN LEE MATOY
BORN 9-20-79 ORANGE CA

AMANDA ANN MATOY
BORN 5-4-82 ORANGE CA

MARRIED JUDY (?)

2 CHILDREN

DONALD RAY CRAWFORD (STEPSON) B 1964

KATHY WILSON (DAUGHTER) B NOV 1968

FAMILY OF:

MAN'S NAME IN FULL Eric Gail Nelson

Event	Mon.	Day	Year	County	Town	State
Born	9	-12-	32	LAUDERDALE	MERIDIAN	MISS
Mar.	11	-16-	64	VENTURA	OXNARD	CA
Died						

Residences TOO NUMEROUS TO LIST DURING 25 YEARS US NAVY
Since 1976 163 S. WESTCHESTER DR #15 ANAHEIM CA.

His Father Edgar Dewey Nelson His Mother Eva Smith Nelson

*** WIFE'S FULL NAME (EX) LOIS ANN WIXSON Born 14 MAY 1932
Died _____

Wife's Father EARL WIXSON Wife's Mother ESTER WIXSON

children:

	Full Name	Event	Mon.	Day	Year	County	Town	State
1.	<u>SANDRA ANN GUZY</u>	Born	OCT	7	1949		<u>JANVILLE</u>	<u>MISS.</u>
		Died						
	<u>Wed to STEVE GUZY</u>	Mar.	MAY	16,	1979			<u>HAWAII</u>
2.	<u>BARBARA LEE NETZORS</u>	Born	SEPT	6	1954		<u>FRANKFURT</u>	<u>GERMANY</u>
		Died						
	<u>Wed to JOHN NETZORS</u>	Mar.	MAR	13,	1982			<u>LAS VEGAS, CA</u>
3.	<u>LESLIE EARL BACHUS</u>	Born	JUNE	1,	1956			<u>EL PASO, TEX</u>
		Died						
	<u>Wed to DAWN</u>	Mar.	APR		1982			<u>LAS VEGAS, CA</u>
4.		Born						
		Died						
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ERIC

U.S. NAVY JUNE 13 1950 TO JUNE 13 1975.

CURRENTLY EMPLOYED AT CONTROL DATA CORP.
AS A SENIOR COMPUTER TEST TECHNICIAN.

SANDRA

HOUSEWIFE TO CAREER NAVAL LIEUTENANT
STEVE GUY PRESENTLY STATIONED AT NAS
BARBER'S POINT HAWAII. TWO CHILDREN WENDY
AGE 15, RON AGE 13.

BARBARA

AIRLINE STEWARDESS. HUSBAND JOHN IS A
CORPORATE LAWYER IN LAS VEGAS.

LELIE (EARL)

REENTERED THE U.S. ARMY IN THE SPRING
OF 1983. PRESENTLY ATTENDING AN 8 MONTH
COMMUNICATIONS SCHOOL AT FORT GORDAN, GA.

ALL INFORMATION IS FROM PERSONAL INFORMATION.

NAME:

Harold Scott

DATE of BIRTH: 2-12-55

Lynn's
Children

WHERE: MERIDIAN, MS.

MARRIED: 11-7-81

TO: DONNA KAY RAINER GANN - Collinsville, MS.

OFFSPRING: DONALD BRADFORD -

DATE of BIRTH: - 1-10-73 (mother by first marriage)
(adopted by Scott 2-11-82)

DATE of BIRTH: 9-11-82 - Meridian, MS.

KIMBERLY BROOKE

NAME:

MARK DAVID

DATE of BIRTH: 7-22-58

WHERE: - Meridian, MS.

MARRIAGE: None

NAME:

PAUL CRAIG

DATE of BIRTH: 9-28-59

WHERE: Meridian, MS.

MARRIAGE: None

NAME:

TERRI LYNN

DATE of BIRTH: - 8-24-61

WHERE: Meridian, MS.

Marriage: None

FAMILY OF:

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MAN'S NAME IN FULL Judith Edrye Silvers

Event	Mon.	Day	Year	County	Town	State
Born	7	31	36	Lauderdale	Meridian	Miss.
Mar.	1	15	57	"	"	"
Died						

Residences 1437, No. Center St., Orange, Calif. 92667

Buried

His Father Edgar Dewey Nelson His Mother Eva Smith Nelson

HUSBANDS
*** WIFE'S FULL NAME Lewis Ernest Silvers Born 9.22.32
Died

Born
Died

Spouse
Wife's Father Jack Clemons Silvers Spouse
Wife's Mother I. Roky Fluharty

children:

	Full Name	Event	Mon.	Day	Year	County	Town	State
1.	<u>ERNEST NELSON</u>	Born	12	27	57	<u>MAHONING - YOUNGSTOWN,</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	
		Died						
DEANNA CRACRAFT	<u>ERNEST NELSON</u>	Mar.	5	6	79	<u>ORANGE - ANAHEIM - CALIF</u>		
2.	<u>KEITH BRADLEY</u>	Born	3	30	59	<u>MAHONING - YO.</u>	<u>Ohio</u>	
		Died						
		Mar.						
3.	<u>SHAWN MARIE</u>	Born	10	22	70	<u>ORANGE</u>	<u>SANTA ANA - CALIF</u>	
		Died						
		Mar.						
4.		Born						
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Family, - Presbyterian - All have 12 grades of School.
Husband - 4 yrs NAVY - Owns his own business - domineering.
Loves Fun - makes people happy - A person you would remember -

#1 - SON - 4 yrs NAVY - Hi school grad - good personality - moody -
Happily married - 1 - Son. 10 mo. Briaw. Lewest - Luthering Faith

#2 - SON - No Military - Hi Sch. grad - High honors - Artistic
Abilities. Loves to cook - decorate Citrus - Welder by Trade.
(Specialist)

#3 - daughter - Grade 7 - 2nd on Honor Roll - Moody - What
Teenager isn't. (Lord give me strength -)

Harriet Annice Buchanan married William James Clark in September of 1978, in Hernando, Mississippi. Bill Clark died in April of 1982. He was an executive vice-president of a hardware firm in Memphis, Tennessee, at the time of his death. He was the former President of the Louisiana Building Hardware Association and a member of the National Directors of Building Hardware Association. Bill was born in Memphis, Tennessee, but his father's business took the family to Nashville, Tennessee and New Orleans, Louisiana. Bill graduated from high school in New Orleans and received a scholarship to Vanderbilt University, where he attended school but did not graduate because of the Depression. After leaving Vanderbilt, he returned to New Orleans and worked for Warren-Stratton Hardware Company becoming manager at the age of 26. Bill was the son of Earnest Edward Clark and Constance Nelson Clark. Constance Nelson's roots in America go back to 1620 in Virginia. Annice Clark has worked for the E. I. Du Pont De Nemours & Company for the last 32 years, is a member and office of the Quota Club of Memphis, a service and charitable organization, and a member of St. James Episcopal Church.

John McQueen Buchanan retired from the United States Air Force after twenty years and has his own real estate firm. His wife, Patricia, is a registered nurse and they live in Warner Robins, Georgia. A list of their children is attached. John and Pat recently became grandparents when Bill and Nancy had a daughter. Bill Buchanan graduated from the University of Georgia and is manager of a mortgage company in Georgia. Nancy is a registered nurse and has spent time as a medical missionary in Africa. Richard Sutton Buchanan is unmarried, graduated from the University of Georgia and works with his father. Both of the sons received degrees in business administration and sciences.

Malcolm Gerald Buchanan who is a manager for a national insurance company lives in Hickman, Nebraska. Malcolm has been in the insurance business all of his life except for the time spent in the service during the Korean war. He and his wife, Virginia, have one son and two daughters. Craig is attending college and the two girls are still in high school. A list of the children is attached.

Richard Smith Buchanan recently married Virginia Friday in West Point, Mississippi. Richard except for the time spent in service has worked with electronics and computers. He is presently employed at Mississippi State in charge of the computer system there. Richard and his wife share a common love of flying and are presently building a plane.

Children of James William Buchanan and Virginia Covert Buchanan

William Anthony Buchanan	Born 7/10/51
Teresa Claire Buchanan	Born 3/3/53
James Patrick Buchanan	Born 2/8/55
Melanie Joan Buchanan	Born 4/18/58
Virginia Gay Buchanan	Born 6/3/62

FAMILY OF:

MAN'S NAME IN FULL John M Buchanan

Event	Mon.	Day	Year	County	Town	State
Born	7	12	1930	LAUDERDALE	MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI	
Mar.	12	24	51	LAUDERDALE	MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI	
Died						
Residences				200 - DEERWOOD PK	WARNER ROBINS, GA	
Buried						

His Father James Buchanan His Mother Johnnie M Smith Buchanan

*** WIFE'S FULL NAME PATRICIA LEE SUTTON Born 3 - JUNE 1932
Died _____

Born _____
Died _____

Wife's Father CURTIS SUTTON Wife's Mother BIRDIE SUTTON

children:

Full Name	Event	Mon.	Day	Year	County	Town	State
1. <u>JAMES WILLIAM BUCHANAN</u>	Born	9	20	1956	LEE	TUPELO	MISS
	Died						
Wed <u>NANCY MEYERHOEFFER</u>	Mar.	1	23	1982		MOBILE	ALA
2. <u>RICHARD SUTTON BUCHANAN</u>	Born	7	27	1962	HOUSTON	WARNER ROBINS	GA
	Died						
Wed	Mar.						
3.	Born						
	Died						
Wed	Mar.						
4.	Born						
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Wed	Mar.						
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FAMILY OF:

GERALD

MAN'S NAME IN FULL Malcolm ~~B~~ Buchanan

Event	Mon.	Day	Year	County	Town	State
Born	6	5	34	Newton	Newton	Miss.
Mar.	10	27	62	Lee	Baldwyn	Miss.
Died						

Residences Meridian, MS, Memphis, TN, Jackson, MS, Greenville, MS and Lincoln, Nebraska.
Buried _____

His Father James Buchanan His Mother Johnnie M Smith Buchanan

*** WIFE'S FULL NAME _____

Virginia Ruth Houston Buchanan Born 6-23-37

 Died _____

Wife's Father Clem Octo Houston Wife's Mother Mary Cavie Austin Houston

children:

Full Name	Event	Mon.	Day	Year	County	Town	State
1. <u>Craig Octo Buchanan</u>	Born	5	28	63	Shelby	Memphis	Tenn.
	Died						
Wed	Mar.						
2. <u>Lisa Michelle Buchanan</u>	Born	2	9	66	Shelby	Memphis	Tenn.
	Died						
Wed	Mar.						
3. <u>Leslie Allison Buchanan</u>	Born	9	24	73	Hinds	Jackson	Miss.
	Died						
Wed	Mar.						
4.	Born						
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The religion of the family of Malcolm Gerald Buchanan was Presbyterian.

Malcolm served in the Navy from March, 1951 until April, 1954

Malcolm work for Metropolitan Life Ins. Co. starting as an Agent in 1956 and advancing to Sales Manager and District Manager.

Virginia Houston Buchanan graduated from the University of Miss. in 1958. She worked as a secretary until marriage and was a homemaker.

FBLA NEWS

The Red Lion Inn in Omaha (formerly the Hilton) was the site of the 1981 State FBLA Leadership Conference. Norris was represented by the following fourteen students: Craig Buchanan, Patty Doolittle, Amy Graham, Rachel Hartman, Myron Huesinkvelt, Robin Jackson, Tammy Kness, Jodi Kolder, Marilyn Mitchell, Bill Montz, Shelley Schlake, Jim Verheoff, Valerie Volf, and Jamie Walvoord.

The Conference, which was attended by more than 1,200 Future Business Leaders of America from across the State of Nebraska, was a three-day affair, beginning Thursday, April 2, and ending Saturday, April 4.

At the conference new state officers were elected. Taking part in the election were the voting delegates from Norris: Bill Montz, Tammy Kness, and Valerie Volf. Speakers at seminars included Allen Beerman, Nebraska Secretary of State, and representatives from the Nebraska Society of CPA's. Also on the agenda was a representative from Milady Publishing Company in New York who talked about clerical and stenographic careers.

The Norris FBLA students also participated in "competitive events," giving them a chance to demonstrate their knowledge in various areas of the business education program. Norris fared very well as seven FBLA members from the Norris chapter received recognition for their efforts.

Those who received awards are as follows: Myron Huesinkvelt, Honorable Mention in general business; Marilyn Mitchell, Honorable Mention in spelling; Tammy Kness, Honorable Mention in general business; Amy Graham, Honorable Mention in business law; Rachel Hartman, Honorable Mention in business principles and management and 4th place in business law; Bill Montz, Honorable Mention in business law and 8th place in general business; and Craig Buchanan, Honorable Mention in spelling and accounting II, 6th place in business principles and management, 1st place in business math II, and 1st place in business law.

By winning 1st place in business math II and business



law, Craig has qualified to compete at the National Leadership Conference in Chicago July 1-5. Craig received two trophies, one for each of his winning performances.

Buchanan Commended

The principal, R. Gordon Benson of Norris, announced today that a senior, Craig O. Buchanan, is being commended for his outstanding performance in the twenty-sixth annual (1981) National Merit Scholarship Program. Letters of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation, which conducts the competition will be presented.

More than one million students entered the 1981 Merit Program by taking the PSAT/NMSQT in 1979. About 33,000 of these students throughout the United States will receive a commendation for outstanding test performance. Commended students rank below the level required for Merit Program Semifinalists—the only participants who will continue in the 1981 competition for Merit Scholarships. Nonetheless, Commended students have shown

Students Honored

Each year high schools, churches, and other service groups are invited to nominate junior and senior class students for recognition in "Who's Who Among American High School Students." They are students who have achieved a "B" grade point average or better and demonstrate leadership in various activities.

The following Norris High youth are included in the current edition: Beth Bechtel, Elizabeth Bowers, David Bowen, Tracy Brown, Craig Buchanan, Robin Carpenter, Marla Conway, Lola Doeschot, Patricia Doolittle, Lisa Drake, Karey Dye, Kristi Egger, Gerald Geer, Lesia Eley, Pam Essink, Tim Huenink, Cynthia and Christine Jensen, Tammy Kness, Marilyn Mitchell, William Montz, Jean Morris, Chris Nolan, Kent Oltman, Sheryl Parde, Norman Pfeiffer, Brenda Ross, Robin Snook, Patti Schenkel, Sharon Trouba, Kurt Vandergriend, Catherine Wieting, and Rob Robertson.

exceptional academic promise by scoring among the top five percent of the Merit Program participants.

An officer of the corporation stated that "to be designated a Commended student in the Merit Program is an attainment deserving of public recognition. The continued educational and personal development of such students will benefit the entire nation."

Commended students who requested it have been referred as worthy candidates to admissions and financial aid officers at two higher education institutions of their choice. It is hoped that the referral service and Merit Program recognition will result in assistance for these Commended students as they pursue their educational goals.

Students Compete

Students representing the Norris Business Department recently attended Peru State College's "High School Business Contest". Also in attendance were approximately 600 students from 35 southeast Nebraska and southwest Iowa high schools. The contest was designed to offer students the opportunity to demonstrate their knowledge and skill in various subject areas of the business education program.

In the final team standings Norris fared very well, placing 8th. Individually, three students placed in the top five in their respective areas of expertise, earning certificates of merit, which were presented at the awards convocation.

Those who received certificates of merit were: Craig Buchanan, first place in business math; Tammy Kness, second place in accounting II; and Patty Schenkel, fifth place in business law. Also placing extremely high were: Amy Graham and Karen Dye, accounting II; and Patty Schenkel, Cindy Liesveld, and Jan Damsteegt, accounting I.

All Norris competitors placed relatively high, as they competed against the strongest students from each school. Business students who represented Norris in their specific strength areas were as follows: Jane Doeden and Jodi Straus, typing I; Rhonda Auman and Tami Kubik, typing II; Patty Essink, Shelley Schlake, and Donita Schmidt, shorthand I; Leslie Fosler, shorthand II; Dave Bowen and Marla Conway, business law; Craig Buchanan and Jim Verheoff, economics; Patty Doolittle, Bonita Essink, and Joyce Rollins, office practice; Myron Huesinkvelt and Jim Verheoff, general business; Marla Conway and Tami Kubik, business math; and Mary Wisink, sales demonstration.

Scholarships

Five Norris High students have been awarded scholarships to attend college upon graduation.

Marla Conway received a one-year Regent Scholarship at UNL, Craig Buchanan received a \$500 David Scholarship at UNL, Robin Carpenter \$500 David Scholarship at UNL, Patti Schenkel \$500 David Scholarship UNL and Pam Essink received \$100 Scholarship to attend Joseph's College of Beauty.

*South
Beulah*

White
MARRIAGE LICENSE RECORD

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
County of Lauderdale

MARRIAGE AFFIDAVIT

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Lu P. Smith who being by me duly sworn according to law, depose and says that there is no legal cause for refusing the Marriage of Lu P. Smith whose age is 21 and whose postoffice address is Miss to Mrs Margaret White whose age is 18 and whose postoffice address is Miss and the postoffice address of his, the said Smith parents is _____ and the postoffice address of her, the said White parents is _____
Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 20th day of Nov 1929
By Lu P. Smith M L Bush Circuit Clerk
D. C.

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
County of Lauderdale

CONSENT OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN TO MARRIAGE OF MINOR

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared _____ who, after being by me duly sworn, according to law, depose and says that _____ he is the _____ of _____ that _____ years of age, and that _____ be the said _____ of the said minor, hereby freely and fully gives his consent to the marriage of said minor to _____
(Signed) _____
Sworn to and subscribed before me, this _____ day of _____ 1929
Recorded, the _____ day of _____ 1929
By _____ Circuit Clerk
D. C.

CERTIFICATE OF CONSENT OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

Recorded the _____ day of _____ 1929

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
County of Lauderdale

MARRIAGE LICENSE AND CERTIFICATE

To Any Person Lawfully Authorized to Celebrate the Rites of Matrimony
You are hereby Licensed to Celebrate the RITES OF MATRIMONY between Mr. Lu P. Smith and Mrs Margaret White
and for so doing this shall be your warrant.
Given under my hand and official seal, this 20 day of Nov in the Year 1929
By M L Bush Circuit Clerk
D. C.

THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI,
County of Lauderdale

By Virtue of a License from the Clerk of the Circuit Court of the said County of Lauderdale, I have this day celebrated the RITES OF MATRIMONY between Mr. Lu P. Smith and Mrs Margaret White
Given under my hand and seal, this 21 day of Nov 1929
By Robert Eggle (Dean)
The foregoing Certificate of Marriage was filed for record in my office, on the 10 day of Dec A. D. 1929
By M L Bush Circuit Clerk
D. C.

LEE POTTER SMITH

JUNE 8, 1910 TO -----

Finished high school in Meridian, Miss. in June 1929. Enough money had been saved for tuition to Coyne Electrical School in Chicago. I had planned to study to be an electrical engineer. My father, John William Smith (Oct. 7, 1863 to Oct. 29, 1929), was sick and asked me to put off going to school for a year. Of course I agreed. We put the tuition money into the store for help in extending credit to farmers for that year.

In August my father asked me to get married in order to help more in running the grocery store. I told him I would have to think about it before I could make a proper decision. He died October 29, 1929.

The will left the store to my mother with me running it. The Bonita, Miss. post office was the big problem as I was only nineteen years old. We had to appoint Mr. W. L. Parker as postmaster with me still looking after it.

I purchased a new car on a salary of \$14.00 per week. The more I thought about my Dad's last request, the more I thought about settling down and getting married. About November I called my girl, Margaret White, and asked her if she wanted to get married. She said when and I said the sooner the better. We were married November 21, 1929.

It wasn't long before I found out I didn't know how to run a store. We began to close out the store. First we arranged for Charlie Hall to take the post office. The post office paid from \$17.00 to \$20.00 per month.

The store was closed about the first of September in 1930. Me with no job and Margaret working at Southern Bell Telephone Company for about \$11.00 per week.

I went to work for National Life and Accident Insurance Co. selling Industrial Life Insurance and collecting a debit of about \$150.00 per week. This was 1930-1933 and during the Great Depression. After more than three years I found out I was no salesman and was let go. In the mean-time Robert Lee was born.

For about nine months I was out of a job. Finally, Robert Haas told me the White Star Laundry was looking for a truck driver. This was during the NRA and the pay was \$12.00 per week or 20% of what you collected. The work was six days a week from 6:30 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. I was making from \$18.00 to \$20.00 per week. Later I attended a laundry school in Virginia to improve upon my abilities.

World War II began and I again changed jobs. Back to the Post Office January 7, 1942. With induction into the army, my time with the post office continued and I was employed in various positions until retirement June 1, 1972. A total of 2300 hours of sick leave was returned unused and I was credited with an additional 1 1/2 years service to retire with a total of 32 years.

March 1976, I suffered a stroke. This was followed by a number of heart attacks until a quadruple bypass operation in Dallas, Texas in May 1981.

Lee Potter Smith

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

Certificate of Marriage

LAUDERDALE COUNTY

I, *Raymond P. Davis*, Clerk of the Circuit Court of said County and State and Custodian of the Marriage Records thereof, do hereby certify that the said Marriage Records show that on the 7th day of February 19 53

The Rites of Matrimony

were celebrated between

Mr. Robert Lee Smith

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ages 20 and

Mrs. Juanita Mulloy

ages 22

By Morelle H. Wells, Minister

Given under my hand and Seal of said Court, this 16th day of November 19 87

Raymond P. Davis, Circuit Clerk

Morelle H. Wells

D. C.

ROBERT LEE SMITH

Robert Lee Smith, only son of Lee Potter Smith and Margaret Ann White Smith, was born February 28, 1932, at Anderson's Infirmary, Meridian, Lauderdale County, Mississippi. Lived for a time with Grandparents, Thomas M. White and Annie May Knighton White, and parents.

Started School in Meridian at Stevenson Elementary in 1938 and attended through the sixth grade. Started Jr. High School at Kate Griffin and attended one semester. Transferred and moved to Trinidad, Henderson County, Texas, where lived with Aunt Ruth White Hunter. Attended school during winters until transferring back to Meridian in January 1948. Graduated from high school in 1949 from Meridian and attended one year of Junior College in Meridian, Miss.

Joined the U. S. Marine Corps Reserve August 1, 1949, and activated with the reservists for the Korean War in August 1950. Reserve unit left Meridian September 1950 for Camp Pendelton, Oceanside, Calif. Trained in Artillery Survey and Combat School from September 8, 1950, until shipping to Korea with 2nd Replacement Draft October 15, 1950. Landed Wonsan, Korea on November 10, 1950, then moved by ship to Hamhung/Hungnam harbor. Joined with G Battery, 3rd Battalion, 11th Marines, 1st Division and moved into the Chosen Reservior. Wounded in action near Hagaru-ri December 2, 1950. Following this transferred to Naval Hospital Yokosuka, Japan. Returned to U. S. November 1951, temporary duty out of Brooklyn Naval Yards, N. Y., to United States Military Academy Preparatory School - Stewart AFB, Newberg, N. Y. Released from active duty March 1952 and returned to Meridian, Mississippi. Employed for a time with J. C. Penney, Inc. in Meridian. Employed by Delta Air Lines November 1952.

Met Juanita Mulloy upon return to Meridian in 1952 and married February 7, 1953, in East End Methodist Church, Meridian. Worked in New Orleans 1952-1953, Montgomery July 1953 through March 1956. Eva Kathleen Smith born in Montgomery, Ala., February 25, 1954. Transferred to Charlotte, N. C., March 1956. Beryl Eileen Smith born November 10, 1956, and Sharon Marie Smith born November 30, 1959. Transferred to Dallas, Texas, October 1961.

The State of Alabama, }
MOBILE COUNTY.

Know all Men by these Presents, That we,

William DeBenedictis
are held and firmly bound unto the State of Alabama, in the penal sum of **TWO HUNDRED DOLLARS**, for the payment whereof we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally, firmly by these presents.

Sealed with our seals, and dated this day of A. D. 189.....

The Condition of the above obligation is such, That whereas the above bound has obtained License to intermarry and be joined together in the Bonds of Matrimony with

Margaret Thayer
Now, if there be no lawful cause why such marriage should not be celebrated, then this obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Wm DeBenedictis
Wm A. Davis



The State of Alabama, }
MOBILE COUNTY.

Before me, PRICE WILLIAMS, Jr., Judge of

Probate in and for said County and State, personally appeared *Wm DeBenedictis* and the said *Margaret Thayer*

being first duly sworn, deposes and says, that the within named *William DeBenedictis* is over twenty-one years of age; that *Margaret Thayer* within named is over the age of eighteen years, and is residing in ~~the~~ County, and that there is no lawful cause why the contemplated Marriage within referred to should not be celebrated, so far as affiant knows or has any reason to believe.

The State of Alabama, }
MOBILE COUNTY.

To any of the State Judges, or to any ordained Minister of the Gospel, or to any Justice of the Peace of said County—GREETING:

Know Ye, That you are hereby AUTHORIZED and LICENSED to join together in the Bonds of Matrimony, *William DeBenedictis* with *Margaret Thayer*

Given under my hand and seal, this day of 189.....

Price Williams, Jr.
JUDGE



The State of Alabama, }
MOBILE COUNTY.

To the Judge of Probate of said County:

I Hereby Certify, That I this day solemnized the Rites of Matrimony between *William DeBenedictis* and *Margaret Thayer* who are within named, at *Mobile* in said County.

Witness my hand this, the day of 189.....

Ed. Wilson

No. 763

Health Department of the City of Mobile.

PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE OF DEATH.

Physicians are reminded of the importance of filling out these certificates promptly and accurately, as without them no interments can be made—and they are the basis of the Mortuary Statistics of the City. Attention is called to the following extract from City Ordinances: "He, the Registrar, shall supervise all certificates of Death. If they are made out in proper form, he shall give a permit authorizing the interment of the body, without which permit no sexton, or other person, shall inter any dead body, under the penalty (not exceeding fifty dollars), provided in section 49 of the Code of Ordinances. The form of certificate and nomenclature of disease to be prescribed by the Board of Health. If the certificate be in any way defective, it shall be returned to the physician signing the same for correction; and any physician failing or refusing to give such certificate in proper form shall be liable to the penalty provided in section 49 Code of Ordinances."

Mobile, Sept 27th 1879

This certifies that Patrick Flynn

died on the 16th day of Sept 1879

Disease or cause of death Phtisis Pulmonalis

Place of death, (Ward,) 1st

Street and No. Franklin & Morton

Duration of illness Two or 3 years

Place where contracted Mobile

Date of last visit 24th

Pauper? yes or no: _____

C. C. Sheward M. D.,
Attending Physician.

Not Valid Without Embossed Seal of the Mobile County Health Department, Mobile, Alabama.

This is to certify that this is a true copy of a certificate as filed in the Division of Vital Statistics, Mobile County Health

Health Department of the Port of Mobile

RETURN OF A DEATH.

ARTICLE III.—THE REGISTRATION OF DEATHS AND BIRTHS.

Sec. 8. Be it further ordained, That the Health Officer shall keep a book, to be entitled "The Register of Deaths," in which he shall make a registration of all deaths occurring in the Port, under such regulation as may be prescribed by the Board of Health. That he shall supervise all certificates of death, to see that they are properly made out; the form of the certificate and the nomenclature of the disease to be such as may be prescribed by the Board of Health. That if the certificate is in proper form, he shall issue a permit authorizing the removal or burial of the body of the dead person; and without such permit no person who may die in the Port of Mobile, shall be removed or buried by any sexton, undertaker, or other person, under such penalty as the Recorder may impose, not exceeding fifty dollars. That if the certificate of death is in any way defective, he shall return it to the physician signing the same, for correction; and any physician failing or refusing to give such certificate in proper form, shall be liable to such penalty as the Recorder may impose, not exceeding fifty dollars. That in all cases of death in which no adequate certificate can be obtained from a physician, the Health Officer shall investigate the circumstances and make out the certificate required; except in such cases as may require the intervention of the Coroner, when that officer shall be duly notified. That no dead body of any deceased person shall be brought into the Port of Mobile from any other place unless it is accompanied by a proper certificate of the cause of death; and if the death was caused by small-pox, yellow fever, or any other infectious or pestilential disease, not unless the permit of the Board of Health has been first obtained, under such penalty as the Recorder may impose not exceeding fifty dollars.

Certificate, at the office of the Board of Health, within 24 hours after the death of the person to whom it relates.

Name, (in full) Patrick H. Lyman
 Date of Death, Sept 16th 1879
 Place of Death, (Ward) 1st Ward
 Street and No. Franklem St
 Time of residence in the city, 20 Years
 Place of previous residence, Ireland
 If a Minor, (Name of Father,
 (Name of Mother,
 Place of Birth, Ireland
 Age, 40 years, months, days.
 Sex, Male Color, White Occupation, Laborer
 Married, single or widowed? Married
 Name of Physician, Dr. E. C. Skisard
 To be interred in Catholic Cemetery
 J. M. McDonald
 Undertaker.

Certificate of Death



Former
Church of St. Patrick
Mobile, Alabama

This is to Certify

That ---Patrick Flinn---

born at -----

on the ----- *day of* ----- *1* ---

died at Mobile, Alabama

on the 24th *day of* September *1879*

and was buried with the rites of

The Roman Catholic Church

in Mobile, Alabama

as appears from the Death Register of this Church.
Page 302.

~~XXX~~ E. S. Rehm
Mrs. T. R. Rehm, Archivist. ~~XXXX~~

Dated July 7, *1983*

Certificate of Death



Former
Church of St. Patrick
Mobile, Alabama

This is to Certify

That ---William P. Rouse---

born at Mobile, Alabama

on the 4th day of August 1895

died at Mobile, Alabama

on the 30th day of May 1896

and was buried with the rites of

The Roman Catholic Church

in Mobile, Alabama

as appears from the Death Register of this Church.
Page 316.

~~Rev.~~ *Eida S. Rehm*
Mrs. T.R. Rehm, Archivist ~~XXXX~~

Dated July 7, 19 83.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
MOBILE COUNTY.



Know all Men by these Presents, That we,
Patrick Glenn and Lawrence

Messe

are held and firmly bound unto the State of Alabama, in the penal sum of
Two Hundred Dollars, for the payment whereof, we bind ourselves, our heirs,
executors and administrators, jointly and severally, jointly by these presents.

Said bill was made and dated this *16th* day of *July*, 18*72*

The Condition of the above Obligation is such, That whereas the above named
Patrick Glenn has obtained
License to intermarry and be joined together in the Bonds of Matrimony with
Kate Smith - maiden twenty years of age. Now, if there
be no lawful cause why such marriage should not be celebrated, then the obli-
gation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and effect.

Patrick Glenn 
Lawrence 

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
MOBILE COUNTY.

Joseph M. GUSTAVUS HORTON, Judge


of Probate in and for said County and State, personally appeared
and the said

being just duly sworn, deposes and says, that the within named
is over twenty one years of
age, that
within named is
over the age of eighteen years, and is residing in this County, and that there
is no lawful cause why the contemplated Marriage within referred to should
not be celebrated, so far as affiant knows or has any reason to believe.

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
MOBILE COUNTY.

To any of the State Judges, or to any Ordained Minister of the Gospel,
or to any Justice of the Peace of said County. Greeting:

Know Ye, That you are hereby authorized and licensed to join together
in the Bonds of Matrimony, *Patrick Glenn*
with *Kate Smith - maiden over 18 years of age*
Given under my hand and seal, this *16th* day of *July*, 18*72*

attest
Ed Stone
Clerk 
JUDGE

THE STATE OF ALABAMA,
Mobile County.

To the Judge of Probate of said County

I hereby Certify, That on this day solemnized the rites of Matrimony
between *Patrick Glenn*, and *Kate Smith*
who are within named, at *St Vincent's Church*
in said County.

Witness my hand this, the *17th* day of *July*, 18*72*
C. T. O'Ballahan
Pastor

No. 441

Health Department of the City of Mobile.

RETURN OF A DEATH.

ARTICLE III. THE REGISTRATION OF DEATHS AND BIRTHS.

SECTION 8. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, That the health officer shall keep a book, to be entitled, "The Register of Deaths," in which he shall make a registration of all deaths occurring in the City, under such regulation as may be prescribed by the Board of Health. That he shall supervise all certificates of death, to see that they are properly made out; the form of the certificate and nomenclature of the disease to be such as may be prescribed by the Board of Health. That if the certificate is in proper form, he shall issue a permit authorizing the removal or burial of the body of the dead person; and without such permit no person who may die in the City of Mobile, shall be removed or buried by any sexton, undertaker or other person, under such penalty as the Mayor may impose not exceeding fifty dollars. That if the certificate of death is in any way defective, he shall return it to the Physician signing the same, for correction; and any Physician failing or refusing to give such certificate in proper form, shall be liable to such penalty as the Mayor may impose, not exceeding fifty dollars. That in all cases of death in which no adequate certificate can be obtained from a Physician, the Health Officer shall investigate the circumstances and make out the certificate required; except in such cases as may require the intervention of the Coroner, when that Officer shall be duly notified. That no dead body of any diseased person shall be brought into the City of Mobile, from any other place, unless it is accompanied by a proper certificate of the cause of death; and if the death is caused from small-pox, yellow fever, or any other infectious or pestilential disease not unless the permit of the Board of Health has been first obtained, under such penalty as the Mayor may impose, not exceeding fifty dollars.

N. B.—All the blanks on this form must be accurately filled, with ink, signed by the undertaker, and delivered with the "Physicians Certificate," at the office of the Board of Health, within twenty-four hours after THE DEATH OF THE PERSON TO WHOM IT RELATES.

Name in full *William P. Rouse*

Date of Death *May 29th 1896*

Place of Death, *Ward, 1*

Street and No. *402 N. Franklin St*

Time of residence in the city, *Life*

Place of previous residence, *—*

If a Minor { Name of Father *Wm L. Rouse*

Name of Mother *Margaret M. Rouse*

Place of Birth, *Mobile Ala* 9/21/1895

Age, *9* yrs, *29* m'ths *29* days

Sex, *Male* Color, *White* Occupation,

Married, single or widowed?

Name of Physician *W.R. Jackson M.D.*

To be interred in *Catholic Cemetery*

McKay & Roche

UNDERTAKER.

No. H41

Health Department of the City of Mobile.

PHYSICIAN'S CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

Physicians are reminded of the importance of filling out these certificates promptly and accurately, as without them no interments can be made—and they are the basis of the MORTUARY STATISTICS OF THE CITY. Attention is called to the following extract from the City Ordinances: "He, the Registrar, shall supervise all Certificates of Death. If they are made out in proper form, he shall give a permit authorizing the interment of the body, without which permit no sexton, or other person, shall inter any dead body, under the penalty (not exceeding fifty dollars,) provided in Section 49 of the Code of Ordinances. The form of certificate and nomenclature of disease to be prescribed by the Board of Health. If the certificate be in any way defective, it shall be returned to the Physician signing the same for correction; and any Physician failing or refusing to give such certificate in proper form shall be liable to the penalty provided in Section 49, Code of Ordinances."

Mobile, Ala., May 30 1896

This Certifies that *Joe P. Rouse*

died on the *29* day of *May* 1896

Disease or cause of death *Convulsions*

Place of death, (Ward) _____

Street and No. *W. Norton & Franklin*

Duration of illness _____

Place where contracted _____

Date of last visit, _____

Pauper? Yes or no _____

Date of Birth *9/2/1895* *W. R. Jackson M. D.*

Attending Physician

Not Valid Without Embossed Seal of the Mobile County Health Department, Mobile, Alabama.

This is to certify that this is a true copy of a certificate as filed in the Division of Vital Statistics, Mobile County Health Department, Mobile, Alabama.

James V. Pope M.P.H.
Vital Statistics Registrar

June 29, 1896

Date of Issue

Me Locke
Authorized Division Clerk

SMITH-FLINN (OR FLYNN)-ROUSE

John Smith in 1853 with his wife and eight (8) children left Ireland to start a new life in the United States. Shortly after their arrival, John, his wife, along with three sons and a daughter, were stricken with yellow fever and died. Elizabeth, the second oldest child, who was married to Patrick Shaw, took care of her sister Catherine and brothers, Michael and John.

Catherine married Patrick Flinn on the 16th of July, 1872. They had two daughters, Margaret Mary who was born November 9, 1873, and a second (unidentified) daughter, who died as an infant. Patrick Flinn died on September 16, 1879, and Catherine Smith Flinn died on January 10, 1882. Margaret Mary (Maggie) Flinn lived with her Aunt Elizabeth Shaw during the summers, and with an Aunt Elizabeth Flinn (or Welch?) during the winter months while she attended St. Patrick's School.

Margaret married William Lee Rouse of Greenville, North Carolina on June 6, 1894. He was a Marine Engineer for the U. S. Government. Captain Bill and Maggie lived in Galveston, Texas; Harvey, Louisiana and New Orleans, Louisiana before returning to Mobile, Alabama in 1919. They had two daughters and three sons:

1. William P. Rouse was born on September 2, 1895 and died at 9 months.
2. Emmett Richard Rouse was born on November 1, 1901 in Harvey, Louisiana and died in Mobile, Alabama January 18, 1970.
He was employed by the Mobile Gas Service Corporation for over 50 years.
3. William Lee Rouse, Jr. was born in New Orleans, Louisiana February 27, 1910. He was employed by the U. S. Engineers for 35½ years. He is now retired.

4-5. Barbara and Velma Rouse, both born in New Orleans,
Louisiana and died in their first year.

Margaret Mary Flinn (Flynn)

Born: November 9, 1873

Died: October 21, 1949

m. William Lee Rouse June 6, 1894

Born: October 21, 1860

Died: April 6, 1941

Brief history of the Smith- Flinn (or Flynn)-Rouse families
was compiled by Margaret Ann Rouse Kennedy in August 1987.



Juanita M Smith

Robert L Smith

Robert Smith

Services for Robert Lee Smith will be held Saturday at 1:30 p.m. from Webb Funeral Home chapel with the Rev. Gene Martino and the Rev. Robert M. Moore officiating. Burial will be in Magnolia Cemetery.

Mr. Smith, 55, Irving, Texas, died Tuesday, Nov. 3, 1987, at Irving Community Hospital in Texas. He was a native of Meridian and a member of Kirkwood United Methodist Church in Irving. Mr. Smith was a training supervisor for Delta Air Lines and a veteran of the Korean War.

Survivors include his wife, Juanita Mulloy Smith, Irving; three daughters, Eva Kathleen Holbrook, Mesquite, Texas; Beryle Eileen Olivit, Palm Harbour, Fla., and Sharon M. Szabo, Bedford, Texas; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lee P. Smith, Meridian; and two grandchildren.

Visitation was to be tonight from 6-8 at Webb Funeral Home.

