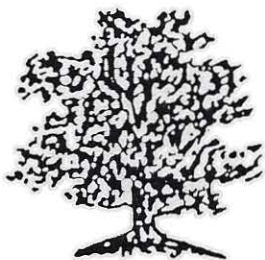


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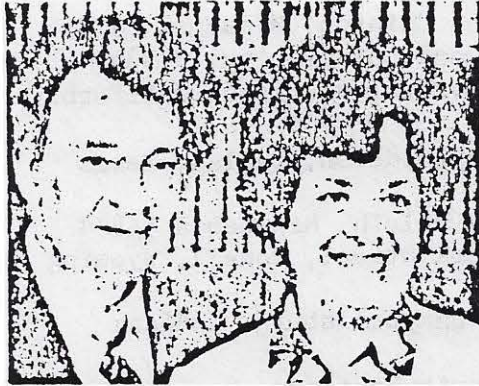
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GETTING TO KNOW YOU



LORING JEHU CHASTAIN AND WIFE, JEAN

Loring Jehu Chastain and his wife, Jean, have been traveling a lot since his retirement from Boeing Airplane Company in 1974. He retired after 34 years, 11 months, and was a Chief Inspector in Quality Control Management. Their trips have included France with side trips from Paris to small towns and castles, Spain and Morocco, as well as trips to Denver and Kansas City.

Loring Jehu Chastain and Doris Jean Dieterich were married 25 Oct 1946, in McPherson, Kansas. Their daughter, Lona Jean Chastain, was born 22 Oct 1947. Lona and her husband, Gerald Hayes, have one son, Lance Allen Hayes. Jean and Loring list their activities, besides traveling, as golf, photography, dining out, dancing and belonging to several clubs around Wichita, Kansas, where they live.

The oldest son of James Edward Wiley and Sophia Irene (Derr), Loring Chastain was born 9 Sep 1910 in Brandon, Oregon. His (continued on page 2)

SIBYL "SI" HARGROVE MOWAN



A real estate broker with her own company Sibyl "Si" Mowan is a resident of Phoenix, Arizona. She is one of ten children born to Lucy Leota (Chastain) and Jesse Allen Hargrove. Seven of the children were born in Oklahoma and three in Texas: Thelma Hargrove Walden, Homer Hargrove, Chessie Hargrove York, Inez Hargrove Moyer, Jo Hargrove Tettleton, Flora Hargrove Cook, Sibyl Hargrove Mowan, Glynn Hargrove, Bobby Gene Hargrove (d. 1969), and Donald Hargrove. Her mother was born in 1892 in Boggy Depot, Choctaw Nation Indian Territory. Her father was Deputy Sheriff of Boggy Depot.

According to the 1900 census, her grandparents, Isaac Stephen and Nancy Ann (Rose) Chastain were also living at Boggy Depot. Her grandfather was born in 1849 in Bledsoe, Tennessee. His parents are believed to be Stephen T. and Elizabeth () Chastain. Stephen T. Chastain was born ca 1829 in North Carolina and his wife was born ca 1818 in Tennessee. (continued p.11)

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Maryland 20750

LORING JEHU CHASTAIN (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

brother and sisters are: Wiley Wayne Chastain and Loleta Charlotte Chastain Hummel, both of Seattle, Washington; and Mildred Emily Chastain Simpson of Denver, Colorado. Loring Chastain wrote:

"My parents, James Edward Wiley and Sophia Irene Derr Chastain, were married April 4, 1909, in Woodward, Oklahoma. Being young, adventurous and romantic, they outfitted a covered wagon and set out for Canada....They crossed Canada to the west coast, headed south, and stopped for a short time in Portland, Oregon, which was then known as the City of St. Johns."

Loring Chastain's grandparents were Jehew Corydon and Emily Catherine (Chancellor) Chastain. Jehew Chastain's parents were Rainey and Judah Elizabeth (Watts) Chastain. Rainey Chastain was born in 1822 in Georgia, the son of Rev. Jehu Chastain whose wife may have been Martha Carter. Rev. Jehu Chastain was the son of Edward Brigand and Hannah (Brown) Chastain of Fannin Co., Georgia. And his lines on back were: Rev. John³ and Mary (O'Bryan) Chastain, Pierre² Chastain, Jr., and his wife who was possibly Mildred "Middy" Archer, and Dr. Pierre¹ Chastain and his second wife, Anne Soblet, who was the daughter of Abraham and Susanne (Brian) Soblet, immigrants from Sedan, Champagne Province, in France.

BIRTHS

Melissa Dawn Souder was born 29 November 1978. The parents names were not forwarded to the editor, unfortunately; however, the grandparents are Max and Robbie Souder of Long Beach, Calif.

Gene and Sandra Johnson Pearce celebrated New Year's Eve with the birth of their daughter, Amanda, who weighed in at eight pounds, nine ounces, on 31 December 1978, at Hillcrest Hospital in Tulsa, Oklahoma. Amanda is the granddaughter of Clyde R. and Margie Chastain of Springfield, Missouri.

RECUPERATION

Troy M. Chastain, our Third Vice President, underwent a bypass operation for a blocked artery in January. We hope he is feeling better and will be able to attend the annual reunion in Little Rock, Arkansas, over Labor Day weekend.

OBITUARIES

Clyde R. Chastain passed away 3 January 1979, in Springfield, Missouri. He was the son of Joseph Robert and Maude Mae (Glidewell) Chastain and he was born in Christian County, Missouri, in 1912, the second of three sons. He is survived by his wife, Margie; two daughters - Dorothy Jean Johnson and Anna Mae Bishop; five grandchildren; and one great granddaughter (Amanda Pearce, who was born three days before Mr. Chastain passed away). His grandfather, James Thomas Chastain, was one of five brothers that moved from Union County, Georgia, to Christian County, Missouri, ca 1892.

Sarah Dawson Daily passed away 19 December 1978, at the age of 70, in Petaluma, California. She was born in Sterling, Kentucky, and her father was an evangelist minister. She is survived by her husband, Charles Franklin "Frank" Daily; her daughters -- Saramay Borders and Emily Daily, both of Petaluma, and Mary Crum of Glenwood, Iowa; three brothers -- John, Ashby, and Lewis Dawson; and six grandchildren.



Mrs. Buyaky
Susan Nelson

Niece of Loyce Coolidge

WEDDING

AUSTIN AMERICAN-STATESMAN
January 7, 1979

Buyaky-Nelson

Miss Susan Lynn Nelson, daughter of Mrs. Jeanne J. Nelson of 4007 Greenmountain and the late Mr. Myron G. Nelson, became the bride of Raymond Peter Buyaky of Fort Worth, son of Ray Buyaky of Bell, Calif. They were married Saturday in Northwest Baptist Church.

The bride was graduated from Reagan High School. The bridegroom was graduated from Bell High School and is stationed at Carswell Air Force Base.

The couple will live in Fort Worth.

RESEARCH TIPS IN TENNESSEE

by Geraldine Brown Buland, C.G.R.S.

Tennessee is considered by some genealogical researchers as one of the most difficult states in which to work. Part of this difficulty is because of the loss of early census records for East Tennessee. Another reason is that Tennessee was one of the "passing through" states.

The first complete census for the State of Tennessee is for the year 1830. Early tax lists for the various counties must be used as a substitute for the years before 1830. There are a few counties in Middle Tennessee for which the 1820 census is available. These tax lists, plus petitions, voter lists and newspaper lists of inhabitants have been indexed and published by Byron and Barbara Sistler. For further information and catalogue, write to Byron Sistler & Associates, 1712 Natchez Trace, Nashville, Tennessee 37212. The Sistlers have also indexed the 1830 and 1850 censuses for Tennessee. These are available in most large libraries and can be purchased from the Sistlers.

The migration routes through Tennessee were some of the most heavily traveled because they contained two of the easiest passages through the mountains: the Cumberland Gap and the Valley of the Holston and Tennessee Rivers. The majority of early Tennessee inhabitants had their routes in Virginia, North and South Carolina, with Kentucky running a close fourth.

The Tennessee State Library and Archives will perform very limited research by correspondence. One must write to the library for special forms on which to make their requests. Only three requests are allowed at one time. The staff has been inundated with requests as in other state libraries. You must be prepared to wait about three months for a response. If the records are found that one requires, information concerning the charge for photo-copies of the desired documents will be sent.

The Lawson-McGhee Library in Knoxville, Tennessee, is an excellent source for East Tennessee records. The McClung Collection contains many unpublished manuscripts, personal papers, and Bible records. All have been card indexed. The library staff does not perform any research by correspondence. The library also has most of the published records pertaining to East Tennessee counties. There is no inter-library loan service on genealogical books.

The University of Tennessee in Knoxville does permit some books to be obtained on inter-library loan, mostly county histories.

One of the most helpful published sources containing county information for the State of Tennessee is "Tracing

Family Trees in Eleven States." First published in 1970 by members of the St. Louis Genealogical Society, it was reprinted in 1976 because of the great demand by interested genealogists. For information concerning price and availability, write to: St. Louis Genealogical Society, Suite 268, 1617 South Brentwood Boulevard, St. Louis, Missouri 63144. This book also contains information concerning county records for the states of Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky, Virginia, Georgia, Ohio, North Carolina, South Carolina, Indiana, and Pennsylvania.

For individual county maps for the State of Tennessee, write to Tennessee Department of Transportation, Office of Research and Planning, 400 Doctors Building, 706 Church Street, Nashville, Tennessee 37201. These county maps include locations of all extant churches, cemeteries, schools, creeks, rivers, etc., and can be an invaluable aid to the genealogical researcher.

NEW WORKER

Announcing a new "worker" in the Association -- Mr. John Bunyan Gordon, of Moore, Oklahoma, is now an official member of the Membership Committee and will be assisting our Membership Chairperson, Mary Fields.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Help in other areas by other Chairpersons is needed desperately!!! A few -- a very few people are working to make the Association better for everyone. Please volunteer! Contact our Secretary-Treasurer and let her know what you'd like to do or how you can help.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON

Mrs. Ward A. (Mary) Dean of Bedford, Virginia, has accepted the appointment of Chairwoman of the Nominating Committee for this year. Election of officers will take place at this year's annual reunion.

EDITOR RESIGNS

It is with regret that I must resign at the end of this year. I enjoy writing and editing THE CHESTNUT TREE but because I work full time I do not have time to spend on the publishing/ mailing of the quarterly and answering correspondence. This is really too much for one person to do in their spare time. If anyone is interested in taking over as Publicity Chairperson/ Editor, please contact me immediately! I will still be available to help and to continue as an assistant to the Editor.

Loyce Coolidge

ROLL OF EASTERN CHEROKEES ENTITLED TO PARTICIPATE IN
THE FUND ARISING FROM THE JUDGMENT OF THE COURT OF CLAIMS
MAY 28, 1906

| <u>Cherokee</u> <u>Roll #</u> | <u>Appli-</u> <u>cation</u> <u>#</u> | <u>Five Civ.</u> <u>Tribes</u> <u>#</u> | <u>Name and Address</u> | <u>Rela-</u> <u>tion</u> | <u>Age in</u> <u>1906</u> |
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| 469 | (by Mary Chastain, guardian) | | Wrenna F. Chastain Chestnut Gap, Ga | Sis | 5 |
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| 2348 | 12374 | - | Mary Shasteen Winchester, Tenn. | | 59 |
| 2349 | - | - | Eliza E. Shasteen Winchester, Tenn. | Dau | 20 |
| 2350 | - | - | Nannie B. Shasteen Winchester, Tenn. | Dau | 17 |
| 2351 | 28852 | - | Richmond Shasteen S, Jr. Decherd, Tenn. | | 25 |
| 2352 | 28851 | - | Sofronia E. Shas- teen Winchester, Tenn. | | 25 |
| 2353 | 29006 | - | Thomas F. Shasteen Winchester, Tenn. | | 35 |
| 2354 | - | - | Roy Shasteen Winchester, Tenn. | Son | 6 |
| 2355 | 24923 | - | William B. Shas- teen Winchester, Tenn. | | 34 |
| 2356 | - | - | Lyman Lee Shasteen Winchester, Tenn. | Son | 2 |
| 2357 | - | - | | | |
| 2357 | - | - | Virginia E. Shas- teen Winchester, Tenn. | Dau | 1 |

(Copied by Geraldine Buland, G.R.S., at the Tulsa Central Library, Tulsa, Oklahoma - 23 Aug 1978)

PENSION RECORDS

(Continued from Vol. IV, No. 1, January 1979) NOTE: These are UNION ARMY records -- not CONFEDERATE.

CHARLES W. CHASTAIN
CHARLES WESLEY CHASTINE

Civil War - Company E, 80th Illinois Infantry

Pension application #656569; certificate #437847

Mary Jane Bates Chastain (Widow) - Pension application #1168058; certificate #898076

Charles W. Chastain was born 14 Dec 1839, place not known. His P. O. address at the age of 75, in 1915, was Mt. Vernon, Jefferson County, Illinois. He married Mary Jane Bates on 3 Apr 1862 in Jefferson County, Illinois, and neither one of them had been married before. He died 26 Dec 1920, in Mt. Vernon, Jefferson County, Illinois. Their children:

C. William - born 13 Feb 1863; deceased by 1898*
George E. - born 2 Jul 1867
James O. - born 11 Sep 1869; deceased by 1898*
Cora E. - born 24 Sep 1871
Viola A. - born 3 May 1874
Emily C. - born 29 Jun 1877
Clara B. - born 21 Jan 1882
Angie E. - born 18 Mar 1891

(*Not listed as living children on 2 Jul 1898 by father on his pension records.)

Charles W. Chastain was 5'11" tall; had fair complexion; hazel eyes; dark hair; and his occupation was a farmer.

Certificate of Death for Charles Wesley Chastine:

Died: 26 Dec 1920, Mt. Vernon, Illinois
age 81 years, 14 days
Born: 14 Dec 1839
Father: William H. Chastine
Father's Birthplace: South Carolina
Mother: Elizabeth Lisenby
Mother's Birthplace: Tennessee

Mary Jane Bates Chastain/Chastine was born 1 Mar 1847, Jefferson County, Illinois. She was dead by 26 Mar 1921.

(copied by Loyce Coolidge)

DANIEL CHASTAIN/SHASTINE

Civil War - Private, Captain Wall's Company (D), 31st Regiment, Indiana Volunteers; enlisted at Terre Haute on 5 Sep 1861 to serve during the war.

Copy of Discharge for Disability: Daniel Shastine served in above company during the war. He was born in Washington County, Indiana, and was 23 years of age; 5'9" tall. During the last two months, the said soldier had been unfit for duty 30 days. He fell sick 28 Sep 1861 and has been helpless for a month and a half. Signed: James A. Walls, Calhoun, Kentucky, 20 Dec 1861. J. B. Armstrong, Surgeon of the 31st Indiana Regiment certified that said Daniel Shastine suffered from chronic bronchitis, resulting from exposure and general debility and stated soldier should be discharged. Discharge dated 4 Feb 1862, Calhoun, Kentucky.

Certificate dated 23 Apr 1887, of A. A. Aspenwall, of a true copy of the family record filed with claim #319191, listed minors of Daniel Chastain, Pvt., D Company, 31st Indiana Regiment from a Bible record -- Bible printed 1855:

Phebe Jane Chastain - born 27 Aug 1856
Nancy Ann Chastain - born 12 Nov 1858
Sylvania Chastain - born 20 Aug 1861
Luzenia Chastain - born 5 Sep 1863
Mary E. Chastain - born 21 Jan 1867
Lisabeth Chastain - born 27 Oct 1869

Affidavit of Mary A. Woodard, widow of Daniel Chastain, in Sullivan County, Indiana, 12 March 1887: "I testify under oath that said Daniel Chastain was never married until we were married in the year 1855 August 21 and that I was not previously married up to that date. That I never abandoned any of the children that they are all alive but at the present none of my children except Elizabeth Chastain is remaining at home with me."

From Pension application, Sullivan County, Indiana, 30 Aug 1884 of Mary Ann Woodard, widow of Daniel Chastain: Daniel Chastain died 14 Jun 1870 at his home in Sullivan County of acute fevers of some kind which was superinduced by chronic diarrhea. Mary Ann Chastain remarried John Woodard, 19 Jul 1875.

Certified copies of Sullivan County, Indiana, marriage records:

Daniel Chastain - Mary Ann Harmon - 23 Aug 1855
by Calvin McKee, J.P.
John Woodard - Mary Chastain - 21 Jul 1875
by Walter S. Maple, J.P.

(copied by Claud E. "Gene" Cook)

DAVID B. CHASTAIN

Civil War - 17th Indiana Infantry

Pension Application #519341; Certificate #450649

Lucinda (Smith) Chastain - Pension Application #1161997;
Certificate #896740

David B. Chastain was born 7 Feb 1841, Lawrence County, Indiana. He married Lucinda Smith on 21 Jul 1864, in Hardensburg, Washington County, Indiana. They lived in Sullivan, Sullivan County, Indiana. He died on 21 Jul 1920. Their issue

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| Mary J. | - born 4 Aug 1865; deceased by April 1915 |
| Rhoda A. | - born 19 Jun 1867 |
| James W. | - born 16 Dec 1868; deceased by April 1915 |
| Jessie A. | - born 25 Nov 1870 |
| Perry | - born 20 Dec 1872 |
| Laura O. | - born 16 Nov 1874 |
| Charles W. | - born 12 Sep 1877 |
| Ian (or Jan) B. | - born 17 Sep 1882 |
| <u>Carcie(?)</u> | - born 7 Sep 1885 |

(copied by Loyce Coolidge)

DAVID D. CHASTAIN

Civil War - Company H, 19th Kentucky Infantry

Sarah (Shelton) Chastain - Mother - Pension Application #447700; Certificate #377660

By deposition, 12 May 1886, Thornhill, Marion County, Alabama, Sarah Chastain stated she was the widow of Edward Chastain and the mother of David D. Chastain. She was 75 in 1886. They were married in October 1825 in her father's house in Hayward County, North Carolina. She was Sarah Shelton prior to her marriage to Edward Chastain. Children of this marriage were:

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| Martin | - born Jan 1827; died in Confederate Army; married and lived in Georgia (wife's name not mentioned) |
| Nancy | - born Mar 1829 |
| Elizabeth | - born May 1831 |
| <u>Artenesia(?)</u> | - born Jun 1833 |
| Lidia | - born Aug 1835 |
| Emline | - born Jan 1837; died Apr 1884 |
| James | - born Jun 1839 |
| David D. | - born Aug 1841; never married; died 22 Feb 1866 |

DAVID D. CHASTAIN (continued)

Sarah - born May 1843
William H. - born May 1851

The family moved from Hiawatha, Thomas County, Georgia, to Marion County, Alabama in 1859. Edward Chastain was thrown from a horse and died in May 1868.

EDWARD CHASTAIN

Civil War - Company C, 87th Illinois Infantry

Pension Application #552005; no certificate

Addean Chastain - Widow - Pension Application #646547 - no certificate

Edward Chastain was born ca 1842, White County, Illinois, son of Daniel Chastain who lived near Elm Grove in White County, Illinois.

Addean Mobley and Edward Chastain were married on 28 February 1886 in White County, Illinois. Both had been previously married but names were not mentioned of former spouses.

Edward Chastain, age 43 in 1885, stated he was born and raised within three miles of Emma, White County, Illinois. His father was still living in 1877.

The only child mentioned was a daughter "ready for high school" in 1887 but her name was not mentioned. Edward Chastain belonged to the Methodist Episcopal Church. He died 2 Nov 1895.

(EDWARD) JAMES CHASTAIN

Civil War - 1st Independent Arkansas Light Artillery

Pension Application #127046; Certificate #104648

Clarissa J. Chastain - Widow - Pension Application #278913; Certificate #195479

(Edward) James Chastain was born ca 1836. He married first to Louisa Funcher(?). They had one daughter (or at least only one listed in pension records) who was: Missouri F. Chastain, born ca 1864. Louisa (Funcher) Chastain died in Oct 1873 in Franklin County, Arkansas. He married second to Clarissa Jane (Morgan) Colquit(t), widow of William A. Colquitt, who died Aug 1872 in Franklin County, Arkansas. James Chastain and Clarissa Jane Colquit(t) were married 20 Sep 1874 in Franklin

(EDWARD) JAMES CHASTAIN (continued)

County, Arkansas. He was 38 and she was 42. James Chastain died 24 Sep 1880 in Franklin County, Arkansas.

When Clarissa Chastain applied for pension, she stated she had never heard his name as Edward James Chastain; that no one had ever called him Edward and she did not know where the name Edward came from in his records. She was living at Post Oak, Catoosa County, Georgia, in 1902 and she died 29 Oct 1906 in Charleston, Franklin County, Arkansas. (copied by Loyce Coolidge)

(to be continued)

NAMES OF CHASTAIN DESCENDANTS NEEDED

Mary Fields, our Membership Chairperson, has asked everyone to help her. If you know Chastain descendants, particularly those whose last names are not Chastain, who are not members -- please send their names and addresses to Mary.

Mrs. John Fields
Rt. 1, Box 330
Kellyville, Oklahoma 74039

We have a growing association -- one that wants to grow better and bigger. We need your help and the Association needs your help.

Check your telephone books and send her the Chastains that are listed but also get in touch with cousins, aunts, uncles, etc., and get them to join. But, don't stop there. Ask them how we can improve THE CHESTNUT TREE to suit their needs.

OLDEST LIVING CHASTAIN DESCENDANT

Who is the oldest living Chastain descendant of Pierre Chastain? If you know one of our senior citizens who is a Pierre Chastain descendant, send their age and name and their address to the Editor. Special recognition will be given to them at the annual reunion. They do not have to be a member. However, we would also like to know who the oldest member is so keep that person in mind and also let the Editor know.

SIBYL HARGROVE MOWAN (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)

Her great, great grandparents are believed to be Royal Chastain, b. ca. 1792, in South Carolina, and Nancy (___), b. 1810 in Kentucky.

Mrs. Sibyl Mowan, P. O. Box 5056, Phoenix, Arizona 85010 would like to correspond with anyone who is researching the descendants of Royal Chastain, b. ca 1792 in South Carolina; resided in Lincoln County, Tennessee in 1820; Rhea County, Tennessee, in 1830; Bledsoe County, Tennessee, in 1840 and 1850.

OLD UNION CEMETERY AT LOST RIVER
PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH, VERNON TOWNSHIP, INDIANA

Contributed by Lowell B. Chastain

(Continued from Vol. IV. #1, January 1979)

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| 61. Herbert B. Chastain (B. is for Barnett) | - 1882 - 1961 - Son of Jacob Rice Chastain #51 |
| 62. Carrie C. | - Wife - 1883 - 19__ (still living) |
| 63. Louanna Chastain | - 1913 - 1913 - Dau of #61 and 62 |
| 64. Emmett Chastain | - 1904 - 1904 - Son of #61 and 62 |
| 65. Helen Marie Chastain | - 1902 - 1911 - Dau of #61 and 62 |
| 66. John Stephen Chastain | - Jun 5, 1857 - Jul 29, 1941 - Son of B. and S., #33 and 34 |
| 67. Margaret Emma Duncan | - Wife - Jan 31, 1863 - May 21, 1924 |
| 68. William A. Chastain | - 1879 - 1941 - Son of John S. and Emma, #66 and 67 |
| 69. Florence Chastain | - Died Jun 21, 1886 (10m, 12d) - Dau of #66 and 67 |
| 70. Walter D. Chastain | - Died 1884 - Son of #66 and 67 |
| 71. Eli M. Chastain | - 1889 - 1962 (Apr 6, 1889 - Jul 10, 1962) - Son of Allen Sherman Chastain who was a son of John A. Chastain |
| 72. Lela M. Chastain (Lela M. Hoar) | - 1889 - 1964 - Second wife to Eli - Mar 27, 1889 - Apr 12, 1964 |
| 73. Noble Norman Chastain | - 1908 - 1914 - Son of Abraham and Lela Hoar Chastain (Abraham was the son of George A. and Sarah Chastain) |
| 74. Mary Ellen Chastain | - Sep 7, 1942 - Dau of Charles and Alice Chastain |
| 75. Henry Chastain | - 1856 - 1939 (Jan 1, 1856 - Apr 15, 1839) |
| 76. Catherine Chastain (Mary Catherine Priscilla Chastain) | - 1863 - 1939 - Wife - Dau of John Marion Chastain and Amanda Maudlin |

77. Wincel G. Chastain - May 6, 1904 - Jun 9, 1916
- Son of #75 and 76
78. Bruce Chastain - 1900 - 1902
- Son of #75 and 76
79. John H. Chastain - Jan 8, 1860 - Sep 14, 1934
(H. is for Hamilton) - Son of John and Mahulda Frakes
Chastain
- Eva's father
80. Margaret Elmira Chastain - Wife
- Jul 12, 1858 - Feb 17, 1917
- Dau of B. and S. Chastain
(#33 and 34 - eldest child)
81. Lilla May Chastain - Dau of John H. and Margaret E.
- Died Feb 24, 1892 - age 12yrs
82. Eva Chastain - 1887 - 1971
- Dau of #79
83. Lydia M. Chastain - Dec 8, 1848 - Feb 20, 1908
84. Anna E. Chastain - 1866 - 1908
85. Carrie B. Chastain - 1891 - 1908
86. Lillian A. Chastain - 1905 - 1908
87. Lola B. Chastain - Dec 9, 1897 - Nov 6, 1899
88. Cora E. Chastain - 1875 - 1934
89. Orra G. Chastain - 1877 - 1957
90. Granville M. Chastain - 1854 - 1940
91. Fanny M. Chastain - Wife of Granville
- 1854 - 1942
92. Indiana Chastain - Jun 8, 1896 - May 29, 1932
93. Elbert Chastain - Nov 19, 1892 - Aug 3, 1926
94. Lula A. Chastain - 1889 - 1949
95. Omer O. Chastain - 1883 - 1970
96. Priscilla Chastain - age 69 years
97. Franklin P. Chastain - Son of D. and P. Chastain
- Died Jul 5, 1859 - 6y, 6m, 13d
98. Daniel H. Chastain - Son of D. and P.
- Died Sep 14, 1876 - age 22y
- Son of Barnett, Sr., who was a
brother of George, Sr.
99. Barnet Chastain - Apr 27, 1818 - died Oct 25,
1896
- This is Barnet Chastain, Jr.,
son of Barnet Chastain, Sr.,
who was a brother to George
Chastain, Sr.
100. Mary Chastain - Wife of Barnet Chastain
(Mary Wilson) - May 30, 1815 - Jan 7, 1895
101. Columbus Chastain - Son of Barnet and Mary
- Died Apr 12, 1877 - age 23y, 8m
102. Barnet C. Chastain - Sep 13, 1828 - Aug 20, 1876
103. Matilda A. - Jan 20, 1835 - Oct 5, 1908
104. Alfred F. Chastain -
105. Josephus Chastain - Jan 1, 1875 - Dec 6, 1970

06. Stella M. Chastain - May 12, 1879 - Apr 28, 1960
07. Bethel - Dau of J. and S. M. Chastain
- Died Jan 10, 1907, age 28dys
08. Velma Louise Chastain - Oct 2, 1919 - Mar 19, 1923
09. Nora R. Chastain - Feb 28, 1896 - Jan 14, 1969
- Wife of #110
10. Oliver L. Chastain - Jan 5, 1892 - Nov 20, 1969
11. Gilbert L. Chastain - June 10, 1894 - Apr 2, 1915
- Son of #112 and 113
12. Laura B. Chastain - 1861 - 1957
- Wife of #113
13. Benjamin E. Chastain - 1863 - 1942
14. Etta Chastain Walton - Jul 20, 1888 - Sep 5, 1975
15. Fred H. Chastain - Jun 8, 1887 - May 12, 1945
16. Eliza E. - Wife of Merida Chastain
- Died Oct 11, 1891 - age 41yrs
- Dau of James Chastain
117. Olive A. Chastain - 1871 - 1938
118. Allen S. Chastain - 1865 - 19__
119. Ellis R. - Son of W. H. and Sarah Chastain
120. Goldie - Dau of W. H. and S. E. Chastain
- Died Mar 30, 1892, age 4yrs,
15dys
121. William Chastain - Died Aug 4, 1890, age 94y, 11m,
4d
- Poss. son of Barnett, Sr.
- Wife of William
- Died Apr 27, 1865, age 67 yrs
122. Polly Chastain - 1872 - 1920
123. William H. Chastain - 1838 - 1920
124. Silas Chastain - 1846 - 1908
125. Sarah Chastain - 1858 - 1913 (see #119 and 120)
126. William H. Chastain - 1860 - 1931
127. Sarah E. Chastain - 1860 - 1931
128. Infant daughter - Dau of C. A. and Minnie B.
Chastain
- Feb 4, 1911 - Feb 5, 1911
129. Infant son - Son of C. A. and Minnie B.
Chastain
- May 29, 1898
130. Valentine Chastain, Jr. - Oct 31, 1829 - Sep 15, 1898
131. Mahala - Wife
- Died Aug 8, 1887, 85y, 3m, 18d
132. Mary E. - Dau of V. and M.
- Died Sep 10, 1856, 3y, 6m, 9d
133. Samuel L. Chastain - 1855 - 1910
- Son
134. John Chastain, Sr. - Died Sep 1, 1896, 67y, 11m
135. Mahulda - Wife
- Mar 18, 1895, age 65
136. Mantford - Died Oct 29, 1877, age 17y, 5m,
19d
- Son

- 137. Mauddie M. - Dau of W.H. and S.E. (#126/127)
- Died Oct 14, 1888, age 9y, 3m, 8d
- 138. Infant - Child of W.H. and S.E. (#126/127)
- Born and died May 1876
- 139. Grant C. Chastain - May 6, 1906 -
- 140. Opal B. Chastain - Wife
- May 19, 1909 - Feb 2, 1976
- 141. Mencie L. Chastain - Aug 21, 1895 -
- 142. John S. Chastain - Jan 17, 1893 - Nov 5, 1964
- 143. Lawrence W. Chastain - Sep 11, 1898 -
- 144. Bertha J. Chastain - Dec 22, 1897 -

The above listings do not by any means include all the burials in the Lost River Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery. The list does include all of the family name Chastain that was located. There may be stones which are covered or gravesites which are not marked. Undoubtedly many of those buried there with another family name are related. A few other family names are included because of their close association with the Chastain family. More research would probably tie almost all of those with another family name into the Chastain family through marriages. There may be errors in this listing. Sometimes due to the age of the stone and the weather, it is difficult to read them. It is interesting to note that two of the five brothers (Renny and George) born about 200 years ago in Virginia are accounted for in this listing.

Lowell B. Chastain stated he intended to continue his search in Indiana for the other brothers, Barnett Sr., Robert and Valentine Sr.

The Lost River Primitive Baptist Church Cemetery is fenced in and generally well maintained. It is maintained from the interest from a "Cemetery Fund" created several years ago. Mr. Chastain stated that to his knowledge vandalism has not been a problem but there are continuously stones which need repair because of aging or falling over and breaking. Any donations to the Cemetery Fund would insure better maintenance and would be welcomed.

Mr. Chastain added many of the comments in the above listings from his own research, particularly those in ().

DESCENDANTS OF PIERRE CHASTAIN, IMMIGRANT

by Elby F. Bowman

Reference THE CHESTNUT TREE, Vol. III, No. 3, July 1978 (p. 28) regarding the issue of Pierre Chastain, Jr., as pertains to:

xi. A. O. Beraham Chastain (poss.). . . .

Mr. Rollo P. Stovall, Sarasota, Florida, submits the following observation for the benefit of our readers:

"In Woodson's Tithables from Burned Records, A. O. Beraham Chastain is shown as tithable in 1774. Without access to the original source, I assumed that because of the poor penmanship this was supposed to read Abraham. In fact, I had this called to my attention. I assumed that he married within the year after he was listed as a tithable with Peter in 1773 in Buckingham."

CORRECTIONS: Reference THE CHESTNUT TREE, Vol. III, No. 4, October 1978 (pp. 40-41). Mrs. Fredda Cremean, Longview, Texas has sent in the following corrections. She states that all of her grandfather's children had families. (Calvin Chastain⁶, Benjamin⁵, Abner⁴, John³, Pierre², Pierre¹) (p. 41). She adds the following child to this family:

x. Sarah Jane Chastain, b. 1853, Independence Co., Ark.; m. 14 May 1871, Independence Co., Ark., to William Isaac Snelson. She died after 1915 at Earle, Crittenden, Ark.

She states that: (p. 40) 1. James Chastain⁶ (Abner⁵, etc.) d. 9 Nov 1893 at Collinsville, Alabama, not South Carolina.

Their son: iv. John B. Chastain, d. in 1940, at Collingsville, DeKalb, Ala.

ii. Benjamin Chastain⁵ (p. 40) (Abner⁴, etc.) was b. ca. 1793, Haywood Co., N.C.; m. 7 Nov 1812; Haywood Co., N.C., (now Jackson Co., N.C.) Nancy Hooper. She d. 1871-1877, near Wolf Bayou, Van Buren Co., Ark., (now Cleburne Co.). He d. in 1863 in Independence Co., Ark. He is buried in the Macedonia Cemetery near "Ben P. Office."

Reference THE CHESTNUT TREE, Vol. IV, No. 1, January 1979, (p. 18). The following information has just been received from Marie P. Hill, Blairsville, Ga., pertaining to the issue of:
iii. John Chastain⁵ (Edward Brigand⁴, etc.)

3. Joseph D. Chastain b. 23 Sep 1830....; m. 1855 Eliser Henrietta Neece; d. 16 Dec 1836. She d. 16 Oct 1855. They are both buried in Bethlehem Cemetery, Union Co., Ga. The entry "No more data" should be deleted.
7. Benjamin Nelson Chastain b. 23 Apr 1839, Ga.; m. Margaret Neece, sister to Henrietta Neece (above). He d. 6 May 1881. They are buried in Bethlehem Cemetery, Union Co., Ga.

Now to continue our series:

2. Elizabeth Denton Chastain⁶ (Rainey⁵, Edward Brigand⁴, John³, Pierre², Pierre¹) b. 16 Jul 1817; m. 1849, Jasper Newton Chaffin. Issue:
 - i. William Martin Chaffin b. 18 Jan 1851; m. 24 Dec 1879, Sue L. Woods, b. 29 Dec 1855, d. 26 Dec 1832.
 - ii. through xv. Issue - names unknown. Said to have died young. No more data.

(REF: James Garvin Chastain, p. 284; Farnsworth, p. 72-73)
3. Edward Jordan Chastain⁶ (Rainey⁵, Edward Brigand⁴, John³, Pierre², Pierre¹) b. 9 Aug 1820, Asheville, Buncombe, N.C.; m. 31 Dec 1847, Stotsville, Marion, Ala., Susan Lochridge, b. 27 Aug 1829, dau of Henry Trippett Lochridge and Mary "Polly" Evans Stockton. He d. 5 Dec 1895. She d. 18 Jan 1914. Issue:
 - i. (Dr.) Ellac Chastain b. 20 Nov 1848, Asheville, Buncombe Co., N.C.; m. 19 Feb 1879, Janie L. Hutchinson. He d. 11 Mar 1883.
 - ii. Alcander Chastain b. 5 Aug 1850, Asheville, N.C.; d. 28 Jul 1852.
 - iii. Orlando W. Chastain b. 28 Jan 1852, Rara Avis, Miss.; m. 6 Dec 1882, Jasper, Marion Co., Tenn. Prascova Bennett.
 - iv. (Rev.) James Garvin Chastain (Sr.), b. 18 Dec 1853, Rara Avis, Miss.; m. 20 Nov 1888, Mary Lillian Wright, b. 13 Jan 1860, near Churchland, Nansemond, Va. She d. 28 Mar 1927. He d. 20 Feb 1954.
 - v. Josephine Chastain b. 24 Oct 1855, Rara Avis, Miss.; m. 2 Feb 1876, J. R. Reynolds, b. 21 Sep 1850. She d. 11 Dec 1929. He d. 18 May 1926. They are both buried in Pittsburg, Camp Co., Tex.
 - vi. Locke Chastain b. 23 Jan 1858, Rara Avis, Miss.; d. 4 Jul 1884.

- vii. Jefferson Davis Chastain b. 10 Mar 1860, Rara Avis, Miss.; m. 11 Nov 1890, Atoka, Atoka Co., Okla., Lena May Dunn. He d. 12 Sep 1918, Colorado Springs, El Paso Co., Colo. She d. 12 Sep 1928. They are both buried in Chickasha, Grady Co., Okla.
- viii. Cleopatra Chastain b. 16 Sep 1862, Rara Avis, Miss.; m. 26 Feb 1879, George W. Reynolds. She d. 8 Nov 1929.
- ix. Victor Jordan Chastain b. 9 Apr 1866, Rara Avis, Miss.; m. 10 Nov 1915, Oklahoma City, Okla., Edith Payne, b. 15 Jul 1880. He d. 25 Jan 1931.
- x. (Dr.) Sidney Chastain b. 1 Dec 1867, Rara Avis, Miss.; m. (1) 1895, Carrie Johnson; m. (2) Mrs. Elsie Ward Samson.

(REF: James Garvin Chastain, p. 287-292; Farnsworth, p. 88-91)

- 5. Benjamin Lafayette Chastain⁶ (Rainey⁵, Edward Brigand⁴, John³, Pierre², Pierre¹) b. ca. 1824, prob. Walker Co., Ga.; m. Eliza Patience Harwell, b. 4 Aug 1834. He d. 16 Sep 1906, Walker Co., Ga. She d. 18 Nov 1920. Issue:
 - i. Tulala Jane Chastain b. 11 Sep 1857, Walker Co., Ga.; d. 26 Jul 1885. No more data.
 - ii. (Rev.) George Lane Chastain b. 16 May 1859, Walker Co., Ga.; m. (1) 25 Jun 1884, Mattie Kiker; m. (2) 25 Nov 1903, Nina Oxford.
 - iii. Augustus Miller Chastain b. 27 Jan 1861, Walker Co., Ga.; m. (1) 3 Feb 1884, Mamie Webber; m. (2) 19 Apr 1919, Hattie Humphries.
 - iv. Benjamin Lafayette Chastain, Jr., b. Apr 1863, Walker Co., Ga.; m. 31 Dec 1896, Odessa Brown. He d. 15 Apr 1917.
 - v. Alonzo Harwell Chastain b. 11 Apr 1866, Walker Co., Ga.; m. 19 Feb 1893, Marrie Bowie.
 - vi. Mary Eliza Capitola Chastain b. 21 Jan 1868, Walker Co., Ga.; m. 25 Apr 1889, Hugh A. Sims. He d. 14 Dec 1914, Lafayette, Ga.
 - vii. Fannie Chastain b. 16 Feb 1870, Walker Co., Ga.; d. Mar 1870.
 - viii. Jessie Chastain b. 8 Feb 1871, Walker Co., Ga.; d. 30 Nov 1902; no more data.
 - ix. Walter Rainey Chastain b. 26 Jun 1874, Walker Co., Ga.; m. 24 Dec 1894, Blanche Pursley. Said to have resided in Atlanta, Ga., and raised a large family. No more data.
 - x. Clara Blanche Chastain b. 26 Nov 1877, Walker Co., Ga.; d. 11 Aug 1881.

(REF: James Garvin Chastain, p. 293; Farnsworth, 91-93)

8. William Chastain⁶ (Rainey⁵, Edward Brigand⁴, John³, Pierre², Pierre¹) b. ca. 1830; m. Naomi Robins. Said to have moved to Arkansas shortly after their marriage. Issue:

i. William Chastain, Jr., b. in Ark. Said to have moved to western Oklahoma or the panhandle of Texas where he and his wife, name unknown, raised several children. No more data.

(REF: James Garvin Chastain, p. 283; Farnsworth, p. 72-73.)

- ix. Elizabeth Chastain⁵ (Edward Brigand⁴, John³, Pierre², Pierre¹) b. ca. 1799, prob. Pendleton Dist., S.C.; m. John Pendleton O'Kelley, brother to William O'Kelley who m. her sister, Nancy Chastain (No. x). Issue:

1. (Rev.) Edward Washington O'Kelley b. 27 May 1838; m. Elizabeth Barnes, b. 1 Jun 1836. He d. 27 Aug 1879.

(REF: James Garvin Chastain, p. 278; Farnsworth, p. 75)

- xi. (Rev.) Jehu Chastain⁵ (Edward Brigand⁴, John³, Pierre², Pierre¹) b. 30 Dec 1801, prob. Pendleton Dist., S.C., m. ca 1826, Martha Carter, b. 1806 (age 44, 1850). He d. 20 Jul 1862. Issue:

1. Dennis Gadis Chastain b. 21 Sep 1827, prob. in Rabun Co., Ga.
2. Edward Chastain b. 10 Aug 1829, prob. Rabun Co., Ga.; m. Polly Ellis. No more data.
3. Rainey Chastain b. ca 1831, Rabun Co., Ga.; m. a Miss Watts. He is said to have d. in Fairland, Ottawa Co., Okla. No more data.
4. Hannah Chastain b. 1833 (age 17, 1850), prob. Rabun Co., Ga.; m. (1) Clint Anderson; m. (2) a Mr. Campbell. No more data.
5. Mary or Polly A. Chastain b. 1835 (age 15, 1850), prob. in Rabun Co., Ga.
6. Martha B. Chastain b. 1838 (age 12, 1850), prob. in Rabun Co., Ga; m. Fayette Pyatte. No more data.
7. Elizabeth Chastain b. 1840 (age 10, 1850), prob. Rabun Co., Ga.; m. (1) a Mr. Holt; m. (2) a Dr. Gibson. No more data.

(REF: James Garvin Chastain, p. 278; Farnsworth, p. 94-96; Maggie Aldridge Smith, Siloam Springs, Ark.; Mrs. Robert J. Buxton, Albuquerque, N.M.; 1850 census Cherokee Co., N.C., as given by Mrs. Buxton.)

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FAMILY REUNION - LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

The family reunion will be held in Little Rock, Arkansas, over Labor Day weekend (September 1-2). We are tentatively planning a two-day meeting at a selected motel and an evening dinner meeting. If you plan to attend, please notify Loyce Coolidge, Publicity Chairperson, 5710 Caruth Haven Lane, Apt. 3-119, Dallas, Texas 75206. Hotel arrangements must be made through Ms. Coolidge. We are tentatively planning to stay at the Holiday Inn in North Little Rock. It is near downtown, the airport and several interstate highways. It has a Holidome area with heated inside pool, play areas, etc. Rates may increase in June. See the attached sheet in the centerfold. Notify Ms. Coolidge by return mail if you want a room reserved for you and/or your family and designate single/double room and price. We urge you to make your plans now.

Last year's reunion was a huge success. Those who stayed at the hotel also enjoyed an evening of comradeship. We plan to capitalize on this and let everyone enjoy themselves more leisurely at the dinner meeting. More details will be forthcoming in the July issue of THE CHESTNUT TREE.

The Executive Committee is considering a tentative schedule for future reunions as follows:

1979 -- Little Rock, Arkansas
1980 -- Louisville, Kentucky
1981 -- Richmond, Virginia (near Manakin Town)
1982 -- Atlanta, Georgia
1983 -- Fresno, California
1984 -- Dallas, Texas

Any comments? Anyone?