

JACKSON COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION
NEWSLETTER NO. ONE
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JACKSON COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER NO. ONE is an attempt to establish a quarterly communication which will be of value to anyone interested in the history of Jackson County, Alabama. Just as our Association must begin by taking small steps to develop legs strong enough to reach out for larger strides, this first Newsletter is a rudimental beginning. Time and funds are presently limited. Hopefully, experience will assist in making the best use of our available resources in the future.

HEADLINES:

Mr. James Record, Chairman of the Madison County Commission and Chairman of the Madison County Bicentennial Committee, will be the speaker at our first meeting in 1975 on January 26 at 2:30 p.m. at Scottsboro City Hall. Mr. Record has written two books on the history of Madison County. He is also President of his local historical association and has long been a member of the Alabama Historical Association. We are, indeed, fortunate that Walter Hammer, our program chairman, has arranged for such an outstanding speaker and historian for our first program meeting. Those of you who were present at the December meeting will recall that we voted to meet the third Sunday for our quarterly meetings. Mr. Record could not speak to us on the third Sunday; therefore, our January date was rescheduled to the fourth Sunday.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

There are two good tests of any hobby: (1) Is it something you really want to do, and (2) Is it something of which you can be proud? Why choose history as a hobby?

First, and foremost, it is entertaining. The true amateur historian does not set out to impress anyone - - he is simply bent on having fun. That is the very reason I look forward to sharing our common interest in the Jackson County Historical Association. My primary goal is to have fun with a circle of friends who have a mutual pride in our Jackson County heritage.

Those who have no pride in the past or no hope for the future seldom keep good records. The past 156 years in Jackson County have certainly given us much to be proud of - both individually and collectively. Knowledge of the past inevitably leads to a deeper appreciation of our heritage and to a sense of responsibility to those who will come after us. So little of Jackson County's history has been recorded for posterity. No group ever faced a greater challenge. At first, the task may appear monumental. If we join hands for small steps during our first year, we can build the foundation for future growth in every direction. Let's all have fun together and really enjoy history as a hobby. I feel safe in predicting visible results from such a group in action.

Ann B. Chambless, President
and Editor, Newsletter No. One

SECRETARY'S MESSAGE:

The duties of the Secretary, as stated in the Bylaws of our Association are: The Secretary shall take minutes of all meetings of the organization and the Executive Board. The Secretary shall preserve the records of the organization. No record shall be discarded or destroyed without consent of the Executive Board. As Secretary, I look forward to maintaining the records and conducting the correspondence of the Association. I pledge to perform the duties of the Secretary to the best of my ability. I am very anxious to learn where YOUR greatest interest lies in the history of Jackson County.

Alice Ruth Page, Secretary

JANUARY 26, 1975, 2:30 p.m., Scottsboro City Hall - Program Meeting

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Both Jim Folsom and Oscar Wilde are credited with saying, "The only thing that is worse than having someone talk about you, is NOT having anyone talk about you at all." I am sure this statement was meant for people, but can we not also apply it to a county - Jackson County?

Jackson County, Alabama is not just a geographical location or a soil survey. It is similar to a personality because it has a past, a present, and, we trust, a future. It can be loved, despised, mistreated, and cherished. It can be abandoned, cleaned, spotlighted, and displayed. It can blush, sorrow, and radiate with pride. Jackson County is what we, its citizens, want it to be.

Recorded history goes back to 4000 B.C., but Jackson County history is as fresh as yesterday's Advertise, Sentinel, or local radio news broadcast.

It is my hope that the Jackson County Historical Association will strive to capture the heartbeat of this County; preserve and transplant it into the hearts of its citizens both present and future. What better time than during our Bicentennial national celebration to begin such an undertaking?

Walter Hammer, First V. President

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Sixty prospective members attended our organization meeting in October, 1974, and twenty-five amateur historians were interested enough to support a necessary strictly business meeting required to adopt bylaws and chart the course of our Association in December.

As Vice-President in charge of membership, I urge you to be the first in line to pay your dues for 1975 at our meeting on Jan. 26. By pooling our historical interests and talents, we can research, collect, record, disseminate, and preserve the history of Jackson County. No one person alone can make much of a dent in our basic objective, but by joining forces, we can all contribute much toward creating and maintaining a county-wide interest in all phases of our local history. Just remember that: "Little drops of water, little grains of sand make the mighty ocean and the pleasant land."

Hazel Matthews, Second V. President

TREASURER'S MESSAGE:

Guess who was the first person to pay their dues to the Jackson County Historical Association? Miss Daisy Caldwell. This will come as no surprise to those who know Miss Daisy. She has devoted a lifetime to promoting an interest in the history of Jackson County, and it behooves us all to follow her example - not only by paying our \$7.50 annual dues but by sharing our time and knowledge as well. My main interest lies in recording and preserving historical landmarks in Jackson County via photography. So many places worth of remembrance have already disappeared - lost to future generations. The challenge is ours to make up for lost time. We can pursue our hobby in a fun way and also have a sense of accomplishment of time well spent.

Jim Eiford, Treasurer

DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE:

I cannot tell you how excited I am about the organization of a Jackson County Historical Association. It has long been a dream of mine that we would have such a group. I hope we can all work together in harmony toward gathering historical facts about Jackson County. We are all interested in the same goal or we would not have joined in the first place.

As I have stressed before, I hope all of us will concentrate on DOCUMENTATION. If our material is not documented, then say it has not been documented so that it will not be misconstrued as fact. This, to me, is one of the biggest mistakes made by amateurs in doing research: taking someone's word for a fact rather than digging deeper to the source. If your information is taken from

an interview, then say it was told to you by "Mr. John Doe on January 1, 1974, at his home, etc." I feel that our work will be in vain if we fail to document the material we collect.

Again, let me say that I am very excited about our Association. I have been a member of similar organizations in other areas for a number of years, and, from experience, I know how much can be accomplished by a well organized group. There is so much to be done, but let's have fun as we learn together.

Christine P. Sumner, Director

HISTORICAL GLENNINGS:

Precincts and corresponding townships of Jackson County, Alabama visited by T. T. Foster, Tax Assessor, for the purpose of assessing State and County taxes for the year 1877:

<u>TOWNSHIP</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u>	<u>TOWNSHIP</u>	<u>PRECINCT</u>
Kashes	5	Sanders	22
Hawk Springs	11	Berry's Store	13
Kirby's Mill	24	Scottsboro	21
Davis Spring	12	Bass	7
Hunts Store	15	Cave Springs	8
Larkinsville	14	Allison	9
Boyd Switch	(blank)	Kyle Springs	20
Woodville	16	Bellefonte	10
Camden	23	Fackler	6
Nashville	17	Stevenson	3
Bishops	19	Bridgeport	1
Harmony	25	Carpenter	4
Collins	18		

SOURCE OF ABOVE INFORMATION: The Alabama Herald, May 3, 1877

EDITOR'S NOTE: Bolivar (extinct by 1877) had been voting beat or precinct number 2. There is no number two voting beat in Jackson County today.

1877 BOOK REVIEW FROM THE ALABAMA HERALD, April 5, 1877

"X Plus Y Equals Z, or, The Sleeping Preacher" is the singular title of a handsome little volume, just from the press, written by the Rev. G. S. Mitchell, a minister of the gospel of the highest respectability of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, whom we know, in reference to the idiosyncracies of a brother minister, with whom he has been intimately acquainted for years, Rev. C. B. Sanders, known as the "Sleeping Preacher." In the language of the author, the book contains "An account of the most wonderful mental phenomena, fully authenticated by living witnesses." We will state that we have known Dr. C. B. Sanders and heard him preach occasionally for several years. He is an intelligent, pleasant, able minister of gentlemanly bearing in his natural state. We have witnessed his terrible, physical sufferings and mysterious mental phenomena when in what is known as his sleeping state. We do not profess to understand, or to have a clearly defined opinion in the premises, and can only say that these are fully set forth with testimony to establish the truth of the same, by one who would not willingly misrepresent or deceive. Mr. Blain of Madison County, a clever gentleman, is agent for the book. The cost is but one dollar. The subject of the book has been the object of much curiosity and we are informed the appearance of numerous newspaper articles doing injustice in some respects to Dr. Sanders, led to the publication of the book. The perusal of the book written by so good a man as Mr. Mitchell, and with such worthy intent, will compensate anyone for the small cost and we advise all who can conveniently do so to purchase and read it.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The subject of this book review is an ancestor of Shirley B. Schuerman, Pickens Russell, and Sanders Russell (named for Dr. C. B. Sanders.) The Huntsville Library has a copy of "X Plus Y Equals Z" which proved to be one of the most interesting books read by the Editor in many years. Hopefully, we can persuade one of Dr. Sanders' descendants to tell us more about the circumstances leading to its publication almost 100 years ago. The story is very intriguing when expounded upon by one who is in the know.

AN 1877 DESCRIPTION OF WOODVILLE, ALABAMA, from The Alabama Herald, April 19, 1877: (Author identified only as SFG. Who was SFG?)

"Seeing an article in one of our papers concerning Larkinsville, setting it forth in all its light and shade, its enterprising citizens and its rapid improvements, we, the citizens of Woodville, and surrounding country, will feel ourselves behind, if we don't see something from Woodville in your columns.

Woodville is a small village situated on the M.&C. R.R. about 16 miles from the county site (seat?), between Gunter's and Cumberland Mountains, in a very fertile valley. Here the people make their own supplies, the principal product being corn, wheat, and some cotton; prominence is also given to the raising of hogs, cattle, etc. But to return to the village, we have 85 inhabitants the most of whom belong to some church, there being several churches of various denominations in this vicinity. We have three dry goods houses and one grocery, all of which are doing good business, also a first class photograph gallery, which is being run by I. Hawkins, who is always at his post. All of our business men are members of some church, in good standing, clever, and altogether reliable. We have a good school, conducted by Rev. J. B. Sherrill, who never fails to win the affection of his pupils. We have one blacksmith shop, run by Mr. T. M. Cobb, with two excellent young men learning the trade under him. There are two cotton gins about a mile and a half from town; we have a first class grist and saw mill, the proprietors are W. P. Gynn and Dr. L. Derrick. We have a cancer doctor who has performed permanent cures to the astonishment of everybody, it is positively no humbug as many prominent citizens are ready to testify. We have a good church completed, gotten up by the untiring energy of J. A. Brown, W. P. Gynn, and others. The Primitive and Missionary Baptists have good churches a short distance from town. We are to have the district conference here some time during the year; the people expect Bishop Pierce. The chickens and turkeys may lie low and keep dark. Come down Mr. Editor and see for yourself. We have a Lodge of Free Masons, in tolerable working order, while we claim all the credit due us. We perhaps have not attained to the highest possible standard, our streets are not paved, we have but few shades so we cannot "rest under the shade" as the people in Larkinsville, though we are hard working people and but little time for sitting. Our ladies love flowers and gardens too. Woodville is a growing place; we invite Emigration, but we want men of intelligence and money, we want enterprising men to come among us, and show us how other people prosper. We need to be quickened and gotten out of our "lasses an' backer" style of getting along. As an inducement to men of rank to come and settle among us, town lots can be bought at the small sum of \$1.25 to \$2.00 per acre. In regard to politics, we keep cool, believing that our rights and privileges will be guaranteed to us as loyal citizens of the State of Alabama. We have bone and strong sinews. We will rise if indolence does not get in our way. It seems that there ought to be one grand centre of attraction between Huntsville and Scottsboro. Woodville ought to be the place. Woodville, perhaps, ships more corn, bacon, eggs, butter, cedar posts and ties, than any other little place on the road, and more goods sold to the size of the place than any other. We will close this article on Woodville. Paint Rock comes next, we would like to hear from all along the line. (S.F.G.)

EDITOR'S NOTE: Alas, how sad that a search of successive issues did not produce similar descriptions of other communities as well written as the above information on the happenings and philosophies of Woodville in 1877. What a contribution this fluent writer (SFG) made when he proudly recorded a verbal picture of Jackson County in action almost 100 years ago. If others had accepted the gauntlet thrown out by SFG, we could soon compile a most interesting history of our County and its progenitors.

1877 STEVENSON NEWS ITEM, THE ALABAMA HERALD, April 19, 1877:

The "head water" of Crow Creek has flooded the low lands on its banks for a week past. Last week Mr. Walter Rosser had to move his stock of hogs from a field that was in danger of being flooded. He has about one hundred very fine shoats, which can be made to weight of about 300 pounds next fall. As they were being driven by, we heard a Granger say that they would be equal to 30 bales of cotton. Mr. Rosser has also, so a railroad man says, the finest field of wheat between Nashville and Chattanooga.-----
MAKE YOUR PLANS TO HEAR MR. JAMES RECORD, JANUARY 26, 1975, 2:30 pm.

JACKSON COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER NO. TWO

April 14, 1975

The JACKSON COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER NO. TWO, has been one of the most satisfying works this writer has done in quite a while. Quoting from our first newsletter "Our Association must begin by taking small steps to develop" this writer has done just that with this newsletter, but at the same time learned that it is an interesting challenge to search into the history of our county. I sincerely hope you enjoy this edition of our newsletter. I am already looking forward to working on newsletter number three and I request material, suitable for our news releases, be mailed to me by anyone or any member of the Newsletter Committee.

Mrs. Alice Ruth Page, Secretary
and Editor, Newsletter No. Two

NEWS RELEASE: "Scottsboro to host re-enactment of Revere's Famous Ride"

On April 18, 1775, in Boston, Massachusetts, Paul Revere made a famous ride to warn the colonists that the British were coming. This ride was immortalized by Longfellow in his poem, "The Midnight Ride of Paul Revere".

On April 18, 1975, in Scottsboro, Alabama, a re-enactment of this ride will be held. Revere Copper and Brass Company, whose founder was Paul Revere, has two large plants located in this north Alabama town. Mr. Bud Cannon, senior executive for Revere, stated today that Revere in cooperation with the Jackson County Bicentennial Committee will send a rider, dressed in the costume of the 1775 period, into Scottsboro.

The rider will not announce that the British are coming, but he will try to make the citizens of Jackson County more aware of the contributions to our country by this great patriot. The rider will present to the Scottsboro Public Library a two volume biography of Paul Revere.

The rider plans to circle the square, and then proceed to the library where he will be met by city, county, and state officials, Revere executives, members of the bicentennial committee, the news media, and certainly a large number of Jackson County citizens.

Walt Hammer, Chairman
Jackson County Bicentennial Committee

The next Program Meeting of the Jackson County Historical Association will be held April 20, 1975 at 2:30 p. m. in the Scottsboro City Hall Auditorium. Mr. Walt Hammer, our program chairman, has arranged another outstanding speaker for our program. Mr. Hammer will not release the identity of this person or reveal the topic of the historical program our guest speaker will present. While talking with Mr. Hammer, the writer became very keenly interested in the program and is looking forward to be an attendee. I feel sure everyone will want to be at the meeting to enjoy this program Mr. Hammer has arranged for our enjoyment.

There will be a meeting of the Executive Board April 20, 1975 at 2:00 p. m., Scottsboro City Hall Auditorium, just prior of the regular program meeting of the Jackson County Historical Association.

If you were not at the program meeting in January and did not get a copy of the BYLAWS for the JACKSON COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION, please see the Secretary at the next meeting and she will be glad to provide you with a copy of the Bylaws.

THE FOLLOWING LIST OF TOWNS OF JACKSON COUNTY, ALABAMA, THE POPULATION AND THE NAMES OF THE PLACES OF BUSINESS IN EACH TOWN, WAS OBTAINED FROM THE JULY 1901 PUBLICATION OF THE ALABAMA MERCHANTILE AGENCY REFERENCE BOOK, PUBLISHED BY R. G. DUN & CO.

Barnes, Jackson County, Alabama, population 24, Banking Town Scottsboro
 James Coulson - - - - - General Store

Bass Station, Jackson County, Alabama, population 31, Banking Town Scottsboro.
 J. T. Walker - - - - - General Store

Boliver, Jackson County, Alabama, population 50, Banking Town Bridgeport.
 J. R. Graham - - - - - General Store

Box Cove, Jackson County, Alabama, population 26, Banking Town Scottsboro.
 Kunz & Newberry - - - - - Saw Mill

Bridgeport, Jackson County, Alabama, population 1,247, Banking Town Chattanooga or South Pittsburg, Tenn.

Alley Brothers - - - - - General Store
 J. M. Bender - - - - - General Store
 Bridgeport Broom Works (not inc.)
 Bridgeport Drug Co. (not inc.)
 Bridgeport Stove Works - - - - - Mnfrs. (notice mnfrs.)
 Bridgeport Woodenware Manufacturing Co.
 E. H. Hall - - - - - Mnfrs. Brooms
 Mrs. E. J. Hall - - - - - Millinery
 E. H. Henson - - - - - Meat Market
 S. D. Johnson - - - - - Groceries
 Lea Brothers - - - - - General Store
 P. B. Loyd - - - - - Furniture & Undertaker
 M. D. Murphy - - - - - Plumber
 Nixon Handle Company - - - - - Mnfs.
 Thos. Sharp (col'd) - - - - - Livery
 C. P. Shook - - - - - General Store
 R. T. & H. H. Simpson - - - - - General Store
 S. M. Taylor - - - - - Jewelry & Plumbing
 United States Cast Iron Pipe & Foundry Company
 W. J. Wallace - - - - - Lumber

Callahan, Jackson County, Alabama, population 18, Banking Town Scottsboro.
 B. F. Woolum - - - - - General Store

Carns, Jackson County, Alabama, population 50, Banking Town Scottsboro.
 J. M. Bryant & Company - - - General Store

Culver, Jackson County, Alabama, population 28, Banking Town Scottsboro.
 W. P. Culver - - - - - General Store

Dodsonville, Jackson County, Alabama, population 45, Banking Town Scottsboro.
 J. A. McCamy - - - - - General Store

Dorans Cove, Jackson County, Alabama, population 10, Banking Town Scottsboro or Bridgeport.
 Ridley & Crownover - - - - - General Store

Dutton, Jackson County, Alabama, population 100, Baking Town Scottsboro.
 M. M. Dutton - - - - - General Store
 B. F. Goldin - - - - - General Store
 L. Thomas - - - - - General Store
 George W. White - - - - - General Store

Estill Fork, Jackson County, Alabama, population 31, Banking Town Scottsboro.
 J. T. Hinshaw - - - - - General Store

Fabius, Jackson County, Alabama, population 34, Banking Town Scottsboro or Bridgeport
 J. W. Seay - - - - - General Store
 L. C. Sterne - - - - - General Store

TOWNS - JACKSON COUNTY, ALABAMA (continued)

Fackler, Jackson County, Alabama, population 60, Banking Town Scottsboro.

- A. J. Baker - - - - - General Store
- C. L. Cargile & Co. - - - - - General Store
- Jones Lumber Co. - - - - - Saw Mill
- W. R. Middleton - - - - - Cedar Timber
- Starkey Brothers - - - - - General Store

Francisco, Jackson County, Alabama, population 25, Banking Town Scottsboro.

- W. H. Green - - - - - General Store

Garth, Jackson County, Alabama, population 29, Banking Town Scottsboro.

- A. P. Hill - - - - - General Store

Glenza'Da, Jackson County, Alabama, population 20, Banking Town Scottsboro.

- C. W. Brown - - - - - General Store

Hitch, Jackson County, Alabama, population 20, Banking Town Scottsboro.

- T. R. Hodge - - - - - General Store

Holly Tree, Jackson County, Alabama, population 40, Banking Town

Huntsville. (The nationwide zip code directory spells this as one word)

- Cunningham Brothers - - - - - General Store.

Hollywood, Jackson County, Alabama, population 168, Banking Town Scottsboro.

- Judson Barber - - - - - General Store
- Mrs. Clara Benham - - - - - Millnery
- P. P. Campbell and Company - - - - - General Store
- George W. Champman - - - - - Livery
- H. M. Cunningham - - - - - Saw Mill
- Cunningham & Campbell - - - - - General Store
- George T. Hayes - - - - - Drugs
- W. R. Hurley - - - - - Furniture
- M. L. Johnson - - - - - General Store
- J. L. Larkin (col'd) - - - - - General Store
- T. H. Machen - - - - - General Store
- Matthews & Baxter - - - - - Groceries
- Matthews & Gullat - - - - - General Store
- E. J. Neher - - - - - Mnfr. Bricks & Tiles (notice Mnfr.)
- J. Pemberton - - - - - General Store
- Thos. B. Walsh - - - - - Groceries

Hornet, Jackson County, Alabama, population 20, Banking Town Scottsboro.

- Bynum & Riddle - - - - - Saw Mill

Hymer, Jackson County, Alabama, population 30, Banking Town Stevenson.

- Ira Thornton - - - - - General Store

Index, Jackson County, Alabama, population 20, Banking Town Fort Payne.

- J. S. McGuire - - - - - General Store

Kosh, Jackson County, Alabama, population 20, Banking Town Scottsboro.

- Ferguson & Son - - - - - General Store

Kyles, Jackson County, Alabama, population 8, Banking Town Scottsboro.

- J. E. Sanders & Sons - - - - - General Store
- W. J. Word - - - - - Saw Mill

Langston, Jackson County, Alabama, population 270, Banking Town Scottsboro.

- L. C. Adkins & Co. - - - - - Groceries & Drugs
- R. A. Britt - - - - - General Store
- J. B. Haralson - - - - - General Store
- R. M. Morgan - - - - - Groceries
- J. H. Myers - - - - - General Store
- Silas Smith - - - - - Groceries
- Webb & Morgan - - - - - General Store

Larkin, Jackson County, Alabama, population 20, Banking Town Scottsboro.

- G. W. Green - - - - - General Store

Larkins Landing, Jackson County, Alabama, population 26, Banking Town Scottsboro.

- Mrs. Fannie Moody - - - - - General Store
- D. N. Snodgrass - - - - - General Store

TOWNS - JACKSON COUNTY, ALABAMA (continued)

Larkinsville, Jackson County, Alabama, population 216, Banking Town
Scottsboro.

Ira S. Creswell - - - - - General Store
Larkinsville Cedar Company
McCutchen & Evans - - - - - General Store
J. M. Manning - - - - - Groceries
North Alabama Medicine Co. - - - Mnf. Druggists
W. F. Shelton, Agent - - - - - General Store (Why is Agent after name?)

Limrock, Jackson County, Alabama, population 150, Banking Town
Scottsboro.

M. Gentle - - - - - General Store
Hurt & Company - - - - - General Store
Maloney & Company - - - - - Mnfrs. Hoop Poles & General Store

Long Island, Jackson County, Alabama, population 20, Banking Town
Bridgeport.

Hembree & Gentry - - - - - General Store
M. P. James - - - - - General Store

Maxwell, Jackson County, Alabama, population 20, Banking Towns
Scottsboro or Bridgeport.

Bogart & Williams - - - - - General Store
J. K. Tate - - - - - General Store

Maynards Cove, Jackson County, Alabama, population 31, Banking Town
Scottsboro.

Robert F. Proctor - - - - - General Store and Saw Mill

Milan, Jackson County, Alabama, population 40, Banking Town Scottsboro.

W. J. Swaim & Sons - - - - - General Store

Mooney, Jackson County, Alabama, population 20, Banking Town Bridgeport
or Scottsboro.

S. W. Maxwell - - - - - General Store

Mud Creek, Jackson County, Alabama, population 20, Banking Town
Scottsboro.

John G. Sanders & Sons - - - - - General Store

Nat, Jackson County, Alabama, population 8, Banking Town Scottsboro.

P. C. Puckett - - - - - General Store

Oakley, Jackson County, Alabama, population 20, Banking Town Scottsboro.

J. S. Hall - - - - - General Store

Paint Rock, Jackson County, Alabama, population 394, Banking Town
Scottsboro.

M. Bowers - - - - - General Store
F. T. & J. C. Butler - - - - - General Store
Graham & Massey - - - - - General Store
Gulf Red Cedar Co.
Harry Hill & Company - - - - - General Store
Richmond Cedar Works
Steel & McCulley - - - - - Drugs, Stat'y, Jewelry,
Furniture & c.
John W. Tipton - - - - - General Store
W. H. Williamson - - - - - Groceries

Parks Store, Jackson County, Alabama, population 10, Banking Town
Scottsboro.

C. M. McCullough - - - - - General Store

Pisgah, Jackson County, Alabama, population 21, Banking Town Scottsboro.

Ambrester & McGuffey - - - - - General Store
F. H. Machen - - - - - General Store

Princeton, Jackson County, Alabama, population 10, Banking Town Scottsboro.

Enochs & Bridges - - - - - General Store
P. M. Robertson - - - - - General Store
R. W. Robertson & Son - - - - - General Store

Rosalie, Jackson County, Alabama, population 10, Banking Town Scottsboro.

Browder Brothers - - - - - General Store
M. L. Crawford - - - - - General Store
John Henegar - - - - - General Store

TOWNS - JACKSON COUNTY, ALABAMA (continued)

Scottsboro, Jackson County, Alabama, population 1,014, A Banking Town.
 Age Publishing Co. (not inc.) - - Newspaper & Job Printing
 Jas. Armstrong - - - - - "Citizen." (This I do not understand)
 J. W. Ashmore - - - - - Saw Mill
 Bank of Scottsboro (not inc.)
 City Grocery Co. - - - - - (See James W. Gay)
 M. W. Ellis & Co. - - - - - Millinery
 Chas. S. Freeman - - - - - Marble
 J. W. Gay - - - - - General Store
 James W. Gay - - - - - Groceries
 C. M. Hamaker & Co. - - - - - Livery
 J. R. Harris - - - - - Hotel
 R. K. Hunt - - - - - Groceries
 J. C. Hunt & Brother - - - - - General Store
 John H. Ivey - - - - - Saw Mill
 Jackson County Mills (not inc.)
 W. L. Moody - - - - - General Store
 Moody, Campbell & Co. - - - - - General Store
 New City Drug Co. (not inc.)
 T. Nicholas - - - - - Und. B'Smith & C.
 Mrs. M. J. Parks - - - - - Hotel
 W. D. Parks - - - - - General Store
 W. H. Payne - - - - - Drugs
 W. J. Robinson - - - - - Books, Stat'y, Furniture,
 Undertaker & Groc.
 R. L. Sehorn - - - - - Jeweler
 H. H. Shelton - - - - - General Store
 R. S. Skelton - - - - - Harness, Wagons, Implts., H'ware
 J. D. Snodgrass - - - - - General Store
 N. H. Snodgrass - - - - - Gin
 Stegall Lumber Co. - - - - - Saw Mill
 Tennessee River Coal Mining Lumber & Mineral Co.
 Tennessee River Lumber Co. - - - - - Saw Mill
 J. M. Thompson - - - - - General Store
 W. W. Whitfield (col'd) - - - - - Saw Mill
 E. G. Wright - - - - - Groceries

Section, Jackson County, Alabama, population 15, Banking Town Scottsboro.
 J. W. Downey - - - - - General Store
 Fossett & Johns - - - - - General Store
 J. M. Hale - - - - - General Store

Shaw, Jackson County, Alabama, population 20, Banking Town Bridgeport.
 A. W. Bobo - - - - - General Store
 Bobo, Cash & Company - - - - - Saw Mill

Stevenson, Jackson County, Alabama, population 560, A Banking Town.
 Alston & Champion - - - - - Drugs
 Bank of Stevenson (not inc.)
 C. T. Bogart - - - - - General Store
 T. E. Clark - - - - - Hotel
 Mrs. Sophia E. Cowan - - - - - Notions
 Crescent Woodenware Mnfg. Co.
 Miss E. Hopkins - - - - - Millinery
 Jacoway, Ellis & Co. - - - - - Undertakers
 E. L. Jordan - - - - - General Store
 H. W. McGriff - - - - - Hotel
 G. H. McMahon - - - - - Livery
 W. J. McMahon & Co. - - - - - General Store
 I. P. Russell & Son - - - - - General Store
 D. J. Smith - - - - - Blacksmith
 "Stevenson Chronicle" - - - - - Newspaper
 Stevenson Lumber Co. - - - - - Whol. Hardwood Lumber
 Mrs. M. F. Thornton - - - - - General Store
 C. E. Timberlake - - - - - General Store
 P. B. Timberlake - - - - - General Store
 Timberlake & Terry - - - - - General Store
 J. F. Washington & Co. - - - - - General Store

Talley, Jackson County, Alabama, population 20, Banking Town Scottsboro.
 C. F. Culpepper - - - - - General Store
 Culpepper & Webb - - - - - General Store
 J. C. Phillips - - - - - General Store

TOWNS - JACKSON COUNTY, ALABAMA (continued)

Trenton, Jackson County, Alabama, population 31, Banking Town Huntsville.

- J. M. Brewer - - - - - General Store
- J. G. Frazier - - - - - General Store
- J. S. Biddle - - - - - Saw Mill & Groceries
- J. T. Wilbourn - - - - - General Store

Tupelo, Jackson County, Alabama, population 33, Banking Town Scottsboro.

- P. F. Campbell & Co. - - - - - General Store
- H. M. Cunningham - - - - - Saw Mill
- Precise Brothers - - - - - General Store

Wannville, Jackson County, Alabama, population 26, Banking Town Scottsboro.

- George L. Shrader - - - - - Groceries
- Chas. A. Wann - - - - - General Store
- Mrs. D. L. Wann - - - - - General Store

Winninger, Jackson County, Alabama, population 20, Banking Town Scottsboro.

- J. W. Shelton - - - - - General Store

Woodville, Jackson County, Alabama, population 300, Banking Town Scottsboro

- G. W. Bulman - - - - - Lumber
- J. Taylor - - - - - Blacksmith
- A. J. Wann & Co. - - - - - General Store
- Emmett Woodall - - - - - General Store
- W. H. Woodall - - - - - General Store
- Woodall Brothers - - - - - General Store

Now that you have read about the Towns of Jackson County in 1901, how many of you know where each of these towns were located? I would appreciate any information on this subject anyone would mail to me, which I will publish in the next newsletter for the benefit of others.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

A special thanks to all of you for your expressed interest in Jackson County history through membership in the Jackson County Historical Association. A warm "High Jackson" welcome is certainly in order for our most distant member, Pauline A. Jones of Kennewick, WASHINGTON! It is most gratifying to have the support of Eliza Mae Woodall and Patty Woodall Johnstone of Nashville, Tennessee; Sandra Shelton Burney of Montgomery, Alabama; Harry Kirby of Anniston, Alabama; David Woodall of Alexandria, Louisiana; and P. B. Keel of Madison, Alabama.

Would you like to know more about the birth of our nation and the events which followed Paul Revere's famous ride? An informal series of lectures will be presented by your Historical Association and Northeast Alabama State Junior College (NESJC) on the American Revolutionary Period on five consecutive Tuesday nights beginning on May 6, 1975, 7:30 p. m., at the Scottsboro Public Library. There will be no charge and ANYONE interested may attend any or all of the following discussions:

May 6 - Panel discussion on the American Revolution conducted by Henry Marks and James Ranson of NESJC history department.

May 13 - Art of the Revolutionary Period discussed by Clyde Broadway, art instructor at NESJC.

May 20 - Music of the Revolutionary Period discussed by Charlene Larson, instructor of music and speech at NESJC.

May 27 - Alabama in our Heritage - Henry Marks will present and outstanding slide program on Alabama.

June 3 - Genealogy - the Handmaiden of History - Mrs. Bessie Russell of the Huntsville Public Library's Heritage Room will present the "how to" of genealogy.

These discussions will encompass a forty minute lecture followed by a twenty minute question and answer period to allow you to be a real part of a fun-type learning experience. Plan to bring a friend. Henry Marks, history professor, author, and consultant, is the program coordinator. You will certainly enjoy knowing Mr. Marks - not just because of his historical background and accomplishments - but also for his love and enthusiasm for our County and State.

JACKSON COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER NO. THREE

July 14, 1975

I can hardly believe that we have published our third Newsletter. Time has really flown by these past seven months. Why - - it seems only yesterday when we had our organization/implementation planning meeting for THE JACKSON COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION. I must admit I attended that meeting on my husband's insistence. Now it will take an emergency to keep me from attending any of our meetings. This is my way of describing to you what a pleasure it is to labor on the Newsletter each quarter. No one ever faced a greater challenge, but it has been extremely rewarding in education and it has been fun too. Please feel free to express to me your opinion of our Newsletter and I will appreciate any suggestions or material you may have for the fourth edition of The Jackson County Historical Association Newsletter to be published in October.

Mrs. Alice Ruth Page, Secretary
and Editor, Newsletter No. Three

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

The past two months have been very hectic for the president and the first vice-president of your association. As all of you perhaps know, Ann's Mother has been very ill, and has undergone serious surgery, but is doing very nicely as of this writing. Ann has also been away in Colorado with her husband for some time, but is due back for our meeting of the 20th.

Billie and I have been away on vacation, and we have also had illness in our family. All this notwithstanding, we have carried out several projects, and completed plans for others.

The seminar conducted for four weeks by Northeast was excellent, although not very well attended.

July 26th has been selected for our Jackson County Historic Tour. The tour will begin at the Scottsboro High School at 9:00 a. m. Please bring a box lunch, and the association will furnish the drinks. We plan to spread our meal about noon at the Russell Cave picnic area. Arrival time back in Scottsboro will be about 5:00 p. m. The price of the tickets will be \$4.00 each.

Our family vacation trip to Washington, D. C., Williamsburg, and Monticello gave us a renewed sense of appreciation of our heritage, not only as it pertained to Virginia, but also to Alabama and Jackson County.

Walter Hammer
First Vice-President

SHOW AND TELL PROGRAM FOR JULY 20th MEETING!

The public will be invited to attend our July 20th meeting. They will be asked, along with our members, to bring to the meeting anything that they have that they would like to share with us and all who attend.

Any item of historical interest should be brought for display. This includes books, letters, deeds, clippings, newspapers, pictures, family albums, artifacts, coins, etc.----anything that you would like to share and tell about.

Three or four people will be assigned to a table so that someone will always be at the table to look after the display.

Plan now to come to this meeting, and invite your friends. It should be lots of fun.

Dr. Earl Hollaway of the Jackson County Board of Education will be our guest for the meeting, and he will tell us about his proposed new book about the history of the Jackson County Schools.

? VOTERS OF JACKSON COUNTY - I take this method to inform you that I am a candidate for Delegate to the Convention at the ensuing election to be held on the 31st of August, in pursuance of a Proclamation of Lewis E. Parson provisional Governor of Ala.

I was born and raised in Jackson county, consequently am very well known by the most of the citizens.

I am proud to say, that I am, and always have been, a true and firm friend to the Government of our Fathers and that in passing thro the dark and trying scenes of the past four years, have kept steps to the music of the Union. I never doubted but that the Government in the end would crush the rebellion. I believe it, and so talked to my friends, four years ago, that secession would be the nearest and quickest route to emancipation, and whether it is wright or rong that slavery is no more, the people of the South (the ones that was mainly interested in the institution) are responsible for the end of it.

The first shot fired at Fort Sumpter was the death knell of slavery. It was that shot that caused brother to be arrayed against brother, and it made all the widows and orphans that we see in the land - - made our happy homes and smileing harvests give place to the wasted fields, and smoking ruins that we see on every hand.

The grass that was to grow in the streets of N. York, Boston and Philadelphia it seems grown in the streets of Charleston and Savanah, in fact in all our southern cities, towns and villages, a terrible retribution.

? and war is over, secession and slavery is settled forever in this Government - - the future is before us, we have now to deal with the present. The plan of reconstruction laid down by President Johnson and Governor Parsons is plain we all understand it. If we _____? desire civil government, we can have it very soon. It is with the people of the State to say how long we are to be ruled by the sword and the bayonet. If we will go to work in earnest and show to the government that we are going to quietly and peaceably submit to the laws thereof, it will not be six months until there will not be a bayonet in the state.

The camp has already had its day of song.

The sword, bayonet and plume, Has crowded out of song too long, The plow the anvil and the loom.

Fellow Citizens of Jackson, if I should be one of the delegates in the Convention, I will use my utmost endeavors to promote the interest of the people of Alabama.

Of course I will be in favor of amending the Con _____? State so as to hereafter prohibit slavery. If it rests with the Convention to determine the qualification of voters hereafter in the State, I will say that all that take the oath of amnesty as prescribed by President Johnson in his proclamation of May last should exercise the right of the elective franchise.

LARKIN WILLIS

Crow-Creek, Aug. 1st, 1865.

CANDIDATES FOR STATE CONVENTION - Pleasant Grove Destrict, Larkin Willis - Larkinsville, Jont. Latham - Larkins Fork, Col. Padgett - Bellefonte, L. C. Coleson - Washington, Bailey Bruce - Bridgeport, James Williams.

For announcing candidates 3 dollars, those wishing their names continued in the "News" will give us notice and send the Greenbacks,
A. B. CONDIT, EDITOR.

CIRCULAR OF JUDGE BROWN. Having taken the oath and entered upon the duties of the Office of Judge of Probate of Jackson Co. Alabama, in accordance with the Proclamation of Governor Parsons I hereby given notice that I will be found at Bellefonte to transact the business of Registration of voters, &c. as required by the Governor's Proclamation. The legal voters, as designated in said Proclamation can take the "oath of Registration" before me, or before the Justice of the Peace in the Precinet where they are entitled to vote. The Justices of the Peace in the county will please come immediately to be qualified, and proceed at once to the discharge of their duties, so that all may have an opportunity to qualify as voters in the election to be held on Thursday 31st. inst., to elect delegates to the state convention, which meets at Montgomery on the 10th of Sept'r. Blank oaths of Registration will be furnished the Justices of Peace at my office.

It is desired that the Registration be completed and the necessary returns made to my office by the 25th inst., that I may endorse, number, and file, the oaths preparatory to making out a certified list of the names to be sent to Montgomery. The county commissioners are hereby requested to meet in Bellefonte on Wednesday the 16th inst., to transact important business. A full attendance is earnestly desired. Let us, one and all come squarely up to our duties and make all possible efforts to restore peace and order to our country that it may be well with us and with our posterity. That our whole country may enjoy all the blessings of a well regulated government and a permanent peace, is the ardent wish of your humble servant.

M. P. BROWN

CONDIT AND LEE, Attorney's will practice before the probate Judge and Justices of the Peace.

EDITOR'S NOTE - I am sorry it was necessary to have the blanks and question marks in the above material, however the folds of the paper had caused these sections to fade. This copy of the "JACKSON COUNTY NEWS" has been typed just as it appears with the spelling etc.

You will note the following material has not been documented to date and name of the Scottsboro newspaper, however the dates appearing in this material coincide. I am hopeful that someone has the name of the newspaper and the date this advertisement appeared in same.

WE HAVE

Clothing for the naked,
Glasses for the blind;
Shoes for the barefooted,
Gloves that are lined.

Straps and strings,
Buckles and screens;
The finest of silks,
And the coarsest of jeans.

Curtains for the windows,
Shoe strings and laces;
Lamps, wicks, and oil
To light the dark places.

Potatoes and apples,
Lard and meat,
Butter from the country,
Fresh and sweet.

Dried fruits, canned goods,
Everything to eat;
Caps for the head,
And socks for the feet.

Tea and coffee,
Sugar and rice,
Beans and crackers,
Cheese and spice.

Calico of the finest
That never fades;
Woolen goods for dresses,
Ribbons for old maids,

Oysters and salmon,
Flour and meal,
Mouse traps, - and cats
To make the mice squeal.

Tobacco for menfolk,
Hats for the ladies;
Toys for the children,
Bottles for the babies.

Powder for faces,
Powder for hunters;
Axes for choppers,
And remedies for grunTERS.

Queensware, glassware,
Plaster and coal,
Leather for harness,
Leather for soles.

Chewing gum, candy.
Corset and bustle,
The people come trading
And how we do hustle.

Medicine to make you sick,
Medicine to make you well;
In fact, we have everything,
That the best stores sell.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph David Precise married March 10, 1901; Mrs. Precise was the former Fronie Reed. She cut out this advertising poem from a Scottsboro paper before she married. The family has the original clipping. This copy was given by Mrs. Precise' children to our member Mrs. Clyde (Pearl Cunningham) Matthews.

This advertising was for the Precise Brothers General Store in Tupelo, which was listed in our last Newsletter as appearing in the July 1901 Publication of The Alabama Merchantile Agency Reference Book, published by R. G. Dun & Co. The Precise Brothers were uncles of Joseph David Precise.

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following two letters were written by Warren W. Smith, to his family near Fabius, Alabama. His father Wm. Smith was born October 31, 1800, left his family in Illinois, came to Alabama, homesteaded property, married and raised a family. Three of his sons fought in the Civil War, One son was killed. Wm. Smith is buried in the Smith cemetery at Fabius. Warren W. Smith is buried in the Wheeler cemetery at Fabius. W. W. Smith was a great uncle of Mrs. Margaret Hodges of Section.

(These letters are copied just as the original was written)

CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA

Fear no danger - - shun no labor - -
Lift up rifle pike and sabre

Shoulder pressing close to
shoulder,
Let the odds made each
heart bolder!

Clarkesville, Tenn.

Camp Walton Jan 5th 1862

Dear Father Mother Brothers Sister and friends

I know feel it my duty to write you a few lines to let you know that I am well and well sadisfied. Recd yours baring date 28th Dec. which was great sadifaction to me to hear that you was all in a reasonable portion of health but I was sorry to hear that Dudley's side had rise Dud I want you to take good care of yourself and you must stay at home till you git well for this is no place for a sick mand and you must go to Doctor Mason and get him to sertify that you are not able for duty and he must write to Gibson so he will have a showing to, it is very dangerous for a volenteer to stay longer that the time specified in his furlow but be sure that you are able for duty before you come for it is useless for you to come here and stay in the Hospital all the time. We are at the same place you left us. We have bin out in Ky. for the last Eight Days, but got back last night and I feel like I had just got Home though we was treated very well while we was in Ky. We Expected an attact every night that we was gone for we could hear of the Enemy Ever day and they had bin there a few days before we went, and burnt the Bridge accross Whipperwill, they also Burnt the Depot which was a Great loss but I think that we will git value recd for all that. The nearest that we have come of seeing the Enemy was where they had bin. I saw where they had kiled two of our men and taken 8 prisoners but there was 50 of them and only 10 Southernmen. I wish you could see where they shot. The most of the Sign is at least 50 ft. in the timber. Well, I will say no more about that. Father I want you to see to my Business till I come Home. I want you to sell my corn if you can geat a reasonable price for it, let anyBody have it that I am Owing for that will soot me better than the Money. If John Smith wants corn for that Note he holds against me for my Saddle let him have it and be sure to git the Note when he gits the Corn. You must take good care of all my things Even to my dog Peter. I would like very well to see you all and injoy your Company but I don't expect to see any of you till my time is out then I will come like I was petitioned by the Almighty on high though I am heep better Sadisfied than I ever thought that I would be in the Army. We all git along like Brothers and I have all the rest. We have plenty to Eat. I drewed 24 lbs of Backbones this Morning and I Expect that I will take a founder for you very well know that I am particular fond of them. Jas Bookout is hear and has bin ~~the hope~~ Round with us and is as fat as a bare and is outgrewed any Boy that I ever Saw. D. D. Wallace and Wm Bookout is at the Hospital at Sprinfield but they will come to Camp in a few days of which I will be well pleased. I want you to Read this to No. Wilson, tell him that I think very hard of him for not writing to me. I have wrote some four or five letters to him and never recd any answer, of which I am thinking very Strong. He may see the Day that he will be in the Same condition though I will never regret my time and always praise the conveyance that Brought me to the Present for I think this is the Best School that I ever went too. You must write to me as soon as this come to hand without fail for you don't know how much sadisfaction it is to me to read a letter from any of you while I am placed in this drery condition. You must Excuse my bad hand write and correct mistakes for I had to write on my knee and the Boys all around me. So no more at present only give my best love and respect to all genuine friend and retain a portion for yourself.

W. W. Smith

(Second letter from W. W. Smith)

Forte Delaware

Jan 24th 1865

Mr Jno F. Wilson and Family

Dear Brother and Sister I am once more permitted to write you a few lines to let you know my whareabouts. I would like to write you a lone letter but I am not allowed to write but one Page conciquesnly I can't write any News that will Interest you. These few lines leaves me in verry good health. I haven't heard a word from Brother D. C. as yet. I have written to Rock Island to try and gain some Information of his whareabouts but haven't recd any ans as yet. Brother and Sister, as I am a long way from home and without a sent of money I Respectfully ask you to send me some as quick as you can for I stand in great need of Some to buy Tobacco and a great many Nourishments which I am deprived of for the want of Money. So I will have to fetch my letter to a close.

W. W. Smith

Direct your letter
Lieut W. W. Smith
Prisoner War Co (H) 55th Ala Regt.
Fort Delaware

Jno Read this and think of the many happy Hours that we have spend together and think of my condition now and I think you will send me some money Send me some \$14 or \$20

EDITOR'S NOTE - This next letter is from a long lost relative in the North to W. W. Smith. It is in answer to a letter written by Mr. Smith while he was a prisoner of the Union Army. (This letter is also copied just as the original was written.)

Harmon May 5th 1865

Mr. W. W. Smith

My brother Elijah Smith received a letter from you some two weeks ago stating that you was our brother William's son, and as he did not feel disposed to answer your letter I will take the liberty of answering you. We are glad to hear that our brother still lives for we have buried him in our minds years ago as we could get no word from him. We thought he must be dead or he would have let us know his whereabouts. My strainer nephew (for such I must call You) I feel truly sorry to hear that I have so near a relitive that is a rebble but I hope that our dear brother is a true loyal man and has not rebelled against his country. We are all for the union and the upholding of the government and we can't look upon a rebble with the least degree of allowance, therefore shall not send you any money at presant. You will not suffer while you are in the hands of the Union Army. You are better off thar than you would be in your own crowd enough of this.

If you get these lines and you should feel disposed to write us again we would be very glad to hear from you. We would like to hear more particular about your Father and family where he lives and what he has been doing these many years he has been from us. When you write give me the age of your Father and what year he left home if you know which I presume you do.

Tell My brother that some of our family have passed away to the spirit land, the rest of us are lingering here for a little while longer and then we too will be gone to be here no more forever. Is my dear brother making preparation for death and for judgement, hope we shall meet in Heaven if we never meet on earth again. Our Mother died May 7, 1831 Father died April 6, 1851, brother John died 1843, sister Huldah died 1853, the rest of us still live, sister Sallie and myself are widows. Brother Elijah and myself live in Harmon, Ryal in Belpre, Sallie 60 miles below on the Ohio River.

I want to know your Father's address that I can write to him one more time then I will tell him all the particulars concerning myself and the rest of the family.

I will close hoping to hear from you soon, My love to my dear brother and the rest of the family.

These lines are from your aunt

We have in this issue a very impressive letter from the Rev. E. J. Stockton, of Indian Territory. He is a veteran in the ministry industry and his name and memory is dear to many hearts in Jackson county, where he lived and labored so long. His loving words in his letter comes to us like music from the other shore, as he speaks to us from his-far-away home. He is so near the spirit world and his life has been so pure and blameless, we doubt not that he hears the strains of sweet music and the rustle of angel's wings, as he stands on the river's brink and anxiously looks across, where he soon must go. He will carry with him the prayers and blessings of many fond hearts.

A LETTER FROM REV. E. J. STOCKTON.

Mr. Editor: Will you allow me, as an old citizen of Jackson county, to give expression through your valuable paper to a few thoughts that may be of some interest so some of your many readers:

Sixty years of my life I spent in the vicinity of Scottsboro, and I may say truthfully that I like the dear old county and the people living in it, and will continue to fondly cherish its memory, as well as that of the people, till I go hence, and as I am now far advanced in my seventy-eighth year the time of my departure is near. Indeed, I am looking for it at any time.

In the midst of such political turmoil as is in our country at the present on the great question of finance, permit me to say that I have been a true and faithful Democrat as far back as memory dates, and as such, I have always been in favor of and advocate for hard money-both gold and silver-without giving preference to either, as the money of this government.

For many long years it has been my pride as a citizen to look upon this broad land of ours, stretching as it does from ocean to ocean and from the lakes in the North to the Gulf of Mexico in the South, as the richest, most liberty-loving and happy country on earth. Imagine, if you can, therefore my humiliation at the fact that this great country with its vast resources, should now be dependent upon the gold of foreign capitalists to run its machinery. How long shall this humiliation be ours? Surely there is a great wrong somewhere in the legislation of our country. May it soon be settled to the satisfaction of the people, that they may again be prosperous and happy.

But another thought of greater moment to me than politics or the money question: Fifty-six years ago, in the same vicinity, I stood up in the great congregation at a camp-meeting and told the people that I was then and there born into the kingdom of God-a new creature in Christ Jesus. The change was radical, complete and powerful. It was the great epoch of my life. Now I want to say to my friends and to all who may read these lines, that the spiritual life that I received in that wonderful hour is as certain and as real as my natural life. And that heavenly life has been the great principle that has guided my steps and shaped my course from that blessed hour until the present. I want to say futhermore that in my long experience in this Christian life it seems to me that I have been on every plank, or nearly so, of this Heaven-bought platform and have found each solid and firm, and the platform as a whole, real, safe and sound.

Though less than the least of all saints, yet by the grace of God I am what I am. I look back over my long life of nearly fourscore years and am truly thankful that it has been free from dissipation. I have never sworn an oath in life, nor gambled, nor got drunk, never had a fight with man or boy, have always paid my debts. God made me an honest man, and I have never gone back on my honesty. With a great deal of satisfaction I look back to the time when I was a beardless boy of 19 years, when I stepped upon the temperance platform and have stood there firmly and unalterably fixed through my whole life.

E. J. Stockton.
Marlow, I. T., Oct. 9, 1895

If you have not received a copy of the BYLAWS, CHARTER MEMBERS and the STANDING COMMITTEES for the JACKSON COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION, be sure and ask the Secretary for a copy at the next meeting.

There will be a meeting of the Executive Board July 20, 1895 at 2:00 P. M., Scottsboro City Hall Auditorium, just prior of the regular program meeting of the Jackson County Historical Association.

JACKSON COUNTY HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

NEWSLETTER NO. FOUR

October 8, 1975

"Knowledge of the past inevitably leads to a deeper appreciation of our heritage and to a sense of responsibility to those who will come after us." This quotation became instilled in me as I began working on this fourth edition of our Newsletter. In no way can I express my excitement when Mrs. Margaret Hodges provided me with a copy of the Jackson County News dated August 1, 1865 for publication in our third Newsletter; now this Newsletter contains material from an even older Jackson County Newspaper. WILL YOU be the first person to help the Editor obtain information on Jackson County History, prior to 1839, for our next Newsletter?

The past year has been challenging for me, serving as your Secretary and Editor of the Newsletter - - - at the same time, this year has passed by swiftly. This is due to the splendid support and cooperation so many members of our Association have given your Secretary and Editor. With your continuous support, I am confident our future Newsletters will prove even more worthwhile as they are published during the next year, by our new Secretary and Editor.

Mrs. Alice Ruth Page, Secretary
and Editor, Newsletter No. Four

NEWS RELEASE: "Second Bicentennial Historic Bus Tour"

Saturday October 11th is the date set for the Second Bicentennial Historical Bus Fall Color Tour. The tour is sponsored by the Jackson County Bicentennial Committee, with the assistance of the Scottsboro Committee.

This Second Tour will travel the western part of the county, and will leave Scottsboro High School at 9:00 a. m. and is scheduled to arrive back in Scottsboro at approximately 4:00 p. m. Tickets will be on sale starting October 1st, at the Scottsboro Public Library, W. H. Payne Drug, and H and H Pharmacy. The price of the tickets is \$4.00 per person.

Places to be visited on the tour will include: the Scottsboro reconstructed train station on Joe Dawson's Farm, Congressman Bob Jones' Home, the Claude Spivey Home, Larkinsville, Cumberland Mountain Fire Tower, Skyline Farms, Estill Fork, Princeton, Paint Rock Valley, Woodville, Kennamer Pavilion, Cathedral Caverns, Salt Peter Cave, House of Happiness site, Old stage coach stop, in Long Hollow.

Everyone who will make the Second Bicentennial Historic Bus Tour should bring a sack lunch, and drinks will be furnished by the Bicentennial Committee. A lunch stop is planned at the Kennamer Pavilion. The tour will be directed by Walt Hammer.

OFFICIAL BICENTENNIAL COMMUNITIES - As of September 25, 1975 Jackson County has three official Bicentennial Communities: Bridgeport, Stevenson, and Scottsboro. It is my pleasure on behalf of the Jackson County Historical Association to express our appreciation for the splendid efforts and commitments to the Bicentennial these communities have made.

Ann B. Chambless, President

There will be a meeting of the Executive Board October 19, 1975 at 2:00 p. m., Scottsboro City Hall large court room, just prior of the regular program meeting of the Jackson County Historical Association.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: The Jackson County Bicentennial Historic Bus Tour invented, planned, coordinated and narrated by our First Vice President, Walter Hammer, was a terrific hit with all ages who traveled to at least twenty-five (25) points of historical, industrial, and cultural interest. Although natives or long-time residents of Jackson County, several people admitted touring sites never seen before. So many are still asking, "When are we going on another tour?" That question should tell what you missed if your name is not among the following forty-eight (48) who made the trip on July 26, 1975:

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| 1. Walter Hammer | 17. Stina Bankston | 33. Ruth Berzett |
| 2. Leola Matthews | 18. Virginia Lindenmeyer | 34. Bernice Wallace |
| 3. Eunice Matthews | 19. Bryan Proctor | 35. Olivia Ziegler |
| 4. Elizabeth Page | 20. Ann B. Chambless | 36. Florence Miller |
| 5. Wendell Page | 21. Heath Chambless | 37. Irene Cameron |
| 6. Hazel Matthews | 22. Mary Ann Cromeans | 38. Danny Cameron |
| 7. Evelyn Thomas | 23. Gray Cromeans | 39. Jennifer Holloway |
| 8. Lillie Mae Culbert | 24. Rommall Cromeans | 40. Martha Kennamer |
| 9. Norman Moore | 25. Shirley B. Schuerman | 41. Glenn E. Hodges |
| 10. Margaret Moore | 26. Evelyn Parker | 42. Carol K. Hodges |
| 11. Martha McKenzie | 27. Rubilee Smith | 43. Jim Eiford |
| 12. Betty McKenzie | 28. Juanita Lee | 44. Delores Eiford |
| 13. Janie Fennell | 29. W. W. Aydelott | 45. Ernest Engel |
| 14. Marie Mielnicz | 30. Libby Aydelott | 46. Mrs. Ernest Engel |
| 15. Myrtle Bishop | 31. Edna Earl Harris | 47. Leona Patterson |
| 16. Carlus Page | 32. Mary Ann Holland | 48. Sidney Johnson |

As representatives of the Jackson County Historical Association, your President and Eunice Matthews, geneological research committee chairman, have launched a drive to list the names of veterans of all wars who have lived in Jackson County, Alabama at one time. We will certainly need your individual help to complete this project. Hopefully, the Association will decide on a permanent means of preserving and honoring the contributions made by these soldiers. From time to time, a list of all known veterans for each war period will be published in County newspapers. You can share in this effort by supplying direct information or by encouraging family members or friends to do so. This necessarily will have to be a county-wide effort to obtain the most complete list possible.

PLEASE SHARE YOUR BIBLE RECORDS - Many of our members have expressed a desire to share their research and gleanings related to Jackson County history - - IF a suitable storage facility were available. Thanks to the generosity of Mr. and Mrs. JOHN CAMPBELL, owners of Scottsboro Business Equipment, the Association is the grateful owner of a four drawer legal filing cabinet with lock. NOW we need to put the Campbells' gift in service. A perfect beginning would be Bible records contributed by every member.

This is one project in which EVERY member could participate. We may not all feel the urge for creative writing of a family or community history, but every single member can share their family Bible records by handcopying or by means of a reproduction machine. Your first or cover page should include the Bible publisher's name and address and the year the Bible was published. A brief statement as to the present owner of the Bible should be included, as well as the name of the original owner. Addresses of both owners will be especially beneficial for future use. LET'S STRIVE TO BE CONSISTENT, and list all births on one page, all marriages on another page, and deaths in a third grouping. Please start with your oldest family entries and continue through the most current entry.

Ms. Hazel Matthews will be prepared to accept copies of your Bible records at our October meeting and any time thereafter. If at all possible, make your contribution at the October meeting so we can begin a catalog and index system right away.

Ann B. Chambless, President

PROGRAM NEWS FROM VICE-PRESIDENT - According to our By-Laws, Article V, Section 1, "The October meeting shall be known as the annual meeting, and officers for the coming year shall be elected. Those present at the annual meeting shall constitute a quorum."

I feel that this business will not take long, and I have invited Mr. James Ray Kuykendall from DeKalb County as our guest speaker. He is a professional man, an author, a historian, and a very interesting man. He is past president of DeKalb Landmarks, Inc., and served as chairman of the committee that reconstructed the old Fort Payne Opera House. I hope all our members will come out to her James Ray.

Walter Hammer, Vice-President

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following material in this Newsletter was provided to us by Mrs. Sandra Shelton Burney, Montgomery, Alabama, the daughter of Mrs. Leon (Buelah) Shelton of Scottsboro. We are sure Sandra has spent several hours in the Alabama Archives Library striving to gather historical facts about Jackson County. She is a member of the Jackson County Historical Association and we appreciate her providing this material for publication in our Newsletter.

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ACADEMICAL ELYSIA - Six miles west of Bellefonte, T.3.R.6.E. The writer has a building, being erected, in which he intends establishing a permanent Seminary for the instruction of youth, and dissimination of useful knowledge. It is located on an exquisitely delightful eminence, where variety of scenery, pure air, good water and the gymnasium will contribute to give bouyancy to the spirits, strength to the constitution and vigour to the mind of the student. It is in the centre too, of a neighborhood of highly respectable and independent farmers, among whom boarding can be obtained on reasonable terms. Gentlemen residing at a distance, who may be desious to place their sons under the care of an experienced and skilful instructor in the rudiments of a good English education, may get admittance by an early application.

Tuition - One dollar per mo. Time - Nine months. Begin April 1st, 1839. Reference may be made to T. Fondren, F. Renshaw, T. Eustace.

And also to John Berry, Thos Wilson, Dillard Brooks, John Holland and James Campbell Esq. in whose employ the subscriber has been, as an instructor of youth, for more than three years.

DAVID H. HARRIS
Feb. 21 21 6-t.

EXECUTRIX'S NOTICE - The undersigned having on the 16th of January 1839, in the County of Jackson Ala.-qualified as executrix of the last will and testament of Thomas W. Scott deceased; hereby gives notice to all persons having claims against said decedent's estate, to present them properly authenticated, within the time prescribed by law being 18 months from the said 16th of January 1839; otherwise they will be forever barred. Those indebted to the said estate will please make payment to me.

NANCY SCOTT
January 17th, 1839

ADMINISTRATORS NOTICE - The undersigned having been appointed by the Honorable the Judge of the county court of Jackson County, administrator of the estate of Thomas Tharp Deceased, all persons, having claims against said decedents estate, are hereby notified to present them duly authenticated within the time prescribed by law (18 months) or they will be forever barred, those indebted will make payment without delay.

JOSEPH P. FRAZIER
Administrator
April 2nd, 1839 4-t.

STATE OF ALABAMA)

JACKSON COUNTY) - Taken up by James H. Scruggs, above Bolivar, in said county one sorrel mare, fourteen hands high, supposed to be four years old, a white streak in the forehead, the left hind leg white, two saddle marks on each side of her back, appraised to \$30. A true copy.

Test, MOSES JONES, Clk. C.C.
March 6th, 1839 25 3-t.

TRUST SALE - By virtue of the power vested in me as Trustee in a deed of trust executed by John Campbell to secure certain debts due Wm. D. Hayter, Halding and Echal and Ford Brown & Co., I will offer for sale for cash to the highest bidder at the residence of said John Campbell on the 6th day of April next the following Real and personal property, to wit: the west half of the North west quarter of section twelve in township two of range three East, containing 79 acres 27 hundredth of an acre-also the South west quarter of the N W quarter of Section No. 1 in Township No 2 of Range 3 East containing 39 acres and 69 one hundredth of an acre-also the South quarter of the N E quarter of Section ___? in Township and Range as aforesaid containing 10 acres and 6 one hundredths of an acre and the following personal property, to wit: Roan mare, one Sorrel mare, 3 coats, 25 head of cattle 100 head of Stock, Hogs, 50 barrels of Corn, 4 beds and bedsteads and furniture, 1 wagon and one Yoke of oxen.

Such title on as is vested in me as such Trustee will be conveyed to the purchasers.

ALFRED JOHNSTON, Trustee.
Feb. 23, 1839 24-3t.

WAS FOUND - A pocket-book, containing money & some papers, which can be obtained by applying to the undersigned, and describing it and paying for this advertisement.

Bellefonte, April 10th, 1839
WM. J. GREENE

TAILORING - The undersigned has permanantly settled himself in the town of Bellefonte, in one of the lower rooms of the Printing Office, where he intends carrying on the above business in all its various branches. And respectfully solicits the patronage of the citizens of Bellefonte and its vicinity, and all who may wish to have work done with dispatch.

_____? will at all times endeavor to give full satisfaction to those who may favour him with a call.

J. G. EUSTIES
Feb. 21, 1839 23-1y.

SHERIFF'S SALE - By virtue of an order of sale to me directed from the County Court of Madison county, I will sell to the highest bidder in front of the Courthouse door, in the town of Bellefonte on Monday the 6th day of May next, the north half of the north west quarter of section nineteen of township 4, of range 5 east, containing eighty acres (with the exception of dower to the widow) or so much of said lands as will satisfy said order levied on as the property of John Smith to satisfy said order in favor of Thomas B. Murphy.

H. NORWOOD, Sheriff
March 23, 1839 26-5t.

SHERIFF'S SALE - I will offer for sale at the court house door in the town of Bellefonte, Jackson co. Alabama, on the first Monday in April next the following described tract of land; to wit: The South East Quarter of the South West Quarter of Section 25, Township 3. Range 3 East, Containing forty acres more or less.

Levied on as the property of James M. Campbell to satisfy an alias pluries F. T. Fla in favor of Levi Byram assignee & c. against William Freeman, George Freeman and James M. Campbell.

H. NORWOOD, Sheriff.
By his Deputy G. W. Rigney
Feb. 25, 1839 24-4t.

SHERIFF'S SALE - By virtue of two fi. fas., to me directed from the Hon. Circuit Court of Jackson county Ala., I will offer for sale for ready money, at the court house door in the town of Bellefonte on Monday the first day of April next, the following described tract of land (to wit:) The west half of the south east quarter of section 28, township 1, range -8 east; containing 80 acres, 73 one hundredths of an acre. Also a part of the west half northeast fourth of section 33, township 1, range 8 east, beginning at the south corner of the first described tract, running east with end of said tract to the drain; meandering the drain southwest to John G. Chambers' entry, thence north down said line to the beginning; containing 12 acres more or less. Levied on as the property of James Henry, to satisfy said fi. fas., one in favor of Hugh B. Caperton, and one in favor of J. G. Chambers.

Attendance by me.
H. NORWOOD, Shff:
Feb. 24, 1839 4-t.

LOST - The subscriber lost on the 3d inst, at the court House in the town of Bellefonte a small leather pocket book, containing a note on J. W. Bridges for forty eight dollars--one on Ezekiel Kennedy for \$12,12½ cents, one on John Kennedy payable to Elijah Kennedy, one shinplaster (note: a shinplaster any one of the notes of small value issued by private bankers during the depression of 1837) on Yeatman and Wood, the No. of which was 144 and one note executed by John Willis to Hugh Berry, a number of other notes and accounts too numerous to mention. Any person finding the same will please hand it to the undersigned for which he shall receive a liberal reward.

ELIJAH KENNEDY

SHERIFF'S SALE - Will be sold on the first Monday in April next, in front of the court house door in the town of Bellefonte, a negro boy (named Willis,) about twenty-two years of age; levied on as the property of Jacob Vanzant, to satisfy two executions in favor of C. Stinnett, and one in favor of John Kennedy.

H. NORWOOD, Shff.
March 21, 1839 25-2t.

The following are abstracts of other legal notices in this issue of the Bellefonte Courier. Space was not available to publish these in their entirety.

1. Wm. J. Price, administrator of estate of Druny Wood.
2. Alexander Riddle and John R. Coffey, administrators of estate of Henry R. Camron.
3. Estate sale of late Jesse Corn, subject to the widow's dower.
4. Eldrid W. Williams, Executor of Last Will and Testament of Celia Williams, deceased.
5. Sheriff's Sale of property of Thomas Johnson to satisfy judgement in favor of Samuel Hughs.
6. Sheriff's Sale of property of Willie J. Hambleton to satisfy judgment in favor of Joiner Gentry.
7. Sheriff's Sale of property of Pascal St. Clair.
8. Phillip D. Swink, administrator of the estate of George Swink. Edwin Swink and William Swink, two of the legatees to said estate, resides beyond the limits of this State.

EDITOR'S NOTE: This copy of the Bellefonte Courier contained may articles on geographical areas other than Jackson County. The articles used in this Newsletter were selected for the purpose of providing to the readers as many names, dates and events from Jackson County, as possible, that were published in this copy of the Bellefonte Courier. There was only one obituary listed in this paper (David Shields of Grainger County, Tennessee). It was also confusing to the writer that some of the dates stated in the articles were prior to the date of the newspaper or after the date of the newspaper. However as I continued on I came to the conclusion these articles were required to be published a certain number of times regardless of date of the newspaper.

LIST OF LETTERS - Remaining in the Post Office at Bellefonte, Ala. on the first day of April 1839, which if not taken out by the first of July next will be sent to the General Post Office as dead letters.

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B	I	R
Bryant Randolph 3 Bowling Charles Brown Jesse Bynum Isaac Baker Daniel Buzbee Eli Bryant Harwell M Bryant John or William	Ivy Maj. Randolph Isbeil Zacharich	Rogers John Reese John K Rollings Joshua D Russell A J Rainbow Samuel Robinson Mary
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VOLUMES IN ARCHIVES LIBRARY UNDER HEADING JACKSON COUNTY, ALABAMA

1. Pleasant Grove Presbyterian Church, Scottsboro, Jackson County, Alabama. (Minutes and records covering dates 1885-1907).
2. Kennamer, John R. History of Jackson County. 1935.
The Story of Woodville. 1950.
3. Gandrud, Pauline Jones. Federal Census for 1850-Jackson Co., Ala. (1830 and 1840 also indexed).
4. Sumner, Christine. Jackson County, Alabama Records.
5. Hammer, Walt. A Pictorial Walk Thru Ol' High Jackson.
6. Jones, Kathleen Paul. Alabama Records
7. Miller, Carl F. "Life 8,000 Years Ago Uncovered in an Alabama Cave".
National Geographic Magazine, October 1956.
8. Sulzby, James F. Birmingham as it was in Jackson County, Alabama.

PRESIDENT'S NOTE: The above records are the only material relative to Jackson County, Alabama found in the general card index of the Alabama Department of Archives and History, other than County newspapers. What a challenge to this organization! As we work together to compile historical facts, community, church, or family histories, military records, and any other coverage of the lives and times in Jackson County, Alabama, we should add to this list.

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The sale of the prints is going real well and is now over \$200.00. If you have not placed your order, please do so as soon as possible.

William D. Jones, Jr., a member of the Jackson County Historical Association, has moved to Washington, D. C. Where he will be working with new HEW Secretary David Mathews. What an opportunity for our Association, if his wife, Vickie, will take the time to do some research for us in the National Archives in Washington. Any Jackson County, Alabama material indexed there would be a great asset to our Association.
