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 WilliamSkeltonFamilyTree.jpg

to part no more

I realize

And with

This is a letter
from Pontiff Shelton
to his sister Ella Perry

The letter is signed
Pont which must
have been an abbreviation
of the name Pontiff.

I do not know if
the date Nov 1-10 means
November 1, 1910 or not

CLINCHFIELD COAL CORPORATION

Subject:

Dear Pa.

Nov. 1 - 11

Dear sister Ella,

I am having to wait here awhile for the train, so that I would write you a few lines.

Rebecca wrote me that Leon was still chilling, as the cold weather is here I hope he will get rid of them now. Hope the rest of you are all.

We had quite a snow up in here Fri. and Sat. There is still snow on the north side of the mountains. This is just a mining town away up in the mountains.

I got a good order here this morning and am getting along fine this round. I am feeling fine and doing a good business. We would be glad to have a few lines from you at Danville N. C. to Hall Burton next Wednesday. With love and best wishes to all I am your bud Aunt

Mr J. J. Shelton
Alanville

c/o Hotel Burton Va

STATE OF ALABAMA,

JACKSON COUNTY.

It is hereby understood that P. J. Skelton of the first part agrees to sell to W. J. Word of the second part, his entire interest in the firm of E. D. Hollis and Company as follows: Stock of furniture, undertaking and lumber at 90 cents on the dollar ^{invoice price} and all accounts due the said firm at 90 cents on the dollar, date of invoice to be January 1, 1915. W. J. Word of the second part agrees to pay the said P. J. Skelton the sum of \$3000.00 cash, and the balance within ninety days from January 1st.

P. J. Skelton
W. J. Word

March 1928

Dear Daddy

I have decided I don't want an alligator. I had rather have some kind of toy.

Guess you are burning up down there but it is snowing here.

When are you coming back I miss you. I got a piece out of candy this morning.

Hugh ate borrowed my big steel and won a pocket full of marbles.

Are you in jail are not.

Love from
Mark & Edith

This instrument was prepared by
Joe M. Dawson/
Dawson, McGinty & Livingston
Attorneys at Law
P. O. Box 100
Scottsboro, Alabama 35768

22752
STATE OF ALABAMA)
JACKSON COUNTY)

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS, That whereas, the undersigned Mrs. Lottie B. Skelton, a widow, was heretofore the owner of a certain store building and lot on the West side of the Public Square in the City of Scottsboro, Alabama, and did on, to-wit, August 26, 1972, intend to and attempt to execute a conveyance to Mark Scott Skelton of all of the property owned by the undersigned Mrs. Lottie B. Skelton, a widow, located on the West side of the Public Square in Scottsboro, Alabama, and being all of the real estate owned by the undersigned Mrs. Lottie B. Skelton in the Block on the West side of the Public Square and between the West side of the Public Square and Caldwell Street, and

Whereas, for a valuable consideration, the undersigned Mrs. Lottie B. Skelton did on, to-wit, August 26, 1972, intend to and attempt to convey said property to the said Mark Scott Skelton by a deed which is recorded in Deed Record 238 at page 581 in the Probate Office of Jackson County, Alabama, and

Whereas, the person drawing said deed did not correctly describe the property which was intended to be conveyed.

Now, for and in consideration of the above and foregoing and other good and valuable consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, I, Mrs. Lottie B. Skelton, a widow, do hereby grant, bargain, sell and convey unto Mark Scott Skelton, as the party of the second part, the following described property, to-wit:

All of that certain Lot which I own on the West side of the Public Square in Scottsboro, Jackson County, Alabama, all between the West side of the Public Square and Caldwell Street in Scottsboro, Jackson County, Alabama, subject to all rights heretofore granted to any and all walls to any and all buildings on said property, together with all the rights which I have or heretofore had in and to any and all party walls now existing on either side of lot, or rights which I have to any walls hereafter built under any contract which I now hold, which lot or lots include but is not limited to the following described property, to-wit:

Lot 20 on the West side of the Public Square in Scottsboro, Alabama, and fronting East along the West side of the Public Square and extending back West through the Block to Caldwell Street.

Also, all of Lot 21 on the West side of the Public Square in Scottsboro, Alabama, less and except the East 70 feet of said Lot 21, and Less and Except that part of the south side of Lot 21 which is West of the East 70 feet of said Lot 21 which is now owned by Word, said exception being approximately the South 14-1/2 feet thereof.

The lot conveyed hereby fronting on the West side of the Public Square 33 feet and along the East side of Caldwell Street approximately 52 feet.

Subject, however, to any valid adverse title as to minerals, oil or mining rights, easements or rights of way, covenants running with the land; encroachments or other matters or defects shown by a survey of said property, together with all and singular the tenements, hereditaments, rights, members, privileges and appurtenances thereunto belonging, or in any way appertaining, to have and to hold the same unto the said party of the second part and to his heirs and assigns forever. And the party of the first part covenants and agrees with the said party of the second part that she is seized of an indefeasible estate in fee simple of said property and that she has the lawful right to sell and convey the same in fee simple; that the said property is free from encumbrances, except as set out herein, and that she will forever warrant and defend the title to the same and the possession thereof unto the said party of the second part, his heirs and assigns against the lawful claim and demands of all persons whomsoever.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the said party of the first part has hereunto set her hand and seal, this the 4th day of September, 1973.

Mrs. Lottie B. Skelton L.S.

Mrs. Lottie B. Skelton

STATE OF ALABAMA)
JACKSON COUNTY)

I, the undersigned Notary Public in and for said County and State, do hereby certify that Mrs. Lottie B. Skelton, a widow, whose name is signed to the foregoing conveyance and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the conveyance, she executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand, this the 12 day of September, 1973.

Joe M. Dawson
Notary Public

20752
STATE OF ALABAMA
SEP 13 9 45 AM '73
244-270
R. L. Bentley
JUDGE OF PROBATE
Rec - 2.00
Deed tax - Correction 2.00



M. D. Taylor
SASLEY, S. C.



M. D. Taylor
SASLEY, S.C.

LAID TO REST

Mrs. Charlotte Skelton, wife of late James Skelton--a daughter of the late Robert Scott for whom the town was named, died Tuesday, last. Her children are R.S. Skelton, D.P. Skelton, W.A. Skelton, J.M. Skelton, Mrs. J.B. Talley, (at whose home the deceased died), Mrs. Maude White, Mrs. E.G. White, Mrs. Annie Edwards, and Mrs. Dove Kirby, deceased.

Funeral services were conducted on Friday afternoon at the residence of Revs. S.R. Emerson and W.T. Davis, in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing friends and relatives after which interment took place in the city cemetery, and the new made grave left covered with floral offerings.

Charlotte Scott Shelton's children
Walter (Jr) Shelton

Antenna Shelton Booth

- 1) Walter
- 2) Randolph
- 3) Marie

Sydney Shelton Tally

- 1) Walter
- 2) John → John and Charlotte

- 1) Nancy Lopez
- 2) John B. Tally, Jr.
- 3) Wm Walker Tally

James
C. H. Byrum m. Mary Ann James: one child: Meredith Byrum

m.
Ada Lewis
4 children
Charles Wilson
John Price
Robert Huff
William Lewis

9 July 1991

Mark Scott Skelton
204 Kirby St.
Scottsboro, AL 35768

Dear Mr. Skelton:

In conversation via phone tonight, Mr. Wendell Page mentioned that you are the son of Pontiff & Lottie Skelton. We stopped in Scottsboro about 20 years ago and looked in the directory for addresses of any Skelton, then drove to the home of Pontiff Skelton and my husband Clarence and I visited with him. At the time we had not become interested in genealogy and did not write notes. How I wish we had. C.C. recalls that Pontiff had lost a hand; can't recall the reason. When searching for the residence, we passed a house and C.C. remarked that the man on the porch was the person we were seeking because he was a carbon copy of C.C.'s Dad. Arriving at your residence, your mother said he was visiting his sister, Rebecca Jane and gave the address. When we arrived, it was the house we passed and your father looked like a twin to my husband's father John William Skelton.

For years, we have searched for the parents of C.C.'s great grandfather. Today, I think we found him in 1850 Jackson County, AL Fed. Census. He was enumerated in #258-258, Robert Skelton, age 67! The elder female in house is age 45. We think she is a dau. In #187-187 is the family of Thomas Berry and wife Sarah (Skelton, sis of John O. Skelton) and Elizabeth Skelton, age 67, most likely the mother of Sarah, both b. SC. We are of the opinion that Elizabeth is the wife of Robert Skelton and was visiting her daughter the day the census was taken. I have found the same instance in other cases).

In household #202-202 is John O. Skelton, age 34, b. SC with his family. In #206-206 is his brother (attested by a family Bible owned by a cousin, Luther Skelton of Nacogdoches) and his family. Family #537-537 has in his household one Byran B. Skelton, postmaster. We have been corresponding with one of his descendants, George Skelton of Arlington, TX who has supplied 8 generations back to 1500, s in England.

Enclosed some data, which is all in our book for which I am sending a brochure. We would like very much to hear from you and exchange info. I hope you know something concerning this Robert Skelton and can verify that the Elizabeth in the Berry household is his wife.

Let us hear from you. I recall talking to you on the phone while in Scottsboro last year, but misplaced your address.

Wendell Page supplied it tonight.

Sincerely,

Helen

Helen & C.C. Skelton
P. O. Box 340
Burkeville, TX 75932

P.S. Who was your dad and grandfather?

Attachments: 11

June 22, 1972

I am trying to locate the grave of John
Shelton which ~~is~~^{is} supposed to be in or near
Julien California. Would you please tell me
what you know of its location. In addition
I would like to know the location of the grave of
your mother.

I am a son of John's sister and would
like to have the ~~name~~^{name} of the ~~grave~~^{grave} in the ~~past~~^{past} of ~~grave~~^{grave}
and ~~burial~~^{burial} record. The older one has ~~been~~^{been} ~~removed~~^{removed}
away and we are ~~not~~^{not} ~~sure~~^{sure} ~~of~~^{of} ~~the~~^{the} ~~location~~^{location}.

Should you know ~~more~~^{more} of the details of John's
terminal illness and ~~funeral~~^{funeral} I would appreciate for
the record.

June 25, 1972

Dear J.B.

I received your enquiry yesterday. It was sent to Johnson City, Texas and for the last four years we have been living in Fredricksburg, Texas.

Since John Skelton was my father and your mother was his sister I guess that makes us first cousins. However, the only members of his family I ever saw was his mother and a sister (I do not remember which one) and Uncle Pontiff. Uncle Pontiff came when my father died and assisted my mother return to her family in northern California. He came to Texas the later part of 1950's to see me. I wrote to some of them, but since Uncle Pontiff died I do not hear from any. I know some have gone.

John Skelton went to the Imperial Valley in 1903 and took a government grant on 80 acres of land. On December 13, 1903 he married Hazel Bell Beddings (my mother). (She was born Aug. 23, 1886) They went back and forth from the Imperial Valley and northern

Mrs.
J. B. Goar
P. O. Box 623
Fredericksburg, Texas 78624

I have my father's dress-
mange medal
from the Navy and since I have no
children to pass it on to, would any
of the family there want it? I have
pictures of him and the band from
his sailor hat.

I hope I haven't rambled too
much. There are lots of things that
could be said, but I think I've given
you what you asked for. I would
be interested in knowing the history
of his family.

I too suffer from arthritis and
that is one reason the writing gets
laid at times.

Sincerely

Skilton Goar

Hazel Thiesen
Rites Planned;
Valley Pioneer

Died 4-4-1965
HOLTVILLE—Services will be
at 10 a.m. tomorrow at the
First Methodist Church of Holt-
ville for Mrs. Hazel Thiesen, 78,
of 635 Orange Ave., who died
Sunday at an El Centro con-
valescent home.

The Rev. Ralph Supplee, pas-
tor of the church, will officiate.
Interment will follow in Ever-
green Cemetery, El Centro.
Lemons-Wiley Mortuary is in
charge of arrangements.

Mrs. Thiesen was born Aug.
28, 1886, in Healdsburg, and had
been a resident of the Imperial
Valley for 60 years. She and
her husband, George T. Thiesen,
who survives her, were mar-
ried in El Centro in 1909.

Mrs. Thiesen was a member
of the First Methodist Church
of Holtville and of the Imperial
Valley Pioneers Society.

In addition to her husband,
Mrs. Thiesen is survived by a
daughter and two step-sisters.



noticed from several ailments. She had heart trouble and arthritis and fell about 3 months before she died ~~and~~ and cracked her hip. She was such a brave woman. She is buried in the Evergreen Cemetery, El Centro, Calif.

I have also enclosed a picture of my father's grave stone. He is buried in the Cemetery in Julian California. There was no money in those days to ship his body either back to Alabama or down to Imperial Valley.

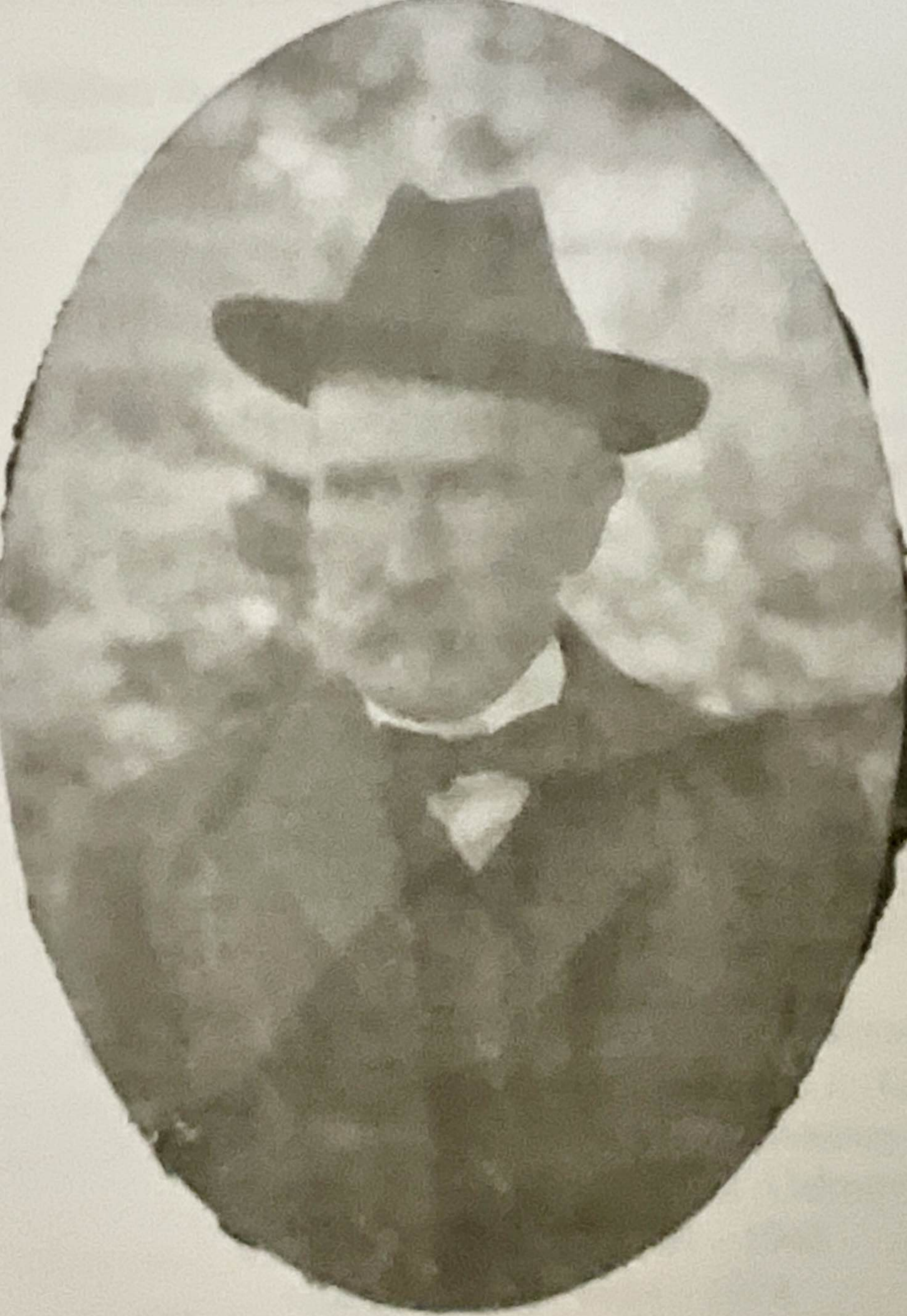
My mother married Geo. J. Thiesen on March 24, 1909 in El Centro, Calif. His mother lived about a mile from our farm in the Imperial Valley and she worked on mother when I was born. Mr. Thiesen was a good husband and a very good step-father. They had no children. He is still living in the Imperial Valley, he was 87 on April 27th. He lives alone now. I try to see him once a year.

I married a Texan (J. B. Goar) July 14, 1929, moved to Texas Aug 1930. We lived in Johnson City until four years

California until Oct. 1905 they moved to the Imperial Valley and lived in a one room house on the land he had bought from the government. I, Hazel Irene, (named for my mother and his sister Irene) was born Jan. 11, 1906. They did not live there very long. His health would not permit him to stay there, so they moved to Julian. They lived in a cabin on the G. R. Richie place until he died. Below is a copy of the obituary notice:

"J. W. Sketton died at G. R. Richie's Eagle Peak Ranch, Oct. 2, 1907, age 30 yrs Born in Jackson Co., Alabama Sept. 26, 1877. Served 2 years in U. S. N. Received an honorable discharge for faithful performance of duty. Deceased leaves a wife and one child to mourn his loss."

Of course, I never remembered him since I was so young, but my mother told me of him. She was a remarkable woman and went through some rough times. But she always had a cheerful smile and was always doing good for others. She died April 4, 1965 (Enclosed obituary



JOHN WILLIAM SKELTON

BORN: Nov 23, 1852 in Jackson Co. Ala

Married: Dec 21, 1873 in Jackson Co. Ala

Died: Nov 4, 1945 In Scottsboro, Ala

May 18, 1939

Dictated to Rosanel Owen Oswald by her grandfather, John William Skelton Sr.

Good Plow boy at 10 years old. Children and old men made the living. Hard time. Born 1852 and war broke out 1861. Had to plow Yankees would come and take corn, get cattle and hogs and take to Larkensville, their headquarters. Yankees had big wagons with 6 mules. They would shoot cattle, dress and throw on wagon. My mother was a widow, father died when I was two weeks old. They were prone to be nicer to Mother since she was a widow before the war. Had no battles nearer than Chattanooga. An uncle R.L. Kirby Jr., was killed over by Woodville after Lee surrendered. The Rebels were marching toward Point Rock and the Tories hid in the mountains and bush and watched them. Two other brothers of R.L., Porter Kirby and Miller Kirby, were also in the war. All three were in the Calvary and Porter's horse fell and broke his shoulder - he never recovered. (These were my mother's brothers.)

On the Skelton side there were four brothers in the Rebel army - John, Francis, Barry and Frank. Francis and John were killed in the battle at Vicksburg. The other two lived through it. The Yankees followed the Rebels through this valley. I remember seeing them come through. They carried cannons on artillery wagons pulled by horses. They had a pontoon bridge belonging to the Government at Larkins Landing. I walked across on it.

Had a time getting something to eat. Hide meat in mountain caves. Mother would put corn under the bed, and foot curtains would prevent Yankees from seeing it. Killed old man Law because he had a son, a Lieutenant in the Southern Army that had killed a number of Tories.

R.L. Kirby, Jr. was buried in the family cemetery. Tories camped at Larkins Landing and Confederate soldiers ran them off. Yankees camped one winter near our farm at Gross store.

The Kellys had some money and the Tories hung him until he told where it was (Tories were Southerners turned against the South.) They went in at night after this money. Grand Dad Kelly had 10 slaves. Had two negro women that would have sold for \$1000.00 each. Master would allow negro men to go see wives every Saturday night and stay until Sunday evening. Some masters were mean to slaves. Kelly negroes didn't want to leave when freed. They lived in little houses out back. Negro women and young children worked in fields. Women did carding and spinning.

Reconstruction was terrible. Had no newspaper, Lee surrendered under an apple tree, which soldiers cut up and took home for souvenirs.

An old man near us named McCramey was in the Mexican war.

My grandfather born 1805.

I still don't feel good toward Yankees. Grandmother Kirby hated Tories. Hess, a wealthy family now in Scottsboro, got their start in Civil War by being Tories.

FAMILY RECORD.

MARRIAGES.

John William Skelton
and
Nellie Diona Kelly
were married
Dec. 21, 1873.

MARRIAGES.

William Jefferson
Skelton and Eva
Jane Kirby was mar-
ried on the 8th of Jan 1852

William Jefferson
Skelton and Eva Jane Kirby
were the parents of
John William Skelton

~~Wm~~
Wm J Skelton } Died
was born Apr 22-1826 } Dec. 7-1852
Eva J Skelton was born the 8th Sept-1831
Died June 20-1897
John William Skelton was born
Nov 23-1852 died Nov. 4-1945



HOLY BIBLE,

CONTAINING THE

OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS:

TRANSLATED OUT OF THE ORIGINAL TONGUES,

AND

WITH THE FORMER TRANSLATIONS DILIGENTLY COMPARED AND REVISED,

WITH

CANNE'S MARGINAL NOTES AND REFERENCES.

TO WHICH ARE ADDED

AN INDEX;

AN ALPHABETICAL TABLE

OF ALL THE NAMES IN THE OLD AND NEW TESTAMENTS, WITH

TABLES OF SCRIPTURE WEIGHTS, MEASURES,

PHILADELPHIA:

JESPER HARDING, No. 57 S. 2^d St.

1850.

... later, king Alfred ...
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Henry the eighth, several editions of
ndal in 1530. The translation of the
the Vulgate, or the Greek of the Sep-
Fonstal, Bishop of Durham, and Heath,
was suppressed by authority. In the
in 1549, and the other in 1551. In the
of the Bishops, went by the name of the
the New, though in some instances, when

... eminent in learning, and particularly well
new translation of the whole Bible. In 1701
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what was most agreeable to the inspired Ori-
ce that time printed by public authority, and
y approved by men of learning and piety of all
a sufficient proof.

ford edition of 1784 by Jackson and Ham-
bridge edition of 1678 by John Field—with the
by Eyre and Scraban—that where there was any
appeared to be most agreeable to the Hebrew of
one of the above-mentioned English copies as his

FAMILY RECORD.

DEATHS.

DEATHS.

Eva J. Smith
died June 21st
1897 10 minutes
past six o'clock
Sunday Morning
her soul ascended
from earth to
heaven back to
the god who gave
it.

Wm
William, J. Shelton
died December 7th
1852

FAMILY RECORD.

BIRTHS.

Nellie Dionia Kelly
was born Oct 25, 1853.

Rebecca J. Skelton Oct 4, 1877

Mark J. Skelton Feb 15, 1876

John W. Skelton Sept. 26, 1877

Mary E. Skelton Sept 26, 1877

Pontiff J. Skelton Aug. 17, 1881

Ella Skelton Apr. 20, 1883

~~Gudrey F. Skelton~~

Maggie O. Skelton Dec 17, 1884

Gudrey F. Skelton Aug 4, 1886

Maudie G. Skelton

Sept 17, 1888.

Infant Sept, 12, 1890

Nellie Gene Skelton

Jan 25, 1892

Ruby and Ruth Skelton

June 5, 1894

Joseph Richard Skelton

Sept. 12, 1896

BIRTHS.

Wm. J. Skelton
was born April the 22
1826

Eva. J. ^{Kirkby} Skelton was
born September the 8th
1831

John, William Skel
ton was born, November
the 23^d 1852

FAMILY RECORD.

DEATHS.

Maggie Odeusa Skelton
Aug. 21, 1885

Infant.
Oct. 17, 1890

Mark Jefferson Skelton
May 20, 1804

John W. Skelton Jr.
Oct. 2, 1907

Mary Edith Skelton Proctor.
September 8, 1918

Ruby Skelton Proctor.
May 4, 1921.

DEATHS.

FAMILY RECORD.

MARRIAGES.

John William Sketton
and
Nellie Diona Kelly
were married
Dec. 21, 1873.

MARRIAGES.

William Afferson
Sketton and Eva
Jane Kirby was mar-
ried on the 8th of Jan 1852

This Indenture made the 6th day of March
in the year one thousand eight hundred & seventy four between
Mark Kelly & Rebecca his wife of the County of Jackson &
State of Alabama of the first part & J^{ms} William Shelton of the
second part witnesseth that the said party of the first part for
& in consideration of the sum of five hundred dollars to them in
hand paid by the said party of the second part the receipt whereof
is hereby acknowledged hath this day bargained sold & granted
~~by their parents to bargain sell & grant unto the said party of~~
the second part the following described tract or parcel of land
lying & being in the County of Jackson & State of Alabama to wit
the N. E. 1/4th of the N. W. 1/4th of section twenty nine of Township
5th of Range 5th East & so much of the N. W. 1/4th of the N. E. 1/4th of
said section as lies west of a line in the middle of the branch &
spring to a stone at the head of the spring thence to the
North West corner of said lot in the district of land sold at
Mountville Ala & containing forty two acres more or less to have &
to hold the above described & hereby granted land & premises with
the tenements & appurtenances therunto pertaining to the said J^{ms} W^m Shelton
his heirs & assigns forever & the said parties of
the first part for themselves their heirs Executors & Administrators
do covenant that they will warrant & forever defend the title to
the above described & hereby granted land & premises unto the said
J^{ms} William Shelton his heirs & assigns against all claims
whatsoever in testimony whereof the said parties of the first part
have hereunto set their hands & affixed their seals this the day &
year first above written. signed sealed & delivered

in presence of

W. J. Adams

R. H. Shelton

Mark Kelly
Rebecca Kelly

This is where
J. W. Shelton
bought 40 acres
of land

This is the house that Granddaddy
J. W. Skelton moved to in 1910 in order that
the younger children would be closer to school
- He later sold the house and moved back to the Milk Creek farm
The house later burned and was replaced by
the present house at 509 S. Kyle St, Scottsboro.

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State of Tennessee,)

Davidson County.)) Know all men by these presents that we, James N Chamberlain, Trustee
for Elizabeth Card, Elizabeth Card and her husband A H Card for and in consideration of the sum
of Twenty seven hundred dollars to us in hand paid by J W Skelton, the receipt of which is
hereby acknowledged, do grant, bargain, sell and convey to the said J W Skelton the following
described real estate, situated in the town of Scottsboro, Jackson County, Alabama, to-wit:

Certain dwelling houses and lots described as follows: Commencing at
the south west corner of a lot bought by R A Coffey from R H Bynum, running
south 13 rods to line of land of J M Swaim, thence east 30 & 10/13 rods
more or less to the lands of J P Bynum, thence north 13 rods, thence west
30 & 10/13 rods to beginning. Also another lot described as beginning at the
north west corner of Jesse Proctor's lot, running south 107 feet more or less,
to said R A Coffey's lot, thence east 425 feet to the corner of R A Coffey's lot,
thence north 107 feet more or less, thence west to the beginning point. Said
lands being bounded as follows: On the north by lands of Jesse Proctor, on
the east by lands of J P Bynum and estate of R H Bynum, deceased, on south by lands
of J M Swaim, on the west by Kyle Street, this being the same property conveyed by
us to us ~~xxxxx~~ by R A Coffey on the 8 da of October, 1908, and recorded in deed
book 41, page 235 in the office of the Judge of Probate of Jackson County,
Alabama.

To have and to hold unto the said J W Skelton his heirs and assigns forever.

and we hereby warrant and will forever defend the title of said above described lands unto
the said J W Skelton his heirs and assigns ~~tax~~ against the lawful title of all persons whom-
soever. Given under our hands and seals this the 15th. day of January, A D 1920.

J N Chamberlain, Seal.
Trustee for Elizabeth Card.
A H Card, Seal.
Elizabeth Card, Seal.

State of Tennessee,)

Davidson County.) I, Frank A Smith, a Notary Public in and for said County and State hereby
certify that James N Chamberlain, Trustee, Elizabeth Card and Elizabeth Card and her husband
A H Card, whose names are signed to the foregoing conveyance and who are known to me acknowl-
edged before me on this day that being informed of the contents of the conveyance they executed
the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal this the 15th. day of January, 1910.

State of Alabama,)

Frank A. Smith, Notary Public.

Healdsburg Feb 5th 1880

Dear Children

Believe you kind letter to day and was glad
to ~~hear~~ know you this leavs us all well only
Bad Colds only Kate she is not feeling well
The wether has bin colder here than since
We live here I went to Mr Pecks to day to get
Some grapes Cutings and he gave me for
Pigs and abig mes of Fish anna and Mark
Went with me and them and Mr Peck had
abig time ~~we~~ drive fruit onshers for him last
year our part sold for too hundred and forty
Dolars if Pay for our Clothing and shoes
To do us tel we can dry more it takes so much
To bye Clothen here tell Will that if ad greatful
to him for his ~~kindness~~ ~~idont~~ what to do for
the best you papa made a will so as he thought
the lawer woud not have nothing to do with

Transcript of letter from Rebecca Kelly to Nellie and John William Skelton. With short note on letter by Kate Kelly. The Underlined parts are not legible or best guess.

Healdsburg Feb 6th 1880.

Dear Children

Received your kind letter today and was glad to hear from you. This leaves us all well only bad colds only Kate she is not feeling well. The weather has been colder here since we live here. I went to Mr. Peeks today to get grape cuttings and he gave me four pigs and a big mess of fish. Anna and Mark went with me and them and Mr. Peek had a big time over dried fruit on shares for him. Last year out part sold for two hundred and forty dollars. It pays for our clothing and shoes. To do us till we can dry more. It takes so much to buy clothes here. Tell Will that I feel grateful to him for his kindness. I don't what to _____ the best you papa made a will so as he thought the lawyers would not have nothing to do with it but it can't be done in California. I hope there will be some way for me to get along. George (William?) would like to move back there but it would take all that we have got to carry us back. Some of the children do not want to go. I have not heard from Pontiff since your father died. You wanted to no whether we got the letter you wrote last summer. We did and shed tears when read it and said they was willing to do anything I thought best but didn't think it would do him any good Nelly you can't have any idea how much he suffered and bore it with so much pain I felt like I could if it had been the will of god. Nelly I want you and Will to pray for me and the children and for each other that we may meet where parting is no more. My love to all. I wrote to your uncle Frankling a few days ago. Write often as you can to your mother. You can't tell how desolate I feel. Tell your aunt Mary I got her letter a few days ago and will write to her soon. Will close give my love to all the old neighbors.

/s/ Rebecca Kelly

Dear Sister sent my self today

we were very glad to hear from you. You wanted me to name the baby, I think Mary Edith would be a nice name. Ellen or Eva or Edith either one would be a nice name I think but if you don't like the names I send don't take them for I am not a judge by any means. We will send you that poetry you wanted soon. Maynard and Will started out on a deer hunt this morning. I must close for this time as we want to send it off by the egg peddler. Good by from your sister.

/s/Kate Kelly

Healdsburg, California

February 6, 1880

Dear Children:

We received your kind letter today and were glad to hear from you. This letter leaves us all well with only bad colds. Kate is not feeling well. The weather has been colder here than since we lived here. I went to Mr. Peeks today to get some grape cuttings which he gave me in exchange for pigs and a big mess of fish. Anna and Mark went with me and they and Mr. Peeks had a big time. We dried fruit on shares for him last year. Our part sold for \$240.00. It paid for our clothing and shoes, to do us until we can dry more. It takes so much to buy clothing here.

Tell Will that I feel deeply grateful to him for his kindness in wanting to do what is best for the family. Papa made a will, he thought the lawyers would not have anything to do with it, but this cannot be done in California. I hope there will be some way for me to get along. I would like to move back to Alabama but it would take all that we have just to carry us back there. Some of the children don't want to go.

I have not heard from Pontiff since your father died. You wanted to know whether we got the letter you wrote last summer, we did, and shed tears when we read it.

Nellie, you cannot have any idea how much he suffered and bore it with so much patience. I felt like it was the will of God. Nellie, I want you and Will to pray for me and the children and for each other, that we may meet where parting is no more.

My love to all. I wrote to your Uncle Franklin a few days ago. Write as often as you can to your mother. You can't tell how desolate I feel. Tell Mary I got her letter a few days ago and will write to her soon. I will close now. Give my love to all the old neighbors.

Rebecca Kelly

Dear Nellie: I want to send you a few lines. We were very glad to hear from you. You wanted me to name the baby. I think Mary Edith, or Ellen or Eva or Edith are nice names, but if you don't like the names I am sending then don't take them for I am not a judge by any means. We will send you that

my grandmother Skelton

This was probably the son of Mark and Rebecca who went to Oregon

Mark's father

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Goodbye from your sister.

Kate Kelly

{ My grandmother's
sister - she was
in California

This is a letter from my ^(Mum) great grandmother
Kelly writing to her daughter Nellie who is
my grandmother and the mother of my
father Donuff Skellon

Febru 17 1894
(California)

Dear Kelly I will try
and writ a few lines
will at present I have bin
polly all winter John
was well last week I
had a letter from him he
is still in the city sed
he did not think he wud
bee long didnt say what
he was going to do I hope
he will go home ther
is so many things to
eas aboy to go astray
in the city John was
a good boy her I mis him
so much he was so good
to help me I am verly
don my time is verly
to aelous and I dont
crave to live ther is

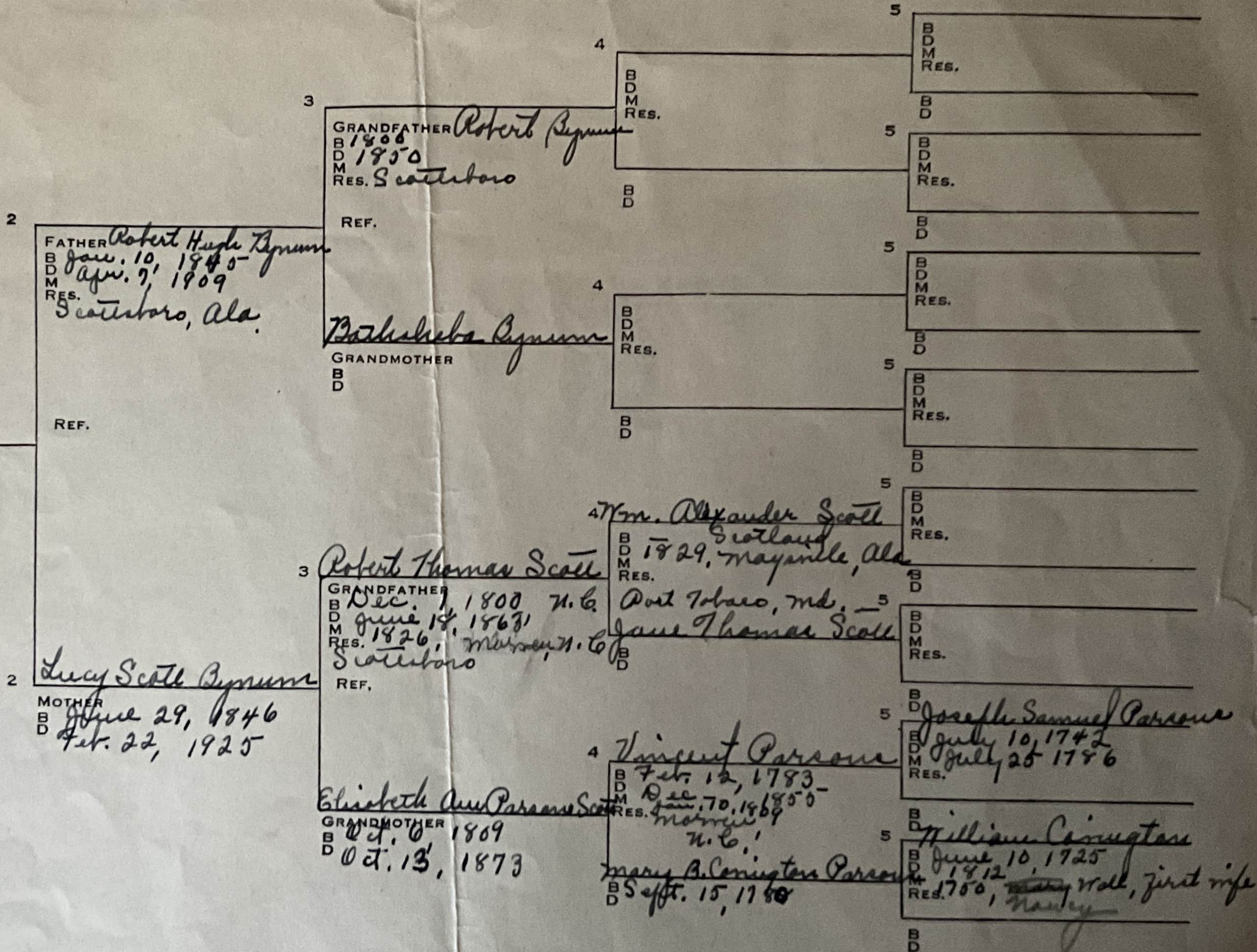
no pleasure in living
when I can't do any thing
with out being found
fault of and that is my
six som of my children
is just as good and kind
as the can be but the can't
be aloud to well Well

I will have to stop for
this time dont write
only tharsig about what
I write hoping to live
to see you in this world
again if not I want you
to meet me in heaven
where ther is no parting
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desolate Mother love to
tall god by

Rebecca J Kelly

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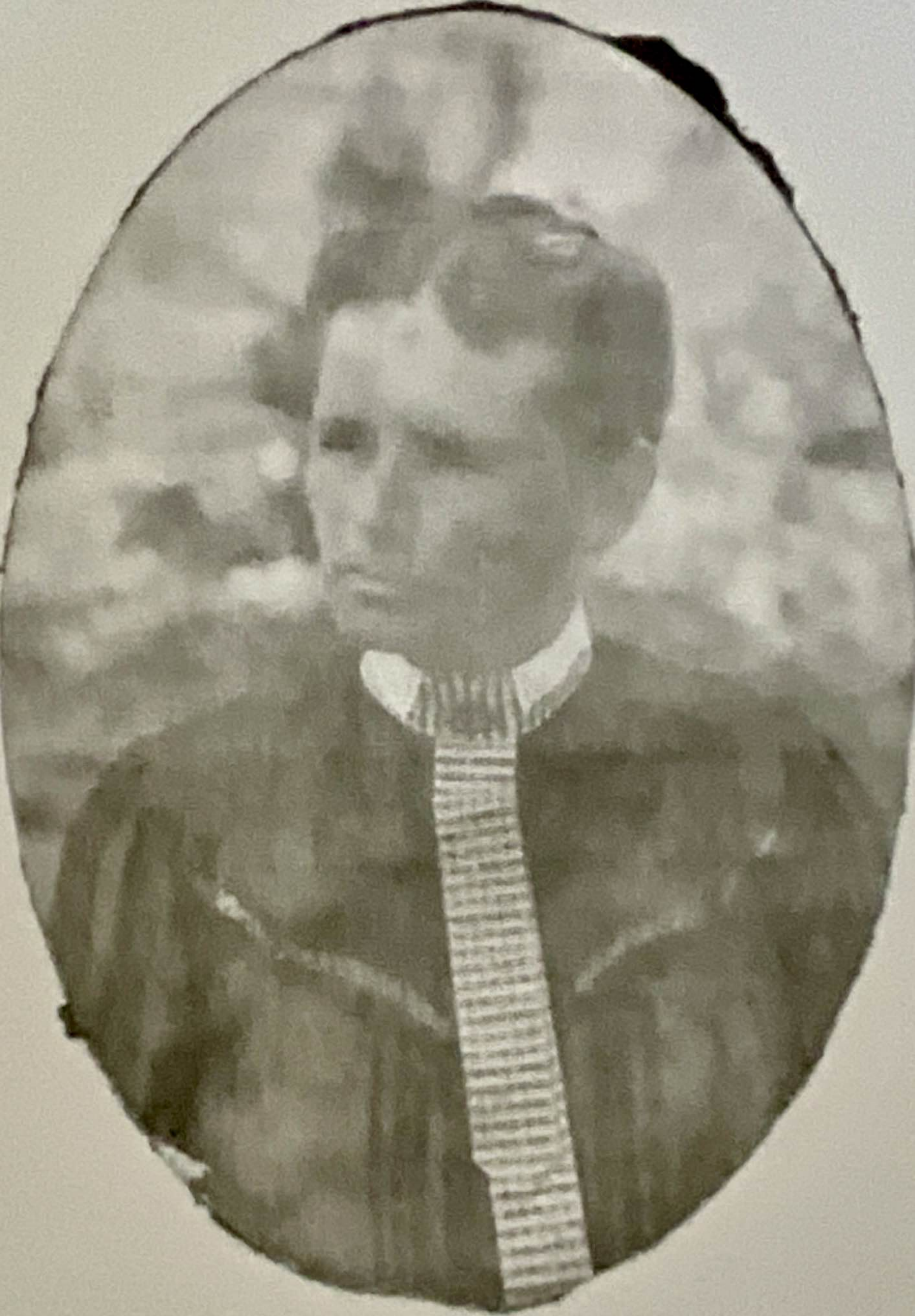
Lottie B. Skelton
 May 13, 1884
 Jan. 6, 1916
 Scotuboro, Ala



- KEY**
- B - BORN
 - D - DIED
 - M - MARRIED
 - RES. - RESIDENCE
 - REF. - REFERENCE

NOTES AND REFERENCES





NELLIE DIONA (KELLY) SKELTON

Born: Oct 25, 1853

Married: Dec 21, 1873 in Jackson Co. Al

Died: Aug 11, 1938 in Scottsboro, Al

Juanita R. Nies
P.O. Box 171
Archbold, OH 43502-0171

Dear Mack -

I have guessed at some of these
but think most of them are correct.
Hope they fit with what you know.
I'm glad to have a copy of this -
I do wish I had had the one
Mathu had for it was very
clear, as I remember. Thanks
so much for thinking of me -
Good to talk to you - sorry
I called at such a wrong time -
Hope Ruth is still holding up.
I will try to write her after my
operation is over. Take care
Love to you both - Juanita

I found this folder
when going Thru J.B.
Perry's papers when I
was administrator of his
estate.

Marks grandmother Skelton
stayed in Alabama when
all of her family moved
to California which explains
the correspondence

Dearest J.B. & Dottie,

August 13th

I am now at Avalon Beach with Rosanel & Jack after a delightful three weeks visit to Alabama. I spent a week in Seaside and got to see most of the kindred except Leon and Louise. Everyone was so very sweet to me that I can live on pleasant memories for the rest of my life.

Maudie and Ruby were in mighty bad condition but I spent as much time with them as they were able to endure. Clarence has failed a lot in the past year but still goes to church on Sunday with the help of Dozier and Mark Scott.

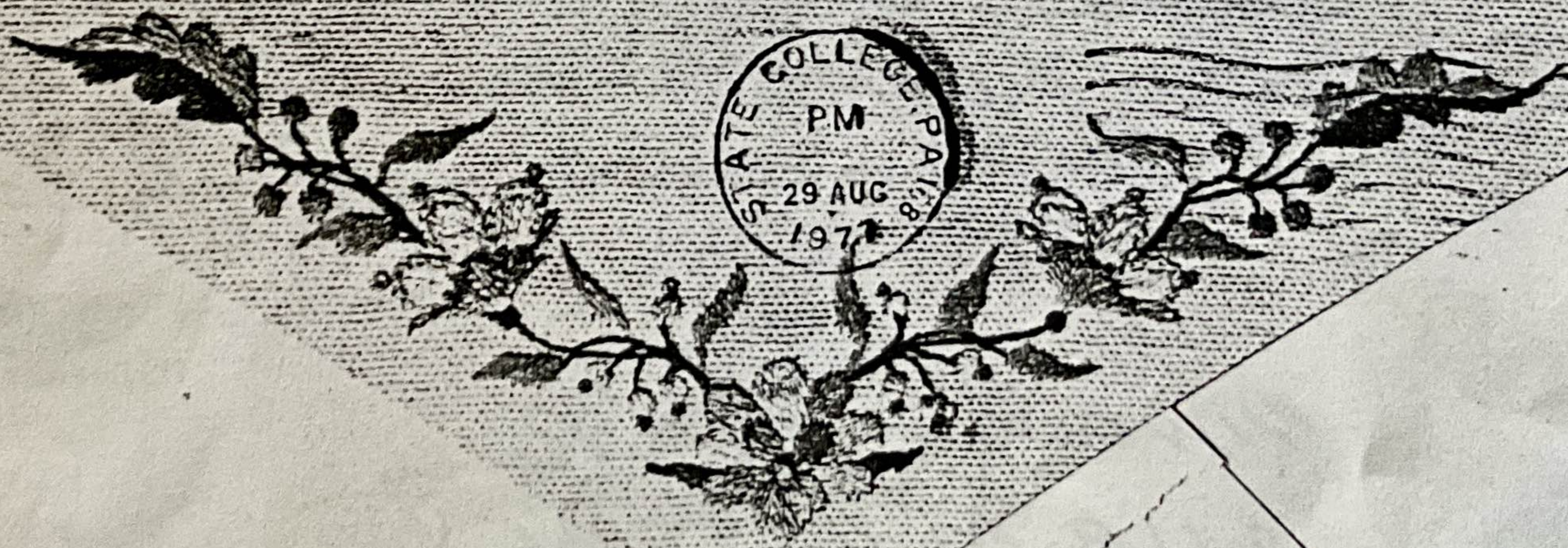
J.B., I was horribly shocked yesterday when I received a letter from J.B. Coar telling me of Leone's death on July 30th.

Mr. & Mrs. J.B. Perry
2119 N Park Blvd
Knoxville
Tennessee 37917

US Bicentennial 13c

She had a massive heart
attack on July 13th was rushed
to the hospital, but was under
intensive care until her death.
I wrote her a nice long letter
just before I went to Alabama
and do hope she got it. I shall
always be grateful to you for
making it possible for me
to contact her. It was such
a wonderful satisfaction getting
to exchange the sweet letters
with her even for the short
time she lived after I got
in touch with her.

I feel grateful to her husband
for writing to me and I have
already replied assuring him
of my lasting loyalty because he

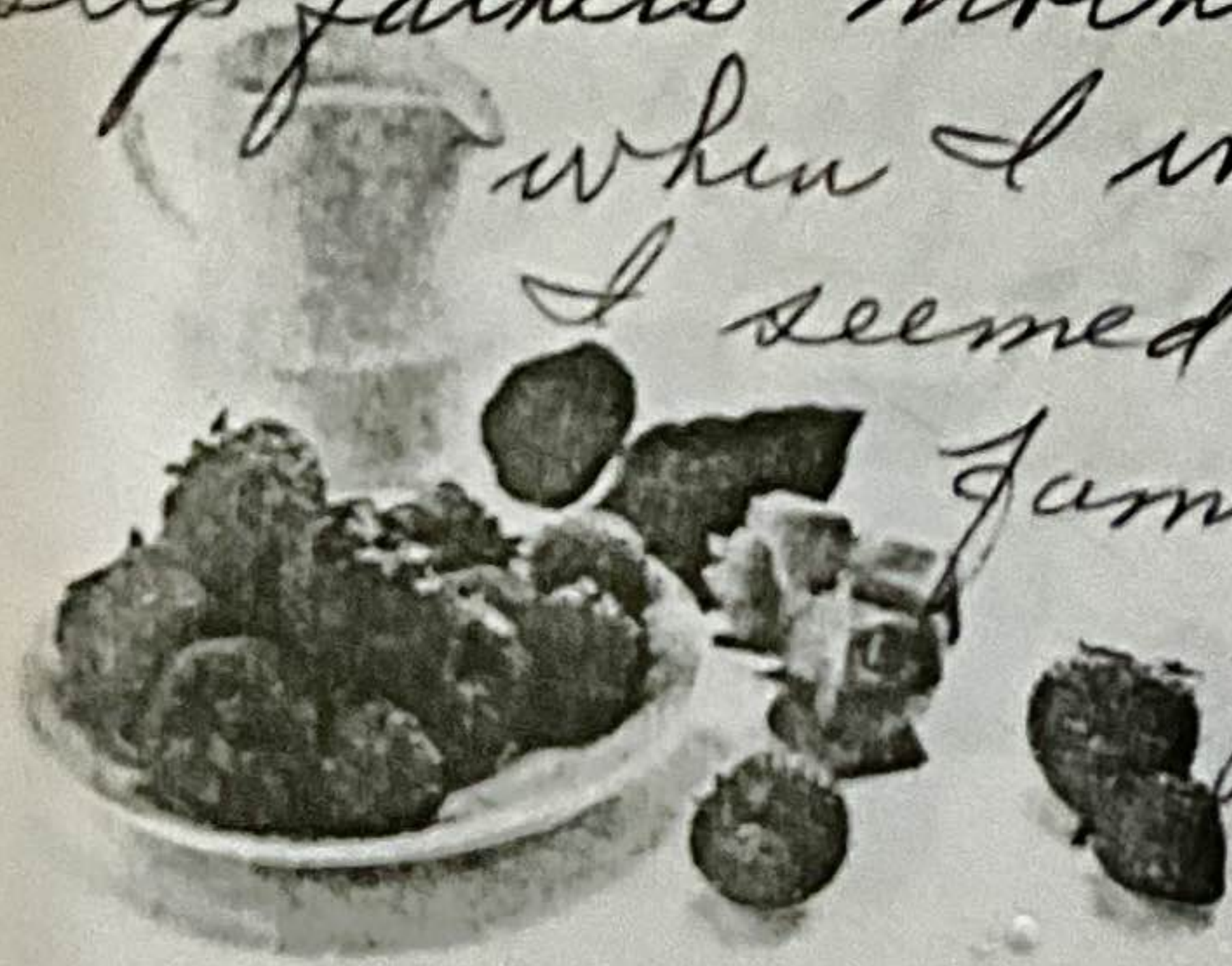


April 25, 1977

Dear Aunt Irene,

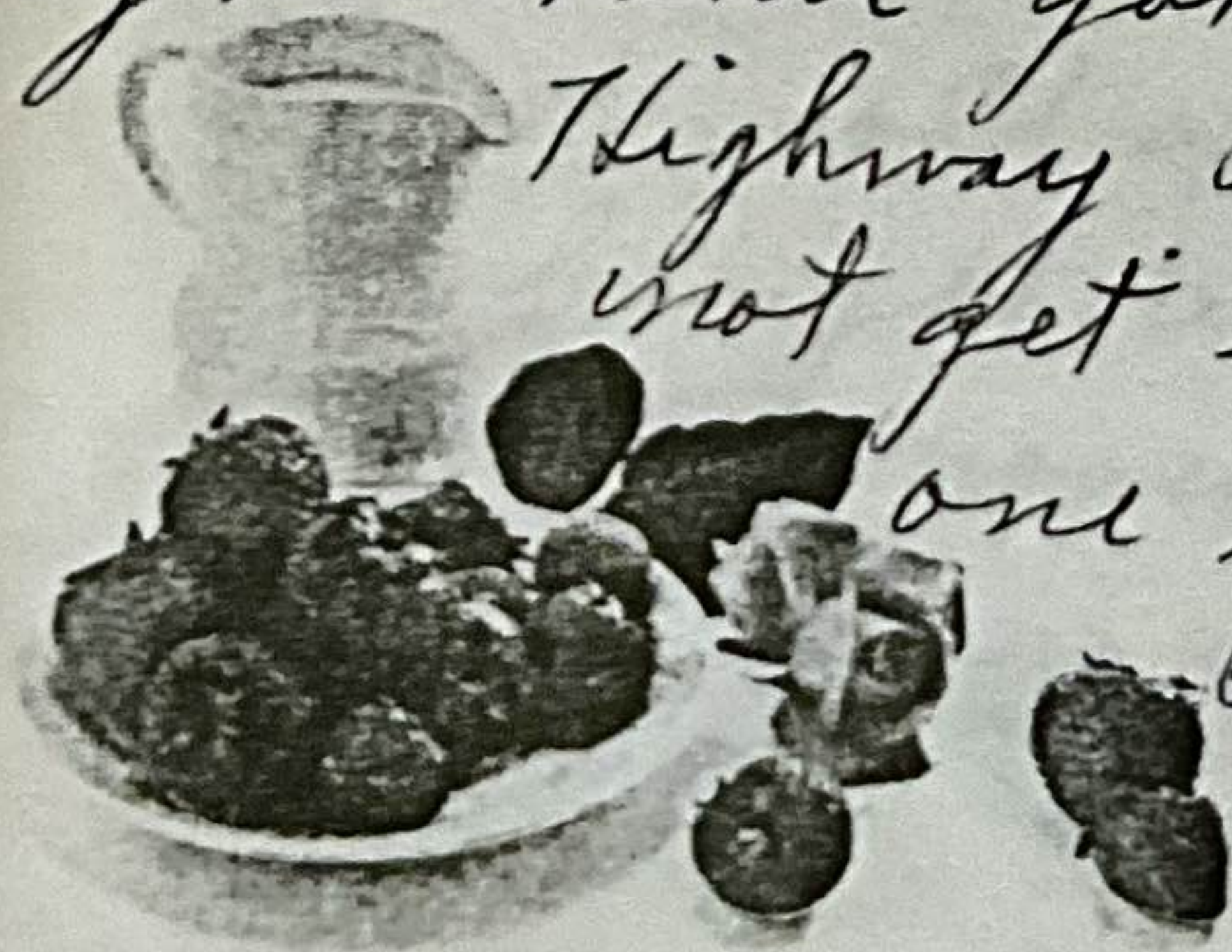
I had a big surprise, a very pleasant surprise, when I received your letter. There is so much to tell I do not know where to start.

My mother died April 4, 1965 and my step father died Dec. 25, 1973. My mother had a hard time after my father died, she went to northern California and lived with her mother, step father and two half sisters. My father died Oct 2, 1907, I was not very old since I was born Jan. 11, 1906. On March 24, 1909 she married my step father. She knew the family, since their farm was close to her place. My step father's mother was with my mother when I was born. As I grew up I seemed to be part of their family. I had a very good step father. He treated me as if I was

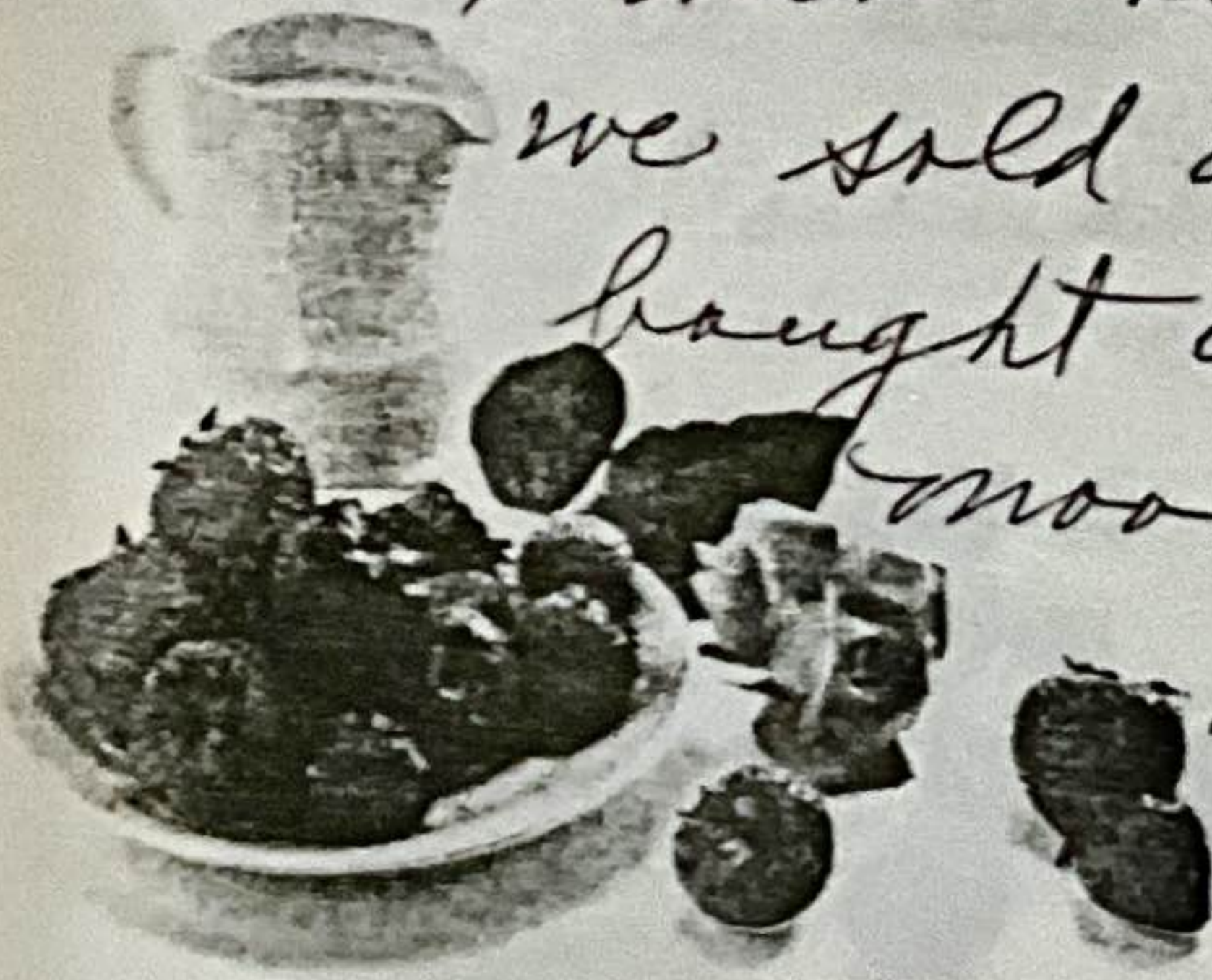


his own, and his family took me in as one of their own.

As soon as I finished High School I had to go to work. My folks had worked so hard to give me everything I needed to get through High School. I could not ask any more and I would have had to go to Los Angeles to school. I worked and married July 14, 1929. We lived in California for a year and my husband wanted to return to his home town in Johnson City, Texas. My mother never said much, but I am sure she was hurt when we left California. We landed in Texas at the beginning of the depression. We had a hard time for several years. My husband got a job with the Highway Dept. in 1931. I could not get work because only one member of a family could hold a job. In 1936 I went to work



for the County Judge part time. Later I got a better job with American Agricultural Association. In 1941 we decided to open a grocery store, that was just before World War 2. In 1942 my husband had a serious operation. We finally got through all of that and kept the store until 1946. We sold it and went to California for two months. When we came home, we decided we would move to the country on a small place we had bought. I went to work the Veterans Vocational School. We moved to the farm in 1948. In 1951 I quit the Vocational School job. In 1958 my husband had another serious operation. In 1959 with the help of my folks, we sold our small place and bought a larger one and moved on it Jan. 1959. We stayed until 1963. The doctor told my husband

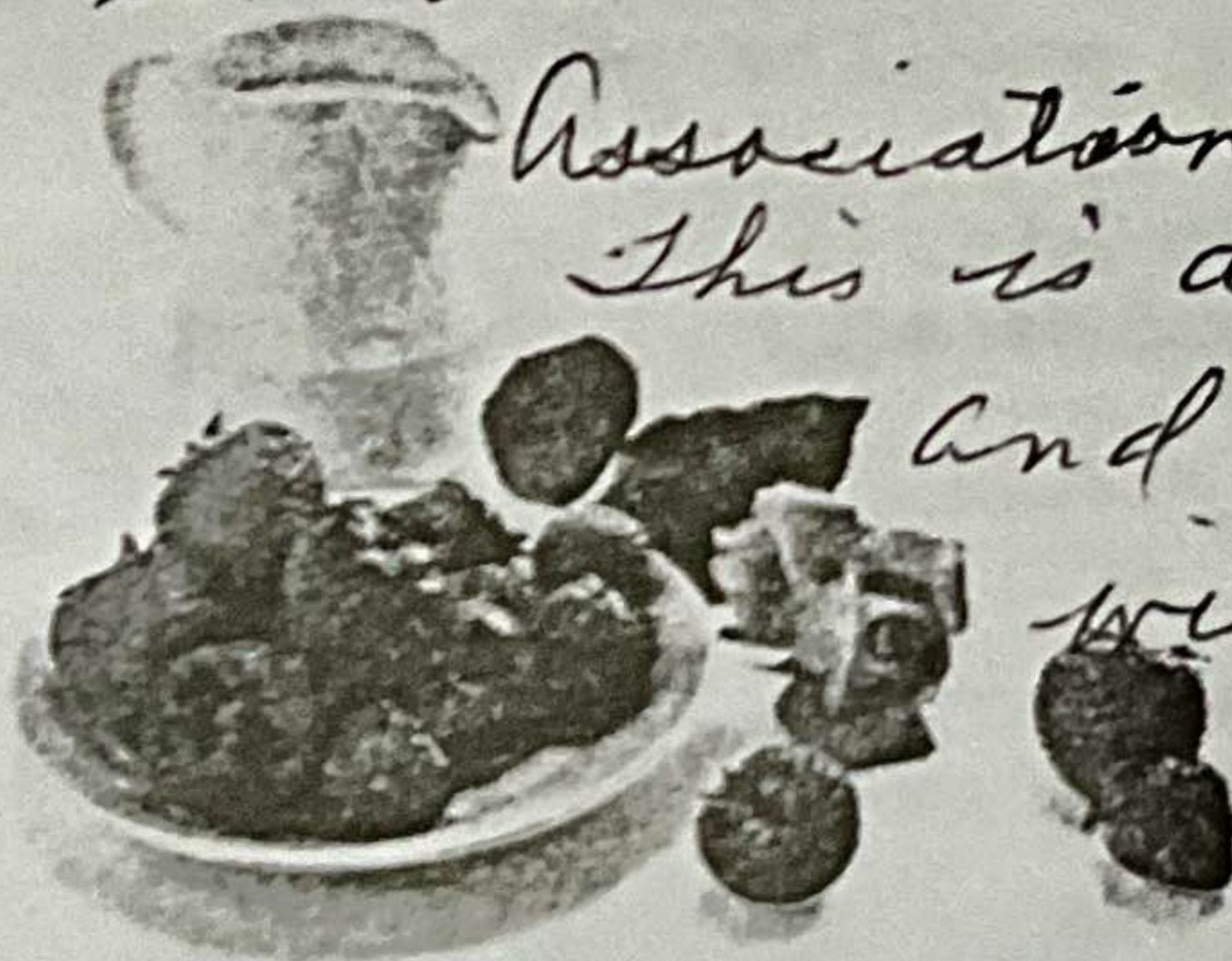


He would have to give up ranching. Before that in 1954 I went to work for Milling & Feed Co. I worked for them for 14 years. After we left the ranch in 1963, we moved to a place in Johnson City. We bought over an acre of ground and my husband put it all in orchard. He was working to hard keeping it going, so we finally sold it in 1968 and moved to Frederickburg where we built a house on just ~~an~~ a lot. So this is where we will probably stay. We both have worked very hard until we retired. Now we help Lucy by doing for our Church and we belong to a group that plays games twice a month. We also visit a lot. We also belong to the American

Association of Retired Persons -

This is a sketch of my life and as time goes on there will be more to tell.

Of course, I did not over



know much about the Skelton family. My grandparents disowned me, and it seemed the rest of the family was not too ~~too~~ interested in me. Except Uncle Pontiff. He came to be with my mother when my father died. Sometime between 1954 and 1959 he visited us in Johnson City.

I have several pictures that some of the family might like to have. I will send them later with the medal and band. I am glad to give them to some of his family. If I had children I would pass them on to them. I only wish I could have known him. But I am very thankful I had such a good step father.

I am enclosing a picture that was taken in 1975 for our church directory. Not too good. Everyone

mark
dad

I look very much like my mother. I loved my mother very much and appreciate what she went through to keep me with her. I still miss her even though she has been gone 12 years.

We do not travel, since my husband doesn't want to get too far from his doctor.

I suffer from arthritis, but I am very thankful I can still do most of the things I want to.

Our address now is:

1010 Ave. C.

Fredricksburg, Texas 78624

I will close for now and next time will fill you in on some more of my life.

Love
Srene

Western Fruit Growers Packing Co.

OPAL AND NICE STREETS

P. O. BOX 7

MENTONE, CALIFORNIA 92359

Dear JB,

Thank you so very much
sharing this with me.

I have written a long

letter to Irene Hoar and do

hope it reaches her and

that I will get an answer.

Sattie, I am praying that

she will get good and

lasting results from your

gentle treatment.

With love,
Frank Hoar

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Western Fruit Growers Packing Co.

OPAL AND NICE STREETS

P. O. BOX 7

MENTONE, CALIFORNIA 92359

May 30, 1972

Mr. & Mrs. J. B. Perry
Knoxville, Tennessee

Dear Knoxville Cousins:

We made the trip to San Diego and Julian as I outlined to you by phone last week.

The Julian Cemetery is located on a sharp hill top overlooking the small town of Julian and covers an area of about three acres. Like many country cemeteries there is no plan of maintenance and is maintained principally by people who look after their own plots. I contacted a former Custodian and he informed me that the cemetery map was destroyed by fire several years ago. I explained that I was looking for a John Skelton grave and he distinctly remembered the name and the approximate location, but we did not find any marker bearing that name. In this particular part of the cemetery, most of the markers date in early 1900 and some before the turn of the century. Many of the ground level markers have eroded badly and are difficult to read. The grass and vines in this part of the cemetery cover many of the markers and there is also the possibility that some of the low markers are covered over.

Should you care to write the people in authority, you may address your correspondence to Julian Cemetery Corp., Julian, Calif. I was told that the Corporation controls any new additions and beyond that I do not know what other records that they might have.

I am disappointed that I cannot give you a more positive report, but at least we know that we are on the right trail. When you come out to Calif. again we will go back and make a more thorough search.

Julian is a nice little mountain community located 48 miles north east of San Deigo, with an elevation of slightly over 4000 ft. During the drive up from San Diego, I noticed several apple and pear orchards.

We plan to be in Knoxville about Aug. 7th and hope to see you and discuss the matter further.

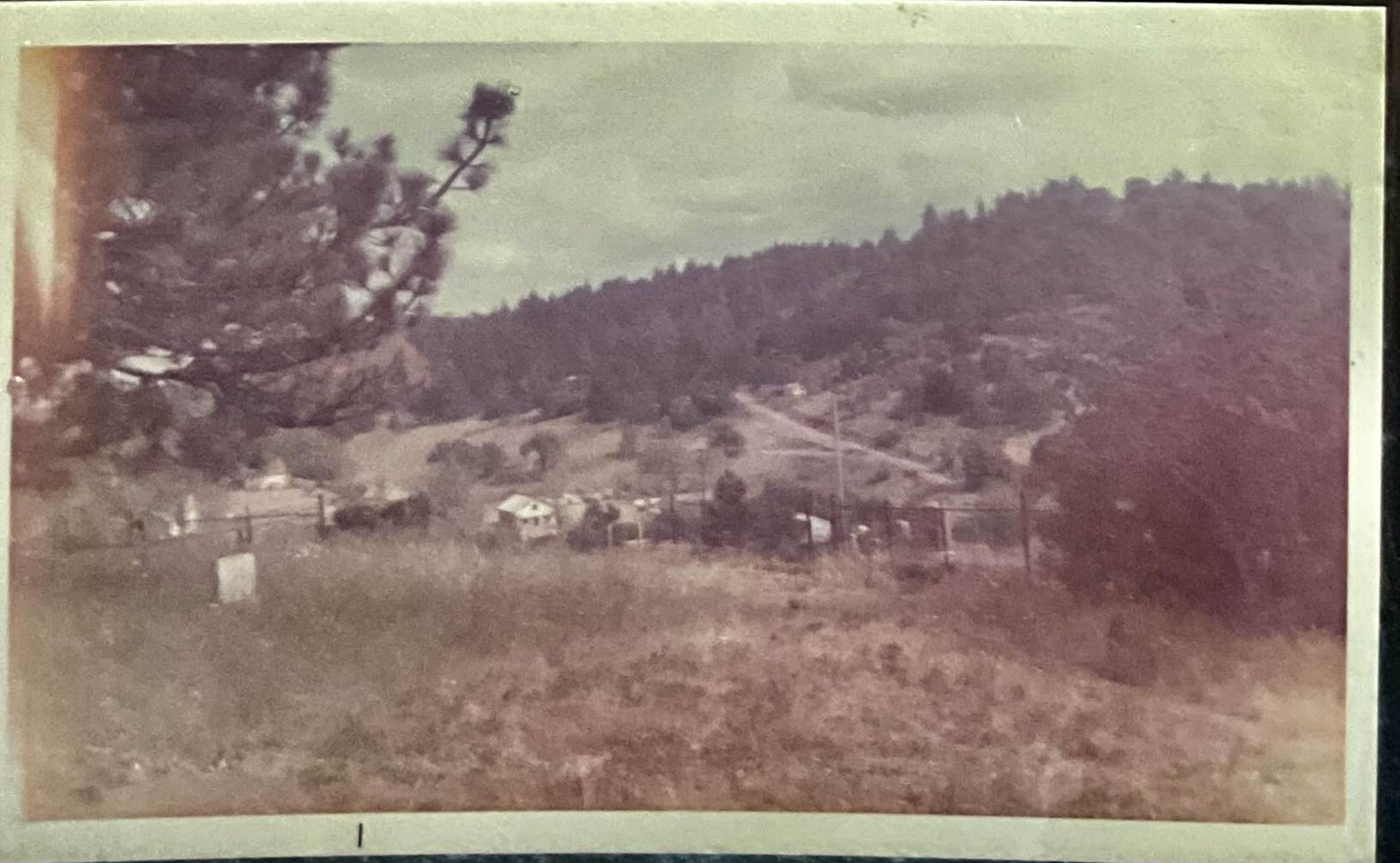
Best wishes to all,

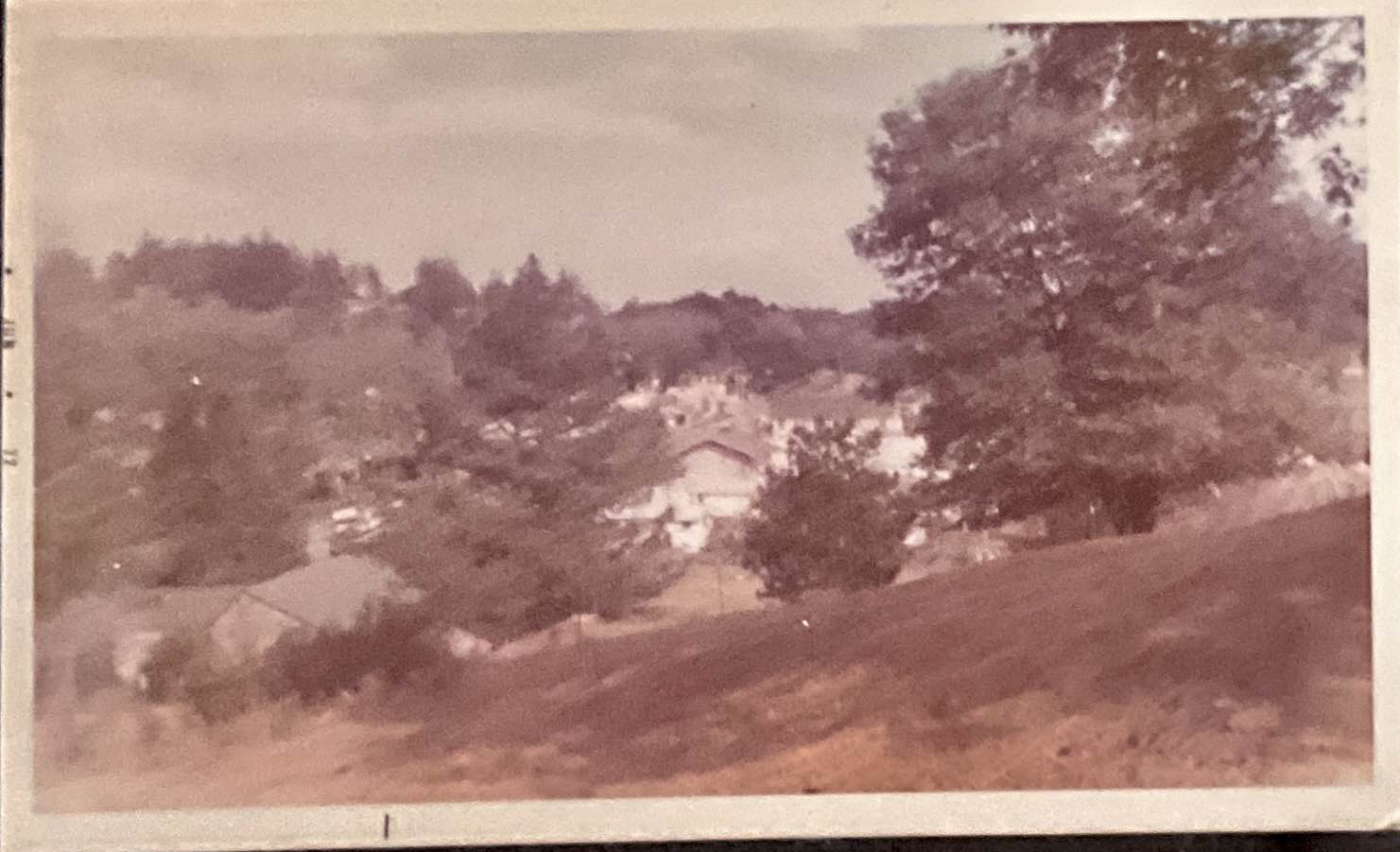
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DIOCESAN HEADQUARTERS



521 NORTH 20TH STREET
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA
TELEPHONE (205) 328-8

June 26, 1972

Mr. J. B. Perry
1213 Laurel Avenue
Knoxville, Tennessee 37916

Dear Mr. Perry:

In response to your letter, the following priests served St. Luke's Church, Scottsboro during the period 1955-1965:

The Rev. Allen T. Sykes
3643 Aurora Drive
New Orleans, Louisiana 70114

The Rev. Charles K. Horn
429 Cloudland Drive
Birmingham, Alabama 35226

The Rev. Lex S. Mathews
Box 682
Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514

The Rev. John W. Blow
Post Office Box 1429
Auburn, Alabama 36801

I hope that this will be helpful and you will locate the man among this list.

Faithfully yours,

Furman C. Stough
Furman C. Stough
Bishop

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MARCH 1975

echoes of the past

THE SCOTT FAMILY

William A. Scott, father of Robert T. Scott who founded Scottsboro, was born in Glasgow, Scotland, about the year 1729. After his father's death his mother married a wealthy Scotaman by the name of Clark. Scott became involved in a series of arguments with his new stepfather and soon became discontented and left Glasgow for America with a good friend who was the captain of a British merchant ship. Scott landed on the southern coast of Maryland and shortly afterwards married Miss Jane Thomas at Port Tobacco, Maryland.

William A. Scott served in the Revolutionary War under Colonel George Washington, rose to the position of lieutenant under Captain John Paul Jones of the Bonhomme Richard, and later became captain of his own sailing vessel. After the war Scott returned to Port Tobacco only to find that the British had completely destroyed his home. Scott and his wife left Maryland and moved to Virginia. They later moved to Greenville County, North Carolina, where his second son, Robert Thomas Scott, was born.

William A. Scott resided in Raleigh, North Carolina, for about three years before coming to Madison County, Alabama, in 1817. Court records indicated that Scott's settlement in Madison County was planned to be permanent. He sold to a Robert Cannon all his land in North Carolina, his pew in the First Presbyterian church, and a round-trip

one year) between Raleigh, North Carolina, and Richmond, Virginia. Scott's venture into Madison County proved to be very rewarding. He soon became a large landowner and provided many helpful services to the people of that area. William A. Scott died at Maysville, Alabama, in 1829.

Scott soon became prominent in all public matters and was considered a leader of the "plain people." His first venture into politics from Jackson County proved to be unsuccessful for he was beaten badly by Governor Chapman for a seat in Congress. In 1836 he was elected to the Alabama legislature by the people of Jackson County. He often expressed his political convictions to the people through the media of the *Bellefonte Carrier*, an early Bellefonte newspaper of which he was editor for several years. Scott was destined to serve the people of Jackson County eight times in the Alabama legislature.

In 1838 Scott was elected circuit clerk of Jackson County and while holding this office was elected to the legislature in 1839. When the Alabama legislature convened at Tuscaloosa (Alabama capital at that time) Scott was sworn in as a member, but a group of political enemies in Jackson County raised the constitutional point that he could not hold two public offices at the same time. After much debate it came to a vote with the legislature voting to deny him his seat and ordered a new election to be held in Jackson County. Scott, being

a very determined man, returned to his people again as a candidate for the legislature. He was again elected and returned to Tuscaloosa where he presented his credentials. He refused, however, to resign as circuit clerk and the legislature again denied him a seat and ordered another election. Scott was again elected and again the House refused to seat him. He was saved further embarrassment by the final adjournment of the legislature. This incident was remarkable in the sense that a man was elected three times to one session of the legislature. An event of this type had never occurred in Alabama before; nor has a similar incident occurred in the many years that have followed. After this, Scott remained in private life, pursuing the practice of law until 1842, when he was again elected to the legislature. Scott carried to the aid of the House strong native talents, matured and strengthened by experience. At this session he introduced a bill for the investigation of all extra allowances made by bank directors since 1835, giving power to the governor, if he should deem it expedient, to institute proceedings for the recovery of such unauthorized applications of the public money.

Robert T. Scott was born in 1789 at Greenville County, Virginia, and was the third of five children. His early life was spent helping his father on plantations in Virginia and North Carolina. He received his early education in the common schools of North Carolina at Raleigh and Chapel Hill, and studied law at Franklin, Tennessee. Immediately upon completion of his education he accompanied his father into Madison County where he purchased a farm. Because of his zest for adventure and his activity in political affairs, he was soon to become one of the most prominent citizens in the county. He was Robert Scott's

original intention, as land records bear out, to establish a town near the present community of Brownsboro. The records portray the original plan, the land was subdivided with ample streets bearing picturesque names. Family descendants have been unable to learn why this project failed.

In 1828 Scott returned to his native state to marry Elizabeth Ann Parsons of Moven, North Carolina. They were married in the latter part of that year at Sneedsboro, North Carolina. Scott and his new bride returned to Madison County where he continued to increase his land wealth and popularity with the people.

ROBERT T. SCOTT POLITICAL CAREER

In 1830 Scott announced his candidacy for the Alabama legislature and was elected by an overwhelming majority for a period of two years. Scott served the people of Madison County well during this term and subsequently was re-elected for two more years in 1832. Scott gained many friends in Jackson County during his terms in the legislature. Realizing the business possibilities of the newly-selected county seat of Bellefonte, he left Madison County for Bellefonte in 1834. Shortly after arriving in Bellefonte, Scott purchased a large farm and an adjoining hotel-tavern which he called "Belle Tavern." This tavern was the scene of many prominent social and political gatherings in the early ante bellum Bellefonte days.

New Arrivals

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Talley of Gurley, a girl.

Mr. and Mrs. Milton Smith of Pisgah, a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Coffey of Hollywood, a girl.

Mr. and Mrs. James Turner of Gurley, a boy.

***** SKELTON FAMILY BIBLE RECORDS *****

***** DEATHS *****

William Jefferson Skelton - Died December the 7th - 1852.

Eva Jane Skelton Smith - Died June the 20th - 1897.

Mark Kelly - Died December the 25th - 1879.

Rebecca James Kelly - Died April the 28th - 1903.

Maggie Odessa Skelton - Died August the 21st - 1885.

Infant Daughter - Died October the 17th - 1890.

Mark Jefferson Skelton - Died May the 20th - 1904.

John William Skelton, Jr. - Died October the 2nd - 1907.

Mary Edith Skelton Brandon - Died September the 8th - 1918.

Audrey Francis Skelton Proctor - Died May the 4th - 1921.

Mrs. J. W. Skelton (Nellie Diona Kelly) - Died August the 11th - 1938.

J. W. Skelton, Sr. - Died November the 4th - 1945.

Ruth Skelton Myers - Died January the 7th - 1953.

***** MARRIAGES *****

William Jefferson Skelton & Eva Jane Kirby - Were married 8th or 9th, Jan. 1852.
Mark Kelly & Rebecca James Turner - were married December 28th - 1849.

Rebecca Jane Skelton & Dozier E. Hollis - Were married August the 22nd - 1900.
Mark Jefferson Skelton & Ada Bishop - Were married January the 28th - 1898.
John William Skelton, Jr. & Hazel Biddings - Were married December the 13th-1903.
Mary Edith Skelton & John Vernon Brandon - Were married February the 22nd - 1901.
Ella Skelton & James Byron Perry - Were married December the 5th - 1903.
Audrey Francis Skelton & Jesse A. Proctor - Were married May the 29th - 1905.
Pontiff J. Skelton & Lottie Bynum - Were married January the 6th - 1916.
Maude Gertrude Skelton & Clarence O. Reed - Were married June the 25th - 1912.
Nellie Irene Skelton & John Buell Owen - Were married June the 17th - 1916.
Ruby Skelton & Jephtha Edward Moody - Were married July the 18th - 1918.
Ruth Skelton & John M. Myers - Were married August the 8th - 1919.
Joseph Richard Skelton & Mildred Hortenback - Were married October the 9th -
1918.

Coat of Arms



Skelton

Historiography

The Skelton Coat of Arms illustrated left was drawn by an heraldic artist from information officially recorded in ancient heraldic archives. Documentation for the Skelton Coat of Arms design can be found in Burke's General Armory. Heraldic artists of old developed their own unique language to describe an individual Coat of Arms. In their language, the Arms (shield) is as follows:

"Az. on a fess betw. three fleurs-de-lis or, a cornish chough sa. beaked and legged gu."

When translated the Arms description is:

"Blue; on a gold horizontal band between three gold fleurs-de-lis, a black cornish chough beaked and legged red."

Above the shield and helmet is the Crest which is described as:

"A peahen's head erased sa. in the beak an acorn or, stalked and leaved vert."

A translation of the Crest description is:

"A black peahen's (peacock) head jagged holding in the beak a gold acorn, stalked and leaved green."

Family mottoes are believed to have originated as battle cries in medieval times. A Motto was not recorded with the Skelton Coat of Arms.

Individual surnames originated for the purpose of more specific identification. The four primary sources for second names were: occupation, location, father's name and personal characteristics. The surname Skelton appears to be locational in origin, and is believed to be associated with the English, meaning, "dweller at, or near a hill manor." The supplementary sheet included with this report is designed to give you more information to further your understanding of the origin of names. Different spellings of the same original surname are a common occurrence. Dictionaries of surnames indicate probable spelling variations. The most prominent variations of Skelton are Skeltone, Skeltones and Skeltons.

Information available to us indicates that in 1971 there were approximately 3450 heads of households in the United States with the old and distinguished Skelton name. The United States Census Bureau in 1970 estimated that there were approximately 3.1 persons per household in America which yields an approximate total of 10,695 people in the United States carrying the Skelton name. Although the figure seems relatively low, it does not signify the many important contributions that individuals bearing the Skelton name have made to history.

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YOUR NAME AND YOUR COAT OF ARMS -- -- Priceless Gifts From History

Until about 1100 A.D. most people in Europe had only one name (This is still true in some primitive countries today). As the population increased it became awkward to live in a village wherein perhaps 1/3 of the males were named John, another sizable percentage named William, and so forth.

And so, to distinguish one John from another a second name was needed. There were four primary sources for these second names. They were: a man's occupation, his location, his father's name or some peculiar characteristic of his. Here are some examples.

Occupation: The local house builder, food preparer, grain grinder and suit maker would be named respectively: John Carpenter, John Cook, John Miller, and John Taylor.

Location: The John who lived over the hill became known as John Overhill, the one who dwelled near a stream might be dubbed John Brook or perhaps John Atbrook.

Patronymical: (father's name): Many of these surnames can be recognized by the termination---son, such as Williamson, Jackson, etc. Some endings used by other countries to indicate "son" are: Armenian's---ian, Dane's and Norwegian's ---sen, Finn's---nen, Greek's---poulos, Spaniard's---ez, and Pole's---wicz. Prefixes denoting "son" are the Welsh---

Ap, the Scot's and Irish---Mac, and the Norman's---Fitz. The Irish O' incidentally denotes grandfather.

Characteristic: An unusually small person might be labeled Small, Short, Little or Lytle. A large man might be named Longfellow, Large, Lang, or Long. Many persons having characteristics of a certain animal would be given the animal's name. Examples: a sly person might be named Fox; a good swimmer, Fish; a quiet man, Dove; etc.

In addition to needing an extra name for identification, one occupational group found it necessary to go a step further. The fighting man: The fighting man of the Middle Ages wore a metal suit of armor for protection. Since this suit of armor included a helmet that completely covered the head, a knight in full battle dress was unrecognizable. To prevent friend from attacking friend during the heat of battle, it became necessary for each knight to somehow identify himself. Many knights accomplished this by painting colorful patterns on their battle shields. These patterns were also woven into cloth surcoats which were worn over a suit of armor. Thus was born the term, "Coat of Arms."

As this practice grew more popular, it became more and more likely that two knights unknown to each other might be using the same insignia. To prevent this, records were kept that granted the

right to a particular pattern to a particular knight. His family also shared his right to display these arms. In some instances, these records have been preserved and/or compiled into book form. The records list the family name and an exact description of the "Coat of Arms" granted to that family.

Interest in heraldry is increasing daily. This is especially true among people who have a measure of family pride and who resent attempts of our society to reduce each individual to a series of numbers stored somewhere in a computer. In our matter-of-fact day and age, a "Coat of Arms" is one of the rare devices remaining that can provide an incentive to preserve our heritage. We hope you'll agree that it is much more than just a wall decoration.

If you are interested in a more in-depth study of the subject of this paper, may we suggest you contact the genealogical department of any fair-sized public library. We especially recommend the "Dictionary of American Family Names" published by Harper & Row and also "The Surnames of Scotland" available from the New York Public Library as excellent sources on the meaning of surnames.

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Rebecca Jane Skelton - born Oct 4 - 1874
 Mark Jefferson Skelton - " Feb 15 - 1876
 John William Skelton " Sept 26 - 1877
 Mary Edith Skelton " Sept 26 - 1878
 Portiff J. Skelton " Aug, 17 - 1881
 Ella Skelton " Apr, 20 - 1883
 Maggie Odessa Skelton " Dec, 19 - 1884
 Audnie Francis Skelton " Aug, 14 - 1886
 Maud Gertrude Skelton " Sept 17 - 1888
 Infant baby " Sept 12 - 1890
 Kelly Irene Skelton " Jan 25 - 1892
 Ruby & Ruth Skelton " June 5 - 1894
 Joseph Richard Skelton " Sept 12 - 1896

J. M. Skelton (father) was

born Nov. 23 - 1852 ^{age}
 died, Nov - 19 - 1946 - 93

Kellie Dione (Kelly mother)

was born Oct, 25 - 1853 ₈₅₋₁₀
 died Aug. 11 - 1938

They were married Dec. 21 - 1873

FAMILY GROUP

HUSBAND ROBERT SKELTON " of Pendleton Co. SC 1790" Form No. S-2
 Born ca 1751 Place _____
 Married ca 1771 Place ? Union Dist SC
 Occupation _____ Resided at Elbert Co. Georgia
 Church Affil. _____ War Serv. Rev War SC
 Died _____ Place _____
 Buried _____ Place _____
 Other wives _____
 Father _____
 Mother (maiden name) _____

Sheet submitted by:
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WIFE ELIZABETH BOBO (Beaubeaux)
 Born ca 1755 Place _____
 Church Affil. _____ Occupation _____
 Died _____ Place _____
 Buried _____ Place _____
 Other husb. _____
 Father Lewis Bobo, b ca 1735 d 1806
 Mother (maiden name) Sarah Solomon

Place sources of information
 and additional information on
 reverse side.

CHILDREN	BORN		DIED		MARRIED
	When	Where	When	Where	To Whom When Where
M 1	Solomon Skelton	ca 1772			Mary
M 2	Sampson Skelton	ca 1775	6 Oct 1826	Madison Co. Alabama	1. Sarah Smith 2. Nancy Ledbetter 6 Apr 1824
M 3	Jeremiah Bobo Skelton	11 Jan 1776	9 Jan 1860	Union Dist, S. Carolina Benton Co. Alabama	1. Mary Ann 2. Anna Ashley 15 Aug 1836
M 4	Robert Skelton, Jr.	ca 1779		Madison Co. Alabama	2. Sarah Kemp
M 5	Rhesa (Reecy) Skelton	ca 1783			
F 6	Mary Skelton	ca 1788			Basil Williamson Elbert Co. Ga. 28 July 1811
M 7	Jonathon Skelton	ca 1790			Elizabeth Cox Elbert Co. Ga. 17 July 1810
M 8	William Skelton	ca 1792	3 Apr 1867	Elbert Co. Georgia Jackson Co. Alabama	Catherine
F 9	Sarah Skelton	ca 1795			Ambrose Dollar Elbert Co. Ga. 28 Mar 1811
10	<i>William Skelton is of my lineage</i>				
11					
12					

REVOLUTIONARY WAR SOLDIER, SOUTH CAROLINA

- Ref: 1780 SC Dept. of Archives & History, Columbia, SC, Comp. Gen. Accts.
Audited for Rev. War Ser. AA7065 - Roll 135: Robert Skelton 156
days horseman under Col. Reebuck 1780. Lost horse in service 1782.
1789 Deed: Bobo, Lewis, planter, to Robert Skelton, both of Wilkes Co. F. 113
1790 Pendleton Dist. South Carolina Census (Elbert Co. Bk. B
1792 Deed: James McDonald & wife, Sarah to Robert Skelton 200 acres on
Cedar Creek adj. Lewis Bobo. 25 Aug 1792. Folio 107 Elbert Co. Bk. B.
1808 Jan 4, Land Court Recs. 1791-1822: Robert Skelton, surveyor's cert.
350 acres. Elbert Co. Ga.
Records of Col. George Byers, USA (Ret.) 3104 Corby Blvd., South
Bend, IN 46615; Minutes of Sardis Baptist Church, Elbert/Hart Co. Ga.
1808 Mar 7 (prob) Will of Lewis Bobo, Union Dist SC
Col. John W. Skelton USAF (Ret), John Skelton of Georgia, pp 6, 8, 871, 873
1793 Robert & John Skelton witness Deed of Gift: Esaias Harbour to son,
Talmon, 7 Jan 1793. Folio 136 Elbert Co. Ga. Deed Bk. A.

1. Solomon witnessed Will of Jesse Crenshaw, Sr. Pendleton Co. Probate
Records, SC. 14 Nov 1827.
Sardis Bapt. Church Minutes, Elbert/Hart Co. Ga. Land Deed Bk. N p
163 Ga. Recs. 15 Jul 1811; lived in Madison Co. Ala. 1830 Fed. Census.
2. Sampson m. 2nd 6 Apr 1824 Madison Co. Ala. Nancy Ledbetter. Adm. of
Est. of Sampson Skelton, Madison Co. Ala. Recs. 1826. Minutes of
Sardis Bapt. Ch. Elbert/Hart Co. Ga.
3. Deed of Gift to Jeremiah Bobo Skelton 1809 Elbert Co. Ga. Jere m 2nd
Anna Ashley in Talledega Co. Ala. Recs. Frank A. Henning, Lt. Col.
4. Minutes of Sardis Bapt. Ch. Elbert/Hart Co. Ga. Robert in Tuscaloosa
Ala. 1850 Fed. Census, Pickens Co. St. Clair Co. Ala. 1820 census.
5. Rhesa in St. Clair Co. Ala. 1820 census.
Rhesa-Reecy rec'd 2 draws in Ga. Land Lottery 26 Aug 1806 same day
as Zachariah. Ga. DAR Historical Collections, p 242. Minutes of Sardis
Bapt. Ch. Rhesa moved by way of Benton Co. Ala. to Itawamba Co. Ms. 1850
6. Mary m. Basil Williamson, 28 Jul 1811 Elbert Co. Marriage Recs. p 251.
7. Jonathon m. Elizabeth Cocks, Elbert Co. Will Bk. 1809-12 p. 78.
This John Skelton was single when he rec'd 1 draw in Land Lottery 1821
Elbert Co. Ga. Capt. Carpenter's Dist. Certified 31 Oct 1825. Most like-
ly our Jonathon shortened to John, Elizabeth, b 1787
Adm. of Est. of Sampson Skelton, Madison Co. Ala. Recs. 1826.
8. Petition for letters of Adm. Est. of Wm. Skelton, Jackson Co. Ala. p 215-
216 Bk. B; Records of Mrs. J. A. Proctor; 1830, 1840, 1850 Jackson Co. Ala.
census.
9. Sarah m. Ambrose Dollar, 28 Mar 1811 Elbert Co. Ga. Marriage Recs.
p. 188; lived in Pickens Co. Ala. Fed Census 1830: 5 males - 6 females,
p. 266; 1840: 4 males - 1 female, p 346

1. Bible Records of Zachariah Skelton
2. Bible Records of William Scales
- 3.
4. Gravestones Providence
5. Gravestones Garrison Cemetery
6. Gravestones Baptist Ford Cemetery
7. Marriage Records Warrick, Knox & Gibson Counties.
8. Goodspeeds: Warrick & Gibson Counties
9. Land Deeds, many, 1770 ff
10. Pension Papers of Ralph Skelton, Zachariah Skelton's widow, Robert Skelton, Daniel Putman and widow.
11. Ky Tax Lists 1803-1826
12. Estate Papers, James Skelton, Princeton Ct. File Bx 83, Item No. 10, 1814
13. U.S. Census Reports, many 1790 ff.
14. Letter, Ann Gabel, 1984

1. Robert was enumerated in 1790 Pendleton Dist. SC First Census with 1 young son & two females (one prob. his wife) d. 1793.
- 2.
3. Prudence m. 2nd Landon Key in Gibson Co. IN, 28 Jun 1821.
- 4.
- 5.
- 6.
- 7.
8. Zachariah m. 2nd Elizabeth Scales in Warrick Co. IN, 19 Dec 1839.
9. Ralph m. 2nd Cassania Connor in AR, 1825.
- 10.
11. This Robert was named for his elder bro. who d. young. This was often the custom of his day.

FAMILY GROUP

HUSBAND JONATHON SKELTON *or Robert*
 Born ca 1769 Place SC
 Married 17 July 1810 Place Elbert County, Georgia
 Occupation _____ Resided at _____
 Church Affil. _____ War Serv. War of 1812
 Died aft. 1812 Place _____
 Buried _____ Place _____
 Other wives _____
 Father ? Robert Skelton ?
 Mother (maiden name) Elizabeth Bobo, dau of Lewis Bobo & Sarah Solomon

Form No. S-3

Sheet submitted by:
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WIFE ELIZABETH COX
 Born ca 1783 Place S. Carolina
 Church Affil. _____ Occupation _____
 Died aft. 1860 census Place _____
 Buried _____ Place _____
 Other husb. _____
 Father John Cox
 Mother (maiden name) Sarah

Place sources of information
 and additional information on
 reverse side.

CHILDREN	BORN		DIED		MARRIED
	When	Where	When	Where	To Whom When Where
1 William Skelton		Georgia		Blount Co. Alabama	Charity Catherine Cox, Blount Co. Ala. 1835
2 Delilah Skelton		S. Carolina		Blount Co. Alabama	Henry Huffstutter
3 John Odis Skelton		S. Carolina	2 Nov 1876	Scottsboro, Jackson Co. Ala.	Elizabeth Berry (1) Martha Elizabeth (Stone) Scott (2)
4 Sarah Skelton		S. Carolina	aft. 1870 cen.	Blount Co. Alabama	Thomas Berry ca 1835/6 Alabama
5 James Washington Skelton		Alabama or SC			Jane E. ca 1840 Alabama
6					
7					
8					
9					
10					
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1812 - Jonathon enlisted for the War of 1812 in Elbert Co. GA the same day as his brother, Sampson; they mustered out same day. Fed. Archives (copy on file)

1810 - Marriage bond for Jonathon Skelton and Elizabeth Cox, Will Bk. 1809-1812, p. 78 Elbert Co. Ga. Office Judge of Probate.

1815 - Will of John Cox dated 18 Aug. 1815 Pendleton Dist. S.C. Probate Records Bk. C. pp 196-199; proven 9 Aug 1816, named Elizabeth Skelton as dau.

1809 - Will of Elizabeth Cox, dated 22 Jul 1809, Pendleton Dist. S.C. Will Bk. A. pp. 112/113, named Elizabeth Cox, dau of her son John.

1850 - Elizabeth Skelton is a widow, age 67, b. S.C. living in the household of her dau, Sarah and husband, Thomas Berry, 1850 Jackson Co. Ala. Fed. census, nearby is son, John P? (should be O. all his children named match the Bible records.) and son J(ames) W(ashington) Skelton.

1827 - Elizabeth Skelton, (widow) Capt. Dobbs Dist. No. 257, Dt. 7 Sec. 1, Land Lottery Georgia 1827, p. 174.

1860 - Fed Census

1. William Skelton stated in 1880 Blount Co. Ala. Fed census that he was b. Ga. 1810 and that his father b. Ga. and his mother S.C. He m. 1835 in Blount Co. Ala. to Charity Catherine Cox, b. 1816 S.C.
2. Dillah Skelton m. Henry Huffstutter; according to 1850 Blount Co. Ala. Fed. census, she was b. 1814 S.C. In that census near her was one Frances Cox, age 45, b. S.C. possibly a widow.
3. 1850 Jackson Co. Ala. Fed. census John O. is enumerated as John P? (in error) as his children named match the Bible records, as well as dates. His namesake, John Odis Skelton (deceased) was presented the Bible and his family in Burkeville have possession. Probate records, Jackson Co. Ala. Bk. A. pp. 122 /122, William Berry, Dec'd. named John O. Skelton in right of his wife, Elizabeth Berry. John O. Skelton enlisted 2 June 1836 at Montgomery, Ala. Capt. Bishop's Co. Mtd. Gunmen for Creek Indian Wars; mustered out 17 Aug. 1836. Deed: Jackson Co. Ala. 29 Aug 1872. A bronze marker awarded to J.O. Skelton for service in Indian Wars by Vet. Adm. was placed on his grave in Gasque Gap, Jackson Co. Ala. Bluff Memorial Cemetery where he and Elizabeth Berry are buried. Valley Leaves (Dec 1974) p. 58, Jackson Co. Mortality Schedule lists Elizabeth Skelton age 40 Ala. d. in childbed. Jackson Co. Ala. Tax Records 1871.
4. Sarah Skelton, b. 1817 S.C. m. ca 1835/6 in Ala. to Thomas Berry. 1850 Jackson Co. Ala. Fed. census. 1870 Blount Co. Ala. Fed. census, Sarah (Skelton) Berry was living in household of her son, Dallas Berry. She was age 54, b. S.C. and bedfast. This seems to be the last traceable historical record of her. (p. 8 Twp. 12 Range 2 West, 19 Aug. Fam. #40.
5. James Washington Skelton m. Jane E. ca 1840. Jensey was b. 1824 Ala. They had 13 children all b. Ala. Jane stated in 1880 census her father b. N.C. and mother b. Tn. Bible of Luther Skelton, son of Ernest Skelton, named James Washington as the brother of John Odis Skelton. Jackson Co. Ala. 1850 Fed. census Dist. 21; 1860 Div. 4 #159 p. 22; 1870 Dist. 21 #206 Twp. 3 Rn. 4 #31; 1880 18th Beat #34 June.

FAMILY GROUP

Form No. S-4

HUSBAND JOHN ODIS SKELTON
 Born 1815/6 Place S. Carolina
 Married 27 Oct 1836 Place _____
 Occupation Farmer, preacher Resided at Jackson County, Alabama
 Church Affil. _____ War Serv. Mtd. Gorman Creek Indian War
 Died 2 Nov 1876 Place Gaque Gap, Jackson Co. Ala. Sheet submitted by:
 Buried _____ Place Bluff Memorial Cem. Sand Mt.
 Other wives Martha Elizabeth (Stone) Scott
 Father Jonathon Skelton (pose)
 Mother (maiden name) Elizabeth Cox

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WIFE ELIZABETH BERRY
 Born 24 June 1819 Place Ala. ?
 Church Affil. _____ Occupation _____
 Died 10 Feb 1860 Place Gaque Gap, Jackson Co. Ala.
 Buried _____ Place Bluff Memorial Cemetery
 Other husb. _____
 Father William Berry
 Mother (maiden name) Chastity

Place sources of information
 and additional information on
 reverse side.

CHILDREN	BORN		DIED		MARRIED
	When	Where	When	Where	To Whom When Where
F 1 Skelton	under 5 yrs. 1840 census ca 1837	Jackson Co. Alabama			
M 2 William M. Skelton	9 Dec 1838	Jackson Co. Alabama	4 June 1913	Buckner, Ark. Liberty Cemetery	Susan Williamson 1860 Elizabeth E. Sisco 11 Jul 1870, Jackson Co
M 3 Samuel Green Skelton	28 May 1840	Jackson Co. Alabama	27 June 1919	Larkinville, Ala	Harriet (2) Syntha Hall (1)
M 4 Thomas B. Skelton	25 Feb 1842	Jackson Co. Alabama			Martha J.
F 5 Rebecca Skelton	30 Mar 1844	Jackson Co. Alabama			Jasper Self Jackson Co. Ala. ca 1869
F 6 Sarah Skelton	22 Mar 1846	Jackson Co. Alabama			William Cooper
M 7 Nancy Skelton	28 Feb 1848	Jackson Co. Alabama			
M 8 George W. Skelton	19 Jan 1851	Jackson Co. Alabama	31 July 1851		wom. Catherine Shankels Lula Vaughn
M 9 James Madison Skelton	28 Oct 1853	Jackson Co. Alabama	7 Nov 1931	Nacogdoches, Tx. Fairview Cem.	Aemil Burgers
M 10 Jonathon Sandy (Doc) Skelton	5 Dec 1856	Jackson Co. Alabama	21 Mar 1915		wom Catherine Counts Jackson Co. Ala.
M 11 Patton Oliver Skelton	10 Feb 1860	Jackson Co. Alabama			12 Dec 1888
12 (see sheet #2)					

- Ref: 1836 - 2 June, John O. Skelton enlisted in Capt. Bishop's Mtd. Gunmen as Pvt., 2nd Regt. Alabama Mounted Volunteers. (copy in file)
- 1856 - 29 Oct, William Berry, Dec'd., named John O. Skelton. (copy in file).
- 1850 - Jackson Co. Alabama Fed. census, John P? (should be O.) Childrens' names match the Bible record of John O. (copy in file). #236-203
- 1860 - Jackson Co. Alabama Fed. census, John O. Skelton #160 page 22 (no wife).
- 1860 - Jackson Co. Alabama Mortality Schedule, Elizabeth Skelton, age 40 died in childbed.
- 1840 - Jackson Co. Alabama Fed. census, page 64: James W., John Skelton, Thomas and John Berry.
- 1866 - 20 Jan, Deed: John Skelton, Jackson Co. Alabama, Gandrud, Alabama Records Vol. 19 page 74.
- 1870 - Jackson Co. Alabama Fed. census, John O. Skelton and wife, Elizabeth Scott, #87.
- 1871 - Jackson Co. Alabama Tax Records.
- 1872 - Jackson Co. Alabama Deed Bk. page 261, John O. Skelton to John Berry, 29 Aug. 1872
- 1876 - 2 Nov, John Odis Skelton died at Gasque Gap, Jackson Co. Alabama near Sand Mt.; bur. Bluff Memorial Cemetery; Bible records of John O. Skelton. Scottsboro Alabama Newspaper Obit stated that John O. Skelton was a preacher. 9 Nov. 1876.
1. Female Skelton is age (under 5) in 1840 Jackson Co. Alabama Fed. census. She is not in 1850 with the family. Her death is not recorded in the family Bible. It is possible that she was age 15 by the census date, but not probable. Neither is her birth recorded in the Bible along with all the other 11 children whose exact dates are given. Some females married young.
 2. William m. (1) Susan E. Williamson, 8 Mar 1860, Marriage Records, Jackson Co. Ala. Bk. A. p. 64; Wm. m. (2) Elizabeth E. Sisco 11 Jul 1870, Marriage Records, Jackson Co. Ala. Bk. A p. 888, #1485. Wm. M. Skelton enlisted Co. C. 26th Ala. Regt. Capt. Daniels Co., Sept 1861-Apr 1862. Bronze marker placed on his grave in Liberty Cemetery, Buckner, Ark. Elizabeth Sisco came to Texas after Wm.'s death and d. 30 Aug 1914; bur. Strong Cemetery, Huxley, Shelby Co. Tx.
 3. Petition for Letters of Adm. Jackson Co. Ala. for Harriet Skelton, Adm. for Samuel G. Skelton, 30 July 1919. Cynthia Hall, b. 10 Nov 1843 d. 7 Nov 1904; both bur. Boxes Cove, Larkinsville, Jackson Co. Ala.
 4. Thomas B(erry)? prob. named for his mother's maiden name, m. Martha J. _____? Had 5 children in 1880 Jackson Co. Ala. Fed. census, Beat #18, Vol. II, line 21. He named a son John O.
 5. Rebecca Skelton m. Jasper Self; 1870 Jackson Co. Ala. at Big Coon, stated he was a wagon maker, son of _____ & Mahala Self, b. Tn. 1850 Jackson Co. Ala.
 6. Sarah Skelton
 7. Nancy Skelton m. William Cooper
 8. George W. Skelton, d. 30 June 1851, age 6 months, 11 days.
 9. Marriage bond (in file) James M. Skelton and Katherine Shankles, 18 July 1872, signed by John O. Skelton, Bk. B. p. 243, Jackson Co. Ala. Records; 1880 census.
 10. Jonathon lived with Nat Sisco 1900 Nacogdoches Co., Tx. Fed. census at Melrose. In 1870-1880 Jackson Co. Ala. census, he is living with James M. #96
 11. Marriage bond for Patton O. Skelton and Catherine C. Counts, signed by him. Jackson County, Ala. Marriage Records, Bk. F. page 367.

FAMILY GROUP

Form No. S-3a

HUSBAND JOHN COX
 Born _____ Place _____
 Married _____ Place _____
 Occupation _____ Resided at _____
 Church Affil. _____ War Serv. _____
 Died 9 Aug 1816 w. p. Place Pendleton Dist. S. C.
 Buried _____ Place _____
 Other wives _____
 Father John Cox, Sr. d. bef. 24 Jun 1799
 Mother (maiden name) Elizabeth

Sheet submitted by:

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WIFE SARAH
 Born _____ Place _____
 Church Affil. _____ Occupation _____
 Died _____ Place _____
 Buried _____ Place _____
 Other husb. _____
 Father _____
 Mother (maiden name) _____

Place sources of information
 and additional information on
 reverse side.

CHILDREN	BORN		DIED		MARRIED		
	When	Where	When	Where	To Whom	When	Where
M. 1 <u>William Cox</u>							
F. 2 <u>Elizabeth Cox</u>		ca 1783 Pendleton S. C. District		Jackson Co. Alabama		17 Jul 1810	Elbert Co. Georgia
M. 3 <u>Ned Cox</u>							
M. 4 <u>John Cox</u>							
M. 5 <u>James Cox</u>							
F. 6 <u>Naomi Cox</u>							
F. 7 <u>Alley Cox</u>							
F. 8 <u>Casih Cox</u>							
F. 9 <u>Delilah Cox</u>							
F. 10 <u>Sarah Cox</u>							
M. 11 <u>Tilman Cox</u>							
M. 12 <u>Azariah Cox</u>							

(see reverse)

- 1840 Jackson Co. Alabama Fed. Census
 1850 Jackson Co. Alabama Fed. Census #203 p. 118 Nov. 8
 1860 Jackson Co. Alabama Fed. Census #160 p. 22
 1870 Jackson Co. Alabama Fed. Census #87
 1880 Jackson Co. Alabama Fed. Census #122 p. 20
 Marriage Records Jackson Co. Ala. Bk. A. p 888 #1485, for William M. Skelton and Elizabeth E. Sisco, 11 July 1870.
 Marriage license for William M. Skelton and Susan E. Williamson, dated 8 March 1860- Marriage Records Jackson Co. Ala. Bk. A. p 64
 Wm. M. Skelton enlisted Co. C. 26th Ala. Regt. Capt. James Daniels Co. Sept. 1861 to April 1862. Trans from Cavalry to Col. Day's Regt. Inf.
- #6. On 7 June 1981, met Mrs. Mertie Metcalf, age 88 years (sister of Luther
 #7. Hendricks) in Huxley, Shelby Co. Texas. She related that she was present
 #9. when the circuit preacher came to Huxley and performed the marriage ceremony of three Skelton children, John, Charles and Emma at the Old Liddy Church. The ceremony was conducted under the large oak trees that are still standing today (1981) though the old church building was replaced by a more modern building.
- 1900 Nacogdoches Co. Texas Fed. Census #192-194 Sheet #11 Pct. 6
1. Beauregard m. K(atherine) M. Shook; lived in Prairie Co. Ark.; 1870 Jackson Co. Ala. Fed. Census & 1880
 2. Rachel m. Wm. T. Fort, b 13 Dec 1862 d 22 Nov 1923; both buried Mattox Cem. Newton, Tx. 1870 & 1880 Jackson Co. Ala. Fed. Census.
 3. Susan E. m. J. B. Bridges. There was one J. B. (or H.) Bridges in 1870 Jackson Co. Ala. Fed. Census #83; Susan in #87; 1880(#122 p. 20). Jackson Co. Ala. Fed. Census.
 4. Nancy Jane Skelton m. 27 Aug 1890 to John F. Taylor of Prairie Co. Ark. at the residence of the bride's father, Wm. Skelton by I. R. B. Davis, Minister. Witness: C. C. Golding & H. L. Calley.
 5. Sarah Isabel m. W. E. Tyler 17 Apr 1898, Shelby Co. Tx. Recs. Vol. 4 p 160. 1880 Jackson Co. Ala. Fed. Census #122; She is bur. at Whiterock Cem. in Aiken, Shelby Co. Tx.
 6. J. W. Skelton m. 11 Sept 1904 to Miss Nora Lawrence, Shelby Co. Tx. Marriage Records Bk. Vol. 5 p 527. T. J. Hice. J. W. is listed as listed as female in 1880 Fed Census Jackson Co. Ala. # 122 p 20; 1900 Nacogdoches Co. Tx. Fed Census #192-194 Sheet 11 Pct. 6 Garrison, Tx.
 7. Charles m. Lela Phillips, Shelby Co. Recs. Vol 5 p 526. Note: Emma, J. W. and Chas. all married the same day by the Circuit preacher under the huge oak trees in front of Old Liddy Church north of Shelbyville, Shelby Co. Tx. 1880 Fed Census Jackson Co. Ala. #122; 1900 Fed. Census Nacogdoches Co. Tx.
 9. Emma m. T. L. Hendricks Shelby Co. Tx. Vol. 5 p 525. She is buried at Strong Cem. Huxley, Shelby Co. Tx.
 8. George lived only 6 months, 11 days.

JONATHON & ELIZABETH (COX) SKELTON

- 1790 - Jonathon Skelton, b. SC in First Census Pendleton District, SC.
- 1783 - Elizabeth Cocks (Cox) b. SC
- 1810 - Jonathon Skelton m. Elizabeth Cocks 17 Jul 1810 Elbert County, Ga.
(Will Bk. 1809-1812, page 78. Judge of Probate.)
- 1809 - Will of Elizabeth Cox dated 22 Jul 1809 Pendleton District SC, Will Bk.
A pp 112-113, named Elizabeth Cox dau of her son, John.
- 1812 - Jonathon Skelton enlisted for War of 1812 in Elbert County, Ga. the
same day as his brother, Sampson; mustered out the same date together.
(Federal Archives, Washington, DC. copy on file).
- 1815 - Will of John Cox dated 18 Aug 1815 Pendleton District SC Probate Records
Bk. C pp 196-199 proven 9 Aug 1816, named Elizabeth Skelton his dau.
- 1827 - Widow, Elizabeth Skelton in Capt. Dobbs' Dist. No. 257, Dt. 7 Sec. 1,
Georgia Land Lottery, p. 174. No record of a will has been found of
Jonathon's death, but his service in War of 1812 would entitle him to a
draw in the land lottery, which Elizabeth exercised.
- 1820 - Census
- 1830 - Census
- 1836 - John O. Skelton enlisted in Capt. Bishop's Mtd. Gunmen as Pvt. 2nd
Rgt. Alabama Mounted Volunteers (Alabama State Archives, copy on
file.) son of Jonathon and Elizabeth. (Creek War.)
- 1840 - Jackson County, Ala. Fed. Census, page 64: John Skelton, James W.
Skelton, Robert Skelton, Jr. (bro. of Jonathon) and Thomas Berry bro.
of Elizabeth, wife of John O.) & wife Sarah Skelton, 3 children of Jonathon &
Elizabeth Skelton.
- 1850 - Jackson County, Ala. Fed. Census: John P. Skelton (error of enumerator)
~~names~~ and ages of children match the Bible records (on file) of John O.
Skelton, b. SC 1815/6 (#236-203), James W. Skelton, b. SC (he is re-
corded in the Bible of Luther Skelton, Nacogdoches, Tx. as a brother of
John O.); Thomas Berry & wife Sarah (Skelton) b. SC, and living with
them is Elizabeth Skelton, widow, age 67 b. SC. We believe this to be the
same Elizabeth Skelton (widow) in Elbert County of Georgia Land Lottery.
She was entitled to a draw as a widow. No will has been found for Jonathon.
Only one of their children was born in Ga; the others of record were born
SC. James W. stated in one census that he was b. SC; another states Ala.
One wonders who gave the information. Elizabeth was in Georgia in 1827
indicating she removed to Alabama after that date. Jonathon, b. SC went
to Ga. with his father, Robert and married there and the first child was
born there. He probably went with his wife Elizabeth to SC before her
father died 1816 and remained there till his other 4 children were born,
1814-1819/20. Jonathon died sometime between 1820-27. He was about
age 57 at the time of his death considering he was head of a family in
1790 census and about age 40 when he married Elizabeth Cox, if he d.
1827.

- 1840 - Samuel Green Skelton born Jackson County, AL.
 - 1867 - Sam m. Cynhia Hall
 - 1870 - 1870 Jackson County AL Fed. Census
 - 1880 - Jackson County AL Fed. Census.
 - 1900 - Jackson County, AL Fed. Census
 - 1919 - Samuel Green d., buried Boxex Cove Cemetery, Larkinsville, Jackson County, AL.
- Hall History, Lorene Hall King. Shelton, Wininger and Pace Families, Harold & Robert Casey, pp 453-455.

FAMILY GROUP

HUSBAND SAMUEL GREEN SKELTON Form No. S-6
 Born 28 May 1840 Place Jackson County AL
 Married 16 Feb 1865 Place AL
 Occupation _____ Resided at Jackson Co. AL
 Church Affil. _____ War Serv. _____
 Died Jun 1919 Place Jackson County AL Sheet submitted by: _____
 Buried Boxes Cove Place Larkinsville, Jackson Co. AL
 Other wives _____
 Father John Odie Skelton
 Mother (maiden name) Elizabeth Berry

WIFE CYNTHIA Hall
 Born 10 Nov 1843 Place AL Place sources of information and additional information on reverse side.
 Church Affil. _____ Occupation _____
 Died 7 Nov 1904 Place _____
 Buried _____ Place _____
 Other husb. _____
 Father Hosea Farmer Hall
 Mother (maiden name) Mary Pace

CHILDREN	BORN		DIED		MARRIED
	When	Where	When	Where	To Whom When Where
1 James M. Skelton	18 Feb 1867	Alabama Jackson Co.	2 July 1959		Martha V. Steeley
2 Lucinda	Jan 1870	Alabama Jackson Co.			Edward F. Metcalf
3 Margaret Jane		Alabama 1871			Callie L. Smart
4 William Harvey	10 Dec 1873	Alabama Jackson Co.	7 Dec 1948	Alabama Jackson Co.	Mary J. Latham
5 Samuel David	24 Oct 1881	Alabama Jackson Co.	27 Jan 1957	Alabama Jackson Co.	Mary Annis Skelton
6 Logan Berry	27 Mar 1884	Alabama	11 Dec 1969	Alabama	Buchanan
7 Cynthia (Cindy)					
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FAMILY GROUP

HUSBAND SKELTON, JAMES WASHINGTON
 Born ca 1819 Place S. Carolina
 Married ca 1840 Place _____
 Occupation Laborer Resided at Jackson Co. Ala.
 Church Affil. _____ War Serv. _____
 Died _____ Place _____
 Buried _____ Place _____
 Other wives _____
 Father Jonathon Skelton ? ex Robert
 Mother (maiden name) Elizabeth

Form No. 3-7

Sheet submitted by: _____

WIFE Jane E. (Jensey)
 Born ca 1824 Place Ala.
 Church Affil. _____ Occupation _____
 Died _____ Place _____
 Buried _____ Place _____
 Other husb. _____
 Father _____ b. N. C.
 Mother (maiden name) _____ b. Tn.

Place sources of information and additional information on reverse side.

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CHILDREN	BORN		DIED		MARRIED To Whom When Where
	When	Where	When	Where	
1 Elizabeth Skelton		1841 Alabama			
2 Margaret Skelton		1843 Alabama			
3 ^{or E.} William C./Skelton		1844 Alabama			
4 Milly A. Skelton (twin)		1846 Alabama			
5 Delila Skelton		1848 Alabama			
6 ^{A.} Sarah/Skelton		1850 Alabama			
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9 Frances C. Skelton		1855 Alabama			Mary A.
10 John L. Skelton		1858 Alabama			
11 George W.		1861 Alabama			
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13. Martha Ellen		1868 Alabama			

FAMILY GROUP

HUSBAND JOHN WILLIAM SKELTON

Form No. S-8

Born 2 June 1876 Place Scottsboro, Jackson Co. Ala.

Married 11 Sept 1904 Place Shelbyville, Shelby Co. Tx.

Occupation Carpenter Resided at Wiergate, Newton Co. Tx.

Church Affil. Baptist War Serv _____

Died 15 Nov 1961 Place Lake Charles, Calcasieu Par. La.

Buried Prien Cemetery Place Lake Charles, La.

Other wives _____

Father William M. Skelton

Mother (maiden name) Elizabeth E. Sisco

Sheet submitted by:

Mr. & Mrs. G. C. Skelton
P. O. Box 340
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WIFE NORA ELIZABETH LAWRENCE

Born 9 Sept 1885 Place Coushatta, Red River Par. La.

Church Affil. Baptist Occupation Seamstress

Died 29 Jan 1958 Place Lake Charles, La.

Buried Prien Cemetery Place Lake Charles, La.

Other husb. _____

Father Seaburn Thomas Lawrence

Mother (maiden name) Susan Mary Curry

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and additional information on
reverse side.

CHILDREN	BORN		DIED		MARRIED		
	When	Where	When	Where	To Whom	When	Where
F 1 Lydia Viola Skelton	22 Mar	Zwolle, Sabine Parish, La.	25 Mar	Wiergate, Tx. Newton Co.	James H. Boyett		
M 2 Skelton	ca	1908	ca	1908			
F 3 Skelton	5 July	Groveton, Tx. Trinity Co.	5 July	Groveton, Tx. Trinity Co.			
M 4 John Odis Skelton	23 Jan	Groveton, Tx. Trinity Co.	6 Mar	Burkeville, Tx. Newton Co.	Madie Beatrice Smith	20 June	1942
M 5 Clarence Carlton Skelton	2 May	Shelbyville, Tx. Shelby Co.			Helen Loraine Rogers	2 Aug	1935
M 6 William Andrew Skelton	18 July	Groveton, Tx. Trinity Co.			Cora Belle Jacobs		Harris Co. Tx.
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Ref: Marriage License: J. W. Skelton m. Nora Lawrence, 11 Spet 1904, Shelby
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Charles, La.

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1900 Nacogdoches Co. Tx. Fed. Census, Garrison Pct. Sheet No. 11 #192-194
1920 Deed Bk. 60 p. 141 Trinity Co. Recs. J. J. Polk to J. W. Skelton

1. Lydia Viola (Skelton) Boyett, bur. Magnolia Springs Cem. Jasper Co. Tx.
Tombstone Inscrpt.
2. Infant male was stillborn as related by Nora Skelton
3. Infant female Skelton, b alive d. same day only lived a few hrs. Birth Recs.
Trinity Co. Tx. Vol. 1 p. 252 #1809. Searched Trinity Co. Cemetery Recs.,
by Trinity Co. Hist. Comm. no record.
4. John Odis Skelton, II was named for his great gr-father; birth cert.; marriage
license, family Bible recs.; bur. Tanner Cemetery, Burkeville, Newton Co. Tx.
5. Clarence was named for Wm. Clarence Lawrence, his uncle; birth cert.; Bible
recs.; marriage recs. Newton Co. Tx. ; living in Burkeville, Tx.
6. Wm. Andrew, named for his gr-father; birth Cert. Trinity Co. Tx.; living
2002 Rose St. , Lake Charles, La.

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THE NAME AND FAMILY
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THE NAME AND FAMILY OF SKELTON

The surname of SKELTON, meaning "water town", is derived from the residence of its first bearers at a place so called in England, there being a village of that name near Ripon, in Yorkshire, and a parish so called in the County of Cumberland. It is probable that both places gave rise to families of the name. In ancient English and early American records the name is found in the various spellings of Skeleton, Skeltone, Skellton, Skilton, and Skelton. Of these, the last is the form most frequently used in America in modern times, while that immediately preceding it is also often in evidence.

While originating in Yorkshire and Cumberland, families of the name were also early seated in the English Counties of Devon, Westmorland, Cornwall, Leicester, Norfolk, Hants, and London. These families appear to have belonged, for the most part, to the landed and educated classes of Great Britain.

The ancient Cumberland family of the name was represented

about the beginning of the fourteenth century by John de Skelton, who was knight of that shire in the Parliament held in Lincoln in the year 1316. Adam de Skelton represented Cumberland in the Parliament of 1318; and John de Skelton represented Cumberland in the Parliaments held at London in 1324 and at York in 1329. Richard de Skelton, of Cumberland, was Burgess for the city of Carlisle in the Parliament at Winchester in 1331; Thomas de Skelton was knight of the shire in 1337; and Sir Clement de Skelton, knight of the shire about the year 1377, married Johanna, daughter of Sir Giles de Orton, but probably left no issue. Sir Thomas de Skelton, of Cumberland, was Steward of the Duchy of Lancaster in the latter fourteenth century and died about 1416. It is considered probable that he was the father of Johannes or John de Skelton, who was a Member of Parliament for Cumberland in 1401 and at subsequent dates. This John was the father of Sir John and Richard Skelton, of whom the latter was Sheriff of Cumberland in 1427 and was resident at that time at Branthwaite, one of the earliest seats of the family. In the year 1471 Robert Skelton, of this family, was representative of the city of Carlisle; and as early as 1511 John Skelton, of the same line, was Sheriff of Cumberland and resident at Armathwaite or Armethwaite, in that county,

another early seat of the family.

The last-mentioned John was the father of William Skelton, who married Anne, daughter of John Leigh, and died about 1582, leaving at least one son, Lancelot Skelton, who married Catherine, daughter of Thomas Dalston, and had issue by her of John, William, Lancelot, Richard, and several daughters. Of the sons, John first married Julian, daughter of Sir Philip Musgrave, and was the father by her in the year 1600 of a son named Richard. By his second wife, Barbara Fletcher, he had further issue of Lancelot, John, William, Marmaduke, Frances, and Mary. Richard, eldest son and heir of John of Armathwaite or Armethwaite, married Lettice Burdet, of Warwickshire, about the year 1625 and was the father by her of John, Philip, Katherine, and Julian, of whom the first married Elizabeth, daughter of Gerard Salvein or Salvin, of Durham, and had issue by her of Richard, Gerard, John, Philip, Mary, and Lettice.

Thomas Skelton, a descendant of one of the younger branches of the family at Armathwaite, in Cumberland, married a daughter of Roger Lancaster in the first half of the fifteenth century and had issue by her of a son named Richard, who married Elizabeth, daughter of Sir Thomas Curwen. To this union was born a son named John, who was the father by

his wife, Mary Irton, of Thomas, Oswald, Robert, Christopher, Catherine, and Ellyn.

William Skelton, "a younger brother of the house of Armethwayte in Cumberland", was married toward the end of the fourteenth century to Jane, daughter of Thomas Osmund, of Yorkshire. Their son, Richard, was the father of John, who had two sons, John and Peter Skelton. Of these, John married Margaret, daughter of Robert Dyneley, and was the father by her of Henry, John, Peter, Clement, and George, and, possibly, of Richard and Julian as well. Henry, the eldest son, married Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas, Lord Pounfret, and was the father by her of Robert, William, Nicholas, Elizabeth, and Sybell, of whom the first was married about 1496 to Grace, daughter of Ralph Pulleyne, and had issue by her of Peter, Christopher, Robert, and Jane. Of these, Peter had no issue by his first wife, Margaret Ramsden, but was the father by his second wife, Mary Legh, of Thomas and John, and by his third wife, Anne Holgate, had Gervase, Mary, and Frances. Thomas, heir of Peter, was married in 1587 to Jane, daughter of Seth Holme, of Huntington, near York. To this union were born William (died without issue), Henry, and several daughters. Henry Skelton, heir to the family estates, became Mayor of Leeds,

in Yorkshire, about 1664. He married Ellen, daughter of William Marshall, and was the father by her of Seth, John, Marmaduke, and Anne. Some historians add that Thomas and Jane (née Holme) had another son, named Seth, who made his home at Osmanthorpe, in Yorkshire, and was the father by his wife, Mary Ford, whom he married about 1608, of William and Anne.

Another branch of the family in Yorkshire was founded toward the end of the sixteenth century by Anthony Skelton, "a younger son to Skelton of Armethwayt in Cumberland", who made his home at Sinington, in York. Anthony had two sons, Thomas and Anthony, of whom the former died in 1644, leaving issue by his wife, Anne De la Poole, of Robert, Thomas, William, Mary, and Christian Skelton. Of these, Robert was the father by his wife, Anne Bromfield, of Robert, Ralph, Thomas, George, William, and Samuel; while Thomas left issue by his wife, Alice Newton, of a son named Samuel and several daughters.

The Branthwaite, County Cumberland, branch of the family, descended from the before-mentioned Richard Skelton, of that place, was also prominent in early times, and William Skelton, a younger son of that line, was living at Appletreethwaite, in the same county, about the middle of

the sixteenth century. He was the father of two sons, John and Simon, of whom the latter settled at Highhouse, Cumberland, and left issue there by his wife Margaret, daughter of George Skelton, of Armethwaite, of a son named John, who died in 1644, leaving issue by his wife, Dorothy Bakehouse, of a son named Richard.

Of the Lancashire family of the name, probably descended from the Skeltons of Cumberland or Yorkshire, Edmund Skelton was the father in 1540 of a son named Richard, who married Ann Latus in 1560 and was the father by her of, among other children, a son named William, who married Agnes Sandwith and was the father by her of Richard and Henry. Of these, Richard married Jane Gibson in 1647 and had issue by her of Thomas, William, Richard, Christopher, and Jane.

While it is not known in every case from which of the branches of the family in England the first emigrants of the name to America are descended, it is probable that all of the Skeltons are descended from one or another of the before-mentioned lines.

The first of the family in America was the Reverend Samuel Skelton, who came from Lincolnshire, England, in 1629 and settled at Salem, Mass. He brought with him his wife and three or four children, but his records are not

complete. He died in August, 1634; and another Samuel Skelton, of Salem, undoubtedly son of the Reverend Samuel and recorded as "born in England", sold land in that place in February of the same year. It is probable that Benjamin Skelton, whose son John was born at Salem in 1639, and Nathaniel Skelton, whose son John was born at Salem in 1648, were also sons of the Reverend Samuel. The records of these lines are, however, only fragmentary.

Dr. Henry Skilton, who was born in the Parish of St. Michael's, Coventry, England, in 1718, the son of John and Mary (née Bennitt) Skelton, of that place, emigrated in 1735 to America and settled at Roxbury, Mass. In 1741 he married Tabitha Avery, at Preston, Conn., and shortly afterward he removed to Southington, Conn., finally settling at Woodbury, in the same colony. The children of Henry and Tabitha were Lucy, Elizabeth, Mary, Avery, James (died young), Tabitha (died in infancy), Tabitha, and Sarah.

Avery Skilton, only surviving son of the immigrant Henry, was married in 1771 to Parthenia Judd, by whom he left issue in Bethlehem, Conn., of seven children, Melicent, James, Lucy, Henry, Polly, Parthenia, and Tabitha.

James Skelton, who was living in the Parish of St. James, in Goochland County, Va., as early as 1735, is

believed to have been the first of his line in America. He married Jane Meriwether and had issue by her of Reuben, Meriwether, Lucy, Sally, and Bathurst.

Of the last-mentioned brothers, Reuben was clerk of St. Paul's Parish, in Hanover County, Va., before 1775, but is thought to have died without issue; Meriwether also resided in Hanover County, but died unmarried; and Bathurst was married in 1766 to Martha Wayles, of Charles City County, Va., but died in 1769, leaving only one son, named John. Martha, the widow of Bathurst, married Thomas Jefferson, President of the United States.

Another branch of the family in America was founded by Judge Joseph Skelton, who bought land in Middlesex County, N.J., about 1747. Possibly this Joseph was descended from Robert Skelton, who was living in Monmouth, N.J., in 1692, or from John Skelton, of Pennsylvania, who was married about 1714 to Jane Fearlamb. There was also a Thomas Skelton living in Philadelphia in 1735; but no definite connection has been established between these early settlers and Judge Joseph. By his wife Hannah, this Joseph was the father of Josiah, Mary, Sarah, Elizabeth, Thomas, and Joseph Skelton.

Josiah, son of Judge Joseph Skelton, married Mary Wright, of Allentown, Pa., before 1779 and removed with

her to Powhatan County, Va. His children were Dr. Ennion William, Elizabeth, Josiah, and Dr. John P. Skelton. Descendants of this line have resided, not only in Virginia, but also in Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, California, and Indiana.

Alexander Skelton, whose ancestry is not known, but who may have been descended from one of the several early settlers of the name in Pennsylvania, was married before 1762 to Rachel Maria and was the father by her of Margaret, George, John, Aaron, Susan, Catherine, Isaac, William, Caleb, and Alexander.

In general, the Skeltons have been known as a dynamic, resourceful, and intelligent race, possessed in many cases of artistic talents, pleasing personalities, and the ability to make friends.

Records of the family in the Revolutionary War include mention of Lieutenant Cluff, Ensign John, and Thomas Skelton, of Virginia; John and William Skilton, of Virginia; James, John, Jonathan, Joseph, Owen, and William Skelton, of Pennsylvania; Alexander and Jonathan Skilton, of Pennsylvania; Thomas Skelton, of New Jersey; "Dayz", Thomas Jr., and Matthew Skilton, of Massachusetts; and others.

John, Charles, Thomas, Richard, Philip, Robert, Henry,

George, Samuel, James, William, Alexander, and Josiah are among the masculine Christian names favored by the family.

Among those of the name who have been prominent in America in comparatively recent years are:

Charles Skelton (nineteenth century), of Pennsylvania and New Jersey, Congressman from 1851 to 1855.

Julius Augustus Skilton (1833-1897), of New York, physician, surgeon, diplomat, and author.

John Davis Skilton (b. 1867), of Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Connecticut, clergyman.

Charles Sanford Skilton (b. 1858), of Massachusetts and Kansas, composer and organist.

William B. Skelton (b. 1871), of Maine, lawyer.

The coat of arms of the ancient English family of Skelton to which the American Skelton and Skilton lines are related, is described in heraldic terms as follows (Burke, Encyclopaedia of Heraldry, 1844):

Arms.--"Azure, on a fesse between three fleurs-de-lis or, a Cornish cough sable, beaked and legged gules."

Crest.--"A peahen's head erased sable, in the beak an acorn or, stalked and leaved vert."

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Gene

James & others

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Donald Dudley

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Ellie

Audrey

Portia

Mary

Yvonne

Rebecca

Doris

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about '03 because mother was
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been 15 - Audrey would have
been 17 and
the twin 9.
She could have
been '02 - even.

Gene

Maud

Ruby
Ruth

