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Gentlemen: Re: Deed Index - years ~~May 12, 1950~~ *26-917*

I understand from Miss I. Hardin, you have an index to the deeds of Hart Co., Ky., in the early days. My Mother's folks are from Hart Co., and have had it difficult to locate any data - on folks in Hart Co., Powder Mills Section. James W. Davis and wife Lydia (Pierce) Davis - had 12 children or so -- and one, James Hamilton Davis was the Father of my Mother, a native of Green Co., and I, of Louisville, Kentucky.

I would like to have copies made photostated if at all possible - and let me know the charges - and shall remit at once. I am not sure if I have any money due me at Filson; and if not - will remit.

If cannot be photostated the index - let me know how I may get copies made - correctly and copies as written - and charges for work, done ~~very~~ soon, as I need to learn from deed index - names of folks - and time they lived in Hart Co., Mayme Harris

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The Filson Club,
118 W. Breckinridge St.,
Louisville, 3, Ky.,

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The Dorlands
3031 Kalmia Street
San Diego 4, California

Nov. 18, 1956.

The Filson Club,
118 West Breckinridge, St.,
Louisville, Ky.,

Dear Madam:-

Some time ago I wrote to your library for help on a Davis line I was trying to get D.A.R. papers on for a daughter-in-law. I was asking for an Ishmael Davis father of Ishmael but I have since learned from family that my Ishmael Davis' father was William Davis of Maryland (1761-1849) who married Sarah Trotter in 1778 and had my Ishmael Davis in Maryland 1793 and moved with family to Lewis Co. Ky. 1794. I have a great deal about the family after going to Missouri and would be most glad to share with any workers you have that are interested in line or would copy my material for your files if you care for them.

What I would like to have you do is to check your indexes for this William Davis of Lewis Co. Ky. and see if you can give me a clue where to search for proof of what I have and also if he was a Revolutionary veteran from Maryland which I feel sure he was.

I have written Hall of Records in Annapolis, Md. and since there are six William Davis in War cant locate him. The War Office is looking for me but so far no help. D.A.R. Headquarters say no one has joined under him and so do S.A.R. & Sons of Rev. although family says members have joined S.A.R.

If I could get county of Maryland they were from it would help. I know there is a Trotter Genealogy but our Sutro Library does not have it. If this index looking does not turn up a clue I will get one of your paid workers to search if you have any thing there you feel will help. I have a great deal on the Davis Family of Va. which I feel sure will tie in with this family. I am wondering if the Draper Manuscripts are too hard to search.

Thanking you for any suggestions you can give me I am,

sincerely,

Hape Dorland

Mrs. F.N. Dorland.

Davis

JEFFERSON HAYES DAVIS, of Colorado Springs, Col., son of Joel Addison and Margaret Howell (DAVIS) HAYES, of Colorado Springs. Adopted the surname of DAVIS in honor of his grandfather, the late Jefferson DAVIS, President of the Confederate States of America.

Lineage

The DAVIS family is of Welsh ancestry, the immigrant ancestor being EVAN DAVIS, who came with two brothers, Joseph and Samuel, from Cardiff, Wales, as near as traceable, to America, the early part of the eighteenth century. Joseph was lost at sea during the voyage and Samuel went to one of the middle states. Evan DAVIS settled in Philadelphia, Pa., circa 1760; later removed to Richmond Co., Ga.; *m.* ——— (EMORY) WILLIAMS, dau. of Joseph (?) EMORY and widow of ——— WILLIAMS, by whom she had two sons.

ISSUE

- I. SAMUEL, *b.* circa 1756; *d.* 4th July, 1824.

CAPT. SAMUEL DAVIS, of Wilkinson Co., Miss., *b.* circa 1756; *d.* 4th July, 1824. Raised a Georgia company of volunteers, of which he was Captain during the American Revolution, and joined the Continental Army before Savannah, and served during the war in South Carolina and Georgia. The State of South Carolina issued him a grant of one thousand acres of land at the close of the war. He was a Baptist and a Democrat. *m.* circa 1780, Jane COOK, of South Carolina, of Scotch-Irish ancestry, and removed to Green River Co., S. W. Kentucky; then to Bayou Teche, La., and later to Woodville, Wilkinson Co., Miss.

ISSUE

- I. Joseph Emory, lawyer and publisher, *b.* 10th Dec. 1784; *d.* in Vicksburg, Miss., 18th Sept. 1870; *m.* Eliza VAN BENTHUSEN.

ISSUE

- I. Mary, *m.* Dr. ——— MITCHELL, of Vicksburg, Miss.
- II. Benjamin, doctor and planter, of St. Francisville, La., *d. s. p.*
- III. Samuel, planter, near Vicksburg, *m.* Lucy THROCKMORTON.

ISSUE

- I. Helen, *m.* ——— KEARY.

became a cotton planter. Elected to Congress, 1845. June, 1846, resigned from Congress to become Colonel of the First Mississippi Regiment, which he led to reinforce General TAYLOR on the Rio Grande. At Monterey, he charged Fort Lenerie without bayonets, and led his command through the streets, nearly to the Grand Plaza. At Buena Vista, unsupported, he repulsed, by a "V" formation of his command, an attack by a brigade of Mexican lancers, overwhelmingly superior in numbers to his command; was wounded, but remained in the saddle, and was complimented for coolness and gallantry by his Commander-in-Chief in his dispatches of 6th Mar. 1847. On 17th May, 1847, appointed Brigadier-General of Volunteers by President POLK, but declined on the ground that the militia appointment by a Federal Executive was unconstitutional. Appointed to the U. S. Senate, 1847. Unanimously elected Senator by the Legislature in 1848, and re-elected in 1850. Appointed Secretary of War by President PIERCE, which position he retained until 1857, when he re-entered the U. S. Senate. On 10th Jan. 1861, Mr. DAVIS made a speech asserting the right of secession and denying that of coercion, and urging the withdrawal of the garrison from Fort Sumter. Being advised, on 24th Mar. 1861, of the secession of Mississippi, he withdrew from the Senate and returned home. Was appointed by the convention, Commander-in-Chief of the Army of Mississippi, with rank of Major-General, but on 9th Oct. 1861, was elected President of the Confederate States by the Provisional Congress at Montgomery. Was elected, Nov. 1861, President of the Confederacy for six years, without opposition. While encamped near Irwinsville, Ga., was on 10th May, 1865, captured by a body of U. S. Cavalry, under Lieutenant-Colonel PRITCHARD. He was taken to Fort Monroe and confined there for two years. On 8th May, 1866, was indicted for treason by a grand jury in the U. S. Court for the District of Norfolk; on 13th May, 1867, was released on \$100,000 bond, but was never brought to trial, as the U. S. Government entered a *nolle prosequi* in Dec. 1868. Was not included in the General Amnesty Act of Congress, 25th Dec. 1868. His remains are buried in Hollywood Cemetery, Richmond. *m.* (firstly) 1834, Sarah Knox TAYLOR, *d.* 15th Sept. 1836, near Bayou Sara, La., dau. of Colonel, and later President, Zachary TAYLOR, and his wife Margaret Mackall SMITH, dau. of Major Walter and Ann (MACKALL) SMITH, of St. Leonard, Calvert Co., Md.; *m.* (secondly) 1844, Varina Banks HOWELL, dau. of William Burr HOWELL, of Trenton, N. J., who *m.* 1823, Margaret Louisa KEMP, dau. of Col. James KEMP. William Burr HOWELL was the son of Gov. Richard HOWELL, of New Jersey, an ex-naval officer, who had distinguished himself in the War of 1812.

ISSUE BY 2D *m.*

- I. Samuel Emory, *b.* 1854; *d.* 1854.
- II. MARGARET HOWELL.
- III. Jefferson, *b.* Jan. 1858; *d.* of yellow fever, in Memphis, 1878.
- IV. Joseph Evan, *b.* Apr. 1859.

- v. William Howell, *b.* in the White House, C. S. A., 1862; *d.* in Natchez, Oct. 1874.
- vi. Varina Anne (Winne), *b.* in the White House, C. S. A., 27th June, 1864; *d.* at Narragansett Pier, 18th Sept. 1898. She was adopted by the South as the "Daughter of the Confederacy."

MARGARET HOWELL DAVIS, *m.* Joel Addison HAYES, of Colorado Springs, Col.

ISSUE

- i. Jefferson Davis HAYES.
- ii. Varina Howell HAYES, *d.* Dec. 1906; *m.* Dr. Gerald Bertram WEBB.

ISSUE

- 1. Margaret Varina Hayes WEBB.
- 2. A son, *b.* 17th Dec. 1906; *d.* inf.
- iii. Lucy White HAYES.
- iv. JEFFERSON HAYES DAVIS, the subject of this memoir.
- v. William Davis HAYES.

ISSUE

- 1st. Robert KEARY, of Boise City, Idaho.
- 2^d. Samuel KEARY, of Boise City, Idaho.
- 3^d. Pauline KEARY, of Boise City, Idaho.
- 4th. Ellen KEARY, of Boise City, Idaho.

iv. Isaac, planter, of Canton, Miss., *m.* Susan GUERTHY.

ISSUE

1. Gen. Joseph Emory.

v. Anna, *m.* Luther SMITH, of West Felicia.

ISSUE

1. Amanda SMITH, *m.* Robert SMITH.

ISSUE

- 1st. Anna Davis SMITH.

vi. Manda, *m.* ——— BRADFORD.

ISSUE

1. Jefferson Davis BRADFORD, engineer, U. S. Army.
2. Elizabeth BRADFORD, *m.* ——— WHITE.
3. Lucy BRADFORD, *m.* Dr. C. MITCHELL, of Vicksburg.

vii. Lucinda, *m.* William STAMPS, of Woodville, Miss.

viii. Matilda.

ix. Mary Anna, *b.* 1806; *m.* Robert DAVIS, of South Carolina.

x. JEFFERSON, *b.* 3d June 1808; *d.* 6th Dec. 1889.

JEFFERSON DAVIS, President of the Confederate States of America, *b.* 3d June, 1808, in Christian Co., Ky.; *d.* in New Orleans, La., 6th Dec. 1889. At the age of seven years was sent to St. Thomas College, kept by the Dominican Fathers, in Washington Co., near Springfield, Ky.; later to Wilkinson County Academy; thence, in 1821, to Transylvania University, Lexington, Ky.; and in Nov. 1823, was appointed to West Point by President MONROE, graduating in 1828, and attached as Second Lieutenant to the Twenty-fifth U. S. Infantry. It is said that it was Lieut. Jefferson DAVIS who administered the oath to Capt. Abraham LINCOLN upon the latter's receiving his commission, during the Black Hawk War. Promoted First Lieutenant of Dragoons, 4th Mar. 1834, but, after some service against the Indians, resigned, 30th June, 1835; settled near Vicksburg, Miss., and

Davis
Family

Dear Mrs. Detchen: - The William
Davis family had ^{living} ten children
and they raised two other children.
They lived in a large two story
log house about $\frac{1}{2}$ mile north
of John and Ann Simpson Davis
home on land given him by father.
Later they built a field stone
house of seven gables of stone
picked up from farm.

William was the second child
of John & Ann. He was born August
22, 17 in Solebury Twp in Bucks
Co. Penna. Married Mary (Polly)
Sullivan Feby. 11, 1809. Polly born
Sept 12, 1791. Died Dec. 17, 1870. Wm.
died June 4, 1864. They came
to Ohio from Maryland in 1816
with John, Ann his parents, Joshua
Samuel & Joe brothers and sister
Eliza. Other relatives & friends.

Detchen
8/83

- came with the Davis's, I have
 Ann Simpson Davis Bible
 Children of Wm + Mary Davis
- 1 John Simpson B-Nov. 16, 1809
 D. Dec. 3, 1884 Mar. Sarah Shipman
 - 2 Mary E. B-Nov-12, 1810. D. June 20, 1884
 Mar. Peter Bower in. 1824. Peter + Mary
 Bower were the parents of my grand-
 mother Sells. Rachael Amanda Bower Sells.
 - 3 Washington B. Feby 16, 1812 D Aug 2, 1815
 - 4 Ann S. B Jan. 26, 1816. D Mch. 11, 1886
 Mar. James Speers 1st. Mr. Hassen 2nd
 - 5 Eliza B- Aug. 27, 1817 D Sept. 23, 1883
 Mar. Abraham Fulton. Lived in Iowa
 - 6 Amy Hart B-May 24, 1819 D
 Mar Oliver Shipman. Had three children
 Catherine mar. Mr. Scott. Caroline mar.
 John Fuller. They had nine children
 Carrie, Maud, Amy, Bertha, Oliver,
 Etta, Ney, Frank, Earnest.
 - 7 Margaret B- April 9, 1821 D Oct 12,
 1888

8 Richard B - Oct, 31, 1823 D July 8, 1894
mar Mary Jane Friend B - July 1829 D Jan.
18, 1915 - Children were Asborn, James, John.

9 Anna and William

Katherine B Sept 28, 1824 D May 24, 1902
mar Charles Davis son of Samuel Davis, bro
of William.

10 William W. B - Dec 6, 1827 - D April 22, 1864
mar Harriet Davis. Children Emma, Matilda
Matilda mar. Jacob Cloud.

11 Sarah A. - B - Dec. 18, 1830. D

mar. Richard Woodruff. Elizabeth mar Chas Pike

Polly Davis had but one leg. When other
was taken off we do not know. We had her
crutch at our house for years.

I have nothing on Earnest except my
sister Florence Bishop says he was
married twice. Oliver Tuller son of
John married Mary Shipman. They
had three children Nancy, Ailee, a boy
Nancy & Ailee live in Dublin.

42 East 75th Street
New York City, N.Y. 10021
July 8, 1971

Dear Miss Dale,

You were so kind in April-
to send me biographical informa-
tion on my Mix Family - photo-copied
from page 329 of "Memorial History of
Louisville (Personal History and Biography)

It was of great help to me - in
being able to become a "D.A.R. member.

One must prove every direct de-
scendant from birth - marriage - mili-
tary service and death date!

I have written dozens of letters
to all kinds of historic societies
and long lost relatives.

There is still a little more
to do.

In your "Memorial History of
Louisville" by Johnston 1896 -
(They do not have it here in New
York City) is it possible you could

★ photo copy any biographical in-
formation on - - MY GREAT GRANDFATHER -

DAVID HENRY DAVIES

And his wife

ELIZABETH LAWS - (or LAWES)

HE WAS BORN - 1810 - in PRINCE WM. County
VA.

THEY MARRIED - IN LOUISVILLE -
FEB - 7 - 1838

HE DIED - FEB - 1871

My Mother left an old faded Family His-
tory document - listing the names of at least
fifty Louisville citizens, that had contributed
to a group of RANGERS - FOR the Confederate
CAUSE. I was told Mr. Davies gave a quarter
of a million dollars of his personal fortune, to
these Rangers - to equipt them - for his great
generosity, they were named "The DAVIES
RANGERS. FROM LOUISVILLE?

I am trying to find out - for proof.
That historic family fact?

★ Could you perhaps tell me where I
could read detailed facts of Louisville promi-
ent people!

I heard he was very well off and
very prominent!

I have tried every means to get
his FATHERS OR MOTHERS (MAIDEN NAME) from

Virginia. - But Prince Wm. County is now
Five Counties - I read some slave owner
reports and property owner reports from
that county - but could not find any DAVIES.

I ^{HAVE} written several plans for his
DEATH certificate to see if his parents name
could be on it. - Also for his
marriage certificate to Miss James - but
nothing with his FATHERS name on it!

I cannot afford an expensive
Professional Genealogist - so I must
keep on trying. -

I was hoping to join "The F.F.V"
(The First Families of Virginia)

His father (David Henry Davies) could
have come from WALES - ENGLAND. -
Some went to Conn. - Some to Virginia. -

BUT I MUST PROVE ALL THIS with any
help I can get!

I pray & hope you can find
something on the DAVIES FAMILY.

Enclosed find Three dollars
for any information or photo copy of
the family you can find. -

Gratefully yours -

P.S.

Alie (Mix) Oberth

The Davies had a daughter
who married Wm. Mix - III of Louisville named Alie Davies Mix
MY Grandmother.

MRS. LEWIS TURTLE
335 ARCADIA PLACE
SAN ANTONIO
TEXAS 78209

DEC 5 1968

Dec. 3, 1968.

The Filson Club,
118 W. Breckenridge,
Louisville, Ky.

Dear history-buffs: Because most of my stamped, addressed envelopes end up in waste-baskets, I am appealing to you with trepidation, but with hope. One of my paternal great-great-grandfathers, Hananiah (Ananiah) Davis may have served the Revolutionary War in some capacity; perhaps you can advise me where proof can be found.

I know little of this Hananiah. He is mentioned in the 1808 Mercer Co. will of his brother, Azariah (b. Va. 1733; d. Danville, Ky. 1808 unmarried; a settler in 1774 of Harrodsburg) who participated in the Battle of Pt. Pleasant. It seems likely that Hananiah took part.

This Hananiah Davis had a son, Azariah (m. Sally Gray 1804 Christian Co., Ky.) who named his son Hananiah G. This last Hananiah G. Davis (b. Ky. 1810) m. Susan Jane Cates, the "widow Bell" & they became the parents of my father.

Probably this Davis family was from old Fincastle Co., Va. Since Azariah Davis I seems to have been quite prominent in early Kentucky history (Collins) possibly his family has been traced. I hope you can tell me, & I shall be grateful for any information.

Yours sincerely,

Maida Davis Turtle.

I.

1. Azariah b. 1733
Va.; will proved 1808
Mercer Co. Ky.; d. un-
m.; called "the pioneer".

2. Hananiah →

3. Phillip

4. William

5. Rebecca, m.
— Rice.

II.

1. Azariah m. Sally
by Gray 1804 Chris-
tian Co.; was d. by
Apr. 3, 1829.

2. Keziah; 1814 will
names f. Hananiah
& mentions Azariah.

3. Hananiah²; one
bought land Logan Co.
1801 with Azariah &
James Dunn Davis.

4. David ? →

5. James Dunn ?

6. John →

7. Rebecca² of Simpson Co.

III.

1. Hananiah J. b.
Ky. 1810; m. Susan
Jane Cates Bell 1848
Logan Co. Ky. →

2. Keziah of Logan
Co.; alive in 1852.

1. Francis
2. Eliza Ann
3. Cyrus

1. Jefferson
2. Washington

IV.

1. Eugene b. 1849;
d. Texas 1922. →

2. Elba, b. Ky. 1851;
d. Texas 1874.

3. Adrian b. 1854
Ky.; d. young.

V.

1. Anne
2. Imogene
3. Maida
4. Eugenia

Note: known facts
in ink; suppositions
in pencil.

July 3, 1957.

The Kentucky Historical
Society and Museum,
Louisville, Kentucky,
Dear Sirs,

JUL 8 1957

If you have information
such as dates of birth and
places of birth, about the
following families please
send to me. Cost of the
necessary research I will be
glad to pay for.

Microfilm copies of the Albany,
Linn Co. Oregon. Census of 1860, lists
Truitt Davis 35, ^{Kentucky} & Ellen Davis 31,
Maryland.

Woolen Davis 39, Kentucky, & Mary
Davis 38, Missouri.

When quite young Truitt Davis,
his wife and a daughter Eleanor Benton
Davis, born Aug 7-1825, moved to Missouri.

and in 1847 they moved to the Willamette Valley, Oregon settling on donation claims near the Liner Co. seat of Albany. See U.S. Land Office General Oregon City Donation Land Certificate File in the Nat'l Archives. Nat'l Archives file, microcopy FM 145.

Thank you for any help you can give me. It is my wish to properly mark their burial ground on their donation claim, which is now my property.

Eleanor Benton Davis married Abram Hackleman, March 29, 1849. at Albany, Ore. She was my grandmother. Yours Very truly

(Laura Eleanor Hackleman
Dallam)
Mrs. Frank M. Dallam.

March 30, 1967

*Davis
Family*

Miss Ruby Holt Vaughan
Hindsville, Arkansas 72738

Dear Miss Vaughan:

Although we do not undertake detailed genealogical research we are happy to check a few records if we know what county to investigate. The name, Septimus Davis, is an individual one. I found him a tax-payer in Fayette County in 1790 and in 1800 he was listed in Clark County, Kentucky. He married Mary Clark in this county on 24 May 1802. The surety was one James Clark. I fail to find a ^{married} record of Jane Davis and Joseph Stewart in Clark County but I did find that a Jane Davis married Zadock Kidd on 27 July 1829 and the surety was Septimus Davis.

In Clark County, Kentucky Will Book 6, p.25 will be found the will of Phebe Clark, written 8 August 1825 and probated at the August court of the same year. She mentioned brothers, James, William and Joseph (deceased). She left nothing to his widow or family as "they recieved an over portion of my father's estate". Mention is made of "my sister, Polly ^Davis," James Wills, William Wilkerson, Septimus Davis and Simpson McMurry.

I am confident that in Clark County court records will be some information about the division of the estate of Phebe and Mary Clark's father.

Since I have developed this investigation as far as possible due to limited time, I suggest that you write one of our experienced local genealogists, Mrs. Charles E. Craik, 418 Oxford Place, Louisville, Kentucky 40207. I do not believe your Clarks belong to the family of George Rogers Clark. I have checked our Rogers Index which has a vast number of entries for descendants of John and Ann Rogers Clark and I do not find your forebears. I hope the information I have been able to find for you will give you encouragement and some amount of help.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Dorothy Thomas Cullen
Curator and Librarian

Mishawaka, Ind
11-23-86

Attn:

Wilson Club Library,

I read with interest, an article
in the South Bend Tribune (Indiana)
Concerning your library and some
information one might be able to
find, No, or would you do research
for anyone outside the area? I am
also into Genealogy, and am
looking for Surnames of Davis
& Lizemore.

I am interested in the 1880 Census
on John Wilson Davis, or could
be (John) or (J. W.) I do not
know the County, it could be
McCracken, (Paducah) and
it should read as John, (wife
unknown) & Children, names as
Shawn 1860, were (Thomas
should have been age 11 or 12 yrs,

- 2 -

Amanda Jane or J. Davis no age, but should be around 9 yrs.

William J. Davis, would be 5 yrs old,
(John or James Davis) 3 yrs. old,

Anna Kathleen Davis, approx. 4 mo's old.

Also any information in your Library on Sizemores, Clay, Perry & Leslie Counties. Enclosed is a self addressed & stamped envelope to return to me,

I would appreciate any information, on these names, I mentioned, and if you do this, please let me know what the charge or fee would be,

Thank you,
Sincerely
Jerry Davis

Sizemore

The Filson Club

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118 WEST BRECKINRIDGE STREET

LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 40203

December 10th, 1986

Jerry Davis
13381 Chippewa Blvd
Mishawaka, Indiana 46545

Dear Mr. Davis:

The 1880 census for Kentucky does not have an index other than the Soundex which only includes households with children under ten years of age. I believe that the family of John Wilson Davis would not be on the Soundex. There is no printed census for McCracken County.

I'm not sure what you are seeking concerning the Sizemore family. If you have a specific question concerning this family, give me name, place and dates and I'll take a look.

Sincerely,

Nettie Oliver

MAR 31 1967

CAIXA POSTAL 719
Rio de Janeiro
BRAZIL
18 MARCH 1967

The Filson Club
118 Breckenridge St.
Lexington, KY.

Dear Sirs:

I AM seeking information about the antecedents of my GREAT-GREAT-GREAT GRANDFATHER, one JAMES DAVIS, who operated a grist mill in Christian County, Kentucky, about 1800, and some one suggested you might help me, or possibly refer me to another descendant of JAMES DAVIS, in Kentucky.

I know of no reason why you should help me, except the proverbial Kentucky generosity and cordiality. However for what it is worth, I am also descended from Prewitts (^{BOURBON AND} JESSAMINE COUNTY), Trimbles, Williams (Campbell County), GREENS (Madison County), HARRISONS (Bourbon County) and DENNYS (GARRARD County), ALL of Kentucky, so can claim some Kentucky blood. (I will be glad to furnish genealogy on these Kentucky-Missouri lines if of interest to you or any of your members).

JAMES DAVIS HAD A SON NAMED EDWARD DAVIS who migrated to Howard County, Missouri in 1816. Edward first visited Howard County about 1812. He settled in what is now Howard County—that is the Boonslick area around New Franklin and Fayette. He brought with him in 1816 a son Joseph DAVIS, born in January 1804 in Christian County, Col. Joseph DAVIS, my great grandfather, had an interesting life and I suppose this has obscured the stories of his father and grandfather.

Edward also married: Nel, Billy, Sally, Polly and Jane. I don't know which were born before he left Kentucky. All died in Missouri, I believe. Edward (the father) apparently died in Howard County, Mo.

I know nothing more about James or Edward. I don't even know where in Christian County James had his mill. Of course the boundaries of Christian County have changed since 1800, which makes the task more difficult.

Two JAMES DAVISES paid taxes in Christian Co. — OR RATHER were assessed — on 22 July 1800, according to publication of your club in the New York Public Library. Also an EDWARD DAVIS was assessed the same date. Perhaps this would provide a clue.

Samuel Davis, father of the Confederate president, was no relation to my ancestors that I know of.

Will appreciate any information or guidance — by AIR MAIL if possible, since regular mail takes months to BRAZIL.

YOURS TRULY,

H. Denny DAVIS

H. Denny Davis

*Davis
family*

April 4, 1967

Mr. H. Denny Davis
Caixa Postal 719
Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Dear Mr. Davis:

I have consulted Meacham's History of Christian County, Kentucky to find an account of your ancestor, James Davis. I did find a sketch of a James Davis, born April 1755 and died March 29, 1797. In reading his will, probated in 1799, mention is made of these sons, only: William C. Davis and Abraham Miller Davis so, apparently, this James is not your forebear.

It would be a pleasure to send you any information we have on your Davis family but we have very few records relative to Christian County. Perhaps research in court records would be useful. I suggest you write Mr. Roger Futtrell, Madisonville Road, Hopkinsville, Kentucky. He does some genealogical research but he is a busy young man and I do not know if his schedule leaves him much time for trips to the court house but he can advise you as to his availability for your work.

Thank you for your interest in sharing with us the genealogical data you have collected on your Kentucky lineages. Indeed the list represents families of quality in our state.

Christian County was formed in 1796 and from 1798-1820 other counties were formed from parts of Christian. It is located in the southern part of our state, not far from the Tennessee line. A map of Kentucky will enable you to find it.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Dorothy Thomas Cullen
Curator and Librarian

ess

James

Robert Davis married Sally Smith, Nov. 15, 1796.
James Davis married Nancy Howe, 1796.
John Davis married Emily Smith, Nov. 25, 1797.

I do not find the marriage of Mary Davis and Ben
Stoney Pearce. I suggest that you write to the County
Clerk at Lancaster, Garrard County, December 20, 1930
marriage records after 1800 as there were published only
up to 1800. They might also examine the Will Books for
you there.

Mrs. McCallister Pearce
Lone Holly Plantation
Proctor, Arkansas
My dear Mrs. Pearce:

Your letter of December 6 is before me. I noted
that you found in Rutherford County, Tennessee, a "Docu-
ment dated 10th July, 1777. Joshua Davis of Garrard County,
Kentucky, gives power of attorney to Elyha Davis of David-
son County, Tenn". I think you have copied your date wrong
in this because Garrard County was not formed until 1796
from Lincoln, Madison, and Mercer Counties. I think that
date should have been 1797.

I have not so far been able to find but one reference
to Joshua Davis and that is contained in the Jefferson County
Marriage Records, Book 1, page 84. I find that Daphnia Davis,
daughter of Joshua Davis, who consented in person, was married
to William Gallian, November 6, 1817. I find in the Colonial
and State Records of North Carolina in the index references
to John Davis for Army Pay, Army Rank, in Militia, and Land
Granted To and also as having Received pay for Soldiers, but
I am assuming that you have gone into that and that it is the
Kentucky line you are interested in.

There are also in "Heads of Families, First Census
of the United States, 1790" of North Carolina, several ref-
erences to Joshua Davis and also to A. Pearce, that I am
assuming that you have seen also.

In Garrard County there was a James Davis who married
Polly Whiteside on March 12, 1799. There were also Davis
in Lincoln County in these early days for I find where Joseph
Davis married Elizabeth Gordon, September 3, 1783. Again,
there was a Jesse Davis who married Polly Chapman, May 7, 1796.

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Robert Davis married Sally Smith, Nov. 15, 1796.
James Davis married Nancy Howe, 1796.
John Davis married Keaty Antle, Nov. 28, 1797.

Holly Plantation,

I do not find the marriage of Mary Davis and McKinney Pearce. I suggest that you write to the County Clerk at Lancaster, Garrard County, to examine the marriage records after 1800 as those we have published only go to 1800. They might also examine the Will Books for you there.

The information may be in this office but we do not have the time to do genealogical research work and if you want this work gone into more fully, I would be glad to suggest a genealogist for you.

In "Kentucky Land Grants, Filson Club Publications: No. 33", page 296, in Grants South of Green River, I find that Joshua Davis received twenty acres recorded in Land Book 14, page 249, dated June 20, 1805, in Cumberland County, on Little Creek, but this is not near Garrard County. trying to establish I found the following--

Regretting that I cannot be of any real assistance to you, I am, *Garrard County, Tenn.*

Document dated 10th July, 1797 Very truly yours,
Joshua Davis of Garrard County, Ky. gives power of attorney to Elyha Davis of Davidson County, Tenn.

Witnesses.

Wm. Trady
Seth Davis

Ludie J. Kinhead
Curator

P. S. Since dictating the above I find the following: In "Kentucky Court and Other Records" by Mrs. Ardery, on page 163 she publishes the records of the Davis Bible, now owned by Miss Emma Davis, Nicholasville, Kentucky, contributed by Miss Mattie R. Davis, Lexington Chapter, D. A. R. This Bible was published in 1825 therefore the earlier records must have been copied from a previous Bible. The records show that Henry B. Davis was born December 15, 1764 and married Nancy Fullilove, December 16, 1788, who was born October 10, 1768. Among their children I find that Mary Davis was born February 21, 1804, but where this family of Davis' lived I am sorry I cannot tell you. Also in "Kentucky Pioneer and Court Records" of the Lincoln County Wills I find the will of Samuel Davis, Book B, page 211, recorded May 8, 1798. This abstract reads: "One-third part of estate of Samuel Davis, deceased, allotted to Jane Davis, widow. To John Davis. To Patsy Davis, wife of William Owsley. To Jinny Davis. To Polly Davis. To Samuel Davis. To Betsy Davis. To Joseph Davis. Signed, Jonathan Forbis, John James, William Owsley and John Hargrove. Recorded May 8, 1798. Tests, Willis Green, C. C.

Could this Polly Davis be your Mary Davis;

L. J. K.

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Lone Holly Plantation,
Proctor, Ark. Dec. 6-1930.

Miss Ludie J. Kinhead,
Louisville,
Ky.

My Dear Miss Kinhead;-

While in Nashville, Tenn. a few
days ago doing some research work on the several lines
I am trying to establish I found the following--

Reference-- Book-3-Page -80
Rutherford County, Tenn.

Document dated 10th. July, 1777. ———
Joshua Davis of Garrard County, Ky. gives power of attorney
to Elyha Davis of Davidson County, Tenn.

*Garrard Co. formed 1796
from Lincoln
Madison
Meigs*

Witnesses-

Wm. Tracy
Seth Davis
A. Pearce.

I am wondering if you could give
me any data on this Joshua Davis. I think he must be the
father of Mary Davis who married my Great-great-grandfather,
McKinney Pearce, and the A. Pearce mentioned as witness the
son of this union, (his full name was Arthur Davis Pearce)

Do you have the history of this county,
if so I would be pleased have anything you may find on this
Joshua Davis. It might be possible that if you have the bonds
from this county you can find the marriage of McKinney Pearce
and Mary Davis, for I firmly believe that there is some
connection here. Possibly Joshua was a Revolutionary Soldier
from this county.

1-94 Daphnia Davis = William Callen 11-6-1817
A Joshua Davis c.p.

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Miss Kinkead, I would not ask you to do this for me without offering to pay for the time spent in looking up the records. I would be very glad to send you a check to cover this work, ofcourse, I suppose I could get some one to do this for me, but I never feel quite satisfied when I do not get the data I am looking for from most people, and to, it is not every one who understand how to do this work.

You were so kind to send me the data concerning Joshua Elkins. I believe that Joshua and my John were brothers and were the sons of Shadrack Elkins, both the former and the latter were from Muhlenburg county, Ky. I have proved that Shadrack is the father of Joshua, and both were in the Revolution, but I have not as yet been able to prove him the father of my John.

I do not understand just what benefit membership in The Filson Club will give me, ofcourse, you understand that it would be for research and genealogical purpose that I would care to join.

I have joined two other clubs in various places for same purpose only to find that I have received very little if any benefit, where one lives near it would be a pleasure to read the books etc. but at this distance, I am wondering if I would really get the benefit that I am seeking.

Please explain just what a membership would mean to me.

Thanking you for a reply at your earliest convenience, I am,

Very Sincerely,

Nell Elkins Pearce
Mrs. McCallister Pearce.

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Rural Route #2
Jacksonville, Ill.
62650
July 1, 1980

Attention: Mr. Schmidt

I want to thank you for sending a replacement map for the John Filson map which was damaged in shipment. I do appreciate it.

Ans d 7/28
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When I was doing some genealogical research at the Filson Club in March of this year, I was trying to find any trace of my (3) great Grandfather Henry Davis. In going through the vertical file on Davis, I found some information on a Henry Davis who married Mary Ann Gross in Pennsylvania. This really caught my attention, because my (2) great grandmother on the 1860 Illinois Census said that she was born in Pennsylvania. I had just about disproved the other two Henry Davises who were in Nelson County in 1790.

While searching the file, I copied the name of a Mrs. Barbara Griffin who had placed the material there in 1963. I wrote to her at that address just in the chance that she might be there. It took three weeks for the letter to find her. She had moved three times since 1963. But find her, it did, on the Cherokee Reservation in North Carolina, and when she answered she said, "Dear Cousin!" I can tell you that really gave me a thrill.

Since that time we have corresponded and she has sent me her complete file on the Davis family, which represented about 15 years of work. I have been flattered that she would trust me with it.

The records show that Henry Davis and his wife Mary Ann Gross, a Pennsylvania Dutch girl, were in Louisville very early, and he assisted in constructing the first fort there. I found him in Nelson County, where his daughter Sarah married John Wells in 1804. I have been unable to find any trace of his will or estate settlement, and now I realize I must look to Jefferson County.

] no Henry

Do you have any records of wills or estate settlements for Louisville or Jefferson County? I found a notation on a Nelson County court order that he, Henry Davis had sold 400 acres of land to Jefferson County for what appeared to be a poor farm. So I know he had business transactions there.

One of his other children was Jess, who married Nancy Mason in Hardin County in 1815. A John Wells name appeared on the marriage document! Later Jess and Nancy and a number of their 13 children moved to Gibson County, Indiana, where they lived in Patoka Township. My (3) great grandfather Abraham Wells, father of John Wells, lived there and died there in July of 1820. You can see that Mrs. Griffin's records have been a bonanza for me.

I need to find Henry Davis' will and if you don't have it, do you have suggestions of where I could write? I will try the courthouse, but are there any other repositories there in Louisville?

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In some of Mrs. Griffin's material she shows how Henry Davis was related to Jefferson Davis. I believe he was a second cousin to Jefferson's father, a brother to Evan Davis, his grandfather, and that Evan and his brother Henry came from Philadelphia. Isn't this great!

You know, my husband was stationed at Maxwell Field, Montgomery, Alabama during World War II, and we learned to love the city and the people there. Little did I know then, that I would have such a connection with the south.

Do you have a map of old Louisville? One which you could copy or one which has been reproduced that is available for purchase? I would like to purchase one of some kind. Also, has there been any effort to restore old Louisville? It seems that Henry Davis had a grocery store there, probably in his older years. Also do you have a brief history of old Louisville including something about the old fort?

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I love old maps, and if you have anything which you think might be helpful, please let me know. I spent last week in Hopkins County searching the courthouse and libraries there and in Henderson County. It wasn't until we had spent 2 days going over records that I learned that the courthouse had burned in 1936. I don't think the girls at the courthouse even knew it. I was unable to find any trace of John Sloan and his wife Margaret on a will or estate settlement. I found a John Sloan and a Margaret Sloan both in Lincoln County, but the wills did not name Joseph, who was his son. Do you have anything which would fill in that gap for me? I have written to Frankfort to see if they have any of the burned records.

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Thank you again.

Sincerely,

Laurel Sloan Young

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Sincerely,

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Family
Index*

March 30, 1967

Miss Ruby Holt Vaughan
Hindsville, Arkansas 72738

Dear Miss Vaughan:

Although we do not undertake detailed genealogical research we are happy to check a few records if we know what county to investigate. The name, Septimus Davis, is an individual one. I found him a tax-payer in Fayette County in 1790 and in 1800 he was listed in Clark County, Kentucky. He married Mary Clark in this county on 24 May 1802. The surety was one James Clark. I fail to find a ^{marriage} record of Jane Davis and Joseph Stewart in Clark County but I did find that a Jane Davis married Zadock Kidd on 27 July 1829 and the surety was Septimus Davis.

In Clark County, Kentucky Will Book 6, p.25 will be found the will of Phebe Clark, written 8 August 1825 and probated at the August court of the same year. She mentioned brothers, James, William and Joseph (deceased). She left nothing to his widow or family as "they received an over portion of my father's estate". Mention is made of "my sister, Polly Davis," James Wills, William Wilkerson, Septimus Davis and Simpson McMurry.

I am confident that in Clark County court records will be some information about the division of the estate of Phebe and Mary Clark's father.

Since I have developed this investigation as far as possible due to limited time, I suggest that you write one of our experienced local genealogists, Mrs. Charles E. Craik, 418 Oxford Place, Louisville, Kentucky 40207. I do not believe your Clarks belong to the family of George Rogers Clark. I have checked our Rogers Index which has a vast number of entries for descendants of John and Ann Rogers Clark and I do not find your forebears. I hope the information I have been able to find for you will give you encouragement and some amount of help.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Dorothy Thomas Cullen
Curator and Librarian

Hindsville, Arkansas

February 27, 1967

The Filson Club,

Louisville, Kentucky.

Gentlemen:

Please, I need help and advice.

In my search of my Mother's family history I have reached a standstill. I go back to Joseph Stewart and Jane Davis and there I am stopped. After many many letters, record searching, in fact every source I can know of, I still do not have the answer as to who she was.

Here is where I hope you can help me or tell me who for a fee can help find Jane Davis who married Joseph Stewart, and her parents names and her brothers and sisters if possible.

Our family tradition list her as:

JANE, born 14th of August, 1806, a Daughter of Septimus

Davis who was born 11th of December, 1755 in Pa. and moved to

Kentucky and married Mary Clark, born 22nd of February, 1778.

Here is My Question: Could this Mary Clark be the daughter or granddaughter of John and Ann Rogers Clark and did her (Mary) daughter, Jane, Marry Joseph Stewart. Joseph Stewart is from North Carolina and the son of William Stewart who fought in the Revolutionary War on the American side. William was born in Scotland.

If you cannot help me prehaps you can give me the name of some-one who has researched the family of John and Ann Rogers Cl ark and would help with this problem.

I am willing to pay for this research and any help will be appreciated. Please, may I hear from you.

Yours very truly,

Ruby Holt Vaughan



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MAR 2 1967

25 Burlington Road
Jackson, Ohio
June 7, 1961

Mrs. Dorothy Thomas Cullen
The Filson Club
118 West Breckinridge Street
Louisville 3, Kentucky

Dear Mrs. Cullen,

Thank you so much for your very kind letter of March 14, answering my request for information on the Confederate service of James Warren Davis.

I am still working on the project, but have my search narrowed down to the service records of three men named James Davis who served with General John H. Morgan. I received the photocopies from the National Archives.

nd I am hoping to establish a connection between one of the soldiers and James Warren Davis who is buried in the Lexington Cemetery. Does your organization have records of Confederate veterans buried in Kentucky?

The Davis I'm looking for is buried in the Lexington Cemetery, Section O, Lot 156. He died July 18, 1905, at the age of 58. He was born in Midway, Kentucky, October 3, 1847.

I am enclosing a copy of the information which I received from the Adjutant General's office. The men served with Morgan. Do you have any further information on them?

James Warren Davis was a private. There was thirty years age difference between Mr. and Mrs. Davis. This embarrassed her, so at the time of his death, she didn't want any mention made of his Confederate service in the newspapers! I was depending on that source!

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An article I wrote on Morgan's Ohio Raid was published in Civil War Times. Would your organization be interested in having a copy? I'm very proud of it; it's my first published effort.

Thank you so much.

Sincerely,

Peggy S. Horton
Peggy S. Horton
(Mrs.)

Davis family

March 23, 1960

Mr. Clairice A.G. Closson
1224 South Hocker
Independence, Missouri

Dear Mr. Closson:

As our staff is small, we are unable to devote very much time to individual genealogical research. We are happy, however, to answer two or three specific questions, if the information is easily found.

I have found the marriage record of Thomas Duvall and Dianna Davis in Nelson County, Kentucky on August 29, 1809. Robert Davis was a bondsman and he could be, of course, either her father or brother. We have early Nelson County marriage bonds on microfilm at the Filson Club.

There is the Nelson County will of one Simon Davis and among his sons is one named Robert. This will was written November 24, 1818 and probated August 16, 1819. If you are hunting data about Diana Davis Duvall's family, I would think that Nelson and/or Hardin Counties would be the most logical areas for a start.

One of our members is a Duvall descendant from the Maryland family. She is a professional genealogist and I feel sure she would like to hear from you. She is Mrs. Charles E. Craik, 118 Oxford Place, Louisville 7, Kentucky.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Dorothy Thomas Cullen
Curator and Librarian

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THE SOCIETY OF MAYFLOWER DESCENDANTS
IN THE STATE OF KANSAS

Independence, Missouri,

March 7, 1960

The Filson Club,
118 W. Breckenridge,
Louisville, Ky.

Gentlemen:

It has been suggested that you might be in position to "point me" in the right direction as regards Kentucky genealogy. Some of my wife's ancestors, before coming to Missouri, lived in Nelson, Hardin and Hopkins Counties. Briefly her line is as follows Leona (8), William G. (7), Thomas (6) Thomas (5), John Miles (4), Jacob (3), Mareen (the younger) (2), Mareen (1) Duvall, settled in Maryland in 1655. (Proof: Harry Wright Newman, Maryland genealogist and historian - and president of the Duvall family association.)

Will start with Thomas (5). Thomas Duvall, son of John Miles Duvall and Anarpy Tarlton (Tarleton), was b. Ste. Mary's County, Md. 1777- m (1st) Nancy Keith, Nov. 10, 1796, Married (2nd) Diana Davis (d. ae 96). Thomas (5) d. Hardin Co., Ky. 1847.

Children:

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| 1. Alexander Duvall | m. Nancy Hinton |
| 2. John Duvall | m. Amy Harned |
| 3. Lydia Duvall | m. John Cash |
| 4. Katherine Duvall | m. Thompson Cash |
| 5. Gabriel Duvall, b. 1807, Hardin Co. m. (1) Eleanor Mary McGill (2) Elizabeth (Hynes) Slaughter | |
| 6. Sarah (Sally) Duvall b. Jul. 18, 1809 m. Geo. Henry McGill m. Oct. 22, 1829 b. June 6, 1805 d. Jan. 8, 1871, Freeman, Mo. | |
| 7. Lewis Duvall | |
| 8. Jacob Duvall, b. July 18, 1819, Hardin Co. m. Caroline Frances d. Sept. 1852, Calif. (went out to Gold Rush) O'Bryan b. Sept. 26, 1826 Hopkins Co., Ky. d. Dec. 23, 1910, Gunn City, Cass Co., Mo. | |
| 9. Thomas Duvall, b. Oct. 31, 1823, Hardin Co. Ky. d. Mar. 10, 1907, Gunn City (Cass Co.) Mo. m. ca. 1854 - Boonville, Mo. | - above Caroline - his brother's widow |
| 10. William B. Duvall | m. Elizabeth Starks |
| 11. Anarpy Duvall | m. Vardiman Boles (Bowles) |

A lot of the above material is from such periodicals as the Kentucky Hist. magazine - possibly Tylers and William and Mary. Some from Prof. A. L. Keith of the University of Dakota - at Vermillion.

What I would like is the ancestry of Diana Davis - second wife of Thomas Duvall. (The Cass County history has her "Hannah", which is incorrect.)

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Diana Davis was evidently of Hardin County, although there were Duvalls in Nelson, Scott and Woodford Counties.

To back-track a little - Thomas (5) Duvall's father, John Miles Duvall, b. Maryland 175__ and who married Anarpy Tarlton, fell from a sloop and was drowned while crossing the Potomac enroute from Maryland to Nelson County, Ky. (He had served in the Revolution and I am inclined to think he might have been going to Kentucky to take a land grant there as bounty. I have no basis other than conjecture for this.) Another angle is that he may have been a part of the Catholic migration to Kentucky, ca. 1785. While the Duvall's were Anglican, the Tarltons of Ste. Mary's Co., Md. were Catholic as I know of two of John Miles' sons who married in Ste. Genevieve Mo., catholic girls formerly of St. Mary's Co.) By deduction, I have assumed that a Jeremiah Tarlton (a Rev. Vet) who m. Eleanor Meadley and settled in Scott County, could likely have been a brother of Anarpy.

Anarpy Duvall, after being widowed, married in Nelson County, Ky., Benjamin Loan.

Caroline Frances O'Bryan, b. Hopkins Co., Ky. Sept. 26, 1826 (who married brothers Jacob Duvall and Thomas Duvall (both of whom went to the Gold rush of '49) was the dau. of Thomas O'Bryan b. ca. 1805, Chatham Co., N. C. and Martha (Patsy) Dobbins (Dobyns) Gent(t). The Cass Co. History is again in error - as they have her Martha Grant. *Co. Mission*

Someone has told me that three-fourths of the population of Hopkins County, Kentucky, were O'Bryan kin. (The History of Chariton (and adjacent) County) states the first O'Bryan came from Ireland just before the Revolution and served with Washington. He was Thomas O'Bryan, evidently the father of Thomas O'Bryan, mentioned above.

Surely some of your club members belong to or have heard of these families.

Sincerely,

Claurice A. G. Closson
Mr. Claurice A. G. Closson
Assistant General
Deputy Governor
Historian

Kansas Society of Mayflower Descendants

1224 So. Hocker

Garrett Davis

November 3, 1948

Miss Mildred McDaniel,
Political Science Dept.,
University of Kentucky,
Lexington, Ky.

Dear Miss McDaniel:

Replying to your letter of October 13th, I fear you have all the references that I can give you. I find sketches of your ancestor Garrett Davis in the following:

Dictionary of American Biography, Scribner, 1940.

Of course you know that gives a bibliography, all of which we have except the Globe, so I will not list those,

The Lawyers and Lawmakers of Kentucky, published by The Lewis Publishing Co., Chicago, edited by H. Levin

Biographical Directory of the American Congress, 1774-1927 published 1928.

All the various histories of Kentucky.

I do not know where his papers are and we have no manuscript material so far as I know.

We have copies of his speeches, etc.,-

Davis, Garrett,

Confiscation of rebel property, Speech of Hon Garret Davis of Kentucky in the Senate of the U.S., April 22 and 23rd, 1862 Washington, Congressional Globe, n.d. 24p.

Davis, Garrett, 1801-1872,

Extracts from a speech made by the Hon. Garrett Davis of Kentucky, on the resolution to expel Mr. Powell; delivered in the Senate of the U.S. March 13; and the speech made upon same resolution by Mr. Davis, March 14, 1862. Washington, Printed at the Congressional Globe office, 1862. 16 p.

Memorial Address on the Life and Character of Garrett Davis (Senator from Kentucky) delivered in the Senate and House of Representatives, 42nd Congress 3rd Session, Dec. 18, 1872. Published by order of Congress. Washington: Government Ptg Office, 1873.

Miss Mildred McDaniel #2
November 3, 1948

Davis, Garrett, 1801-1872

Opinion of Hon. Garrett Davis of Kentucky, filed under the Order of the Senate sitting as a court of impeachment for the trial of Andrew Johnson, president of the United States. (Washington, printed at the Congressional globe office, 1868.) 16 p.

Davis, Garrett

Speech of Mr. Garrett Davis of Ky., on the making provision for the Appointment of Additional General Officers. Delivered in the House of Representatives of the U.S. Feb. 26, 1847. Washington, Printed by J. & G. S. Gideon, 1847. 16 p.

Davis, Garrett

Speeches of Hon' Garrett Davis, upon his Proposition to impose further restrictions upon Foreign Immigrants; delivered in the Convention to Revise the Constitution of Kentucky. Frankfort. A.G. Hodges & Co., 1855.

I feel sure that you have access to all I have listed, but if even one is new, I will be so glad.

We would be glad to have you use our library for any of the above or any newspapers. At the Louisville Free Public Library, they have the Journal, Louisville, Ky., edited by Prentice, that might help.

Very truly yours,

Ludie J. Kinkead, Curator and
Librarian

Political Science Dept.
Univ. of Ky.
Lexington, Ky.

Oct. 13, 1948

Filson Club,
Louisville, Ky.

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Gentlemen:

We catalogued
It was suggested by Dr.
Clement Eaton of the University
of Kentucky that you might
be able to suggest some sources
of information concerning the
career of Mr. Garrett Davis, U.S.
Senator from Bourbon County.
I should be exceedingly grateful
for ~~any~~ information you may
be able to give me in reference

to Mr. Davis' career.

I have, of course, the minutes of the Constitutional Convention of 1850, the Congressional Globe for this period, and the Senatorial debates. Likewise, the newspapers are of some value. I thought perhaps you would know of some other material that might be available.

Thank you very much
for your cooperation.

Very truly yours,

Mildred M^cDaniel

John E. Davis - to Catherine Gopel -
abt. 8 Jacob
Gopel.

Davis
7-4-1842

801 Third Ave. S.E.
Pipestone, MN 56164
April 9, 1990

The Filson Club
1310 South 3rd Street
Louisville, Kentucky 40203

Dear Sir/Madam:

I am doing a genealogical search of my family. I would like information and possibly a birth record of my Great Great Grandmother, Catherine (or Catharine) Davis, born August 8, 1845 in Louisville, Kentucky. Her father's name was John Davis. I believe he was born in Indiana. I do not know her mother's name. My Great Great Grandmother talked of living on a plantation and being slave owners as a child.

I would appreciate any information you may be able to give me. I have enclosed a self-addressed stamped envelope for your reply. Please inform me of any charges for this information. I will be looking forward to your reply. Thank you for your time, help and cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

Patricia Bearfield
Patricia Bearfield

The Filson Club

Historical Society

ORGANIZED MAY 15, 1884, FOR COLLECTING, PRESERVING, AND PUBLISHING
HISTORICAL MATERIAL, ESPECIALLY THAT PERTAINING TO KENTUCKY

April 25, 1990

Patricia Bearfield
801 Third Ave. S.E.
Pipestone, Mn. 56164

Dear Ms. Bearfield:

After looking at all John Davis households in the 1850 Census for Louisville, I find no John Davis with a five year old daughter Catherine.

In checking in Jefferson County Marriages I see the marriage of a John E. Davis to a Catherine Gopld, daughter of Jacob Gopld July 4, 1842.

If you could possibly add any new clues, I'll be glad to take another look.

Sincerely,
Nettie Oliver

406 15 1955

The Dorlands

3031 Kalnia Street

San Diego 4, California

August, 12, 1955.

The Filson Historical Club,
Louisville, Kentucky,

Gentlemen:

Your name was suggested to me by Mrs. Virginia Schur, librarian of the San Diego Genealogical Society as a source of information concerning Kentucky records. I am searching for the parents of Ishmael Davis who was born in Maryland, 1793 and went to Ky. when a small child. He was married, Jan. 4, 1828 in Lewis Co. Ky. to Nancy McDaniels and went to live on $\frac{1}{2}$ section of land in Tremont township, Buchanan Co., Mo. in 1837. He and his son ~~Mandolph~~ ^{Ishmael} Davis are in the Encyc. of History of Mo. Randolph Brue, starting the Aunt Jemima Pancake Flour Mills in St. Joseph, Mo.

I have located an Ishmael Davis in Kentucky, who might be his father but have no surety at all. An Ishmael Davis is listed as a Messenger in the Baptist Church from South Fleming, at Richland Creek, Bracken Co. Ky. in Sept. 1804 also at Johnston's church in 1804. An Ishmael Davis is listed as from Stone Lick Church, Mason Co., Ky. Sept. 19-21, 1801 and also in 1802. Then I found in Gwathmey's Historical Register of Virginians in the Rev. on page 211 an Ishmael Davis listed 2cl- 9cl- 2nd Va. Regt. Continental and 9th Va. Regt. Con. Lines. Then in Ky. Hist. Soc. Register Vol. 22, p. 8, 10 an I. Davis serving under Gen. Rogers Clark & Col. Benj. Logan in their expedition against the Indians Aug. 10, 1787. I also copied a will of an Ishmael Davis from Maryland Will Book 31, Part 1, P. 225. The will probated Feb. 23, 1761. Worcester Co. Md. Names wife Patience and sons Benj., James and Shadrick, three daughters, Martha, Rachel & Mary. but no Ishmael. This is all my information. I am anxious to complete line for my daughter-in-law to join the D.A.R. but seem to have reached my own limit. If you have any suggestions they will be gratefully appreciated and kindly state amount of fee for information.

Also I would like information as to price of your magazine and some thing about your Club.

Thanking you very much I am,

Sincerely, *Hofe Dorland* (Mrs. Frank N. Dorland.)

Randolph
Ishmael

Ismael Davis in Bourbon Co. in
1800 Census

Levin Co. Mar.

Ismael Davis to Nancy M^c Daniel
(brotherman) John M. M^c Daniel
1-8-1829

Levin formed 1806 from Mason

Davis Family

August 18, 1955

Mrs. Frank N. Dorland,
3031 Kalmia Street,
San Diego 4, California.

Dear Mrs. Dorland:

We are in receipt of your letter of August 12 regarding your Davis family.

I find that your Ishmael Davis was married to Nancy McDaniel, (bondsmen, John M. McDaniel) January 8, 1829, according to the Lewis County marriage records. Since Lewis County was formed from Mason County in 1806 I looked at the early Mason County records which we have here for a will which might help, but was not successful. However, we do not have complete files of the early Mason County records in The Filson Club, and it would be well for you to write the County Clerk at Maysville for records pertaining to the early Davis family there.

Since Lewis County was Mason County in 1801 it looks like the Ishmael Davis listed as from Stone Lick Church, Mason County in 1801 and 1802 would be your Ishmael.

The only Ishmael Davis listed in the 1800 Census of Kentucky was in Bourbon County at that time.

We have a very small staff here and cannot devote much time to genealogical research, although we do try to answer specific questions when the time required is not too great.

Since you will need quite a bit of extensive research done I would suggest that you secure the services of a professional genealogist to search our records thoroughly. If you would like to do this you might write to Mrs. Charles E. Craik, 118 Oxford Place, Louisville, or Mrs. Harry P. Gorman, 2404 Woodbourne, Louisville, either of whom, I feel sure, would be glad to do the work for you.

Yours very truly,

(Mrs) Dorothy Thomas Cullen
Curator and Librarian

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P.S. We do appreciate your interest in The Filson Club and our Quarterly, and are enclosing a pamphlet which tells about the Club and its activities. A subscription to the Quarterly costs \$6.00 a year to non-members, but is included in the membership fee to members.

If you would like to become a member we would be delighted to have you!

encl:mb

Dans Family

September 3, 1948

Mrs. George S. Schnorf,
425 Hawthorne Ct. - C
Madison, Wisconsin.

Dear Mrs. Schnorf,

Referring to your letter of August 23rd, yes we do have First History of Caldwell County, Kentucky, by Clauscine R. Baker but it does not have an index. I have glanced through it by pages but did not find any one by the name of Davis. Of course I did not look at every name on every page. As Caldwell County was formed in 1899 from Livingston, I looked in the copy of the Livingston marriage records we have but did not find any of the Davis names you mention although there were ten or twelve Davis men in the book. Livingston was cut from Christian County in 1798, I looked into the early Christian County marriage records as published in the Register of the Kentucky Historical Society, Vol. 24, for 1926, but again, although there were many Davis men given, I did not find anything to help your line.

The Filson Club is open to the public and we would welcome any member of your family or anyone you ask to come in and make a search in our material.

Regretting that I am not able to help you on this request,
I am,

Very truly yours,

Ludie J. Kinkead, Curator and
Librarian

Aug 23 1948
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August 23, 1948

Filson Club
Louisville,
Kentucky

Dear Sirs,

According to:

Jillson, Willard R. Kentucky History pub. by
Standard Printing Co., 1936, Louisville, Ky. p.53
you have a copy of
First History of Caldwell County, Ky. by C.R. Baker,
pub. by Commercial Printers, Madisonville, Kentucky,
1936.

Since I am a staff member of the Wisconsin State Historical Library, I had hoped to borrow the book from the Library of Congress on inter-library loan, but they informed me that it was not available.

My grandfather's family lived in Caldwell County. He was Herbert L. Davis, son of James Caldwell Davis and Elizabeth Owen Davis. James C. Davis was the son of William Davis and -----Caldwell. I am hoping that some mention is made of them in this publication. It seems to be the only book ever published on Caldwell County.

Do you ever lend such a book on an inter-library loan? If so, I shall be glad to pay wrapping, mailing, insurance etc., costs and will arrange to have our head librarian request the loan.

If such a loan is not your policy, will you please check the index for possible information about this family?

If you permit persons who are not members of the Club to use your files I could request a relative in Kentucky to visit your library should there be sufficient information to warrant a trip.

I am enclosing an envelope for your convenience and thank you for any consideration.

Sincerely yours,

Betty Schnorf
(Mrs. George A. Schnorf)

Mrs. Davis = Caldwell

James Caldwell Davis = Elizabeth Owen Davis
Herbert L. Davis

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Mrs. George A. Schnorf
425 Hawthorne Ct - C
Madison, Wisconsin

Caldwell Co - 1809, Lexington - 1798 Christ

Davis

December 30, 1980

Mr. Neil Hoyt
2715 N.E. 61st
Portland, Oregon 97263

Mr. Hoyt:

I am not able to give you any real help in your family research.

First of all I have looked at the 1850 census for Louisville (Jefferson Co.) and find a George Davis, 39 years old, occupation carter born in Louisiana. He is living with his wife Elizabeth 29 years old born in Virginia. Also in household is John Hook, 2 years old male born in Indiana. This is the only George in the Louisville area who has wife named Elizabeth.

The sad news about deaths and births in Kentucky is that there were none kept at all until after 1911, with the exception of some Louisville deaths for the years 1898 to 1910, which we have on microfilm.

If this George could be the one you are seeking you may inquire about vital statistics that were kept in Louisiana.

Davis is not an easy name to pursue, but if you can give me any additional clues, I'll take a second look.

Sincerely,

Glenn Foster

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FILSON CLUB

118 W. BRECKENRIDGE
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY

Nettie Watson:

My name is Neil Hoyt and I am researching my family ancestors. I talked to you on the phone last week and I am grateful for any information you can find for me. The person who ~~was~~ I am trying to trace is my great grandmother. Her name is:

NANCY ELLEN DAVIS

She was born in Louisville, Kentucky in the year 1855, probably JULY 8, but not certain. So I need a birth certificate copy if you can find one. Now, some more information about her family. Her father

GEORGE DAVIS

is also from Louisville. Now, any research on his birth, ~~marriage~~, and certificate would be most helpful. He married

ELIZABETH BARNABY (MAIDEN NAME)

and she also was born in Louisville. I don't have any birth dates on George or Elizabeth, but any help on their birth certificates only is appreciated so I can continue on this family line.

If you find any of this information and need to contact me, call collect

if you need to. Here's my mailing address and phone number.

NEIL HOYT
2715 NE. 61ST
PORTLAND, OREGON 97213
PHONE : 503-284-2463

Now, let me know of any expense these copies may incur if you can find them and I will be most willing to cover the cost. I am anxiously waiting for your reply.

Sincerely,
Neil Hoyt

P.S. If you do find this info. could you mail the copies in a manilla envelope so they aren't folded or bent in the mail. I'll pay for the postage too. Call if you have any questions.

Davis Family

William Davis 2nd son of John Davis and Ann Simpson married Mary Polly Sullivan

- ① X William Davis married Mary Polly Sullivan
 They had 10 living children
 1 John Simpson m. Sarah Shipman
 2 Mary C. mar. Peter Bower
 3 Washington -
 4 Ann L. mar. James Spier (1st. Mrs. Jassen (2nd)
 5 Eliza mar. Abraham Fulton lived in Iowa

- ② X 6. Amy Hadd m. Oliver Shipman
 They had 3 children
 1 Catherine mar. Mr. Scott.
 2 Caroline mar. John Fuller.

- ③ X 2 They had 9 children
 1. Carrie
 2 Maud
 3 Amy
 4 Bertha
 5 Oliver mar. Mary Shipman they had 3 ch. (see below)
 6 Etta
 7 May
 8 Frank

- 4 X 1 Ernest mar. 1st Annabelle Davidson
 They had 1 son
 Ernest mar. 2nd Della Baker
 They had 4 children
 Friend

7. Margaret
 8. Richard mar. Mary Jane
 They had 1 Osborn
 2 James
 3 John

9. Anna and William
 1. Catherine mar. Charles Davis (son of Samuel Davis)
 bro. of William

10. William W. mar. Harriet Davis
 They had 1 Emma
 2 Matilda mar. Jacob Cloud

11. Sarah A. mar. Richard Woodruff
 Elizabeth mar. Chas. Rickes

note - nothing on Ernest except her sister said he was mar. twice
 Oliver Fuller son of John mar. Mary Shipman
 They had 3 ch. 1. Nancy } they live
 2. Alice } in Dublin
 3. a boy.

see over for ch. of Ernest Fuller and 1st & 2 wives.

Detchen 8/83

This information from Mrs. Ruth Hanover her address as phone no. below

Clarence Ernest Tuller - son of Caroline Shipman & John Tuller.
Ernest Tuller mar (1) Annabelle Davidson (da. of

They had 1 son
mar (2) Della Baker (da. of
They had 4 sons 1 Doc
2 Ray
3 Clarence Edward Tuller
4 Ernest Jr.

3 Clarence Edward Tuller mar Lillian Elizabeth -
Klinglesmith of Hardin Co. Ky

They had 1. Twins died
2. Clarence Edward Tuller Jr.
3. Lillian Elizabeth Jr.
4. Jeanne
5. Annie

4 Clarence Edward Tuller Jr married Carol
They have 1 son Adam Edward born

Walnut Creek, Calif.

January 4, 1962

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Recorder's Office

Todd County, Kentucky

Gentlemen:

I am trying to work on the family tree of my Grandfather, William Thomas Davis, who, we believe, was born in Todd County, Kentucky, August 7, 1830. He was married to Mary Jane Price in 1850-- She was born Sept. 5, 1834, We don't know where.

My father was born in Barry Illinois, Adams County, Feb. 22, 1862.

We do not know when my Grandfather left Kentucky. He did fight in the Civil War on the side of the Confederacy, and we believe he was a relative of Jefferson Davis.

I would appreciate any information you might have, and any advice as to how to trace him.

Thanking you in advance, I remain,

Respectfully yours,

Mrs. Clyde O'Neal

2328 Warren Rd.,

Walnut Creek, Calif.

We are unable to help you any. You might write to the Filson Club in Louisville, Kentucky. They have a lot of history of Kentucky, which might help you a lot

W. H. HALTON
County Court Clerk

Filson Club

Louisville, Kentucky

Gentlemen:

This letter is self explanatory.. Would very much appreciate any help you can give me.

Respectfully,

Mrs. Clyde O'Neal

2328 Warren Road

Walnut Creek, Calif.

Davis Family

April 26, 1949 "

Davis Family
see her letter
Jan 14-1949
in file

De Pauw Family

Mrs. Sam Gates,
Great Southern Hotel,
Gulfport, Miss.

Dear Mrs. Gates:

Our Secretary, Mr. Hill, has handed ~~men~~ your correspondence with notes about the DePauw family, so that it might be filed in our Genealogical Department. We are so glad to have this.

I note in your letter of January 14th you ask what we have on the Davis family in Kentucky as your Great grandfather was John W. Davis, who among other offices he held was our first American Minister to China.

I looked in Dictionary of American Biography, by Scribner, and find a nice biographical sketch of John Wesley Davis, April 16, 1799- August 22, 1859. This article states that he was the son of Rev. John Davis, and _____ (Jones) Davis, and was born at New Holland, Lancaster County, Pa. He studied medicine at the University of Maryland, graduating in 1821. Two years later with his wife Ann Hoover, he moved to Carlisle, Ind., traveling in a cart and arriving, as he afterward related, with three cents in his pocket. He practiced his profession for some years, but in 1828 ran for state Senate, and was defeated. In 1829 he was elected probate judge of Sullivan County, and from then on climbed in his political career. In 1835 was elected to the Twentypfourth Congress, in 1845 elevated to the speakership, and early in 1848 sent as commissioner to China and returned home in 1850. In 1853 was appointed governor of Oregon Territory. He died in Carlisle Indiana. His oldest son John Lee Davis rendered distinguished service as a naval officer. There is a sketch in this same book of the son.

From this I think perhaps you should look in Pennsylvania for your Davis line instead of Kentucky. I send the above for what interest it might be to you.

Very sincerely yours,

Ludie J. Kinkead, Curator

Davis Family

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Miss Ludie J. Kinhead
118 West Breckinridge Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Miss Kinhead;

How very kind of you to trouble to send me the "American Biography's " sketch of the life of my great-grandfather, John Wesley Davis .

A quaint letter from him in Macao, China, written to my grandmother, Mary Davis Akin, which I own, - and the charm of my grandmother, his daughter, which has lingered through the years, have always enlivened my interest in the Davis family.

Often in my youth, when in New York, I visited with my Mother the widow and daughter of Admiral John Lee Davis and remember them vividly.

Regrettably, with the early death of my Mother and the immediate members of the Davis and Akin families, I lost track of more distant connections and of the family history - but I have no doubt your "sketch" will be helpful .

With gratitude and kind regards,

Very cordially yours,

Jane Le Pauw Gates

Grand

Prode

Sam Shapla
B 7-1832
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cards 4/14/1848

Elie Shapla

Thelma Shapla
my
grandmother
in 1902

Pauline Shapla
Black Sam Shapla

Cooney

Helena Shapla

John Shapla

Thelma Shapla

Spence
Homer Roy Shapla

John Shapla

Children of Sam Shapla
B-3-26-1832
B-2-28-1876
from mom 9 sons 11 grand

John Shapla

John Shapla

John Shapla

John Shapla
B-3-26-1832
B-2-28-1876
from mom 9 sons 11 grand

Bro
Uncle Sam
Thelma Shapla

John Shapla
B-3-26-1832
B-2-28-1876
from mom 9 sons 11 grand

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Davis family
FEB 4 1971

Jan. 31, 1971

The Filson Club
Louisville, Ky.

Dear Sir:

Thanks for your letter of Jan. 25th.

Since there were so many John Davises, I'm afraid that *my John* neither your staff nor a professional genealogist could find without more information than I sent you. I would appreciate having the address of the person you had in mind, and I could at least advise her of some eliminations, to prevent time being spent on a lot that has already been done.

Perhaps, if there is a book, "Louisville First Families", in your library, someone might verify whether it is true that Robert Davis is given as the father of Evan (Jefferson's grandfather) and a sister Abigail Davis Floyd. Perhaps a different Evan?

Someone wrote me that recently, confusing me, since several other genealogists had said Jefferson's gr-grfather was named John Davis.

Someone in Ky. probably knows the things I want to know, I keep hoping I'll find who that person may be. Perhaps I'll have more time to spend at libraries the next time I visit my Aunt.

Thanks again,

Sincerely,

Lilly O'Bryan
(Mrs. W.F.)

MRS. WM. O'BRYAN
424 Hamilton Ave.
Almont, Mich. 48003

THE HONORABLE TRUE DAVIS

Text and Photography
by Betty Poehlman

I had just taken up residence in Leesburg, Va., when St. Joseph Magazine asked me to do an article on former Ambassador True Davis. I wondered if the fact that I, too, was a Missourian would be my best credential in securing an interview.

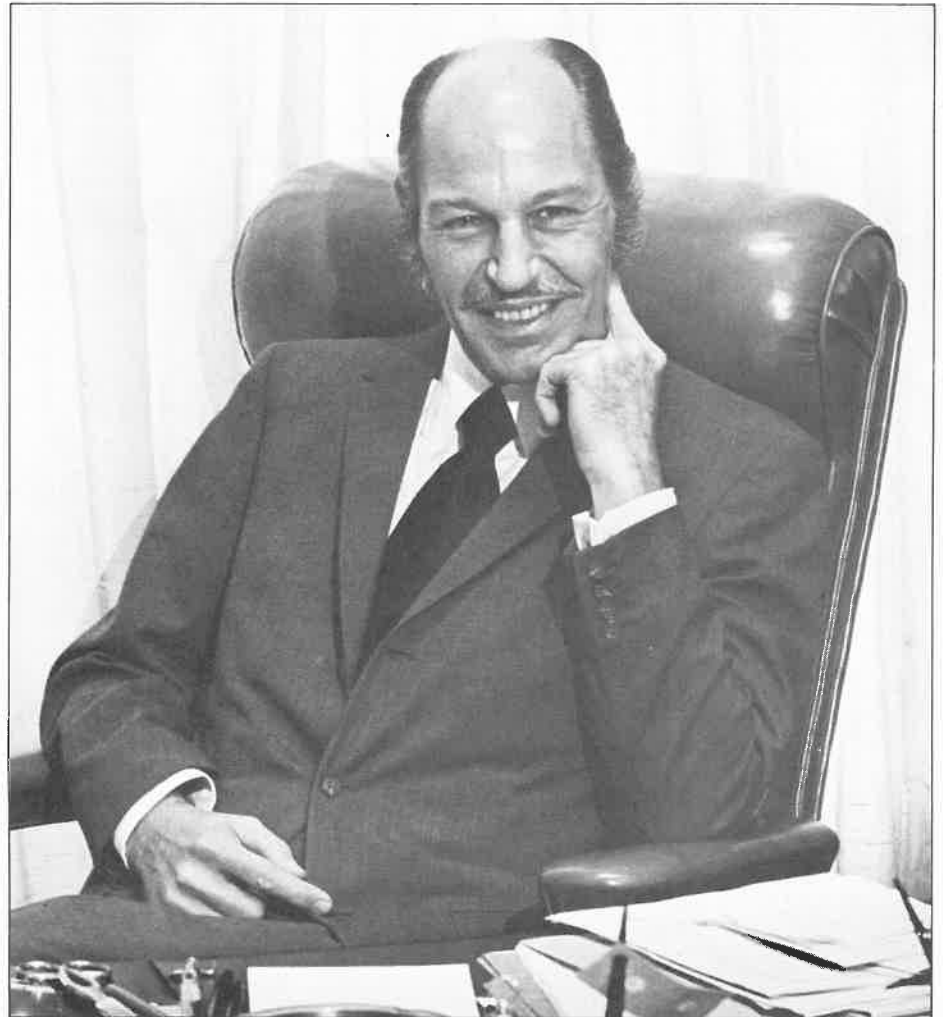
Apparently, it was. Before I even had time to plot my strategy, I received a warm welcome to the area and an invitation to join Mr. Davis' party at the Middleburg, Va., Point-to-Point Races just a few miles from my home.

From that afternoon on, interviewing (if you could possibly call it that) this man was one of the most enjoyable assignments I've ever taken on. My husband and I spent two such afternoons in the Hunt Country with him, as well as a lovely afternoon in his beautiful Washington home. There he reminisced about his family, his years in government service and about his years at home in St. Joseph.

In 1837, the Ishmael Davis family moved to Missouri from Kentucky and began farming in the area now known as Dearborn. When the government opened up the Platte Purchase in the 1890s, the Davises became homesteaders. In fact, R. True Davis was the first white baby born in the previously held Indian territory, giving the family a "first native family" claim.

The Davis family farmed the land through the next two generations, and it was this livelihood that demanded that William True Davis become an experimentalist in the 1900s. Hog cholera had become a menace to the successful operation of the family farms and the elder Davis formulated a serum that worked quite effectively. So effectively, that before long, other farmers were asking that the next time he mixed up the brew, could he mix just a little extra? When the serum "took hold" (in the same manner as a ship's anchor), the Anchor Serum Co. was organized in 1913. The Davis family was in business.

True Davis, Jr. was born on December 23, 1919, the oldest of four children — the others being Dexter, Daphne and Jacqueline. In the progression of things, he attended Central High School and would be remembered by Principal Calla Varner as one the school's most outstanding students. Upon graduation in 1937, he entered Cornell, one of the



nation's top agricultural schools, because he assumed he would return to the family interests and he wanted to prepare himself to be an educated farmer.

Ironically, when Davis left Cornell in 1940, he was urged by his father to try something other than farming. So, he headed for Texas where he tried wildcatting for a while. He still recalls packing a pistol on his belt until the day he was taken aside and told that sometime he "was going to wish that gun was candy" when someone made him eat it. He laid aside the gun — and wildcatting. Returning to St. Joseph, Davis became a salesman with Anchor Serum, gaining experiences that would serve as invaluable lessons throughout his career.

Then in 1942, Davis was off to the Navy where he served as chief test pilot at the Naval Air Station at Pearl Harbor. He attained the rank of lieutenant before being honorably discharged in 1945.

So, in 1946, 26-year-old True Davis was again faced with a decision as to what to do with his life. The elder Davis, a

political hobbyist, had long taken part in area Democratic politics and had sparked the same interest, especially, in his two sons. It was nearing time for an election and as True Davis recalls "time to unseat a Republican" in the traditionally ruled Democratic stronghold.

He went to Independence to visit with President Truman and ask his advice on running for the congressional seat. Mr. Truman advised him that memorable afternoon by saying that he was against "youngsters" entering politics as perhaps they would have only several good years of strong popularity before the whim of the people caused a reversal in their political careers. Then what would they be left with, not having prepared themselves early on for a substantial endeavor outside the political arena? Davis pressed him again, "Would you support me if I choose to run?"

Truman's reply was, "Yes, but I'm afraid you'll be unlucky enough to win."

As Davis drove home that afternoon, he said to himself, "You went to visit

THE HONORABLE TRUE DAVIS

the oracle and you heard what the oracle said." Politics in 1946 became the "road not taken" — at least momentarily.

Davis, The Businessman

So, in the late '40s and early '50s, Davis threw himself into building a bigger Anchor Serum Company. Veterinary pharmaceuticals were in an infantile stage in comparison to human pharma-

ceuticals, but the industry was wide open for expansion. The company diversified its product lines to include more than just hog cholera serum, developing many new lines including a supplement thought to create rapid growth in beef cattle. Suddenly, Anchor found itself competing with some of the nation's largest pharmaceutical manufacturers, but lacked the market base necessary to insure a solid position.

Mergers were sought to expand that market base, and Davis found himself leaving the familiar biological aspect of the company as he moved toward the realm of finance.

In 1959, the big break came, far bigger than expected when mergers were arranged with U.S.-based companies and when Anchor merged with the European-based Philips Electronics and Pharmaceutical Industries, Corporation. Anchor Serum Co. and associated companies skyrocketed, and True Davis became an international businessman.

Thus, for True Davis, the years from 1946 to 1963 became those years suggested by President Truman — years to build a substantial personal and financial background. His business interests carried him throughout the U.S., as well as abroad, but coming home was always to Ashland Ave., St. Joseph; to wife, Virginia Motter Davis and sons, True III, Bruce and Lance.

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During those same years, True established himself as one of St. Joseph's most civic-minded citizens. There were few organizations that could not boast of his membership and contributions. He served as a member of the executive committee of the United Fund, director of the St. Joseph Automobile Club, the Missouri Good Roads Assoc., the St. Joseph Council of Boy Scouts and the Little League. He was a trustee of Missouri Valley College, director of the Missouri State Chamber of Commerce and a national associate of the Boy's Club of America. He served as Police Commissioner of St. Joseph, director of the National Rifle Assoc. and was a member of the Young President's Organization. In 1960, he received the VFW "Outstanding Citizen" award. In addition, in 1962, he wrote a Veteran of Foreign Wars book, *Americanism vs. Communism*.

The Call From The White House

In 1963, when the phone rang and the voice on the other end asked if "Mr. Davis could be at the White House the following Tuesday," needless to say, the answer was yes. He remembers that he anticipated the appointment with tremendous enthusiasm, as he had no particular idea what the purpose of the meeting might be. After all, he and President Kennedy had been somewhat politically opposed in the preceding election when

SOMETHING ABOUT THE DAVIS FAMILY.

THOUGH of ancient standing in Wales, the name Davis, originally David, scarcely appears in English annals before the Norman Conquest.

Modified in various forms, it has produced many family names, some of which are among the commonest in use, as Davids, Davidson, Davidge, Davey, Davy, Davys, Davyes, Davie, Davies, Daves, Davison and Davis.

Davis, or Davies, stands fifth in point of numbers in England and Wales, yielding priority only to Smith, Jones, Williams and Taylor. Of the entire population of Great Britain, one in every 421 is named Davis.

An extract from an old play, "Sir John Oldcastle," erroneously attributed to Shakespeare, illustrates some of the idiosyncrasies of the Welsh tongue in regard to this name.

"Judge—What bail? What sureties?

"Davy—Her cozen ap Rice, ap Evan, ap Morice, ap Morgan, ap Llewellyn, ap Madoc, ap Meredith, ap Griffin, ap Owen, ap Shinkin Jones, ap Davis.

"Judge—Two of the most sufficient are enough.

"Sheriff—And it please your Lordship, there are but one."

In other words, Mr. Davis was burdened with nearly a dozen names, thus carrying his pedigree with him.

The family traces descent from Alfred the Great, and Rhodri Mawr, King of Wales, A. D. 843. A prominent representative of the family in England at present, Owen Davis, is seventeenth in direct descent from Alfred.

The Lord Mayor of London in 1676 was Sir Thomas Davies. He was son of John Davies, a bookseller, who was a friend of the celebrated Samuel Pepys. Sir Thomas Davies was knighted upon the occasion of the laying of the first stone of the Royal Exchange by Charles II. The tablet of white marble, erected in memory of Sir Thomas, is to be seen in St. Sepulchre's church, London.

The first American progenitor of the family was Capt. Dolor Davis, who came to this country from England in 1634. He soon after married Margery Willard, who came over with her brother Simon in the same ship with Capt. Davis. They lived first in Scituate, in the Old Colony. Some portion of his life Dolor Davis lived in Concord, where he had lands granted to him in 1659. He was a carpenter and surveyor, and held the office of Constable for a long time. He was "one of the grand inquest of Plymouth Colony" in 1645, and one of the petitioners for Groton, and also one of the eight men appointed in 1655 to be the selectmen "for two years from the time it was laid out." He probably never lived in Groton, but became identified with Barnstable, and there spent most of his life. He, with "his sonnes," is on the list of "males that are able to bear arms, from sixteen years old to sixty-three years," in that town.

By will, Dolor Davis bequeathed to his son John his carpenter's tools and

his "serge suit and cloke."

Ruth Hall, daughter of Dolor and Margery Davis, became the wife of Stephen Hall. Among their descendants were Capt. Stephen Hall, a distinguished Bostonian; Chief Justice Eustis, of Louisiana; and Chief Justice Isaac Parker, of Massachusetts.

Another early settler was Samuel Davis, whose son, Asa, married a lady—Jane More by name—who was related to the family of George III.

Another immigrant was Meredith Davis, a native of Wales. He was born about 1690, and was a descendant of the royal Welsh line of Meredith ap David. He arrived in Maryland in 1720 and married the granddaughter of the early Deputy Governor, William Burgess.

Descendants of Isaac Davis, a great-grandson of Dolor Davis, may claim membership in the Societies of Colonial Dames or of the Sons of the Revolution, for Isaac enlisted in the Massachusetts militia on the breaking out

of the Revolutionary War and was commissioned Lieutenant. His brother-in-law, Dr. Samuel Brigham, who acted as paymaster, was present at the capture of Smith, Andre's guide.

Isaac Davis was a man of strong character and public spirit, and was often chosen delegate to county conventions. Upon one occasion, among other things, he was instructed to vote to petition the General Court to do away with lawyers.

Capt. Elisha Davis, who was one of a committee of three to supply the town's quota of beef for the Revolutionary army, left by will to each son as much as to two daughters, except his son Nehemiah, who "lives on my home farm, and he must have \$166.67 more than either other son, in order to support the dignity of my house in making my friends welcome."

Members of the family served in the colonial wars. Edward Davis, of Oxford, Mass., was captain of militia at

the time of the French war, and marched with thirty-three men of his company to the relief of Fort William Henry.

The patriotism of Capt. Daniel Davis induced him to sacrifice his own property for the public good during the Revolutionary War. He advanced money which was repaid in depreciated currency, till his estate was seriously involved. He entered personally upon the service, and was promoted to the rank of Captain. After the return of peace he joined the "Company of Ohio Associates," which in 1788 began the settlement of Ohio. A tradition among his descendants is that he was the second man ashore when the boat which took the company down the river struck upon Point Harman, April 7, 1788. Wishing, as he declared, to do something of which his posterity could speak with pride, he cut the first tree felled by a settler west of the Ohio river. This tree being a "buckeye," or horse-chestnut, the incident gave the State the name which it still retains. With his sons, he participated in the perils of Indian warfare until Wayne's victory in 1794, when he settled down to the peaceful pursuits of life, and aided very materially in forming the institutions of the new State.

Of a Samuel Davis, who was among the first of his family to give his influence and support to the Universalist Society, the story is told that, being possessed of great physical strength, he was known as a wrestler, and when challenged by a "professional," who had never seen him, he kept in the background when the match was called. His brother Elijah, who was also a stalwart man, stepped forward, and, grapple with the champion, was thrown. Samuel, who had closely watched his antagonist for the purpose of learning his game, then walked into the ring, saying: "I am the man you came to wrestle with," and very soon demonstrated his superiority.

Another Davis showed his mettle by securing two prisoners who had escaped from jail and marching them back again at the muzzle of an old unloaded pistol.

Many members of his family might be named who well sustained their relations to society and left enviable memories. Among others may be mentioned John Davis, of Massachusetts, who was four times Governor of his State and was chosen United States Senator several times.

The well-known historian, George Bancroft, had Davis blood in his veins. So had Lion Gardiner, the builder of Fort Saybrook, which he held through the Pequot troubles. In 1639 he purchased of friendly Indians the island now known as Gardiner's island, just east of Long Island. His grandson, John Gardiner, in 1699, was intrusted with much treasure by the notorious Capt. Kidd, who remained some time off Gardiner's island. When he departed he left with Mr. Gardiner 1,111 ounces of gold and 2,353 ounces of silver, besides jewels. Gardiner was ignorant of the character of his visitor, and when Kidd was arrested he surrendered the property to the Governor of Massachusetts.

One branch of the Davis family is

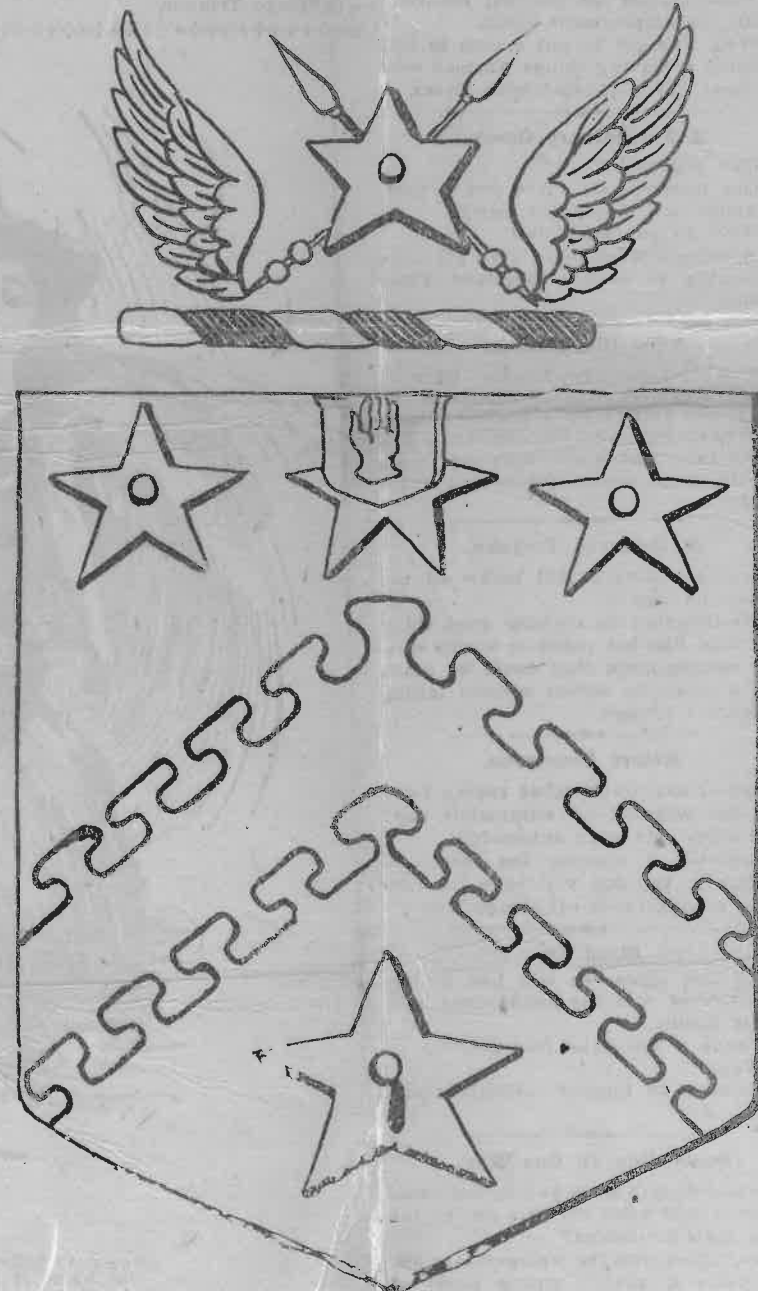
the Chandler family, a member of which was John Chandler, called "Tory John" and "The Honest Refugee." He was born in New London in 1720. His mistaken sense of loyalty brought him into direct conflict with the rising flood of revolutionary sentiment, and he was exiled with five other prominent loyalists. On his departure from his home at Worcester his estate was confiscated, the value being about \$36,000. He went to England, where he died.

Among curious family names are Remembrance and Shadrach, Remember, Submit, Thankful and Thankful Pray. The reader unfamiliar with this nomenclature may need be told that Remembrance is a man's name and Remember a woman's.

Among heirlooms in the family is a Bible printed in 1606, which was brought to America in the same vessel with the founder of Pennsylvania, William Penn.

The Davis arms are argent, a chevron nebula between three mullets in chief and another in base. The crest is two Indian pikes, surmounted by a mullet, pierced, sable, between two wings.

ELEANOR LEXINGTON.



DAVIS COAT OF ARMS

Davis family

I want to know anything of the father on list on last half of this page. Several brothers, James, John, Thos., Richard, Joseph and perhaps a Chas, all or some b. Bedford Co. Va., and Revolutionary soldiers, lived in Mercer Co., (perhaps when in was part of old Lincoln) before going to Hopkins Co., when it was part of Christiana before 1800.

This John never married. The only other John on Ky. 1810 cens. is John Eisan Davis, who as a widower, with children, sold last on land in 1818. He is not on 1820 cens., nor is any other John. I can't find who children were.

Two new families appear on 1820, a James and a Charles.

I know who James is. I saw his relationship to Jefferson Davis, in his Genealogy by H.A. Davis. He went to Hopkins Co. from H.C. in 1814. Not mine.

Charles, with big family, on 1820 and 1830, but probably died before 1840.

From a will of Thos. Davis, who outlived most of brothers and nephews, a Charles is mentioned as a grandfather of heirs, who seem to be sons of men on enclosed sheet. Since I can't find any household where these sisters and brothers lived (and they certainly were marrying in the county from 1818, and on) I wonder if this man could be a grandfather-if parents dead-or a father.

If he was the father, then the name of John Sr. on sheet may have just been assumed by author (oldest son called Jr., to distinguish from an uncle or ?)

My grandmother was very sure and proud of being kin to "Cousin Jeff".

From the H.A. Davis book, that I once saw and made some notes from there were 2 Johns right age for mine

Morgan (1) Evan (2) John (3) John (4) John (5) b. 1763 m. Ann Lynch. She d. 1817. Children ???

Morgan (1) Evan (2) David (3) John (4) John (5) b. 1772 probably in Craven Co. S.C. Ch. ???

From a book by John Woodruff, Liverpool, Texas, 1915- parentheses by me.

Father-John Davis Sr. (Could this be wrong, and Chas. instead). If John is right
Mother-unnamed and he came from Mercer Co., may have married Polly (Nancy?)
Sweet or Fanny Swift there in 1794.

MY

1. John Davis Jr. b. July 16, 1796 (Ky. 1850 cens) (m. Sarah Metcalf Nov. 20, 1826 OR-GRITS
m # 2. Sarah Hardwick)

2. Elizabeth Tolbert Davis b. Jan. 19, 1798

3. Frances (Fannie) " b. Oct. 31, 1799 (m. John Woodruff Jan. 28, 1818)

4. Benjamin " b. Apr. 10, 1801, Ky (1850 cens) (m. Rochie Ligon Nov. 8, 1829)

5. Thos. G. " b. Jan., Feb., 1803 Ky (1850 cens) (m. Elvira Fox Mar. 26, 1829)

6. Thania b. " b. Dec. 22, 18— (m. Amos Lacy Jan. 13, 1830)

7. Nancy " b. June 6, — (m. Jas. H. Yandell)

8. Sally " b. Feb. 6, 1807 (m. Robt. Woodruff)

9. Lewis " b. Sept. 30, 1809 (m. Martha Ezelle, June 8, 1834)

10. Priscilla " b. July 14, 1811 (m. Joel Day, Nov. 21, 1839)

11. Susan b. June 24, 1814

The children of John Davis Jr., were Thos. G. (m. Louisa J. Terry), Catherine Elizabeth (m. Geo. Ligon-brother, of Rochie Ligon, above), Kitty (m. Robt. Morrow, and Mary Susan (m. John Morrow

Any help would be appreciated.

John Cox to survey 85 acres. July 1800 page 5. This early ~~and~~ entry indicates that John Cox was living in Lincoln county, Ky. prior to the formation of Anox county

Christopher Cox issued a settlement certificate for ²⁶⁰~~100~~ acres ~~xxxxxxx~~ 27 July, 1801, page 38.

Thomas Cox issued a settlement certificate for 100 acres near land of Christopher Cox on 27 July, 1801 page 40

Solomon Cox issued a crop mark July 28, 1800 page 5

~~Christ~~ Christopher Cox " " " " "

Jesse " " " " Sept 1, 1800 page 7

Frederick Cox appted adm of his fathers estate, William Cox deceased. July 28, 1801 page 42

Thoms Cox issued crop mark Dec, 1801 page 55

John Cox appted surveyor June, 1802 page 70

~~Mark~~ Nathan and Solomon Cox listed for rodd work, Aug 1802 page 70

Jesse and William Cox ~~xxxxxx~~ " " Aug, 1802 page 79

John Cox given settlement certificate for 100 acres June, 1803 p.93

Absolom and Nathan Cox listed on delinquent tax list, 1805 page 102

Joseph Cox killed a wolf Nov 1803 p 105

Jesse cox issued a 200 acres certificate June 5, 1805 in addition to the Dec 20, 1800 certificate near Nathan Nixon, page 15~~98~~

Nov. 1805 delinquent tax list: Solomon Cox, 2 horses: Christopher / Cox and Christopher Cox 1 horse: All went to Ohio page 181

Osburn Cox issued 100 acre certificate on Lees creek Feb 1806 p 191

Jesse Cox mill road survey 3 March, 1806. page 210 & 204

Solomon and John Cox live on Whetstone creek. page 213

Samuel Cox exempted from tas Nov 1806 page 226. * this means he was either over 65 or sickly or did not have cash. Page 226

John Cox, Osbourn Cox were on delinquent tax list, Nov 3, 1807. p 270-1

Samuel Cox given a crop mark Sept 1808 page 308

Samuel Cox to establish a ferry near his home June 1812. p 429

Entries in back of Deed Book A - Christopher and William Cox on the first grant of jury Aug 1800. John and Solomon Cox on the second grand jury Nov 1800. pages 4 & 7 of Deed bk A entries.

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John Davis issued a certificate for 400 acres on Spruce creek. May 31, 1802, page 67

Richrd Davis, stock mark June, 1801 page 36

Wm Davis issued certificate for 200 acres on west side of Laurel river, Aug 1803, page 96.

Mary Davis issued 200 acre certificate on Laurel river page 96. Her land next Isaac / Dixon.

Jamew Davis issued 400 acre certificate on Spruce Creek a branch of the Laurel river Aug 1803. page 97

Abner Davis on delinquent tax list Sept. 1803, page 102

James Davis 245 acres certificate Sept 3, 1804 on Spruce creek of Laurel river, page 127

John Davis, 100 a res on Brownies creek Feb 1806. page 191

Zochariah Davis, 200 " " " " 192

Abby Davis, 400 acres on Cane branch of Rockcastle river, Feb 3, 1806. this land not near the other Davis land so far as can be found

Davis, William exempted from road work May 4, 1807 page 243

Davis, Richard, deceased - his widow ~~xxxxx~~ Elizabeth granted administration Sept 1815. page 529

entry in Book A Richard Davis a juror in Nov 1801 page 24

Davis family

November 20, 1957

Mrs. J.D. Gillett Hill
123 Lincoln Avenue
Lincoln, Illinois

Dear Mrs. Hill:

As you do not identify the area in which Harrison Davis lived, I have consulted the Kentucky Census for 1800 and find one of this name listed in Henderson County. I find Robert McGary listed, at this time, in the same county.

We have two versions of the Will of James Davis of Henderson County. One is an abstract copied by Annie Walker Burns in which she lists his wife as Patsey and his children as John, Robert, and Harrison. In Early Kentucky Wills by Astelle King the name of Patsey Davis is given. The names of the witnesses are: John, Robert, and Harrison Davis. This Will was written October 7, 1800 and proven December 2, 1808. In order to secure the correct information as contained in this document, it will be necessary to write the County Clerk at Henderson, Kentucky and request a copy.

It is our pleasure to answer any genealogical questions if the answers are readily found. Due to the smallness of our staff, we are unable to undertake extensive genealogical research. As I have found nothing about Martha Davis and Col. Robert McGary and their children, I would think that some amount of professional help would be necessary. I give you the names of two genealogists either of whom will be happy to undertake this investigation for you. They are; Mrs. Harry P. Gorman, 2404 Woodbourne Avenue, Louisville, Kentucky; Mrs. Charles E. Craik, 118 Oxford Place, Louisville 7, Kentucky.

Sincerely,

(Mrs.) Dorothy Thomas Cullen
Curator and Librarian

ssc

The Ch. of James (Patey) & his wife
who d. 1801 ~~was~~ were James & Nancy) his father
James d. 1808, had other sons named Robt, Benjamin,
& Harrison. Believe in copying ~~names~~ (or this man's
will) ~~the~~ ^{were} witnesses' names, taken for children's names,
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CLARK CIRCUIT COURT

JAMES L. BOTTORFF, JUDGE

JEFFERSONVILLE, IND.

FEB 9 1961

February 8, 1961

The Filson Club
118 W. Breckenridge Street
Louisville, Kentucky

Dear Sirs:

Sometime ago, as you will recall, I was in touch with you about some long ago historical data that you kindly helped me with. Also, I believe that I loaned you an early book concerning the life of a great man, Abraham Lincoln. It was returned to me and I still have it.

I am now after the ground facts of a matter which concerns the Civil War, and a Northern General, born and reared here in our County of Clark, whose name was Jefferson Davis. Unfortunately, however, General Davis and General Nelson, both Northern Officers, after an altercation, General Davis shot and killed General Nelson.

Judge L. R. Curtis of your Criminal Court has assisted me greatly in searching for the records concerning the investigation of General Nelson's death, but, like many other events after the span of years, become too old for the present generation to still maintain an interest in them. General Davis was buried in the Cave Hill Cemetery, I am advised, but the Sexton of that cemetery is also unable to locate a record of fact which may have otherwise displayed the date of birth and death, but records are silent of even the burial.

Since having none other than your records to appeal to, I write you the within notation in the hopes that your kind attention may have something concerning the unfortunate affair. Will you please let me know if this may be true.

Thanking you in advance,

Very truly yours,

James L. Bottorff
Judge

JLB:mr

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name CHARLES SAMUEL DAVIS

| This Information Obtained From: | Husband's Data | Day | Month | Year | City, Town or Place | County or Province, etc. | State or Country | Add. Info. on Husband |
|---------------------------------|----------------|-----|-------|------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| | Birth | | | | | | | |
| | Chr'nd | | | | | | | |
| | Mar. | Oct | 7 | 1944 | Louisville, | Jefferson Co. | Ky. | |
| | Death | | | | | | | |
| | Burial | | | | | | | |

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father

Mother's Maiden Name

Wife's Full Maiden Name WILDA IONA ROWE

| Wife's Data | Day | Month | Year | City, Town or Place | County or Province, etc. | State or Country | Add. Info. on Wife |
|-------------|-----|-------|------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Birth | Mar | 28 | 1928 | Rockport | Ohio Co., | Ky | |
| Chr'nd | | | | | | | |
| Death | | | | | | | |
| Burial | | | | | | | |

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Places of Residence

Address

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

City, State

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Date

Her Father HETSLEY ROWE

Mother's Maiden Name BESSIE K. ACTON

| Sex | Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth) | Children's Data | Day | Month | Year | City, Town or Place | County or Province, etc. | State or Country | Add. Info. on Children |
|-----|--|-----------------|------|-------|------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| F | 1 KATHARINE ANN Full Name of Spouse* WILLIAM CLANCY | Birth | Aug | 17 | 1945 | Louisville | Jefferson Co., | Ky | |
| | | Mar. | Oct | 9 | 1971 | | | New York | |
| | | Death | | | | | | | |
| | | Burial | | | | | | | |
| M | 2 CHARLES OWEN Full Name of Spouse* | Birth | Oct | 13 | 1948 | Louisville | Jefferson Co., | Ky | |
| | | Mar. | | | | | | | |
| | | Death | | | | | | | |
| | | Burial | | | | | | | |
| F | 3 MARTHA JANE Full Name of Spouse* MELVIN EDGAR BARTLETT, | Birth | Oct | 12 | 1951 | Louisville | Jefferson Co. | Ky | |
| | | Mar. | Nov | 27 | 1970 | | | New York | |
| | | Death | | | | | | | |
| | | Burial | | | | | | | |
| F | 4 LAURA JEAN Full Name of Spouse* | Birth | June | 3, | 1957 | Louisville | Jefferson Co. | Ky. | |
| | | Mar. | | | | | | | |
| | | Death | | | | | | | |
| | | Burial | | | | | | | |
| | 5 Full Name of Spouse* | Birth | | | | | | | |
| | | Mar. | | | | | | | |
| | | Death | | | | | | | |
| | | Burial | | | | | | | |
| | 6 Full Name of Spouse* | Birth | | | | | | | |
| | | Mar. | | | | | | | |
| | | Death | | | | | | | |
| | | Burial | | | | | | | |
| | 7 Full Name of Spouse* | Birth | | | | | | | |
| | | Mar. | | | | | | | |
| | | Death | | | | | | | |
| | | Burial | | | | | | | |
| | 8 Full Name of Spouse* | Birth | | | | | | | |
| | | Mar. | | | | | | | |
| | | Death | | | | | | | |
| | | Burial | | | | | | | |
| | 9 Full Name of Spouse* | Birth | | | | | | | |
| | | Mar. | | | | | | | |
| | | Death | | | | | | | |
| | | Burial | | | | | | | |
| | 10 Full Name of Spouse* | Birth | | | | | | | |
| | | Mar. | | | | | | | |
| | | Death | | | | | | | |
| | | Burial | | | | | | | |

*If married more than once No. each mar. (1) (2) etc. and list in "Add. info. on children" column. Use reverse side for additional children, other notes, references or information.

FAMILY GROUP No.

Husband's Full Name

THOMAS L. DAVIS

This Information Obtained From:

| Husband's Data | Day | Month | Year | City, Town or Place | County or Province, etc. | State or Country | Add. Info. on Husband |
|----------------|-----|-------|------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Birth | | | | | | | |
| Chr'd | | | | | | | |
| Mar. | 13 | 12 | 1865 | | Ohio Co., | Ky | |
| Death | | | | | | | |
| Burial | | | | | | | |

Sue Acton

Places of Residence

Occupation

Church Affiliation

Military Rec.

Other wives, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

His Father

Mother's Maiden Name

Wife's Full Maiden Name

EVELINE ACTON

| Wife's Data | Day | Month | Year | City, Town or Place | County or Province, etc. | State or Country | Add. Info. on Wife |
|-------------|-----|-------|------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Birth | 16 | 3 | 1846 | | Ohio Co., | Ky. | |
| Chr'd | | | | | | | |
| Death | 25 | 3 | 1916 | Louisville | Jefferson Co, | Ky | |
| Burial | | | | | | | |

Places of Residence Ohio & Jefferson Co., Ky.

Occupation if other than Housewife

Church Affiliation

Other husbands, if any. No. (1) (2) etc.
Make separate sheet for each mar.

Her Father Bartemus Acton

Mother's Maiden Name Sarah Ann Robey

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Address

City, State

Date

| Sex | Children's Names in Full (Arrange in order of birth) | Children's Data | Day | Month | Year | City, Town or Place | County or Province, etc. | State or Country | Add. Info. on Children |
|-----|---|----------------------------------|-----|-------|------|---------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| M | 1 WILLIAM H Full Name of Spouse* | Birth Mar. Death Burial | | | | | | | |
| F | 2 SARAH ANN Full Name of Spouse* Died in Infancy | Birth Mar. Death Burial | | | | | | | |
| F | 3 AMANDA J Full Name of Spouse* Died Unmarried | Birth Mar. Death Burial | | | | | | | |
| M | 4 JAMES T Full Name of Spouse* | Birth Mar. Death Burial | | | | | | | |
| M | 5 BENJAMIN L Full Name of Spouse* | Birth Mar. Death Burial | | | | | | | |
| F | 6 JOSEPHINE Full Name of Spouse* Died in Infancy | Birth Mar. Death Burial | | | | | | | |
| F | 7 AMELIA Full Name of Spouse* MAY | Birth Mar. Death Burial | | | | | | | |
| F | 8 FANNIE Full Name of Spouse* JOHN DAFFRON | Birth Mar. Death Burial | | | | | | | |
| F | 9 VIOLA Full Name of Spouse* PALESTINE COOTS | Birth Mar. Death Burial | | | | | | | |
| | 10 CAPTOLIA Full Name of Spouse* | Birth Mar. Death Burial | | | | | | | |

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Wife's full maiden name EVELINE ACTON

[illegible]

Davis

July 9, 1996

Mrs. E. Marie Cannon
1903 Decker Road
Lupton, MI 48635-9613

Dear Mrs Cannon:

After a lengthy search through what records we have at The Filson Club, I am not making any real progress on your Davis ancestors, and the parents of your John H. Davis remains a mystery.

I have examined the entire 1860 and 1870 census for Hardin Co. and do not find an appropriate Davis family that has a 6 or 16 year old son John H. in the household. I did find in the 1860 an Allen Davis 35 with wife Martha E., 28 with a 3 year old son, which looks like JaP H. It's very difficult to read.

In the 1870 census for Hardin Co., I find a A.T. Davis 55, with wife Verlinda 55, and children: Matilda 19, William 14 and Amanda 11. In this same household is a 100 year old woman named Linea Nelson. You had mentioned that the last name of Nancy Elizabeth was Nelson, so thought it was worth mentioning.

I have checked through what cemetery records we have for Hardin Co., and do not find a John H. or a Nancy Elizabeth Davis, but do find in The Vine Grove Cemetery, a Nannie E. Davis 1856-1921 and a J.M. Davis 1854-1934. Could this possibly be John H. and Nancy Elizabeth?

Can you tell me a specific year that these two may have died? We have here the Kentucky death records for 1911-1945. I have looked at our death index, but there are so many Davis deaths that I am not able to tell which certificate to look at.

Let me hear from you, and if you can supply any new clues, I'll be glad to take another look.

Sincerely,

Nettie Oliver

ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF HEALTH

BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

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ARKANSAS STATE BOARD OF HEALTH-BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS

DELAYED BIRTH CERTIFICATE

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(Do Not Write In This Space)

1. PLACE OF BIRTH OF CHILD: County Craighead
City or Town Lunsford
Street No. or Rural Route _____
2. FULL NAME AT BIRTH Edith Marie Davis
3. Is Child Male or Female? Female
4. What is Child's Color or Race? White
5. What was date of Child's Birth? November 11 1921
(Month) (Day) (Year)
6. Father's Full Name William Sydney Davis
7. Where was Father living at the time of this birth? Lunsford, Arkansas
8. What is Father's color? White
9. What was Father's age at time of birth? 18 yrs.
10. In what State or Country was Father born? Kentucky
11. Mother's Maiden Name Stella Edith Smith
12. Where was Mother living at the time of this birth? Lunsford, Arkansas
13. What is Mother's color? White
14. What was Mother's age at time of birth? 18 yrs.
15. In what State or Country was Mother born. Arkansas
16. Number of Children born to this Mother up to and including this child? one

AFFIDAVIT

State of Michigan
County of Macomb } ss.

I hereby swear under oath in full knowledge of the penalties of the law for false statement that, to my best knowledge and belief, the facts above stated are true and correct in every particular. I am related to this child as 2 aches
(Attending physician, midwife, parent, or person at least twelve years older having knowledge of birth) and my present age is 56 years.

(Signed) William Sydney Davis

Subscribed in my presence and sworn to before me this 25 day of May, 1960

(Notary Public or Other Official Empowered to Execute Oaths)

My Commission Expires 4-14-61

(Do Not Write Below This Line)

Filed May 31 1960 J. I. Kerran m.d. State Registrar

THIS IS TO CERTIFY, That the above is a full, true and correct copy of the original certification which is on file in this office and of which I am legal custodian.
IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I set my hand and seal of office at Little Rock, Arkansas.

June 1, 1960

State Registrar

J. I. Kerran m.d. s.c.n

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Jan. 7, 1971

Dear Judge Hill:

Please forgive my impertinence in addressing this letter to you, but my Aunt Maja Budaley, of the Weissinger, Gaulbert Apts. thought you might be willing and able to help me in trying to find who my great-grandfather's ancestors were. He is the John Jr. Davis, first child of enclosed list.

I hope you will please pass the request on to any one you think may know more than I, about the early Ky. Davises.

You will note that Mr. H.A. Davis thought, as did several other genealogists, that Jefferson Davis' grandfather Evan, was son of a John, and grandson of a Morgan. Only recently did someone quote me from "Louisville First Families" that the father of Evan was named Robert. I know there has been disagreement about the ancestors of Evan but H.A. Davis seemed most certain, with Morgan(1) John(2) Evan(3) Saml.(4) and Jefferson(5). We may never know, but I wish I knew the brothers of Evan (I believe Jeff. said there were two, but I believe from my notes (I don't have the book) that only a brother David is mentioned), and their sons. *by H.A. Davis. Lots from Morgan(1) Evan(2)*

Did you ever hear of "Black Jack Davis", slave trader, in Ky? For several reasons, I won't go into I believe he was my own gr. grfthr., the John Davis Jr. on the list.

Thank you for any help.

*Lilly P. O'Bryan
(Mrs. Wm.)*

MRS. WM. O'BRYAN
424 Hamilton Ave.
Almont, Mich. 48003

State of Kentucky

Aa County Court held for Jefferson
County in the State afo^r at the Court House
in the City of Louisville on the 12th day of
September 1864. The foregoing Instrument of
Writing purporting to be the last will and
Testament of Susan B. Davis dec^d late of
this County, was produced in Court, &
proved by the oath of E. T. Taylor one of the
subscribing witnesses thereto, who also
made oath that Wm. R. Vance the other sub-
scribing witness thereto signed the same in

will of
Susan B. Davis
dec^d

1864 Sept. 12th Proved by E. T. Taylor
also proving allegations
of other witnesses thereto

Recorded in Will
Book No 1 Page
357

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6.85-

his presence and also in the presence of the
Testator, Whereupon the same was established
by the Court to be the last will and testament
of said Davis dec^d. And ordered to be recorded
and is recorded in my office as Clerk of
said Court.

Att. Jack Carr Clk

A COPY, Attest

James Hallahan

Clerk

By

V. Zion

D.C.

5-17-63

RECEIPT NO.

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DATE

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FILE DESIGNATION

Henry W Davis W350

Rev. War.

ORDER FOR PHOTOCOPIES
CONCERNING VETERAN

(See reverse for explanation)

Declaration

Davis family

Th. C. Johnson 1942

In order to obtain the benefits of the Act of Congress of the 7th of July 1838 entitled, An Act granting half pay and pensions to certain ^{widows} And a Resolution of Congress passed 1842

State of Tennessee
Benton County 388

6486

On this 22nd day of May one thousand eight hundred and fortythree. personally appeared Judah Davis a resident of Benton County and State of Tennessee Aged seventyeight years on the 8th day of March last before me Thomas L Floyd a Justice of the peace in and for Benton County. MCh first being duly sworn According to law, let her in to the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress, passed July 7th 1838. entitled An Act granting half pay and pensions to certain Widows and a Resolution of Congress passed 1842 That she is the widow of Henry W Davis who was a private in the Army of the Revolutionary war and drew a pension of ninetydix dollars per Annum

She further declares that she was married to the said Henry W Davis on the first of August in the year seventeenthundred and eightyseven, that her husband the said Henry W Davis died on the first day of January eighteenthundred and thirtyseven, that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January, seven hundred and ninetyfour viz. at the time above stated above to And subscribed on the day and Year above written
Thomas L Floyd, JP 3
Judah Davis
for Benton County Tennessee
made

ORDER FOR PHOTOCOPIES
CONCERNING VETERAN

(See reverse for explanation)

Declaration

The Columbia River

In order to obtain the benefit of the Act of Congress of the 4th of July 1838 entitled An Act granting half pay and pensions to certain ^{widows} and a resolution of Congress passed 1842

State of Tennessee
Benton County 388

6486

On this 22nd day of May one thousand eight hundred and fortythree. personally appeared Judah Davis a resident of Benton County and State of Tennessee Aged Seventy eight years on the 8th day of March last before me Thomas L. Floyd an Acting justice of the peace in and for Benton County, who first being duly sworn according to law, doth in his oath make the following declaration in order to obtain the benefit of the provision made by the Act of Congress, passed July 4th 1838, entitled An Act granting half pay and pensions to certain Widows and a resolution of Congress passed 1842 That she is the widow of Henry W. Davis who was a private in the Army of the Revolutionary war and drew a pension of ninety five dollars per annum

She further declares that she was married to the said Henry W. Davis on the first of August in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty seven, that her husband the said Henry W. Davis died on the first day of January eighteen hundred and thirty seven, that she was not married to him prior to his leaving the service, but the marriage took place previous to the first day of January seven hundred and ninety six, viz. at the time above stated she doth and subscribes on the day and place before stated
Thomas L. Floyd J.P.
Judah Davis
For Benton County Tennessee

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Judge Davis died
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in the State of Tennessee
was a private in the Company commanded
by Captain C of the Regt commanded
in the Revolution
for 18 months.

inscribed on the Roll of Nashville
at the rate of 60 Dollars 00 Cents
annum, to commence on the 4th day of
May 1837.

Rate of Pension issued the 25th day of
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R. H. Hawthorn
agent to the 4th of
semi-annual allowance ending
Tennessee

{ Revolutionary Claim, }
{ Act July 7, 1838. }

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10. 305.
West Tennessee
Henry W. Davis
of Wm Co in the State of Tennessee
who was a private in the Regiment commanded by
Colonel Jackson of the Virginia
line, for the term of 10 months.

inscribed on the Roll of W. Tennessee
at the rate of 00 Dollars per month, to commence on
the 4th of April 1810.

Certificate of Pension issued the 22nd of Nov. 1821
and sent to Wm Smith, Esq
Franklin, Tennessee

rears to 4th of Sept. 1821 - 320.24
semi-ann. all'ce ending 4 Mar. 1822 - 40.00
360.50 mo. 30
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{ Revolutionary claim, }
{ Act 18th March, 1818. }

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and that the said property in said Schedule exclusive of the
building, is not worth more than thirty one dollars and
sixty five cents and that the same be so certified by
the clerk of this court.

I William Smith, clerk of Williamson County
Circuit Court do hereby certify that the foregoing
oaths (or affirmations) and the schedule thereto
annexed, are truly copies from the records of this
said court; and I do further certify, that it
is the opinion of the said court, that the total
amount in value of the property exhibited in
the aforesaid schedule is worth \$61.65 cents
and worth not more (exclusive of building) than
thirty one dollars and sixty five cents. In testimony
whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
affixed the seal of the said court, on the 3^d
day of September 1821 which is my private
seal, there being no seal of office yet provided

W. S.
Clerk

W. Smith

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W.S.
S. C.

W. Smith

and for me any property or security contract or debt due to me -
nor have I any other income than what is contained in the
Schedule hereto annexed and by me subscribed - His property
is one feather bed worth \$20 one straw bed and others
worth \$10 One harness plough worth \$2 - One shovel plough
worth \$1 - One tongue plough \$1. One counter plough 75 cents
two axes worth \$3. - 4 hoes worth \$3. 1 saw and six shovels worth
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Guinea fowls worth fifty cents - 1 washing tub worth 50 cts.
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lock chain 75 cts - 1 pair of drawing chains \$2 - 1 Bell
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just debts - His occupation is a farmer - he is able to
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he is also very dim sighted he has a wife named Indith fifty
Eight years of age unable to help him much, she is crippled
from a fall of a horse, he has one daughter named Polly
who is the only child that lives with him and assists in
maintaining his family - she is in her sixteenth year
and is able to give considerable assistance - all the rest
of his children have left him and are providing for them-
selves and are over twenty one years of age, he has one
grand child four years old that lives with him named
Parakee Variables which he provides for as her mother is
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has and his own ability to labour and assistance of his family
which he can command he is unable to support himself
without the assistance of his country - J. Henry W. Davis.
Came to and declared on the sixth day of August 1891. in
open court before me J. H. Stuart, Judge.

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- And it is considered by the court that the total amount
in value of the property exhibited in said Schedule is

Filed at Franklin in the county of Williamson, in
the fourth circuit of the state of Tennessee at the August term
of the said court in the year 1824, before the Honorable Thomas
Hunt, Judge.

This day appeared in open court Henry M. Davis and
filed his Declaration for the purpose of obtaining a Pension, with
a schedule thereto annexed which was subscribed and sworn to
which is in the words and figures following-to-wit:

State of Tennessee, fourth
Circuit Williamson County J. J.

On this sixth day of August 1824, personally appeared
in open court, being a court of Record for the said Circuit
and county, Henry M. Davis, aged Sixty two years and upwards,
resident in Williamson county in said circuit, who being first
duly sworn according to law, doth on his oath declare that he
served in the Revolutionary war as follows: he enlisted as a
soldier in the Virginia Continental Line in a company
commanded by Captain William Adams in Fluvanna
county Virginia, and joined the army under Captain
Hartpatrik at Albemarle Old Court house, the Regiment
was then commanded by Colonel William Baskins and shortly
after was under the command of Col. Frazier, does not know in
what regiment; he enlisted about the first of April 1777 for
Eighteen months, served the whole time, and was discharged in
October 1781 by Col. Frazier at Cumberland Old Court house
in Virginia — And I do solemnly swear that I was a resident
citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1818 and
that I have not since that time by gift sale or in any manner
disposed of my property or any part thereof with intent thereby
to diminish it as to bring myself within the provisions of
an act of Congress entitled "An act to provide for certain
pensions engaged in the land and naval service of the United
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county Virginia, and joined the army under Captain
Huntpatrick at Albemarle Old Court house, the Regiment
was then commanded by Colonel William Larkin and shortly
after was under the command of Col. Fobiger, does not know in
what regiment; he enlisted about the first of April 1797 for
eighteen months, served the whole time, and was discharged in
October 1798 by Col. Fobiger at Cumberland Old Court house
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citizen of the United States on the 18th day of March 1813 and
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State of Tennessee

Benton County } Personally appeared William
Marshall and John Ragsdale citizens of Benton
County & State of Tennessee before me Thomas L. Floyd
an Acting justice of the peace in and for said
County And After being duly sworn According
to law do on their oaths say that they have been
personally acquainted with Judah Davis the forgoing
subscribed to the foregoing declaration for near
twenty years that she is a woman of undoubted
veracity and truth and that she has an excellent
mind considering her advanced age that she has resided
in Benton County for the space of three years
and previous to that in Davidson County and
State of Tennessee And that she is entitled to high
credit Sworn to And subscribed to on the 22nd day
of May 1843
of William Marshall
John Ragsdale
his
mark

Robert Hawthorn
H. W. Davis

The L. Floyd Justice of the peace
for Benton County Tennessee

State of Tennessee

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a citizen of Benton County before me Thomas L. Floyd
an Acting justice of the peace in and for said County
And After first duly sworn According to law doth
on his oath say that he saw Henry W. Davis sen. who
was a pensioner the husband of the aforementioned Judah
Davis die on the first day of January 1837 and
that she has remained a widow ever since that time
and is now a widow Sworn to And subscribed
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Now all men by these presents
that I Susan B Davis being now of sound
body & mind and being duly impressed with
the uncertainty of human life for and in
consideration of the love and affection ^{I entertain} for
Susannah Brown (my only child) wish to
to arrange my worldly affairs so that in case
it should please Almighty God to remove
me from this Earth by any sudden or protra-
cted illness and wishing that whatever effects
I may own at my demise to be disposed of in
the manner that I shall hereafter describe
In the first place I hereby appoint the
said Susannah Brown my sole executrix
and it is my desire and wish that she be
not required to give any security whatever
for the discharge of the requirements
I wish that I shall hereafter make
2^d After my death. I should wish that
my remains be decently interred and the
expenses of my funeral to be defrayed from
out of my estate
3^d I wish all my just debts to be paid
4th After defraying my funeral expenses
I pay all my just debts I hereby
bequeath to my said daughter

Don't know who these people are - (2858)

bequeath unto Hannah Davis My ~~Eldest~~ Sister Two
Thousand Dollars out of My Estate on the following
Condition to wit. Should she remain single but
should she ever marry then & in that case she
is to have nothing. I also bequeath unto Lydia
Davis My Second Sister the same amount to be
bequeathed to Hannah and on the same Conditions
I unto My 3rd Sister Elizabeth B. Field
a ~~life~~ Maintenance during her life time
and I also bequeath unto Mary Ann Davis
the same amount - as bequeathed to Hannah
and on the same Conditions. It is also
My wish that My Mother Hannah Davis
be have for her sole use & comfort a
room in My house and also a Maintenance
so long as she may occupy the said apart-
ment allotted for her use &c.

4th I hereby bequeath unto My nephew John
C. Field one fourth of My estate be it worth
what it may at My demise on this Condition
that is to say should he remain with My daughter
Susannah to aid & take care of My said Estate
but should he think proper to leave her at
any time then & in that case he is not to
have any thing whatever.

5 I also bequeath unto My daughter Susannah
abrown and to the heirs of her Body all My
Estate Real personal & ~~My~~ ^{personal} and in case
that My said daughter should die without

This John C. Field was possibly - John Curtis Field - one of

Susannah B. Davis had dau. Susannah Brown -

Hannah

Lydia

Elizabeth B. Davis - died -

issue outliving me it is my wish that the
property hereunto offered consisting of a small
farm of say one hundred acres (with all its appur-
tenances therunto belonging) which I bought of Law-
rence Young (the precise description will more
fully appear by reference to his deed to me
now on record in the proper office in the County
of Jefferson in the State of Ky.) May revert to
my Sisters whose names are mentioned in
this my last will and testament to be
disposed of them in such way as they may
wish at the same time I should wish that the
property might not be sold or divided feeling desir-
ous that as long as they live that all the
family might remain together In witness
hereof I have hereunto affixed my hand
and seal this the twenty eighth day
of September in the year of our Lord one
thousand eight hundred & sixty three at Middletown
in the County of Jefferson State of Kentucky.

(N.B. the interdigging between the fourth & fifth line
on the first page was made before signing this instru-
ment. also the word (off) in the Eleventh line also the
erasure of the last line of the first page, also the
erasure of the second word in the Ninth line of page 2nd also
the interlining of the word forever in the last line but one
of second page.)

Witnesses

C. J. Taylor

Ann R Vance -

Susan B Davis.



GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION
NATIONAL ARCHIVES AND RECORDS SERVICE

ORDER FOR PHOTOCOPIES
CONCERNING VETERAN

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SEARCHER

A. D.

FILE DESIGNATION

Joseph David
512735

BRIEF objections to the admission of Pension Claims, of which those answered in the negative, in red ink, will apply to the claim of *Joseph David* which require further proof or explanation.

- I. Does the declaration show where the applicant resides? *yes*
- II. Did the declarant make the declaration in the county where he resides? *yes*
- III. If the applicant did not make the declaration in the county where he resides, is there any reason assigned for his not doing so?
- IV. Has the declarant mentioned the period or periods of the war when he served? *yes*
- V. *Has he mentioned with precision the length of his service, and the different grades in which he served, in language so definite as to enable the department to determine to what amount of pension he is entitled? *yes*
- VI. Has he given the names of the officers under whom he served, in conformity with the regulations? *yes*
- VII. Has he made a relinquishment of every claim to any other pension than the one under the Act of June 7, 1832? *yes*
- VIII. Has the Court given their opinion? *yes*
- IX. Has the Clerk given his certificate? *yes*
- X. Is the Clerk's seal affixed? And if so, has it a device or inscription by which it can be distinguished from any other seal? *yes*

ns:

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7239
Kentucky

Isaac Davis
of Fleming in the State of Kentucky
who was a private in the company commanded
by Captain Young of the 1st commanded
by Col Ward in the Virginia
line for 2 years

Inscribed on the Roll of Kentucky
at the rate of 88 Dollars — Cents per annum,
to commence on the 4th day of March, 1834.

Certificate of Pension issued the 18th day of March
1834 and sent to Wm
P. Fleming Flemingburg
Arrears to the 4th of March 1833 160.00
Pension allowance ending 4th Sept 40.00
\$200.00

{ Revolutionary Claim, }
{ Act June 7, 1832. }

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- XI. Has the applicant obtained the evidence, of a clergyman and another respectable citizen as to their belief respecting his age and the general belief in his neighborhood relative to his revolutionary service? *yes*
- XII. If the clergyman's affidavit has not been produced, is there any reason assigned for not obtaining it?
- XIII. If the applicant has no documentary evidence, and has not obtained the testimony of at least one living witness, has he stated in his declaration that such proof cannot be had? *witness*
- XIV. † If the applicant's name is not found on the rolls of military service, has he produced a witness or witnesses as to his service? *yes*
 If he has produced direct proof as to service, has the magistrate who administered the oath, certified to the credibility of the witness or witnesses? *yes*
 Has the proper officer certified to the official character and signature of the magistrate as the regulations direct? *yes*
- XV. Does it appear from any of the papers that the witness was in such a situation, or of such an age, as to have a personal knowledge of the applicant's service? *yes*
- XVI. ‡ Are the papers authenticated as the regulations direct? *yes*
- XVII. Are the seven interrogatories prescribed by the War Department answered satisfactorily? And, if not, which of them is not so answered? *6, 7.*

EXPLANATORY NOTES.

* QUERE V. In a case where the applicant cannot, by reason of the loss of memory, state precisely how long he served, he should amend his declaration by making an affidavit in the following words:
 "Personally appeared before me, the undersigned, a Justice of the Peace, &c. A. B. who, being duly sworn, deposeth and saith, that, by reason of old age, and the consequent loss of memory, he cannot swear positively as to the precise length of his service, but according to the best of his recollection he served not less than the periods mentioned below, and in the following grades; For _____ year _____ months, and _____ days, I served as a _____ For _____ months and _____ days, I served as a _____; and for such service I claim a pension.

It is important in all cases to determine with precision the period for which each applicant served, and the particular rank he held, as the law directs the pension to be paid according to the grade of the pensioner and the length of his service. The use of the phrase *about three or four months* is too indefinite, and all such qualifying expressions are objectionable. Some persons who apply for pensions merely state they served two years in the militia, &c. without specifying the tours; the names of the officers, and other particulars respecting their service. This form of a declaration is highly objectionable. It must in every case be clearly shewn under what officers the applicant served; the duration of each term of engagement; the particular place or places where the service was performed; that the applicant served with an embodied corps called into service by competent authority; that he was either in the field or in garrison; and for the time during which the service was performed, he was not employed in any civil pursuit.

†**QUERE XIV.** *Proof of Service.*

In a case where the name of the applicant is not found on the records of the Department, he must prove his service by two credible witnesses, who are required to set forth in their affidavits the time of the claimants entering the service, and the time and manner of his leaving the same, as well as the regiment, company, and line to which he belonged. The magistrate who may administer the oaths must certify to the credibility of the witnesses, and the official character and signature of the magistrate must be certified by the proper officer, under his seal of office.

†**QUERE XVI.** *Mode of authenticating papers.*

In every instance where the certificate of the certifying officer who authenticates the papers is not written on the same sheet of paper which contains the affidavit, or other paper authenticated, the certificate must be attached thereto by a piece of tape or narrow ribbon, the ends of which must pass under the seal of office of the certifying officer, so as to prevent any paper from being improperly attached to the certificate.

☞ In every case where the clerk of the court, or other certifying officer, has no public seal of office, the certificate of a member of congress, proving the official character and signature of the certifying officer, should accompany the papers.

State of Kentucky } ss
County of Fleming }

On this 8th day of May A.D. one thousand eight hundred and fifty five personally appeared before me J E Johnson a Justice of the peace duly authorised to administer oaths within and for the County and State aforesaid Jesse Davis aged about 93 years a resident of Fleming County in the State of Kentucky who being duly sworn according to law declares that he is the identical Jesse Davis, who was a private in the Company commanded by Captain Thomas Young in the — Regiment of Virginia troops commanded by Col. Joseph Brockitt in the war of the revolution that he enlisted at Dumfries in Virginia about the 17th day of October 1779 for the term of two years and continued in actual service in said war for two years and was honorably discharged at — on the — day of December A.D. 1781. as will appear by the muster rolls of said Company. his original Certificate of discharge he has lost or had it destroyed

He makes this declaration for the purpose of obtaining the bounty land to which he may be entitled under the act approved March 3^d 1855 He also declares that he has not received a warrant for bounty land under this or any other act of Congress, nor made any other application therefor

Test
Isaac B Casper

Jesse ^{his} Davis
mark

We Isaac K Capity and John R Hawkins residents of Fleming County in the State of Kentucky, upon our oaths declare that the foregoing declaration was signed and acknowledged by Jesse Davis, in our presence and that we believe from the appearance and statements of the applicant that he is the identical person he represents himself to be

Isaac K Capity
John R Hawkins

The foregoing declaration and affidavit were sworn to and subscribed before me on the day and year above written; and I certify that I know the affiants to be credible persons, that the claimant is the person he represents himself to be, and that I have no interest in this claim.

J. E. Johnson J. E.

State of Kentucky

Fleming County Sec

I William T. Studley clerk of the court for the County aforesaid certify that J. E. Johnson whose genuine signature appears to the foregoing official certificate was at the State at the time an Acting Justice of the Peace for this County duly commissioned &

qualified & his official acts are
entitled to full credit.

In Witness Whereof
I have hereunto set my hand
& affixed the Seal of the Ham-
-ling County Court this
14th day of May 1853.

W. J. Dudley J. C. C.

BRIEF in the case of *Leffe Davis*
County of Fleming *in the State of Kentucky*
(Act 7th June, 1832.)

1. Was the declaration made before a Court or a Judge? *Court*
2. If before a Judge, does it appear that the applicant is disabled by bodily infirmity?
3. How old is he? *70*
4. State his service, as directed in the form annexed.

| Period. | Duration of Service. | | | Rank. | Names of General and Field Officers under whom he served. |
|------------------------|----------------------|----------------|----------|----------------|--|
| | Years, | Months, | Days. | | |
| <i>entered In 1779</i> | <i>2</i> | <i>about 2</i> | <i>—</i> | <i>Private</i> | <i>Gen. Clark Va. State lines Capt Tho^s. Young, Co^l Ward</i> |

5. In what battles was he engaged? *None*
6. Where did he reside when he entered the service? *Stafford Co. Va*
7. Is his statement supported by living witnesses, by documentary proof, by traditionary evidence, by incidental evidence, or by the rolls? *living witness & traditionary*
8. Are the papers defective as to form or authentication? and if so, in what respect? *correct*

I Certify that the foregoing statement and the answers agree with the evidence in the case above mentioned.

E. H. Forest
 Examining Clerk.

*The affidavit of the author
 was taken in 1821 when Davis
 made application for a pension
 under a former act*

State of Kentucky County of Fleming Feb.
On this 10th day of Sept. in the year 1832
personally appeared in open Court before
William P. Roper Esq. Judge of the Fleming Circuit
Court being a Court of Record & now in session
Jesse Davis of said County and State and
now in his seventieth year who being first
duly sworn according to Law doth on his
oath make the following declaration in
oath to obtain the benefit of the act of
Congress passed the June 1832 That he
was born in the County of Stafford in the
State of Virginia That he entered into
the Service of the United States and served
as herein after stated and that in the month
of Oct. in the year 1779 he thinks the 17th
he entered into the Service of the United
States in the Company of Capt. Thomas Young
at the town of Humphreys in the State of
Virginia in the Virginia State line and
a Battalion called the ^{for two years} Western, that
so soon as the Battalion was organized he
was marched to the Banacks in
Alabama Va. to guard the prisoners taken
from Burgoin that while there he was
commanded by Col. or Genl. Wood and the
fall following I went with the troops who
guarded said prisoners to Frederick ^{Town} in
the State of Maryland from there
we went to Pittsburg where we were com-
manded by Genl. Geo. Rogers Blanche and con-
tinued under his command until I was
discharged which was in Decr. 1781

at ^{Springfield} ~~which~~ place in the State of Kentucky
he got an honorable
discharge having served two years and
about two months which discharge that
not knowing it would at any time thereafter
avail him any thing hath been lost no
particular care having been taken to preserve
it that he hath heretofore made applica-
tion to the War Department to be placed
on the pension list but was then rejected
because he belonged to the Virginia
Infantry & not an Continental establish-
ment that at that time he was able
to procure the affidavit of his Capt.
The young man is now attached
hereto that he does not know whether
he is now dead or alive and that he
knows of no other person by whom
he can prove his service, he hath no
record of his age, his discharge he thinks
was signed by his Capt. perhaps by another
since his discharge he hath lived (within
the exception of one year) in the State
of Kentucky & 14 or 15 years ^{last} in the County of
Glenning He hereby relinquishes every claim
whenever to a pension or annuity except this
present and declares that his name is not
on the pension roll of the agency of any State

Jesse Davis
man

Testimony to and subscribed the day & year
of 1870

County of Hancock of Kentucky }
& County of Hancock }
do hereby certify that

Be it remembered that on the 20th day of September came before us Thomas Young of the said County & State, and being duly sworn according to law did depose and say, that he was a captain in a battalion of ~~Kentucky~~ the Virginia line in the late revolutionary war usually called the Western battalion under the command of Colo. Joseph Crockett - That after the battalion was organized, ~~he~~ was ordered on duty at the barracks in Albemarle County Virginia, guarding the prisoners of Burgoyne's army, under Colonel or General Wood of the Continental army, and was there ⁱⁿ ~~prison~~ ^{the} ~~following~~ ^{fall} to Fredricks town in Maryland. From thence the battalion was ordered to Pittsburg, and placed under the command of Gen. George Rogers Clarke, and continued ^{under his command} ~~there~~ till the battalion was discharged on the 20 or 21. December 1781. That on the 14th of October 1779 he said Young at Dumfries in Prince William County Virginia enlisted Levi Davis now a resident of Fleming County in this State and who is now present, as a private soldier in said battalion, who was attached to his company, and continued to serve therein on the duties aforesaid for the term of his enlistment, which ended when the battalion was discharged as aforesaid - and that the said Levi Davis was discharged honorably at Louisville Kentucky in December, and received a discharge signed by this deponent & countersigned by said Colo. Crockett.

Thos. Young C. W. B.

We the undersigned two justices of the peace in and for said County & Commonwealth do certify that the foregoing statement was taken & sworn to before us, & that the deponent Captain Young is a respectable & credible witness, and his statements are entitled to full weight.

Given under our hands this date first written

Jas. Garrard

Boon. Ingers

Kentucky Sept 6

I Thomas P Smith Clerk of the County Court
of Bourbon in the State aforesaid do ^{herely} certify
that James Larrard and Boon Ingles before
whom the foregoing Deposition is acknowledged
and whose certificate is annexed thereto
at the time of taking and subscribing thereto
still are two of the acting Justices of the peace
in and for the County aforesaid duly commissioned
and sworn to all whose acts as such full faith
and credit is due and ought to be had and
given as well in courts of Justice as otherwise.

In Testimony whereof I have
herunto set my hand and
affixed my seal of office the
20th day of Sept 1821 and in the
30th year of the Commonwealth

Thos P Smith

By
And P M Warr

Mr Basil Hunt a clergyman residing in
Fleming County and Isaac R. Cassidy residing in same
hereby certify that we are well acquainted with
Jesse Davis who hath subscribed and sworn to
the foregoing declaration that we believe him
to be about 70 years of age, that he is reputed
and believed in the neighborhood where he
resides to have been a soldier of the
Revolution and that we concur in that
opinion
sworn to and subscriber
the year aforesaid. Basil Hunt
Isaac R. Cassidy

State of Kentucky

Fleming Circuit Oct. September term 1832.

The foregoing Declaration of Jesse Davis is
ordered to obtain the benefit of the act of Congress passed
June the 17th 1832. was sworn to in open Court by the said
Jesse Davis. And also the certificate of Basil Hunt and
Isaac R. Cassidy was also sworn to in open Court.

And the said Court do hereby declare their opinion, after
the investigation of the matter, and after putting the in-
terrogatories prescribed by the war Department, that
the above applicant was a revolutionary soldier and
served as he states. And the Court further certify
that it appears to them that Basil Hunt who has
signed the preceding certificate, is a clergyman, resident
in the County of Fleming and that Isaac R. Cassidy
who has signed the same is a resident in the said
County and is a credible person, and that their state-
ment is entitled to credit.

J. Leake O'Stockton, clerk of the Court for the Circuit

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aforesaid, do hereby certify that the foregoing contains the
original proceedings of the said Court in the matter of the
application of Epe Davis for a pension.

In testimony whereof, I have hereto set
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~~date of date~~

A. D. Jackson.

Epe Davis

1926

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