

JAMES HERMAN U

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CORSICANA, TEXAS (75110) MONDAY JULY 22, 1985

Tradition remains at cemetery picnic

By LAURI GRAY BUSIEK
Sun Staff Writer

BAZETTE — The oak trees that canopied the Bazette-Prairie Point Picnic site Saturday were a bit younger of limb when this community was in its hey day.

Settled in the mid-1800s by the Bazette family, who ran a ferry operation on the Trinity River, this town north of Kerens and 20 miles northeast of Corsicana was once a busy mercantile and religious center with stores, a cafe and barber shop. Bazette is now, except on the day of the picnic, merely a few homes and the Baptist Church.

But thousands of former residents and their relatives have ancestors buried beneath the smooth, grassless soil of the Prairie Point Cemetery, and many make an annual pilgrimage to the picnic, a fundraiser for the support of the cemetery.

As many as 800 people flocked Saturday from as near as Kerens and as far as California to mingle among the old plank tables for a good old-fashioned food-fest outside the Baptist Church, the only church that now meets in what Navarro County History books describe as once the county's religious hub.

On this day, the year's big event for many of the locals, lichen-laced boards nearly groan with home cooking — casseroles, briskets, pies, salads and enough fried chicken to feed an army of field hands. The feast meanders through the trees and the mingling home-coming. While adults check on the status of the family plot, the children chase each other into the nether parts of the cemetery. The elders sit in the shade and sagely observe their antics.

It's always the same at the Bazette-Prairie Point Picnic, say the locals. Today's youngsters may wear their Jelly Bean sandals with Day-Glo socks, and adults may capture the occasion with a Minolta Maxim; little else about the picnic has changed in the 90-some years since the first community members gathered for a day of feasting and socializing in the interest of the Prairie Point Cemetery.

Ralph Sharrer, 86, recalled coming to his first Prairie Point picnic in 1910 or 1911. "Not much has changed," he said, and went back to visiting with his friend Pross Tramel, 79. Tramel's parents came to Navarro County from Tennessee in 1888 and lived in Powell, DeArmond and Roane bee settling in Bazette in 1897. According to *Navarro County History*, seven generations of Tramel's family are buried in the Prairie Point Cemetery.

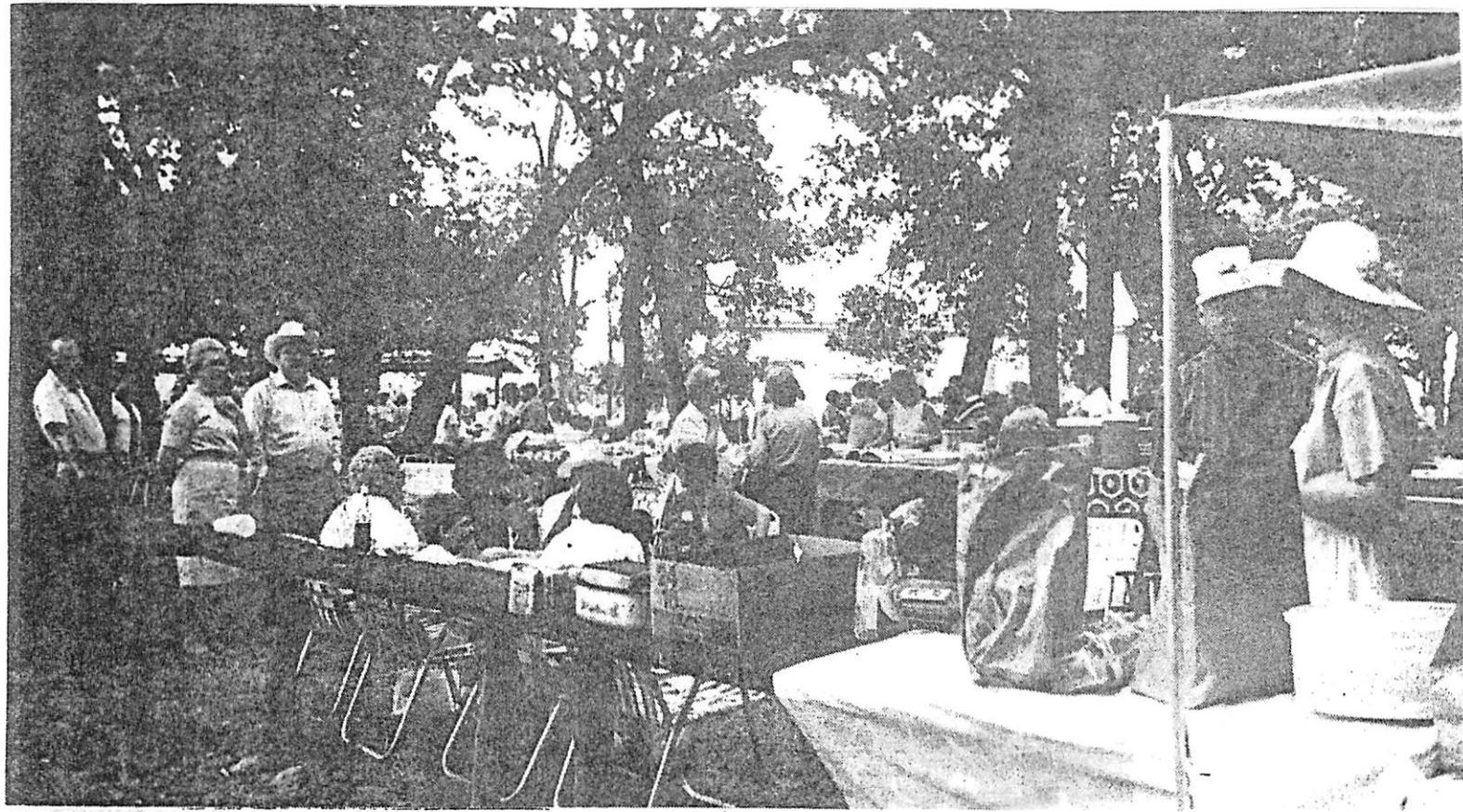
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JAMES HERMAN U "SAM"

NAVARRO CO., TX



Bringing in the green, the annual Bazette-Prairie Point picnic keeps the local cemetery maintained in the pink, says Sam Upchurch, president of the Bazette-Prairie Point Cemetery Association. (Sun Photos by Lauri Gray Busiek)



Food and friends mix well together under the old oaks near the Baptist Church, the only church still meeting in this former religious hub of Navarro County.

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UPCHURCH, JAMES H.

Cox. James H. Upchurch, son of Mrs. T. B. Upchurch, Corsicana. Graduated from Kerens High School. Entered the Navy in 1943, training at San Diego and Treasure Island, Calif. Served at Hawaii, Honolulu and Guam where he is now on duty. Awarded Purple Heart.

The traditional third Saturday in July (changed a few years back from the traditional Wednesday after the second Sunday), Saturday was exceptionally cool; a respite from previous scorcher that would melt your sno-cone before it could meet your mouth.

The sales of soda, ice cream, sno-cones and novelties plus donations from visitors build the cemetery association coffers. "We'll take in around \$6,000 today," said Sam Upchurch, Bazette Cemetery Association president. "That's just from sales and donations at the picnic. "We'll get \$3-4,000 through the mail."

The cemetery association sends out letters once a year "to remind 'em we're still accepting donations," he said.

A day of gathering, eating, back-slapping and reuniting with old roots — one tradition that those who go vow to never miss — the Bazette-Prairie Point Picnic is an old-fashioned sort of event in an old fashioned kind of place.

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Corsicana Daily Sun, Mon. March 8, 1965

By LEONARD STEWART
Daily Sun Staff

A fresh pot of coffee on smoldering coals and a flat-bottomed aluminum skiff. One man was missing and two others were in Memorial hospital in Corsicana after a boat mishap near Bazette.

It was nearly 5:30 p.m. Sunday about six and a half to seven miles northeast of Kerens on the west side of the swift and treacherous Trinity River, running high from recent rains.

Boat after boat, used to search for the body of W. B. "Butch" Upchurch, 58, had been pulled from the muddy Trinity shallows and the pickups used to bring them to the river were disappearing towards Kerens and the setting sun down a twisting red, sandy road.

"Corsicana Emergency Corps" was the lettering on another aluminum craft, just slightly larger than the skiff that was only feet from the pot of coffee. It was now over 24 hours since Butch Upchurch had disappeared under the Trinity's swift main channel current in water estimated to be anywhere from 25 to 40 or 50 feet deep.

Search efforts begun Saturday had been called off at sunset Saturday evening at the request of the Upchurch family and were resumed Sunday morning.

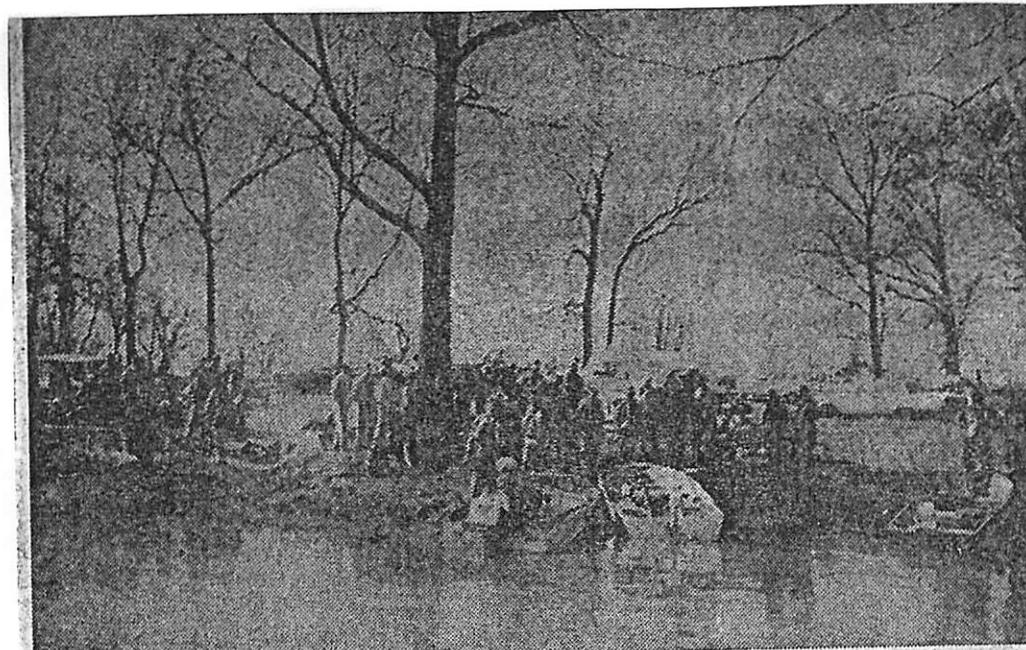
Boats from as far as Arlington joined in what appeared to be a futile search — that is, a search little to many on the west bank but apparently not so hopeless to a beautiful Plott hound with the missing man's name and address on a brass tag on its collar.

The dog had lain in the sunshine of midday Sunday, sleeping while boats put in and persons milled about a table piled high with food prepared by family and friends of Upchurch, and coffee and sandwiches brought in by the Corsicana unit of the Salvation Army Saturday.

Two Rescued

It and another hound had gone as far as they could on the west bank Saturday and howled after Upchurch, Ben Hillhouse, 41, of Kerens and Ben's 15-year-old son, John Ed, had fallen from the flat-bottomed skiff now pulled onto the bank near the pot of coffee.

Sam Upchurch, brother of Butch, rescued John Ed after about five hours in a river-surrounded tree approximately 50 yards upstream from where Butch was last seen late Saturday afternoon.



SEARCHERS' VIEW OF BANK—This photo was taken as the Ellis county emergency corps boat put in Sunday to the west bank of the Trinity at the scene of the apparent drowning which occurred Saturday morning. The boat was a large one supplied by Taylor of Texas, Waxahachie, and besides Leonard Stewart, Daily Sun reporter and photographer, contained Wayne McCollum, sheriff of Ellis county; Tommy Sutherland, Waxahachie, driving the boat, and Clyde Roark, Waxahachie, both of the Ellis county emergency corps. (Daily Sun Photo)

Sam related it this way: The trio had gone out in the boat to set out trot lines for morning fishing Saturday. They were motoring along when they saw a squirrel in the numerous trees along this stretch of the Trinity.

The engine was stopped so they could watch the squirrel. The swift current swung the boat about and into a row of thin trees, Sam Upchurch said. The three occupants fell into the chilly water.

Hillhouse helped his son into a tree — a spot marked Sunday morning by the boy's coat still framed in the limbs. Upchurch held to limbs for a long time. He was wearing wading boots and a heavy coat and apparently could not pull himself up into the limbs.

Can't Hold On

He held on for as long as he could, Sam continued. He finally told the boy he was going to have to let go, he was so weak. The boy recalls seeing him come up once as the swift current swept him downstream.

The boy last saw Butch's coat come to the surface, apparently still on Butch, but the man's head did not surface. That was the last seen of him and that was just before, or during dusk, Saturday.

Hillhouse managed to get a hold on a log and was almost to the west bank when he was heard by Jerry Shelton and another man unknown to Sam Upchurch. The two pulled the unconscious Hillhouse from the water.

Sam met them coming up the road about half a mile from where Hillhouse was pulled to safety. He had an outboard motor in his car and his boat was already moored at the bank for afternoon fishing. He is on vacation. Sam rushed down to the river.

He heard someone "holler" and thought it was his brother Butch. He put in with his own outboard. He made one try to get to the approximate area where the weak cry came from and could not get through thick brush.

Then Boy Saved

"I went up the river and came down the channel," Sam recalls. He first saw a coat in the tree, then the boy who was so weak he was no longer crying out, according to Sam.

March 13, 1965

Funeral services will be held at Bazette at 4 p.m. today for drowning victim W. B. "Butch" Upchurch, 54, whose body was recovered two days ago in Trinity River near the spot where he drowned almost a month ago — Feb. 13. Two Kerens residents, Ben Hillhouse and his son, John Ed, 15, managed to swim to safety after their boat capsized.

Note Of Thanks

We express our deepest gratitude and abiding appreciation to all those persons and groups who aided in the search for the body of our beloved W. B. "Butch" Upchurch. The Corps of Engineers, The Corsicana Rescue Unit, the Waco Coast Guard Unit, and other Units from Waxahachie, Canton, Arlington and the Naval Helicopters, as well as countless friends were especially helpful. The concern, food and other courtesies of friends and neighbors assisted us in facing the ordeal. Ged comfor ted us through you.

The Upchurch Family.

CROSS REFERENCE:

WELDON BERT U "BUTCH"

JAMES HERMON U "SAM"

Emergency corps from Corsicana, Waxahachie, Athens, and later in the day, Sunday, rescue crew from Arlington, searched the channel and the shallows vainly for Butch. Grappling hooks were used and the Arlington group had two skin divers who decided not to make an effort because of the swift cold current, very muddy water and treacherously thick brush and underbrush in this section of the river.

Also helping were three game wardens—G. E. Schuh, Mexia; B. E. Bergstrom, Fairfield; and, Nick Gerganess; Deputies Harold Pitts and C. W. Blackmon from the Corsicana Sheriff's department, Corsicana Police Chief Bill Onstott, Vernon Crook, Highway Patrolman, and other officers.

Marshall Weems, chief of the Corsicana Emergency Corps, said that the search would be continued by at least two game wardens who are, according to Weems, suppose to patrol the river in the vicinity of the apparent drowning until Upchurch's body is found.

Upchurch's family consists of his wife; a daughter, Dorothy Valentine, Mexia; four sisters, Mrs. Tom Tramel, Kerens, Mrs. G. C. Watt, Bazette, Mrs. Fred Tramel, Corsicana, Mrs. M. B. Howell, Waco, three brothers, Tommy and R. J. of Kerens, and Sam of Stanton; two grandchildren, and other relatives.

Helicopters Help

Also helping in the search was the sheriff of Ellis County, Wayne McCollum; and Navy helicopters.

The pot of coffee left near the bank Sunday evening, and, more small than large boats, including the apparent death craft, and the Corsicana Emergency Corps' boat symbolized two feelings held by numerous persons on the bank throughout the day Sunday.

One, the desperate hope that Butch Upchurch might be found, and, that the coffee would be of comfort to anyone still looking for him. The family had asked the emergency corpsmen to call off the search again at dusk Sunday. The corpsmen, all volunteers, have regular jobs to return to Monday.

The second feeling was that the small boats were vastly inadequate for this sort of search work.

A pathetic final note to the day's brave but unsuccessful efforts was the pulling away by a wrecker of the CEC's 1949 rescue truck which threw a rod on the way to the scene.

John Hillhouse stated Sunday at Memorial Hospital where he and his father were brought in a Paschal ambulance that the trio were in a motorboat and as they pulled the craft into the swift running water in the slough, the boat turned sideways, filled with water and sank throwing them into the icy floodwaters.

John and his father reached safety in a tree and the father admonished his son to get higher in the tree and stay there as he sought to make his way to the shore and safety.

Mrs. Hillhouse, wife of Ben and mother of John, said her husband then slipped into the icy stream and fought his way toward the bank and safety, but became so cold before reaching the bank that he grabbed a tree where he lapsed into unconsciousness.

The father was found about 4 p.m. but could not tell his rescuers where his son was located.

Planned Stew

Mrs. Hillhouse said her husband, Upchurch and other friends had planned a squirrel stew in the Bazette area on Saturday night and had a trot-line in the slough that they were running for fish. In the meantime, the river had risen. She said her son rode his motorscooter to Bazette after school Friday afternoon to join his father.

Corsicana police department, and Emergency Corps from Corsicana, Athens, Waxahachie, Ennis and Kaufman, and scores and scores of others joined in the hunt for the missing man all night Saturday and Sunday.

A McCommon ambulance answered the call Saturday afternoon but did not bring either of the Hillhouses to the hospital.

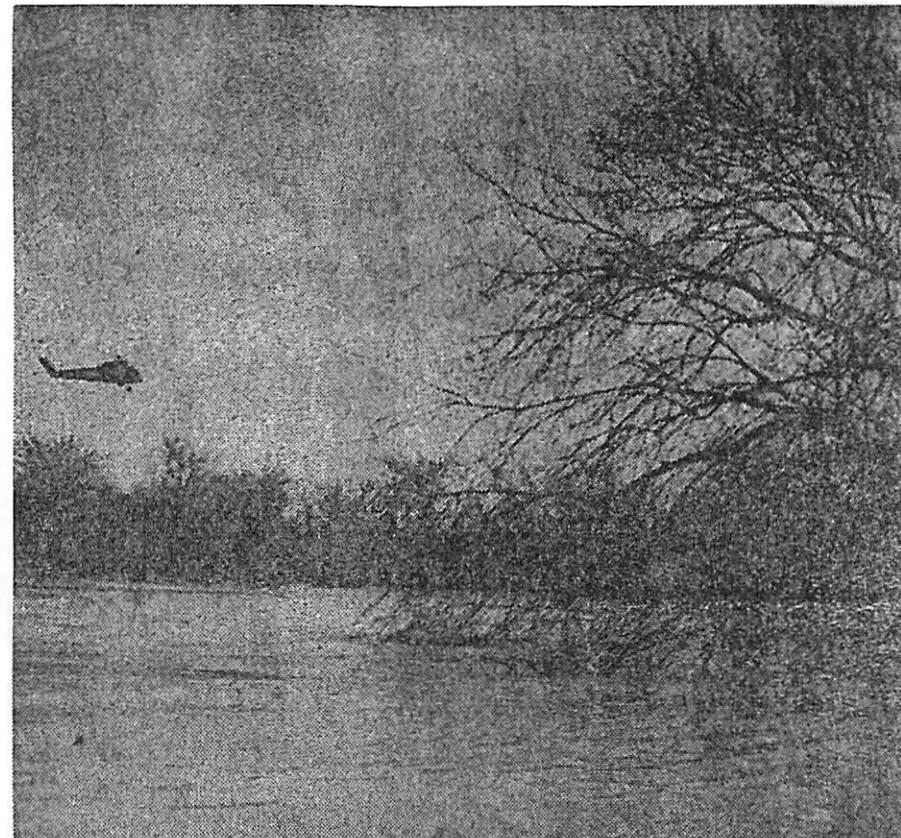
Many friends and acquaintances of the Hillhouse family called at the hospital room Sunday afternoon as the news of the tragedy spread.

The crest of the Trinity river flood is scheduled to be reached at Trinidad, Monday, several miles downstream from the scene of the capsizing of the board, and some officials have expressed the fear that unless Upchurch's body is lodged in some drift or against a tree it may be found some distance downstream after the floodwaters subside.

Deputy Pitts reported Monday afternoon that the river is dropping, so much so that boats cannot be put in where they were launched Sunday. "It's too muddy," he explained.

Pitts and Sheriff Rufus Pevhouse were in the vicinity of the accident Monday morning. Deputy C. W. Blackmon remained there into the afternoon.

A large boat from Palestine was among those being used in the search, Pitts said. This craft was launched near the highway bridge on Highway 31 at Trinidad which is approximately 25 winding miles downstream from where the accident occurred Saturday morning, according to the estimate of one observer.



HELICOPTER AND COAT—One of the U. S. Navy helicopters from Dallas is shown looking for the body of Butch Upchurch in the swollen Trinity river area east of Bazette. To the right is shown a coat of John Ed Hillhouse, 15, of Kerens, who was rescued late Saturday from his perch in the tree. (Daily Sun Photo)



March 9, 1965

A Dallas youth, Thomas Joe Yates, 15, became the third drowning victim to lose his life in newly opened Lake Navarro Mills over the past weekend.

LONG VIGIL—Lynn Allen Warren, aged 7, of Kerens, is shown with back to camera while waiting for some word about Butch Upchurch who disappeared Saturday in the floodwaters of the Trinity. The side of the death boat is visible to the right of boat facing bank. Upchurch's dog is shown in foreground. Tommy Upchurch, Kerens, Route 1, brother; and Sam Upchurch, Stanton, brother, in dark clothes and sitting are shown. (Daly Sun Photo)

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From flt 2 SEP 1991 Nancy Louise Meems to KPM

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13, 1997

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△+△ Christen U (XID-39435) md twice. She had one girl
□+□ (Robin) and one boy

△ Roy Jasper U (XID-21646) d in the hospital in Dallas,
□ Dallas Co, TX but his home was in Baggett, TX
△+△ Weldon Beith md in Baggett, TX. He drowned in
- the Trinity River, Navarro Co, TX.

△+△ Dorothy U (XID-39436) md "Punk" VALENTINE (not
△+△+△ Valentine). They had a boy Jimmy Valentine
△ and a girl Reta Valentine

△ All four of the children of Thomas Bryant U who died
- as infants are buried at the Baptist Church
□ at Baggett, TX and Sam arranged for stones
- for all of them.

□+□+△ J H U md at Reserve, TX. His wife nee Christine Elizabeth
- Gashington b Prudenville, Navarro Co, TX and as
- his at Prairie Point Inn, Navarro Co, TX.

△ Maggad Basil Howell, Sr (XID-21659) was probably
- born at Chicasaw, OK.

△ Maggad Basil Howell, Jr (XID-39438) never wed - was
- killed in a car wreck in Ft Worth, TX Bar Ft
Worth, TX.

△+△ Ruth Amiese Howell (XID-39439) md abt 1991 Thomas
- Or Robbin (not RABBS). No issue

(8) 17 MAY 1996 - CONTINUED

- △ + □ Re. Sam Banow (XIN-27675) - Sam says he last contact
- △ She had mental problem and was put into an
 - △ + □ institution. Her sister got her out and Sam
 - △ thinks she went to Houston, TX - but whether
 - now living or dead he does not know.
- △ + □ Re. Fred. McKinley Tramel (XIN-21653) - Sam says he
- was named after President McKinley & name
 - △ should probably be spelled the same. He
 - is living in Prairie Point City, Navarro Co., TX
- △ + □ Lena Joyce Tramel md (1st) --- and had a son David -
- △ + △ She md 2nd Joyce Elson and by him had a son
- △ + △ Relvin Elson & a son Mark Elson
- △ + △ Welden Tramel (XIN-39429) had a son Michael Tramel
- △ + △ Clifton Norman Tramel (XIN-39426) had a boy fr
- △ + △ and a 1st girl Linda Tramel & a 2nd girl Pam Tramel
- △ George Carter Watt (XIN-21654) died in the hospital
- in Athens, Henderson Co., TX
- △ Bobby Watt (XIN-39430) had four children
- △ Oscar Blair Watt (XIN-39431) md & had 3 children:
- .+ △ + △ Brenda Watt (F), Linda Watt (F), and Steven "Steve" Watt
- △ Jimmy Clayton Watt (XIN-39432) had six children:
- .+ △ + △ Bobby Watt, Jemine Watt (F), Michael Watt,
- .+ △ + □ Dan Watt & Donna Watt Jr (Tame) + another girl
- △ Franklin U (XIN-39434) - had 3 girls
- △ + △ Vincie Ray U (XIN-39433) md (1st) Glenn Owens & had 5
- kids; md (2nd) -- Robinson - no issue. The kids:
- △ + △ + △ + △ Ricky Owens, Dora Owens, Sandy Owens (F), Tina Owens (F) + a girl

(8) 19 MAY 1996 - CONTINUED

△ Cora U (XID-39400) b & d at Providence, Navarro Co., TX

△ which is near Eureka. William B. Hagler, her hus,

△ + □ died also at Providence, TX. They had only 5

△+△+△+△+△ Children - all born in Navarro Co., TX - All still living

△ + □ Jesse Hagler and Bernice Sherill - No issue

△ + □ Vernon Hagler and Bonnie Haggert - had 3 boys

△ + □ ROY Hagler (Not RAY) and Mary Lee —. had 1 child

△ Mary Jewell Hagler lives AS parents

△ Jennings Hagler and had some children
— lives East of Tyler, TX

△ Jesse Hagler lives in Kerens, TX and may be

□ willing to help with family details. Sam
□ willing to contact him.

□ + □ Sam thinks the name of the son of Jesse U (XID-39403)

△ is spelled HAYDEN J. U. The son lived in the

□ Houston, TX area and Sam remembers Mrs. Oakes

— Cem is in Houston, TX

△ Hazel U (XID-39410) lives in Tyler, TX

△ Ora Ellen U (XID-21652) b Navarro Co., TX d Kerens, TX

— Bur - Prairie Point Cem, Navarro Co., TX. Prairie

— Point is the 2nd Cem at Boyette, TX. At

— one time there was a church there.

△ Martha Lena U (XID-21644) d MAY 1996.

△ + □ Re middle name for Virgie U, Sam says there

△ is none as far as he knows and that Bert U

□ also had only one name until his wife presented

— upon him to add "Welden"

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- Sam does not recall any conversation in the family about any family members having served in the Civil War.

- (7) □ 29 APR 1996 - RPD called JH&P "Sam" at (903) 396-2508
- To thank him for the visit in his home on 11 APR 1996 and to ask more questions. He was quite cordial and expressed a willingness to help on family matters in the future.
 - Sam is not aware of any children of Thomas Gay U, Jr who came to Navarro Co, TX other than his GF William Jefferson U & James Simeon U. Sam never heard of his Great Uncle Miller J. U (who was in the County in 1880). The name of his GM Sarah Frances Lamborn was commonly spelled LAW HORN in his family but a family researcher indicated the proper spelling was LAUHORN. He originally thought his mother's name was spelled Lena FAMILIA Schemers but family researcher told him it should be spelled FAMILIE. A niece of Sam is interested in family history. Lena had a brother WEERT SCHEMERS who had a son Francis (Schemers) Phillips who lives in Tyler, TX and is interested in family history.
 - Residence is 10-12 miles east out of Corsicana on 287 still in Navarro Co, TX. Eureka is just the same way another 4-5 miles still in Navarro Co, TX. Jesse U & wife nee Lula McCarter are but at Tyler, TX.
 - Sam's sister Vergie U had the middle initial "V".

- (8) 17 MAY 1996 - Notes of RPD call to JH&P "Sam".

Thanked Sam for his letter which arrived yesterday and told him all had been received. Asked Sam many questions and he may please to answer - details below (on next page)

JAMES HERMAN U PET XID-21649

① See Ltr 13 DEC 1988 Ruth Upchurch Urush D RPU

Sam U b 16 FEB 1913 is son of Thomas
Bryant U of the Charles II / Thomas Gay
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② See Ltr 4 FEB 1992 Ray Talomage U D Lawayne NMN Roger
my Uncle J. H. U "Sam" is still living and
resides in Kerens, TX

③ NOTE RESOLUTION OF DUPLICATE XID NUMBERS

SAM U = XID-21648; JAMES HERMAN U = XID-21649.

These two individuals are the same. XID-21648 vacated
in favor of XID-21649 - RPU 27 APR 1996

④ FROM 1995 CD-ROM

Upchurch Dana		Jacksonville	TX 75766	903-586-8502
Upchurch David G	22007 Western Hills Ct	Katy	TX 77450-3828	713-392-6503
Upchurch B H	Bazette Tx	Kerens	TX 75144	903-396-2355
Upchurch Sam U	Bazaette	Kerens	TX 75144	903-396-2508
Upchurch Tommy	N Goodman St	Kerens	TX 75144	903-396-2883
Upchurch James O	518 Rolling Green Dr	Kerrville	TX 78028-6420	210-257-6902
Upchurch M	2300 Clay St	Kilgore	TX 75662-3838	903-984-5257
Upchurch M S	2300 Clay St	Kilgore	TX 75662-3838	903-984-5257
Upchurch James	5911 Rocky Brook Dr	Kingwood	TX 77345-2452	713-360-8543
Upchurch Donald	167 Kingswood Dr	Lake Dallas	TX 75065-2423	214-497-4731
Upchurch James D	140 Mulberry St	Lake Jackson	TX 77566-5534	409-297-4805
Upchurch Richard	212 N 13th St	Lamesa	TX 79331-3824	806-872-2594
Upchurch Henry L	1220 N Elm St	Lancaster	TX 75146-1558	214-227-1095
Upchurch James O	Ash Crk Rd	Leakey	TX 78873	210-232-6902
Upchurch Bob		Leonard	TX 75452	903-587-2725

⑤ See Ltr 13 DEC 1988 Ruth Upchurch Urush D RPU

James Herman U b 12 MAY 1914 (Bayette, TX)
and 15 JUN 1946 Christine Elizabeth Garlington
James is son of Thomas Bryant U of the
Charles II / Thomas Gay U, S1 subdass.

⑥ Notes of RPA & SSI visit to J.H.U "Sam" is his home in Baggett, Navarro Co, TX from about 12:00 NOON - 1:10 PM on THUR APR 11 1996
 We first called Sam from town at his no (904) 396-2508 for permission to visit. Reservation. East on 37 from Corsicana to Kersh, North on 636 4 miles to water tank. Take next right - proceed past a junction Y and go to T & take right. He is 1st house on left. [BILLY HAROLD US]

[B.H. U on phone book in front of Ray Falmage U. These two are nephews of Sam]

Sam was very cheerful and helpful. He is not in best of health - has emphysema and apparently lives alone.

Sam farmed with his father until 1938 and his FSA advised him to go into public work. He went to Corsicana for a time and in due course worked for IRS in KS & MO. Then came back to the Kersh area and farmed a 360 acre tract but left again to work for Axon - from which he retired in 1971 & moved back to Baggett. In Corsicana he worked in the PO.

Sam has a niece Jessie (Tramel) Blackburn who has interest in the family.

Sam was in the Navy and got a package of cookies from Benton, IL addressed to a J. H. U. Sam ate the cookies although he was not the right J. H. U. Sam corresponded with the Benton, IL U's and eventually visited them. There were five brothers including Harry U. Harry's wife Etta was the correspondent.

Sam's address: RT 1, Box 121

Kersh, TX 75144

Sam said he thought his GF was Thelma Jefferson U but says his memory could be faulty. Other records show the GF as William Jefferson U. Sam says the word

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□+△ in his family was that the GF had come
 △ to TX when he was 7 years old.
 □+△ His GF was a rancher in the Providence
 □+△ Area and later ~~his son~~ in the Roane area
 □+△ about 1905. Sam's father first farmed
 - in the Ulrich area and then was in the
 □+△ Roane area. Then his FAT came to the
 - Bayette area.

□+△ Sam knew of Jim H, the brother of his GF,
 △+□ and said Jim lived in ~~Corsicana~~. Sam
 △+□ did not know Jim's occupation. Sam
 △ knew Jim's children.

□ Sam had the old Bayette church torn
 □ down and he paid for it to be (in 1986)
 □ rebuilt and had it dedicated to his
 □+△+△+□ wife and her parents.

□ Sam said the general area between Hillsboro
 - & Corsicana was part prairie & part
 - woodland originally. The annual rainfall
 - is about 36 inches.

△ William Jefferson H is in Wichita, Navarro Co, TX
 □ and although there is a cemetery in Wichita, he
 - and other H's were buried in the cemetery at
 △ Providence, Navarro Co, TX. He had one child
 □+△+△+△ by his first wife and two by his second.
 △+△ He had only three children. The first child
 △ Thomas Bryant H was b in Navarro Co, TX
 □+△ not in LA. His 2nd wife Mary Thompson
 □+△+△ and John Fairis (not J. B. PHONES). Lena
 - Familiar Schommer was born in Wortham, TX
 - (need to check county - is either Navarro Co, TX or
 - just east of Navarro Co, TX)

△+△ Cora H and her husband William B. Hagler are
 - buried in the cemetery at Providence, TX
 □+□ Among her children is a ROY Hagler (not Ray)
 △+□ Jessie H (XID-XX) had 2 children - Hayden H and and
 - had issue - moved to Tyler & then Houston - now live
 □ in Houston Area, Hazel H and (?) --- . Lives in Tyler, TX

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△ Re Family of Thomas Bryant U

- There were exactly 12 children - 3 of whom died
- at birth and one of whom died as a child (infant?)
□ Ora Ellen U had eight children: (All should be Tramel)

Truett Tramel (M) Jessie Tramel (F)

Nadine Tramel (F) Roy Gerald Tramel

Fayrene Tramel (F) Daughter Tramel age 3 yrs

Mary Tramel (F) Annie Mal Tramel

△ Virgie U had only 3 children:

Clifton Norman Tramel

Lena Joyce Tramel

Weldon Tramel

Matie Lena U had only 3 children all boys

Bobby Watt

Oscar Blair Watt

Jimmy Clayton Watt

William Thomas Jefferson U had 3 children

Vincent Ray U (F)

Franklin U "Frank" (M) - Preacher

Christeen U (F) [ee = conet per Sam]

Trema U (F) is an adopted child - adopted by
□ Betty Harold U [Presume this is the B-H-4
- listed in the current Corsicana, TX phone
book as Sam said it was her nephew]

Theodosia Best U had one child - a daughter

Dorothy U and "PUNK" Valentine

Note: The J.H. U "Sam" b 16 FEB 1913 (XID-21648)

is one and the same as XID-21649 - James
Herman U "Sam" b 12 MAY 1914. Sam says

12 MAY 1914 is his correct birth date

Sam and his wife, Prairie, Navarro Co., TX.

C.E.G. is learned at Prairie Cens., Navarro
Co., TX. Sam had no children

Willie Faye U had two children by MAGGART B.
Howell, Sr [Not MEGGART]

Maggart B. Howell, Jr

Ruth ANIESE Howell (Annie in Dallas, Tx)
m. Thomas G. RABBS

JAMES HERMAN U
MICHAEL ENTERPRISES
R. P. UPCHURCH
6 EAGLES WAY LANE
LAKE ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI 63367

XID-21649
①

29 APR 1996

SAM UPCNURCH

RT 1, Box (121) → 129

KERENS, TX 75144

Dear Cousin Sam,

It was a great pleasure to visit in your
home on 11 APR 1996 and to talk to you again
by phone today. I enjoy meeting someone
who appreciates family history and who is
willing to help.

Provided herewith is sheet 5K from my Master outline on the family you wanted in Benton, IL along with a sheet showing how you and they are related.

Enclosed is a copy of my four page Marks
outline for Thomas Gay II, Jr. and his children
and grandchildren, one of whom was your
father. Also enclosed is a copy of continuation
Section 64A which shows your father and his
descendants to the extent that I have the
details. A list of questions is provided about
what is missing on your fathers family.

I will be most grateful for any answers you have or can get. Perhaps you might make a phone call or two. We will never have all the details but I keep trying.

Enclosed are some extra copies of flyers on the Upchurch Bulletin. Perhaps you might stick them in a corner somewhere in case someone is interested.

You have already been very helpful and I appreciate it. The two weeks in Texas gave me a lot of impressions and a lot of details. I'll have a summary of the trip in the next Bulletin.

With All Best Wishes!



Sincerely yours
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

MISSING DETAILS ON THOMAS BRYANT 29 APR (3)
 U PCHURCH & HIS CHILDREN
1996

1) For Thomas Bryant U

a) Is it correct to say he had 22 grandchildren as follows? -

Ora Ellen - 8
 Virgie V - 3
 Matthe Lena - 3
 William T.J - 3

Roy Jasper - 2
 Theldeon Best - 1
 Willie Faye - 2

2) For Ora Ellen U

- Is she still living? If not, when & where died & where buried?
- Where did she marry?
- Is Thomas Rodney Tramel still living? If not, when & where died and where buried?

3) For Virgie V. U

- What does the "V" stand for?
- When and where did she die?
- Where is she buried?
- Where did she marry?

4) For Fred M. Tramel

- What does the "M" stand for?
- When and where was he born?
- Is he still living? If not, when and where died and where buried?

4) For Matthe Lena U

- Is she still living? If not, when and where died and where buried?

b) Where did she marry?

c) For Carter Watt

- What is his full name?
- When and where was he born?
- Is he still living? If not, when and where died and where buried?

5) For William Thomas Jefferson 4

- a) when and where did he die and where is he buried?
- b) where did he marry?
- c) For Georgia Earlene Albritton
 - i) when and where was she born?
 - ii) is she still living? If not, when & where died and where buried?

6) For the Baby Boy b 7 JAN 1907, died 10 FEB 1907

- a) was this child given a name - if so, what was it?
- b) where did this child die?
- c) where buried?

7) For Roy Jasper 4

- a) when and where died and where buried?
- b) where married?

c) For Ima Mae Adkison

- i) when and where born?
- ii) when and where died?
- iii) where buried?

8) For Sheldon Best 4

- a) when and where died and where buried?
- b) where married?

c) For Lois Burrow

- i) what is her full maiden name?
- ii) when and where was she born?
- iii) is she still living? If not when and where died and where buried?

9) For James Herman 4 "Sam"

- a) where were you married?

b) For Christine Elizabeth Garktgtein

- i) when was she born?
- ii) where was she born?
- iii) when did she die?
- iv) where did she die?

10) For Willie Faye U

- a) Is she still living? If not, when and where died and where buried?
- b) Where did she marry?
- c) For Maggart B. Howell, S_r
 - i) What does the "B." stand for?
 - ii) When and where was he born?
 - iii) Is he still living? If not, when and where died and where buried?

11) For Baby Girl that was born & died 28 MAY 1919

- a) Was this child given a name? If so, what was it?
- b) Does this child have a burial place? If so, where is it?

12) For Jessie Fern U

- a) When in 1923 was she born?
- b) Where is she buried?

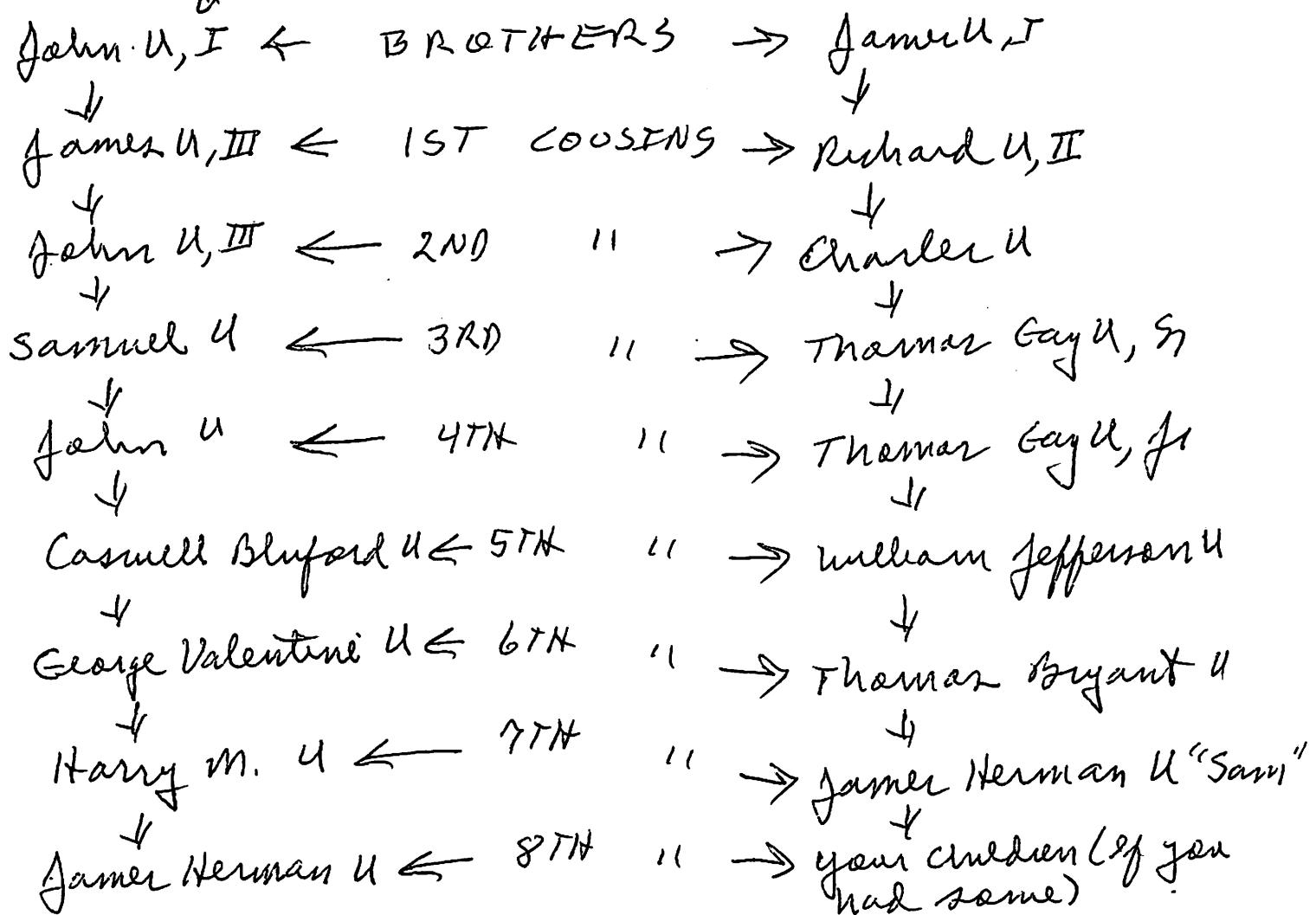
13) More on Thamas Bryant U

- a) Did he always do part time farming and part time preaching - or was he full time at one or the other during his lifetime?

RELATIONSHIP OF JAMES HERMAN 29 APR
 & PICTURED "SAM" TO THE BENTON, 1996
 IL UPCHURCHES

Michael U, I (born England 1620)

+
 Richard U, I



So, you and Harry M. U in Benton, IL were 7th cousins. If you had children (or your nieces & nephews) would be 8th cousins of the man's brother you addressed. You and James Herman U of Benton, IL are 7th cousins, once removed.

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ff. GEORGE V. U b 3 JAN 1856 (SALINE CO, IL) - CONTINUED

(2) HARRY M U b 1 APR 1887 (FRANKLIN CO, IL) d 24 JAN 1963 (

(BUR- MASONS & 100 F CEM,
MO)

))
) ETTA THOMAS

(A) LEON A U

(B) NOBLE U

(C) DIMPLE U

(D) MABLE U

(E) GERTRUDE U

(F) HERMAN U

(G) JOHN THOMAS U

I John U, III - Head of clan

A. Samuel U

i. John U

a. Caswell Bluford U

i. George Valentine U

(T) Harry M U

JAMES HERMAN U

XID-21649

ASSUME
WRITTEN < 5-12-14 - MY birthday 82

(1)

12 MAY 1996 - RAU REC'D 16 MAY 1996 FRT I., BOX 129

Dear Phil 16 MAY 1996 KERENS, TX 75144

I have been searching, calling and visiting trying to get as many answers to your questions as possible. I am glad to do it. I sorry its taking so long. Maybe you can sort the answers out. I hope so.

Thomas Bryant had 32 grandchildren.

You have them listed correctly.

Old Tramel is still living. ^{MARRIED IN KERENS TX} 97 years old.

Thomas Andrew Tramel - Born Feb 14, 1895

died Nov. 13, 1985. Buried in Navarro Co. near Kerens.

Virgie (V) we think the V is a mistake. Her

daughter who is 68 and my sister who is 97 don't

think she had a middle name. She was born

Oct 18, 1900 died Sept 15, 1982 Buried in Navarro Co.

She died in Corsicana. She married in Kerens TX

Fred McKinney Tramel Born May 4, 1900

died Oct. 13, 1988 Born in Navarro Co. died in

Kerens Tx. Born in Navarro Co.

Mattie Lend is still living but at the point

of death at this time. Married at Kerens Tx

George Curtis Wett, born Jan. 19, 1902 died

Feb 23, 1974. Born in Navarro Co. Buried in

Bogette.

William Thomas Jefferson born March 19, 1905

died Jan. 22, 1998 married in Kerens Tx.

Buried in Bogette, died in Dallas, Tx.

- △ Georgia Earlene Albritton Upchurch Born April 11
 - 28, 1912. Born in Bagetts. Still living.
- △ (1) Baby Boy born Jan 7, 1907 died Feb 10, 1907.
- No Name & died in Bagetts Buried in Bagetts Tx.
- △ (1) Son born Feb 16, 1913, died Feb 23, 1913 born in
 - Bagetts (Navarro Co.)
- △ (3) Daughter born May 28, 1919 died May 28, 1919
 - buried in Bagetts Cemetery, in Bagetts Tx.
- △ 4 Jessie Fern born July 24, 1923 in Bagetts,
 - died Nov 24, 1923 buried in Bagetts Cemetery
 - in Bagetts, Navarro Co.
- △ Roy Jasper Upchurch born Feb 24, 1908
 - died Feb 10, 1984, buried in Prairie Point Cemetery
 - in Bagetts, Married in Bagetts.
- △ Indiana Atkeisson Upchurch born May 18, 1907
 - died April 29, 1984. born in Bagetts buried in
 - Prairie Point Cemetery in Bagetts.
- △ Weldon (not Thelma) Bert Born May 1911 died
 - Feb 13, 1965- Buried in Bagetts Cemetery in
 - Bagetts. Married in Terrell Tx.
- △ Lois Butlow, Don't know if she had middle name.
 - Born in Tom Bean Texas don't know when.
- △ Don't know if she is still living.
- △ James Herman (Sam) married in Terrell Tx.
 - born May 12, 1914.
- △ Christene Elizabeth Burlington born Dec 24, 1915.
 - born in ~~Providence~~^{Providence} died Mar 13, 1985 in Bagetts.

- Willie Faye Upchurch Howell, still living
married in Corsicana, Tex.
- Maggie & T. Basil Howell Sr. born August 3, 1917
in Oklahoma, died Oct. 3, 1983. Died in Ft. Worth.
Buried in Ft. Worth, died in Ft. Worth.
- Thomas Bryant Upchurch was a full time
farmer and part time preacher.
- I believe this is all the information
you asked for. I hope I didn't miss any. If you
need more please let me know and I will
try to get it for you.
- I was glad to meet you and your wife and
I enjoyed visiting with you very much. It's
always nice to meet an Upchurch. Thanks for
coming by and visiting. I enjoyed your
visit very much.

Sincerely

J.H. (Sam) Upchurch

J

JAMES HERMAN U

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JAMES H. UPCHURCH

13 AUG 1996

R.T. 1 BOX 129

KERENS, TX 75144-9714

Dear Cousin Sam,

Dear Cousin Sam,
Thanks for your letter of 7 Aug 1996 and for
the details on the family. The details have
now been extracted and properly recorded.
Also, I have now written to the three Nagle
family members for whom you provided
addresses. A sample copy of one of the letters
is enclosed. All three letters were original but
said about the same thing. I also sent an
already addressed, stamped envelope. I'll hope to
hear from one or more of them - you
never can tell.

I have written to Talmage and followed up on three projects which I had earlier described over the phone. I hope he becomes an active-going cooperator. He certainly sounded interested. Again, we will have to wait and see.

(2)

we just happened to have a picture of
your Greatuncle Farmer Simeon H and his
family taken about 1916. we are now
in the process of preparing Vol 17 No 3
of the Upchurch Bulletin. A feature item
will be the above mentioned picture
and a story about this family. I
think it makes a rather grand addition
to our growing documentation about
the Thomas Bay H, Jr line.

It is always great to hear from
you. Please let me know if you learn
any more about the family or if you
see anything in print. It is always
nice to have copies of items that appear
in newspapers or elsewhere.

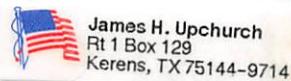
Our crops are looking good now - we
had some nice rains. I am going out
to the farm this PM to check on progress
being made on seeding a pasture.

① Sincerely yours
Phil Upchurch
[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

JAMES NERMAN U

XID-21649

REC'D
8 AUG 1996



Kerens Tex 75144

August 7, 1996

Dear Phillip

I am sending you the information that
 I know is correct, and since Ray lives
 in College Station, Texas, Jennings lives in
 Linden Texas Vernon lives with some
 of his kids and I don't know where he is
 at present. I am sending you the address
 of Ray, Jennings and one of Vernons
 boys. Perhaps you would prefer to
 write them and the information would
 be correct. You have the information
 on Jesse, Bernie Shuril (one name only)

Mary Dicrell died and was buried in
Providence Cemetery in Providence Tx.

William Brown Hagler was born in
Winkler Tx.

Cara had only one name (Cora)

Ray Hagler - 1104 Masteller, College Station

Tex 77840

Jennings Hagler Po Box 562 Linden Tx 75563.

Larry Hagler (Vernon's son) 116 Martinborough
Greenville North Carolina, 27850.

I wish I could give you more information
 but I don't see these boys often enough to know
much about their kids.

(2)

8-7-96

Dear Cousin Phil

I was glad to hear that you have had rain.
we are very dry here. Very little rain since
October. Very dry. Glad to hear that you had
purchased another farm. I am sure you will
enjoy it, also doing some of the work yourself.

I hope this little information will
help some and sorry I couldn't help more.

Sincerely

Sam

PS Glad you got in touch with
Talmage Upchurch my nephew and also
my niece Jessie Blackburn. You will
never meet better people.

JAMES HERMAN II

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23 JUL 1996

JAMES H. UPCHURCH

RT. 1 BOX 129

KERENS, TX 75144-9714

Dear Cousin Sam,

Thanks for the excellent packet of information on your part of the Upchurch Family which arrived on 20 JUL 1996. It has now been completely processed and it improves the Master outline considerably. I have also recently received a nice packet from cousin Roy Talmage II of Dallas, TX. We now have a perfect set of details on his father's part of the family. I called Talmage and we had a nice chat. He has agreed to help on several specific projects which I will now describe in writing to him. I believe family history makes best when we have as many active workers as possible. You are a good example. Think how much more information has been gained since we started with you in April and you agreed to help collect details.

Provided herewith is a fresh copy (plus an extra set if you want to give one to someone) of the Master outline for the William Jefferson Upchurch Family.

We still have a number of missing items
in various parts of this family. Anything you
can do to help on any of the missing details
will be appreciated. I have elected to provide
with this letter a list of specific items that are
missing on the family of your Aunt Cora (4)
Hagler. I hope you have a local contact who
can help with this.

My wife and I are doing fine. The farming operations
has taken a turn for the better as we got some
nice slow rains in the last several days, and
more good rain in 2-3 weeks should make a
crop for us. We have 1200 acres of corn & soybeans
in the field. I have bought an additional 278
acres farm and plan to manage it myself. I have
hired a person on an hourly basis to help me.
Also have bought a tractor, disk and bushhog
and will get more equipment in due course. This
is all very exciting for me and gives me a
chance to get some exercise.

Thank you for your excellent help.

With All Best Wishes



Sincerely yours
Phil Upchurch

[ROBERT PHILIP UPCHURCH]

MISSING DETAILS ON THE FAMILY

22 JOL⁽³⁾
1996

D.F CORA (UPCHURCH) HAGLER

1) For Cora U

- a) what was her full maiden name?
- b) when did she marry?
- c) where did she marry?
- d) where was William Brown/Hagler born?

2) For Jesse Sims Hagler

- a) what is the full maiden name of BERNICE SHERRILL?
- b) Is Bernice still living?

3) For Roy Wilson Hagler

- a) where did he marry?
- b) Is Mary Lee Coomer still living?
- c) For Mary Bett Hagler

- i) when was she born?

- ii) Did she marry/have children? If so, details?

d) For Eldon Roy Hagler

- i) where was he born?

- ii) Did he marry/have children? If so, details?

4) For Vernon Lee Hagler, Sr

- a) Did any of his 3 children marry/have children? If so, details?

5) For Mary Jewell Hagler

- a) where did she die?

6) For Clarence Jennings Hagler → Did he have just two children?

- a) where did he marry?

- b) In what County is SPRINGS, TX?

- c) For THRESSA JEANETTE HAGLER

- i) In what County is RUSH (ROSK?), TX?

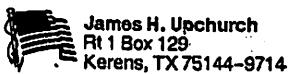
- ii) when and where did she marry?

- iii) what is her husband full name & when & where born?

- iv) Did she have children? If so, details?

- d) For Jennings Todd Hagler

- i) Did he marry/have children? If so, details?



REC'D 20 JUL 1996

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D

Thomas Bryant Upchurch had 22 grandchild
Ora Ellen is still living at 97 years of age. She
married at Bezdette

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Thomas Audrey Tramel born Feb. 14, 1895

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died Nov 13, 1985. Born at Bezdette in Navarro Co.

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Died at Kerens Tx November 13, 1985. Buried in
Prairie Point Cemetery at Bezdette.

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Virgie - Her name was Virginia called Virgie
no middle name. Born Oct. 13, 1900 died Sept. 13
1982. Born at Bezdette died in Corsicana Tx.

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Buried in Prairie Point Cemetery at Bezdette.

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Fred McKinley Tramel. born May 6, 1900 died
Oct. 13, 1988. Born in Navarro Co. Buried in
Prairie Point Cemetery.

△

Mattie Lena Watt born Nov. 21, 1902 died May 13
1996. Buried in Prairie Point Cemetery. Married in
Bezdette.

△

George Gob Curtis Watt Born in Navarro Co. Jan.
19, 1902 - died Feb 23 1974 in Athens Tx. Buried
in Prairie Point Cemetery

△

William Thomas Jefferson Upchurch born
March 19, 1905 died Jan. 2, 1990 Buried in
Bezdette Cemetery in Bezdette Baptist Church cemetery -

□

Georgia Eastman (Alfie) Upchurch born
April 9, 1912 at Bezdette - still living.

□

Son born Jan. 7, 1907 died Feb. 10, 1907 Buried
in Bezdette Cemetery. No name.

- Son born Feb 14, 1913 died Feb 23, 1913 Buried
 - in Baggett Cemetery - no name.
- Daughter born May 28, 1919 died May 28, 1919.
 - buried in Baggett cemetery, no name.
- Jesse Fern born July 26, 1923 died Nov. 26, 1923.
 - Buried in Baggett cemetery.
- Ray Jasper Upchurch born Feb. 26, 1908 died
 - Feb. 16, 1984. in Dallas Tx. married in Baggett.
- Inc Mae born May 18, 1907 died April 29,
 - 1990. Born in Baggett buried in Prairie Point cemetery.
- Weldon Bert born March 1, 1911 died Feb 13
 - 1965 buried in Baggett cemetery in Baggett. married
 - in Baggett.
- Lois Burrow born in Tom Bean Tx. Other
 - details unknown.
- Sam - James Herman Upchurch born May 12
 - 1914 married in Kansas Tx.
- Christine Elizabeth Burlington Upchurch born
 - Dec. 26, 1915 died March 13, 1985. Born in Providence
 - died in Corsicana.
- Willie Faye (Upchurch) Howell, married in
 - Corsicana still living.
- Margaret Basil Howell born in Duncan Okla.
 - born August 3, 1917 died Oct 3, 1983. Buried in
 - Ft Worth Tx.
- Ruth Aniese Howell Robbie born in Corsicana
 - Jan 20, 1929 married Mar. 24, 1997 in Ft Worth Tx.

Thomas Q Robbins no middle name other than Q.
 Born in Huntsville Tex now pastor of Arlington
 Heights United Methodist Church in Dallas.

Margaret Basil Howell Jr. Born in Corsicana
 Tx August 22, 1941 died July 17, 1960 - Buried
 in Ft Worth.

+ Venie Robinson's eldest girl was Janie owner.

+ + + + Children in order Janie, Rickie, Bonnie, Tenna & ~~Sam~~

No information on Sallie Lawhon except she was
 William Jefferson ^{UPchurch} first wife.

I've been waiting on the information from

Jesse Hager. Sorry it took so long.

I hope this information will help.

Keep up the good work

Sincerely

J H (Sam) Upchurch

△ Jesse James Upchurch Born Oct. 6, 1894
 - died Feb. 25, 1979. Married Feb. 17, 1913 to
 △ Lula Mc Carter.

△ Lula Mc Carter Upchurch Born June 17, 1898.
 - Died August 30, 1978.

△ Haden (not Hayden) Jefferson Upchurch
 - Born Nov. 12, 1915 in Europa Texas. Married
 △ June 1939 to May Bell Hader.

□ Children Judy Upchurch Davis
 □ Michel James Upchurch (Haden's children)
 △ + □ Hazel Edna Upchurch (Jesse's daughter)

- Born in Athens Tx April 25, 1912 married to
 △ Jack Milton Butler April 17, 1938. Children
 △ Rosiland Dorothy Butler Flowers.

△ + □ Sally Lawhon First wife of William Jefferson
 Upchurch Mother of Thomas Bryant Upchurch.

△ + □ Mary Thompson second wife of William Jefferson
 Upchurch. Born Aug. 8, 1868 Died Feb 22, 1937
 - Buried in Providence cemetery. Married second
 □ time to John Harris

△ William Brown Hager. Born Dec. 2, 1887.
 - died Oct. 20, 1939 in Corsicana Tx. Buried in
 - Providence Cemetery.

△ Cora Upchurch Hager Born June 15, 1891,
 - in Providence. died Oct 17, 1926 buried in
 - Providence Cemetery.

□ + □ Children of William and Cora Hager

Leise Sims Hager. Born Oct. 4, 1914 in Providence, Tx.

- Married November 9, 1945 in Kerens Tx to

△ Bernice Sherrill Hager. Born Feb. 10, 1917 Kerens Tx

△ + □ Ray Hager. Ray Wilson Hager Born April 4, 1916

in Providence Tx. Married Mary Lee Cason

D Sept. 10, 1938. Mary Lee Hager Born in Bryan Tx

- Nov. 7, 1919 in Bryan Tx

△ Children - Mary Beth Hager Born in

- College Station. Tx

△ Eldon Ray Hager Died Oct. 25, 1968.

△ + □ + □ Mary Jewell Hager Daughter of William and Cora

- Upchurch. Born Jan. 5, 1922 died Feb. 4, 1924.

- Buried in Providence Cemetery.

△ Vernon Lee Hager Born Feb. 23, 1919. in

- Providence ~~Cemetery~~. Tx. Married Oct. 17, 1937

△ in Corsicana Tx to Bonnie Dell Haggett.

△ Bonnie Dell Haggett Hager. Born Dec 3, 1917 in

- Dazilla. Tx. Died Jan 1, 1991 in Kerens Tx.

□ Buried in Providence Cemetery. Children of Vernon

and Bonnie Dell Hager. James Larry Hager

- Born Aug. 18, 1941 in Corsicana Tx.

△ Jerry Lynn Hager. Born in Corsicana Tx

- Aug. 3, 1947.

△ Vernon Lee Hager Jr. Born Feb 24, 1951 Corsicana

△ Jennings Clarence Jennings Hager son of

△ + □ William and Cora Hager.

- Born Oct 17, 1926 in Providence Tx.

- △ married Robbie Adams on June 2, 1949.
- △ Robbie Jeannette Adams Hager Barn in Springs
— Tx Jan 10, 1952.
- △ Thressa Jeannette Hager Wall Barn Jan 18, 1952
in Rush Tx
- △ Jennings Todd Hager Barn Feb. 24, 1965 in
Lindale Tx.
- This is the information I got from
□ Jesse Hager
- I hope you and your wife are doing
— well and hope the farming operation is
□ successful. I will be glad to hear from you
— anytime.

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JAMES GERMAN (X) 21649
MICHAEL ENTERPRISES
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2 JUN 1996

SAM UPCHURCH
RT 1, BOX 129
KERENS, TX 75144

Dear Cousin Sam,

When we last talked on 17 MAY 1996 you sent me a lot of new information over the phone. I had no idea it would take me so long to process it. I had to take time out to prepare Volume 17 No 2 of the Highland Bulletin, a copy of which is enclosed. We also had some company. They left today. In any case, I have finished processing the information you supplied and want to thank you for it.

Enclosed is a fresh copy of the Master outline
for the family of William Jefferson C (your Grand-
father) which I have recopied and expanded.
Continuations Sections 64, 69 & 70 are included.
I have included sets of questions about what is
missing as follows:

- For William Jeppesen & his 3 children⁷
 - For Cora (L) Hayes & her family
 - For Jose & his family.

- For 6 of the children of Thomas Bryant II
(on a single sheet)
- Separate sheets for 6 of the children of
Thomas Bryant II.

We will probably never have all of these details but I sure appreciate your willingness to work on this project and your willingness to get others to help.

I understand that Jessie Hayles, the son of your Aunt Cora may be willing to help and that you will contact him.

I have just written to Jessie (Tramel) Blacklawn and have provided her with a set of the questions for Era Ellen (a) Tramel. I have also written to Roy Talmage II and have sent him a copy of the questions for Roy Jasper II. They have been interested in the past but I have no idea as to whether they will respond.

Anything you can do to collect details and to stimulate interest will be appreciated. If you think it best I can write to any particular individuals. I would need addresses.

With Deep Appreciation for your interest in our shared family heritage.

P.S. See enclosed profile sheet for Lois II - I think she is now Linda Busnow but am not sure. Phil II

Sincerely yours
Robert Phillips Upchurch
[ROBERT PHILLIPS UPHURCH]

2 JUN 1996

MISSING DETAILS ON WILLIAM JEFFERSON
UPCHURCH, HIS WIVES AND HIS 3 CHILDREN

1) For William Jefferson Upchurch

- a) where was he born?
- b) when in 1895 did he die?
- c) where did he die?
- d) when and where did he marry the 1st time?

2) For Sarah Frances Lawhorn

- i) what's her last name LAWHORN or LAWTHON?
- ii) when and where was she born?
- iii) when and where did she die?
- iv) where is she buried?

3) For Mary Thompson

- i) what was her full maiden name?
- ii) when and where was she born?
- iii) when and where did she die?
- iv) where is she buried?

2) For Thomas Bryant & wife - ALL OK.

3) For Cora U

- a) what was her full maiden name?
- b) when in 1891 was she born?
- c) when in 1926 did she die?
- d) when and where did she marry?

2) For William B. Nagle

- i) what does the "B" stand for?
- ii) when and where was he born?
- iii) when did he die?

4) For Jessie U

- a) what is her full name? ; b) when & where was she born?
 - c) when and where did she die?
 - d) when and where did she marry?
- 2) For Lula McCarter - i) what's her full maiden name?
- ii) when and where was she born?
 - iii) when and where did she die?

(4)

MISSING DETAILS ON THE DESCENDANTS
OF CORA (UPHORN) HAGLER

- 1) For Jesse Hagler
 - a) what is his full name?
 - b) when was he born?
 - c) when and where did he marry?
 - d) For Bernice Jewell
 - i) Is she still living?
 - ii) what is her full maiden name?
 - iii) when and where was she born?
- 2) For Vernon Hagler
 - a) what is his full name?
 - b) when was he born?
 - c) when and where did he marry?
 - d) For Bonnie Hagget
 - i) what is her full maiden name?
 - ii) when and where was she born?
 - iii) Is she still living?
 - e) What are the full names of his 3 sons & when & where born?
 - f) Did any of his children marry/have children? If so, details?
- 3) For Ray Hagler
 - a) what is his full name and when was he born?
 - b) when and where did he marry?
 - c) what is his wife's full maiden name & when & where born?
 - d) what is the full name of his child and when & where was this child born?
 - e) Did his child marry/have children? If so, details?
- 4) For Mary Jewell Hagler
 - a) where did she die?
- 5) For Jennings Hagler
 - a) what is his full name?
 - b) when was he born?
 - c) when & where was he married?
 - d) what is his wife's full maiden name & when & where born?
 - e) Full names of his children and when & where born?
 - f) Did any of his children marry/have children? If so, details?

MISSING DETAILS ON THE DESCENDANTS
OF JESSE UPHURCH (son of William Jefferson U) 2500
1996

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1) For Haden J. U

- a) what does the "J" stand for?
- b) when and where was he born?
- c) when and where did he marry?
- d) For his wife

- i) what was her full maiden name?
- ii) when was she born?
- iii) where did she die?

2) For Judy Ray U

- a) when and where was she born?
- b) when and where was she married?
- c) when and where was Joe Ute Davis born?
- d) Did she have just three children?
- e) For Ashley Davis

- i) what is her full maiden name?
- ii) when and where was she born?
- iii) Did she marry/have children? If so, details?

f) For Trey Davis

- i) what is the full name of Trey?
- ii) when and where born?

- iii) Did Trey marry/have children? If so, details?

g) For Tyler Davis

- i) what is his full name?
- ii) when and where was he born?

- iii) Did he marry/have children? If so, details?

3) For Michael James U

- a) when & where was he born?
- b) when and where did he marry?
- c) Did he have first one child?
- d) what is his wife full maiden name & when & where born?
- e) when and where was Christina Lynne born? Did she marry/have children? If so, details?

4) For Hazel U

- a) what is her full maiden name and when & where born?
- b) when and where married?
- c) full name of each brother & when & where born?
- d) Did she have children? If so, details?

(6)

MISSING DETAILS (IF ANY) ON SIX OF 2 JUN 1996
THE 12 CHILDREN OF THOMAS BRYANT UPCHURCH

- 1) Child #5 - An unnamed baby boy - All OK (b. 7 JAN 1907)
- 2) Child #8 - An unnamed baby boy b-16 FEB 1913 - All OK
- 3) For James Herman H & wife - All OK
- 4) For Willie Faye H
 - a) ^{For} Maggatt Basil Howell, Sr - Can we confirm that he was born in Chickasha, OK?
 - i) when was he born?
 - ii) where was he born?
 - iii) when did he die?
 - b) For Maggatt Basil Howell, Jr.
 - i) when was she born?
 - ii) where was she born?
 - iii) when and where did she marry?
 - c) For Ruth ANIESE Howell
 - i) what does the "Q" stand for?
 - ii) when and where was he born?
- 5) Child #11 - An unnamed baby girl b-28 MAY 1919 - All OK
- 6) For Jessie Fern H - All OK

MISSING DETAILS FOR THE FAMILY
OF ORA ELLEN (UPCHURCH) TRAMEL

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Z JUN 1996

1) For Ora Ellen II

a) For Thomas Audrey Tramel

i) where was he born?

ii) where did he die?

2) For Truett Tramel

a) what is his full name?

b) Is he still living?

c) when and where was he born?

d) Did he marry/have children? If so, details?

3) For Nadine Tramel

a) what is her full maiden name?

b) when and where was she born?

c) Is she still living?

d) Did she marry/have children? If so, details?

4) For Fayrene Tramel

a) what is her full maiden name?

b) when and where was she born?

c) Is she still living?

d) Did she marry/have children? If so, details?

5) For Mary Tramel

a) what is her full maiden name?

b) when and where was she born?

c) Is she still living?

d) Did she marry/have children? If so, details?

6) For Jessie Tramel

a) what is her full maiden name?

b) when and where was she born?

c) when and where did she marry?

d) Full name of Don Blackburn and when & where born?

e) Did she have children? If so, details?

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ORA ELLEN (U) TRAMEL - CONTINUED

(D)

7) For Ray Gerald Tramel

- a) when and where was he born?
- b) Did he marry / have children? If so, details?

8) For the daughter who died at 3 years of age

- a) what was her full name?
- b) when and where was she born?
- c) when and where did she die?
- d) where is she buried?

9) For Annie Mae Tramel

- a) when and where was she born?
- b) Did she marry / have children? If so, details?

MISSING DETAILS FOR THE FAMILY

2 JUN 1996

OF VIRGIE NMN (UPCHURCH) TRAMEL

(9)

- 1) For Virgie NMN & Husband - All OK
- 2) For Clifton Norman Tramel, Sr.
 - a) Is he still living?
 - b) When and where was he born?
 - c) When and where did he marry?
 - d) What is his wife's full maiden name and when and where was she born?
 - e) Did he have just three children?
- f) For Clifton Norman Tramel, Jr.
 - i) When and where was he born?
 - ii) Did he marry/have children? If so, details?
- g) For Linda Tramel
 - i) What is her full maiden name?
 - ii) When and where was she born?
 - iii) Did she marry/have children? If so, details?
- h) For Pam Tramel
 - i) What is her full maiden name?
 - ii) When and where was she born?
 - iii) Did she marry/have children? If so, details?
- i) For Lena Joyce Tramel
 - a) When and where was she born?
 - b) When and where did she marry the 1st time?
 - c) When and where did she marry the 2nd time?
 - d) Did she have just three children?
 - e) What was the full name of her first husband and when and where was he born?
 - f) What is the full name of Joyce Eason and when and where was he born?
 - g) What is the full name of her son David & when & where was he born? Did he marry/have children? If so, details

3) For Lena fogie Tramel - CONTINUED

b. For Robin Olson

- i) what is her full maiden name?
- ii) when and where was she born?
- iii) Did she marry/have children? If so, details?

i) For Mark Olson

- i) what is his full name?
- ii) when and where was he born?
- iii) Did he marry/have children? If so, details?

4) For Meldon Tramel

- a) what is his full name?
- b) when and where was he born?
- c) Is he still living?
- d) when and where did he marry?
- e) Did he have just one child?
- f) what was his wife's full maiden name and when & where was she born?

g) For Michael Tramel

- i) what is his full name?
- ii) when and where was he born?
- iii) Did he marry/have children? If so, details?

MISSING DETAILS ON THE FAMILY
OF MATTIE LENA (UPCHURCH) WATT

2 JUN 1996

(1)

1) For Mattie Lena Watt

- a) when in MAY 1996 did she die?
- b) where did she die?
- c) where is she buried?

2) For Bobby Watt

- a) what is his full name?
- b) when and where was he born?
- c) when and where did he marry?
- d) what is his wife's full maiden name and when and where was she born?
- e) Did he have just four children?
- f) Need full names of his children, when and where born, details on marriage and offspring, if any?

3) For Oscar Blair Watt

- i) when and where was he born?
- ii) when and where did he marry?
- iii) what is his wife's full maiden name and when and where was she born?
- iv) Did he have just three children?

e) For Brenda Watt

- i) what is her full maiden name?
- ii) when and where was she born?
- iii) Did she marry/have children? If so, details?

f) For Linda Watt

- i) what is her full maiden name?
- ii) when and where was she born?
- iii) Did she marry/have children? If so, details?

g) For Steven Watt

- i) what is his full name?; ii) when & where born?
- iii) Did he marry/have children? If so, details?

MATTIE LENA (U) WAIT - CONTINUED

(10)

4) For Jimmy Clayton Watt

- a) when and where was he born?
- b) when and where did he marry?
- c) what is his wife's full maiden name and when and where was she born?
- d) Did he have just six children?

e) For Bobby Watt

- i) what is his full name?
- ii) when and where was he born?
- iii) Did he marry/have children? If so, details?

f) For Jerome Watt

- i) what is her full maiden name?
- ii) when and where was she born?
- iii) Did she marry/have children? If so, details?

g) For Michael Watt

- i) what is his full name?
- ii) when and where was he born?
- iii) Did he marry/have children? If so, details?

h) For Don Watt (Twin)

- i) what is his full name?
- ii) when and where was he born?
- iii) Did he marry/have children? If so, details?

i) For Donna Watt (Twin)

- i) what is his full maiden name?
- ii) when and where was she born?
- iii) Did she marry/have children? If so, details?

j) Jimmy had a 6th child - a daughter not named above?

- i) what is the full maiden name of this daughter?
- ii) when and where was this daughter born?
- iii) Did this daughter marry/have children? If so, details?

MISSING DETAILS ON THE FAMILY ZJUO1996
OF WILLIAM THOMAS JEFFERSON UPCHURCH

(13)

- 1) For William Thomas Jefferson U
a) Was he born 3 MAR 1905 or 19 MAR 1905?
- 2) For Venie Ray U
a) When and where was she born?
b) When and where did she marry the 1st and 2nd times?
c) Did she have just five children?
d) For Ricky Owens
i) What is his full name?
ii) When and where was he born?
iii) Did he marry/have children? If so, details?
- e) For Don Owens
i) What is his full name?
ii) When and where was he born?
iii) Did he marry/have children? If so, details?
- f) For Sandy Owens
i) What is her full maiden name?
ii) When and where was she born?
iii) Did she marry/have children? If so, details?
- g) For Tina Owens
i) What is her full maiden name?
ii) When and where was she born?
iii) Did she marry/have children? If so, details?
- h) Venie had a daughter not named alone
i) What was the full maiden name of this daughter?
ii) When & where was this daughter born?
iii) Did this daughter marry/have children? If so, details?

WILLIAM THOMAS JEFFERSON II - CONTINUED

(14)

3) For Franklin II

- a) what is his full name?
- b) when and where was he born?
- c) when and where did he marry?
- d) Did he have just ~~two~~ children?
- e) what was the full maiden name of his wife and when and where was she born?
- f) what were the full maiden names of her three girls and when and where were they born?
- g) Did any of his daughters marry/have children?
If so, details?

4) For Christine II

- a) what is her full maiden name?
- b) when and where was she born?
- c) when and where did she marry the 1st time?
- d) when and where did she marry the 2nd time?
- e) Did she have just ~~two~~ children?
- f) what were the full names of her two husbands and when and where were they born?
- g) what were the full names of her children and when and where were they born?
- h) Did any of her children marry/have children?
If so, details?

MISSING DETAILS ON THE FAMILY
OF ROY JASPER UPCHURCH

2 JUN 1996

(13)

1) For Roy Jasper U

- a) where did he marry?
- b) where did Ira Mae Atkinson die?

2) For Roy Talmage U

- a) when and where did he marry?

~~Did he have just two children?~~

- c) what is his wife's full maiden name and when and where was she born?

d) For Sheree Denise U

- i) when and where was she born?

- ii) when and where did she marry?

- iii) Did she have just two children?

- iv) what was her husband full name and when and where was he born?

- v) what are the full names of her children and when and where were they born?

e) For Talmage Brend U

- i) when and where was he born?

- ii) Is he still single?

f) For Billy Harold U

- a) when and where was he born?

- b) when and where was he married

- c) Did he have just one child (an adopted one)?

- d) what is his wife's full maiden name and when and where was she born?

e) For Tremia U

- i) what is her full maiden name? ii) Did she have just one child?

- iii) when and where was she born?

- iv) when and where was she married

- v) what was her husband full name & when & where born?

- vi) what was her son's full name & when & where born?

MISSING DETAILS ON THE FAMILY Z JUN 1996
OF WELDON BERT UPCHURCH (16)

1) For Weldon Bert U

a) Where did he marry?

b) For Lois Burrow

i) What is her full maiden name?

ii) When was she born?

iii) Is she still living?

2) For Dorothy U

a) What is her full maiden name?

b) When and where was she born?

c) When and where did she marry?

d) For "Punk" Valentine

i) What is his full name?

ii) When and where was he born?

e) Did she have first two children?

f) For Jimmy Valentine

i) What is his full name?

ii) When and where was he born?

iii) Did he marry / have children? If so, details?

g) For Reta Valentine

i) What is her full name?

ii) When and where was she born?

iii) Did she marry / have children? If so, details?