

Jones Green Upchurch**XID – 33026**

Commentary: Jones Green Upchurch (1816 – 1856) was the son of James and the grandson of Harmon Upchurch, head of Upchurch Clan #16. He was born in North Carolina, but migrated to Tennessee and then Missouri, where he died.

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(no number) See biofile of Wilburn Eugene Upchurch – entry 4 Sep 1979

*A. The great great grandfather of your compiler (Wilburn E Upchurch) was an English immigrant, whose name I believe to be Allen, sailed to America about the year 1790. Off the coast his ship ran into a storm and was lost. This Upchurch tied himself to the mast and floated to shore; he was the only survivor. He moved to North Carolina; the county I believe to be Montgomery. He married a woman whose name I believe to be McSwain; they had at least two sons, Jones and Robert. Jones was a traveling school teacher, he wanted to marry Elizabeth Cooper, but her father objected. Mr Cooper told his daughter if she married Jones he did not ever want to see her again. He never did. Jones and Elizabeth eloped; moving first to Henry County, Tenn. then to Cape Girardeau Co, MO in 1848. Robert and a woman by the name of Hannah Upchurch, who I think was their mother, came with Jones. Jones had a large family; his descendants are Hurbert and Oscar Upchurch at Marble Hill, MO. I am a descendant of Robert.

*This story about travel from England and the shipwreck is incorrect.

B. RPU Commentary on above.

I. Harmon Upchurch – Head of Clan

A. James Upchurch, VI → The actual great great grandfather of Wilburn Eugene Upchurch [not Allen Upchurch; Allen Upchurch was a brother of James Upchurch, VI]

1. Robert J M Upchurch

a. John Louis Upchurch

i. Wilburn Arther Upchurch

(I) Wilburn Eugene Upchurch

2. **Jones Green Upchurch**

married Elizabeth Cooper

a. Robert Erwin Upchurch

i. Oscar Upchurch = Moses Oscar Upchurch

ii. Hubert Upchurch = Herbert Erwin Upchurch

Hannah Upchurch = nee Hannah McSwain, wife of James Upchurch, VI

: , **(no number)** See letter 22 Nov 1996 Truex Newman Upchurch to RPU

Jones Upchurch [presume **Jones Green Upchurch** – RPU] is on the Tax Rolls in District 15, Henry Co, TN as follows:

1843 1 poll

1844 not listed

1845 1 poll

1846 1 poll tax \$.25

1847 and beyond not listed

[Note that the “other” Upchurch group are all in District 16.]

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Jones Green Upchurch was born October 22, 1816 in North Carolina. Family lore has his father's name as Allen and his mother was a McSwain. His middle name, Green, shows up only when spoken of by his descendents. It does not appear in any of the official records. DS
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Jones became a traveling schoolteacher, possibly a music schoolteacher. Supposedly near Ashville, in Buncombe County, North Carolina, Jones eloped, probably in 1838, with Elizabeth Cooper. The next morning, the couple went by to tell her father goodbye as they were on their way to Tennessee. Her father was so irate, he told her he hoped he would never see her again. The tragedy of it was, that he didn't. DS
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Jones and Elizabeth ended up in Henry County, Tennessee. Whether they made the trip alone or as members of a larger party is not known. It is known that others with the name of Upchurch or McSwain went from North Carolina to Henry County, Tennessee about the same time. What relationship these were with Jones, if any, has not been determined. DS
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The 1840 census for Henry County, Tennessee shows Jones Upchurch as the head of a household with others who probably are his wife and a one year old son and also a female between 40 and 50 years and a male between five and ten years. It has been speculated that these were his mother and a brother. They were named in the census ten years later. The census indicates that the name of both was Upchurch. DS
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The tax lists for Henry County, Tennessee include Jones Upchurch for 1843, 1845, and 1846. During this period, taxes were based on ownership of land, slaves, horses, and carriages, plus the number of white males over 21 in the household. In each of the three years that Jones was on the tax lists, his listing is shown only as one poll, indicating that he owned no land, slaves, horses, or carriages. In 1846, his tax is shown as 25, presumably 25 cents. The tax lists show him in District No. 15 of the county. This district was in the extreme northeast corner of the county. DS

The 1850 census of Cape Girardeau county, Missouri shows Jones Upchurch, occupation farmer, as the head of a household which includes Elizabeth, Henry 11 years old born in Tennessee, Margaret A. 8 years old born in Tennessee, James A. six years old born in Tennessee, Amanda F. two years old born in Missouri, and Hannah and Robert M., 52 and 17 years old, both born in North Carolina. DS
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The Cape Girardeau County records contain three promissory notes of Jones Upchurch. One note is to Dr. J. D. McFarland for \$21.25, November 15, 1848. A second note is to Dr. S. Field covering July, August, September, and October 1855 and is for \$46.00 for visits, medicine, and an office visit. The third, dated February 12, 1832 (sic), is to Andrew H. T----- for \$12.95 for an undisclosed purpose.

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In 1853, Jones bought a forty acre parcel of land in Cape Girardeau County for fifty-eight dollars.

Today, there is a large spring fed artificial pond located near the center of the 40 acres that Jones farmed. The pond was created by erecting a dam across the swale down which the spring water drained. It is very easy to assume that Jones' house would have been built near the spring so that a source of water would be readily available. Both the spring and the area which would have contained the house are now submerged by the pond's waters. There is no evidence of anything on the farm dating back to the time Jones lived there except two maple trees of a size, about 30 inches in diameter, that they would have been growing at that time. One of the trees is along the draw in which the spring waters drain. The other is in the field close to the center of the eastern side of the farm.

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The spring is at a relatively high elevation and very likely would dry up toward the end of any extended dry spell. A more dependable source of water from which neighbors in an extended area obtained water is located about 3/4 mile to the north, south across the road from the existing New Salem Methodist Church in Daisy, Missouri.

Jones Upchurch died April 10, 1856. At the August 1857 term of County Court, on August 18, it was ordered that the land of Jones, dec'd, be sold at public auction to pay his debts. In the Cape Girardeau Eagle, a newspaper, from January 14, 1858 to February 4, 1858, was run a Notice of Sheriff's Sale to "All the right, title, claim, and interest which Jones Upchurch at the time of his death had in and to the NW quarter of the NE quarter of section No. 35 in township No. 33, N of range No. 11 E containing 40 acres."

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The land had been appraised by the public appraisers at \$170. The land was sold 15 February 1858 at the Court House door in Jackson. Elizabeth Upchurch, his wife, was the last & highest bidder at \$121. The land was sold to Elizabeth 21 February by H. H. M. Williams, public administrator and ex officio administrator of the estate of Jones.

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The inventory of Jones' estate showed 1 sow, 10 pigs, 2 cows, 1 calf, 2 heifers, 1 yearling, 10 sheep, 1 blind mare, 3 wheat boxes, 1 tub, 1 half bushel, 1 double and singletree, 2 old axes, 1 mottoc, 1 set horse gear, and 1 bell.

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Jones Upchurch is said to have been buried at Daisy, Missouri, the community about one mile north of his farm. His grave has not been found. The two most likely locations for his grave would be on his farm in the area now covered by the pond or it could be in the cemetery alongside the New Salem Methodist Church. At that cemetery, there are markers for the graves of Jones' son Henry and Henry's wife and space for another grave alongside of them. But there is no marker to indicate if there has been a burial there.

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Children of Jones and Elizabeth were:

- Henry A., born January 10, 1840, married Mary E. -----, died October 7, 1875 ☐↑+☐
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- Margaret A., born 1842, married Bill Flanigan ☐+☐
- James Allen, born 1844, married 1st Sarah M. Woods +☐
October 4, 1871, 2nd Mary E. Swofford June 28, 1879,
3rd Catherine Sargent August 19, 1886 ☐
- Amanda F., born 1848, married John Yates December 30, 1869 ☐+☐
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- Robert Irving, born September 15, 1851, married Hannah +
Mariah Aldrich October 10, 1875, died October 17, 1905 -
- Viola C., born 1853, married Andrew J. Robbins November 30, 1871 +☐

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mic sent to Albemarle, NC Public Library

At the library, I also found a book by Eleanor D. McSwain entitled Some descendants of David McSwain printed by the National Printing company, Macon, Georgia in 1974. Several statements in the book fit very nicely with the family tradition that Jones Green Upchurch's mother was a McSwain. The book shows a Hannah McSwain who was the daughter of the George McSwain in the Montgomery County 1800 and 1810 censuses. This Hannah McSwain is shown in the book as being born 1794.

The Hannah Upchurch in Jones Upchurch's household in the Cape Girardeau, Missouri census for 1850 is listed as 52 years old. This would make her birth year either 1797 or 1798. I don't see this as too great a discrepancy. It has not been unusual for women to loose years in the census. I have one ancestor who aged only six years in the ten years between censuses.

The mother of this Hannah McSwain was named Elizabeth Jones. If a source for Jones Upchurch' name is needed, this easily could be used.

Hannah McSwain had a sister, two years younger, named Margaret. Jones' first daughter was named Margaret. Hannah and Margaret were of a family with 16 children.

Louis J. McSwain, a brother four years younger than Hannah McSwain, migrated from Montgomery County, North Carolina to Henry County, Tennessee.

Hannah McSwain's line goes back through George⁴, David³, David², and David¹ of the Isle of Skye in Scotland. They came to North Carolina by way of Virginia.

In this book, Some descendants of David McSwain, the author gives as the source for much of her information, a book by S. C. Jones entitled The Hamrick Generations. David² McSwain married a Sousanna Hamrick. My local library, who has been very good at obtaining books for me through the inter-library loan procedures, was not able to locate this book. Very likely, if it can be found, it may contain additional relevant information.

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Deed of land bought by Jones Upchurch

From Estate Records in the County Recorder's office, Jackson,
Missouri

This indenture made this 18th of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty three between David Brown and Mary his wife of the one part and Jones Upchurch of the other witnesseth that David Brown and Mary his wife for and in consideration of the sum of fifty one dollars to him in hand the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged do hereby grant, bargain, situate and assign for ever all that tract or parcel of land situated and being in the County of Cape Girardeau the State of Missouri, Viz, the N. W. quarter of the N. E. quarter of Section thirty five in township thirty three North of Range Eleven East, containing forty acres more or less together with all and singular the appurtenances there unto belonging or in any wise pertaining to have and to hold transfer described premises unto the said David Brown and Mary his wife, transfer the afore said premises unto the said Jones Upchurch, his heirs and assigns against the claim or claims of all and every person whomsoever to and will warrant and forever defend by the present. In witness whereof the said David Brown and Mary his wife has here unto set our hands and seals the day and year above written.

In presence of
E. H. Self
Thomas G. Brown

David Brown (Seal)
(X his mark)
Mary Brown (Seal)
(X her mark)

State of Missouri
County of Cape Girardeau

There personally appeared before the undersigned Justice of the Peace for the County and State aforesaid David Brown and Mary his wife both personally known to be the same persons whose names are subscribed to the foregoing deed and severally acknowledged the same to be their act and deed for the purposes therein expressed; the said Mary separate and apart from her husband made acquainted with the contents of the same, acknowledged she signed said deed freely of her own consent and relinquished her dower in the same without compulsion or undue influence of her husband.

Taken and certified this
18th of March 1853
E. H. Self
Justice of the Peace

State of Missouri
County of Cape Girardeau

Received for record and recorded November 17, 1856
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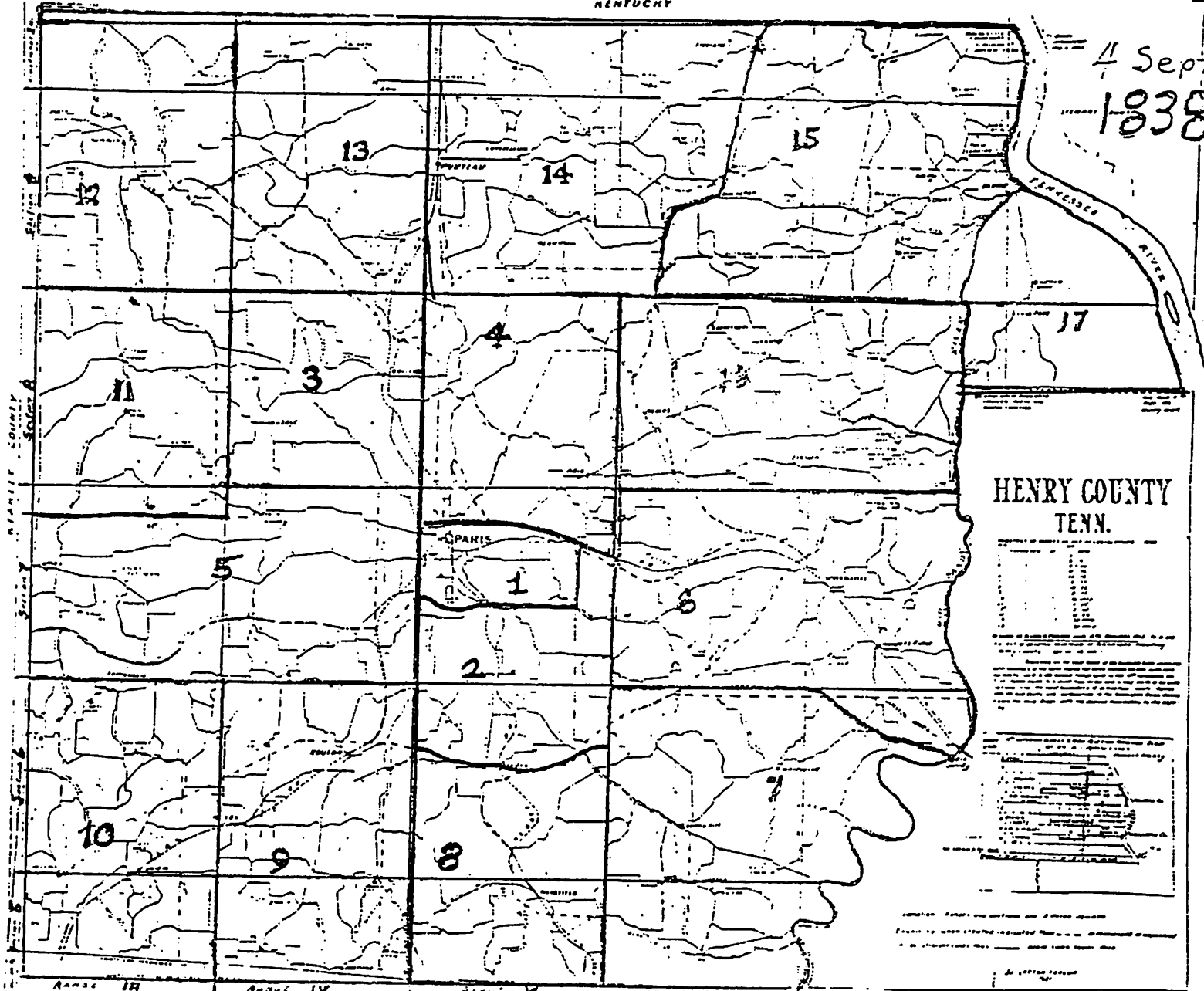
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11 Sept
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HENRY COUNTY TENN.

James H. Jones
 Surveyor
 of
 Henry County
 Tennessee

Be it remembered that James H. Jones, Surveyor of Henry County, Tennessee, has filed for record the following description of land, to-wit:

Section 1, Township 17 North, Range 10 West, 3rd Meridian, containing 360 acres, more or less, as shown on the accompanying map.

Witness my hand and seal of office this 11th day of September, 1838.

James H. Jones
 Surveyor

Range III	Range IV	Range V	Range VI	Range VII	Range VIII
<p>Section 10</p> <p>Section 9</p> <p>Section 8</p>	<p>Section 5</p> <p>Section 3</p> <p>Section 4</p> <p>Section 2</p>	<p>Section 13</p> <p>Section 14</p> <p>Section 1</p> <p>Section 6</p> <p>Section 7</p>	<p>Section 12</p> <p>Section 11</p> <p>Section 15</p>	<p>Section 16</p> <p>Section 17</p>	<p>Section 18</p>

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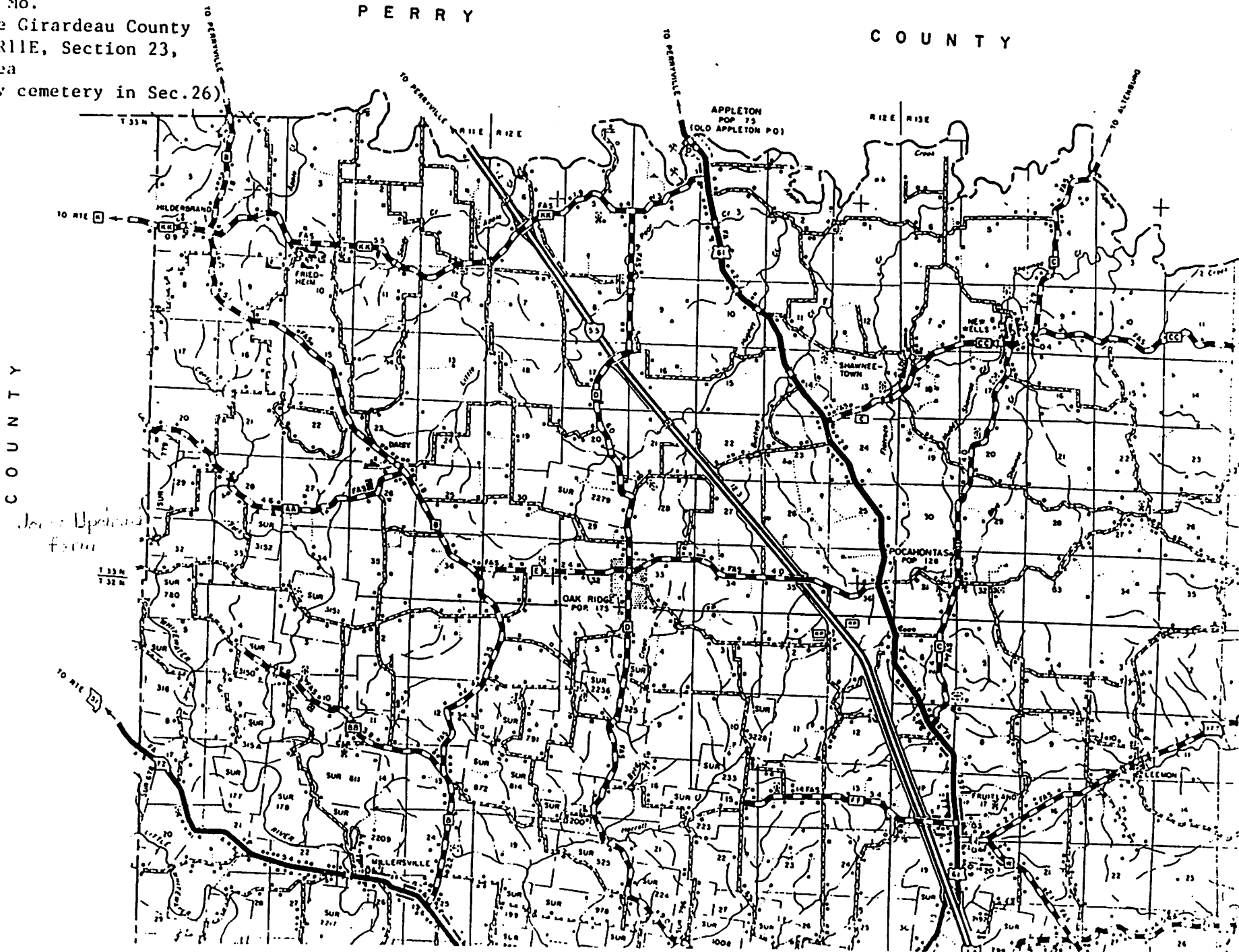
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Mo. State Hwy Dept.

Daisy, Mo.
in Cape Girardeau County
T33N, R11E, Section 23,
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(nearby cemetery in Sec.26)

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