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On the Cover

The Plaza Theatre in years past when it was a place of entertainment for Barren County. Located on Main Street in Glasgow, it is once again in operation. Photography courtesy of Emily (Mrs. Brian) Dale, daughter of the well-know owner, "Jigger" Aspley.



The Plaza Theater

When the name "Plaza Theater" is mentioned around Glasgow, the older generation's eyes will light up, memories will flood back of wondrous times of their childhood and now, the pride that once again, the Plaza Theater is back in its full glory.

The Plaza Theatre first opened in August 1934 with the showing of "The Cat's Paw." Bruce Aspley purchased the lot where the theater now sits in 1931 from Gordon E. Brown.

The building seated approximately 1,200 and held a large pipe organ. It was also air conditioned and featured smoking rooms and checking stands in its foyer. The stage was full sized, measuring roughly 36 by 18 feet. The orchestra pit could hold 30 musicians.

Walter D. "Jigger" Aspley, son of the builder, took over the management of the theater and continued until it was purchased by L.S. Slinker in 1974. Slinker continued to operate the theater until March 1980 at which time RCNH Limited Partnership took over until the theater was sold to the city of Glasgow in 2001.

The theater is located one block off the square on Main Street It held its own magic, sometimes surpassing what was showing on the screen. One could never become bored waiting for the main feature. Remember the cartoons with the white bouncing ball and hearing the audience sing along, or the newsreel with events shown from the war, or a plea to buy war bonds? If that didn't hold your attention, one could look up at the ceiling and see clouds and stars that twinkled on and off. The theater is built on a natural slope of a hill with the interior expanding and dropping quickly. Inside and above the stage, the space is that of a five-story building. The Plaza Theater had

some very unique features including a cooling system that kept the movie watchers comfortable during a Gene Autry movie, the latest Hollywood release or an exciting serial that kept the children coming back week after week. The best thing; it only cost a nickel in the 1930's and 40's. When the theater closed in the 1970's, the cost had gone up to \$2.00.



Gene Autry appeared at the Plaza, bringing his horse Champion on the stage.

Now, the Plaza is back and better than ever. After sitting empty for all these years, the vision of city officials and the citizens of the area have been realized. How did the dream become a reality?

Phase 1 was completed when the City of Glasgow received a \$154,065 grant for its restoration. A resolution was adopted by members of the Glasgow Renaissance Main Street Project Steering Committee and the Glasgow City Council. The City and the Renaissance Program applied for a façade restoration grant through the U. S. Department of Transportation's Enhancement Act for the 21st Century (TEA-221.) The money was to be used to make various improvement to the exterior which included the repair of the roof, tuck pointing all brick and masonry, repairing steel windows, repairing the recessed entryway and repairing the marquee.

The late Mayor Charles Honeycutt worked tirelessly; this was one of the most important goals, if not the most important, that he had set for himself, both during and after his retirement. He saw that the roof was the first project to be tackled. This was to be followed by repairing the marquee. The City agreed to match the grant by \$38,535.

Then the Community Block Development Grant (CDBG) contributed. This was used for the design and installation of a new heating and cooling system. Funds were constantly being sought as the purchase price of the Plaza was \$200,000 from Slinker Enterprises. Fund raisers were devised including the "Save a Seat" Program and the "big band" dance. People may "purchase" a theater seat for \$250; nameplates featuring the names of the people or groups making the donations will be attached to the seats. All donations are tax exempt.

Over \$30,000 in donations were received from the Glasgow Rotary Club and the Film Club at Glasgow High School; the City contributed \$90,000.00 and a purchase-lease loan was obtained through the Kentucky League of Cities. The dance fund-raiser of big band era music brought in more contributions. Atmos Energy representatives presented the city officials with a \$7,500 check along with many private donations.

With a lot of hard work, determination and renovation, the Plaza Theatre reopened in grand style in April 2005. (For more information about making a donation to the theater or the Save-A-Seat Program, call 659-9075 or 659-2183.)

Local Acting Group Might Be Activated

A local acting group says its possible it could become active again when the restoration of the Plaza Theatre is complete.

"I'd be all for it," said Bobby Biggers, of Glasgow, a member of the thespian group known as the Far Off-Broadway Players. The group has been around for a long, long time, since the early 1980s. Not only did he act in several plays, he also directed a 12-to-14-member cast for "Arsenic and Old Lace."

"It took a lot of dedication," Biggers said. "You just rode your good horses to death." The group put on plays at various locations around town. Dinner/theater productions were held at the Glasgow Golf and Country Club. Other plays were staged in the basement of the old high school building on the Liberty Street Campus when it housed the junior high school, the Kentucky National Guard Armory, and at the Plaza Theatre after movies were no longer shown there.

Barren Circuit Court Judge Phil Patton is also a long-time member of the group. He recently recalled putting on plays at the old high school building on Liberty Street. "We had a lot of trouble with flooding down there when it would rain. The rain wouldn't come through the roof. It came through the walls," he said. The flooding problem prompted the group to move to the Plaza, but "the ice storm" of February 1994 chased them away from the theater. "It was really horrible," recalled Eve Harris, who served as make-up artist, director, actress and public relations director over the years she was involved with the group.

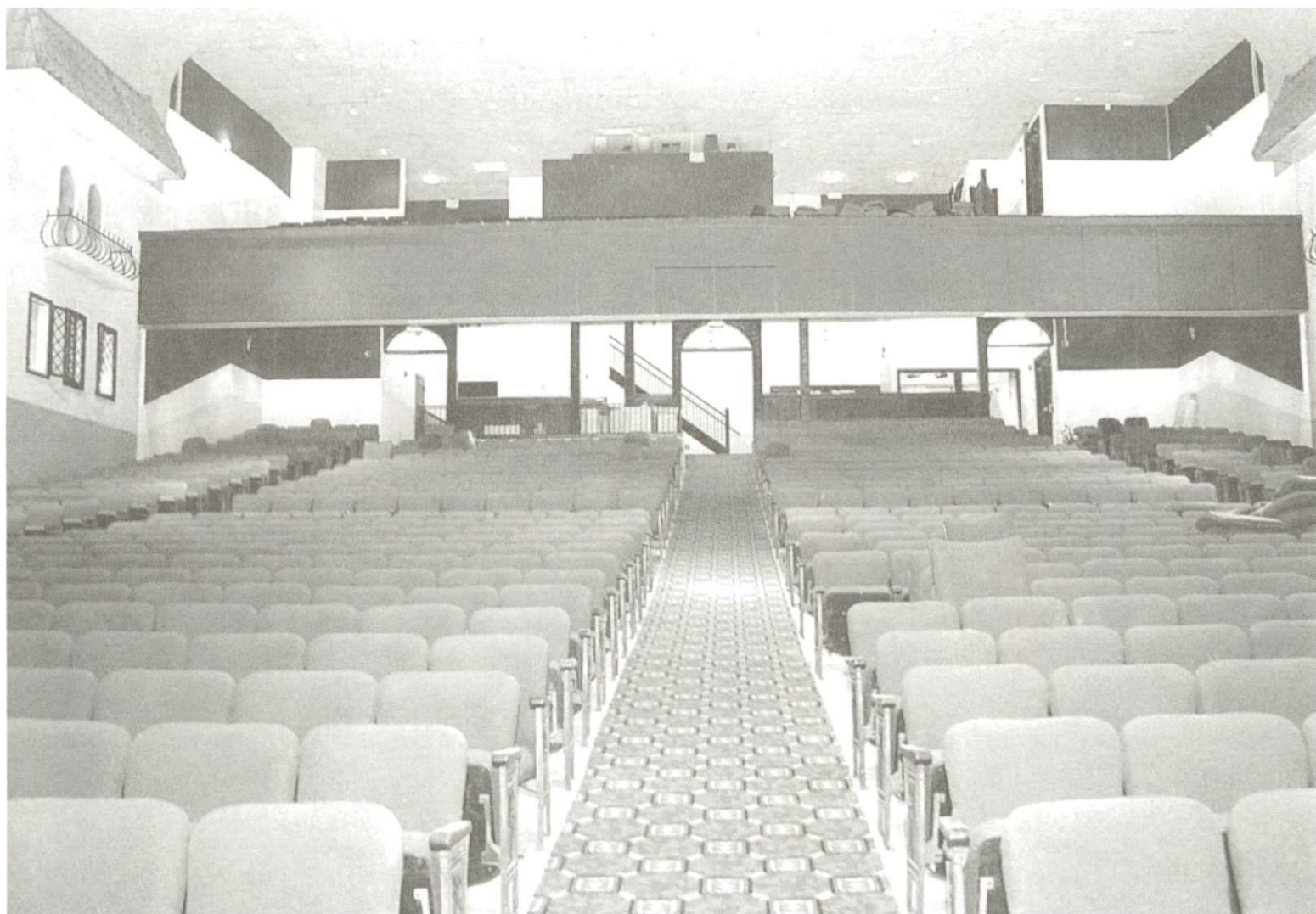
The Far Off-Broadway Players were planning to present "Barefoot in the Park" when the ice storm hit causing the theater to close. "We had our backdrops up and it ruined some of that. It kind of broke my heart."

Patton said those who made up the Far Off-Broadway Players represented a wide cross-section of the community. Some of the actors were teenagers, while others

were in their 70s, he said. When the group was performing in the basement of the old high school building on the Liberty Street campus, it played to a full house nearly every time. "We definitely need to try to get new and younger people involved," Harris said, adding those who were involved with the group when it was active have now gone on to other things."

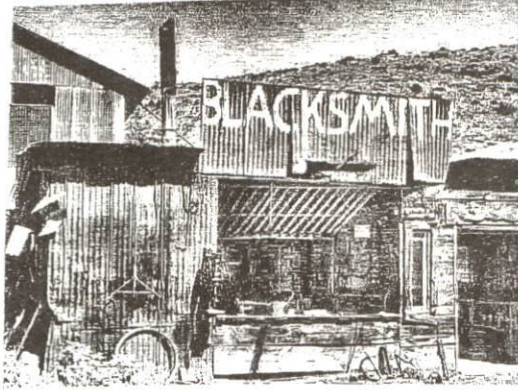
Future plans include using the Plaza for live performances, classic movies and children's matinees. Seating is 1,100 people, seats are reupholstered, the plumbing and heating systems are updated. For information on upcoming events, you may checkout: <http://www.glasgowplazatheatre.org/> Steve Jones was named as Director of the Plaza

I would like to thank The Glasgow-Barren County Chamber of Commerce, Joel Wilson, editor emeritus of the Times and Gina Kinslow, reporter, for information. Old photographs are courtesy of Emily Dale, daughter of "Jigger" Aspley; current day photos courtesy of Jamie Ray, photographer, Glasgow Daily Times. The photo below is looking from the stage to the front. The ceilings are a sky blue with clouds; when the lights are turned down, "stars" twinkle.



Blacksmith Shop Once Most Vital

Author unknown, 100th Anniversary Special Issue, Glasgow Daily Times.



“As the horse is becoming less and less important, the blacksmith shop, so intimately connected with horses, is becoming rare. There was a time when the shop shared with the general store the honor of being a loafer’s joint. Ostensibly the people who gathered at the blacksmith shop had come on business, but one was in no hurry to get his work done and leave the fascinating conversation that was always going on.

“The blacksmith shop had its own peculiar odor. The coal used in the forge was a semi-powdered, vile-smelling stuff that made a heavy smoke. Soon the whole building was saturated with this odor and the smell of horses’ hoofs. The odor was as distinctive, for the shop was the odor of the smokehouse or the livery stable. No one seemed to mind it and probably was not aware of it.

“The blacksmith was a man-of-all-work. His stock in trade was, of course, shoeing horses and welding iron; hence his name. There was still, a generation ago, something of the medieval wonder at the blacksmith’s art; not everyone could weld iron or do the many other skillful things that the blacksmith found a part of the day’s work. Most blacksmiths were pretty fair cabinet makers and could repair or even make any of the furniture in the average home. Making V harrows was just an ordinary part of the art of working in iron. Our Fidelity smith also ran a grist mill on certain days so that his shop could turn out nearly everything not grown on the farm or bought at the general store.

“The small boy who went along with an older brother or his father to the shop was sometimes allowed the privilege of working the bellows. How big he felt as the horseshoe or bit or iron became red and then nearly white with heat, while the flames danced among the cinders! Then the sport continued with the blacksmith’s hammering on the hot metal, while the sparks flew in all directions, sometimes falling on bare feet. How the iron sizzled when it was dropped into a tub of water to temper it!

“All blacksmiths could “tickle the anvil,” that is, add a lot of grace notes by striking the anvil between beats on the iron being hammered. Nothing sounded any more like music of the numerous noises association with the old-fashioned ways of working. If one had not developed this form of skill, he was still regarded as an amateur.

“Our blacksmith was the sort of philosopher. I suppose that his daily association with horses and mules gave him a goodly portion of horse sense that we all admire, whether it is borne by man or beast. He had the rare gift of laughter. Many a man would have cursed man and the earth for what he had drawn as his lot in life, but he laughed his weak little giggle and went ahead. When political or religious prejudice got others in a stew, the blacksmith laughed again, often clearing the atmosphere for the rest of us.”

Barren County had many blacksmiths listed on the 1850 census: [names spelled as shown on the census).

David S Bailey	Allen Kinslow
Henry J Bailey	Thomas Kinslow
Gresham Baird	D C Lambeth
Columbus Beasley	Robt L Landrum
James Bradley	Isaac Lee
William Bradley	William Lemings
Harmon Butler	John Lock Sr.
W ^m P Carter	George Mauk
Creed D Chitwood	David H Montgomery
Benjamin Combs	Reubin Montgomery
Joseph R Compton	Simpson K Montgomery
Benj ^a A Davidson	Burwell E Morriss
Thomas M Dawson	Henry Moser
George T Deering	Chas A Mulligan
Michael H Dickerson	Samuel McMurtry
Thomas C Dickerson	Eli Murray
Thomas M Dickerson	Thomas R. Neville
William J Dickerson	William Nuckols
James Doss (Black)	William B Nunnally
Archel Douglass	Timothy S Park
John L Douglass	Benjamin S Peden
William W Duff	Thomas Pedigo
James J Duncan	W ^m K Philpot
William Duncan	Andrew Quigley
Zachariah A Duncan	James M Ralston
Thomas Dunagan	Roberson Renfro
John Dunigan	Samuel Russell
Thos. Flanagan	Geo W Sanders
John Frank	John Scriminger
Robert D Gassoway	Joseph Scriverger
John A Glover	Edward Settle
Joseph H Glover	George M Settle
Lazarus Griffin (Black)	John M. Settle
John W Grooms	Willis F Settle
Albert Hale	John W Slemmons (Black)

Samuel Harbison	Charles A Smith
Peter A Hay	Joshua Smith
Nelson Hill	William Smith
David M. Hodge	Alfred Stewart
Edgar Holeman	William A Stokes
John M. Holeman	Manly Todd
Robert M Holloway	William Vance
Arthur A B Jackson	W ^m T Wheeler
Benjamin Jackson	Kinchon Whitney
Oselridge J Jones	John D Williams
Jas A Kimble	Robert Wilson
Aaron Kinslow	Charles Yates

Robert Mallory Will of Warren County Kentucky

Copied from Warren County Will Book D, pp. 270-272.

Name: ROBERT MALLORY of Bowling Green KY

Date Written: 14 July 1849

Date Probated: September Term 1849

Provisions: Having no children but those who are also the children of my present wife Sarah Elizabeth MALLORY, having all confidence in her prudence and discretion and knowing that she loves our children as I do and remembering also that, she is young and probably may in time after my death desire to marry again and know that in Law the rights of the woman are in many particulars very different from those of the man and not wishing to restrict her in any second marriage should she desire to do so yet while she is a free woman and my widow, I desire to give her extraordinary powers over my property of every sort real and personal and mixed be and the same is hereby given to my wife Sarah Elizabeth MALLERY in trust for my legal heirs that is to say any children by the said Sarah E. and the descendants of such as may die before distribution - those claiming as descendants of my own children to take in right of their parent by the laws of descent in such cases made and provided and to reserve no more than their parents would have received to each family of children.

It is my desire and intention that my wife shall hold my property without limit or restriction except as shall hereafter be named. That she shall not be bound to keep any accounts against the heirs - but may do so if she prefers. That she may if she prefers to do so give to each child as their wants and circumstances may in her opinion require while they are being raised and educated according to her own best judgment. To some more and to others less if she finds it right to do so, she is hereby fully authorized to sell all or any personal property & slaves if she thinks it best to do so - collect debts due me in her own right and use the money in purchasing other property or keep the same on interest as she may thing for the best during all she may continue to manage my Estate as a Trustee for my children and heirs.

They, my children, and heirs must suffer the loss should it dwindle in her hand and they will also be the gainers should it grow and increase under her management. When my children arrive at the legal age to transact business or should my daughters marry sooner my said wife is requested to give them of such as she can conveniently spare as equally as possible. Everything given to my daughter or daughters either money or slaves – personal property or real estate shall be settle upon them or laid out in suitable

property for them, and be held by them in their own right and for their separate use nothing coveture. The children nor heirs shall have no right to claim a settlement with my said wife when they become of age or when the girls marry for no right to demand from her any more than in her own best judgment & discretion it is best to give them. She to be the judge as I would be if I was still living.

I do not intend to give my said wife authority to sell my real estate - that is to say my houses and lots in Bowling Green and my farm on the north side of Barren River. Such property is valuable and a good investment but I give to her as aforesaid all the rents and profits arising there from for the uses aforesaid. It is distinctly to be understood that I give to my said wife my property as aforesaid to be held by her as Trustee for my children and heirs – with extraordinary powers because she is their mother as I am their father and should she from any cause be removed from the Trusteeship it is not my intention or desire to authorize the chancellor to transfer such extensive power to another trustee not of my own choosing but in case of her failing or refusing to act as trustee or of her being removed by the chancellor. The trust estate shall then be ended and a legal distribution of the same shall be made agreeable to the aforesaid will and instructions and the law of descent. This trust estate shall terminate - and all the rights given to my said wife to manage the same as trustee for my heirs shall terminate upon her intermarriage with any second husband she would then have lost the right to act independent of her husband and it is right that she should surrender the estate and the power given by this will and this should be done by her before her second marriage.

It is further my will and desire that should my said wife while my widow and before any second marriage appear in court and surrender her trust and let the new administration be granted and there faithfully deliver the estate into the hands of such administrator - she shall then be allowed dower as if no provision had been made for her by will out of my estate as it may then exist I would advise my said wife to cause an appraisement of the estate after my death for her own satisfaction should it so happen that my children should all die without children or heirs that could inherit my estate then it is my desire that the trust estate in the hands of my said widow shall be divided and descend as follows: Should my daughter have abean married her husband shall have his legal right as though her portion had been secured for her separate use. The balance to be equally divided between my widow and that son of John B. HELM which I have raised by the name of Benjamin Mallery HELM and Alexander HAGAN my nephew.

It is my will & desire and I hereby do appoint my wife Sarah Elizabeth MALLERY my sole Executrix and most respectfully but earnestly request the County Court to permit her to qualify without giving security. I assure the Justice that my situation authorizes me to make the request without doing injury to any one or endangering any creditor's rights. And as soon as she shall have qualified as Administratrix, she is requested to settle any debts I may justly owe with all convenient dispatch. Witness my hand & seal this 25th day of July 1849.

/s/ R. T. MALLORY [Seal].

Witnesses: George C. ROGERS and Lemuel STALLARD.

Codicil: Since making the foregoing will I have entered into a large contract for laying brick on the Lunatic Assylum in Christian County and am now in the act of removing to that place to Commence operations. Should I die before the same is completed, my friend John B HELMS having consented to assist and council my wife and trustees

aforesaid - she is fully authorized and empowered as trustee for my heirs and executrix of my will to make all necessary contracts and arrangements to carry on and complete the contract as fully and completely as if I had continued to life to do the same myself after the same is completed she is requested to remove the family back to my possession in Warren County - she is also as Trustee for my heirs and executrix aforesaid authorized to collect and receipt for all money one for that and all other demand due to my estate and she is authorized while completing sd contract to appoint all such agents as she may find necessary to assist her to carry on and complete the same and to collect the funds. Given under my hand and seal this 13th day of August 1849. /s/ R. T. MALLORY [Seal].

Witnesses: George C ROGERS, John B HELM.

Page 273 Name: SARAH ELIZABETH MALLORY
Date Written: 19 September 1849
Date Probated: September Term 1849

Provisions: Whereas my late husband Robert T. MALLORY lately by will authorized me as his Representative to carry on to completion a contract he had entered into for laying brick upon the Lunatic Asylum in Christian County - and whereas it is considered a matter of the first importance that sd. Contract be carried out until sold or otherwise disposed of to the satisfaction of the Commissioners that contracted with my late husband for this purpose. I do hereby appoint John B HELM my Executor and clothe him with all the powers which I possessed under the will of my husband to carry out to completion said contract or otherwise to close it to the best advantage for those considered. Witness my hand and seal this 19th day of September, 1849. /s/ Sarah E. (X) MALLORY [Seal].

Witnesses: H P BARNER, D BOSTICK.

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A copy of these books have been donated to the South Central Kentucky Historical and Genealogical Society.

An Old Glasgow Mercantile, The James L. Crutcher Store Ledger, October 18 1848 - August 10, 1854. The weekly ledger of an old mercantile in Glasgow that provided the needs of a growing town. Includes all the customers served, what they ordered and how much they paid. Supplements include "Come On In and Sit A Spell" - a poignant look at the old-time mercantile; a Mercantile Mystery, Definitions and Abbreviations used for most of the products carried, a mercantile inventory - what the old general stores normally stocked; a Cow list - a breeding schedule of the owner's son for his bull Henry, An Orchard Report the year they sold apples and peaches; a Description of the Day - a daily weather report for 1874 and part of 1875. Full name index, 113 pages plus supplements. \$20.00.

Barren County Kentucky's Military Hall of Fame, Volume 2. 808 new soldiers or additions to previous information since publication of Vol. 1 ten years ago. Shows name,

war served in, branch of service, rank and burial location where known. Some show battles fought in and military awards given. 44 pages, self-indexing, \$10.00.

Glimpse From the Past, A. What Glasgow Used to be Like. Penned by the late historian Jimmy Simmons, these are more newspaper articles from the Glasgow Republican. Delightful articles on people and events in Glasgow and surrounding areas, tales of humor, holidays in the past, musicians, parades, the old rural mail carriers, more Civil War columns, WW I, murder, heroes and family. Photographs included with many articles. 90 pages with full-name index, \$15.00.

Guide for Kentucky Researching Volume 10. Next in the series of researching tips and helpful information for those researching in KY. Contains the following articles: The Jackson Purchase, The Salt Peter Industry in KY, The Family Shoemaker, Early KY Laws, Let's Go to the Fair, Fisk Metallic Burial Containers, Old-Time Elections, Revolutionary War Pension Applications (where to find), Time to Dissect That Frog!, KY Railroads, Those Glorious Railroad Days, Fire!!!, Beginning at a White Oak, Getting From Here to There on the Early Roads and Covered Bridges, Choctaw Academy, Will You Go To the Store for Me Honey?, The Confederate Home at Pewee Valley (Confederate soldiers buried there), A Town called Stithton, The Sisters of Loretto, Two Broken Arms and Two Broken Legs and many other topics. 112 pages with full-name index. \$24.00.

Warren Co KY Will Book D. April 1827 thru June 1862. 358 wills, over 5,000 names cited. 138 pages, thorough abstraction of names, places, items bequeathed, slaves, witnesses. \$27.00

Wheels of Time, The: The romance, the wonder of the water grist mills; what pictures it brings to our minds! The backbone of our county; a place of community activity, courtship and adventures. The Wheels of Time is for those of us who remember those mills or are enchanted with the olden times. The Wheels of Time is an in-depth look at our Barren, Monroe and Metcalfe County water grist mills as told by photographs, oral history, diagrams, recipes, copies of the actual court proceedings to establish the mill, definitions, and the names of those who worked the mills from 1798 until the last wheel turned and an era ended.. Every recorded mill has been included. 294 pages, \$35.00.

The Wheels of Time of Barren County, KY, Volume 2. This book covers specialty mills: Carding, Castor Oil, Corn, Cotton, Flax, Flour, Fulling, Gun Powder, Hammer, Horse, Moonshing, Paper, Planing, Rolling, Quarry, Saw, Sorghum, Tanyards, Windmills and Floating Mills. 96 pages including full-name index, this book includes photos of many of the mills, diagrams, explanations as to how the mills worked, names and information on the mills described. \$15.00 .

All prices include shipping and handling; KY residents please add 6% sales tax.

METCALFE COUNTY BOOKS

History Speaks, Volume 3. Quarterlies of Metcalfe County Historical Society Vol X #1 1991 through Vol. XXI #201. 331 pages packed full of information. This is bound reprint of the above quarterlies Information includes church histories and memberships, military

information. County Court Day memories, obituaries, marriages, court cases, school records with students' names and ages, old correspondence, local events. Hours of good reading! \$20.00 plus \$3.00 shipping and handling.

Trails of Metcalfe County's Past, Vol. 2: Written by Members of the Thomas Metcalfe and Edmund Rogers Kentucky Junior Historical Society. This book is a collection of local history research papers, photographs and poems by students at Summer Shade Elementary School in the fifth through eighth grades and at Metcalfe County High School. Since Metcalfe County has very little published history, students have used primary sources such as newspapers, letters, diaries, etc. They were well researched and are accurate as far as the information that was available at the time that the paper was written. Articles include A Soldier's Diary, George Rogers Clark (poem), Dr. C. C. Howard, The Byran's Station Defeat (poem), A History of Edmonton High School, Changing Attitudes, Metcalfe's Hoosegow, Metcalfe's Banks, The Spanish Lady and Banditos, Shoot out in Edmonton and many more. \$13.00 plus \$3.00 shipping and handling, 63 pages.

These books may be ordered from the Metcalfe County Historical Society, Box 910, Edmonton, Ky. 42129

CLARK'S KENTUCKY ALMANAC AND BOOK OF FACTS 2006

For the first time in 150 years, and with the enthusiastic support of Dr. Thomas D. Clark (1903-2005), Kentucky's revered Historian Laureate, and numerous other subject matter experts, the Clark Group of Lexington will introduce Clark's Kentucky Almanac and Book of Facts 2006 in October 2005. This premier edition, containing over 750 pages of essays, lists, charts, photos, prose and poetry, will include a section on each Kentucky county with demographics, geography and other data. Please visit www.kyalmanac.com for a snapshot of the almanac. Barren County will be included in this book along with the other counties. Publication price has not been announced but will be shown in the Winter 2005 edition of Traces.

THE ROSS FAMILY

Beginning 1734 in Hanover County, Virginia. This book is an account of the history and genealogy of a Ross family whose immigrant ancestor, John Ross, a Scott, arrived in American in 1716. John Ross died in 1759, in Hanover County, Virginia, where he lived for at least the final 25 years of his life. The first chapter of the book discusses John Ross in Scotland; the second chapter is about his life in Hanover County. John Ross had ten children and one chapter is devoted to each of those children and their descendants. His son, David Ross, settled in Logan County, Ky. The family is traced for four generations with some exceptions. The final chapter discusses later generations of the Ross family in Monroe County, KY. The book is thoroughly researched and fully documented. Source notes at the end of each chapter are keyed to the text. The book contains numerous maps, charts, tables, wills, Bible records and family memoirs including several old family letters from 1798 and 1812. Every name index and place index. Hard cover, acid free paper. Copies are available from: Ross Chappel, 5162 Foxvale Cave, Kennesaw, Georgia 30152. The cost is \$35.00 plus \$4.50 shipping (two

day priority mail). For further information, you may email the author at ross@rossbook.com.

It's Book Fair Time!

The 7th Annual Barren County Book Fair will open its doors on Saturday, October 29, 2005 at the South Central Kentucky Cultural Center, 200 Water Street, Glasgow KY. This annual affair will be held from 9am – 3pm and you're invited to attend! There is no admittance charge. Representatives for area historical and genealogical societies will be in attendance, along with private family publishers, to show their genealogical and historical books, cd's and supplies. This annual event, co-sponsored by the Cultural Center and Gorin Genealogical Publishing draws publishers from Adair, Allen, Barren, Cumberland, Edmonson, Green, Metcalfe and other counties. You're welcome to come meet us, browse around, ask questions and just see what's available. Books and supplies shown will be available for purchase. You can also take a free tour of the marvelous Museum of the Barrens while there. Parking is free. For driving directions and a look at the Cultural Center, go to <http://www.cityofglasgow.org/sckcc/> For further information, you may call the Cultural Center at 270-651-9792 or Sandi Gorin at 270-651-9114 (sgorin@glasgow-ky.com).

The Green County Genealogical Society will be holding the third annual Genealogical Society Book Fair, Saturday November 5, 2005, from 8:30 till 3:00 CST. At the Green County Fire Department and Rescue Building on East Hodgenville Ave., one block off Main Street. Turn between the Greensburg Baptist Church & Central Bank There will be a food and drink booth. For further information, contact: Mary Bishop Ph 270-932-6214 or e-mail mbishop@kih.net

Mayor To Arrest Sparrow Killers?

100th Anniversary Edition of the Glasgow Daily Times, 1965.

"There have been many stories as to when the first fish and wildlife agency was established in Kentucky and as to its duties. There was some such agency in operation before 1894 for a clipping from a Glasgow paper, The Glasgow Times, published in that year gives a resume of the game laws. The old paper was found in the belongings of the late Mrs. Laura E. Kinslow, grandmother of Mrs. Wilma Brown, of Glasgow, who passed along the clipping to Fish and Wildlife District Director Burnis Skipworth, who, in turn, forwarded it to this column.

"Seems that back in the Gay Nineties the Legislature decided that not too much protection was needed for game. The seasons were long and the bag limits, if any, were most generous. For instance, a section of the law said: "No person shall catch, kill or pursue with such intent, or have this same in possession after it has been caught or killed, any black, gray or fox squirrel between the first day of February and the 15th day of June each year. In other words, the season was open for the three species of squirrels for all except four and one-half months of the year. According to the excerpt, there were no bag or possession limits.

“The quail, partridge or pheasant season, however, extended for only three months but again there were no limits listed.

“Another section that caught our eye pertains to songbirds generally but to other species as well. It read: “No person shall, at any time, catch, kill or pursue with such intent, to have in possession after the same has been caught or killed, any night hawk, whippoorwill, sparrow, thrust, lark, finch, martin, swallow, woodpecker, flicker, robin, oriole, red-breast, cedar-bird, cat-bird, blue-bird, or other song or insectivorous bird, except when the same shall be destructive to the fruit and grain crop.”

“The sleeper in this list, to us, is the sparrow, which we imagine is the common old English sparrow. Never did we think we would see or hear of a law protecting this fellow and we’ll bet the farmers will agree with this line of thinking.

“Perhaps, back in the days that the above-mentioned laws were written, there was not an agency as such, for fish and wildlife. That may have been the period during which fish and wildlife business was transacted under the direction of the Department of Agriculture. Anyway, there were no conservation officers, or game wardens because the clipping points out that: “It is hereby made the duty of the said mayors of the several cities and towns within this Commonwealth to require that their respective policy or constabulary to diligently search out and arrest, or have arrested as a misdemeanor, all persons violating the provisions of this chapter by having any game mentioned here in unlawfully in their possession or offering the same for sale during any of the periods during which the killing of such game is prohibited.” It also pointed out that any officer who failed to carry out these duties: “shall be guilty of malfeasance in office and shall on conviction thereof, be punished by a fine of not less than \$20 or more than \$50 for each offense.”

“Seems like the writers of these laws meant for them to be enforced.”

LaRue County’s 200th Celebration of Abraham Lincoln’s Birthday

The LaRue County Genealogical Society is preparing for the 200th celebration of Abraham Lincoln’s birthday, to be held February 12, 2008. LaRue County, a well-known historical district in the state of Kentucky, is not only blessed with one historical park, but two in remembrance of our late president Lincoln. We hold both, the birthplace of Abraham Lincoln and his boyhood farm.

Because of this special celebration in his honor, the LaRue County Genealogy Society has decided to take part in this honorary gathering. Starting this year, any new member who joins our organization will receive a one-time only membership certificate depicting Lincoln’s boyhood cabin. A wonderful piece offered to commemorate the celebration of one of the great leaders of our country. Those who hold membership already will also be able to obtain one of these certificates. After the year is over this certificate will no longer be in print.

Following this first certificate, there will be four others, a series of five certificates. Each certificate will depict an era from Lincoln’s life from the time of his birth until the time of his assassination. The only stipulation to this series is that in order to own them all, you must be or become a member within this year.

Our dues are \$15.00 a year. With your membership, you will receive four quarterlies that contain many interesting articles and pictures of different family histories in LaRue County. Meetings are held on the fourth Monday of every month at the Sunrise Manor Adult Day Care in Hodgenville, Kentucky. We accept and welcome all visitors who would like to stop by and sit in on a meeting. We are an organization who is dedicated to locating the history of local families and history of our area in general. We are very involved in the community and a well-respected group of people.

If you would like to get in touch with us, feel free to write to: LaRue County Genealogy Society, P. O. Box 312, Hodgenville KY42748 or via email at jmarcum@scrtc.com.

BARREN COUNTY LAND GRANTS

Continued from Summer 2005, Vol. 33, Issue 2.

<u>Name</u>	<u>Areage</u>	<u>Book</u>	<u>Survey date</u>	<u>Location</u>
Lain Adrin	200	11	11-10-1804	Mill Creek
Lair Mathias	158	14	1-16-1804	None
Lair Mathis	150	11	8-27-1799	Beaver Creek
Lamb Richard	200	27	3-20-1812	Marrowbone Creek
Lance Leo	200	7	8-28-1799	Skeggs Creek
Land Tilman	13	B	6-3-1816	Big ____
Landrum Richard	156	H	2-16-1821	Cooks Creek
Lane Miss Frances	50	28	4-4-1849	Dry Creek
Lard Joseph	77	A	2-5-1816	None
Lard Joseph	200	12	3-30-1805	None
Lard Joseph	200	15	11-2-1804	Green River
Lard Joseph	25	23	10-15-1816	None
Lasley James	200	4	11-24-1805	Near Pilot Knob
Lattimore ----	150	7	8-9-1799	None
Lattimore Francis	55	D	8-20-1816	Beaver Creek
Lattimore Francis	200	7	8-9-1799	Beaver Creek
Lattimore Francis	156	22	8-29-1799	Beaver Creek
Laurence Carter	16	61	1-13-1860	None
Lawless B	10	32	12-20-1849	Beaver Creek
Lawless Burwell	18	31	2-20-1850	Beaver Creek
Leach Jno	52	6	10-17-1807	None
Lee Eli W	100	34	3-21-1851	Big R
Lee Eli W	152	39	2-22-1853	Peters Creek
Lee Henry T	10	23	1-5-1847	Peters Creek
Lee Isaac B	50	47	8-20-1856	None
Lee Preston M	11	35	8-11-1851	R__
Lemons Jacob	250	B	10-1-1816	None
Leonard Wm	200	3	12-29-1805	None
Leslie P H	38	72	8-10-1867	Boyds Creek
Lester Sarah	100	E	8-24-1818	Mashes Creek
Lester Thomas	50	I	8-21-1818	Mashes Creek
Letcher Davis Myers	550	26	7-24-1848	R__
Lewis Charles	50	K-2	7-5-1835	None
Lewis E W	12	O-2	5-6-1839	None
Lewis Hudson	50	V	9-4-1826	None

Lewis Jno	340	3	11-29-1804	Marrowbone
Lewis Jno	200	27	9-26-1825	---- Creek
Lewis Jno	400	27	9-26-1825	Skaggs Creek
Lewis John	200	F-2	2-25-1834	Doties Sinking Creek
Lewis John B	15	V	1-12-1819	None
Lewis Simcon	200	14	4-29-1813	None
Lewis Simeon	50	L	4-19-1822	None
Lewis Acadamy	150	19	2-11-1820	Boyds Creek
Little Wm	150	14	4- 7-1805	Long Creek
Lively Cannon	58	18	11-25-1804	None
Lock Richard	200	20	5-20-1808	None
Lofftus Geo	400	19	3- 4-1815	N E of Horse Well
Lofftus Geo	400	19	3- 4-1815	None
Lofftus Geo	400	19	9- 6-1815	Bearwallow Grove
Lofftus Geo	400	19	3- 4-1815	N W Horse Well
Lofftus Geo	400	19	3- 3-1815	None
Lofftus Geo	400	19	3- 3-1815	None
Lofftus Geo	400	19	3- 3-1815	None
Lofftus Geo	400	19	3- 4-1815	N E of Horsewell
Logan Wm	200	2	8-10-1799	Fk Beaver Creek
Logan Wm	60	13	8-13-1809	Fk Beaver Creek
Logan Wm	50	13	8-13-1809	Fk Beaver Creek
Logan Wm	50	18	6-14-1800	S Fk Creek
Logan Wm	20	19	8-12-1815	None
Logsdon Jno	200	22	6-27-1804	Green River
Logsdon Samuel	150	A	12-22-1815	None
Lotpitch Ralph	140	7	11-14-1808	Long Creek
Lough Jacob	300	20	10-19-1804	None
Love Doct	200	90	10-27-1873	Cumberland R
Love Edmund	90	23	3- 6-1805	Dry Creek
Love Robt	20	20	12- 5-1846	Clay Lick Fk
Low A H	34	73	4-24-1868	Sinking Fk
Lowry Eleanor	50	B	8-12-1816	Big R
Loyd Thos	200	6	7-29-1800	Falling Timber Creek
Luckett Samuel	70	U	10- 6-1825	Seagis Creek
Lyne Timothy	21	B	11- 5-1816	Big Whipperwill
Lyon David	10	1	3- 2-1820	Glovers Creek
Lyon David	42	1	3-20-1804	M Fk Little R
Lyon David	130	2	7- 9-1804	Middle Fk Little River
Lyon John	12	C	9- 4-1816	None
Lyon Martha	12	61	----	None
Lyons James R	11	105	5-12-1883	Swanegan Creek
Lyons Jno	260	20	9- 4-1806	None
Lyons Thos	50	26	1- 2-1848	M Fk
Macksey Ephram & Philip	165	17	4-14-1807	None
Magers Albert C	3 ¾	75	11-23-1869	Gardners Sinking
Malone P L	45	26	11-21-1848	None
Malone P L	94	37	1-31-1852	None
Malone P L	92	40	12- 2-1853	None
Malone Samuel	30	P	8-22-1822	None
Malone Samuel	246	21	7-31-1807	None
Malone Winn	47	P	8-22-1822	None
Malone Wm W & P L	38	60	12- 1-1858	None
Malone Wynn	197	4	7-31-1807	None

Man Wm	200	18	9-26-1815	None
Manion Ambrose	20	D	5-19-1817	None
Manion Ambrose	90	26	4- 8-1805	Long Creek
Manly Gabriel G	200	B	8-31-1816	Scags Beaver Creek
Mann Jas W	8	33	8-24-1850	Blue Sp Creek
Mann William	70	K	2-25-1819	None
Mann Wm	8	O-2	5- 6-1839	None
Mannon Ambrose	40	23	11-24-1815	Punching Camp
Mansfield J T	2 ½	96	2-12-1876	Skeggs Creek
Mansfield Wm	96	22	10-12-1807	None
Manspell Wm	200	21	8-27-1799	Skeggs Creek
Marr John	200	B	8- 1-1816	Teaggs Beaver Creek
Marrin Wm	22	16	3-29-1845	Spring Creek
Marrs Abijah T	8	D	11- 6-1818	Mill Creek
Marrs Abijah T	18	D	11- 6-1817	Mill Creek
Marrs Abijah T	75	D	11- 5-1817	Mill Creek
Marrs Abijah T	45	D	11- 8-1817	Mill Creek
Marrs James	180 ½	8	8- 2-1799	E Fk Big River
Marrs Samuel	237	26	11- 7-1804	Sulphur Lick Creek
Marshall Abigail	20	11	3- 7-1843	Fallen Timber Creek
Marshall Abigail	16	11	3-21-1843	Fallen Timber Creek
Marshall Andrew	300	15	1-21-1845	Fallin Timber
Marshall Hugh	50	A	1- 5-1816	Peters Creek
Marshall Hugh	200	2	7-24-1799	None
Marshall Hugh	74	12	7-20-1804	Peter Creek
Marshall James H	100	15	1-27-1845	Glover Creek
Marshall Jno	200	11	9-14-1811	Rose Fk Skeggs Creek
Marshall Samuel	128	Z	10- 15- 1830	None
Martin Benjamin H	37	3	3- 1-1838	Buck
Martin Edw	12	16	10-21-1845	Skeggs Creek
Martin Isaac	190	A	2- 2-1816	None
Martin James	200	13	8-29-1799	Peters Creek
Martin Jas B	170	6	7- 2-1807	None
Martin Jas B	56	6	9-12-1807	None
Martin Jno	200	22	7- 4-1816	Peter Creek
Martin John	43	G	3-20-1818	Peters Creek
Martin Joseph	200	A	10- 3-1815	None
Martin Joseph	230	A	11- 4-1815	None
Martin Joseph	150	A	11- 9-1815	None
Martin Joseph	159	A	12-21-1815	None
Martin Joseph	163	A	12- 2-1815	None
Martin Joseph	167	A	4-23-1816	None
Martin Joseph	30	E	7-27-1818	None
Martin Joseph	94	6	5-21-1806	None
Martin Joseph	30	10	10- 4-1807	N of Prewits Knob
Martin Joseph	260	10	9- 1-1807	N of Prewits Knob
Martin Owen	100	A	10- 3-1815	None
Martin & Hamill	114	7	8-24-1840	None
Mason Elijah	100	D	7-26-1817	None
Mathes John A	78	D	2- 1-1818	Fallen Timber
Matone Cuthbert W	50	P	4-22-1819	Coles Creek
Matthews James	200	25	8-28-1799	Skaggs Creek
Matthews Jno	50	18	6-14-1800	S Fk Creek
Matthews Jno	200	18	7- 1-1800	Beaver Creek
Matthews Jno	59	18	11-28-1807	None
Matthews Jno	17	19	7-13-1809	None



Matthews Jno	60	19	12-19-1815	None
Matthews John N	72	Z	10-15-1830	None
Matthews Thos J & Jno	300	5	3-25-1839	Sinking Creek
Maxey Edward	200	24	3- 1-1804	Caney Fk Peter Creek
Maxey Ephram	22	B	4- 8-1816	None
Maxey Ephram	103	B	4-19-1816	None
Maxey Wm	200	12	8- 8-1799	Skeggs Creek
Mayfield Gideon	29	1	5-23-1804	Mill Creek
Mayfield Jno Jr	74	15	7-15-1802	Bear Creek
Maxey Phillip	150	A	12-13-1815	No

The 23-Year Courtship “I Won’t Marry You Until a Democrat is President!”

December 17, 1884 edition of the Glasgow Times

“A couple who swore they would never marry till a Democrat President was elected.” A very pretty story, in which politics and love are romantically-blended, is told in the courtship, love trials and long delay[ed] marriage of Jesse Small and Rebecca Woodson. The two were engaged twenty-three years ago and remained devoted sweethearts until yesterday, when they were made man and wife.

“In Hart County, Ky., about six miles south-east of where Munfordville now stands, lived before the war Martin Small, an honest farmer whose family, besides a wife and three daughters, consisted of six sons the youngest of whom was Jesse. Jesse was a fiery, impetuous fellow, who went to every crossroad dance, and was considered the finest rifle shot in the neighborhood.

“In those days turkey shooting was the favorite pastime of the country gentleman during the fall and winter months. To distinguish himself as the finest shot at a turkey match was the Hart County farmer boy’s greatest ambition. A moonlight fox chase was sometimes made the matter of a few hours’ sport, and a ramble with the girls through the odor-hazel thickets was another source of amusement, but after all there was nothing which drew such a big crowd as a turkey shooting announcement. On such occasions the neighborhood took a holiday. Old ladies came in with their knitting. The girls in linsey frocks were there and men and boys with their guns and ammunition always attended the bloody festival. Jesse Small was never known to be absent. Many a rednecked gobbler had dropped before his steady aim.

“It happened one day that the turkey shooting took place at old Farmer Woodson’s. Farmer Woodson was the father of one of the prettiest girls in all Hart County. She was not yet sixteen and already she had received numerous proposals for her hand in marriage. On the day of the turkey-shooting at Farmer Woodson’s, it was noticed that Jesse Small took no hand in the sport. Jesse and Farmer Woodson’s daughter had stolen away from the crowd and were breathing into each others ears the gentle words of love.

“The politics of old man Small were Democratic, violently Democratic. His sons took example from the father. At the succession of the confederation in 1861, and with the muster of Confederate troops, the entire male portion of the Small family enlisted.

Before he went to the army, Jesse visited Rebecca. The scene which was enacted at parting could be better described in the language of some of the local poets, one or two of whom have since unfortunately escaped from the country. The lovers promised each other that they would never wed until the country had been saved and a Democratic administration restored.

"During the bitter years of conflict that followed, Rebecca heard but once or twice from Jesse. One letter told her that he had been shot and mortally wounded on the battlefield of Manassas. She had no hope of ever seeing him again. One bright, sunshiny morning near the close of the war, Jesse returned to his old home in Hart County. A bullet hole had pierce[d] his side but fortunately for him, he had been carried from the field by a comrade and cared for by a skilled physician. He had almost recovered.

"His first thought was to visit Rebecca. While the war was yet being fiercely waged the two renewed the vow never to wed until the cause of the Democracy was triumphant. The smoke of the last battle finally cleared away. The country was left under Republican rule. From that day until the election of Cleveland the two remained steadfast in the faith that Democracy would some day win and until that day they would ask nothing more than each other's love. After the last column of figures in the official count had been added up and the Democratic majority had announced 1,147 Jesse and Rebecca began their preparations to seal a contract that had stood inviolate for twenty-three years. To duly celebrate the occasion it was agreed to make a trip to Louisville and solemnize the nuptials while there.

"At 2:25 yesterday afternoon Jess Small and Rebecca Woodson arrived in the city. They secured a license to marry and were piloted to the office of Justice John McCann, where they were soon made happy under the seal of marriage vows. Last night the bridal couple were registered at the St. Cloud Hotel, and today at noon they returned to Hart County.

"Mr. Small is 44 years of age and the bride is five years his junior. He is tall, with a thin face covered by iron gray whiskers. Mrs. Small has a pleasant face and blue eyes. Both were dressed in simple country style."

BRING ON THE BRITCHES!!!

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"Late one afternoon, soon after the opening of the fall term of school, Mrs. Ritter announced to Mr. Parrish that a lady was in the parlor, asking for him. After spending some moments in combing his hair and primping up, he descended to the parlor, where sat Mrs. Brown, a tenant on Mr. Ritter's place. She had somewhat of a reputation for temper and tongue. When Mr. Parrish entered the room, she lost no time in stating her business. "I want to know why you whipped Ed today," and before Mr. Parrish could answer she plunged into a mean, abusive tirade against him. When she had "run down" sufficiently for him to speak, Mr. Parrish said, "Mrs. Brown, I whipped Ed for two things – first for stealing and second for lying about it after he had stolen. I am trying to make a good, upright citizen of the children entrusted to my care and I shall punish them whenever and in whatever way I deem best, but I have a request to make of you. If you have any other complaint to make of me, please send some of your folks that wear

trousers to see me about it." He then left the room amid the laughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ritter, Mr. and Mrs. Burch and Mr. and Mrs. Wilson, who had gathered in the hall adjoining the parlor to hear the "fun."

"A few days later one of the newly-freed Negroes told Mr. Parrish, Mrs. Brown had said she was going to "rock" him the first time he went to Cave City. Mr. Parrish sent word back it was alright for her to "rock" him so long as she did not hurt him, but if she did hurt him, he would forget she was a woman and he a man, and it would be a fight to the finish. The bluff worked. Mrs. Brown did not carry out her threat to "rock" him, but on the other hand, sent Ed and Mollie back to school and became a good friend of Mr. Parrish.

"Those who taught in the old school house at Amity Seminary following Prof. Parrish as best one can recall then were: Watts, Meade, Page, Doyle, Miss Emma Smith (Mrs. Duncan), Miss Carrie Kirtley, E. B. Terry, Miss Kate White (Mrs. Minor), Miss Verta Palmore (Mrs. White), Miss Jennie Parrish (Mrs. Barlow)."

THE DAYS OF THE MODEL-T

By Lesa Spencer of Scottsville KY as told by Lois Lane of Fountain Run KY. Printed by permission, "Broomsedge Chronicles", Fall 2000.

"When I got the idea to interview Uncle Lois for this class, it brought back a lot of childhood memories. As a child, along with my three sisters and sometimes a cousin or two, I spent most of my summers at Uncle Lois's farm in Fountain Run, Kentucky. Uncle Louis and Aunt Dean lived on a dairy farm and milked cows by hand every morning and evening. Five miles away, you could hear Uncle Lois singing to those cows while he milked them. We always found interesting things to do there, and of course, there was always Uncle Lois and his famous storytelling. His stories were usually tall tales, but we did not care. He seemed always to keep our interest, whether it was his unique way of making up a rhyming riddle or his singing one of his made-up songs and dancing along with it. He was indeed a character and still is to this day. We all loved going to their house then, so I decided to go back to Uncle Lois for one of his great stories today. I had not seen him for several years and did not know the status of his health. After all, he is eighty-five years old now. When I arrived, Aunt Dean and Uncle Lois had just gotten home from stripping tobacco, so I thought he must be in good health. We visited for a while, and then I asked him to tell me a story about when he got his first car, and this is what he said.

"Uncle Lois remembered that he walked just about everywhere and one night he was walking down the road by the Capitol Hill Church in Fountain Run. He recalled walking past the church graveyard singing "There's More Than One Pretty Girl" at the top of his lungs when all of a sudden a white dog jumped out of nowhere. The dog leaped right onto his chest and scared him half to death. After that, he said, it was time to get a car.

"It was the summer of 1936, the best Uncle Lois could recollect. Wearing his bibbed overalls, as he always did, Uncle Lois walked to the house of a man named Dave. Sometimes he would ride a horse, but this particular July day, he walked. It was only a few miles. Dave had a big oak tree in his front yard that needed to be cut down,

so Uncle Lois climbed the oak tree and topped it for Dave and then he and Dave's son cut the tree. They cut up all the wood from it and stacked it nice and neat for Dave.

"In return for his labor, Dave gave Uncle Lois a Model-T car. It was black, as most cars were back then, with three doors. One door was on the passenger side and two doors were in the back. There was no driver's side door. It had only a panel that looked like a door. Uncle Lois told me that he kept the car for only two weeks before he traded it in for what he called a Model-T touring car. The touring car was also black, and the top and windshield came down. Uncle Lois kept this car for a while before trading it in for a Model-A. He remembered one time when he and two guys named Roscow and Carl – Carl being his brother-in-law – were out one night. Back then the streets were nothing but dirt, and when it rained, they were nothing but mud and big ruts. Uncle Lois, Carl, and Roscow got in one of those muddy ruts in the road and flipped the car over. Carl was thrown out of the car, and Roscow freed himself. Uncle Lois was tripped inside the upside down car. Roscow and Carl immediately picked up the car and turned it back over, and Uncle Lois crawled unharmed. Uncle Lois said he was always getting stuck in those muddy ruts. I asked him how he got his car unstuck, and he said laughingly,

"Why I got out and pushed it out."

These days Uncle Lois drives a pickup truck, and due to bad eyesight, he drives only to Fountain Run. Before I left Uncle Lois, I asked him what he would do tomorrow if he did not strip tobacco.

"He said, "I'll drive to town, trade knives, whittle a little, dip snuff, spit and probably tell a few lies."

First Graduates of Normal School In Later Years

Listed in the early 1900's were the names of the first graduates of the Glasgow Normal School. Additional information was added in a later addition.

A. C. Taylor – Scientific, 1876. Is now teaching his 4th year at Summer Shade. He stands high in favor among the people as an excellent gentleman and fine educator, Salary \$800 per year.

G. C. Woodson – Scientific, 1876. Is now principle of Lee High School LaGrange, Arkansas. He was married to Miss Ella Depp, Glasgow, Ky., 1876. His energy and talent have given him high rank in the profession. Salary \$1,000 per year.

Bettie Bybee – Scientific, 1877. Has taught successfully since graduation, is now at her home in Glasgow.

M. P. Mell – Scientific, 1877. After closing a four year course in school, has emigrated to the Lone Star State to prosecute the study and practice of the law. We regret losing him.

W. W. Shephard – Scientific, 1879. Has taught successfully since leaving school, And now has charge of a good school at Lake Mills, Texas. Salary, \$720.

G. C. Childress – Scientific, 1879. Has been associate since graduation with J. U. Biggers, in teaching at Burkesville. Salary, \$600.

Emma J. Keen – Scientific 1879. Has taught successfully since leaving school, and is now at Caverna (Horse Cave), KY.

B. G. Neighbors – Scientific, 1879. Remaining missing.

Bettie Hayes – Scientific, 1880. Is now teaching a very successful school at Albany, KY. And is very popular.

J. L. Skipworth, Scientific 1880. Is not at Mt. Ayr, busily engaged in teaching. He is a splendid fellow.

Lizzie Curd (Mrs. Geo. Tucker, Sr.) – Scientific, 1880. Has charge of a successful School near Canmer, Hat Co., Ky. and is doing well.

E. T. Ellison – Scientific, 1880. Has just closed a good school at Oakland, Barren Co., Ky. Mr. Ellison was elected annual class speaker for 1881.

Ella Bohannon (Mrs. Herman Leibing) – Scientific, 1880. Is now teaching near Cave City, Ky., and the work prospers in her hands.

Lela Devasher, nee Hatcher – Scientific, 1877. Taught two sessions and married in 1879.

Annie L. Hamlett, nee Bagby – Scientific, 1876. Taught for several sessions, and now lives to adorn a home in Glasgow.

S. T. Jones – Scientific, 1876. Is now teaching in Arkansas, at a good salary. He is working with the zeal that characterizes his classmates.

B G. Ellis – Scientific, 1876. Has taught a number of sessions, and is now reading law. He is a good worker.

Preston L. Ford – Scientific, 1877. Was married to Miss Mary Edmunds in 1879. He has taught with marked success, and is now with the firm of Bryan and Cheek, Glasgow, KY.

Annie L. Smith, nee Huggins – Scientific 1877. Taught one session on credit; in 1880 married W. B. Smith at Lockport, Texas, at which place she now lives.

J. T. Williams – Scientific, 1877. Has filled several important places and now fills the chair of Mathematics in Calhoun Institute, Macon, Miss. Salary, \$900.00.

M. F. Speer – Scientific 1877. Has taught several successful school in the Lone Star State and is now profitably connected with the Houston Post.

C. S. Phillips – Scientific, 1878. Is principal of an academy in Boyle County, Ky., at a good salary, was married in 1879.

J. W. Eubank – Scientific 1878. Taught with distinction for one year, was admitted to the practice of law in 1879 and emigrated to Texas. He is now with the Engineering Corps of the Texas Pacific RR at a very fine salary.

J. U. Biggers – Scientific, 1878. Has been at Burkesville, Ky. Since 1878 in charge of Burkesville High School. He was married in 1879 to Miss Letha Redman, a classmate, and now enjoys life on a comfortable salary.

Lillie D. Wade – Scientific 1879. Has taught successfully one year and is now studying the classes at the G. N. S.

W. B. Smith – Scientific 1878. Taught two years; was admitted to the bar 1879; went to Texas to engage in the practice of his profession. He is editor and proprietor of the Lockhart Register. We regard him as a rising newspaper man. He married Annie L. Higgins of Glasgow 1880.

H. C. Snoddy – Scientific 1878. After teaching one session went to Missouri to practice law. He is local editor of the Saline County Democrat, a newly [sic] journal of Marshall, Mo. He is happy in a good salary.

M. E. Wilborn – Scientific, 1880. Is the graduate farmer of the Normal and is highly esteemed by all. He is at home near Temple Hill, Ky.

G. Y. Renfro – Scientific, 1880. Is now principal of a flourishing school at Edmonton. As a teacher, he is a success.

Laura G. Wright (Mrs. Sanderson) – Scientific. Is now teaching at Cave City, Ky. We predict her success.

Florrie Redding – Scientific, 1880. Is now visiting friends in Louisville.

J. H. Bell – Scientific, 1880. Is not at his home near Edmonton, Ky.

Sallie Watson – Scientific, 1880. Is now teaching at a school in Tennessee.

WILLIAMS FAMILY

George Jewell Williams

Born: 17 Sept 1907, Austin, Barren, KY
Married: 15 Dec 1928 to Mary Ruth Hicks of Barren Co KY
Died: 1 June 1958, Bowling Green, Warren, KY

Son of:

Steven Douglas Williams

Born: 6 June 1854 Pleasant Hill KY. Shown as 26 Jan 1854 in Vital Statistics, Parents shown as James N and Judith Bradshaw Williams.²
Married: to Susan B Carver of Austin KY. Born 1 Apr 1869, died 29 Aug 1938, daughter of Joel Carver and a Levy/Levi.
Died: 5 Mar 1941 Austin, Barren KY. Also shown dying 1938.¹

Buried: Austin Cemetery: S D Williams, 6 June 1854 – 5 Mar 1941
Beside him: Susan B Carver – 1 Apr 1869 – 29 Aug 1938 – on same stone with.³ She was buried out of A F Crow and Son Funeral Home Glasgow, KY, no information filled in except death date.⁴

Son of:

James N Williams

Born: 18 Feb 1824 Austin KY. Also shown on one record as 18 Jan 1823.¹
Married: 2 Dec 1849 to Judy S Bradshaw of Austin, Barren, KY. Bond taken 12 Dec 1849. Married by John Clark. [shown of being of Doughty's Creek].
Died: 5 Apr 1902 Allen Crossroads, KY. No Vital Statistics death record found.
Buried: Williams Cemetery, Allen's Cross Roads section of Barren Co near the Pleasant Hill Church. Cemetery not relocated in 1992. He shown Born 18 Feb 1824, died 5 Apr 1902
Buried beside him is Judy S. Williams – 15 July 1830 – 9 Feb 1883, Wife of J N Williams nee Bradshaw. Judith (Judy) was the daughter of Seth Bradshaw and Judy Harrison.⁵

Possible son of:

Benjamin Williams

Born: Rutherford Co NC abt 1790
Married: Winney Bridges
Moved to Barren Co KY
Will: Will written 6 Dec 1817 in Barren Co, probated January Court 1818.⁶
Children listed:

Jones Williams (sometime shown Jonas)
William Williams
Nancy Bridges
Salley Kelsay [normally spelled Kelsey]
Polly Bridges
John Williams
Elizabeth Tracy
Rachel Hawkins
James Williams
Milley Ragland
Benjamin Williams
Richard Williams
Rebeckah Hucceby
Patsy Hucceby
Thomas Williams
David Williams

¹ Simmon's Family Sheets, Surnames W through Z, From the Records of Glasgow High School history teacher, James Simmons

² Barren County, KY Vital Statistics, Births 1852 through 1859, 1861 and 1878, taken from the original microfilm

³ Barren County Kentucky Cemetery Records, Brice T Leech and Kenneth Beard, Editors,

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⁴ A. F. Crow and Son Funeral Home Records of Glasgow KY.

⁵ Information from Martha Powell Harrison of Fountain Run KY.

⁶ Barren Co Will Book 1, p. 465

Data from 1890

Miscellaneous data from the files of the Glasgow Times.

Some flu deaths:

Infant child of Charles Kinnaird (near Hiseville) of flux

Mrs. Philomen Waters, 78, died at her home near Cave City.

Mrs. Thos. Purcell, at her home near Cave City, buried on the Dote Alexander place in Barren Co.

Jim Gassoway, suddenly at the Payne place near Browder's Chapel – he was Marshall of the Fairgrounds for years.

"Uncle" Joe Harlow (black), at his Beaver Creek place. He was called the best "colored man in town"

"Aunt" Mariah Martin, died at her home at age 96 at home near Hiseville. She enjoyed the distinction of being the black mammy of Mr. James B. Martin, Clerk of Barren County.

Mrs. T. M Dickey, at La Junta Col – sister of Judge Ritter

Mrs. John Redding

Mrs. J. T. Hawkins

Marriage:

Robert H. Munday and Miss Fannie Spear who were married on June 17th at the home of Mrs. Loney McCandless of Slick Rock.

Some County School Teachers of 1890:

Henry Chitwood at Coral Hill

John Rousseau at Dry Hollow

Lela Devasher at Rich Grove

T. C. Gillenwater at Hiseville

Miss Shirley at Owl Springs

T. D. Underwood at Underwood's Chapel

Jesse Wade at Roseville

Some Barren County Businesses in 1890

Abstracted from the Glasgow Times.

Banks:

Deposit Bank of Glasgow
Trigg & Company

H Y Davis Bank

Blacksmiths: J. R Pedigo – near the square
H M Pedigo & J B Hays – livery stable
Van Hildreth & James Mars – Temple Hill
Mammoth Livery Feed & Sale Stable –
Upper Depot Road, J D McConnell, proprietor

Carpenters, contractors and builders:
H. C. Masters & Ed P Chamberlain

Sewing Machines: New Home Sewing Machine, located at the Walton
House run by Geo R Walton; agent J D Foster

Druggists: Jo S. Leech & Co
James Garnett Drug Co.
Locke & Boles

Groceries & Hardware:
D Y. Kilgore
J. W. Pedigo & Co.
Davis and Page
O. C. Page
H. Raubold (restaurant & fancy groceries)

Undertakers: M. H. Warder & Co – also furniture dealers

Dry Goods: Bryan and Cheek
Ladies Bazaar
S. Kaufman and Co.
Gents Furnishings
Hesse and Co.
New York Cash Store; R S Palmore proprietor
Anderson Tailoring Shop; W L Oldfield, proprietor

Buggies & Wagons: Woods & Mueller
Opera House: Morris Opera House
Saw Mill: C E Carden, Oil City

I CAN SEE CLEARLY NOW

Many of Glasgow's best citizens are delighted with Dr. J. Harrae's spectacles, and if space would permit I would gladly testify. The following are a few of them:

Rev. N. G. Terry
Mr. J. H. Boles

Mrs. J. C. Jenkins
Mr. Ernest Owsley

Mr. R. T. Eston
Mrs. J. T. Carter
Mr. Adolph Rapp
Mrs. J. W. Jones

Mrs. J. T. Carter
Mr. J. C. Jenkins
Capt. M. S. Fielder

(Glasgow Times, December 23, 1897)

MY PERFECT FAMILY

From the editor (© Copyright 4 August 2005)

I was working on my family tree the other night; worked quite late in fact and I was getting very sleepy. But I wanted to get my Perfect family entered into my genealogy files.

I'd like to introduce you to some of my family if you don't mind, they were very interesting.. Their names were Paul and Petula Perfect. They lived in the 1800's with their typical family which included children Patience, Peter, Priscilla, Paddy, Pearl and Patrinka.

Paul Perfect was a handsome young man; came of good parentage, excelled in the common schools and was a hard worker and good provider for his Perfect family. Although birth records were not kept at his birth in 1790, his mother wrote down a copy of his birth in the family Bible and passed the Bible on down to Paul when he married. Her handwriting was absolutely as perfect as could be; there could be no doubt as to the spelling of the name or the date of birth. She had even traced the family tree back to the 1400's along with a lot of notes along the way so there would be no question. When Paul and Petula married, Mama Perfect noted the occasion well in that old family Bible; she even wrote down the time and place of the wedding and the name of every one who attended the festive occasion and if they were relatives or friends.

Petula, Paul's bride, was Petula Nearlyperfect, a charming and beautiful pioneer woman with a lot of intelligence herself. She loved Paul very much and wanted to make him happy, so she entered all of her family information on another page in the Perfect family Bible.

As Patience, Peter, Priscilla, Paddy, Pearl and Patrinka were born, she dutifully made notes as to their names, dates and times of birth, the name of the doctor or midwife, and comments on who in the family they were named for. If the child had flaming red hair and looked like Uncle Puddington, this little note was included too.

As Paul and Petula lived their daily lives, a journal was kept of every day's activities. They noted what church they went to, who was the pastor, the names of the other church members, baptismal dates, when they joined the church,

when they changed their membership; no detail was too small to be omitted.

Being good neighbors, Paul and Petula Perfect noted all their neighbors and friends; even listed their children. They gave directions to the friend's farms and mentioned barn raisings, births and deaths, storms, crop failures, when they bought or sold livestock. Paul and Petula Perfect were perfectionists.

When Paul Perfect volunteered in the War of 1812, he kept a daily journal of the battle. He noted every battle he was engaged in, the names of his commanding officers, where they fought, the miles traveled and little incidents that were important to him. Back at home, Petula was handling raising the children on her own quite well, after all she was nearly perfect. She wrote down everything so she wouldn't forget to tell Paul when he came home. She told of how the crops fared, who came to visit, news of the county; everything that he might like to learn.

When Paul Perfect returned from service, he became very involved in community affairs. He was always the first one to pay his taxes and assured that the County Clerk spelled his name right. When the census taker came by, Paul invited him in and verified that every bit of information requested was given correctly. He even decided to run for public office and his life there was an open book. He served on juries and there was seldom a day when something wasn't written about him. He even made a big proposition once that instead of using those great big books at the County Clerk's office that were so hard to handle, that a smaller book would be used – lightweight with removable pages so people could easily retrieve the data in case they needed it. Sadly, this proposal was never adopted. He also tried to invent ink that wouldn't fade out with time, but could find nothing that lasted any longer. When he made entries in the various books, he wrote neatly and insured that no coffee stain, cigar ash or tear would spoil a word – especially a name.

Paul Perfect, always thinking, also decided that all documents were to be kept safe from fire, flood or other danger. He devised a plan of making backup copies of everything that were stored in a separate facility so that if the originals were lost or destroyed, he'd have a spare copy so that nothing would be lost.

Petula was content to stay at home as was the custom of the day and tend to the children and the sewing. When she needed supplies, she would ride the family horse to the mercantile where she insisted that the clerk write down every item she purchased and its cost. Her family was always well dressed and well taught at home as well as at school. As time passed, each child grew up and married into good families, all of course noted in the family Bible.

And, when Paul and Petula reached their elderly years, they knew what they must do. Each wrote a will and kept a copy themselves as well as with the county clerk. Everything they owned was listed so there would be no question

among the children. Names, relationships ... all perfectly clear; a description of the land they owned and just how to find it. They wrote that the family Bible and all journals they had kept were never to be thrown aside, but it be kept by the oldest child in the family and passed down to future generations. It was perfectly done.

The day came when Paul and Petula were "gathered unto their ancestors" as the old Bible phrase went, but they had planned ahead well and their children knew exactly what to do. A beautiful obituary was written to be placed in the little 2-page newspaper and in the pages of the family Bible. A place on the home farm was chosen as the cemetery site and the local stone carver etched carefully their names, date of birth and death. The children fenced the cemetery and made certain that if they ever sold the farm, that the deed of sale would indicate that there was a cemetery here and that it was not to be sold with the farm and to be maintained for their family and friends to come visit for years to come. Every year the children made the trek back to the cemetery, cleaning it painstakingly of brush and seedlings and made a sign to note that this was the Perfect Cemetery.

Paul and Petula Perfect along with their family are all gone but everything is still perfect.

And then I woke up



Washington A. Huggins

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Washington A. Huggins, 93, originator of the Kentucky Free Fairs and widely known Barren county citizen, died at the Samson Community Hospital here Saturday night where he had been under treatment two weeks. Death was caused by complications. Mr. Huggins had been in ill health for some time and his condition had gradually grown worse since he fell at his home near Cave City two months ago. Born at Glasgow on March 18, 1848, he was a son of the late Mr. Zion Huggins and Mrs. Betty Everett Huggins and had long been active in the business, religious and civic development of Barren county. He was the uncle of Mr. Clem W. Huggins, Louisville attorney, who died four weeks ago.

Mr. Huggins was educated in the public schools of Barren

county. He purchased a farm near Cave City and operated a nursery for many years. Following the Civil War he enjoyed a lucrative business and his plants and trees were in great demand to rehabilitate the ravaged Southland. He discontinued the nursery business in the early 90's, after moving to his present farm near Cave City. Since then he has been a farmer, livestock breeder and in later years became extremely interested in 4-H club work and conservation of wild life. He was president of the Barren County Conservation Club organized three years ago.

Mr. Huggins was one of promoters of fair associations in Ky., having served as president of Glasgow and Cave City Fair Associations, both of which prospered under his guidance. He originated the Free Fair and Fall Festival plan in 1913, when the first Fair of this nature was held at Cave City. In politics, he was a staunch Republican.

Mr. Huggins was of the typical Kentucky Colonel type. His southern drawl and polite manner made him colorful advocate, and he was generally accepted as a beloved country gentleman. For the past five years he had served as host to the Barren county 4-H, Utopia and Homemakers Clubs with a barbecue feast at his beautiful country home. He made plans for the annual feast with the vigor and mental alertness of a young man, and was a most genial host.

He was often referred to by friends in every walk of life as the perfect gentleman. He was a gifted speaker, and was a noted story-teller. Mr. Huggins frequently told of his trips, and especially of his boat ride from Richmond to Norfolk, Virginia.

Where Are the Birth and Death Records Before 1911?

There weren't any, at least not in the format we know them now. So many people send queries asking for a death certificate for Joe Smith who died in 1837. However, the first attempt the Kentucky Legislature made to keep any birth and death records began in 1852. They are commonly known as "vital statistics" but it was a royal battle each year to keep accumulating the information. In many years, the current legislators thought it illegal to keep such information and none were recorded. In Barren County, birth and death records are available 1852 through 1859, 1861, 1877 through part of 1879. Anything before 1852 or after 1879, or in the years not recorded just doesn't exist for Barren County. Some records were lost for assorted years also.

Can I order a vital statistics record? Yes, but not individually. All the records were microfilmed and are in Frankfort. Rolls may be ordered from the Department of Archives and Libraries and, depending on the size of the county, may contain a single county or several counties, alphabetically. All the years available for that county (which varies from county to county), will be shown in year order and will contain births, deaths and in most instances, marriages. Then, within that year, the surnames are in alphabetical order by only the first initial of the last name. There was no category for "I"; surnames beginning with I are merged in with the "J's" as both initials were written identically.

Where did the information come from? Physicians or midwives were required to submit annually to the County Clerk the names of all individuals birthed or buried. If the medical person didn't keep very accurate records, he or she could easily forget a name, the true date of birth or death, or forget the entire event. In reading through the microfilm from many counties over the years, it is obvious that the doctor/midwife fudged sometimes; all the births occurring on the 1st, 15th or 30th of the month for one year in one particular county. They also put down their own comments sometimes which can be quite hilarious. Statements sometimes appear such as "born with two teeth", "this surely will be their last child", weighed over 12 pounds, " etc. In Barren County, one of our early Clerks was of English extractions and all the James became Jeames; Henry became Henri, Smith became Smythe, etc. These records, normally on small pieces of paper, were transmitted to the County Clerk who wrote them in the large books which were later microfilmed. Sometimes the Clerk could not read the physician's handwriting; or later transcribers could not read the Clerk's handwriting!

What information is found on the vital statistics rolls? Although information requested changed somewhat each time, the following information is normally shown:

Births:

- Name of child (sometimes blank or unnamed if the parents couldn't pick a name)
- Date of birth
- Sex of child
- Color
- Living or deceased
- Parent's names
- Parent's place of birth – normally just the state

Deaths:

Name of deceased

Age at death

Sex

Place of birth and death

Parents' names and their places of birth

Cause of death

Date of death

For further information, check the following site:

<http://www.kdla.ky.gov/research/recordsdescriptions.htm>

Below are some Franklin death records:

Franklin, Fanny	16, female, child, born and died Barren Co, daughter of William & Frank, unknown cause of death, died 18 Dec 1858.
Franklin, John	3 months, male, slave of E N Everett, born & died Barren Co, Died of unknown cause, 1857.
Franklin, Malinda H	3, female, child, born and died Barren Co, daughter James C Franklin, dysentery, 15 July 1856.
Franklin, Nancy	75, female, married, born VA, died Barren Co, daughter of Henry Clarke, rheumatism, 20 November 1857.
Franklin, Sarah E	5, female, child, born and died Barren Co, daughter of George & Mary Franklin, consumption, 3 September 1858.
Franklin, William B	22, male, single, born Cumberland Co, died Barren Co, son of J M & E A Franklin, typhoid fever, 22 Apr 1858.

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