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The following record of the above families, including, but not limited to, several other branches; Kerr, Clack, Clark, Houk, Rogers, Chandle, Walker and others was compiled by a great-grandchild of James Randles and his wife Rhoda Clack Randles. He was the grandchild of Westley Huffaker and Frances Randles Huffaker. Doubtless Mrs. Venie Jones Drake, sister of Alvin Bill Jones, will furnish the name of the author who makes mention of compiling this material "as of this writing in 1912" and his final notation date was June 25, 1925.

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It is interesting to note that the original families migrated from Virginia to Sevier County, Tennessee; thence to Dallas County, Missouri; thence to Texas, Oklahoma and further west. However, many are probably still living particularly in Tennessee and Missouri.

The manuscript material that is quoted consists of 10 pages plus copies of a letter written by Rhoda Randles in 1844 and one written by Fanny Huffaker; also a one page supplement to the Jones family history.

Any additional information relative to the Huffaker, Randles, Jones family may be sent to C. B. Smith, P. O. Box 1170, Austin, Texas, for further recording and circulation to interested members of these descendants.

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In the year of our Lord, 1760, or near that time, a sailing vessel from Germany landed in one of the harbors along the coast of Virginia. That beautiful country was not the "old Dominion" then, the proud mother of Presidents, but an oppressed colony, and far the greater part a solitary land, inhabited by Indians and the wild beasts of the Forest. In the motley crew of men who were tossed about in the little ship was a mere youth who would never see his native land again. He was not driven from his country by the weight of oppression, neither by the force of penury, but fascinated by the wonderful stories of America, came of his own free-will.

The young man's name was Hofecre, in the German tongue, Huffaker in English. Whether his parents bore in mind the beautiful story of Daniel and the prince when they called him Michael, no one knows, but we are told that in goodness and purity of life this young Michael was a prince with men and worshipped the God of Daniel.

After spending some years by the sea, Michael turned his face westward, and, with a few brave men, journeyed through the primeval forests settling finally in what is now known as Southwest Virginia.

The descendants of this hardy frontiersman have but a faint conception of the environments that surrounded him. He dwelt in a house built of heavy, hewn logs; the doors swung on strong wooden hinges. We fancy that over the door to the main entrance rested the old flint-lock rifle, ready to be lifted down when the howl of the wolf was heard; when the scream of the panther startled the stillness of the place, when hostile Red men appeared, and perhaps, when it was to be shouldered in the defense of his country.

Many of Michael Huffaker's descendants today live in great cities; they see great throngs of men; they hear the din of unbroken moving wheels, the roar of wagons, the clanging of cars, the whir of automobiles. And when the day is gone a thousand incandescent lights gleam upon the asphalt streets. But to this man there was no voice of the multitude; the sound of horse's feet and wagons was muffled in the thickly fallen leaves; and when the sun had sunk beyond the hills, the narrow fields and vast forests lay in darkness, save for the light that God had given.

What does it matter, the shifting scene, the onward pageant of the world? What better is our day than his? With all the gilded splendor of our world, we are but as a vapor that fadeth away, and the Earth itself will be dissolved.

In that day the righteous shall be as the sons of God, and the light from the Throne will illumine their dwelling place. And as for the wicked, no human power can form light in that outer darkness.

Our grandparent had his pleasure; his world was as beautiful to him as ours is to us. The emerald and the beryl stone shown in the limpid streams; the glow of the sun-set kissed the purple mountains. There was joy to him in beholding the wild creatures that lived in that lonely place, the graceful deer resting beneath the leafy shades, the fawn playing by the crystal waters.

Michael was a devout man, and with a small number of helpers, built the first Methodist church of that country. It was called Mahanaim. Michael Huffaker's home in Washington County, near Saltville, was called Greenfield. He married Catherine Cathe, born in Germany.

There were eight sons and two daughters. These were their names: George, Peter, Christian, Jacob, John, Isaac, Henry and Justus. One of the daughters married a man named Koontz, the other one, a Smith from whom was descended the late Tobias Smith, a Methodist preacher of great repute among his brethern.

This brief record now follows but one branch of the family, the one in direct line from Justus. Christian, Jacob, John and Isaac went to Powell's Valley, Tenn., Justus and George settled on the fertile banks of the French Broad River, in Sevier County, Tenn., while Henry remained in Virginia.

It is a fact worthy of note, that in that part of the country where so many sons were born, no Huffakers are now living. The son who stayed at home never married, and his estate was given to aid in the founding of the famous college at Emory, Va.

Justus Huffaker was born in 1765 and died in 1828. Both he and George were buried at the Seven Islands, the place where they had interred their mother; the place where so many of the coming generations were to have their final rest.

Justus married Sarah Kerr, who was born on the ocean, soon after her parents sailed from Ireland. One of her sisters married a Baker who moved to Mo.

There were three sons and three daughters: Nelson, who died in childhood; Samuel, who died at the age of twenty; and Westly, who inherited the homestead; Catherine, who married William Thomas; Mary, whose first husband was James Cunningham, the second, James Huffaker, son of George; Sarah, who married William Wayland.

Justus Huffaker was a man of great strength of mind and character, and manifested a thirst for learning that became strongly developed in some of his progenitors. He and his wife were strong Presbyterians, but through a dissension with the commissioners over building a church, he withdrew from the Calvinists and allied himself with the Methodists. He was a warm friend of the Quakers, who often met at his house for worship.

Here there is a digression: One Spencer Clack came from Wales and entered a tract of land where the town of Sevierville now stands. His children were: Rolly, John (killed by lightning), Rhoda, Catherine, Mary, Vina and Nancy.

Rolly's sons were Spencer and Missouri. Nancy married Henderson; Malvina married Bevers, Catherine married Miller.

Missouri Clack located in Meigs County. Spencer and Dr. Morgan Clack of Rockwood are among his descendants.

Rhoda married James Randles of Irish descent. There were five sons and seven daughters; namely, John, Richard, Spencer, James and William, Frances, Mary, Betsy, Sarah, Bethinda, Malvina and Nancy.

John married Mary Rodgers. James married Polly Houk. He was the father of John Randles who married Sallie Huffaker, daughter of Frances. Spencer married Betsy Cowan; Mary, W. H. Stone; Betsy, Kenneth Rector; Sallie (a dwarf), Nathan Patterson; Malvina, Jesse Pasley; Bethinda, Brazil Blair; Frances, Westley Huffaker, son of Justus, grandson of Michael.

William and Richard moved to Alabama. Nancy died at the age of 18.

In the union of Wesley Huffaker and Frances Randles, Welch blood was added to the German and Irish.

Wesley was born about 1806 and died in 1865. He was a man of considerable wealth; his intellect was strong, his hand was open to all in need, and his love of truth and honor even as that of his fathers.

Frances Randles, his wife, was a fit companion to the noble husband. The writer remembers her as she appeared to him when he was a little boy. She was old, and children do not much like the aged, but her wrinkled face was so full of tenderness and love that we little folk clung to her as to our own mother. To our childish understanding she was the embodiment of

goodness. Her faith was as the faith of Mary, her feeble steps were in the foot-prints of her Lord. Long years have passed since then; through the vanity and wickedness of the world our faith has often been shaken, but through it all lives the memory of that holy woman, and we know that the spirit of God dwells in the earth.

There were three sons and seven daughters: James, Napoleon, Robert, Adella, Caroline, Nancy, Julia, Sarah, Josephine, Frances, and Mary, who died in infancy.

The names, date of birth, and to whom they were married are given in order:

	Born	Married
Adelia Calphurnia	Sept. 2nd, 1823	Barton Chandle
Eliza Aramantha Caroline	May 1825	Dr. Bryan Wm. Thomas
James Nelson Sevier	Feb. 5, 1827	Sallie J. Ripley
Nancy Catherine	Jan. 29, 1831	Maggie Bates Elizabeth Statin Mrs. Mary Cunn
Sarah Jane	1833	John Randles
Julia Ann Rhoda	Nov. 30, 1835	Wm. Cannon
Josephine Bythinia	Oct. 1839	Thomas Cruixshanks
Mary Frances	May 2, 1841	Lafayette Darieux
Robert Wesley	April 5, 1843	

Adelia's children are: Ellen, married Rufus McSpadden; Nancy, Ben Mathes; Frances, Dr. P. E. Walker; Josephine, Wm. Sterling; Katherine, M. D. McMahan; Dixie, W. A. Bowers. The members of this family live in Sevier Co., except Mrs. Mathes, who lives in Fla.

Caroline's first children are: Frances, - Jno. Kennedy; Mary, - Abner Huffaker; Laura, - Prof. Basset; Nancy, - Rufus Kelly; Melinda, - Caldwell; Willie, - Dr. McBee. The children of the second marriage are Kate and Lula. Kate married Blair; Lula, Chandler Walker.

The children of James are: Edward, - (1) Clara Fishburn, (2) Carrie Redding; Charles, - Bell Rush; Anna, - James Babcock; Robert, - Ada Ripley; Alice, - Rev. Rambo; Effie, Joella and Ada.

Nancy's children are: Frances, - (1) Henry Lee, (2) Rufus Kelly, Bruce, - Neva Sheppard; Velma, - Henry Slappy; Josephine and Nora.

Napoleon's children are: Frances, Addie, Lillie, Maggie and Kate.

Sallie's children are Robert (1) Kate Chandler, (2) Lola Fox; Gray (1) Adrian Keener, (2) Luther Creswell; Suzie, -, Josephine and Charles.

Josephine's children are: Frank, Thomas, Earl and Clint.

Julia had but one child, Guilford, who married Alice Pickens.

Frances' children are: Gertrude, Jay, Lucile, Henry and Lilian.

Robert Wesley Huffaker died in the year of the surrender, a prisoner of war. He was the idol of that large family, making his tragic death seem more tragic. Within prison walls he gave up his young life that was so full of promise; there was no friend with whom to speak the parting word, no fond breast on which to rest his weary head. His elder brother walked the streets of the city, beholding the dim light that shown through the barred windows of his cell. He pleaded earnestly with the guards that he might be permitted to speak with the dying brother. At last the petition was granted but when he entered the gloomy chamber the brave young soldier had fought his last battle.

Roberts remains were brought from Indianapolis and interred in the church yard where so many of the kindred sleep; there where the mournful sound of rolling river never ceases, where the sighing winds move among the leaves. His grave will soon be forgotten; a time will come when no one will know that there ever was a civil war, a time when the earth shall be dissolved with fervent heat; when the stars shall fade away, and the sun himself grow dim with years, but his soul will live in immortal youth, amid the wreck of matter and the crash of worlds.

Written by Robert Olin Huffaker
Chuckey City, Tenn.

One Richard Randles of Irish descent, who was a slave trader, came from Va. in 1789 to Sevier Co., Tenn., crossing the natural bridges on the way. His wife, whose name was Clark, was Scotch. They had five children, two girls and three boys. The boys names were: James, William and John. The girls: Geniye and Betsy.

William Born Feb. 12th, 1786 Married Elizabeth McConey,
Born Jan. 12th, 1790.

Their children are: Jane, born Jan. 7, 1810, Elizabeth born Sept. 20, 1811; Richard C., Born Sept. 25th, 1813; Samuel W., born March 2nd, 1817; Penlope, born July 21st, 1819; Mary A., born Feb. 8th, 1822;

William, born Feb. 29th, 1824; Prirah, born May 19th, 1826; Howard, born April 18th, 1831.

William Randles and Elizabeth McCohey were married Sept. 5th, 1808. She died Aug. 4th, 1869. He died Dec. 21st, 1873.

✓ John Randles was born Sept 4th, 1777. He married Nancy Crosswell, both Feb. 5th, 1781. Their children are as follows:

Andres, born Aug. 9th, 1807; Elizabeth, June 11th, 1808, Richard, April 29th, 1809, James, March 27th, 1812, Henry, Dec. 9, 1814, John, March 19, 1817, Williams, Feb. 2, 1818, Samuel, Jan. 30th, 1821.

✓ James was the one that married Rhoda Clack, who were the writer's great grandparents, and it is with their children that I began writing.

✓ James Randles and his oldest son went to the Salt Works to get a load of salt. It taking several days or perhaps a week to make the trip. When a few days over the time had elapsed and they had not returned, his wife, Rhoda, took her youngest child, then a baby, and went on horseback to see what had happened. She traveled one or two days, finally meeting her son coming home bringing his dead father who had taken sick at the Salt Works and only lived a few days.

A grandson of John, lives at Centralia, Washington. He has several old relics, among them a brick with the name of "Richard Randles, 1812" made in a hollow side of the brick; also a flint lock pistol, china pitcher and teapot, old books, razors, etc.

It is said that Andrew changed the record in the family Bible to show they came from Pa. instead of Va. He was a strong Union man and didn't want it know that they came from a Rebel state.

✓ A fact worthy of note: The dog Richard Randles took with him from Va. to Tenn. (a distance of 300 miles) went back, covering the distance in two days and nights.

John Randles, always called Jack, was born 1794, died with paralysis, while walking across the floor, in March 1872. His wife, who was Mary Rodgers, died with the same disease in 1869, while making bread for breakfast.

He was a man who was liked by all who knew him. He had a family burying ground on his place, in Dallas Co., Mo., where he and his wife,

his brother Spencer and sister Sallie Patterson, and many other relatives, are buried.

The names of the children of John Randles and Mary Rodgers are: (1) James Franklin, (2) Matilda, (3) Sallie, (4) Robert O., (5) Dialtha, (6) Nancy and (7) Louisa.

Their oldest child, James Franklin, was born in Tenn. in 1817 and died in Mo. of consumption in 1859. He was married to Sarah Jane Jones in 1846. She died at Springfield, Mo. in 1909, at the age of 80.

They had four children: Alcie C., James L., Dret, and Daniel.

Alcie C. married Nathaniel Jackson Wollard. To this union were born thirteen children.

Nathaniel J. Wollard is President of the organization of "Gideons" St. Louis Camp No. 1 -- a Christian organization to encourage one another and scatter seeds all along the pathway of life, as Ambassadors for Christ.

The children of Alcie C. and N. J. Wollars are: (1) Mary, who died at one year of age, (2) Franklin N., who is a Dr. by profession, married Emma Pendergraft, who is said to be a good Dr. also, (3) John S. who married Lizzie Ball. This this union were born Lester, Bonnie, (who died at 12 years of age), Esther, (who died in infancy), Ansel, Lee, Neland. (4) Moses W. married Lizzie Babb. Their children are: Quincy, Madie, Earl, Beulah, Ennis (died in infancy), Etta, Zelpha, Baby boy. (5) Etta married Lee Attiberry. Their children are: Magnus, Ward and Hoyl. Magnus married Altie Bodenhammer in 1913. Their children are: Inole, Winona, Billie Noel, Jack Bruce, Lon Vern. Ward unmarried at this date, 1927. Hoyl married Fern Opal Engle. Their children are: Betty Jo, and Margery May. Their birthdays are the 6th of April but Betty Jo is one year older than Margery May. (6) Robert married Bertha Goodman, who died No. 4, 1905. They had one child, Morris. (7) Estella married Will House, they have two girls, Ruth and Joal. (8) Quincy died at the age of six. (9) Martha died in infancy. (10) Bessie married John Pendergraft. (11) Omega died in infancy. (12) Jennie and (13) Dalton.

James L. married Louisa Davison who died in Oct. 1891. Their children are: Allie, born 1871; Burr, 1873; John F., 1875; Cora, 1877; Ivy, 1879; Josie, 1868.

Cora Randles married James McCourtney. They have no children. Live in Tacoma, Washington.

John F. was born in 1875 and married Winnie Cook. They have no children. Has always followed hotel business.

Burr married Rosa Wright and lives in Okemah, Okla.

Josie married a man named Harry Dibble. They have no children up to date.

Allie lives in St. Louis, Mo. She has been married twice. Her first husband, named Charlie Brown, died about the year 1879. She married the second time, a man by the name of Lynfoot. She had three girls: Hazel, Gwendolan and Charld.

Burr and his wife have two children: Helen and Bertrum.

Ivy and her husband, Clyde Cammon, have one girl, Geraldine.

Madretta first married Henry Roddy, second Thos. Mynott. By her first husband had four children: Della, who died at the age of 8; Hattie, who lives in Panama; Charley, who follows the carpenter's trade; May, who married Wash Bone, has twin girls; Willie and Georgia.

Daniel married Minta Roddy. He died in 1887.

Jack Randles second child was Matilda. She married Zodoc McDonald, a widower. They had four children: John, Lawrence, Louisa and Tremella. Their father died while they were small. Matilda died about 1893. The boys died young.

Louisa married Milton Davison. They had two children: Tremella, named for her aunt, and John.

Tremella McDonald married James Randles, son of Spencer. They had six children; Gurry, William, Oda, Otto, Roy, James. She died April 1, 1912.

Gurry married Sarah Russel, a widow. They had one child, Everett. The next time Minnie Latham. They have three children.

Oda married Tom Norman and has five children.

Roy married Lily Latham. They have three children.

Will, Otto, and James are not married at this writing, 1912.

The third child of Jack Randles was Sallie. She married John Strain, of Tennessee. They had one child, a girl, who died about the age of 10. Both Sallie and her husband lived to be old. He was a miller.

4. Next was Robert C., who married Margaret Wollard, also from Tennessee. They raised five children. Robert was killed in the Civil War, at or near Yelville, Ark. He belonged to the Confederate Army.

Their children are: (1) Dr. Franklin W. Randles who married Sallie Price. Their children are: Della, who married Thomas Leach, and their children are as follows: 1. Jessie Leach, married J. N. Scott. 2. Floyd Leach married Annie Franklin, and their children are Robert, Jack, and Charles Floyd. 3. Hazel Leach married Ben Williams. 4. Pearl Leach married Charlie Smart. 5. Ralph Leach. 6. Daisy Leach. 7. Carrol Leach and 8. Herbert Leach.

(2) Robert M.

(3) Louisa married -----Hollis. Her children are James, Mattie and Maggie. She died while her children were young.

(4) Rebecca married Curtis Edminson. Her children are: 1. Ida M., died at 3 years. 2. Cora L., died at 18 months. 3. John R. Edminson, 45 years. 4. Nancy Olive Derbin. 5. Lillie M. Spar. 6. Oliver Curtis and Annie Brutan. 7. Wm. Rowen and Parmer. 8. James Franklin (C. Pitnan. 9. Ella R. 10. Geo. W. died at 6 months. (N. Hitchcock. 11. Rhoda May Dake. 12. Ivy Leslie Noblett. 29 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.

(5) Melvina married James Herd. She was left a widow with her eight children, and her children as follows:

1. Dora Leota died at the age of 20.
2. Elvin married Myrtle Attiberry. Their children are:
 1. Lovell, 2. Lorren, 3. Lennis, 4. Lloyd, 5. Lon, 6. Leona, 7. Lewellen.
3. Lora married Arthur Stewart. Their children are:
 1. Wilma, 2. Wayne, 3. Marjorie, 4. George, 5. James, 6. Twins -- Dorris and Dorothy.
4. Margaret married Ralph Day. Their children are
 1. Rinal, 2. Eula, 3. Pauline, 4. Ival, 5. Olive Lon, 6. Raliegh, 7. Ralph Edward, Jr.

5. Ivy married Frank Watkins. They have one child -- Virginia.
6. George married Bertha Harmon. Their children are
1. Dorris, 2. Velma, 3. Maxine, 4. Harmon, 5. Routh, 6. Beattrice,
7. James Ward.
7. James married Bernice Shields. They have two children -- Jessie
James and Harold.
8. John T. married Elsie Ball. They have one child -- Virginia.
9. Opal married David Rhoten. They have three children -- Ivy, Beryl,
Leota, James.
- 6th child. Nancy married George Howerton. They are both dead. George
died about 1909 (John and Mary Rodgers) Their children are:

1. Mary Jane was engaged to Leroy Mills but died with measels before
the wedding day. Afterward he was killed in a runaway.
2. John Henry married Rilla Mills. Their oldest child was Fannie.
3. Juliana married Dan Bird.
4. Dosie married Tom Patterson.
5. George O.
6. Margaret married a Mr. Bird, a brother to Juliana's husband.
7. Ida.

Fifth child of John Randles was Dialtha. She married G. Bills Jones.
They raised nine children whose names are: (1) Mary, (2) Sarah, (3)
John Wash, (4) Solomon B., (5) Lemuel F., (6) Nancy, (7) Robert Lee,
(8) James, (9) Green S.

1. Mary Jones married John Henderson of Herrick, Ill. They had six
children. Henry, Ora, Leota, Maggie, Emery and Tony.
2. Sarah married James Bennett, March, Mo. They had four children.
1st, Mary, married W. K. McGee. Their children are Kyle and Zola.
2nd. Willis, married Rosa Cheek. Their children are Vernon, Lillian,
and Maruine. 3rd. Columbus, married Clara Banbiber. Their children

are Wanda and Gordon. 4th. Bills married Ella Kachel. Their children are Burley and Perria.

3. John Wash married Martha Bennett, Carity, Mo. Their children are: Moses B., Altha, Jack, Solomon, Alonzo. His second wife was a widow, Mrs. Edington. (Second son of John Wash Jones named Frank)

4. Solomon B. married Eliza Herd, (of Dallas County, Missouri, sister of Phoebe Herd who married Solomon's brother, Lemuel F.) now residing at West, Texas. They had nine children. Docia, Lemuel, Allie, Etta, Bills, Nannie, Georgia, Jesse and Lela.

5. Lemuel F. married Phoebe Herd, Buffalo, Mo. They came to Memphis, Texas in 1890 and lived there until their death, Oct. 7, 1917 and March 31, 1922, respectively. They had ten children as follows:

	Born	Married	Address
Alvin B. (died Feb. 26, 1923)	Oct. 28, 1875	Etta Blades	Memphis, Texas
Ethel	Oct. 13, 1878	Wm. H. Moreman	Memphis, Texas
Ira Ennis	Sept. 7, 1882	Ella Evans	Baker, Oregon
		Bessie Johnston	Baker, Oregon
Venie	Feb. 26, 1884	Charlie Drake	Lubbock, Texas
Kitty	Nov. 29, 1885	Chas. W. Carder	Amarillo, Texas
Ernie B.	Mar. 28, 1888	Lily Kirby	White Deer, Texas
Ina M.	July 2, 1892	George S. Sigler	Memphis, Texas
Ottie F.	Oct. 22, 1894	Gussie Ayers	Memphis, Texas
Oren B.	Nov. 19, 1896	Margaret Harrell	Memphis, Texas
		Browder	Memphis, Texas
Gladys H.	Nov. 6, 1901	H. Bailey Gilmore	Memphis, Texas

Alvin's children are Mildred, Florence, Ethe, Ola Mae and Tommie Frank.

Ethel's children are Lloyd, Hurley, Verdie, Vernis, Ervin, Radie, and Iweta.

Ennis and Ella Evans son was Charles F. Ennis and Bessie's children were Forest Woodrow, Evan E., Bonnie Betty Jane and John J.

Venie's children are Clyde, Georgia Lee, Marjorie, Ione, Charlene, J. P., and Jack.

Kitty's children are C. W., Frank, Phoebe, and Alvin.

Ernie's children are Cleo, Willie Frank, and Ernestine.

Ina's children are Margilee, Lemuel S. and Billy Eloise.

Ottie's children are L. F., Mary, Hubert, and Ruth.

Gladys' children are Gladys Owen and H. B. and Jerry.

Sixth child of Dialtha and Bills Jones was Nancy who married Zachariah Strickland. They had one child named Frank.

Seventh child was Robert Lee who married Sarah Day. Their children are:

	Born	Died	Married	
Charley E.	May 23, 1876		Mary O. ---	
Edward B.	Mar 27, 1878		Katie Wa---	
Joseph	Mar 28, 1880	Dec. 24, 1925		
Robert L.	Oct 17, 1882		Elsie Bass	
Altha	June 22, 1885		Arthur McCormick	
Zollie B.	Feb. 6, 1888	July 1925	Alice Gooden	Cany---
Nellie	May 14, 1890		Wm. L. Brown	Edler---
Pat. G.	Sept 17, 1893		May Thornton	Sublet---
Nona	Oct. 24, 1899		Ira J. Williams	Plemons, T.
Claude	Nov. 5, 1905		Louise Luders	Regnier, Colo.

Charlie's children are Bernice, Virgil, Marjorie and Winifred.

Edward has two children -- Sarah and Iantha.

Altha's children are Beulah, Marvin, Arthur, Ray, Hazel, and Dorothy.

Zollie had one child -- Beverlee Ruth.

Nellie has five children -- Velma, Leo, Varlin, Zollie and Imogene.

Pat has three children -- Edward, Hilda and Virgil.

Nona has two children.

Claude has two children -- Leonard and Josephine.

Eighth child, James E. married Margaret Lindsay, Hollis, Oklahoma. They had three children -- Hildreth, Versa and Verle. His second wife was Lena Coggins and they have one child -- James Jr.

Ninth child, Green S. married Lee Walker and they had two children, Walker and Muriel.

Written June 25, 1929

Sevier County, Jan. 4th., 1844

My Dear children

I have again taken my pen to address you. I will in the first give my reason for not writing sooner. We had written a short time before we received yours of June last which we expected you would get. In that we gave you the news of the day with a request that you would write soon. We have been waiting not knowing whose turn it was to write until my patience is quite exhausted. I will in the first place inform you that I am in good health and enjoy a peace of mind which the world can neither give nor take away for which my heart rises in gratitude to my Heavenly Father for his goodness to me. I find that his promise is sure where he says I will be with you in six troubles and will not forsake you in the seventh. I find great enjoyment in reading his holy word. I have also some very excellent religious books with which I am very much interested.

The Baptists have had a camp meeting on the hill just the other side of where Brazeal lived. It commenst the second Saturday of October last. Cannon and Beleu were the preachers who officiated mostly. They seemed to preach with power and such a time I never before witnessed. The old and the young came flocking in like sheep to the fold. Such shouting and singing I have seldom heard before. To me it was a happy time. How could it be otherwise when I saw so many enlisting in the cause in which I have engaged for more than half a century and still find it to be a good one. And there was another thing I must relate. Spencer Gist rose and in a very feeling manner exhorted the people to seek their true interest which was the salvation of there souls wile the big tears rolled down his cheek. The whole congregation felt their force. There was but few who did not weep. Sixty profest religion and among the number was old Hugh Blair and five of his children. Saul Andrews and his wife and many of their children. Hannah Brter and two of her sons and Montgomery Canan. My children I hope you will not neglect the salvation of your immortal souls. Endeavor to live for God. Train up your children in the fear of the Lord. I would be very glad to see all but if that cannot be let me hear from you after. If you have heard from Jack or from James let me hear from them as they have both quit writing to me. Sally Pattison and John Q. A. came to see us in September. She has very good health and appeared in good spirits. The friends in this country are well and doing pretty much as usual. I must bring my letter to a close by requesting you again to write soon and tell me all about what you are doing and how you are getting along. Farewell for the present and believe me to be your affection-ate mother.

Rhoda Randles
(To her son Spencer and his wife)

Dear brother and sister

To me it is a pleasing task to converse with you by letter since it is the only way we can become acquainted the conditions and prospects of each other and I promise you that nothing on my part shall be wanted to keep it up. I will in the first place tell you something of our prospects. I think we are likely to get something out of Pattison yet which was almost hopeless case. He is here tonight and thinks if he could get three or four hundred dollars more he could get along. His land was sold under a deed of trust which he wishes Wesley to redeem and take the land and of course find him a home. I cannot tell what they will do yet. I think times are improving in this country a little. There has been a great many hogs sold here for which they get good money down. Wesley received eight hundred and seventy dollars for his which if he had been out of debt he would have felt but this was not the case nor is he yet out but we are trying very hard and hope in the course of another we will probably succeed.

James has commenced reading law under Hinds. He is very well pleased with the study and is getting as far in three months as Hinds allowed him in six. The girls are getting along I think well enough. Adelia has a son. She calls him John Wesley.

Nancy is teaching school this winter and I think the children are learning fast. Julean is studying grammar and geography. Sary is studying Perley's Tales. Josephine is just beginning to read. Meria out learns any of the rest of our children at her age. Napoleon is just beginning to take some interest in reading. He is pretty good in figures and lastly Robert Wesley is just learning how to walk. He is just nine months old and is a very manly looking child. I reckon if our children could all be together they would make a very great display of beauty and smartness since you have so much of both. Dear little creatures how glad I would be to see them. Tell them their aunt loves them if she cannot see them. I cannot tell you how much I wish to see you both. The children all wish to be remembered in love to you all. Wesley bids me present his best respects. He wishes you to write him everything you can think and says he will write before long. I have omitted giving you the news of the day for this reason. Richard will tell you all. I must close by bidding you adieu for the present.

Fanny Huffaker
(To her brother and his wife)

SUPPLEMENT TO JONES FAMILY HISTORY.

This is taken from Family Bible of G. B. and Dialtha Jones.

Alice Jones was born July 17, 1796 died May 14, 1863

James Jones was born Nov. 12, 1794 died Nov. 22, 1872.

G. B. Jones was born Dec 7, 1821, died Jan 10, 1876

Dialtha Jones was born Jan 19, 1826, died Jan 9, 1874.

G. B. Jones and Dialtha Randles married Sep 28, 1843.

Their children and date of Births

Mary Samantha July 17, 1845

Sarah Ann Mearethe March 13, 1848

Solomon Bramlett Nov 12, 1849

John Washington Feb 24, 1852

Lemuel Franklin Dec 7, 1853 (on his Fathers Birthday)

Nancy Jane June 30, 1856

Robert Leelerk June 3, 1858

Louisa Parealee Sept 14, 1860 died Sept 27, 1860

James Edwin Dec 28, 1864

Green Bills

Wm B. Oct 4, 1867 died Oct 30, 1867

Lemuel Franklin Married Phoebe Herd Dec 20, 1874

Solomon Bramlett Married Eliza Herd sister of Phoebe Herd

Corrections

Venie married in Memphis, living there until children ready for college, moving to Lubbock for schools

Gladys girl's name Owen Ellyne

Alvin had one girl Ada Etta dying at 2 years of age.

Green B. Jones married twice, his last wife Mary, a Widow, they had one child Fay. (Green B. was living at Midland, Texas, in early 1950s)

Ethel has four married children

Loy married Mamie Shelton, their child Richard Edwin.

Hurlie married Biffie Grace Hart, their children; Donald, Bobbie, Peggie June and Jack, Lives Hedley

Verdie's married Pinckney Cagle, lives in Calif their children Rosa Irene (Called Rosene) and W. P. III

Vernis married Mary Tom Hale lives in Amarillo

Cleo (Ernie's girl) Married Sam Saunders.

Phoebe Alice (Kitty's Girl married has 2 children Charlotte & Delphie)