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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Spring is here in such a big and beautiful way. It has come very early but what optimism and a "spring" in everybody's step it has brought. The beauty of this part of Alabama years ago as all of those pioneer settlers came in from mostly the Carolinas must have been spectacular.

Many thanks go to Lurline Hall and Ethel Todd for ten years of loyal and dedicated work of editing our newsletter that has been most informative, entertaining, comical, and widely read by all. Our Association owes both of these ladies a pat on the back for a "job well done." The newsletter has been much anticipated by all members every quarter. We made a plea at our last meeting for volunteers to step forward to replace these two as co-editors. Two have already stepped forward for which we are grateful, and their first edition will be forthcoming with the July edition. If there are others who would like to help in some way, please let me know.

Also, if anyone has a computer they would like to donate to the Association or the tax-deductible donation of money to purchase said computer, please contact Thomas Ray, Treasurer. The computer would aid in the assembling of the newsletter and in the storing of our historical files.

Our program for the Spring meeting will be explained in detail later in this newsletter, but it is certainly one that has close ties and roots to my family in and around LeGrand, Sprague, and Fleta.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE cont.

One year until my daughter Tyler's wedding. There are so many things to do, but some of these we have already made an effort to accomplish. Tyler compiled her list of invitees among her friends, my wife's relatives, and my relatives. I heard my daughter exclaim to my wife, "daddy's got too many relatives". She is right, but as I told her, "child, we have just scratched the surface with my relatives".

PHA APRIL PROGRAM

Pintlala Historical Association will meet on Sunday, April 20 at 2:30 pm at Providence Presbyterian Church. Please note the change in meeting place. Our program will be a tour of the church, the McIntyre home in LeGrand, the Boyd-Eckwurzel cemetery and the cemetery at Sprague (McLaney and others).

Providence Presbyterian Church is located in LeGrand at the intersection of Highway 331 and Liberty Church/Hayneville Road. If you have questions about the tour, you may call me at 281-3708. See you on the 20th!

PHA JANUARY MEETING

Thanks to all of you who attended the January meeting and brought family heirlooms. You were all so generous to share with our group! We will definitely do this again as I believe there are other wonderful objects and stories just waiting to be presented. The range of objects went from a wedding ring to a chair! Be thinking of heirlooms that you might have tucked away and begin your research on them so that the facts presented are accurate. This was a fun program---THANKS!

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Lynn Smilie Nesbitt 34 Hampton Way Dothan, AL 36301 John and Irma H. Dean 1882 County Road 511 Verbena, AL 36091 Mr. and Mrs. David Dean Route 2 Hope Hull, AL 36043

IN MEMORIAM

Our community suffered a great loss in February with the death of Clara Owen Venable. We extend our sympathy to her family.

INDEX TO NEWSLETTERS

We now have an index of historical and genealogical information that has been in our newsletters over the past ten years. The index and copies of the newsletters are on file in the PHA alcove.



AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF CLARA OWEN VENABLE

In 1996, Clara Venable dictated her autobiography to one of her grandsons. It is a most interesting story of the life of Clara and her family, spanning 90 years. Most of the information is based on Lowndes and Montgomery Counties. We are indebted to her daughter, Rae V. Calvert for giving a copy to us. It is too long to go in a newsletter, but it is in our PHA files at the Library.

PINTLALA SCHOOL DURING WORLD WAR II

In going through her mother's papers Rae V. Calvert found a clipping from the Montgomery Advertiser telling of the accomplishments of Pintlala School during World War II. (Eds. Note - I think we should put Jack Hornady in charge of fund raising for PHA.)

Some accomplishments of Pintlala School during World War II: (From old Montgomery Advertiser clipping found among the mementos kept by Clara Owen Venable, without a date; it appears to be sometime in 1945 from the contest:)

"MONTGOMERY COUNTY NEWS

Ramer, Ala., Dec. 17-- Since our country went to war, the Junior Red Cross of Pintlala School, sponsor of student war activities, has sold around \$100,000 worth of war bonds, collected clothing for Russia, participated in drives for scrap iron, rubber, old stockings and keys; and made gifts for Veterans Hospital, wreaths to decorate rooms of shut-in soldiers, place cards for special dinners at army hospitals, and toys for blind children. They have also sold seals for the Montgomery Tuberculosis Sanatorium and stamps for the crippled children's fund.

Last year alone, the children of Pintlala Junior Red Cross had for their financial goal in war bond drives the purchase of a jeep, but they so far overtopped the amount that their sales, totalling \$12,395.95 bought ten jeeps in the Sixth War Loan, their sales up to and including Dec. 8, were \$7,907.80, and this amount has been increased considerably since. Enough of the pupils are bond or stamp purchasers to give the school the right to fly the "school-at-war" flag.

Pintlala school children became active Junior Red Cross workers in the school year, 1942-43. The school enrolled 100 percent and chose the following officers: Kate Olive Green, chairman; Sammie McQueen, Jule Hawthorne, delegates; Jane Claire Windham, secretary, Ed Sanders and Waldon Hall, project chairmen. In addition to such activities as those listed above, the children planted victory gardens from which their families realized considerable profit.

At first this group thought its financial drive in the bond drive, the purchase of a jeep, quite impossible, but in the end they became the delighted donors of 10 jeeps and the delighted and excited recipients of rides in a jeep as a reward.

In 1943-44, the Pintlala Junior Red Cross won a plaque offered the county for being the first rural school to enroll its pupils



100 percent in the organization. In that year, its officers were Jule Hawthorne, president; Lottie Mae Chestnutt, vice-president, Addie Boyd, secretary, Mae Marshall Green, treasurer.

These officers were the Pintlala representatives at the general Junior Red Cross council meetings in Montgomery, and in turn made reports to the school. That year, they filled the following requests from the Montgomery chapter: 20 penny-post-card puzzles; 300 place and holiday cards; 150 nut crops; seven afghans; two and one-half pairs of bedroom slippers, 14 quiz games and books, 50 wash cloths, 20 utility bags, 25 stuffed toys, 10 mounted Christmas trees for sickrooms, 25 grab bag prizes, 10 potted plants, 20 painted grounds for wall decorations, 70 painted jars to be used for vases, eight sets of spelling-match words.

The group also collected several tons of paper, scrap iron and tin, and a considerable amount of scrap grease. There was another collection of clothing for the Russians, with the following articles gathered: Thirteen pairs ladies shoes, 14 dresses for small girls, five ladies coats, one baby sweater, two pairs small boys pants, two slack suits, three girls skirts, eight ladies dresses, three ladies skirts, two children's slips, two ladies slips, one girl's blouse, four girl's sweaters, one man's suit, three men's coats, a boy's coat, a man's shirt, and a pair of men's pants.

Under the direction of Jack Hornady of the ninth grade, the stamp and bond sales amounted to \$74,257.50.

This year the school had to surrender the plaque because another school reached 100 percent enrollment in the Junior Red Cross about 15 minutes before Pintlala, but its enrollment contribution amounted to \$14.41.

Each classroom group is following the program set out by the County Junior Red Cross chairman, Mrs. J.T. Bristow, and the secretary, Mrs. Ruby N. Butts. The Pintlala Junior Red Cross leaders this year are Jean Davis, Voncile Pettus, Edward Cook, and Waldon Hall. The group was assigned and made for Thanks-giving 100 hand-painted straw mats, and for a Christmas assignment it has made and filled six bags for patients in Veterans Hospital and 40 wreaths for recreational hall decoration. Finishing these early in December, the group turned all its energies to making the bond drive for the Sixth War Loan a success.

Mrs. Mary McLean White, who has served the organization as teacher-sponsor since its organization, has not been absent from a meeting during its three years of existence nor has any meeting been attended by less than three or four representatives.

Rae Venable, president of Pintlala Girls 4-H Club, is the capable reporter for the Pintlala Junior Red Cross this year. Other active leaders are also members of the 4-H Club. Among them are: Jean Davis, secretary of the Defense Council and songleader for the 4-H Club, Rebecca Hatfield, 4-H reporter; Edward Cook, reporter for the Boys' 4-H Club, who is in charge of collections of stamps and bonds for the school; Voncile Pettus, representative to the Red Cross Council meetings in Montgomery; David Dean, president



PINTLALA SCHOOL DURING WWII cont.

THE LUCKIE FAMILY AND TABERNACLE COMMUNITY, 1983

Due to my hit-or-miss filing system, the following information has not been included in a newsletter. I $\frac{\text{think}}{\text{on the Suggs and Luckie}}$ families are in our files.

THE LUCKIE FAMILY

This family history is written from data collected from family cemeteries, from relatives and friends. Most of the information was supplied by two of the oldest descendants in the Luckie family, Mrs. Blanche Mosley and Mrs. Julia Moseley Cleghorn.

Mr. Anderson Luckie and family moved into this community in the late 1825's to early 1830's. He bought some land from a half Indian that owned about 2,000 acres of land. This land that he bought was located about two miles west of the Pintlala Community on the Montgomery and Lowndes County line. It is now known as the Tabernacle Community.

Anderson Luckie farmed this land raising cotton, corn and vegetables. He was a very successful farmer and had a large family. Number of children unknown. Several children settled in Dallas County and several settled in Butler County. At his death, his oldest son, William (Bill) A. Luckie inherited this land and farmed it for a number of years. Bill had four children by his first wife, Mariah Moseley, and four by his second wife, Mattie Atchison.

At his death, his oldest son, Ellie Luckie, inherited the land. At his death, the land was left to his daughter, and at her death, Mr. Almon Sanderson bought the land. After Mr. Sanderson's death, the land went to his heirs and they own it at the present time.

In the early 1820's to 1850's, a number of families moved into the community which is now known as the Tabernacle Community: the Luckies, the Moseleys, the Cleghorns, The Tankersleys, the Supples, the Sandersons, the Davises, and the Atchisons. Most of them were successful farmers and raised large families. Most of the families intermarried and were kin by blood or marriages. Most of them, except the Sandersons, are buried in the Moseley Cemetery. It is probably one hundred and fifty people buried in the cemetery but most of their graves are not marked. In the Southwest side of the cemetery, there are about sixty to seventy-five slaves buried in unmarked graves.



ANDERSON LUCKIE

Wife and children's names unknown except one. He was William (Bill) Anderson Luckie William (Bill) Anderson Luckie (1835-1901) First Wife: Mariah Moseley (1838-1870) 1. Ellie Luckie married Mattie Atchinson William (Bunk) A. Luckie married Eliza Suggs Bunk's second wife was Ella Suggs Mary Luckie married Frank Cleghorn 4. Missie Luckie married Will Jordon Second Wife: Mattie Atchinson 1. Carrie Luckie married John Taylor 2. Annie Luckie married Foster Davis 3. Preston Luckie was killed in an accident 4. Lewis Luckie married Sophia Frymile William (Bunk) Luckie (1863-1935) First Wife: Eliza Jane Suggs (1872-1890) William Joel (1890-1955) married Alma Johnson (1893) No children Second Wife: Ella Lenora Suggs (1876-1969) 1. Mary Blanch (1893) married George Adkin (Addie) Mosley (1893-1963) George A. Mosley, Jr. (1915) married Doris Williams (1916)
1. John Adkin (1951) married Brenda Sue Harris (1955) Glynn Luckie (1916) married Opal Gainey (1919) No children Doris Maxine (1919) married J.M. White, Jr. (1915) 1. Sara Linda (1943) Sara Ellen (1922-1940) Ethel Lee (1895-1983) married Bishop Chestnutt (1889-1965) Peggy Lee (1932) married Walter Bamberg (1929) 1. David Bishop (1954) Nancy Dale (1958) Walter Matthew (1968) Allie Mae (1898-1980) married William P. Goff (1892-1977) 1. Eleanor Mae (1917) married G.W. Phillips (1910) Betty Jo (1935) married James V. Spann (1933) 1. James V., Jr. (1957) 2. William Marcus (1958) 3. Steve Guy (1960) Sue Ellen (1940) 3. Lenora Colleen (1950) 4. Mae Elise (1954) William A. (1908) married Mamie Benton (1910) William Ronald (1933) married Mary Moncrief (1934) 1. Tonja Lynn (1956) married Cary Terry Hitchcock (1954) 2. Ronald Gregory (1959) Douglass Anderson (1937) married Barbara Scott (1943) 1. Sonja Renee (1961)



Marquita Gayle (1969)
 Michael Douglass (1972)

ANDERSON LUCKIE cont.

- 5. Thelma (1914) married John Salter Williams (1913)
 - 1. Joann (1935) married John M. Bailey (1934)
 - 1. Jannise (1958) married Jerrald Pepper (1954)
 - 2. Jon Scott (1961)
 - Joy Ann (1963) married Allen Noble (1963)
 Kristy Elaine (1981)

MOSELEY CEMETERY - TABERNACLE COMMUNITY

- 1. Anderson Luckie Family
- 2. William A. (Bill) Luckie and Wives
- 3. Ellie Luckie Family
- 4. Frank Cleghorn Family
- 5. John Taylor Family
- 6. Foster Davis Family
- 7. Preston Lewis

ANTIOCH CEMETERY - BUTLER COUNTY

- 1. Lewis Luckie Family
- 2. Will Jordon Family

DURDAN CEMETERY - LEGRAND, ALABAMA

- 1. W.A. Luckie 1935
- 2. Eliza Luckie 1890

GREENWOOD CEMETERY - MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

- 1. Sarah Ellen Mosley 1940
- 2. William Joel Luckie 1955
- 3. Ella Lenora Luckie 1969
- 4. George (Addie) Mosley 1963
- 5. William P. Goff 1977
- 6. Allie Mae Goff 1980

MEMORIAL CEMETERY - MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA

- 1. Bishop Chestnutt 1965
- 2. Ethel Lee Chestnutt 1983

TABERNACLE COMMUNITY 1983

The Montgomery County has just completed widening and paving the Tabernacle Road. Plans are being made to repair the old Tabernacle Church. All of the old families except the Murrell family are dead or have moved out. All of the old homes are gone. The land is in pasture and timber.

The Moseley Cemetery that was neglected for years has been cleaned up and sprayed several times for weed control. Thanks to The Shackelford and Moseley Association, Carroll Mosley, Ethel Mae Todd and others.



HELPFUL MATERIALS ON GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH DONATED

Thanks to Sarah Chesnutt we have on our bookshelves copies of Everton's <u>Genealogical Helper</u>, <u>Family Puzzlers and Publications</u>, <u>and Heritage Papers</u>. If you are in to genealogy, you may find just the help you are seeking.

WE WELCOME NEW NEWSLETTER EDITOR

After $10\frac{1}{2}$ years Lurline Hall and I (ETT) have retired. Julianne Hataway is our new editor. Please give her all the help you can by sending her genealogical and historical information pertaining to Southwest Montgomery County. Mail to Route 1, Box 96, LaPine, Alabama 36046 or call 281-4338.

TREASURER'S REQUEST

Thomas Ray is asking that anyone who has not paid \$10 dues for 1997 to please send it to him at Route 1, Box 441, Hope Hull, AL 36043. If you have a question about your dues call him at 288-3368.

VICKERS PARK BEING BUILT

Those of us who travel between Pintlala and Devenport cross Vickers Creek. Did you ever wonder about the name? The Vickers family were early settlers in the Mt. Carmel area. The family is mentioned in Blue's History of Montgomery. A recent note from Guy Vickers tells us that a neighborhood park is being built at the corner of Madison Terrace (formerly Vickers Street) and James Avenue in Montgomery. Yancey Park was originally named Vickers Park for Guy's great-grand father who gave the land when Madison Avenue was extended. Capitol Heights was built on the site of the Vickers Plantation.

FAMILY GROUP SHEETS: WILLIAM EDMOND DAVIS AND SARAH ANDERSON

Shirley Davis Schellhase, 1802 Warsickshire, Houston, Texas 77077-4127 has sent information on Davis-Anderson (Elijah Cumbie Anderson). This information will be in our files. She is eager to hear from anyone researching these lines.

Copied from a recent cartoon:

I don't know what gives me more trouble Trying to remember what I forget
Or trying to forget what I remember

An Irish prayer to go along:

May you never forget What is worth remembering Or remember what is Best forgotten.

