

James Yancey came to Clark County as a young man from Yanceyville N.C. He was married to Mary Walker Sheets, a widow with two children. A girl Susan, a boy Tommy. They were married Feb. 13, 1868, by a man named Richardson. Their children were a girl and twin boys, one died at birth. The surviving twin was Walter Monroe Yancey, birth date Dec. 27, 1870. Married to Mary Elizabeth Walker, born Feb. 24, 1872. Their children were Hattie Lena, Ruthie Etta, Mardie Lugenia, Bessie, Thomas, Wallace Hampton, Maggie Lee, Halley Scott, Charlie Watson, Pearl Gertrude, Rose Janette.

Hattie Lena Born Deceased  
 married to  
 Hallie Skuffield Born

Children

Clyde	B.	D.
Curtis	B.	D.
Oather	B.	D.
Clinton	B.	D.

Ruthie Etta Born Deceased- Dec. 6, 1936  
 married to  
 Henry Strother Born Deceased

Children

Clarence	Born- May, 1910	Deceased
James Thrumen	Born- May 19	Deceased
Bernard	Born- Jan. 19,	Deceased

Twin girls died at birth

Lester Collie Born- April 13, 1919 Deceased- June 29, 1972  
 married Nov 27, 1940 to  
 June Witherington Born- Oct. 8, 1924

Their Children

Linda Ruth Born- Mar 1, 1944 Daughters  
 Stacey Marie Hurt Born- June 16, 1963

Sharon Lee Born- June 3, 1947  
 1 daughter

David Mark Born- Dec. 12, 1955

Bernard Born- Deceased- 4 yrs. of age

Maudie Eugenia Born Nov. 13, 1893  
 married to (I) Nov. 23, 1910  
 Henry Evans Born Apr. 19, 1892

Deceased

Deceased- July 10, 1920

Children

Willis Elmer Born- Aug. 4, 1911  
 married to  
 Bernice Pollard Born

Their children

Glendean Evans Born  
 married to

Married to (2)  
 Dottie

Their children

Larry Evans

Grady Born May 19, 1915

Died at early age 1916 15 mon.

Ruby Born- 1913

Died 1913

Nevada Born- Jan. 24, 1918

married to  
 Dale Hardage Born

Their children

Tommy Born

Margaret Born

Henrietta Born- Jan. 26, 1918

married to  
 Clyde Newberry Born

Their children

Betty Jo Born  
 married to

Diane Born

married (2) Paul Suggs Born  
 their children  
 James W. Born- Aug 18, 1929

Mary Sue Born Nov. 30, 1932  
 married to Chuck Cooper

Their children

Bessie Died at an early age

Thomas, Died at an early age

Wallace Hampton Yancey Born- Jan 24, 1899 D. July 25, 1929  
 married to Atha Fry Born- Feb. 26, 1916 D.

Their children  
 Willard Houston Yancey Born 6-17-1918  
 married twice  
 (1) Betty

Their children  
 Judith Ann Born- 1944

married to (2)  
 Helen

Their children  
 Rickey Born- 6-1948 or 1949  
 Ronald Gene Born Nov. 11, 1953

Chester Wallace Yancey Born 8-30-1922  
 married Elzene

Their children  
 David Wallace Born Nov. 5, 1947

Michael Henry Born Aug. 11, 1951

Charles Edward Yancey Born Oct, 31, 1923

Margie Marie Yancey Born 6-17-1928

Maggie Lee Yancey Born Sep. 14, 1900  
 married Presley Thomas Terrell Born April 10, 1921

Their children  
 Mary Lou Terrell  
 married to Everett Lee Poindexter 1945

Their children  
 1. Susan Poindexter Born March 21, 1947  
 2. Nancy Poindexter Born Jan. 27, 1949  
 3. Chris Poindexter Born June 29, 1952  
 4. Mike Poindexter Born Aug. 27, 1953  
 5. David Poindexter Born April 12, 1957

Rhelda Sue Terrell  
 married to J. A. Barentine 1945

Their children  
 1. Barbara Barentine Born Aug. 27, 1952  
 2. John Thomas Barentine Born April 25, 1955  
 3. Becky Barentine Born Aug. 2, 1956

Halley Scott Yancey born Sep. 12, 1903

married twice

married Bertha Magdaline Fendley born April 15, 1908 died June 7, 1948

married Aug. 18, 1923

Their children

Orby Alton Yancey born July 11, 1924

married twice

Joyce Marie Hopson Aug. 16, 1943

Their children

Robert Scott Yancey born Oct. 6, 1944

Sharon Lauen Yancey born Jan. 1949

Married to Doris Fitzgerald 1954 (No children)

James Weldon Yancey born Dec. 11, 1926

married to Verna Mae Halton Oct. 1, 1944

Their children

James Thomas Yancey born Mar. 8, 1947 Died May 20, 1947

Ronald Lee Yancey born Feb. 16, 1949

Charles Ray Yancey born May 11, 1950

Billy Jean Yancey born Aug. 29, 1951

Brenda Kay Yancey born Dec. 21, 1952

Carroll Jackson Yancey born Feb. 1, 1928

married twice to Katie Lou Spradlin Oct. 7, 1946

Their children

Jackie Wayne Yancey born Aug. 15, 1947

Jerry Lee Yancey

married to Lois 1956

Their children

Carroll Loyd Yancey born Aug. 27, 1957

Donna Sue Yancey born Dec. 1, 1958

Richard Thomas Yancey born Nov 20, 1930

Married to Jane Sahl June 2, 1951

Their children

Cynthia Ann Yancey born March 31, 1953

Jean Elaine Yancey born July 14

Shannon Yancey

Billy B. Yancey born May 3, 1934

married to Betty Louise Derring May 25, 1952

Their children

Billy Lynn Yancey May 13, 1953

Sandra Louise Yancey May 21, 1954

Karen Arlene Yancey April 8, 1964

Bobby Lee Yancey born April 15, 1936

Married to Othilia 1963

Marilyn Rose Yancey born July 14, 1938

Married to Carroll Dean Runyan Sep. 22, 1956

Their children

Debra Carol Runyan born Jan 24, 1958

Virginia Ann Yancey born Jan 22, 1941  
 Married to Joe Bowen July 29, 1956  
 Their children  
 Penny Ann Bowen born Sep. 11, 1959  
 Daughter died at birth June 1964

Bertha Elaine Yancey born Jan 2, 1946

Second Marriage Margaret Louise Buck  
 Their children  
 Martha Alice Yancey born Sep. 25, 1955

Linda Ruth Yancey born Nov. 26, 1957

Charles Watson Yancey born July 5, 1905  
 married to Linnie Allen  
 Their Children  
 Jimmy Nathan Yancey born Sep 1930  
 married to Lanette Smith

Joann Yancey born  
 married to Stephen Lane  
 Their children

Wanda Yancey  
 married to  
 Their children

Pearlie Gertrude Yancey born April 28, 1907  
 married to William Loyd Tarver  
 Their children  
 Joe Charles Tarver born  
 married to Rose  
 Their children

Naomi Ruth Tarver born  
 Married Charles Swinson born  
 Their Children  
 Lisa Susan Swinson born 1958  
 David Swinson

Evelyn Grace Tarver born  
 Married to Jack Miller  
 Their children  
 Jay  
 Scott  
 Mark

Mary Elizabeth Tarver born  
Married to Jim Pat Jefferies  
Their children  
Stephen  
Allan

Rose Janette Yancey born Mar. 6, 1910  
married twice  
Married to Clay J. Sloan Aug. 24, 1929 Clay born June 8, 1898  
died Oct. 12, 1948

Their children

Elizabeth Ann Sloan born June 18, 1930

Married to Charles C. Blakley born Nov. 30, 1915 married Sep. 19, 1953

Their children

Charla Annette Blakley born April 1, 1955

Janes Clay Blakley born March 15, 1958

married to Leroy Bollen June 30, 1950 No children

History compiled by  
Janette Yancey Bollen

1319 North Elm Street  
Denton, Texas 76201  
20 June 1964

Mrs. Janette Yancey Bollen  
324 North 15th Street  
Arkadelphia, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Bollen:

Enclosed is a copy of a letter from the Hyconeechee Regional Library ( serving Caswell, Orange, and Person Counties), Yanceyville, N.C., which cites two authorities stating that Yanceyville was named for James Yancey, Bartlett Yancey's older brother.

Bartlett Yancey, Jr., received so many honors that many people who knew about him but not about others in his family, always said, as a matter of course, that Yanceyville was named for him.

Since your family tradition is that you are a descendant of James Yancey of Caswell County, it may be that I have in my files some material that may help you. ( At one time I thought I might be able to trace my line back through one of the sons of Bartlett Yancey, Senior. These men appear not have made wills, but some of the wives did; and I have copies of their wills, naming children and grandchildren, in some cases.)

If you will send me what information you have, whether documented or not, but giving documentation where you have it, and including such dates as you know or can surmise from what has been handed down to you, I will look into my files and see if I can produce something of interest to you.

Also, if you will give me a note as to the lady who has a Yancey Bible that you were unable to examine when you visited her in Yanceyville, perhaps I can find out something from her on my next visit to North Carolina. ( I do not know just when I shall go; but I planned to go last October, failed to do so; and now the journey as a necessity should be made as soon as I can get away from here- perhaps some time late this summer.)

Two ladies who are Yancey descendants and also experienced searchers of the records of what I call "Yanceyland", the border counties of North Carolina and Virginia, live in South Hill, Virginia. One of them has sent me many pages copied from records and books. The Caswell County Yanceys are mentioned in some of these papers. I have visited the area several times and have made many notes regarding branches of the Yancey Family. So many people have helped me that I want to pass on any information that I have that might prove useful to you.

Sincerely yours,

*Lloyd R. Garrison*  
Lloyd R. Garrison

Incl.

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March 19, 1964

Mr. Lloyd R. Garrison  
1319 North Elm Street  
Denton, Texas

Dear Mr. Garrison:

In reply to your letter of February 14, we have found the following citations regarding the person for whom Yanceyville was named.

"When Person County was (formed) and the county seat of Caswell was moved to Yanceyville,....James Yancey, Bartlett Yancey's older brother, was very active in getting the county seat placed at its present site, and the county seat was named Yanceyville in his honor."

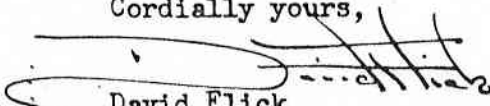
-- Durham Morning Herald, March 28, 1948

"YANCEYVILLE,....seat of Caswell County, was originally known as Caswell Court House (1791-1833). In 1833 it was established as Yanceyville to honor James Yancey, large landowner."

-- The North Carolina Guide, Robinson, Blackwell  
P., editor. Univ. of N.C. Press 1955

We hope that the above citations will serve your purpose.

Cordially yours,

  
David Flick

*Copy for Mrs. Janette G. Bollen.*

*Read a book tonight . . . and watch your world grow tomorrow.*

1319 North Elm Street  
Denton, Texas 76201  
5 February 1965

Mrs. Janette Yancey Bollen  
324 15th Street  
Arkadelphia, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Bollen:

I refer to your letter to me of 29 June 1964, and to my letter to you of 20 June 1964. In these we wrote of your father and grandfather and of Caswell County, N.C. Yanceys.

The notes on the lower part of the enclosed extract of Alabama Records indicate my thoughts on your James Yancey line. I intend sending a copy of the extract to Mr. Thomas B. Yancey of Kilgore, Texas, who may be able to think up something better as a solution.

The appearance of a James Yancey Bollen in the list of children in the household of Brantley Bollen of Bibb County, Alabama in 1850 indicates that he or his wife were closely related to a James Yancey family. So probably your husband was a distant cousin of yours; for I am sure you will find other Yancey-Bollen (Bolling, Bowling, Bolen) marriages farther back. Yanceys were always marrying their cousins in the early days. It was an old custom, prevalent in many early families in this country, as in England.

In October and November I drove to various places in Alabama, North Carolina, and Virginia to search more records. I was looking for Howard and Parker family data when I ran across the entry about Brantley Bollen (as the record has it.)

On my way back through North Carolina I came through Caswell County to look again into Yancey references in the Court House, where, as before, Mr. Blalock was very kind and helpful. I found little that I had not seen before. Then I went on out to see Miss Annie Yancey Gwin at her home. She received me very graciously and showed me over her well restored old mansion. She showed me the old Yancey Bible, too, and let me handle it as I pleased. Though some of its pages - entries of vital statistics - were stuck together, I satisfied myself that the entries on these pages had long since been given to Mr. Blalock and are part of the records in his office. Miss Gwin said she had taken the Bible to Raleigh to the Archives, where she said no one was able to suggest a way of separating the stuck pages without destroying the paper. She did not say how long she had had the Bible, but I think she had it while her mother was living and since she had bought the house she has restored. Miss Gwin seems to know quite well the general story of the Battlett

Yancey, Jr. family, whose Bible, I believe, is the one she has. She is not a descendant of Bartlett, Jr., I understand; but is a "collateral" descendant; that is, descended from Bartlett, Sr., or another Yancey. ( It was quite late when we came to this; and I needed to get under way before it got too dark.) I think there is no doubt that she not was brought up by Yanceys but is herself a Yancey descendant. Also, I believe that it was a great aunt of hers who, having married into the Bartlett Yancey, Jr. line, came to be the last owner of Bartlett Yancey's old home place near Yanceyville. Miss Gwin showed me a number of pieces from that house which are now in her living room. ( In Caswell and Granville Counties the local people seem not to consider one related to an old family if the person consulted does not know definitely that a relationship exists: they do not seem to consider that a female grandparent passes on anything of her own line. I do not, of course, refer to those who have an interest in genealogy: there are not many who do.)

I appreciated the list of names of Yancey descendants that you sent, but unfortunately did not have time to go to see them. Years ago I went to see Mrs. W.O. Spencer, who has been a D.A.R. regent for North Carolina, I believe. She was a Yancey from Yanceyville, sister of Mr. Yancey Kerr and his brother, John Kerr, a former member of Congress from Warrenton, after whom the Kerr Dam across the Roanoke River near Boydton, Va., is named... Mrs. Spencer, whom I saw in 1940, was very kind, but at the time seemed to have no information to impart. I have a copy of her Yancey genealogy as it is given in two different publications. It is not documented in the publications. The lady whose daughter married Congressman Kerr's son, a banker in Warrenton, is a Virginia genealogist and historian. She spoke to me in the Va. State Archives in Richmond some years ago, suggesting I inspect the Yancey Bibles at her daughter's home in Warrenton, This I did, but found no information useful to me at the time. I have wished that I had copied all the entries. ( After I get back from a trip I can always think of many things I ought to have done while I had the the opportunity.)

In Bowie I know a man who is also a Yancey descendant and whose brother and sister worked for many years preparing a White genealogy. Very likely your sister, Mrs. Lloyd Tarver, of 321 Elba Street, knows him. The next time I go through Bowie, which I seldom do, I will try to see your sister.

It is only now that I am beginning to catch up the threads of the interrupted correspondence of the summer of 1964. I can see no end to it all. Fortunately, I am well and enjoy working at my desk.

Sincerely,

  
Lloyd R. Garrison

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Extracts from Alabama Records, compiled by Mrs. H.C. (Kathleen Paul) Jones and her sister, Mrs. B.W. (Pauline Jones) Gandrud. The address of Mrs. Gandrud, now a professional genealogist, is 311 Caplewood Terrace, Tuscaloosa, Alabama. These two sisters over a period of many years extracted and compiled marriage records and deeds, with other pertinent genealogical data for Alabama, in 160 volumes (typed), bound copies of which are in the Alabama State Library and Archives in Montgomery. It is from one of these books that the extracts below were taken in October, 1964 by Lloyd R. Garrison.

Mar. Bk. D., Bibb County, Ala.

p. 245

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18 Feb 1843 Brantley Boling - Rebecca Smitherman, p. 251  
mar. 19 Feb by \_\_\_\_\_?

1850 Census, Bibb Co., Ala, Family 648:

Bolen, Brantley	33 N.C.	Farmer
Rebecca	28 N.C.	
William	6 Ala.	
# James Y.	4 Ala.	
Elizabeth	3 Ala.	
Emily	1 Ala.	
Hampton, William	20 Ala.	laborer

( #No doubt this is a James Yancey Bolen, who might be connected with the family of Mrs. Janette Yancey Bollen, of 324 N. 15th Street, Arkadelphia, Ark., whose ~~XXXXXXXXXX~~ father was named Walter Monroe Yancey (b. 27 Dec 1870) and was the son of a James Yancey who came from Yanceyville, N.C. to Clark County, Ark., where on 13 Feb 1868 he married Mrs. Mary Walker Sheets, a widow with two children.

( If 1754 ( as given by Mr. T.B. Yancey of Kilgore) is the correct birth year for James Yancey ( s. of Bartlett Yancey, Sr., and his wife Nancy Graves) he would have been rather and old man to father a man who married in 1868 ( assuming that James, s. of Bartlett, Sr., was father of the James Yancey who came from Yanceyville and m. in Arkansas in 1868.) Let us assume that James Yancey ( who m. 1868) was 30 when married: then his year of birth would have been 1828, when James Yancey(s. of Bartlett, Sr.) was 74. This James appears to have married Lucy Kerr in 1794. In 1833, 29 years later, a James Yancey m. AnnSchumaker. It seems probable that this last James was a son of the James who m. Lucy Kerr, or of Thomas Yancey, who. m. Keziah Simmons in 1789. But it must be remembered that other Yancey males in Caswell County(except Bartlett, Jr., who had no sons) could have fathered a James: John Yancey m. Elizabeth Lighfoot in 1789; Ludwell Yancey m. Elizabeth Jeffries, 1792; and William Yancey m. Demarius Oliver, 1839. But I have no record of the children of any of these latter named Yanceys.- Lloyd R. Garrison  
5 Feb 1965 )

1319 North Elm Street  
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30 March 1966

Mrs. Janette Yancey Bollen  
324 North 15th Street  
Arkadelphia, Arkansas

Dear Mrs. Bollen:

Please look over the enclosed paper in this way. First read the Memorandum on Page 14, then Pages 12 and 13. After that, then please start at the beginning and see if you can figure out what I have tried to do.

All this got started last fall, when some North Carolinians sought to get copies of my Some Yancey Notes, of which they had only heard lately. All I could do was to send them a lone copy, which was not much help.

After that I found out that they were descendants of the Caswell County, N.C. Yanceys. I had official typed copies of three of the <sup>Caswell Co.</sup> Yancey widows' wills. Further correspondence led to my promising that I would try to put together what Caswell County Yancey information I had and would be glad to include anything in the way of additional information that they could send me. All this has taken all my spare time to the present and will take some more.

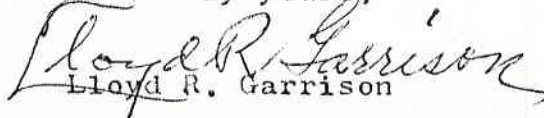
Will you please see if you can add any details as to your branch of the Yancey family, beginning with your daughter, yourself and your sister in Bowie, your husband's full name, and all the dates that can be attached to individuals in your line? Any additions and corrections you can offer will be much appreciated. Just write on the backs of the pages nearest the places you want to add to or change, and send the paper back to me, so that I can add the information to what I have. When the revised (and final) paper is done, I will send you a copy.

This paper may seem a bit complicated because of the way I used the data in three wills to bring out related information. In the end all of it may provide leads that others can use to get the information they seek.

Miss Brashears only a few weeks ago told me that you were in Denton for a training course last summer and were so busy that you did not have time to get in touch with me. I wish you could have done that. When in Denton again, do let me know.

I shall be grateful to you for looking over the enclosed paper and for any additions and corrections you suggest.

Sincerely yours,

  
Lloyd R. Garrison

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## BARTLETT YANCEY

Bartlett Yancey was Caswell's greatest citizen, so said Dr. Dan McFarland at the Caswell County Historical Association meeting in April 1961.

Bartlett Yancey was born in Caswell County in 1785. He was educated in Caswell County at what is now Yanceyville. He attended the University of North Carolina for two years, at the end of which time (for financial reasons) he then studied law under Judge Archibald D. Murphy at Hillsboro.

At the age of seventeen years, Bartlett Yancey became a teacher at Caswell Academy (Yanceyville) where he taught in 1802 and 1803. In 1813, when he was twenty eight, he went to Congress. He was on several important committees there. Henry Clay, the Speaker, often called on him to preside when he found it necessary to be in Committee. John W. Moore's History of North Carolina States. At no period in American history were great men so crowded in Congress, yet amid such statesmen as Clay, Webster and others, these two (Gaston of Craven and Bartlett Yancey of Caswell) shone with conspicuous lustre. Bartlett Yancey was a friend of Henry Clay, John C. Calhoun, and Nathaniel Macon. Moore's History continues: North Carolina was at the same time honored by the fact that Bartlett Yancey, one of the greatest men she has ever produced, was one of her delegates in the National House of Representatives. His massive frame was a fit tenement of the large and luminous intelligence which animated it.

In forensic oratory, he was the peer of Mr. Gaston, while in political tact and address, he was greatly his superior. When Speaker of the House, Mr. Clay, often when in Committee of the Whole, called Mr. Yancey to the Chair, and even under the trying emergency of such a comparison, the North Carolinian suffered no derogation. His consummate abilities were adorned and enhanced by a bland elegance that was matchless in his day.

He served in Congress during the war years and until 1817. In 1817 he went to the State Senate where he was elected Speaker of the Senate a few days after he arrived. He served as Speaker from 1817 to 1828. There was no lieutenant Governor in those days. The Speaker was next to the Governor, Bartlett Yancey at this time was the most influential man in the State. He was respected by all factions. He fought for States Rights, Better Courts, Better Banks, Internal Improvements and Revision of the Constitution. He declined the appointment as Minister to Peru in 1826 when it was offered to him by President John Q. Adams. He was appointed Chief Justice but he refused this position also.

He was re-elected Speaker of the Senate year after year for eleven years. He was re-elected to serve the 1828 term but died before the meeting of the Assembly. Very few men in the states annals have exercised a larger influence in public affairs. His abilities and personal magnetism were such as to give him great ascendancy over those with whom he came in contact.

He was the head and front of those who were laboring for the opening of the resources of the State by railways. He largely aided the movement resulting in establishing the Supreme Court and the Treasurer's and Comptroller's Departments were likewise amended mainly at his suggestion, states Moore's History

His death in 1828 was a great shock to the State. Moore's History says: Everybody had had expected him to have filled the position made vacant in the U.S. Senate by the resignation of Governor Branch.

Though Bartlett Yancey lived to be just forty-three years of age his influence and accomplishments in behalf of mankind live on to bless generations yet unborn.

Kilgore Texas  
16 August 1964

Mrs. Janette Bollen  
Dear Cousin

I am sending you a list of your Yancey family line as I have it to date and I want to start as far back as I can that you may better understand the Yancey line. Col. Lloyd R. Garrison may be able to help you a lot But I now think that the James Yancey brother to Bartlett Yancey of Yanceyville North Carolina was to old for your grandfather James Yancey The people that you met in Yanceyville could help us I think if they would do so I think your grandfather James Yancey must have been younger than Bartlett Yancey of Yanceyville But closely related to him Please look on page 149 and 150 in the Yancey Medearis book and it gives a little about Bartlett Sr. and Bartlett Jr. and a list of his children Seems as if Bartlett Yancey Jr. of Yanceyville had two sons  
Rufus Augustus Yancey died un married  
Algernon Yancey who died without issue

I am going to try some more of the ones in Yanceyville and other places and see if they will help us Let us just keep on working until we find out who your James Yancey's father was I will help all I can. I am sure that I may have made some mistakes please correct them and correct the spelling of names and birth dates and marriages also deaths I think we can soon get your list finished If your grandfather James Yancey has a marker at his grave you may be able to get some one there to send you his birth date and date he died that will help us a lot in tracing his family line If you find any more news please let me know and I will continue to work until we finish your Yancey line

Your Cousin  
T. B. Yancey  
P. O. Box No 92  
Kilgore Texas  
Code no 75662

Kilgore Texas  
10 June 1965

Mrs. Janett Bollen  
Dear Cousin

Our Yancey Medearis reunion has been changed to third Saturday in June the 19th and I do hope that you and your daughter can attend again it will be in the City Park in Greenville Texas I do hope that you have had better luck with your family history than I did I have not been able to find just who was James Yancey's father was. If you have his date of birth and date he died it will help us some better I have not heard from Col Lloyd R. Garrison in about three months I think he may be traveling and still searching on his family line. I am on my vacation but I have spent the most of it in bed on account of my back but I am feeling much better now. If I can help you in any way I will be glad to do so. Please do not give up just keep on searching I think that your James Yancey was a descendant of the James Yancey who was a brother to our Richard Yancey the one that we are descended from. I like this kind of work if I can find some one that is interested in it too and will help I will hafta quit for now I hope to soon be well again But I think it may be a long ways off now

Your Cousin  
T.B. Yancey  
P.O. Box No 92  
Kilgore Texas  
75662

Little Rock Ark  
10-7-57

Mr. T. B. Yancey

Dear Mr. Yancey

In answer to your letter of Oct 5th. I don't know if i could be of much help to your or not regarding the Yancey famieles or not. My fathers Father i think came from ~~NO-Carolina~~ NO-Carolina But died when my Father was small and he never knew much about him, If you will write my Sister Mrs. Lee Bolen Arkadelphia She might be able to give you more information than I about our Parents or Grandparents history I am glad you wrote me and i would be glad to look you up some time when over that way to see our Son.

Yours Very Truly

*C. W. Yancey*  
C. W. Yancey

Kilgore Texas  
10 10 1957

Mrs Lee Bolen  
Dear Mrs Bolen

I am intersted in the Yancey families of America I have collected some history and a lot of family names I have my family traced back to the year of 1740. My family line lived in virginia and North Carolina. Georgia. Tennessee and came to Texas in 1863 I wrote to your brother Mr. C.W. Yancey, 308 S. Cedar Street Little Rock Arkansas in regard to his family line and he ask me to write to you I met his son Mr. Jimmy Nathan Yancey Van Texas last Saturday and really enjoyed my visit with him. He is interested in trying to trace his family line back as far as we can. If you have your fathers birth date state and County and your grandfather birth place we may have a starting point I am sending some history I have on hand may be of interest to you of the Yancey families

Yours truly

T.B. Yancey

P.O. Box No 92

# THE NAME AND FAMILY OF YANCEY

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The origin of the name of Yancey is obscure, although it is generally believed to have been of Welsh derivation. One writer asserts that the family was of Huguenot ancestry and went into Wales at an early date. But no authority for this belief has been found. The most likely theory is that the name was originally Nannu or Nanney and was assumed by its first bearers because of their residence at Nannu, in County Merioneth Wales. Strength is given to this theory of descent by the following quotation, which is from a letter written by Samuel Shepard, of Virginia to his brother Robert Shepard in the year of 1805, Since I last wrote you my wife has been very sick at the home of her cousin Charles Yancey She was delivered of a fine boy before my coming. The boy even now resembles that old Welsh stock. While visiting Yancey we discussed old Welsh stocks. He tells me Mr. William Evans, of Cumberland County, Says he is Welsh and descended from some outlandish prince of that Country. Mr. Evans says he does not believe the Yancey name is the proper one, that it was Nanney Charles Yancey has heard something of the kind from his folks, and my wife has an old arms of the family that Mr. Evans says he thinks belongs to some Nanney family. The Nanney family of Wales, which is therefore believed to have been the root stock of the Yancey or Yancy families of America, traces its descent from Bleddyn ap Cynfyn Prince of Powys, Wales, through his younger son Cadwagan, Lord of Nannu This line was represented in the later half of the thirteenth century by Ynyr ap Meurig who was the father Ynyr Vychan, who was the grandfather of Howel Selyf or Sele In the early seventeenth century Hugh Nanney Esq, was the head of the family, and at a later date his grandson Colonel Hugh Nanney, Vice Admiral of North Wales held that position While it is not definitely known from which of the several branches of the ancient and honorable Nanney family of Wales the first emigrants to America were descended it is generally believed that all of the Yanceys were of Nanney origin and derived from a common ancestor of a remote period. According to some authorities, four brothers Charles Yancey William Yancey Joel Yancey and Robert Yancey another writer says five brothers John Yancey Charles Yancey William Yancey Joel Yancey and Robert Yancey came to America from Wales about 1642 and settled in the James river section of Virginia The early records of the family in America are most incomplete, but it is sometimes asserted that the emigrant Charles Yancey settled on the Rappahannock River and was the progenitor of that Ensign Charles Yancey who served as an officer in the colonial and French and Indian Wars. The last mentioned Ensign Charles Yancey married a Miss Dumas of Louisa County Virginia and removed to that place, His children were Charles Yancey Jeremiah Yancey Archalaus Yancey Robert Yancey and others whose names are not certain Captin Charles Yancey member of the committee of safety and son of Ensign Charles Yancey of Louisa County was born in 1742 and married in 1762 to Mary Crowders by whom he had issue of Ann Yancey Elizabeth Yancey Unity Yancey Temperance Yancey Robert Leighton Yancey Leighton Yancey (Colonel) Mary Yancey Rhoda Yancey Crawford Yancey Joel Yancey Crawford Yancey died young David Yancey (no further record) and William died young Of these Colonel Robert Yancey or Colonel Robert Leighton Yancey was the founder of Yanceyville Virginia and a man of prominence in civil and social life Jerimiah Yancey son of Ensign Charles Yancey of Louisa County was born in 1748 settled in Albemarl County Virginia and married

Margaret Mullins by whom he was the father of Robert, Yancey Charles (Colonel Yancey Mary Yancey Elizabeth Yancey Jechonias or Jeconias Yancey and Joel Yancey Of These Robert Yancey Probably had a son named Charles Yancey although his records are only fragmentary Colonel Charles Yancey appears to have had issue by his first wife Sarah Field Yancey) of Jeremiah Yancey Joel Yancey Charles Yancey and Robert Yancey and by his second wife Jane Alexander Of Jeconias Yancey Sarah Yancey Alexander Yancey and Jane Yancey . Jechonias or Jeconias Yancey married Mildred Wood and was the father by her of Jeremiah Yancey , William Yancey ? Charles Yancey David Yancey Martha Yancey and Joel Yancey and Joel Yancey married Martha Rodes and removed to Barron County Kentucky where he is believed to have issue although his records are not complete. Archelaus Yancey son of Ensign Charles Yancey, of Louisa County left a will dated 1864 in which he mentioned his son Stephen Yancey who is however, said to have been a wayward youth and was executed for murder, The records of the rest of his line are not in evidence. The reverend Robert Yancey son of Ensign Charles Yancey of Louisa County , was rector of Trinity parish in the same colony and married Ann Crawford, by whom he had issue of Major Charles Yancey and Betsey Yancey of these Major Charles Yancey removed to Buckingham County Virginia and was married in 1791 to Nancy Spencer by whom he had issue of Mary Chambers Yancey Francis Westbrook Yancey and Betsey Ann Yancey.

One Jeconias Yancey whose exact connection with the rest of the family in America is not known. was married in North Carolina about 1748-49 to the widow Ann (Nee Kimbrough ) Alston who gave him five children Francis Yancey Gazel or Gilley Yancey Sarah Yancey Priscilla Yancey and Elizabeth Yancey. another Captin Robert Yancey of Lynchburg Virginia fought in the Revolutionary War. He was the father by his wife, formerly a Miss Duke of Major Joel Yancey, who was first married to a Miss Burton by whom he was the father of Robert Yancey and Martha Yancey and later married Elizabeth Macon by whom he had issue of William Tudor Yancey Charles D. Yancey Betsy Yancey Louisa Yancey Mary Yancey Barbara Yancey Anne Rebecca Yancey numerous other unconnected records of the name in the south have been found , including those of James Yancey of Granville County North Carolina who married Mary Bracy in 1765 and had issue by her of Bartlett Yancey for whom Yanceyville North Carolina was named Philip ~~Yancey~~ Thornton Yancey Lewis Yancey Thomas Yancey Jenny Yancey and Nancy Yancey , Those of Richard Yancey of Mecklenburg County Virginia before 1768 who died about 1780 leaving issue by his wife Mary Of Keziah Yancey Joseph Yancey and Zachariah Yancey, those of Lewis Davis Yancey of Culpeper County Virginia before 1777 who died about 1788 leaving a wife named Winifred and nine children Charles Yancey Lewis Yancey Richard Yancey John Yancey Philemon Yancey Ann Yancey Winifred Yancey James Yancey and Robert Yancey and those of Hezekiah Yancey of Mecklenburg County Virginia who died about 1782 and mentioned in his will of that date his brothers Robert Yancey Charles Yancey Zachariah Yancey Reuben Yancey Richard Yancey and their mother Mary Yancey

The decendants of the various branches of the Yancey family in America have spread into all parts of the country and have aided as greatly in the growth and development of the nation as their ancestors aided in its founding upon this continent. sometimes daring and bold. eager for new enterprises and undertakings, often gifted as speakers and in early times typical pioneers members of the family have attained distinction particularly in the fields of law, politics and military and naval service often in their own communities they have been organizers and leaders

Among these of the name who fought in the War of the Revolution were Lieutenant Charles Yancey of North Carolina Captain John Yancey Lieutenant Leighton Yancey Captain Robert Yancey Captain Richard Yancey Captain Lewis Yancey and Ludwell Yancey of Virginia and possibly others as well Charles, Joseph, James, William, David, Thomas, are some of the christian names most favored by the family for its male progeny.

*Handwritten signature: Mrs. M. C. Yancey*



2814 Epater Circle  
Raleigh, N.C.

Oct. 1, 1972

27608

Dear Mrs. Ballin,

About 6 years ago I had page of notes on the Yancey family from Col. Lloyd Garrison of Texas. Your named was mentioned as a daughter of Walter Yancey & a granddaughter of James Yancey who come from Yanceyville, N.C. (Your street address was not given, so doubt if you ever receive this letter.)

I am a descendant of James Yancey through another son, Dr. Albert B. Yancey, who always lived in Yanceyville. I recently found a Bible in our old home in Yanceyville which lists evidently the children of James Yancey. It says: James M. Yancey, the son of James was born March 12, 1812. Albert, B. born Sept. 3, 1817; (there are 3 other children.) This was first documentary evidence I have found as to the name of Albert B.'s brother - altho family legend said there was another brother.

I have done much work on Yancey records and if you think this could be your ancestor, I would appreciate a list of his ~~descend~~ descendants for my records. Also would James M. Yancey possibly have carried any family pictures to Arkansas. I have searched in vain for a picture of James Yancey - a legislator & one of the founders of Casswell Co. He died in 1829.

Our N.C. marriage bonds say that James M. Yancey married Ann Shreemaker, June 3, 1833. I can find no further record of her or any other Shreemakers in the Co.

Very truly yours,  
Katherine Kern Kendall  
(Mrs. Henry E.)

2814 Exeter Circle  
Raleigh, N. C. 27608  
Jan. 8, 1973

Dear Mrs. Bollen,

I was surprised and greatly pleased to receive your letter. Since I am snowed in today, it seems a good day to work on the Yanceys. I regret Mr. Blaylock gave you poor directions on your visit to Yanceyville. I shall speak to him about it when I next go to see my Mother. My Mother lives within sight of the courthouse in Yanceyville, and she could have told you exactly where the home of James Yancey is located. Also two aunts, Marnie Kerr Motz and Nannie Kerr Malloy, were both living on the main st. there 10 years ago. One is now deceased, and the other lives in Ariz. with a daughter. My father was their brother, Albert Yancey Kerr. He died in 1942.

The James Yancey home stands in near ruins about 5 miles south of Yanceyville. It is a huge house. I had picture of it, but gave it away. I will try to get another picture to mail to you. It was sold by Dr. Yancey, my great grandfather, to Durcet Oliver and later to Rudds.

My family and all older generations of Yanceyville people know the town was named for James Yancey. It has been in the last 75 years that some have tried to say it was named for Bartlett. I have a "battle" on now to try to prove my point. Actually, the law passed in 1833 to name the town did not mention either ~~first~~ first name. So there is no legal proof. Mr. William S. Powell, historian and librarian, Drawer 870, Chapel Hill, N. C. 27514, has been hired to write a history of Caswell Co. I have told him about this. But you never know what a historian will write. You may want to write and tell him what you know about the name and why you know it. Please do not mention my name or that I suggested you write. *It will be several years before the book is finished.*

I feel sure your James M. Yancey was the son of James. The Bible so states. Years ago an aunt told me Dr. Yancey had a brother named Monroe who left the county or died young. They heard no more from him. I believe his family called him Monroe instead of James. (The M. must stand for Monroe- and his son named Walter Monroe).. Bartlett Yancey, Sr. came to Caswell from Granville Co. to teach school. Col. Garrison said James M. Yancey went to Arkansas to teach.

I am enclosing a copy of a tentative chart I made on Yancey. Some information was sent by Col. Garrison, some is from wills, and deeds. Since finding the Bible and you, I am in process of revising it. James Yancey left no will. In 1811 he married Zilpah Johnston, a daughter of Dr. Lancelot Johnston, a surgeon in the Revolution. The mother of James Yancey was Ann Graves, the daughter of John Graves, the biggest land owner in the county and a wealthy man.. Zilpah Johnston Yancey did have a will, probated in 1843. She names sons William and Albert, daughter Mildred, and a granddaughter Mary Gunn but no mention of the oldest son. *James M. evidently left before 1843.* The daughter Elizabeth who married James Gunn died before her mother. The daughter Mildred had 2 sons, both died young. The son William married Demarius Oliver and was living in Caswell in 1860 with several children according to census. But family legend says he moved to Mo. and no more was known of him. Possibly, he went looking for his brother James M.? The son Dr. Albert Gallatin, my ancestor, was the only one left in Caswell. He lived on the main st. in Yanceyville, and I remember

his home which is part of a large apartment house now. Of course I am certain of this part of the chart, for I remember many of them. *He was a doctor there for many years.*

James Yancey was instrumental in establishing the county seat at Yanceyville. He served in the state Legislature 1800-11, and 1822. He was one of the trustees and organizers of the Caswell Academy, founded in 1802 at the courthouse. *The first school in the County.*

I enjoy research, and like to help others. So many have aided me. This<sup>is</sup> about all I know about Yancey.

Bartlett Yancey Jr. (James' brother,) also served in the Assembly. He was much younger than James, and it is said James sent him to college. Bartlett's death at such an early age, at about 42, caused much sympathy and attracted more attention to him, I've heard he had cancer of the lip.

I shall send a picture of the home. I have never been able to locate James' burial place. I have heard there is a cemetery near the old home, but cannot get thru weeds and barbwire to find it.

Sincerely,

Katharine Kendall

Jan. 10 -

I went back to State Archives today & looked for the Estate records of James Yancey. I read copies of the Court settlement.

Sure enough, the oldest son was James Monroe! I never realized the children were all minors when James Yancey died. Guardians were appointed for all 5, Elizabeth was already married to James Gann - at about 14 or 15 yrs. of age.

I hope all this does not confuse you too much! If you have questions, I'll try to answer.

Caswell Co. turned over to the State Archives in Raleigh all their early records. I never thought to look for James Y. estate papers until today!

YANCEY

Following copied from records of Col. L. R. Garrison:

- I. Charles Yancey Sr. who arrived in Va. before 1642 or by 1674 and died 1690, probably was one of 4 or 5 brothers. He married the granddaughter of Alex. Leighton of Hanover Co. Va.
  - A. Charles Yancey, Jr. (1678-1735) was on Quit Rent Rolls for King William Co. Va. in 1704, and m. Miss Bartlett. Had 5 sons:
    1. Robert  
Issue: Martha, Robert, Charles, wife, and Temperance.
    2. Richard
    3. Archeleus
    4. Charles III m. Miss Dumas
    5. James (1712-1779) m. 1735, Ann Thornton and in 1752 moved from Hanover Co. Va. to Granville Co., N. C.
      - a. Phillip
      - b. Thomas
      - c. Jenny m. Jesse Sanders
      - d. Thornton
      - e. Baynes
      - f. Bartlett Yancey (about 1736-1784). Moved to Caswell Co. Married Ann Graves (-1818)
        - (A) John ( ) m. 24 Feb. 1789 Elizabeth Lightfoot Moore
        - (B) James (1772-1829) m. 1st Jan. 14, 1794 Lucy Kerr  
m. 2nd 24 June 1811 Zilpah Johnston
          - (1) Mildred m Jan. 2, 1849 James Malone, Leasburg, N. C.
            - (a) John L. Malone (Wit; Thomas W. Currier died 1873)
            - (b) J. Y. Malone
          - (2) Elizabeth m. James Gunn
            - (a) Mary Elizabeth Yancey Gunn
          - (3) Monroe - ~~unmarried~~ m James M. (see next sheet)
          - (4) William m Dec. 16, 1839 Demarius Oliver
            - (a) Bet m. Garner
            - (b) Zilpah - unmarried. Died 1876 - buried Crossroads.
            - (c) Ella
            - (d) Rufus
            - (e) Albert
            - (f) Minnie or Marnie
          - (5) Dr. Albert Gallatin Yancey (Sept. 3, 1817 - 9 Aug. 1887)  
m. Mary Graves Miles (9 Feb. 1823 - 9 Feb. 1898)
            - (a) Emma - unmarried
            - (b) Eliza Catherine (30 June 1844 - 21 April 1927)  
m. John Hosea Kerr (20 April 1844 - 19 Aug. 1924)  
Issue: James, John, Mary, Albert Yancey, B. Graves, Martha, Nannie (See Kerr Chart for dates)
            - (c) William J. m.  
2 daughters, and lived in Raleigh
            - (d) Mary m. Dr. Palmer of Turbeville, Va.
            - (e) Annie E. m Howard Cobb  
Clyde m. Howard Davidson
            - (f) Albert G. married Mary Belle Graves  
Virginia - unmarried
      - (C) Thomas m. 1st 24 Feb. 1789 Keziah Simmons
        - (1) James
        - (2) Tryon
        - (3) Priscilla (1796-1862) m. John Graves Howard *see. 26, 1817*
        - (4) Nancy  
m. 2nd Feb. 2, 1802 Elizabeth Tate
        - (5) Attelia (1803- ) m. Mebane
      - (D) Elizabeth m. 26 June 1792, Nathan Slade
      - (E) Isabel m. 1st Kimbrough, and 2nd John Collier
      - (F) Sarah m. Isaac Rice
      - (G) Mary (Polly) m. 13 Feb. 1794, John Graves, Jr.  
continued

Yancey - continued

- (H) Nancy m. 10 Dec. 1795 Isaac Johnston
- (I) Frances W. m 2 Oct. 1804, Alexander Wiley
- (J) Bartlett Yancey, Jr. (1725-1828) m. Dec. 20, 1808 Nancy Graves (1786-1855). She was d. of John Herndon Graves.
  - (1) Rufus Augustus- unmarried
  - (2) Algernon Sidney
  - (3) Frances m. Dr. Henry McAden
  - (4) Mary Catherine m. Giles Mebane -March 8, 1837
  - (5) Ann m. Womack
  - (6) Caroline m Lemuel Mebane Nov. 2, 1841
  - (7) Virginia m. George Swepson. No Issue.

Children of James Yancey

From old Yancey Bible found in 1970- Printed in Albany, 1816-  
by W. F. Backus (or Rackus) Bible in possession of Mrs. A. Y. Kerr,  
Quoted below:

James M. Yancey son of James was born one thousand eight hundred  
and twelve, the 12th of March.

Elizabeth I. Yancey was born 1815 the 18th of May

Albert G. Yancey was born 1817 the 3rd of Sept.

William Yancey was born 1820 the 8th of May

Mildred A. Yancey was born 1827 the first of November.

From Caswell Co. Marriage bonds:

James M. Yancey m 5 June 1833, Ann Shuemaker

Ark. records say he moved to Clark Co. Ark. to teach and

on 13 Feb. 1868 married Mary Walker ~~Sheets~~. (from Col. Garrison)

Sheets

1810 Census- Caswell Co.

James Yancey- 1 child

John Yancey- 1 child

Ann Yancey (widow of Bartlett Sr.) 6 children

Bartlett Yancey- 3 children

Public papers of Caswell in archives:

July 1797- John Yancey pd. 40 sh. to have door of coal repaired.

# If Courthouses Could Only Talk—

Caswell Structure Might Tell a Tale of Stirring Days  
and Clear Up a Famous Mystery

By MISS MARY WILSON BROWN

**T**HE Caswell County Courthouse, with its stately columns and handsome Grecian lines, has witnessed some stirring days and deeds. Built at the outset of the War Between the States, it has witnessed successively civil war, rebellion, and reconstruction, followed by a great era of progress, and climaxed by a World War. It has seen our nation develop from a loosely-knit federation of states into a mighty union that ranks with the world's powers. It has watched silently but zealously while the South retook its rightful position in that Union and the State assumed a place of leadership among the members.

Were it able to talk, the building which is the subject of our cover could tell some interesting stories, and might clear up one of North Carolina's celebrated mysteries. The reference, of course, is to the disappearance and murder in broad daylight, May 20, 1870, of John Walter Stephens. The Republican Senator had been accused of inciting the Negroes to insurrection and had made himself most unpopular. He was sitting in the back of the court room when someone tapped him on the shoulder and told him he was wanted in his office downstairs. He was never seen again alive. Although credited by tradition to the Ku Klux Klan, the crime has gone down in history as one of the country's famous unsolved crimes.

Yanceyville, county seat, was the scene of much excitement and feeling during Reconstruction days. Governor Holden had already sent "Kirk's Army" to guard the courthouse, and now he asked President Grant to reinforce Kirk's troops with a regiment from the federal army. Caswell County was in a state of insurrection, he said, and had seceded from both the State and Federal governments. Thus Caswell became the only county in the United States in which both State and Federal armies were assembled at the same time. The Federal soldiers were said to be gentlemen in every sense of the word, and their colonel, W. W. Eldson, later married a Yanceyville girl. However, Kirk's men included a number of carpetbaggers and sculawags, and were not recognized by the best people. The courthouse still bears mute testimony of their occupation, a piece having been chipped off of one of the columns by a bayonet.

Caswell County was formed out of Orange County in 1777. It derives its name from Richard Caswell, the first Governor under the Constitution. The courthouse at this time was at Leasburg, a small village on the western border of the county. It was moved in 1831, and the town which grew up around it was named Yanceyville in honor of James Yancey, who was instrumental in settling the dispute over the location. The present courthouse which was completed in 1861, stands on the same spot except that it faces north and south instead of east and west.

The 75-year old building, which was constructed with slave labor under the supervision of Dr. N. M. Roan, prominent physician planter, slaveholder, and chairman of the board of county commissioners, was built of native

brick with native rock foundations. The architecture is Grecian in form and Corinthian in style. The building was first stuccoed, painted a steel grey, and marked to give the appearance of a stone building. About fifteen years ago the commissioners painted it a dark brown with markings.

The interior is characterized by its high ceilings, walnut walls, and stately columns. In the center of the court room is a massive medallion of acanthus leaves done in white plaster with fixtures to hang a chandelier. I have been told that a handsome chandelier of cut glass was ordered from New York by Dr. Roan, but for some unknown reason it was never received nor placed in the courtroom. Tradition has it that the old clock which hangs in the tower and which keeps perfect time today was ordered from England, but that the weights which were of solid lead were stolen by the soldiers during the war to make bullets. The weights that are used in the clock today are wooden boxes filled with scrap iron.

The courthouse was completed in 1861 and was dedicated by Judge John A. Abbott of Edenton. Judge Miles A. Eure of Gates County presided over the first term of Superior Court to be held in the new building. Among the judges to hold court here were A. W. Turgee, a Republican carpet-bagger from Greensboro, who later moved to New York and became a Democrat, serving as an elector for Bryan in 1896. Judge Turgee wrote a book entitled "Fool's Error," one of the characters of which, "Judge Snoutout," was supposed to represent Judge John Carr, a Yanceyville jurist of the Civil War period.

**KERR**

The plans for the Caswell County Courthouse were drawn by McKnight and Berry, a Philadelphia firm. That was before the days of labor unions and minimum wage scales. Slaves were hired from nearby plantations at four dollars a month, while Dr. Roan's compensation for his services as superintendent of building operations was two dollars per day. In this way the handsome structure was erected for the surprisingly small cost of \$28,000.

A long fight between two brothers, Lee and William Graves, who lived on opposite sides of the county line creek, preceded the location of the courthouse at Yanceyville. Each was intent upon the ridge nearest his plantation. Lee appealed to Mr. Yancey, who was in the Legislature, and offered to give the land if his site were accepted.

Finally it was decided to accept his proposition. "You have won the fight," Mr. Yancey told him. "Now name the town." Mr. Graves replied, "No, you have been instrumental in the decision. You name it." And so it came about that the county seat was named Yanceyville.

Strangers passing through the little town of Yanceyville today stop to admire the stately beauty of the old building and listen with great interest to the stories of its historic past. It stands a shrine which old and young of Caswell are justly proud to honor, and remains a thing of beauty whose loveliness increases as time passes.

Know all men by these presents that we Thomas  
D. Johnston, Zilpah Yancey & John Johnston  
are held and firmly bound unto James Rainey  
Chairman of the Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions for  
the County of Caswell and his Successors in Office, in the  
sum of One thousand & Sixty Dollars, to which payment  
well and truly to be made, we bind ourselves, our heirs, Execu-  
tors, Administrators, and assigns, as do truly our hands &  
Seals, this 28th day of January 1832

The condition of the above Obligation is such, that  
whereas the above bounden Thomas D. Johnston, was by  
the said Court at their January term 1832, appointed  
Guardian of James Munroe Yancey one of the heirs  
at law of James Yancey dec. late of said County, and  
whereas the said Court at the said term appointed Com-  
missioners to value, divide, and allot the Negroes belong-  
ing to the Estate of the said James Yancey deceased  
amongst the heirs at law of the said deceased, and  
whereas the said Commissioners by their report dated  
January 17th 1832, allotted to the said James Munroe  
Yancey as his part thereof the following Negroes—  
viz Frances, Susan, Kate & Allen — valued by the  
said Commissioners, at Five hundred & thirty Dollars, and  
said Negroes having been delivered to and received by the  
said Thomas D. Johnston Guardian as aforesaid,  
and if any debt or debts truly owing by the said James  
Yancey deceased, shall be hereafter sued for and recovered  
or otherwise duly made appear, and that then and in  
every such case, the said Thomas D. Johnston Guardian  
as aforesaid, shall refund and pay the said James  
Munroe Yancey's ratable part of that debt or debts  
out of the part or share so as aforesaid allotted to him  
the said James Munroe Yancey, then the above obliga-  
tion to be void, otherwise to remain in full force and virtue.

Witness  
our hands  
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Thos Johnston Seal  
Zilpah Yancey Seal  
John Johnston Seal

Cassell County, Nebraska

January 1 - 1892

S. S. A. W. Post-Ord.

the undersigned being appointed by the Court of Cassell County, Nebraska, for the County aforesaid, at their January term 1892, as Commissioners to value divide and allot the lands belonging to the Estate of James G. ... amongst the heirs at law of the said deceased ... on the premises on Thursday January 26<sup>th</sup> 1892 ... accompanied by J. H. ... and divided ... and James ... appeared by ... to the ... at herewith annexed -

We then valued the lots as follows - viz

N <sup>o</sup> 1	Contains 122 acres	at \$2.00 per acre	=	244.00
2	" " 123 1/2 "	" " 1.50 "	=	185.25
3	" " 121 "	" " 1.50 "	=	181.50
4	" " 123 1/2 "	" " 2.00 "	=	247.00
5	" " 122 "	" " 1.10 "	=	134.20
Amounting together to				5,991.95
Average value of each lot				\$198.39

4	"	123 $\frac{1}{2}$	)	2.00	"	247.00
5	"	122	"	1.10	"	134.20
Amounting altogether to						5991.95
Average value of each lot						<u>\$198.39</u>

We then proceeded to have the Lots drawn for, when they were drawn as follows - viz -

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 1 - Containing 122 aers and valued at \$244.00 was drawn by Milledu Ann Yancy - which is \$45.60 more than her equal part, from which deduct her deficiency in the division of the Negroes, amounting to \$26.85 leaves a balance still due by her of \$18.75 which she is to pay to James M Yancy who drew Lot N<sup>o</sup> 5 -

Lot N<sup>o</sup> 2 - Containing 123 $\frac{1}{2}$  aers and valued at \$183.25 was drawn by Elizabeth Summ - and is \$13.14 less than her equal share, which being deducted from her surplus in the division of the Negroes amounting to \$21.80, leaves a balance still due by her amounting to \$8.66 which she is to pay to James M. Yancy -

Lot No 3 - Containing 121 acres and valued at \$181.50  
 was drawn by about S. Yancey - and is \$16.00 less  
 than his equal part - from which deduct his surplus  
 in the division of the Negroes amounting to \$6.58 -  
 leaves a balance still due to him of \$10.51 - which  
 he is to receive from the Widow Mrs. Sophia Yancey -  
 out of her surplus in the division of the Negroes -

Lot No 4 - Containing 123 1/2 acres and valued at \$247.00  
 was drawn by William Yancey, which is \$45.51 more  
 than his equal part - from which deduct his deficiency  
 in the division of the Negroes <sup>of \$31.45</sup> leaves a balance still  
 due by him of \$17.16 - which he is to pay to James  
 M. Yancey -

Lot No 5 - Containing 122 acres and valued at \$134.20 - was  
 drawn by James M. Yancey - and is \$4.19 less  
 than his equal part - from which deduct his sur-  
 plus in the division of Negroes amounting to \$14.27  
 leaving a balance still due to him of \$49.92 - which  
 he is to receive as follows - viz -

From Mrs. Sophia Yancey	5.34
From Mildred Yancey	18.76
" " " "	8.66

being a balance due on 11-9-92 - which  
is to be as follows - viz -

From Mr. Joseph Gannoy	5.34
From Mildred Gannoy	18.76
From Elizabeth Gunn	8.66
From William Gannoy	17.16
	<u>49.92</u>

Given under our hands and seals, this day and date  
above written -

Geo Walker Seal  
William Bird Seal  
Helen W. Seal  
The Shanks Seal  
Barrett Seal

Feb. 21, 1973

Dear Mrs. Ballen,

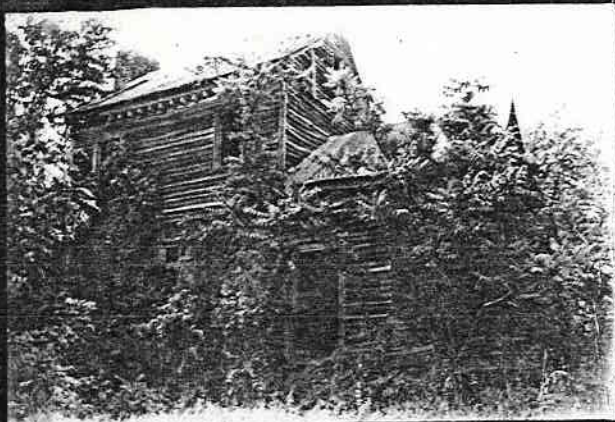
I promised to send you some snapshots of the James Yancey House. I learned the Dept. of Archives & History had already made pictures of the house - so was able to get prints from them. It is in such a pitiful state, I hesitate to send them to you. But it was a fine house in its time - & probably built around 1800. It was one of 3 in the country of this same type of architecture - a tall middle section & two side wings. You cannot imagine from pictures how tall it really is with ceilings about 12 ft.

My mother remembers when a family lived there. She says it had porch across the front & they sat on the porch the day she visited it. This was in 1920's.

Please drop me a card & let me know if you received the papers I sent several weeks ago. The mail is so uncertain, I would just like to know if you got them. I am in process of revising the "Yancey line,"

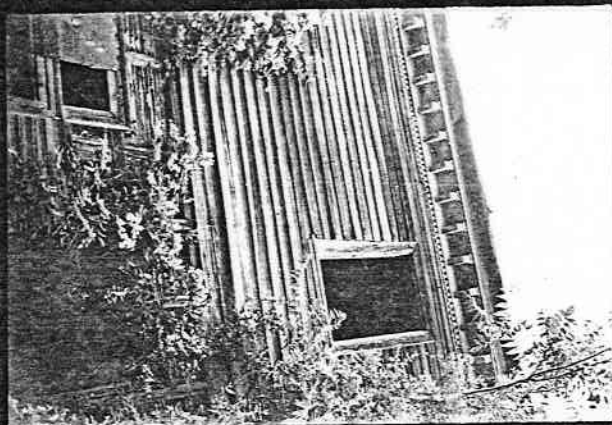
& would appreciate your sending me  
the names of children of James M. Young,  
& the grandchildren - & names of who they  
married.

Sincerely yours,  
Katharine R. Kendall



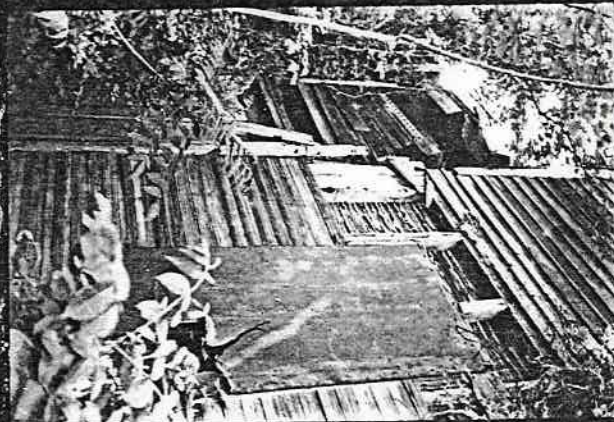
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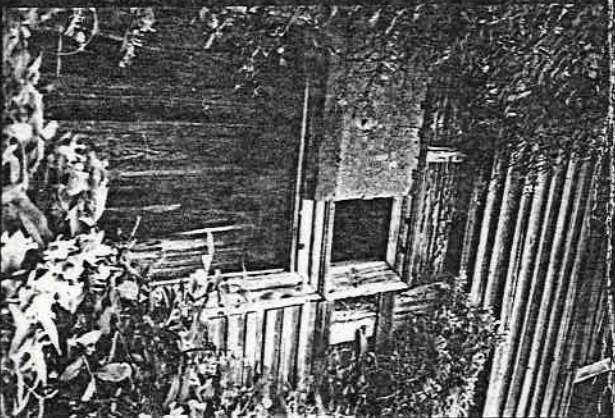


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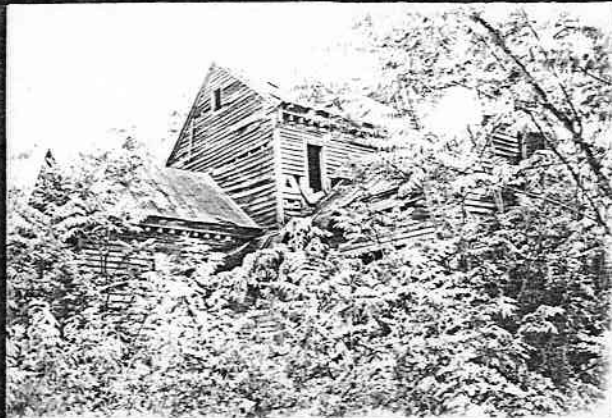
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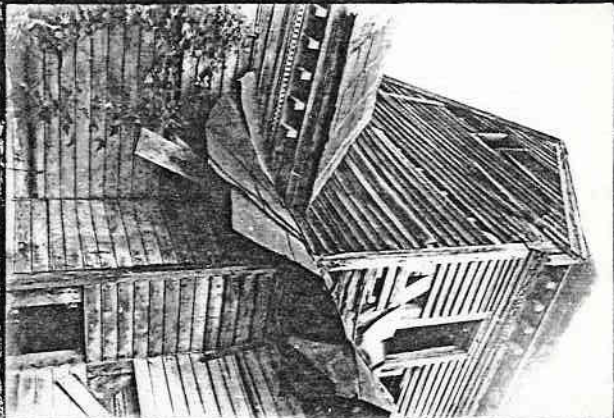
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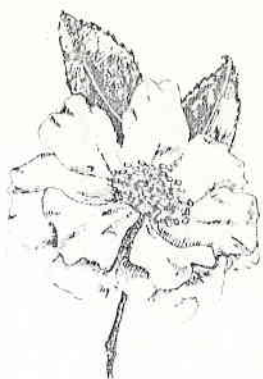


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Dear Mrs. Ballen,

Thanks so much for sending me  
the information on James M. Gausey.  
I hope soon to get my Gausey  
deeds in order and will send you  
a copy and will put a copy  
in Court house in Gauseyville.

I also enjoyed your recent letter.  
The James Gausey house in Caswell  
Co. is still owned by the Rudd  
family. The Rudds have a grand-  
daughter in Gauseyville.

Annie Gausey Grogan is still  
living 8 miles from Gauseyville  
at the old house she restored.  
She is very active - altho had

catract operations last year.

I suppose you spent the night there with Mrs. Moore. She is dead however & her home sold. I have instructed Mr. Blaylock where the James Gaussey house is located so he will not mis-inform other seekers.

If you by any chance have death date of your grandfather - and grandmother & where they are buried, I'd like to have it. It must have been about 1878-80.

I have recently been reading old Caswell Co. newspapers. I found in Milton Chronicle in 1844 that Albert G. Gaussey had a legal notice concerning James M. Gaussey, not an inhabitant of the state. It ordered James to appear to answer for his property or it would be sold. This was after the death of their mother, &

They were trying to settle  
her estate. Evidently they had no  
idea where he <sup>was</sup> living.

I shall try to get one of  
the Yawney books so thanks  
for telling me about this.

Sincerely yours,  
Katharine Keadall

March 27, 1973



Mrs. Janette Ballen  
1502 Pine St.,  
Aukadelphia  
Auk. 71923

John Johnston - who is listed as  
guardian for James Monroe Gancey was  
a brother of Gilpat Johnston Gancey.  
The Thomas S. Johnston was son of  
John - & hence first cousin of James M. G.  
The Thomas S. Johnston home is next to  
post office in Ganceyville - a huge brick  
house. He was a merchant there for years.

**HUSBAND**

Birth..... Place.....  
 Chr..... Place.....  
 Death..... Place.....  
 Burial..... Place.....  
 Father..... Mother (Maiden Name).....  
 Mar..... Place.....  
 Other Wives  
 (if any).....

Where was information shown on this family record obtained?  
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**WIFE**

Birth..... Place.....  
 Chr..... Place.....  
 Death..... Place.....  
 Burial..... Place.....  
 Father..... Mother (Maiden Name).....  
 Other Husb.  
 (if any).....

Name and address of person submitting this sheet:  
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Place Additional Genealogical and Historical Data on Reverse Side

Male or Female	CHILDREN (Give names in full in order of birth)	WHEN BORN			WHERE BORN		State or Country	DIED			MARRIED
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DATE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF PERSON SUBMITTING CHART \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_

NO. 1 ON THIS CHART IS THE SAME PERSON AS NO. \_\_\_\_\_ ON CHART NO. \_\_\_\_\_

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WHEN MARRIED \_\_\_\_\_  
DIED \_\_\_\_\_  
WHERE \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF HUSBAND OR WIFE \_\_\_\_\_

GIVE HERE NAME OF RECORD OR BOOK WHERE THIS INFORMATION WAS OBTAINED. REFER TO NAMES BY NUMBER.