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Maine	Minnesota	New Mexico	Washington
Vermont	Wisconsin	Texas	Oregon
New Hampshire	Michigan	Oklahoma	California
Massachusetts	Nebraska	Arkansas	Idaho
Rhode Island	Kansas	Louisiana	Nevada
Delaware	Iowa	Tennessee	Utah
Maryland	Missouri	Mississippi	Arizona
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New York	Ohio	Florida	Colorado
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New Jersey	Alaska	North Carolina	South Dakota
Washington, D. C.		South Carolina	Hawaii

STILL NEEDED!! STATE AND LOCAL CHAIRMEN to assist Vice-Presidents. Apply at your nearest Vice-President's address!!

Chapter #3, who will it be?:

Ulster Ireland not moving very fast, but they still have 'dibs' on #2 if they can get organized before anyone else; so who's next? I tried to plant some seeds in Illinois, but haven't heard a thing. I do know, however, that a drive to start a chapter in Indiana will begin shortly! No, I am not behind that. I am for it, but I didn't start it. pmg

Exemption and ISSN #

1. We are a partially exempt non-profit organization. Under normal circumstances, this means we do not have to pay federal and state income taxes. We do have to file and contributions to the Society are not tax-exempt, at this time. This may change in the future.

2. The Library of Congress has an NSDP program (National Serials Data Program) which assigns an ISSN # (International Standard Serial Number) to serial publications such as our Bulletin. Our Number is ISSN 0196-2078 and we are hopeful it will extend word about our Bulletin and Society.

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<u>ASSETS</u>		<u>LIABILITIES</u>	
Cash on Hand	\$ 280.65	1982 dues, pre-paid	\$ 245.00
Cash in Bank	777.08	Dep., 1982 Gathering	270.00
Postage on Hand	106.03	Dep., C. W. Book	143.30
Stationary	150.00	Special Scottish Research Fund	162.75
Key-tags, imprinted	75.60	Total Liabilities	<u>\$ 821.05</u>
Plastic bags, imprinted	154.80	Net Worth	<u>9,914.88</u>
Robertson Pewter Badges (for sale)	156.25		
Robertson Rosettes (for sale)	100.00		
Library books	162.56		
Bulletins for sale (#1-#11)	6,915.90		
Irish Books for sale	169.56		
Salt Lake City books for sale	750.00		
Bulletin #12 for sale	937.50		
Total Assets	<u>\$10,735.93</u>	Liabilities & Net Worth	<u>\$10,735.93</u>

<u>RECEIPTS, 1981</u>		<u>DISBURSEMENTS, 1981</u>	
1982 Dues	\$ 245.00	Postage	\$ 779.83
Civil War Bk. Dep.	6.00	Stationary	267.00
1982 Gathering Deposits	270.00	Research	515.80
1981 Dues	1,380.00	Outside Labor	23.45
Irish Report Bk. Sales	52.50	Advertising	157.25
Salt Lake City Bk. Sales	86.90	Special Scottish Research	249.00
Old Bulletin Sales	514.60	1981 Gathering	2,237.17
Special Scottish Fund	183.50	Printing	1,353.59
Disa & Data Letter	150.00	Books	63.26
Gathering, Including Fair & Auction	1,872.25	Fees	10.00
Donations	412.50	Dues (Clan Council)	20.00
Badges, Sale	32.00	Rosettes	125.00
Suspense	22.50	Insurance	50.00
<u>\$5,227.75</u>		Storage File boxes	59.74
		Service Charges	11.10
		Phone	7.85
		Suspense	7.50
		Total Disbursements	<u>\$5,937.54</u>

Cash on Hand 1/1/81	\$ 84.50	Beginning Cash in Bank	\$1,683.02
Receipts	5,227.75	Deposits 1981	+5,031.60
Deposits	-5,031.60	Disbursements 1981	-5,937.54
Cash on hand 1/1/82	\$ 280.65	Cash in Bank 1/1/82	\$ 777.08

Total 1981 Receipts = \$5,227.75  
 Total 1981 Expend. = -5,937.54  
(\$ 709.79)

## 1982 Gathering

Since a six page 'Disa & Data Letter' was sent to current members about the Gathering, only a brief review will be given here, to preserve some of the names for the future.

All in all things went rather smoothly -- at least they tell me it looked that way! Clyde came Wednesday to lend his expertise in the way of preparations. He's about the only one around with a degree in tent raising!

The biggest calamity of Friday was losing Lyle! We did a thorough job of it, too. He finally got disgusted and took a cab to his destination and, before dinner time, we found him again!

Those in attendance were: Clyde McConnaughay, Dixon, IL; Sister Margaret Teresa McConaughy, Pittsburg, PA; Greg, Pat & Ken Gregory, Debbie Wieckert (you know her as Chipper), Patty, Pete, Joey, & Petie Iaria, Kate, Alan, Joe & Ann Thomas, all from Indpls.; Ruth Cummins (a 1st timer) from Cortland, NY, a Gettysburger by inheritance; Warren ,Colette, & Warren Brett Gregory, Martha, Rick, Brett, & Marilyn Piercefield all from Indpls.; J. W. & Helen McConaghy, Ashland, OH; Dr. William McConnell McConahey, Rochester, MN; Andi McConaughy DeCou Cranmer, Temple City, CA; Thelma McConaughy O'Connor Cooper, New Castle, IN and Florida; Betty Matthews, Shelbyville, KY; Jane & Terri Jane Hoffman, Tarrytown, NY; Norma (McConnaughay) & Elliott Lundberg, Batavia, IL; Eva (McConnaughay) & Wilbur Peterson, Batavia, IL; Al McConnaha, Lebanon, IN; Chuck & Helen Robertson, & dau. Jennifer Brown, Indpls., IN; Pat, Ivan, & Jennifer Benedict, Port Huron, MI; Bob & Win McConeghy, Tucson, AZ; Mr. & Mrs. Duncan Williams and nephew , Indpls., IN; Jim & Emmy Lou Moore, Decatur, IL; Lyle McConaughy, Aurora, NB; Florence Dean Post, Hot Springs, AR; John, Elaine, & Amy Gregory, Tom Gregory & Pattie Hodges, Tom & Gleeda McConahay, Indpls., IN; Rev. Andrew McConnaughie, Belfast, No., Ireland; Col. John D. McConahay, U. S. A. Ret., Fort Collins, CO; Howard McConahay, Brookfield, WI; Louise & Dick Covault, Sun City, AZ; Bev Covault Keller & Son, Fort Wayne, IN; Gerald Born, Chicago, IL; Bob & Marthellen Hogue, Mulberry, IN.

We had the business meeting in the morning for a change; re-read and accepted the By-Laws as presented and amended in 1982 and published in the 1982 Bulletin.

Scottish Fair & Auction both brought in some extra funds. Nothing spectacular, but everything helps and we were still healthy financially after the Gathering, which is really great!

It was suggested that we cut the the index to save space in the bulletin, but that wasn't widely acceptable; so we are going to try to condense it -- still have an effective index, but nut so many pages.

Suggested that we check into Bulk mailing which I have done in the past. I have already checked some and I don't think it is yet feasible, considering the cost and savings and size of our mailings, but we're going to pin it down carefully before deciding.

We discussed some 'come-on' to new members like a free copy of a McConnaughy Coat-of-arms. I would lean toward the one done by Eleanor McConky Callahan. Printing them would probably be prohibitive; but I have one in color which I believe might be photographed effectively in color and I will try to check into the cost of such a picture.

Quality of people is more important than quantity, but if we can increase the quantity of quality people, we can hold the dues down. They are still \$17.50 for 1983.

We need volunteers for planning and executing 1983 Gathering. This year the immediate family did most of it and didn't complain; however, we want to spread the fun around; so what would you like to do? How about volunteers for entertaining? Suggestions for kind of entertainment?

As stated, dues remain \$17.50 for 1983. You will receive the 'Disa & Data Letter' for the year starting when you pay your dues, so if your birth-date falls late in the year I suggest that you pay them early so you don't miss any of the Letters. That is the trouble with paying in your birth-month! The reasons to pay in your birth-month are valid, too -- keeps the cash flowing all year round and spreads the bookkeeping, instead of all coming at once; it's easier for you to remember -- no one ever forgets their own birthday@ I dread the chore of having 'staggered' expiration dates! I'm not ready for that step, so dues, as of now, are still from 1/1-12/31, payable in your birth-month if not before; but you will not receive the Disa & Data Letter until they are paid for the year.

The officers for 1982-84 are: Robert K. McConeghy, Tucson, AZ = Pres.; Howard McConahay, Brookfield, WI + Northern Vice-Pres.; Betty Matthews, Southern Vice-Pres. from Shelbyville, KY; Louise Covault, Sun City, AZ = Western Vice-Pres.; Jane Hoffman, Tarrytown, NY = Eastern Vice-Pres.; Maryellen Hower, Omaha, NB & Oter Tail, MN = Parliamentarian; Gleeda McConahay, Indpls, IN = Recording Sec.; Pat McConnaughay Gregory, Indpls., IN = Corresponding Sec. & Treas.; Randall McConahay, Libertyville, IN = Immediate PAST Pres. and Chairman of the Board; Clyde McConnaughay, Dixon, IL & Stuart Alyn (Al) McConnaha, Lebanon, IN = past Presidents and Members of the Board.

Sister Margaret has already registered for 1983! It isn't too early! Don't wait until the last minute! Next year's site is expected to be at the Holiday Southeast as it was this year.

#### SIMPLE PLEASURE

by Doris Bohannon of the Daviess Co.,  
IN 'hh' line

Come along and share with me, the joys of a summer day;  
When beautiful butterflies fill the sky, inviting the birds to come play.  
The tune is as soft as the ducklings down, as warm is the sun up above;  
Now's when the flowers declare their buds burst, for this is the time they love.  
The season's clock struck summer this morn, you must have noticed by now;  
Sweet smelling earth bathed clean by the rain, the charge in the moo of the cow.  
Hurry! Let's run, for we don't want to miss, not even a moment's delight;  
From the first bright glow of dear Mr. Sun; till the moon and the stars say good-night.

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## PLAQUE FOR PAT

The 'prime-movers' for the 'plaque fund' were probably Gleeda McConahay and Kate Gregory Thomas! Maybe that heart attack worried them and they figured they'd better get it done in case I didn't come out of it next time! Whatever the reason, they really pulled a 'slick' one, especially considering that I open all the mail! The response was most generous; so generous in fact that there's almost \$300 in a special 'Plaque Fund' after the plaque was paid for! Once we 'whip' the basics on our new computer, maybe that \$300 can go to software to put the genealogy material in the machine?? We'll keep it in a special fund for a while -- until we can decide what to do with it. Thanks a million to all of you who contributed.

Clyde's speech should be recorded for posterity; therefore, it follows:

"Most of us, I am sure, have seen the signs poster in various types of stores 'NO SHIRT...NO SHOES....NO ADMISSION.' We have with us tonight a person who never asked how you were dressed, how rich or poor you were, what church did you go to or whether you were a Democrat, Republican or, like myself, a member of the old Bull Moose Party.

"This person who became quite interested in tracing their family, was fortunate in becoming acquainted with another party who also was working on the same name. Together with a few others they formed a society. Now this group of people or society had one rather unique requirement and that was that somehow, somewhere and at some time you had to be a descendant of a McConnaughey. Now they never asked how you spelled your name so that is one reason that we have so many spellings and they also allowed you to pronounce your name any way that you wished so that is why we have McConkeys, McConaghys, McConathys, and even McConougheys. I have some cousins here whose parents, I am sure, were like mine and insisted that it was McConnaughay and my father would always remind us that it was good enough for our ancestors to bring across the pond so it should be good enough for us when we tried to shorten the spelling by dropping an 'h' or an 'n'.

"To a person who has devoted years, plus lots of work, and I am sure that quite a lot of money was spent by her, I would like to ask Pat McConnaughay Gregory to accept this as a token in tribute from the members of the McConnaughey Society of America, in love and appreciation for all that she has done for us and all of the Society's members."

The plaque features the Society logo and name at the top then says "Presented to Pat McConnaughay Gregory In appreciation of her untiring efforts and devotion to the task of finding our ancestors, This 14th Day of August, 1982." It occupies a place of honor on my office wall where I can see it daily and be warmed by the feeling it generates.

Ideas for the use of the balance of the fund are solicited and will be given careful consideration. Contributions for this fund will be accepted if there are any among you who wish to make donations.

\* A picture of "Pat's Plaque appears on the inside of the front cover.

Those who donated to the Plaque Fund were:

Don & Betty Johnson; Mrs. Wm. Glenn Post; Robert McConaughy; Merle Binkley; Clyde McConnaughay; Mrs. Charles McConahay; Lyle B. McConaughy; Mrs. Royal Morse, Jr.; S. Alyn McConnaha; Hugh McConahey; Mrs. F. L. Hoffman; Linus B. Davidson; Douglas & Opal McConaghy; Edwin V. King, Jr.; Mrs. Emmett B. Moore; Mbel Pease; Mrs. Robert Matthews; Tom & Gleeda McConahay; Thelma L. McConnaughy Conner Cooper; Andi McConaughy Cramer; Sr. Margaret Teresa McConaughy; Jim Moore; Louise Covault, Klista Stender, Geo. H. McConnaughy; Virgil G. McConnaughy; Gerald Born; Martha Piercefield.

This is the list I was given and we all apologize if anyone was left out -- it was certainly not intentional.

## Mountain Mist to give concert at Brookside

Ashland Times-Gazette, Wednesday, August 20, 1980

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Band members (l-r) Don Peters

Tom McConahay, Bill Alkire and Jim Amstutz

Mountain Mist will present a concert at the Myers Memorial Band Shell on Thursday at 8:15 p.m.

Mountain Mist will be making its first appearance on the Brookside Summer Concert Series. Members of the band are Don Peters, Tom McConahay, Bill Alkire and Jim Amstutz.

The group started out singing gospel music in 1978 and since has built its musical repertoire of a variety of musical styles such as pop music, rock and roll, old jazz standards, country music and polkas. The group also calls square and round dances.

Included in the program will be "Joy to the World," "Taking Care of Business," "Blue Moon," "Whispering" and tunes by John

Denver and Kenny Rogers.

Alkire and McConahay are both currently playing in stage shows on the Frontier Trail at Cedar Point. Peters, the drummer, is an Ashland College student as is guitarist Jim Amstutz.

In case of rain, the program will be postponed to another date. There is no admission charge.

## BY-LAWS

In 1981 we had a first reading and discussion of the proposed By-Laws which were closely patterned after those developed by Nyal Doak McConoughey for the Arizona Chapter. A number of changes, deletions, additions, etc. were proposed and we had the fortunate assistance of Maryellen Hower, who is a Parliamentarian and now is our official Parliamentarian. She acknowledged that they were well done; so there really were not many changes. The document, as amended, was printed in the 1981 bulletin.

In the 1982 Business Meeting, August 14, at the Gathering, the amended document was read again, with a few small changes later proposed by Maryellen. The changes were discussed, voted on, and passed; therefore we now have the By-Laws to accompany the Constitution, which is a requirement in Indiana for organizations like ours.

Since we try (hard!) to keep business meetings short and sweet, we did not go into the 'Proposed Duties of Officers' which should accompany the By-Laws. I am going to present an out-line of such duties and ask that you read and consider them, suggest changes, deletions, additions, etc. and they will be voted on at the 1983 Gathering:

### PROPOSED DUTIES OF OFFICERS

#### IMMEDIATE PAST-PRES. & CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD:

1. Will arrange a meeting of the Board at the Annual Gathering.
2. Will call additional meetings if there is a compelling reason.

#### PRESIDENT:

1. Be the official representative of the Society.
2. Preside at all meetings of the Society & the Executive Committee..
3. Be ex-officio member of all committees except the Nominating Committee.
4. Enforce laws of the Society & uphold it's dignity.
5. Appoint, with the approval of the Executive Committee, the Standing Committees of the Society.

#### VICE-PRESIDENTS:

1. In the absence of the President, perform the duties of the President and such other duties as assigned by the President or Executive Com.
2. Actively seek to create interest in their territory, to 'recruit' others to assist in their territory, to increase membership.

#### RECORDING SECRETARY:

1. Keep a record of the proceedings of all meetings of the Society & the Executive Committee & the Board.
2. Supply the President with a copy of the minutes of all meetings within thirty days after the meeting.

#### Corresponding Secretary:

1. Contact new or proposed members & maintain correspondence with those who write.
2. Keep an 'up-to-date' Master Mailing List.

#### Treasurer:

1. Have charge of all funds.
2. Keep an account of all receipts and disbursements and submit a written statement at the annual meeting.

## WITH THE CHAPTERS

ARIZONA: Two of the original 'driving forces' behind the Arizona chapter were 'side-lined' last year. Nyal McConoughey was in Ohio most of the year caring for his elderly sick mother and Bob McConeghey did like the Gregory's did and had a mild heart problem. In spite of the problems, there was a November meeting & plans proceeded to continue the Chapter.

This spring there was the picnic. The tape Nyal sent was punctuated by the high winds. Having been there last year, we understood and appreciated the situation. They seemed to have a high, old time with a lot of singing, Nyal at the lap harp.

If you live in Arizona, get hold of these good people and join in the fun!

Bob & Win McConeghey, 1940 Tam O'Shanter Ave. Tucson, AZ 85710  
Nyal & Kosa McConoughey, 541 E. Mountain Sunrise Pl., Tucson, AZ 85704  
Art & Beulah McConnaughay, 4210 W. Marshall Ave., Phoenix, AZ 85019  
Dick & Louise Covault, 10247 Hutton Dr., Sun City, AZ 85351  
George & Jackie McConaha, 3519 Pinto LN, Scottsdale, AZ 85251

This is not all the members, but should give you Arizona people someone close to where you are. Try it -- you should like it!

NORTH IRELAND: You may recall last year we mentioned Ronnie McConaghie wanting to start a chapter in North Ireland. So far we have one other member, Bessie Mc Conaghey, "The Cottage", Derry Rd., Strabane, Co. Tyrone, North Ireland 126. Since both the Gettysburg and West Virginia branches claim Co. Tyrone roots, we have been hoping to make some strides in that direction; but so far it hasn't happened.

Of course we have Wm. Norman McConaghie and Rev. Andy McConnaughie who we consider members; so that's four and I'm sure Ina (in Belfast) would be interested if approached, as she has been most supportive over the years.

If you know any of our name (or descent) over there, have them contact Ronnie McConaghie, 18, Henry Street, Ballymoney BT53 6HX, Co. Antrim, No. Ireland.

ILLINOIS: Now this was not and is not strictly speaking a chapter; but when you see 100± of McConnaughay, you 'feel' like it's a chapter! Kate Thomas and her 2 youngsters, Joe & Annie, and mother Pat Gregory went to near Aurora, IL on Sunday Sept. 18th, 1982 to join with the huge 'hh' McConnaughay branch. Art, Beulah, Dick, and Eleanor were there from Arizona. Clyde & Bessie McConnaughay came over from Dixon, IL. It was our first meeting with Bessie -- Clyde is a distant cousin of these Aurora/Batavia/Geneva, etc. McConnaughays.

I met Terry McConnaughay, one of the Charter Members, for the first time in all these years! For many years he was a neighbor of Ken McConnaughay's cousin, Harold Gallaspie, so he was one of the first we contacted when we started this search.

One of the interesting features of the Gathering was that everyone present used the McConnaughay spelling! They could easily start their own Illinois chapter and pick up others (or not) as they go along. Come on, Illinois, be the next cahpter!!

## SCIENTIFIC OR FORKED STICK?

'Witch' way ---

Cousin George H. McConnaughey of Glenrock, Wyoming modestly claims that the reason he gets full-page spreads in the Glenrock Independent is the news is scarce around there. If you'll recall the 'mosquitoe' adventure in an earlier bulletin and study the present offering, I think you will agree that George could get a full-page in many newspapers!

"George McConnaughey comes from a long line of witches. In fact, George himself is a son of a witch. George, a long-time Glenrock businessman and community-oriented civic servant, is usually seen about town in knee-high rubber irrigation boots while carrying a metal ladle used for continuing his perennial bout with 'skeeters. He is also the town's resident water witch.

"That title does not comfort George, who does not understand the forces which accurately divine the presence of underground water channels. For countless years, George has been consulted for his services as a water witch. the startling fact is that he is seldom wrong in his determinations. Many Glenrock developers and water well drillers would nto consider starting a well until George has been consulted and granted his consensus on the final drilling site.

"George does not believe in water witching -- he merely says that it works. Other than that, he is reluctant to talk about it at length. He has witched some 70 to 80 wells in the area with a high success rate. Only 2 or 3 have not been producing wells. George's process is so accurate, that he says he can detect water channels beneath a river or while riding over the countryside inside a vehicle.

"Back in the days when the town government was less involved with engineering studies, hydrology, geologic formations, and the like, George was asked to locate a site for a new town water well. George's talents resulted in the Park Well, one of the town's most productive and stable domestic water sources.

"Most recently, George was asked to determine the water potential on property on which the Glenrock golf course is scheduled to be built. The course's investors are hoping to locate a water source which will assist in the irrigation of the grounds. Monday afternoon, George was found in Indian Hills on the gentle rolling hills and sagebrush constituting the future golf course site, walking along the fence line on the western extreme. He was holding a forked willow sapling in front of him. Either end of the willow was held in George's hands, secured by the fingers and the thumb in a palms-up position. George would slowly and methodically march down the fence line, his head bent slightly downward, his experienced eyes peering from behind his sunglasses toward the single willow branch pointing straight ahead. He walked a distance and no activity subjected itself to the willow. Suddenly, he took another step and the divining rod discernably and undeniably dipped. Another step, and it was pointing downward, possibly in the direction of some underground water channel.

"George, who is always sporting a mischievous smile and a constant wise-crack, transforms into a solidly serious craftsman when he is wielding his diving rod. He is not so intent that he does not notice a camera pointed in his general direction. He quickly stops his witching, changes back to

his usual self, and humorously insults the photographer and suggests a suitable place to store the camera and lens. Once the camera is safely tucked away at a distance, the water witch resumes his tedious but enjoyable task. "I don't want no damn publicity," he says.

"An engineer or a surveyor would scoff or hold in contempt the instruments which George uses to mark his water sites. George finds a snowball on top of the wooden post of the fence, or a cowchip rigged in the barbed wire, just perfect for designating his choice for drilling a water well.

"After he divines the presence of water, George sets to determine the depth this water-bearing vein may be found. He starts to walk back to the car, but his foot becomes entangled in an abandoned length of tarnished barbed wire. "This is valuable." George says, as he straightens the wire. He fashions one end of the strand with a series of "S" shaped loops. Kneeling, George places the looped end of the wire on the ground, while holding the smaller end in his right hand. He starts the wire bouncing. Then, the wire continues to bounce on its own. George counts the number of bobs, which he later says translates into the footage depth of the water bearing layer. "139 feet down," he declares confidently. Through such a system, George is able to determine the location and depth of a water vein. However, he says that volume is not easy to divine.

"Rather than just a forked willow, George occasionally uses two brass rods to more formally and precisely discover or locate an underground water source. The rods, when they detect water, will either cross or be thrown to the sides when they are directly over a water channel.

"IS IT merely a bundle of bunk? Maybe, maybe not. Town Engineer Al "Boots" Nelson, Town Surveyor Joe Popp and Public Works Director Dave Eason were each questioned on the principle and their faith in the process of water witching. Each of these academically-trained and intellectually-oriented individuals initially offered a flat "No" to the question. However, they offered a quick "But..." as a postface, relating personal experiences with the accuracy of diving methods.

"A scoffing reporter, who joked about the water witch technique, was given a sudden initiation into the process. He was given a willow sapling and ordered to walk in the area of which McConaughy earlier detected the presence of underground water. Suddenly and unquestionably, the single end of the willow was forced downward; as much as the reporter fought the unknown force, it became stronger. It was as if a large magnetic field pulled the stick forcefully downward. It was certainly a startling and disturbing experience.

"George relates a similar episode with another non-believer. A burly, sinewy rancher distrusted the witching process, so George offered him a large forked piece of wood and instructed him to walk in an area. The rancher resisted the force of the downward pull of the stick so much that the bark was twisted off the wood.

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"The result of George's divining on the site of the new golf course may very well be producing water wells. George witched other areas in the golf course property, and he concluded that a deep, wide underground river runs from the southwest to the northeast of the area. The golf course investors are planning to drill within weeks at George's marked locations. And unlike engineers or hydrologists who may take months to make the same determination of water well locations. George does not charge a dime for his time.

Collateral Surnames from

the

L. D. S. Computer Index for Scotland

by Marianne Herold McNair

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Code: M = Marriage Date; C = Baptism Date; B = Birth Date

Argyllshire, cont.

		<u>Date</u>	<u>Parish</u>
<u>McLarty</u> , Margaret	<u>John McConechy</u>	M Jun 1792	Campbelltown
	Son: <u>Duncan</u>	B 22 Apr 1793	Campbelltown
<u>McLarty</u> , Margaret	<u>Malcom McConchie</u>		
	Son: <u>Alexander</u>	C 18 Aug 1753	Campbelltown
<u>McLarty</u> , Mary	<u>Archibald McConochy</u>		
	Son: <u>Archibald</u>	C Apr 1751	Campbelltown
	Dau: <u>More</u>	C 15 Jul 1758	Campbelltown
<u>McMillan</u> , Betsy (Betty)	<u>Dugald MacConochie</u>	M 19 Feb 1820	Saddell/Skipness
	Dau: <u>Betsy</u>	C 2 Apr 1831	Saddell/Skipness
	Son: <u>Andrew</u>	C 12 Apr 1832/3	Saddell/Skipness
<u>McMillan</u> , Donald	<u>Isobella McConachy</u>	M 16 Feb. 1822	Saddell/Skipness
<u>McMillan</u> , Katherin	<u>Dugald McConachie</u>	M 5 Oct 1755	Campbelltown
<u>McMillan</u> , Malcolm	<u>Helen McConnochy</u>	M 17 Sep 1782	Campbelltown
<u>McMillan</u> , Mary	<u>Alexander Mac Conachy</u>	M 16 Dec 1812	Southend
<u>McMillan</u> , Alexander	<u>Mary McConachy</u>	M 12 Apr 1816	Southend
<u>McMurchy</u> , Janet	<u>Hugh McConnochy</u>	M 29 Jan 1816	Campbelltown
<u>McNeil</u> , Ann	<u>Alexander McConachy</u>	M 22 Sep 1789	Southend
<u>McQueen</u> , Catherine	<u>Donald McConachie</u>		
	Dau: <u>Margaret</u>	C 1 Aug 1765	Kilfinan
<u>Stewart</u> , Margaret	<u>Duncan McConachy</u>		
	Son: <u>Duncan</u>	C 11 Jun 1850	Campbelltown
<u>Thomson</u> , Betty	<u>Iver McConochy</u>	M 7 Jun 1774	Campbelltown

Banff Shire

<u>Bain</u> , Jean	<u>Andrew McConochie</u>		
	Son: <u>Andrew</u>	B 18 Oct 1844	Deskford
<u>Koir</u> , Jean	<u>William McConachie</u>	M Dec 1811	Kirktown
<u>Kellas</u> , Elizabeth	<u>William McConachie</u>	M 27 Mar 1832	Carbrack
<u>McWilliams</u> , Margaret	<u>Alexander McKonochy</u>	M 22 Dec 1726	Aberlour
<u>Milne</u> , Charles	<u>Isobel McKondachie</u>	M 13 Mar 1755	Kirktown of M
<u>Milne</u> , Elizabeth	<u>John M'Onachy</u>	M 9 Jul 1786	Aberlour
<u>Milne</u> , Christian	<u>William McOnochie</u>	M 19 Dec 1842	Botriphnie
<u>Simpson</u> , Harry	<u>Emily McConnachie</u>	M 12 Nov 1909	Mortlack
_____, _____ ??	<u>Alexander McKondachy</u>		
	Son: <u>John</u>	C 24 Feb 1704	Aberlour

Caithness Shire

<u>Gunn</u> , William	<u>Margaret McHonki</u>	m. 15 Mar 1700	Thurso
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Inverness Shire

<u>Cameron</u> , Gradach	<u>Thomas McConachy</u>		
	Dau: <u>Janet</u>	C 31 Jul 1750	Urquhart
<u>Fraser</u> , Mary	<u>Thomas McConachy</u>		
	Dau: <u>Catherine</u>	C 7 Jul 1744	Urquhart

<u>McDonald, Mary</u>	<u>Thomas McConachy</u> dau: <u>Catherine</u>	C 7 Jul 1744	Urquhart
<u>McLacklin, Ann</u>	<u>Donald McConnockie</u> Dau: <u>Donalda</u>	C 8 Mar 1859	Urquhart
<u>McLaughlane, Ann</u>	<u>Donald McConnockie</u> Child:		
<u>Moray Shire</u>			
<u>Cruickshank, Ann</u>	<u>Robert McConachie</u> Dau: <u>Isobella</u> Son: <u>Robert Wm.</u>	B 14 Sep 1860 B 2 Jun 1864	Knockando Knockando
<u>Douglas, Jane</u>	<u>Peter McConnachie</u> Son: <u>Peter</u>	B 29 Oct 1867	Elgin
<u>Farquharson, Peter</u>	<u>Margaret McKondachie</u>	M 12 Aug 1837	Knockando
<u>Fraser, Ann</u>	<u>Robert McConnachie</u> Dau: <u>Ann</u>	B 13 May 1856	Edinkillie
<u>Gilbert, Mary</u>	<u>William McConachie</u> Son: <u>Alexander</u> Dau: <u>Margaret</u> Son: <u>James</u> Son: <u>Donald</u> Dau: <u>Elspet</u>	B 13 Mar 1856 B 15 Sep 1857 B 17 Jan 1859 B 24 May 1861 B 4 Nov 1865	Knockando Knockando Knockando Knockando Knockando
<u>Hay, Helen</u>	<u>Donald MacConnachie</u> Son: <u>Andrew</u> Dau: <u>Jessie Pearey</u> Dau: <u>Helen</u> Son: <u>Wm.</u> Dau: <u>Isabella</u> Dau: <u>Margaret</u>	B 21 Jan 1855 B 17 Aug 1856 B 25 Jan 1859 B 29 Oct 1860 B 2 Aug 1862 B 13 Oct 1860	Elgin Elgin Elgin Elgin Elgin Elgin
<u>McConnachie, Margaret</u>	Only Parent of Dau: <u>Johanna Margaret</u>	B 15 Apr 1855	Elgin
<u>McConachie, Jane</u>	<u>Charles McConachie</u>	M 19 Mar 1863	Knockando
<u>McLanan, Jane</u>	<u>Daniel McConachie</u> Dau: <u>Elspet</u>	B 12 Oct 1858	Knockando
<u>McLennan, Jane</u>	<u>Alexander McConchie</u> Dau: <u>Elspet</u> Son: <u>Alexander John</u> Son: <u>James</u>	B 24 Sep 1855 b 6 Sep 1863 B 20 Jul 1867	Knockando Knockando Knockando
<u>McLeal (Leal), Mary</u>	<u>Daniel McConnachie</u> Dau: <u>Jessie</u> Dau: <u>Mary</u> Dau: <u>Elspeth</u>	B 21 Dec. 1856 B 20 Oct 1860 B 12 Oct 1858	Knockando Knockando Knockando
<u>McKintosh, Jane</u>	<u>Alexander McConnachie</u> Dau: <u>Betty</u> Son: <u>William</u>	B 2 Jan 1865 B 30 Jan 1866	Knockando Knockando
<u>Milne, Jessie</u>	<u>John McConachie</u> Son: <u>James</u> Son: <u>John</u>	B 28 Feb 1856 B 19 Mar 1859	Knockando Knockando
<u>Robertson, Helen</u>	<u>William McKondaghie</u> Dau: <u>Margaret</u> Son: <u>James</u>	M 9 Jul 1805 C 25 Sep 1806 C 18 May 1812	Knockando Knockando Knockando
<u>Younie, Jean</u>	<u>Alexander McKondachy</u>	M 8 Mar 1810	Knockando

PERTH SHIRE

<u>Donaldson</u> , Margaret	<u>James Macondachie</u>		
	Dau: <u>Ann</u>	C 6 Jul 1775	Fortevirt
	Dau: <u>Mary</u>	C 10 Oct 1778	Fortevirt
	Son: <u>John</u>	C 3 Dec 1780	Fortevirt
	Dau: <u>Elizabeth</u>	C 14 May 1783	Fortevirt
	Dau: <u>Margaret</u>	C 14 May 1786	Fortevirt
<u>McGregor</u> , Christian	<u>Patrick McCondachie</u>		
	Son: <u>Donald</u>	C 20 Apr 1712	Kenmore
<u>Thomsone</u> , John	<u>Janet McConzie</u>	M 24 Feb 1665	Dunblane
<u>Ferguson</u> , Janet	<u>John McConie</u>	M 23 Mar 1750	Kincordine

ROSS & CROMARTY SHIRE

<u>McLean</u> , Margaret	<u>Donald McConchie</u>	M 24 Jul 1717	Urquhart
<u>Munro</u> , Margaret	<u>Finlay MacChoinich</u>	M 29 May 1739	Fodderty

ISLAND & SHIRE OF BUTE

<u>Adam</u> , Elizabeth	<u>John McConachy</u>	M 6 Mar 1745	Rothsay
<u>Alexander</u> , Joseph	<u>Ann McConechy</u>	M 20 Dec 1841	"
<u>Austin</u> , Janet	<u>Robert McConachy</u>	M 16 Jan 1738	"
<u>Bannatyne</u> , Alexander	<u>Elizabeth McConaechy</u>	M 16 Mar 1783	"
" Elizabeth	<u>John McConachy</u>	M 24 Aug 1790	"
" John	<u>Mary McConechy</u>	M 21 Feb 1788	"
" Mary	<u>John McConachy</u>	M 6 Jul 1818	"
" Neil	<u>Janet McConechy</u>	M 21 Jan 1773	"
" Robert	<u>Elizabeth McConechy</u>	M 2 May 1797	"
<u>Baxter</u> , Duncan	<u>Margaret McConechy</u>	M 8 Mar 1790	"
<u>Beith</u> , Adam	<u>Catherine McConachy</u>	M 3 Mar 1743	"
<u>Black</u> , Archibald	<u>Catherine McConachy</u>	M 5 Jul 1797	"
" Archibald	<u>Janet McConechy</u>	M 20 Jun 1786	"
" Catherine	<u>Alexander McConechy</u>	M 29 Mar 1779	"
" Elspeth(Eliz.)	<u>John McConachy</u>	M 1 Feb 1710	"
" Janet	<u>Robert McConachy</u>	M 5 Mar 1816	"
" Margaret	<u>Dugald McConachy</u>	M 15 Feb 1743	"
" Stewart	<u>Mary McConachy</u>	M 3 Mar 1814	"
<u>Bonnatyne</u> , Eliz.	<u>Archibald McConachy</u>	M 12 Mar 1747	"
" Grisel	<u>Archibald McConachy</u>	M 10 Jan 1713	"
" Janet	<u>Archibald McConachy</u>	M 12 Sep 1782	"
" Margaret	<u>Archibald McConachy</u>	M 4 Apr 1778	"
" Mary	<u>Hugh McConchy</u>	M 29 Aug 1790	"
" William	<u>Jean McConechy</u>	M 9 Mar 1753	"
<u>Brown</u> , Angus	<u>Mary McConachy</u>	M 18 Feb 1802	"
" Archibald	<u>Catherine McConchy</u>	M 24 Jan 1793	"
" Archibald	<u>Catherine McConachy</u>	M 24 Apr 1810	"
" Christian	<u>John McConachy</u>	M 14 Jan 1704	"
" Christian	<u>Robert McConechy</u>	M 21 Jun 1791	"
" Daniel	<u>Jean McConechy</u>	M 1 Feb. 1752	Kilmory & Rothsay
" Duncan	<u>Agnes McConachy</u>	M 11 Feb 1697	Rothsay
" Duncan	<u>Catherine McConachy</u>	M 25 Jul 1763	"
" Duncan	<u>Janet McConechy</u>	M 7 Aug 1788	"
" Eliz.	<u>Archibald McConachy</u>	M 3 Dec 1807	"
" James	<u>Catherine McConachy</u>	M 12 Apr 1808	"
" James	<u>Elizabeth McConachy</u>	M 6 Mar 1800	"
" John	<u>Catherine McConachy</u>	M 14 Feb 1795	"

<u>Brown</u> , John	<u>Mary</u> McConachy	M 20 May 1799	Rothesay
" Margaret	<u>James</u> Maconechy	M 17 Feb 1781	"
" Margaret	<u>Robert</u> McConechy	M 27 Jul 1797	"
" Robert	<u>Grisel</u> McConachy	M 25 Apr 1800	"
" Robert	<u>Mary</u> McConachy	M 29 Jun 1701	"
<u>Bruce</u> , Agnes	<u>Thomas</u> McConechy	M 20 Dec 1838	"
<u>Bryson</u> , Mary	<u>John</u> McConachy	M 26 Jan 1706	"
<u>Bryce</u> , Worthe Montague	<u>Donald</u> McConechy	M 24 Aug 1779	"
(Worthe Montague is famous in history as a woman who alerted the English govt. to the benefits of vaccination against smallpox. She was a 'Lady'.)			
<u>Campbell</u> , Barbara	<u>Donald</u> McConachy		
	Dau: <u>Helen</u>	C 28 Oct 1711	Rothesay
" Colin	<u>Mary</u> McConachy	M 4 Jan 1780	"
" Donald	<u>Elspeth</u> McConachy	M 18 Jul 1758	"
" Donald	<u>Catherine</u> McConechy	M 25 Apr 1853	"
" Janet	<u>James</u> McConechy	M 20 Jun 1786	"
" Lachlan	<u>Catherine</u> McConechy	M 25 Apr 1843	Killbride
" Mary	<u>David</u> McConachy		
	Dau: <u>Elizabeth</u>	C 10 Jan 1703	Rothesay
" Mary	<u>Donald</u> McConachy		
	Dau: <u>Helen</u>	C 28 Oct 1711	"
" Isobel	<u>Donald</u> McConachy	M 23 Apr 1709	"
<u>Cochran</u> , Mary	<u>Robert</u> McConachy	M 29 Jan 1736	"
<u>Crawford</u> , John	<u>Elizabeth</u> McConachy	M 30 Jan 1810	"
" Lilly	<u>Archibald</u> McConachy	M 22 Apr 1817	"
" Mary	<u>Alexander</u> McConachy	M 8 Jan 1821	"
" Mary	<u>Robert</u> McConachy	M 8 Jan 1821	Kingarth
	Dau: <u>Susey</u>	C 19 Jun 1825	"
	Son: <u>Alexander</u>	C 6 Feb 1822	"
	Son: <u>John</u>	C 24 Aug 1823	"
	Dau: <u>Mary</u>	C 17 Aug 1828	"
<u>Cunningham</u> , John	<u>Elspeth</u> McConachie	M 6 Jan 1694	Rothesay
" Mary	<u>John</u> McConechy	M 29 Jan 1772	"
<u>Currie</u> , Duncan	<u>Catherine</u> McConechy	M 25 Apr 1843	"
" Peter	<u>Elizabeth</u> McConachy	M 11 Feb 1812	"
<u>Curruthers</u> , Mary	<u>Alexander</u> McConechy	M 20 Jan 1784	"
<u>Cutterell</u> , William	<u>Margaret</u> McConechy	M 13 May 1767	"
<u>Douglas</u> , Elizabeth	<u>Alexander</u> McConachy	M 1 Dec 1798	"
<u>Duncan</u> , Daniel	<u>Janet</u> McConechy	M 18 Dec 1837	"
" Mary	<u>Archibald</u> McConachy	M 22 Nov 1833	"
" Robert	<u>Agnes</u> McConechy	M 4 Jun 1839	"
<u>Ferguson</u> , Alexander	<u>Grisel</u> McConachy	M 12 Mar 1818	"
" Duncan	<u>Margaret</u> McConachy	M 9 Jul 1807	"
" Donald	<u>Margaret</u> McConachy	M 12 Feb 1793	"
" Janet	<u>Donald</u> McConachy	M 6 May 1718	"
" Janet	<u>James</u> McConachy	M 10 Dec 1817	"
<u>Fergy</u> , Isabel	<u>Patrick</u> McConachy	M 3 Mar 1722	"
<u>Fisher</u> , Robert	<u>Elizabeth</u> McConachy	M 10 Dec 1817	"
<u>Fraser</u> , Elizabeth	<u>James</u> Mac Conechy	M 23 Jan 1770	"
" Janet	<u>Donald</u> McConechy	M 26 Mar 1756	"
<u>Frew</u> , Arch	<u>Elspeth</u> McConachy	M 14 Dec 1727	"
" Janet	<u>John</u> McConachy	M 6 Feb 1750	"
<u>Fullarton</u> , James	<u>Isabell</u> McConachy	M 12 Jul 1803	"
" Robert	<u>Lillie</u> McConachy	M 18 Apr 1767	"

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## 30-BY-30 FEET OF TRANQUILITY

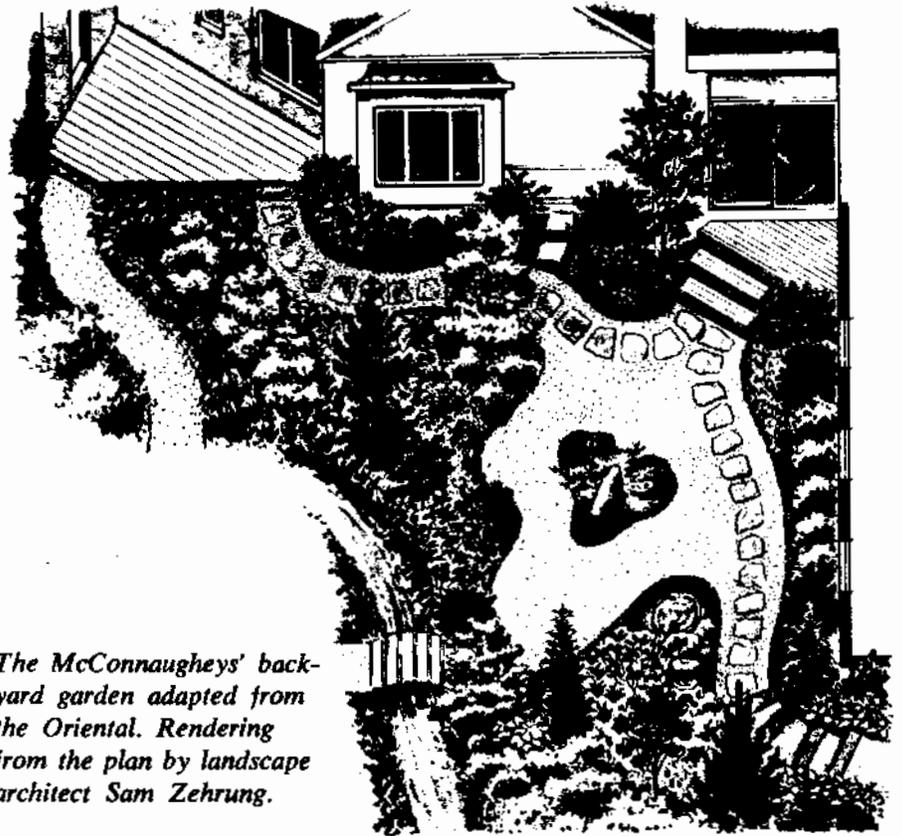
Garden maintenance goes 'way down when you use Oriental techniques  
by John Brimer, Garden Editor  
Suburbia Today  
October, 1964

ONCE UPON A time there was an indifferent back yard in Kettering, Ohio, more trouble than it was worth in summer and a dreary sight from the end of the long living room in winter. Today, summer or winter, it is 30 feet by 30 feet of tranquility, according to the Jamew McConnaugheys, who recently had a garden in the Japanese style laid out in the space.

"It's a great garden," Mr. McConnaughey reports, "for the following reasons: first, it's different; second, it's an all-season garden, designed for enjoyment in winter as well as in summer, fall, and spring; and third, its maintenance is pretty close to nil -- literally, a few minutes a day pulling up weeds. "To me," he goes on to say, "there's something infinitely restful in the gravel areas which accent the green areas. There is a pond with a pump-fed stream of water running over the rocks at the end of the garden, and there is just enough bloom to catch the eye here and there."

This 30' x 30' back yard has become 'a great garden' because, wisely, it was the principles only of Oriental gardening that were adapted. We are not Zen Buddhists, nor are our houses often of Oriental inspiration, and for our purposes it is a mistake to copy too literally. By studying carefully, however, we can discover, as the McConnaugheys did, the good common-sense compositional rules that lie behind the window dressing of philosophical strictures which govern Oriental garden design. By sticking to composition and choosing plants for their Oriental effect, we will do better than if we get bogged down in religious and philosophical considerations.

Oriental gardens are founded on nature, often simulating a whole landscape in a small area. This means that the flowing curves of nature, three-dimensional hills and valleys, as well as the flat areas of ponds or 'oceans' are featured. Heaped up earth simulates hills with rocks set to indicate cliffs or outcroppings and to lend interest to a too-flat area, while a garden pool or paved terrace can serve as the 'ocean' or pond area. The trees and shrubbery should be chosen to



*The McConnaugheys' backyard garden adapted from the Oriental. Rendering from the plan by landscape architect Sam Zehrung.*

ILLUSTRATION BY THE AUTHOR

be in scale and to stay within bounds without constant pruning and shaping, thus further cutting maintenance.

Flowering material is found mostly in shrubs and trees, other flowering plants being used sparingly and where they will mean the most. By using dwarf types simply and with economy, by spotting evergreens among deciduous material to give year-long effects, and most of all, by limiting the lawn area to a small space, we can halve garden work and still have a well-kept, well-ordered garden.

LET THE PATHS curve according to the dictates of the land contours, gently or sharply. Surface them with pebbles and set flat steppingstones at easy paces apart. By placing heavy plastic beneath the paths (well punctured to assure good drainage) we can eliminate weeds and weeding. Mulch shrubs and trees with about four inches of pebbles; they'll keep the soil cool and allow moisture to run through easily. The few weeds that have the temerity to poke through can be picked out quickly and easily. As the garden establishes itself it becomes even more care-less and more beautiful.

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Note: So far as we know this is one of the James McConnaugheys of the Ligonier Tine near Dayton, probably the former editor of the Kettering Times (Name may not be accurate, but it was a Kettering newspaper).

## "NOTES" ON THE WEST VIRGINIA LINE

These were sent to us recently by Florence Dean Post from her 'old' files, probably accumulated during the 1930's. This is the line from David McConnaughey who was first post master of and who named Cameron, West Virginia.

The following letter written by Isabel Florence McConnaughey Dean to her daughter, Florence Dean Post:

"Sir Thomas Long--Captain in the Royal (British) Navy, fought in Canadian seas and was given a land grant on the St. James' River. (Was it because he discovered Wrangell Island?) Sir Thomas Long married Nancy A. Carlisle -- daughter of Lord and Lady Isabel Carlisle. Nancy Carlisle Long Married Samuel Davis(on) of county Armaugh, Ireland. Their daughter Anna Marie Davis married David McConaughy who settled and named the town Cameron, VA (now West Virginia). Isabel Florence McConaughy, daughter of David and Anna, born in Cameron 10 Feb. 1863 (Named for her great grandmother, Lady Isabel Carlisle) married Samuel A. Dean."

Note: McConnaughey is the spelling your editor has become accustomed to using for this line. You will note, however, that it is spelt differently above and will be spelt differently again below! Another case of 'Who knows???'

DEED BOOK 8, p. 89 MOUNDSVILLE, WV: 1852 David McConaughy and Ann his wife sold

'This deed made the 9th day of March 1852 between David McConaughy and Ann his wife of the first part and Samuel Cameron of the second part witnesseth that said parties of the first part in consideration of the sum of \$75 do grant unto the said party of the second part the following, described tract of land being part of the farm on which David now resides in Marshall Co., being a piece of the bottom land on the north side of and adjoining the Baltimore and Ohio R. R. beginning at a stake in the outer limits of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad on north side of the railroad fifty feet back of station 110 running N. 62½ W. to X., a sycamore tree near edge of a small run. Standing on the county road 326 feet thence S. 62°9' W. 395 feet to stake, on the hill side. Thence S. 9° E. 50 ft. to the limits of the railroad opposite station 116 thence limits of the nail to the beginning containing 1¼ acres and said parties of the first part do have by warrant the premises hereby consigned generally.

Marshall Co. Va.

1852

Wm. Conaughy

Robert McConaughy, justice of peace, witnessed above.

Note: I suspect that David's signature was very difficult to read and they couldn't pick up the first name at all and the Mc looked like Wm. Just about the only explanation since a Wm. would never have signed David's deed!!

DEED BOOK I, p. 419, 1836: David McConaughy of Ohio Co. & State of VA bought from Jacob Lewis and Joseph Lewis for \$850 dollars. "A certain part and parcel of land lying and being situate in Marshall County, State of VA on the right hand fork of big Grave Creek and bounded as follows (vis) beginning at the northwest corner at a white oak thence south one hundred & 60 poles to a white walnut thence east one hundred 48 poles to a white oak thence north eight degrees, east one hundred and 60 poles to two dog woods thence west 26 poles to an iron wood and back thence north 80 poles to a white oak thence south 80 poles to a hickory thence west 26 poles to the beginning. containing 224½ acres with all appurtenances and privileges thereunto belonging to have and to hold the said land with its appertinances unto

him David McConaughy his heirs and assignees the above described tract or parcel of land will warrant and forever defend against all claims and persons whatsoever. Be witness whereof we have hereunto set our hand and seal the day and year first aforesaid.

Jacob Lewis, Elizabeth Lewis, Joseph Lewis.

Deed Book 1 p. 377: 1837 -- David McConaughy from Jesse Tomlinson Lot 111, 112 Elizabethtown.

Deed Book 7, p. 439: 1837 -- David McConaughy -- bought from John Tarr 35½ acres, Fork B. Grave creek.

Deed Book 5, p. 439: David McConaughy bought from David Rush Waters S. Fork Grave Creek

Deed Book 6, p. 135: 1847 -- David McConaughy bought from Joshua Burley 30 A. S. Fork Grave Creek

Robert McConaughy's Will, Will Book I, Moundsville Court House:

Washington, Iowa

In the name of God Amen.

Being conscious of the uncertainty of life and deeply impressed in regard to my approaching dissolution and being desirous, while I remain in a sound and disposing mind to arrange my temporal affairs hereby revoking any and all former will or wills of any and every kind by me made, I do hereby make and constitute this my last will and testament and 1st I desire to commit my spirit to God who gave it and my body to the earth whence it came.

2nd: After paying the expenses of my last illness and burial I desire my executor (herewith to be named) out of the effects which God has committed to my keeping and which shall still remain undisposed of to pay off all my past debts should any remain unpaid.

3rd. To my three sons, David, William, and James McConaughy, who are all now very comfortably situated in addition to what I have given them I hereby give and bequeath unto each of them one dollar which my executor is hereby authorized to pay to them out of my effects.

4th: To my beloved daughter, Elizabeth M. Dinsmore, in consideration of the love and affection I bear to her and in view of the many trials and difficulties she has been called upon to endure as the wife of a Christian minister in the western frontier I give and bequeath to her all my property real and personal and mixed of which I died seized and possessed that may remain after paying my past debts.

5th: I hereby constitute and appoint Thomas W. Dinsmore my sole executor.

Witness my hand and seal this 15th day of Decemeber A. S. 1857.

Signed and sealed in the presence of Robert McConaughy

John Look

Robert Martin

State of Iowa, Washington Co.

DEED BOOK OF MOUNDVILLE COURT HOUSE: This indenture made this 23rd day of January in the year 1851 between David McConaughy and his wife Ann Maria of the first part and the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Co. If the second part witnesseth that the said parties of the first part for and in

consideration of the sum of \$450. to them in hand paid by the party of the second part at and before the sealing and delivery of these presents the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged both given, granted, bargained and sold by these presents doth give, grant, bargain and sell, release, convey, and confirm unto the said party of the second part all the following described tract, piece or parcel of land situated and lying in Marshall County in the state of Virginia, on the south fork of Big Grave Creek adjoining the lands above of Reason B. Howard and below adjoining the lands of Wm. McConaughy (opposite the mouth of Fish Creek Hollow and which is contained for width within two lines drawn parallel to and opposite sides of the (center line of the B. & O. Railroad and 33 ft. therefore as located for construction and for a distance within the outer limits of the lands of the said parties of the first part together with so much land in addition as may be required for the slopes by law together with all and singular the rights, members, privileges, and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in anywise pertaining. To have and to hold the same unto the said party of the second part for their own and exclusive use.

In witness whereof the said parties of the 1st part both hereto set their hands & seals the day of year above written

D. McConaughy  
Ann McConaughy

David McConaughy Bought:

Deed Book 9 from William Halliday Lot 40 Elizabeth Ave.  
 " " 9 from Joseph Nace W 1/2 Lot 110 Elizabeth Ave.  
 " " 9 from Robert McConaughy Lot 63 Elizabeth Ave.  
 " " 10 from J. A. Fry 2 3/4 A. Waters B. Grave Creek  
 " " 10 from J. A. Fry 1 A. Cameron

Marriages:

A. 2 Martha L. McConaughy to E. P. Richardson 21 Oct. 1869  
 22 yrs. old 22 yrs.  
 b. Marshall Co. b. OH, son of Harrison & M. A. Richardson  
 Occupation = gentleman

D. I. Florence McConaughy in 1890 to Samuel A. Dean  
 24 years 35 years

N. Anna McConaughy in 1913 to J. Howard Gregory

David McConaughy bought:

1857 Book 11 from John Fullerton Lot Cameron  
 1857 Book 11 from J. W. Gallaher 20 3/4 A near Cameron  
 1858 Book 12 from Isaac Hage 130 A. Waters Big Run & 7 parcels  
 1859 Book 13 from Wm. McConaughy H. Waters Big Run & 3 parcels, etc.  
 1860 Book 13 from Thomas David S. Fork B. Grave Creek 48 acres  
 1863 Book 14 from Thomas Link, Waters Maggoty Camp Run  
 1864 Book 15 from John W. Tarr 145 A. S. Fork Grave Creek

McConaughy Births:

Anna Kathryn	10 Feb. 1927	Chas. & Nellie
John Chas.	21 Sept. 1924	Chas. & Nellie
Ella V.	23 April 1900	D. W. & Lizzie
Mary C.	5 July 1895	Robert & Anna
Anna L.	2 Aug. 1890	Samuel D. & Mary O.

David C.	11 Mar. 1888	Samuel & Orilla H.
James	17 Nov. 1888	Robt. and Anna
James C.	17 Nov. 1888	Robt. & Anna
Jesse	18 Oct. 1888	James and Jennis
David	9 June 1859	David and Ann

Newspaper Clipping ca 25 Apr. 1858:

At the residence of his son, in Little Rock, suddenly, on the 24th inst. Robert McConaughey in the 76th year of his age.

He had been indisposed a few days and died from a sudden attack of paralysis. He was on a visit to his son, our esteemed and talented townsman, J. W. McConaughey, and had been with us only a few months, but in that time had endeared himself to those who made his acquaintance by the frankness of his manners, cheerfulness of disposition, and uprightness of conduct and demeanor.

Although he had passed three score years and ten, yet his mind was unimpaired and his energies unwasted. Of him it could be said truly, 'an honest man the noblest work of God.' It was depicted in his face and shown in his actions. He had lived to see his children esteemed and honored; and closed a long & useful life, loved by them and regretted by all. With the conviction of reaping in a better world the reward of good, just and Christian actions and conduct, he peacefully yielded up his spirit to the God who gave it. Peace be to his ashes.

WILL OF DAVID McCONAUGHEY, CAMERON, MARSHALL CO., VA:

This the last will and testament of David McConaughey of the county aforesaid, I David McConaughey considering the uncertainty of life and being of sound mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following: First I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Ann McConaughey all my real estate and personal property that is to say, she shall have full control of all the aforesaid property and receive qll the proceeds or assets arrising from the same and shall pay all just debts which I owe at my death and keep all my property free from incumbrance so long as she remains my widow, or until my youngest son David McConaughey Jr., arrives at the age of thirty years, when if the said David McConaughey, Jr., shall be living I give and bequeath to him the farm on which I now reside that is to say 100 acres with my present dwelling house and other improvements pertaining thereto and the last mentioned David McConaughey Jr. is fi my wife Ann McC. desires to remain with him to keep and to provide for her thereafter during her natural life.

Item, I give and bequeath to my beloved son, Samuel McConaughey one hundred acres of land.

Item, I give and bequeath to my beloved son James B. McConaughey one hundred acres of land.

Item, I give and bequeath to each of my daughters one thousand dollars (that is Martha L. Richardson, Sarah Ann Hogue, M. Virginia McConaughey, and Isabella F. McConaughey the first named daughter Martha L. Richardson has received the one thousand dollars intended for her.

Furthermore if alter all expenses above mentioned the proceeds of my estate accummulated and is made a source of income to my beloved wife Ann

McConaughy then she is to dispose of said proceeds as she may thing proper, but in case my wife Ann McConaughy should marry or die, before my son David Jr. arrives at 30 years of age, then all that the above heirs of mine shall have the portion I specified in this will for them when they are of age by this will I hereby revoke all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 10th day of April 1874.

David M'Conaughy

McConaughy Births:

Paul	Nov. 1893	Robert & Annie
Robert S.	30 Nov. 1884	Robert A. & Anna
Robert	30 Nov. 18851	Robert A. & Anna
Olive M.	21 Nov. 1883	R. A. and Anna
Olive M.	21 Nov. 1881	R. A. and Anna
Infant	7 July 1880	R. A. & Anna
Sarah Ann	10 Jan. 1853	David & Ann

Deed: Robert McConaughy bought land from John Dickey 1845, Deed Book 4, p. 535, Moundsville

Moundsville Marriages:

Book F. Joseph H. McConaughy, 21 & Anna Coulter, 21  
 Bridgeport, OH, 1896                      Woodland West VA.

Book F. David W. McConaughy 37 & Lizzie Crawford  
 1 June 1897

Book K. Charles Burgett McConaughy 36 & Lyda Runyan 18  
 Belmont Co., OH                              Brooks Co., WV

Book I. David McConaughy & Sarah Ann Micheltree  
 3 Nov. 1836

Book B. Samuel D. McConaughy 31 and Elizabeth Hicks 25  
 1880

Deed Book 5, Moundsville Court House: 21 Nov. 1840 Between David McConaughy Jr. & wife Sarah Ann Micheltree and Robert McConaughy, both of Marshall County, sold to Robert for \$150 one lot in Elizabethtown (Marshall Co.) known as Lot #112, situated on the east side Wheeling Street, 218 ft. x 60 ft.

DEED BOOK 8, p. 91: 1852, David McConaughy and wife Ann sold to B. & O. for \$257.50, certain land in Marshall County.

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QUERY: Louisa HENRY, born 10 Sept. 1770 married Samuel McConoughey. She was the daughter of William HENRY & Mary MILLEY. Information on the MILLEYS is needed. Respond to Hope KRISCHKER (Mrs. Kenneth), 1653 Victoria, Lakewood, OH 44107

## William The Carpenter

The following compilation was prepared by Eleanor McConky Callahan and is a neat piece of research. It is of interest not only because of the name, but because of the collateral lines involved i.e. note the Springer connection? We're still seeking a Springer/McConaughy connection at the head of the McConathy line in Delaware!

Besides the article, Eleanor included some 'odds and ends' about William, the Carpenter:

William McConkey is named as one of the elders ordained in First Presbyterian Church, Baltimore, in 1811. Pg. 32, "Eighty Years" by Joseph T. Smith, DD.

From City Archives (courtesy of Mr. Spence): "Capt. William Mcconkey, in command, between August and October of 1814- 27th Regiment of Maryland Militia."

From "Citizen Soldiers at North Point and Fort McHenry, 1814" Published by N. Hickman: Page 53 - 27th Regiment, Maryland Militia -- William McConkey, Private.

From "Third Audit of the U. S. Treasury" -- Private William Mc Conkey - Capt. Ringgold's Regiment, the 6th. Also -- Capt. William McConkey -- 27th Regiment. (Courtesy, Mrs. Weisheit of the Flag House).

The above certainly seem to be two Williams serving simultaneously. Which is "The Old Defender" and which is William the Carpenter, I cannot now fathom. EMC

Believe from later evidence that the Wm. of the 27th Regt. is "Wm., the Carpenter."

"Wm., the Accountant" is another line.

Editor's Note: From time to time Eleanor McConky Callahn has sent segments of her McConky's to us and we have a full file on the name. I have become convinced that the line between McConky and McConnaughey is rarely crossed (Never say NEVER!!) and the McConkey/McConky, etc. name is a separate study. Some articles, like this one, are of interest no matter what the name and the name makes them appropriate material for the bulletin.

Although time does not allow me to help McConkeys as I would like, I will do my best. I suggest that you contact Eleanor McConky Callahan, 1603 N. Bolton St., Baltimore, MD for better guidance.

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William McConkey was listed in the 1790 Census for Baltimore Town, head of a household including two females and one slave.

In 1793 he acquired what appears to be his first parcel of land in Baltimore.

We can follow him through the old Baltimore Directories in the Maryland Room of the Pratt Library as follows:

1796	William McConkey		
1800-01	William McConkey	Carpenter	Granby St., Old Town
1802	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Nr. 78 Granby St., O. T.
1804	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Nr. 78 Granby St., O. T.
1807	William McConkey	House Carpenter	36 High St., Old Town
1808	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Queen St. betw. Granby and Exeter
1810-12	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Queen St. nr. Granby
1816	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Queen St. nr. Granby
1817-18	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Queen St. nr. Albemarle
1819	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Queen St. nr. Albemarle
1822-23	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Prince, N. Side, E. of Granby
1824	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Prince - as above
1827	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Prince - as above
1829	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Stiles, E. of High St.
1831	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Stiles, E. of High St.
1833	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Stiles St. nr. High
1835	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Stiles, W. of Exeter
1837	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Stiles, E. of High
1840-41	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Stiles, E. of High
1842	William McConkey	House Carpenter	Stiles, E. of High

(The above Stiles Street houses -- he owned two together in the middle of the block -- are gone now. St. Leo's school occupies the spot).

Granby Street is now High St. (N-S)  
Queen Street is now Pratt St.  
Prince Street is now Stiles St.  
Duke Street is now Granby (E-W)

- 1844 William died. He and Rebecca are, buried, along with daughter, Margaret, and daughter, Rebecca Springer and other Springers, in Baltimore Cemetery at extreme East end of North Avenue.
- 1845 James McConkey, my great-grandfather, starts to appear in the Old Baltimore Directories on Stiles St. Cannot establish a connection between him and William. My father said once that his 'people came from Peachbottom about 70 years ago', which date comes out to be about 1845. I surmise that this James would have naturally taken up residence in a neighborhood where he had a relative. My guess is that William was an uncle and that William and James, the Carpenter of Wilks St. were brothers.

WILLIAM AND REBECCA, mar. \_\_\_\_\_

Their children, (from records of First Presbyterian Church):

- Mary (pg. 57) born 19 Nov 1791  
William (pg. 60) born 6 Feb. 1794  
John (pg. 60) born 17 Sept. 1797  
George (MHS card file) born 20 Sept. 1799  
Jane (in father's will) born \_\_\_\_\_  
Margaret (same will) born \_\_\_\_\_  
Rebecca (same will) born \_\_\_\_\_  
Mary Ann (Marian L.) may be Mary above  
Maria Martin (may be Mary above.

pg. 190 of First Presbyt. Ch. Register records a Margaret McConkey, admission to the church.

A John McConkey mar. Mrs. Mary Bailey, June 6, 1816, MHS Card File.

Maria McConkey mar. John Martin March 21, 1812. (She was dead before 1844, time of father's will). Reg., first Meth. Church, Light St., Vol. II.

A Mary McConkey mar. Henry Gracie, Jan. 22, 1817 MHS Card File

Rebecca McConkey mar. David C. Springer Apr. 15, 1825. MHS Card File.

Jefferson Ramsay mar. Mary Ann (or Marian L.) McConkey 13 July 1836.

David C. Springer of Cecil Co. mar. Tues, 12 April 1825 by Dr. Glendy, to Rebecca McConkey. Fed. Gaz., 15 Apr. 1825

George McConkey mar. Eliza Coale 20 Jan. 1825 by Rev. Mr. Hemphill, MHS Card.

Eliza McConkey, wife of George W. McConkey, died 27 Dec. 1876 age 71. Ref. Taneytown Church (McKonkey also)

J. K. P. McConkey, b. 14 Jan. 1839; d. 10 Oct. 1861 -- ref. Taneytown Church (must be child of George and Eliza) MHS Card File

Marian L., youngest daughter of GEorge W. McConkey of Frederick Co., mar. 26 Sept. 1871 to Richard Simpson. MHS Card File.

5 Oct. 1793 (Land Records, Annapolic Hall of Records, WG-NN, Fol. 414) Thomas Coulson to WILLIAM MC CONKEY. "Lot in Baltimore Town, plat No. 328 -- called Philpots Point" Had stipulation that he must build a substantial frame or brick house within a year or pay more money until he does.

20 Jan. 1795 (Land Records, Annapolis Hall of Records, WG-QQ, Fol. 190) WILLIAM MC CONKEY to Thomas Karney. "Land in Baltimore Town at Philpot's Point, plat 328". 50 feet from corner of Queen St. and Granby on the easterly side of Granby St. -- running thence easterly 40 feet to Lot No. 329 -- thence southerly 50 feet, bounding on lot No. 329 to Lot No. 352 -- thence westerly 40 feet binding on Lot No. 352 to Granby St. -- thency northerly bounding on Granby St. 50 feet to the beginning.

21 Feb. 1797 (Land Records Book -- WG-44, fol. 641) WILLIAM MC CONKEY to Mary Kelso "parcel of ground in Baltimore Town called Philpot's Point at the intersection of Granby and Queen Sts., fronting on Granby St. 20 feet and extending back of the width of 20 feet on Queen St. 40 feet, being part of Lot No. 328."

WILL -- William McConkey, prob. 16 Dec. 1844. To Rebecca (wife) house and lot of ground on east side of High St., being the first one of my houses there situated North of Stiles St. Also my house and lot on the east side of High St. and adjoining to the north of the house and lot above. Also lot and buildings fronting on the south side of East Pratt St., about 40 feet and extending back about 30 feet, as it is now enclosed with the right and privilege of an alley communicating with Pratt St. Properties, however, to be charged with the support of daughter, Jane, for lifetime. To daughter Margaret McConkey, house and lot on north side of Stiles St., fronting thereon 25 feet and to depth

of about 100 feet (occupied by said William ) and also all household furniture. To Son, George, farm in Baltimore County where he resides and all stock and supplies thereon. To two female children of late daughter, Maria Martin: two most northerly houses and lots on East side of South High St. John (father of the children) owed about \$500 to come out of this property. To granddaughter, Mary Rebecca Springer -- daughter of David Springer, executor of this will, most easterly house and lot on the north side of Stiles St. and fronting thereon 24 ft., 6 inches to the centre of an alley extending back about 42 feet, the whole depth of the lot being about 100 feet. To daughter, Mary Ann Ramsay (husb. Jefferson Ramsay) forgives debt of \$4,175 owed by husband. In codicil leaves slave, Phillis, to her.

Rebecca, wife of William, died August 15, 1851. Her will, Book 24, Folio 341 (Annapolis Hall of Records) was written 25 Sept. 1850. To wit:

A house and lot on east side of High St. (first of several of William's north of Stiles St.) Also a house adjoining to the North. Also a house and lot fronting on south side of E. Pratt St., the last two to be sold by executors for most money obtainable and distributed as follows:

Jane, who was to have been provided for for life from these properties, had died in the years after William's death (1844) and before making of this will (1850).

Son, George, to receive the house first mentioned.

Daughter, Margaret -- 1/4th of money from sale of houses.

Daughter, Mary Ann Ramsay -- 1/4th of money from sale of houses.

Grand-daughter, Maria Jane Martin -- 1/4th of money from sales.

Grand-daughter, Margaret Baer -- (Dau. of David C. & Rebecca McConkey Springer, dau.) -- 1/4th of money from sales of the houses.

Executors: Sons-in-law, David C. Springer, Jefferson Ramsay, and John Martin.

Will probated 21 Aug. 1851.

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WILL OF MARGARET MC CONKEY, daughter of William & Rebecca, d. 8 Jun 1875.

Will filed in Towson, MD Courthouse & removed to Annapolis Hall of Records. Book 5, Folio 24, 27 Aug. 1875. Margaret McConkey of Roanoke, VA -- names as heir, her niece, Margaret McConkey Baer. Property in Baltimore, MD. House at No. 26 Stiles St. Will probated in Frederick, MD.

## WHAT'S COOKIN'?

The late Freda McConahay of Oklahoma sent us the recipe for 'Forty Mile Salad' and the 'history' behind it. Some of the family ate regularly at a small, but good, restaurant and the chef-owner served a special salad. They finally asked for, and got, the recipe and wanted to know it's name, but were informed it had no name. Some time thereafter Freda prepared a dish-pan full to take to a family gathering 20 miles away. When they arrived at their destination, they discovered the salad had been left at home! It was decided to go back and get it -- a forty mile trip -- ; so the salad found a name as the McConahay's 'Forty mile SaLad'!

Chopped white cabbage, fine	3 cups
Red Cabbage, chopped fine	2 cups
Head lettuce, hand-torn	½ cup
Budle onions & tops, fine	2 cups
Ripe med. avocado, cut up	1
Mayonnaise	½ cup
Sour Cream	¼ cup
Caesar's dressing	¼ cup

Salt & pepper to taste, lightly, because of dressings.

From Corinne McConahay's Cookbook:

### INVERNESS GINGERBREAD

3 CUPS SIFTED FLOUR	Measure the oats, and then grind them, or
1 CUP ROLLED OATA	run them very briefly in an electric
1 CUP BUTTER	blender. Cream the butter until light
1½ CUPS DARK MOLASSES	and fluffy, then blend in the molasses.
1½ CANDIED LEMON PEEL, MINCED	Mix in the flour, oats, and lemon peel &
4 T. GRATED FRESH GREEN GINGER OR	ginger (which can be obtained very often
2 t. ground ginger	in Chinese markets). Last stir in the
¼ CUP CREAM	cream.

Bake in a greased & floured 9" x 14" pan at 350° for 45 minutes. Cut in squares to serve.

From Jocelyn Pecket Jamison's 'Little Cookbook' prepared for the 1980 McConaughey Gathering:

### LEMON PIE

FROM Aunt Elizabeth McConaghie \*

1 breakfast cup of regular milk	<u>Method:</u> Put milk, sugar, oleo, yolks, rind, & juice in soucepan; add blended cornflour (with small amount of water) & boil for 3 minutes. Put into lined pie dish. Bake at 350° until knife comes out clean. Whip whites with 1
½ pound sugar	
Nut of margarine	
Rine & Juice of Lemon	
Yolk of 2 eggs	
1 T. cornflour (starch)	

tablespoon of sugar. Put on top and brown top in oven.

\*This is Elizabeth Hayes McConaghie, wife of Thomas, brother of Alexander, Belfast, Northern Ireland.

## WE POINT WITH PRIDE!

RAGING BULLDOZER: from Rocky Mountain Magazine, July/Aug. Ed. 1982, sent to us by Col. J. D. McConahay: FLIP McCONNAUGHEY, city administrator of Gillette, Wyoming, was as surprised as anyone last May 1 when a local youth took a bulldozer on a million-dollar joy ride, ripping up streets, crunching 17 cars, and nicking three buildings. But McConnaughey still supports the rights of the individual. His new bumper sticker reads: 'When bulldozers are outlawed, only outlaws will have bulldozers.'

Flip is the younger son of the famous 'Water-witch' George H. McConnaughey of Glenrock, Wyoming.

VIET VETERANS WAR MEMORIAL UNVEILED TODAY, by Steve Newton for The Rockford Register Star, 11 Jul 1982: "OREGON (Illinois), A 10-6ears dream will come true here today for Lamont Gaston and thousands of Vietnam War veterans with the formal dedication of what is believed to be the nation's first monument to the men and women who fought in Vietnam. Gaston, owner of Lake LaDonna Family Campground near White Pines State Park and a former U. S. Marine Corps sergeant, said the monument is designed to honor both those who lost their lives in the war and those who survived and returned home to 'an often-silent or hostile society.' He said word of the dedication ceremony has spread quickly among Vietnam War vets and veterans from as far away as South Carolina said they plan to be here today for the dedication. He said he first got the idea for the monument while recovering from machine-gun wounds in a military hospital. 'I wanted to buy a campground when I got out and I said if I did, I would dedicate it to Vietnam veterans and build this monument,' said Gaston, who was honorably discharged from the Marines in 1967. He used combat pay he accumulated while in the hospital to buy the land and develop Lake LaDonna. Gaston bought the campground, which includes a 5-acre man-made lake, a giant water slide and 250 campsites, in 1974.

'Vietnam is a painful war,' he said. 'Everyone knows that we didn't come back to ticker-tape parades, dinners and ceremonies honoring us for our service. Instead, we were greeted by an oft-times hostile society and war protesters who were gaining headlines and television exposure by saying what was happening in Vietnam was wrong.' He said he is not interested in debating the rights or wrongs of American involvement in Vietnam, although he thins 'protecting the people of South Vietnam from communism was a good cause.' 'Vietnam touched a lot of lives,' Gaston said. 'First, there are those who lost their lives. Then there are those who loved and knew the patriots who paid the supreme sacrifice. Then there are the living -- the men who lost limbs and those who lost a year of their youth in the jungles, swamps and hills of Southeast Asia. This monument is dedicated to all those people -- especially the Vietnam veteran -- American's ignored majority.'

The monument, itself, is a massive, 8-foot high, and 80-foot long concrete structure with three walls. There are five flagpoles -- one for the American flag and one each for the official service flags of the U. S. Army, Marine Corps., Navy and Air Force.

Officials with the Veteran's Administration and with the National Park Service in Washington, D. C., told the Register Star that they know of no other completed monument to the Vietnam War veteran in the United States. A national monument to Vietnam veterans is currently being constructed in Washington, D. C., but is not close to completion.

The inscription in the middle of the Oregon (IL) monument wall reads:

"This park stands as a living tribute to the men who served their country during the Vietnam War. The whispering winds from the battlefields of Vietnam carrying the names of fathers, husbands, brothers, sons and friends will perhaps some day fade. To those who returned, the memories of their fallen brothers and the anguish of being neglected by their nation, and the hope for the future to bring an understanding of what happened over there will go on forever."

Gaston said the monument does not glorify war. "War, itself, is evil and wrong," Gaston said. "No man in his right mind would deny that. But when an aggressor starts pushing around the little guy, wars may sometimes be necessary." Nick Parnello, President of the Rockford Chapter of VietNow, an organization of Vietnam veterans, hailed the completion of the monument. "It's just an awful beautiful thing for Vietnam War veterans," Parnello said. "It's one of the first of its kind in the country." Parnello said the monument is just one symbol of a changing climate in America for the Vietnam vet. "When we came home, Vietnam veterans who lived on the same block didn't know each other were veterans because they were afraid to talk about it in public for fear of public reaction, but not now" Parnello said.

Keynote speaker for today's dedication will be retired Army Co. Fremont 'Monty' Piercefield, Rockford, former commander of Fort Sheridan and a veteran of World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War, who will speak at 2:40 p.m. The afternoon-long event will begin with drill teams from the Army, Navy, and VietNow giving demonstrations at 1 p.m. The park will open at 10 a.m. today, with all people wanting to help in the salute to Vietnam veterans admitted free of charge. Parking will be in the nearby White Pines Deer Park, with free transportation provided to the campground from that point. here will be no swimming and waterslide riding from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

Lake LaDonna is located on Harmony Road, midway between the communities of Oregon and Polo. Interested individuals should follow the signs for White Pines State Park.

NOTE: Lamont Gaston is 'ours' as a grandson of Amanda McConnaughay and William Gaston of the Illinois 'hh' line.

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HAZEL McCONNAUGHY ---- ALL-AMERICAN

by Ruth McConnaughy Rose  
Shawnee Mission, KS  
1981

Hazel was interested in sports all of her life --- from childhood baseball with the boys to women's professional basketball. She played women's softball, swam, bowled in city, state, and national tournaments and also was a success in the business world.

She started playing basketball with a church team while she was in high school. She was invited to practice with the Wichita Thurston's Basketball Team, made the team, and continued with the same group of Wichita women until the end of her career many years later.

Hazel traveled to Canada with the Wichita Thurston's Amateur Basketball

Team in the years 1937 through 1941. Each of these years the team also entered and participated in the Women's National Basketball Tournament. They played to standing room only crowds.

Hazel worked at Boeing in Wichita during World War II and played on a team sponsored by Boeing in the years 1942-1945. They also competed in the National Women's Basketball Tournament each year. Hazel was selected to be on the All-American Amateur Team twice -- 1944 and 1945. The Wichita team produced many All-American basketball players, also Hall of Fame athletes.

Hazel played professional basketball for the All-American Red Heads out of Cassville, MO during 1946 and 1947, touring the nation and playing against men's teams in rugged competition.

Hazel was a successful secretary in the business world during all of her basketball career. Later she was President and Chairman of the Board of three firms, and also managed the office, did her own secretarial work, etc. of Reiss and Goodness Engineering firm in Wichita. She continued in this until her death at the age of 58 in 1974.

*They came roaring out  
of the Roaring '20s and  
left a legacy of  
All-Americans.*



From left to right, members of the 1942 Thurston: Elouise Purkey, Colene Peterson Barron, Hazel McConnaughey (Reynolds), Corene Jaaz Smith Donahue, Ruth Ott Gregory, Lois Bulkley, Ellen Friesen, Dee Mohr Noel.

Hazel was a descendant of William Samuel McConnaughey, Civil War vet, b. 14 Mar. 1836 in Pittsburgh, PA, son of Thomas McConnaughey and Mary A. Richardson, and his wife Sarah A. Cooper, dau. of Thomas S. Cooper and Mary Colwell. What we would like to know is who was Thomas' father??

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SECOND VERSE: Flip McConnaughey, mentioned above under 'Raging Bulldozer' is one and the same as the George P. McConnaughey in the following account re:

#### NEW CITY MANAGER SELECTED

Gillette's (Wyoming) loss is Laramie's gain as the youthful city administrator of Gillette, George P. McConnaughey, 33, will become the new city manager for Laramie on August 3., 1981. Laramie Mayor Larry Mickelson announced the selection of McConnaughey Monday. McConnaughey was picked after a two-month search initiated when former city manager Frank Hoadley resigned the

position to go into Private business. Teri Brandt, an assistant to the city manager's office under Hoadley, was appointed city manager until the final selection was made. She will continue as Laramie's city manager until McConnaughey officially assumes the job.

Gillette Mayor Mike Enzi had nothing but praise for McConnaughey, a UW graduate, saying, "He understands Wyoming," and, "We're really going to miss him up here." McConnaughey has been the city administrator of Gillette for the past five years, during that time the population of that city has grown from 7,500 to 15,000 people.

During McConnaughey's tenure, the city has passed an optional sales tax and used the money for street improvements. A new water development project was completed just two weeks ago in Gillette which features 42 miles of 30-inch pipe and a ground-water well field. The system can provide water for up to 50,000 people, according to Enzi. A \$7.5 million street and drainage capital improvement project was also instituted.

Enzi said McConnaughey has the ability to, "Maintain a whole lot of projects at one time -- and that is important up here." He also said, "He believes in the (city) council setting policy and he does his best to follow it." Enzi said McConnaughey is skilled at keeping communications open with the city council and added, "I think Laramie is extremely fortunate," to obtain McConnaughey's services.

When McConnaughey applied for the Gillette city manager's position in 1976, he was up against from 130 to 150 other applicants. He was in the same position here where there were 145 applications. The applications were screened by Korn-Ferry, a Los Angeles recruiting firm under a \$10,000 contract to the city, and Korn-Ferry selected five applicants for interview by the Laramie city Council. Mickelson said the council narrowed that field down to two and then re-interviewed the two and selected McConnaughey.

Mickelson said the new city manager will be making \$44,500 per year and will be working under a contract similar to Hoadley's. Mickelson said there is a tacit agreement that city managers will stay on for at least five years. Mickelson said the city manager can be fired at anytime by a decision of the city council.

McConnaughey was born and raised in Glenrock, WY. He studied public administration in college, doing his undergraduate work at the University of Wyoming and ;at Middle Tennessee State University| He received his master's degree in that field at UW, studying from 1970 to 1972 as a graduate teaching assistant at UW.

He became an administrative assistant for the City of Casper in 1972 and became assistant city manager of Casper in September of 1975. From there he vaulted to the Gillette job in September of 1976.

McConnaughey was voted the "Outstanding Young Man in American" in 1977. His memberships include the Phi Kappa Phi National Honorary Society and Pi Sigma Alpha political science honorary society.

His official notice of resignation came at a city council meeting in Gillette on Monday night. McConnaughey said he took the Laramie job because it offered him, "An excellent professional opportunity." He is married and he and his wife, Shelia have two children, Jeff, 5 and Sarah, who will be 3 on July 3. He said, "We enjoyed living in Laramie," and that was a factor in his decision to work here.

McConaughy said when he found he had been chosen as the city's candidate last Thursday, "I was very pleased -- very excited, to have been chosen over all of the other candidates."

Mickelson, when asked what were some of the things that impressed council members about McConaughy, said he is 'congenial...not high strung, but mellow...easy to get along with. It seems he has an ability to organize and get things done.'

Note: "Flip's" father says: "Phyllis & I are still wondering if this is the same boy we raised." However, he knows -- he even spent some time 'city managing' himself back home in Glenrock.

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From the 'Deepwell Irrigation Center of the Nation', Aurora News-Register serving all of Hamilton County, Aurora, NB, 28 Jan. 1982:

#### CHAMBER HONORS SEVEN DURING AWARDS BANQUET

Seven Aurora residents were honored for outstanding achievements during 1981 as a feature of the Aurora Chamber of Commerce annual banquet Saturday evening, Jan. 23. Dr. A. J. Zuspan, LaVerne Gaughen, Lyle McConaughy, Dr. Don Burling, and Aurora Author Shirley Lueth were the recipients of honors presented in behalf of the Chamber of Commerce by Dan Ambruster, chairman of the awards committee.

Lyle McConaughy received the Community Service Award as an active volunteer worker for the Hamilton County Historical Society and the Plainsman Museum where he will be found about every day helping with various tasks. McConaughy is a native of Hamilton Co. He is a former deputy sheriff and was Clerk of the District Court for 12 years before his retirement.



HONORED BY THE AURORA Chamber of Commerce Saturday night were seven Aurorans. Left to right: Dr. A. G. Zuspan, Doug Monson, John Newman (award presented

posthumously to Mrs. John Newman), Dr. Don Burling, Shirley Lueth, LaVerne Gaughen and Lyle McConaughy. News-Register Photo

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From Crawford Co., PA Grantor Rec. 1800-1925

		Courtesy Lynne McGuffin		
				<u>Township</u>
Clara Della McConahey to Wm. Storey	T-228,p.50	3 Aug. 1921		S. Shenango 50 A.
Margaret McConahey to Wm. Story	B-3 p.453	28 Nov. 1864		S. Shenango 15 A.
Robert McConahey to Abel Jackson	D-1 p.498	16 Jan. 1831		S. Shenango 60 A.,Tr.#95
Robert McConahey to Abel Jackson	I-1 p.466	20 May 1821		Shenango 62A.,Power Dist. #2
Robert McConahey to Wm. Latta	P-1 p.286	6 May 1834 1835		Shenango, 124A 149 perches
Robert McConahey to Robert McConahey, Jr.	Y-1 p.550	18 Apr. 1846		S. Shenango 1 A.
Robert McConahey to John Lackey	B-2 p.397	20 Feb. 1849		S. Shenango 6 A.
Robert McConahey to Jonathan Forest	I-3 p.198	16 Nov. 1865		S. Shenango 144 A.
Robert McConahey to Jas.C.McConahey	R-4 p.114	29 Apr. 1878		S. Shenango #1 38A. 72 Perches #2 11A. 88 "
Robert McConahey to Robt.J.McConahey	R-4 p.126	7 May 1878		S. Shenango 42 A.
W.S. McConahey, Admin. et al to Ward Johnson	t-210,p.326	22 Dec. 1916		S. Shenango

Note: These should all be the Sharon, PA/Nebraska line from one Robert McConaughy. The other names are pretty much a 'family affair', too as the Storys and Lattas were both names that married into this particular McConahey family more than once.

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## VARIANT NAME GROUPS, 1982

It occurs to me we should 'up-date' the 'name group' list after over 20 years of searching. The first list was published in the first bulletin which came out in 1963 (but was started two years earlier!). We concentrated on the ones back into the 1700's then (and now). There will be a number of smaller groups which did not appear in the United States until the 1800's which will not appear. This is not because we feel they are unimportant, it is because there are too many to list and we know in advance we would fail and some would be left out; therefore, we'll stick to the original plan; but keep hoping we'll have some luck with the others so that they will, in time, be connected to one of the identified lines.

Bulletin #1 used A, B, C, D, etc.; but #2 had I, II, III, etc., which is much more manageable; so we will stick with the Roman numerals this time.

### Washington County, PA Group

Whose Ancestors were William McConnaughey (I) and Ellen Berry,  
"from the Highlands of Scotland"

1963: William McConnaughey (1), born 'in the Highlands of Scotland' about 1740, became a ship owner with two or more brothers. They were traders & among other commodities imported flax to Scotland. The tradition is that the ship was lost at sea with one of the brothers. Thereafter the surviving brother, William McConnaughey (1) came to America permanently and we approximate his arrival as in the period 1760-1765. About 1770 he married Ellen Berry (Berrie) also Scotch-born who, according to legend, had left home and migrated to America on her own, and independent of her family. They settled ultimately in Washington County, PA., where they had seven sons (no daughters mentioned); and there they lived and died. Lines of descent from six of those brothers remain to be identified

Wm. McConnaughey (1) (1740-\_\_\_\_) & Ellen Berry (Berrie (\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_))  
David McConnaughey (2) (1776-1859) & Prudence Thompson (1783-1846)  
Thompson McConnaughey (3)\* (1808-1887) & first wife (\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_)  
Thomas Jefferson McConnaughay (4) (1844-1919) and  
Rachel Ann Strode (1852-1911)  
Arthur Roy McConnaughay (5) (1879-1933) and  
Susan Cora Money (1883-1924)  
Kenneth Earl McConnaughay (6) (1899-\_\_\_\_) and  
First Wife, Wilma Kathryn Dougherty (1898-1931)  
Patricia Ann McConnaughay (7) (1925-\_\_\_\_) and  
Warren Russell Gregory (1922-\_\_\_\_)

\*Spelling with "hay" is used by all descendants of Thompson McConnaughay.

Little or no scientific research in Washington County, PA has yet been made; but should disclose much of interest to this Group.

1982: We now have evidence to point to William Timothy McConnaughey as born ca 1739-1740 in Inverness, Scotland, coming to America ca 1755-6 with at least three brothers -- Robert, David, and Thomas. Robert said to have gone to Chester Co., PA where he married Rebecca Ashley and had a family. He lived with Wm. and Ellen after their marriage, supposedly in Virginia 4 May 1762. Ellen was apparently born in America, probably in Virginia, only daughter of (John) Dudley Berry b. 1712 and Margaret Bell (1715-1744), both born in America. Ellen was born 4 May 1742. She had three brothers: Richard b. ca 1740; William b. ca 1741 and Thomas b. & d. 1744) There are still more questions than answers about the brothers, but eventually they may assist in

solving some of the McConnaughey problems. After Ellen's mother died, a cousin of Dudley's raised her and her brothers. She did leave their home to be independent and the later story is that she met William in a boarding house soon after he came to this country.

At this time we have no further information about David (William's brother), but the traditional tale says that Thomas was the youngest son and was homesick and returned to England. Yes, the story said England. We know it is possible they meant Great Britain or the British Isles, but it is also possible that what family was left was in England, not Scotland. Since we have a recurring family story that they came from the 'border country' of England and Scotland, we are pursuing this possibility, also. Chances are that the father was on the 'wrong' side during the '45 in Scotland -- may even have lost his life at that time and the boys saw no future in staying in Scotland. If he had been on the 'right' side, they surely would have had some reason to stay.

William was in Cumberland Co., PA in 1790 and is said to have died ca 1792-3 from being struck by lightning. Ellen then went to live with one of the boys. Several years ago we identified one son as Andrew Duncan McConaughy. Some unpublished letters we have say that there were also sons Robert b. ca 1764, David (b. 1776), William b. ca 1777 and probably three others whose names are not known to us. Although the first account did not mention daughters, the letters named at least two: Elizabeth b. ca 1768 and Margaret b. 1779. Although it seems to have taken a lot of years to get it done, we do feel that there has been progress on this line.

Klista Stender published a genealogy of her lines including a nice section on this McConnaughey group. Thelma Elliott is currently working on a genealogy of the descendants of William McConnaughey and Ellen Berry. The rest of us are still trying to make that 'trip across the waters' to the place where our family came from!

One last comment -- why did we call this the 'Washington Co., PA' group in the past? Because we found David (b. 1776) in Washington Co., PA in the early 1800's and because the first published account we found said that they came from Washington Co., PA we expected to find them there. We now believe that they were in Cumberland and Franklin Co., PA until some of them went to Washington Co., PA and then to Fayette Co., PA. Both David and Andrew Duncan have been identified in Washington Co. They have a neighbor, a Hannah McConnaughey, who we expect to find is a widow of one of their brothers. They left Fayette Co., PA almost 'en masse' and apparently none of the McConnaughey name still reside in that area from this line. Their next stop in Highland Co., OH was more effective and many of them do still live in that area. From there they went West to Marion Co., IO, Nebraska (Aurora), Wyoming, Johnson Co., MO and on to Washington and Oregon.

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Washington County, PA Group  
Whose Ancestors Were Samuel McConaughy (1) & Margaret Thompson  
from County Donegal, Ireland  
Symbol II

1963: The pioneer family of this Group comprised Samuel McConaughy (1) b. 1732 and his wife, Margaret Thompson, who came to America in 1774 from County Donegal, Ireland, with four children, James, Samuel, Elizabeth, and Martha; the fifth and last child, Hugh McConahey (2) was born in 1775, the only member

of the colonist family 'native' to the country. With the Scotch-Irish tide of migration flowing in 1774, the family landed at one of the Delaware Bay Ports (Philadelphia, PA, New Castle, Delaware, or perhaps Lewes, Delaware) and moved westward through Cumberland County, PA, Franklin Co., PA, and ultimately to Washington County, PA in 1781, where they afterwards lived and died, with burial in the well-kept Cemetery of the Presbyterian Congregation of Little Buffalo Village on Route 31. Many lines of descent from this pioneer family can be traced of which the following is an illustration:

Samuel McConaughy (1) (1732-1799) & Margaret Thompson (1732-1797)  
Hugh McConahey (2) (1775-1817) & Margaret McCune (1779-1842)  
Samuel McConahey (3) (1803-1883) & Jane Janet Mitchell (1806-1866)  
Thomas Mitchell McConahey (4) (1844-1913) & Nancy Jane McCune (1855-1953)  
Samuel Chalmers McConahey (5) (1876-\_\_\_\_) & Rachel Owen Milner (1877-1952)  
Hugh Milner McConahey (6) (1910-\_\_\_\_) & Alexandra Stewart (1915-\_\_\_\_)

This group presently (1963) lists about 16 Charter Members of the McConnaughey Society of America.

Son James McConaughy (2) & his descendants of the original family in America continued the spelling as indicated; but sons Sam'l McConahey (2) & Hugh McConahey (2) adopted the simplified form.

1982: This group has probably had less added to it than any other group. The reason is that Uncle Mac (Samuel Chalmers McConahey, who died in 1971) did such a great job with his line that there aren't so many 'gaps.' We still need to nail down their roots, indicated to have been in Donegal and we need to bring a few branches up-to-date, but thanks to Uncle Mac if you belong to this line, we have very little difficulty in fitting you into the proper niche.

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Ligonier Valley, Pennsylvania Group  
Whose Ancestors were David McConnaughey (1) & Jane Platt  
Symbol III

1963: David McConnaughey (1) with two brothers, one sister, and a son, James McConnaughey (2) came to this country 'from northern Ireland' (Ulster) about the middle of the 1700's. We hope to prove that the 'Two brothers' were William McConnaughey (1) of Group I, and Samuel McConaughy (1) of Group II.

1982: We've done all kinds of jockeying around trying to make these three 'brothers' in spite of the fact that tradition gives different places of origin for them. Scotland and Ireland are not large and are very close; so this is still a possibility; but in the past 20 years others with the right name, in the right place, the right age, etc. have appeared who also could be brothers of this David! The Ligonier people have managed to have one or more dedicated family genealogist in virtually every branch of the family. So, the work has been to find these people and get copies of their material. This family has added several children in almost every generation and has increased vastly in size.

The most detailed genealogy of this family was done by Josephine Risser Bassett, who was a librarian in Minnesota in the 1940's. Eliz. McConnaughey West did a nice family book on her immediate family, children of one of the David Platt McConnaugheys. Dr. Francis McConaughy preserved many of the family stories & traditions by writing them up for the local paper in the late 1800's. It has been only within the past 2-3 years that we were finally able to get copies of most, if not all, of his articles thanks to others, like Edwin C. McConnaughey,

who pursued leads and finally located and copied the material and unselfishly passed it along for others.

Betty Matthews has added much from her on-the-spot work and tracking down leads whenever she finds them. Martha Zimmermann spent 5 years getting John McConnaughey (son of David & Jane Platt McConnaughey) accepted as a DAR ancestor. Jim Moore recently compiled what he could find about Laura McConaughy of this line -- adding much about some of the female lines that had been lost for years before this. Margaret McConnaughey, who still lives in the Ligonier area, has contributed many items of help and interest, starting with a huge chart done on butcher paper in the 1930's which she compiled and sent to Uncle Mac. This chart appeared to be in error in that there were four sons in the first 3 generations who 'went West' -- 4 with the same names in each of 2 different generations! The latter generation soon coughed up their four and we assumed (incorrectly) that the other four were 'in error.' Time has gradually added these four lines also.

There are many others who have assisted and are still working on these people. Londonderry is supposed to have been the site of their ancient home. Again, we have been unable to make the connection between here and North Ireland.

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Gettysburg, PA Group  
Whose Ancestors were Robert McConaughy (I) & Elizabeth Dinsmore  
Symbol IV

1963: This Robert McConaughy (I) and wife, Elizabeth Dinsmore, came to America from Ireland (Ulster) in 1734, and settled in York County, PA. The line is quite well documented and is said to be related to Group II. The Gettysburg Group has furnished many doctors, lawyers, ministers, educators and political representatives including a Governor of Connecticut. Much of interest on the Gettysburg Group is available and will be passed on to our membership later.

1982: Much has been passed along to the membership in the bulletins. A third son of Robert & Eliz. has been identified as John, but he does not seem to have had sons. Jim Miller has worked on the line and there are indications that there may be another son as yet unfound as he has some strong evidence that his line is connected to this one. Ruth Cummins and Betty Johnson have added much on these people, especially on the female lines & they continue to work toward finding more answers.

We have indications that this line may be one of the exceptions -- that instead of Clan Donnachaidh they came from Clan Campbell and, further, that they came from County Tyrone in No. Ireland.

We had Dr. David McConaughy's notes, charts, and letters to give us a good foundation for this group; but we are still adding to the later lines as his last chart was done in 1915. Rev. Nathaniel McConaughy had the huge Thompson chart (Thompson brother and sister married McConaughy brother & sister) done in 1890 (of which we have a copy), but it, too, needs to be continued to date; so there are many generations missing.

Several genealogies of collateral lines (like Martin, Elder, etc.) have been done and we have assisted as we could and have some additional information from these sources, as well as helping to preserve what information we now have.

The Gettysburgers have been more adamant than most about the naming of their sons. It's beautiful to find Charles Wallace McConaughy and know his mother was a Wallace or Robert Crawford McConaughy and know his mother was a Crawford!

One of the most asked questions about McConaughy is "what about that Lake McConaughy in Nebraska.=?" Years ago I wrote to the Nebraska Historical Society and got the 'bare facts' about Charles Washington McConaughy, a stock broker, who was interested in conservation and for whom the lake was named. As time passed, we picked up bits here and there and finally established that he was a Gettysburger. So -- if anyone asks you about Lake McConaughy, you can give them the correct answer.

The Gettysburgers were not only prominent, but gifted in other ways and we have many of their 'writings' which help to tell about the people themselves, not just name, rank and serial number!

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#### Nebraska Group

Whose Ancestors were Robert McConaughy (1) & Margaret Story  
Symbol V

1963: Robert McConaughy (1) of this Group and his wife, Margaret Story, may well be found eventually to belong to one or the other of Groups here listed. Robert McConaughy (1) was born in 1767, and came to America after the Revolution but before 1797. The legendary story of this family compares with similar versions in other lines, which may assist us eventually in a 'tying' together. This Group V family originated in Scotland where they fought with Robert Bruce at the Battle of Bannockburn. Six brothers, each more than six feet tall, marched three on the right hand and three on the left hand of the Bruce; and after the battle four lay dead on the field. Other versions say they were all red-headed! We have identified this Line as the Nebraska Group for there is where we found them; and they have been early settlers of that State; curiously enough, however, presently using the spelling of McConaha.

1982: Several years after 1963, I was working with the Nebraska people and Uncle Mac was working with a group from Sharon, PA and suddenly the two lines came together! Since that time, there have been many who have helped. Dr. Wes Contryman even put them in the computer and brought out the first McConaughy computerized run that I know of. We found some old letters which gave the information that Robert and Margaret came from Limavady and Letterkenny in No. Ireland and tried to follow that lead up, but it got no where, so far.

Robert b. 1767 could be Robert, son of Wm. in Group I. He could almost be Robert, son of David of Group III and was in the same area with them until he went to Crawford Co., PA. We think the earlier searchers based his arrival time (post-Revolution) on his appearance in Crawford Co. ca 1797, but I believe that was when the county was formed! We did find another McConaughy in the same area, same time, probably his brother.

Lynne McGuffin has been another big contributor in this group and we expect to fasten them onto one of the others (or vice versa) one of these days.

Centerville, IN Group  
Whose Ancestors were Samuel McConaha (1) & Nancy Bathon  
Symbol VI

1963: This Samuel McConaha (1) was born in 1776 in Virginia and died in Indiana being one of the early settlers. Centerville is on State Route 40 near Richmond, IN. We might well call this Group the Senator Line as it has provided Wayne County with Senator Walter McConaha in the 1920's; Senator Clem McConaha in the 1940's; and the present Senator is the Honorable Joel Rhodes, husband of Carol McConaha!

1982: They are still growing! WE had four or five identified in 1963. Gradually, we added and added and added on! Tom McConaha made an impressive advance when he found and copied a Quit-Claim deed from Samuel's other children to Thomas McConaha, the one who 'stayed home'. At first we puzzled why Samuel signed a quit-claim deed himself? Just last year Virginia Kranz found that a Samuel F. McConaha died in Mercer Co., IL and his brother Burr was the executor; so it was brother Samuel, not father Samuel who signed the deed.

The quit-claim deed was before 1850. In 1850 James, William, Burr, and Sophrina McConaha were in Mercer Co., IL on their way to California. Tom later copied letters from Sophrina and others after they got to California. Bit by bit we located Jaems' family, Burr's family, Sphrina's, family and some of the other girls' families, but William 'evaded' us. Suddenly a letter from Stockton, CA (where these McConaha's lived in the 1850's & 1860's) turned out to be from a descendant of William! She didn't know the family had ever been there -- William and his wife died and relatives raised the children and we next found them in Vigo Co., IN and Jefferson Co., IL. We still have a gaposis problem -- what happened to the children from 1850 to the 1870's when they reappear? They're probably in the 1860 & 1870 census with someone else, but who? If you see Wm. & John b. 1850 and 1841 respectively, let us know? John's Civil War record helped some.

Nancy has carried the name 'Bathon' around the McConaha family for generations, but it turns out it was Batson! Some of the California people still carry the name as a middle name.

Those who 'stayed home' from this family (back in Virginia) leaned to the spelling of McConihay! Lots of them still there, mostly in West Virginia these days. We track them back to Bucks Co., PA and then? They can't evaporate! We think that New Jersey is a possibility, due to an old reference about Samuel's birthplace in New Jersey, but this hasn't been really worked on as yet.

We have also discovered that Samuel's brother James came to Indiana with him and some of his family stayed with him; some went to California; some went to California and came back! We haven't made good contact with this line yet, but we know where some of them are and who some of them are.; so time will tell!

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Massachusetts Group  
Whose Ancestors were David McConoughey (1) Senior, and \_\_\_\_\_  
Symbol VII

1963: This David McConoughey, Senior, (1) was born in Ireland in 1723, but of Scotch descnet, and came to Massachusetts before 1752. His son, David McConoughey, Junior, was the first white settler in Bainbridge, Ohio, around 1811; another pioneer. This line has been documented and published as the

"Cannon-Carnaham-McConoughey Genealogy", by A. B. Cannon. Sooner or later we should have a copy of this Genealogy for our Central Archive.

1982: Actually by 1971 we had a copy of the McConoughey portion of the above genealogy thanks to Hope Krischker, whoc is still a member of the Society. David, Jr. was an officer in the Revolution, one of the few we've been able to claim! We leaned much more heavily to privates and corporals!

We've found notations that the first David came from Londonderry; so, again we have an indication about where to look. Another item that I consider to be of great importance is that they tend to use the pronunciation of Mc Connie, which I believe will be come important some day in pin-pointing a location.

One of the most active workers at present is Nyal Doak McConoughey, who is blind, but has taken a special course in genealogy, worked out his line for the SAR, and contacted many of his family, as well as other McConnaugheys. He's presently working on the compilation of his genealogy and I know that he will get it done!

Delaware Group  
Whose Ancestors were \_\_\_\_\_ McConaughy and Ann Springer  
Symbol VIII

1963: This \_\_\_\_\_ McConaughy and Ann Springer were the parents of Jacob McConaughy, born in Delaware in 1766. Present information suggests that this line is well documented and we anticipate adding same to our Archives shortly. Some clues point to affiliation with the Gettysburg Group. Most interesting we find in this group descendants with the unusual variant spelling McConathy. More later.

1982: We did soon after obtain the McConathy genealogy which was small, but well done by N. Albert McConathy. Some years later (about 1977) Al (the same N. Albert) gave us a longer, more complete version for our records here. It is, as anticipated, very complete and well-done, however, the roots are as obscure as ever! We have had some work done in Delaware and had a bit of luck with the Springers, but none with the nebulous McConaughy. The traditional story is that Ann remarried and the son changed his name. Irene & Edward McConathy from Oklahoma have sent in details on their line and we have another member or two from this group, still trying to pin things down in Delaware!

Kentucky Group  
Whose Ancestors were David M'Connaughhay and \_\_\_\_\_  
Symbol IX

1963: This David M'Connaughhay (so spelled in his Journal) was born in 1808 in Bourbon County, Kentucky. He was a son of David McConnaughay or M'Connaughay who was born in Pennsylvania but lived in Kentucky; then returning to Pennsylvania where he died. Some of this lien were among early Indiana Settlers also. Descendants use the spelling of McConahay.

1982: A lot has come up in this family over the years including the Journal record of David b. 1808 and the Bible record of his brother, Ranson. The 1st David was married to Martha Ranson and, according to Ranson's note in his Bible, they were buried side by side in KY, not in PA. David b. 1808 was married to Dinah Adair. Sifting Davids, and Moses', and James', and Mary's can give you a head-ache of magnificent proportions on this line! Add to

this the fact that Moses McConnaughay of White County, IN married Mary McConahay and both of their fathers were David McConnaughays? Doesn't that give you a lift? I shuffled and re-dealt the cards for some time before the answer settled down. Moses was the son of David McConnaughay & Dinah Adair. Mary was the daughter of David McConnaughay & Sarah Gross & this David was the son of James McConnaughay and Moses Badders; so Mary & Moses were first cousins once removed since Moses and David (Mary's father) were cousins! Once that was settled we went on to other things.

Gerald Born has worked off and on on the family for over 20 years. We had one of his his letters written many years ago and tried to locate him -- we ran until he caught us, actually! Anyway, he's back on the track trying to get these people together and doing a bang-up job.

Within the past couple of years we have added many of the missing links to this line and added much interesting material while meeting many wonderful descendants.

We started to have 'complications' with the 'hh' line. More 'hh' lines appeared than we could put together and we are still having that struggle! There's the 'hh' line of Daviess Co., IN from James McConnaughay and Polly Persons (or Parsons) which came from the same area in Ky where the White Co., IN people were and surely they are connected. Doris Bohannon, Richard Overton, and others have been working on this line. We even sought to 'prove' identity of this James by comparing signatures one time! Imagine two James McConnaughays dying in the same year in Indiana in the 1830's??

Some years back we had records of the 'hh' line of KY (same area as the ones mentioned above -- Bourbon & Nicholas Counties) from John McConnaughay and Nancy Burns, some of whom stayed in KY, but most of whom went on to Pawnee City, KS. Again, every indication is that they should connect to the other 'hh' lines, but so far we haven't made the proven connection.

One of the largest 'hh' lines settled ca Jefferson Co., IL about 1844, having come up from Sumner Co., TN. The progenitor was listed as a David for years, but within the past two-three years it has been proven that it was William McConnaughay whose first wife was Amariah Moore (m. in Sumner Co., TN in 1819). There are several actively working on this line at the present time.

I have a 'theory' about the 'hh' -- I think it may have come from a stop-over in Wales where double consonants are the rule not the exception. It is the only logical theory I can present and only time will prove I'm right -- or wrong -- as the case may be.

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Punxsutawney, PA Group

Whose Ancestors were Eli McConnaughey and \_\_\_\_\_.  
Parents of George Washington McConnaughey who  
Married Margaret Shields.  
Symbol X

1963: Eli McConnaughey is said to have been born in Londonderry, Ireland (Ulster); his wife presently unknown to us. They were the parents of George Washington McConnaughey (who married Margaret Shields) and Thompson McConnaughey \_\_\_\_\_). George Washington McConnaughey was born in 1826 near Marchand, PA, and is rated the 'patriarch' of a large number of the name who

came into Washington County, PA, including Eldon Ardell McConnaughey and Archie Ardell McConnaughey. We think it will be possible to develop much information on this Group. Some clues suggest that Eli McConnaughey may have been one of the seven sons of William McConnaughey (1) and Ellen Berry. We must mention also that one of George Washington McConnaughey's sons was Thaddeus Stevens McConnaughey. Eli doubtless had other children and we also know that his son, Thompson McConnaughey had twelve children or more! (Note -- this is an entirely different, though contemporary, Thompson from the one under Group I.)

1982: Blair and Eleanor McConnaughey contributed heavily to our records on this family in the 1960's. Later, Kate Depp generously lent her records for us to copy and return. She had proven that the first one known in this line was not an Eli, but another David McConnaughey! Just what we needed? He married Sarah Thompson -- another familiar name. Books could be written on the McConnaughey/Thompson connections they are so numerous! These people lived in the mining areas of Pennsylvania and West Virginia and some are still connected to the mining industry. Dorothy Batterson is currently the most active researcher on this line.

Obviously, finding David, contemporary with our David b. 1776 removes him as a possible son of William b. 1739-40; but this David could be a nephew.

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1971: The second bulletin came out and some lines were added:

McConaughy's of Eastbrook, PA  
Whose Ancestors were Donald McConaughy & Mary McLeod  
Symbol XI

1971: One of the few we've been able to get 'over the water'@ Donald and Mary came from the Isle of Skye to Northern Ireland, with their parents, and were married in Ireland. Donald is the right age to be a brother of Samuel McConaughy and others and his occupation (in linen) reminds of William and the flax trade. George Clifford Fisher, of this line, has done a wonderful job of compiling this line, including work done for him in Ireland.

1982: This was another line in which we won a lot by cooperation -- I was working with one group, Uncle Mac with another and one day they came together. This line has been well-documented and most of the work needed is in Ireland; however, there is no one currently working on it that we know of.

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The Adam Line  
Whose Ancestors were Adam McConnaughy and Elizabeth Adams  
Symbol XII

1971: It was a momentary shock when I received a letter saying "We have our McConnaughy line back to Adam!" When I recovered sufficiently to read it again, I found this Adam was born in 1798, married in 1822, and the father of thirteen children, many of whom settled in Ohio, but some 'went West' and some of our unclassified members surely belong here.

AND

Maryland/Bridgeport, OH Group  
Whose Ancestors were Joseph McConaughy & Rebecca Glass  
Symbol XX

1971: Information limited, but should tie into another line in time. It is presently distinct enough to be classified alone.

1982: XX didn't stay 'alone' for long -- it shortly became evident that Joseph and Adam were brothers, both sons of James & Eliz. McConaughy who had also come from Maryland to Bridgeport. Phyllis Dye Slater is presently the most active on this line. There's a lot of putting together to be done and then, surely we can find where James fits in? The Salt Lake City papers have been a great help for this search. So XX became part of XII.

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Alabama Group  
Whose Ancestors were Patrick McConaughy & Mary Hanson  
Symbol XIII

1971: Patrick and his twin brother, William, were born in 1774 in Ireland. He was married to Mary Hanson in this country and settled in Alabama, where descendants still live. Pat McConaughy Myers of this line pronounced it Mc Conochie, with a southern accent! We have a good bit of early information, including the early death of William, apparently without issue; but need more documentation on the later lines.

1982: You've heard me refer to 'the Elusive Walter P.'? This is where he belongs, the brilliant and famous Walter Patrick McConaughy formerly Ambassador to Pakistan and Taiwan among others. Noted for being out-spoken. I have sent him letters and flyers and bulletins, hoping to complete the records of his family; but no answer -- directly. I can, however, thank him for several members! He has passed along our address and urged others to belong! He had his daughter, Pat Myers, call me one time and assure me that he was interested and would be in touch when he had time. He's now been retired for several years and is back in Alabama and still must not have found the time! So my file on Walter P. remains 'elusive' and Symbol XIII indicates the kind of luck I haven't had with him!

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McConkey/McConky Lines  
Symbol XIV

1971: There are some distinct lines of this name, but quite often the early spellings turn out to mean something different than they say and exchange on these lines has been quite helpful, especially the cooperation of Mr. Marion Frank, Mrs. J. Nolan Callahan, and Mrs. Ryall Kimber.

1982: Since the roots are the same for McConkey and McConaughy, I fully expected to continue collecting both indefinitely. It finally became quite apparent, however, that except for rare instances (and I can't recall one) the two names do not get mixed-up! We have one large box of McConkey material and have published several articles about McConkeys and may continue to do so since the roots are the same, but we have found it necessary to narrow our research and do not include McConkey as a matter of course. We have lost track of Marion Frank and Mrs. Kimber is in a nursing home in Arizona; but Eleanor McConky Callahan is still around and will, I'm sure help those who need it. Time is the reason for 44 limiting this area.

### Cameron, WV Line

Whose Ancestors were David McConaughy and Martha Lindsay  
Symbol XV

1971: These people from County Tyrone, near Belfast. Three of their sons came to the area around Wheeling, WV and one was the founder of Cameron, WV. (David, who married Anna Marie Davis(on) and had ten children. This David (the 2nd) was born in 1798 in County Tyrone, Ireland. The problem of sorting Davids in these families is awesome!

1982: Starting in the 1930's, Florence Glenn Post has been researching and compiling the records. We have been very fortunate in having her help and she continues to research the records. Another helpful worker on this line is Frances Baker Bounds, who has added 'flesh' to the bones of bare fact by writing several accounts of the people involved, using facts as the basis for her writing and filling in with 'educated guesses' about what happened or might have happened. These stories have been a great addition to our records. This is one of the families torn asunder by the Civil War -- brother against brother, etc. as some fought for the South and some for the North.

Within the past few months, Frances Bounds made several giant strides toward filling in gaps in this line and adding to the branches. Before we met, Frances had begun collecting the Confederate McConaughy records. It was this collection that inspired Andi Cranmer to start collecting the Union Civil War records, which is a continuing effort.

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### Honeybrook/Chester Co., PA Line

Whose Ancestors were David McConahy and Elinor Graham  
Symbol XVI

1971: This patriarch was also the father of at least nine children and died in 1786 in PA. Our information about him is from court records including his will. Surely some members go to this line, but none are proven. The names of his children are given as John, Robert, James, Jane, David, Elizabeth, Sarah, William, & Elinor. Elinor Graham was the daughter of ARthur Graham (d. 1767) and Jean \_\_\_\_\_ d. 1789.

1982: Eleven years later and still no one who goes directly to this line! He seems too old to be William's brother David, but that is a possibility and the names are in line with those in William's family, except for Jane and that is probably for Elinor's mother, Jean or Jane. We should take the time to work down on this line and see if we can hook up some of the loose ends.

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### Delfrich, County Antrim, No. Ireland Line

Whose Ancestor was John, the Covenantor  
Symbol XVII

1971: Apparently eight of his nine children came to America together -- Nancy (who m. a Kerr, and settled in Indiana); James, Rose, Daniel, John, and Margaret (m. a McKenen) -- all settled in California; Isabel who married \_\_\_\_\_ English and settled in Indiana; and Alexander who settled in Ohio. Among other Spellings, this group has developed McConagha. Marilyn McConagha Kniceley has been a wonderful 'eager beaver' in this group.

1982: Over the years other descendants such as Maryellen Hower have appeared & some things are 'straightened out' i. e. McKenen was really McKeeman and they didn't go to California, but stayed in Allen Co., IN along with Isabel & John.

As we were adding to our knowledge of this line, Doug McConaghy appeared on the scene and shortly proved that he was a descendant of Robert, the one son who stayed in Ireland where he had a large family. Eventually all of Robert's children came to this country.

Quite recently Louise Covault discovered an old letter that shows John the Covenantor and his wife also came to America; so new doors are still opening.

Because of the fairly late arrival of Doug's family, we had the exact place in Ireland where they came from -- Ballymoney in County Antrim. We now have several lines going to that place or within a few miles of it, some of them being:

1. Line from Wm. McConaghie & Martha Moore, of Ballymoney -- Betty Kienzle's line.
2. John McConaghie & Nancy McLean Line of Ballymoney -- Jane Hoffman's Line. This line, like Betty's, has Chestnuts in it! Also both have real-live, identified cousins in the area.
3. The Australian line from Andrew McConaghie, born in the late 1700's, died in Australia, from Ballymoney.
4. John McConeghy & Matilda Morrow, born early 1800's in Ballymacfin -- Robert K. McConeghy's line.
5. Rev. Andrew McConnaughie's line which is near Ballymoney -- about 5-10 miles at most.
6. Ina Maconaghy's line -- she lives in Belfast now, but was from this same area and says they came there, to Port Rush, in the 1700's.

There are others, but isn't that enough to point out the importance of that particular area? Ronnie and Wm. Norman McConaghie have both tried to find information for us and it is helping, but it's a long, slow process. Ina and Andy and his wife, Pat, have also sent us items to add to our store and help us along the way.

Iowa Group  
Whose Ancestors were Donald McConaughy and \_\_\_\_\_ Buchanan  
Symbol XVIII

1971: There are a number of Buchanan connections with McConaughy's and they come close to connecting now and then but 'fly away'! Donald was born around 1797 and was in Ohio, Delaware Co. in 1843 and in Jones Co., Iowa 1856. Mildred Fisk McConaughy (now Mrs. Fritz Hug) has been extremely helpful with this group. There is an indication, not proven, that this line will tie into the Gettysburg line -- still working on it.

1982: One of the most fascinating names in the world is associated with this family -- Herbin Sidus McConaughy! We believe now that it was a John McConaughy, not Donald, who headed this line and the Buchanan connection is not proven. There is another line thought to go back to a Thomas McConaughy & Hannah \_\_\_\_\_ in Washington Co., PA which has a Herbin Sidus Dailly in it. Sally Ord and

Ivan Benedict are hard on the trail of these people. Some of us (including your editor) believe that they will tie into the William McConnaughey and Ellen Berry line. We all think Herbin Sidus is too good a clue to overlook. Sally Ord recently moved back to the Carlisle, Cumberland Co., PA area where some of these people lived and we are hoping for a great break-through one of these days.

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Bedford Co., VA Line

Whose Ancestors were Samuel McConahay (McConihay) & Hannah Harris  
Symbol XIX

1971: Samuel McConahay was born in 1775. Information recent and scanty, but more should develop.

1982: And develop it did! We now know that this line is connected to the Centerville, IN Group VI and some of this was discussed under that Group.

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Rowan Co., NC Group

Whose Ancestors were Joseph McConnaughey and Martha \_\_\_\_\_  
New Symbol XIX

1982: Joseph was in the area near William McConnaughey in the 1790 period, but soon went to N. C. and had a huge family. We have always been tempted to claim him for the William McConnaughey line, but there are no other Joseph's in the William line and there are no records to assist in making this connection, although there are ample records 'down from' Joseph. Dottie Kettler has been one of the prime movers in this search.

Unclassified Members  
"Z" Group

1971: Some of these (not all) were:

1. Boone County, Indiana McCon(n)aha Line which we have now proven to be an off-shoot of the Centerville, IN line.
2. Boone County, Indiana McConaughy line which we have now proven to be an off-shoot of the Gettysburg line
3. Alexandria, Indiana McConnaughey Line which we have now proven to be from the William McConnaughey/ Ellen Berry Line.

1982: Most of the presently unidentified lines originate in the 1800's and should, with a few additions, generally connect to one of the 'known' and proven lines. There are some well-identified lines that are not listed above: Huntingdon Co., PA group which may go back to the 1700's; Lawrence County, PA group, early 1800's; The two-three 'Alexander' lines that converged on Muskingum Co., OH; the 'ship-captain' line of Ruth Rose back to William McConnaughey which has traditional stories that come close to the other William line; the two 'Perry' lines which seem to start in mid-air, but can't, we know!

If each of us would concentrate on our own local records for a while (NOT PA records in Indiana or vice versa), but the local records in the court houses, newspaper files, historical societies, etc. about that locality alone, we could pick up some of the stray pieces needed to put some of these lines together. Already two of the first twenty have combined with others and many more will do the same. Happy Hunting!!

JOHN McCONNAUGHY of BRIDGEPORT, OH

"Once upon a time....." There was a nice old gentleman names John McConnaughy who lived in Bridgeport, OH. Accoring to his death record, he was 81 years old when he died 24 April 1895, which would put his birth date at 1814. 20 Sept. 1838 he married Mary Ann Howell who was born 25 May 1820, dau. of William Howell and Ann \_\_\_\_\_. They had:

(Wm.) Howell b. 1847 m. Sophia Heneke b. 1852  
Lucinda b. 9 Oct. 1839, d. 25 Dec. 1874, unmarried.  
Elzan (Ellie) who married William Smith  
Jane who married C. W. Clogston (Jane died in Indian Territory in 1901)  
Florence Louisa who married Robert Giffin (Civil War Vet.) Florence  
was born 24 Feb. 1844 and had a large family.

Florence's great granddaughter, Phyllis Dye Slater of Wheeling, WV is working on this line and in one of her first letters we learned: "....Also want to mention to you that my John McConnaughy was married two times as my mother remembers his second wife coming to visit her grandmother Florence McConnaughy Giffin. She did not care much for her step-mother and told my mother so. Mother thought her name was Mary, but mother was very young at the time and might have been mistaken. So the step mother must have been very young to out-live her husband so long, as mother was born in 1901.....Also her grandmother Florence said she kept house for the family for years. You mentioned where John was in the 1860 census. He is on the next page of the SLC book you sent, p. 96, with his daughter Lucinda A., age 20 (this is correct), but I cannot account for Amerlia aged 20 also. Maybe this was his second wife. Have looked for a marr. cert. but can't find one yet. Old family Bible states that Lucinda b. 9 Oct. 1839 d. 25 Dec. 1874. The old Bible did not tell all of their ages, only Lucinda, so part of the family was not living with the others. Probably because they did not like the step mother or resented her if she were so young at the time. His age seems to be off somewhat, ten years. Either he made himslef ten yeqrs younger or there was a misunderstanding, misprint or etc....."

Some months later, I was reviewing a Civil War file of a West Virginia John McConnaughy born 1820 and something cliked; so I wrote to Phyllis again and we went into the file more carefully and found the missing step-mother, Mary Poole, including her marriage certificate showing they were married 27 August 1866 in Belmont Co., OH (and all the time Phyllis was concentrating on Jefferson Co.). Mary and John apparently had only one son, John, who died after his father died, unmarried. So far we have at least three different ages for John!

Digging deeper into the file we found that Mary Ann Howell McConnaughy, the first wife, died in 1855; so who was Amelia in the 1860 census? According to one of John's affidavits, he married Emily Shrock \_\_\_\_\_ and she died in 1864; so Emily must have been the Amelia of the 1860 census record. Other affidavits didn't mention her; so they either didn't know it, didn't recall it, or didn't think it pertinent to the matter at hand -- getting a pension for Mary Poole McConnaughy.

John also stated that he was born in Westmoreland Co., PA, not Ohio. We believe that he should be a brother of Adam and Joseph McConnaughy, sons of James & Eliz. McConnaughy who came from Maryland to Jefferson Co., OH; however, his birth in Westmoreland Co. makes one wonder it he might not be astray from the Ligonier line? Or -- possibly the family was en route west when he was born in Westmoreland Co.? Another clue -- he was a stone mason by occupation. It would certainly be nice to fasten these Bridgeport people down. Any ideas??

# McConnaughey Society of America

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- 1961: McConnaughey Society founded by Pat McConnaughay Gregory with assistance from Samuel Chalmers McConahey (1876-1971); Kenneth Earl McConnaughay (1899-1975); Stuart Alyn McConnaha, and others.
- 1963: First Bulletin published, 32 pages, paid for by voluntary contributions.
- 1964-1971: Collecting, researching, and assimilating material from SCM above into the records in Indpls., including the previous collection of Dr. David McConaughy (1860-1945) + trying to raise seven youngsters, then, 1971, 11-22 years old!
- 1971: 2nd bulletin, 64 pages, annual ever since -- now 80+ pages.
- 1976: First annual Gathering in Indpls., IN -- annually ever since.
- 1977: Incorporated as a non-profit organization for the purpose of preserving and publishing information about McConnaugheys and the variant spellings.
- 1980: First 'bonus book' for members (Report of Research in Ulster Ireland, 1979); First 'extra' publication, 100+ pages of records of McConnaugheys, etc. in the Mormon Library in Salt Lake City; First state chapter, Arizona, formed.
- 1981: Started working on a chapter in County Antrim, North Ireland; prepared 2nd 'bonus book' for 1980 members (2nd volume of Salt Lake City material); prepared 12th annual Bulletin for 1981 members; continuing research & accumulation of records.
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- Donations: Of material, time, and money are always wanted and appreciated. We will copy & return your original records (usually the day received), or arrange to have them copied & re-emburse you (for original records, please), or we will keep records for preservation if for any reason you prefer that method. We urge you to send what you have and what you find -- even if not your line. Your material may help somone else and theirs may help you.
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#### GATHERING, 1983

Plan NOW to attend the Eight Annual McConaughay Society of America Gathering to be held at the Holiday Inn, Southeast, Indpls. (may be marked Beech Grove!), IN on Aug. 12, 13, 14, 1983. Do more than that, plan to bring others & encourage more to attend; think up ideas for future planning; bring pictures & items of interest to display. Again, we'd like some prizes & favors, preferably some that are appropriate for McConaughays of Scottish & Irish ancestry, but NOTHING is too small! Also items for the Auction. Many bring food items for the Friday picnic (8/12/83) which adds to the variety & fun; but none of these things are mandatory.

Fri. evening there'll be an outdoor supper at the Gregorays (5410) Sat., coffee & rolls at the meeting place, followed by a meeting, then luncheon, then meeting, then dinner, then meeting! In between times we have a Scottish Fair with items from Ireland, Scotland, & Eng. (Not Taiwan & Korea!) for sale at reasonable prices (profit to the Society). Bring your problems and we'll try to help, but Sunday and thereafter are better days for that if I don't 'tire out' as I did this year! I promise to do better next year!

Price is tentatively set at \$30 per person (as it was this year) which includes everything but your room. If a place to stay is all that stands in your way, let us know & we'll try to work that out for you, too -- with six children having their own homes, it's very possible!! We ask for a deposit of at least \$10 which is not refundable, but which applies to your per person cost & will be used toward dues or whatever if you find you are unable to come. This is \$10 per person, couple, or group, not per person. The sooner we know how many are planning on coming, the better we can plan; so put us down now for 1983 & write to me that you are coming. Additional information will be furnished upon request and/or after you have registered. SEE YOU IN '83!!!!!!

We'll be there!:

We want \_\_\_\_\_ room(s) for \_\_\_\_\_ people on Aug. \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, 1983. We would like to stay with local folks. \_\_\_\_\_

We have made other arrangements \_\_\_\_\_ We want more information, specify kind, i.e. campground, etc. \_\_\_\_\_

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ is enclosed, to be applied to the total charges or dues. NO REFUNDS.

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VAN WERT, OH or JEWELERS' LINE

This is one of those mysterious lines that has to go somewhere, but isn't! Col. John McConahay, U. S. Army Ret. and his brother, Howard McConahay attended our 1982 Gathering and, not just because they came, of course!, they deserve our help. Let's see if we can make some headway on the JEWELERS' line!

"Van Wirt, O., Aug. 27th, 1897

Mr. S. C. McConahey, Pittsburg, Pa.

Dear Sir:-

In replying to your letter of yesterday, my information will be very meager as never, to much extent, have traced the genealogy of my family. James McConahay, my father's father lived near Ashland, Ohio on the Black Fork. My father, Joseph E. lived in Wooster, where the under signed was born July, 1838. A branch of my family live here and they spell their name McConahy. I don't remember of ever hearing of the line of McConaheys which you represent. I know there at one time lived in Wooster an Edd. Quimby but have not heard of him for years. The last information I had, his residence was in the city from which you address me. He was proprietor of glass works. Fact is, I don't know much about my people.

With very much respect, I am yours, etc.,  
A. P. McConahay."

At this juncture, Uncle Mac (SCM) was 21 years old. At the bottom of this letter (which is a copy of the original, one that Uncle Mac typed for his notebook) is the following "Under date of Sept. 17, 1896, wrote:- Rev. Dr. Simpson, Fivemiletown, Ireland and The Presbyterian Minister,, St. Johnston, Ireland." I have no way of knowing if there was a connection between the letters or not, but Fivemiltown and St. Johnston must be small enough that Uncle Mac had some really definite mention of them to take the time to write.

Death certificate, dated 5 April 1921 for Charles McConahay of Van Wert, OH, retired farmer and implement dealer, b. 11 Mar.1848 in Ohio, son of Grimes McConahay (b. PA) and Lucinda Baker (b. Ohio). Died of Bronchial pneumonis. Information given by C. A. McConahay. Burial at Woodland.

"June 21, 1939  
Wooster, Ohio

Dear Ones -- So little time for writing but I wanted you to have a program of our doings. Hope you are feeling much better. Am enclosing some family history also for Chalmers, given to me by Mrs. Roy McConahay, 923 Pratt St., Van Wert, O.

Lots of love, Camilla"

Camilla McConahey was Uncle Mac's sister, a teacher and the letter was addressed to Mrs. S. C. McConahey, Wilkensburg, PA. The enclosure went as follows:

"David McConahay, Judge in Wooster, father of the wife of Ephraim Quimby, one of the founders of Wooster College.

"Joseph English McConahay, a wagon maker in Wooster left, migrating westward to Van Wert in 1855.

"Son Augustus Payson McConahay born in Wooster 1838, son Roy P. McConahay Van Wert, Ohio.

"Grimes McConahay, cousin of Joseph."

Did Roy have children? Did SCM follow up? We assume the rather ambiguous statement to mean Augustus was Joseph's son (as also stated in Augustus' own letter years before) and Roy was Augustus' son. The handwriting of the note is not Camilla's, therefore we assume it was written by Mrs. Roy McConahay, the informant.

In response to one of my very early flyers, I received the following letter:

"July 3, 1963  
McCONAHAY JEWELRY  
57 So. Main  
Salt Lake City 11, Utah

Mrs. Warren R. Gregory

Dear Mrs. Gregory,

The most complete record of our family is in the possession of my aunt, Mrs. Regne Hover (Roy P.) McConahay, Pratt & Webster Streets, Van Wert, Ohio. I am sure she will make available whatever information she has.

There is a Mormon girl who works here at our store. She has access to the geneological files of the LDS church. I will ask her to find out if there is any information there that could be useful.

Here in Salt Lake there is one other family; Robert E. McConaughy, real estate, Walker Bank Bldg., Salt Lake City 11, Utah. He is probably about 63 years old, one son Robt. III who is associated with his father in business. The son is about 35.

There is another McConaughy runs a newspaper in Morgan, Utah.

A Colonel McConaughy retired from the air force about 5 years ago. He was stationed at Hill AFB near Ogden Utah. I met his father one time, he was from Seattle Washington.

During WWII I saw a motortricicle in Los Angeles with the name "McConahay's Electrical Shop.

In 1923 I met a Donald S. McConaughy at Fort Sill Oklahome, he was a First Lieutenant in the regular Field Artillery at that time. He agreed to answer my girl's letters, which he received, if I would pay his commissary bills, which I had received. It didn't seem like a very good idea to me.

Possibly you are aware of the fact that a great many army records are on file in Indianapolis. This may be helpful.

No doubt you have information about the former governor of Connecticut. I Understand his son was a writer for Time & Life.

I will be interested in hearing from you again.

Sincerely,  
Wm. C. McConahay"

From my marks on this letter I would say that I did send a flyer to Mrs. Roy P. McConahay and Robert E. McConaughy, but no indication that there was any response. Time probably prevented further follow-up at that moment, but it is doubtful if Mrs. Roy McConahay knew more in 1963 than she had in 1939? The relationship to Wm. C. is helpful.

I wrote to Wm. C. 8 July 1963 and indicated I would send flyers as mentioned above, asked for further information, etc. and sent him a copy of the first bulletin.

"Mrs. W. Robert Mann  
Old Mill Road  
Chapel Hill, North Carolina  
Nov. 3, 1963

Dear Mrs. Gregory,

Today I had the pleasure of talking to your father and mother. We got talking about the McConnaughay name and your father told me of the interesting book you have written. In fact he got a friend to show me a copy of it. Since my grandfather was Charles McConahy of Van Wert, Ohio, your father suggested I write to you and ask that you send me a copy of your Volume 1. I would be most grateful if you would also send one to my sister -- Mrs. Miles Mayer, 9591 Blanchard, Fontana, California. My sister is very active in the DAR and most interested in all the family history she can gather. She would be so thrilled to have a copy of your book. If there is any cost in connection with the book, I am sure we both would be only too happy to pay whatever it is. So do let us know.

Sincerely yours,  
Mary Jane Mann"

I have a copy of a letter from me to Cecelia Mayer dated 19 Feb. 1964 which indicates she had written (probably on the flyer since it is not in the file) and I had given her William C.'s address. I asked for information on 'the other eight children.' I don't know which 8 -- probably Charles' -- but no further correspondence is in evidence.

11 Sept. 1970 I received orders for two copies of the 2nd Bulletin (then in preparation) from Wm. C., one for himself at the same address as before and one for his son: Capt. Wm. Stewart McConahay, Hq. Sqdn. 4780 A B Gp. (ADC), Perrin AFB, Texas 75090.. I responded by writing to both father and son.

About this same time I wrote for and received the SAR papers for William Myers McConahay, b. ca 1869, son of A. P. McConahay b. 1838 and Laura Myers and father of William Clifford McConahay, bo 7 Oct. 1900, living in Salt Lake City. Wm. Myers' wife was Ella J. \_\_\_\_\_.

In 1972 my father visited Salt Lake City and talked to you. I then sent you a copy of Augustus P.'s 1897 letter which, it seems, had come into my possession in 1971 or 1972 following the death of SCM. His son, Hugh, had been sending me such items as he came across them; so I didn't have that letter in 1963 nor did I have the SAR application; so it was just beginning to make sense and 18 July 1972 I wrote to Wm. C. again telling him 'what's new' and asking if he could add anything further.

9 June 1981 -- Letter to PMG from Col. John D. McConahay of Fort Collins, CO:  
".....My father was John F. McConahay, born in Palo, Iowa in 1889. His father was John McConahay born in Van Wert, Ohio in 1849. I wrote the Probate Court in Van Wert for a birth certificate but they only have records since about 1900 so I was out of luck. My dad thought his relatives came from Scotland to Ohio but we have nothing to verify this. I don't know whether my granddad had any brothers and sisters....."

22 June 1981 -- I had replied to the previous letter and under this date received John's response:

".....I couldn't trace anyone familiar (in the papers PMG sent) because I don't know if my grandfather McConahay had any brothers and sisters. My father had a twin brother, who died at birth. My father was born at Palo, Iowa, but when I wrote to Des Moines for a birth certificate they could find nothing. My father had a brother, Howard, 2 years younger, also born at Palo. He had a sister, Mattie, born abotu 1879 at Palo, who married a Henry Tucking. She died 4/17/17 at Palo.

"My mother was a Dochterman and we have considerable information about her lineage traced by her brother Milford.

"My dad's father was John McConahay born June, 1848 at Van Wert, Ohio and he is buried at Palo, Iowa. We wrote to Van Wert for his birth certificate, but they only had information since 1867. His wife was Margaret Ann Lountsford, born 1849 at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and buried at Palo, Iowa. in the Genealogical Helper from Utah we have found Lunsford and Lunceford but no Lountsfords.. Margaret Ann Lountsford's parents were Levi Lountsford and Sarah (Hamilton?) Lountsford. Levi was a French Huguenot so my dad was told. He also was told that Sarah was the daughter of James Hamilton, born in Kentucky, and James was the son of Alexander Hamilton. My dad was always told he was a descendant of Hamilton, but he could not verify that.

"My father understaood that his father's parents were from near Glasgow, Scotland and came directly to Van Wert, Ohio. Their names were John and ???? and they operated a sawmill on the Black River.

".....Margaret Ann Lountsford .....had two brothers that I remember, Uncle Will and Uncle John, bachelors who lived together when I was a small boy.

"We checked 1850 census records at the Federal Center in Denver and found a John McConahay in Wayne County, Ohio, near Wooster who had a son John, age 8. We also found a John McConehy of Richland County, Ohio who had a son John, age 1. I don't know whether these are any relatives or not."

Although births are nicer to think about, deaths are easier to find records! Not just death certificates, but undertakers' records, wills, probate records, etc.; so before 1900-1910 you'll usually have much better luck with death records at the local level. I suggested several things to John at this point, which I imagine he has tried like seeking a death certificate for Aunt Mattie McConahay Tucking in 1917; trying for a will record in Richland and/or Van Wert, OH; Checking Lunsford and Lunceford as well as Lountsford; checking down from Alexander Hamilton, whose genealogy I am confident is well-documented.

The next letter was from LaDean McConahay, John's wife, following her visit to Ireland in 1981, letter dated 31 August 1981. She mentioned the McConaghy's of Ballyrashane, a book she heard about in Ireland. We published the McConaghy portions of that book in a recent bulletin -- maybe last year's. She also had a rather uncomfortable experience with a curator when he discovered her name was McConahay. Of course this happened in Dublin, which is even more Catholic than any of North Ireland, if I have my facts straight! He definitely didn't approve of the Ulster Scots!

LaDean then told me that Don's brother, Howard, stopped in Palo, Iowa on his way home from Fort Collins, CO to Brookfield, MI, found nothing in the first cemetery, but - in Howard's words: "I visited an old small cemetery about 2 miles from Palo and checked every marker I could find in it. It was overgrown with weeds and some markers are too weathered to decipher. All I found in that cemetery was a T. J. McConahay and his wife, Sarah.

T. J. - 9/12/1813 - 12/30/1886

Sarah - 8/8/1817 - 3/31/1888

Could they be our great grandparents? This has me curious now."

30 July 1981 -- a letter from John, just before LaDean left for Ireland:

"My father always said there was a famous general in Ohio related to the family somehow. My brother, Howard, is here at the moment and he said it was General Scott in the Civil War. In checking info on Alexander Hamilton, I had previously found that Schuyler Hamilton, grandson of Alexander, served as Aide-de-camp to Gen. Scott in the Mexican War of 1846 - seems like there may be some connection there but, if that is the case, then it would be through my grandmother, Margaret Lunsford. It seems that my father told me his father, or some member of the family, had come west to work in the silver mines, possibly Nevada."

I replied to John (as I have to many others): "There is always some truth in the traditional family stories, but they often turn out to belong to a maternal line instead of the main line; so your general story is not surprise. I know of no McConnaughey past the rant of Capt. in any war through the Civil War and someone would have told me by now if there was one!"

Boy! I'm sure glad John and Howard were here this summer and saw the mess on my desk -- and it was 'cleaned up' at that point! Every time I see this line, bells ring, but I couldn't find what I wanted; now I have located some of the material, in some of the late SLC material, which has not been published. Frankly, I don't know whether I sent it to John or not! Well, better later than never? I surely hope so!!

Record of Mercer & Van Wert, p. 482-3 -- Grimes McConahay dead was b. Lewstown, Juniata Co., PA 18 Oct. 1819. Came with parents when he was quite young & located in Richland Co., OH where he grew to manhood & mar. Eliz. McNulty. She died 1844 after having 3 children; 2 of her children soon died leaving Adellia who mar. B. W. Brown of Delaware, OH & d. in 1876. After his wife died, Grimes moved to Lima, Allen Co., OH and married Lucetta Baker 30 Apr. 1847. She was the dau. of Charles Baker (a good deal on him in this history. SG) From Lima, Grimes went to Van Wert Co., in 1851 where he formed a partnership in general merchandising with A. W. Baker (more on the business. SG) He sold his grocery business to his son, Cary McConahay. He died 26 Sept. 1887, age 68, 11 mo., 8 days. He died of heart disease & was bur. at Woodland Cemetery. His children were Charles Alonzo, Albert D. (d. Sept. 1887), James A., Mary F., wife of Wm. A. Caldwell, Elmer B., Cary B., Walter G., & Laura B., wife of J. W. Nicholas.

Ibid, p. 484: Augustus P. McConahay, jeweler, b. Wooster, Wayne Co., OH 31 July 1838 son of Joseph E. & Maria E. Betts McConahay of PA & Conn. They were mar. 1834 in Tuscarawas Co., OH & then moved to Wooster where Augustus followed his trade until 1854. He then moved to Van Wert Co. & died 22 Feb. 1872. His widow died Jan. 1893. They had 3 children: Augustus P., Caroline (dead), and Lucy E. wife of J. W. Rout of Tenn.

Hist. of Van Wert, p. 184: A. P. McConahay was a practical clock & watch maker & jeweler. He learned his business in all its branches with S. R. Turner in Terre Haute, IND. and afterwards settled in Van Wert in 1864. (Note: Van Wert

is adjacent to one of the northeast counties of Indiana. Terre Haute is on the far southwest border of Indiana and Illinois. Why did A. P. go to Terre Haute?)

Van Wert, Oh Deaths:

J. E. McConehy d. Sept. 20 1878, age 65, 1 mo., 19 days, d. Van Wert Co., Ohio, bur. PA. Farmer, died of palsy.

John McConahy d. 11 Dec. 1867, age 63, 7 mo., 19 days, d. Van Wert Co., bur. Lewistown, PA. Blacksmith, lung disease.

Grimes McConahy d. 26 Sept. 1887, age 69, 11 mo. 8 days, d. Van Wert Co., bur. Lewistown, PA. Groceryman, heart disease.

Charles Wesley McConahay d. 21 Nov. 1902 age 35, 4 mo., 8 days, d. Van Wert Co., Bur. Wyandott Co., OH, a florist, heart attack, no parentage given

Note: Three of these four buried in PA after all these years? And, again, considering Van Wert Co. is on the WEST border of Ohio, next to IN, a far piece from PA! The other account of Grimes death says he was buried at Woodland in Van Wert. Clearly the ties with Lewistown were great and close -- maybe a family burying ground? Lewistown points back to the James McConaughy who came there from Chester co., PA and married Rachel English, then went to Richland Co., OH

Van Wert, OH Births 1867-1908:

Grace McConahay b. 17 June 1885 dau. Charles Alonzo McConahay & Mary Davenport

Roy Pratt McConahay b. 14 Nov. 1885 son of Augustus & Laura Anna Myers McC.

Ruth McConahay b. 11 Sept. 1888 dau. C. B. & May E. Spangler McConahay

Burt McConahay b. 5 Mar. 1895 son of Burt McConahy & Calli Will at Conway, Ohio.

Hazel McConahay b. 15 Aug. 1893 dau. of Joseph McConahay & Dellie Link?

Kenneth McConahay b. 15 Nov. 1896 son of Clarence R. McC. and Fern L. Smith

Van Wert, OH Marriages 1891-1897:

Charles W. McConahy & Libbie T. Richey mar. 26 July 1894

Willard McConehay & Della Smith mar. 30 Apr. 1895.

Clarence R. McConahay & Fern Smith mar. 3 Oct. 1895.

There are also records of various deeds and estates, some quite complex. This article was meant to be 'instructive' -- showing how you can 'build a case' from what you have, develop leads, spot 'holes', in general get the show on the road again! There were many places mentioned in the above notes and there is little (if any) doubt that Col. John's family is related to those above

Someone needs to check that Lewistown cemetery carefully! Check the various other PA & OH counties mentioned, first in the SLC books, then at libraries or on the spot. We'll let you know how it all come out!

## THOMAS McCONAHY

by R. C. McConahy  
12 Feb. 1980

THOMAS McCONAHY and his two brothers, John and Alexander came to this country from County Antrim, Ireland in the year 1817. They were Scotch-Irishmen, or rather of Scottish descent, their ancestors having emigrated from Scotland to the north of Ireland. The original family of McConahy is said to have been in Midlothian, Scotland where it is said to still live and flourish.

Our family name is of Scottish origin beyond question if we conclude from, or by the spelling alone. As we spell it now, however, it is clipped of all it's superfluous letters. But spell it as you will, it's sounds will always have Scottish accent -- och, McConach, McConochie. Some spelled the syllable aug, some augh, some ogh and others ough. Also och but the sound comes out the same.

When Thomas McConahy came to this country he was married to Agnes Mc Kay and they had five children. William, John, Laughlin, Matilda and Alexander. Later on they had another daughter, Mary Ann. He left his wife and children in Ireland and came to this country to prepare a home for them. Thomas and his brothers, John and Alexander, first settled in Beaver County somewhere near the present town of Beaver.

Thomas and his brother, John, were colliers, Alexander was a man of liberal education and followed teaching as a profession. John was never married. Alexander was, and raised a family. Some of his descendants still live in Beaver County, I believe.

Thomas McConahy our ancestor, must have been fairly successful in obtaining work and a fair remuneration for it at that early day, for in less than two years he was able to send for his wife and family whocame to him from Ireland in the year 1819. He was said to be a tall, powerful man, with a stern, determined nature and with more then ordinary physical strength.

After the arrival of his family he remained in Beaver County for two years and in the year 1821 he bought a farm of one hundred acres in Shenango Township, now Lawrence County, on Snake Run Road, where he resided till his death. He left surviving four sons and two daughters. William, John, Laughlin and Alexander and Matilda, wife of John Booher and Mary Ann, wife of William B. Wilson.

New Castle was first settled and a town laid out, by John Carlisle Stewart and others in the year 1798. In order to become a borough at that time you had to have at least three hundred people sign a petition to present to the state. It took almost thirty years for that to come true for New Castle. The first burgess of New Castle was Robert McConahy, and one of the first merchants was Qlexander McConahy. Robert McConahy was one of the earliest merchants in New Castle. He owned some fifteen hundred acres of land in the vicinity. He also owned the first regular pleasure carriage in the town. If you read the 1872 Atlas and 1877 History of Lawrence County, PA., you will find that the McConahy's had a large part in the settling and development of Lawrence County.

Laughlin McConahy born in 1809 was my great grandfather. He married Sarah Cooper and lived on his farm in Slippery Rock Township (120 acres). 57

They had six children, three sons, Thomas, Nathaniel and John and three daughters, Maria, Nancy and Elizabeth. All three sons enlisted in the Army at Pinston, Slippery Rock Township, during the 'War of the Rebellion' or the Civil War and served their country till the end of the war. Laughlin McConahy and his wife Sarah spent their entire life on their farm in Slippery Rock Township.

Thomas McConahy, born October 20, 1839, Lawrence County, was my grandfather. He spent his youth on his father's farm. He was about six feet one inch and fairly heavy. He had a dark complexion, gray eyes. He had the nickname of "Big Tom" and had a reputation for being a pretty good fighter. Thomas enlisted in the Army on the thirty-first of August in the year of eighteen hundred and sixty-one. He was discharged October 31, 1863, as a corporal.

Thomas McConahy married Minerva Ward on July 4, 1865 in New Castle, Pennsylvania. They had eight children, five boys, John, Laughlin, James, William, and Thomas Braden and three girls, Sarah Jane, Mary Bell, and Harriett. Thomas and his family resided in Lawrence County till 1890, when for some reason he left his family and never returned. He went to San Diego, California and stayed till 1896 and then to Los Angeles to the Old Soldier's Home where he died on August 26, 1913 at age 74.

#### WHY DID I HAVE A SON?

BY Freda McConahay

Why did I have a son?  
To cuddle warmly to my breast  
And look into my eyes with childish wonder  
The while he nourished, grew his loves  
That no one can cast asunder.  
That must be why I had a son.

Why did I have a son?  
To make my heart swell with pride  
When honors won in class or field  
He modestly gave the other ten  
The credit that was given him.  
How glad I am I have a son.

Why did I have a son?  
When trials came thick and fast  
I looked up at him and saw  
Assurance in his eyes so fearless blue  
The youth that fears no task too big  
And steadily we braved it through  
My own true son.

Why did I have a son?  
When nationals' mad men chaos bring  
To a world that knows no lasting peace  
Each generation war must taste.  
To country's call I nobly give  
My son young, brave, and honor bound  
To hold for us a nation free  
Whose ideals are cherished eternally  
That is why I had a son.

Thomas McConahy & Agnes McKay

William m. Polly HENNON 4 girls 2 boys	John m. Barbara BOOK 3 girls 3 boys	Laughlin m. Sarah COPPER /	Alexander m. Elmina HOUK 2 girls 3 boys	Matilda m. John BOOHER 4 girls 2 boys	Mary Ann m. Ben. WILSON 5 girls 3 boys
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Thomas m. Minerva WARD	Nathaniel m. CAFFERY	John	Maria m. LAMB	Nancy m. LAMB	Elizabeth m. CARLIN
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Sarah Jane 1866-1902 m. E.ALLISON 1 girl 2 boys	John 1868-1943 m. M. PRINGLE 2 girls 5 boys	Laughlin 1870-1941 m.E.McCART-NEY 3 girls 4 boys	James 1874-1951 m. CAMPBELL No ch.	William 1878-1959 m.Goldie WIKE /	Thomas B. 1881-1918 m. _____ 3 girls 2 boys	Mary Bell 1886-1888	Harriett 1889-1961 m. B.COAT 2 girls 2 boys
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Helen b. 1905 m. Chester YOUNG/John CARPENTER No ch. d. 1971	Ethel b. 1907 m.Donald GILLESPIE 2 girls 1 boy	Claribel b. 1910 m.Donald BAUDER 2 girls 2 boys d. 1977	William b. 1912 m. Leah MEYER 3 girls 1 boy	Raymond b. 1915 m. Maxine MOOK /	Sadie b. 1918 m. Carl FORSYTHE 2 girls 1 boy	Betty b. 1921 m. Chester BECK 1 girl 1 boy	C.Delores b. 1926 m. Kenneth SLATER 1 girl 2 boys
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Karen Rae b. 10 June 1940 m. Alvin KOCHER 22 Feb. 1962	Gail Sue b. 10 Jan. 1945 m. Jerry MAINE 22 Dec.1965			
Allison Rae KOCHER b. 20 June 1963	Erin Leigh KOCHER b. 15 Oct. 1965	Brooke Ann KOCHER b. 2 Jan. 1970	Todd Allen MAINE b. 27 Nov. 1966	David Michael MAINE b. 6 Jan. 1971

## COUNTY ANTRIM, NORTH IRELAND

We are indeed fortunate to have Ronnie McConaghie in Antrim who is so loyal & interested! We managed to add Bessie McConaghey of Strabane, in County Derry to the North Ireland contingent, but she's a bit too far to come to local meetings with Ronnie, Wm. Norman, Andy, etc. She mentioned the possibility of coming to the Gathering, but this did not work out. Andy, however, did make the 1982 Gathering, as documented in the Special Disa & Data Letter, August, 1982 which was sent to current members and to other 1982 members as they joined, if they joined later; therefore, I won't repeat the whole story here.

Rev. Andrew McConnaughie, wife Pat, son Steve, and daughter Ruthie visited the Gregorys over the 4th of July week-end in 1980 and we extracted a promise that they would return for a Gathering in the near future. In 1981, Ruthie came to this country and attended CUBI (Christ Unlimited Bible Institute) in Shawnee Mission, KS which is sponsored by the independent group, Kansas City Youth for Christ, not associated with the International Youth for Christ group. Member Ruth McConnaughy Rose of Shawnee Mission made Ruthie's first days a bit easier by having her in their home and Ruthie came to Indiana to spend Thanksgiving at the farm with the Gregorys. She arranged an exchange pastorate for her father and they were able to be in Kansas for several weeks with her and attend her graduation.

The 'big plan' was that they would all three come to Indianapolis for the 1982 Gathering, right before their return to Ireland. It seemed like a cinch at that point! Two days before the Gathering, Pat called and said that they had been beset by many problems. Ruthie injured her back in a diving accident and escaped without paralysis, but still had a great deal of pain, too much to make the long trip in a car. Then Pat broke her toe and found she was unable to drive and, she, too, had a great deal of pain. Andy didn't feel able to drive 12 hours with no relief, especially since he would be driving on the 'wrong side of the road!' Sounded preety hopeless, but it just didn't seem right that he had come so far just to miss it all; so we found the cost of one airplane ticket, round trip was not prohibitive and Andy was with us! His presence was so warm and so welcome! We now look forward to having more of our Irish and Scottish cousins with us and to having the rest of Andy's family, as well.

I want to share Ronnie's last letter with you -- it indicates the depth of his interest and we do have some names and dates. Study them carefully, maybe a 'bell' will ring!!

"18th April 1982

18, Henry Street,  
Ballymoney,  
Co. Antrim, BT53 6HX

Dear Pat, Over the winter months I have endeavoured to follow up my own direct ancestry, indeed with some success, but my hopes have still not borne fruit with regard to forming a North Antrim or North Ireland group. I had only one response, (by telephone) to the flyers you sent - this from a Bessie McConaghey in Strabane, County Derry, but that of course is near the Donegal border, 60 or so miles from here.

I shall continue with my efforts and let you know later what happens. I have made numerous contacts with people who listen with apparent interest but afterwards I draw a blank -- one of the main drawbacks as I see it, particularly with my own ancestry, is that the elder generation (or most of them) are now dead & although the information I have obtained (see separate sheet) was given to me by Uncle Robert, he through age, I suppose, cannot link or memorise sufficiently th detail needed.

"A few months ago I had a most pleasant meeting with Laurie McConaghie and her friend Mary., two super girls -- they were attending or indeed just finished a spell at college in Dublin and who purposely came North to visit Mrs. Nicholl (nee McConaghie) here in Ballymoney. This visit had been suggested by Laurie's close relative, Mrs. Hoffman of Tarrytown, NY. Indeed, they, on Mrs. Nicholl's suggestion were visiting my Uncle Robert from whom, as I mentioned above, I got my information. Mrs. Nicholl, knowing of my interest, asked me to come along and have a chat.

"I will be copying this letter for Mrs. Hoffman from whom I would like to hear since our line appears to be closely linked.

"I have visited the old Kilraughts (Kill-rats=pronounciation.pg) cemetary. This is a fairly ancient place -- the church has long gone -- only a few stones are standing -- and I was unable to distinguish any McConaghie gravestones. I have also been in contact with the Rev'd. Bell who is the present minister of Kilraughts Presbyterian Church. He allowed me to look through marriage and baptismal records in his possession but there was nothing I could find to be directly associated. He also mentioned that the old graveyard I visited was a communal one for the District and was in operation before the present Kilraughts churches (one of which is 'old' Presbyterian and the other is 'Reformed' Presbyterian). These are both a good distance from the old church graveyard mentioned. However, I won't give up -- there may be other leads I can follow, but meantime the enclosed chart I hope, will be useful.

"I am enclosing a draft. I realise my 1982 subscription is already paid, having received your receipt last August, but I'll prepare for 1983 and ask you to accept the rest as extra funds.

"I noticed in 'Disa & data' letter of December, 1981 that #12 Bulletin was ready for posting. I, as yet have not received it -- it may be lost in course of post, so can you forward another copy.

"Pat, I have recently learned of someone who, with a bit of luck, might take more than average interest. The fact that she is a local librarian and a MACONAGHIE, spelling in this manner, should be a good starting point. I don't know her address but I do know she is Miss A. or Anne -- so if you have sufficient interesting literature (or whatever) to send to her -- well, who know? Work address is: North Eastern Education & Library Board, Ballymoney Library, Rodeing Foot, Ballymoney.

With best wishes, sincerely,  
Ronnie McConaghie'

"P. S. Sorry this is so late in sending off. Cash draft, you'll notice, is dated 23rd March, started the letter on 18th April; finishing it today, Sunday, 2nd May & will post during the coming week. Regret these postponements, but my free time is quite limited."

In the following list, 'my' refers to Ronnie, so my grandfather, will = Ronnie's grandfather, but I thought it best not to change even his wording:

"A. <u>Alexander</u> (my grandfather)	Born 1st Sept. 1858	Both interred in
married	Died June 1940	St. James's
Rachel Brown	Born 15th Aug. 1862	Presby. Churchyard
(mother's maiden name "Clyde")	Died 25th March 1940	Ballymoney
They lived at Ballyboyland, Ballymoney -- later at Leitrim, Ballymoney. 61		

Children OF Alexander McC. & Rachel Brown:

<u>Name</u> Nan	<u>Born</u> 3 Feb 1884	<u>Died</u> 25 Jan 1965	<u>Residence</u> Went to American	<u>Interred</u> Flushing Cem., L. I., NY	<u>Comments</u> Mrs. Buxton, then Mrs. Reynolds
James	29 Mar 1885	?	Went to America	?	
John	24 Oct 1886	2 Apr 1918	Went to America	St. James's, L.I., NY	
Tom	9 Jun 1888	?	Went to America	?	Lived at Cleve- land Hgts., OH
Elizabeth	6 Dec 1889	?	Belfast	?	Mrs. Carson
Jean	12 Aug 1891	?	Went to America. Returned after husband's retire- ment.	Ballymoney Cem	Mrs. Archibald
Alex.	5 Jun 1893		1978 Dunloy, Co. Antrim	Ballymoney Cem.	
William	31 May 1895		1925 Home	Kilraughts Cem.	
Margaret	7 Feb 1897	Alive 1982	London		Mrs. England
David	16 Jan 1899	8 Apr 1963	Ballymoney	Ballymoney Cem	My father
Rachel	15 Jan 1901	15 Apr 1979	Ballymoney	Ballymoney Cem	Not Married.
Minnie	17 Aug 1902	Alive 1982	Bushmills, Antrim		Mrs. McFadden
Robert	7 Apr 1904	Alive 1982	Ballymoney		
Joseph	24 Feb 1906		1975 Ballymoney	Ballymoney Cem	
Harry	18 Jan 1909	Alive 1982	Ballymoney	Ballymoney Cem.	

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A. Alexander had brothers:

John Kilraughts Not Married

James

Etc. (More brothers?? pg)

Sisters:

Mary Jane

Etc. (Others??)

One sister married "White"

James, Brother of Alexander [I (Ronnie) believe this to be Laurie's line]:

James (son of James above), family includes:

Annie

Ballymoney

Mrs. Nicholl

Sam

James

Mary

Rachel (Racie)

Etc.

Daniel (son of James I above)  
John (Father of James of Portballintrae)  
Alex (Scotland)  
Tom (America)  
William  
David (Australia)

Mary Jane, Sister of Alexander, married "Chestnut", is Mrs. Hoffman's direct line. See Bulletin #9 for this family), however this seems a good place to put her picture, courtesy of Jane Hoffman:

RIGHT: Agnes Chesnut Schneider, (daughter); Tom McConaghie; & Mary Jane McConaghie Chesnut.



ABOVE: Uncle Bob & Ronnie Mc Conaghie, Ballymoney, No. Ireland, 1982.



Alexander's (A) father was John (b ca 1810-30, per pmg guesstamite); Home place was Dunaghy, Ballymoney. His son John (above, the one who never married) continued to live there. It was originally a farm of 50-60 acres. John (b. ca 1810-30) almost certainly married Nancy McLean (McLain) -- cannot authenticate as far back as this."

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You can see that Ronnie really is interested and really is trying! Keep pulling for him -- somewhere over there there is information! Meanwhile, back in the States, I tried his Librarian lead, which sounded terrific to me, too. She was very prompt in replying as follows:

"Branch Library, Roddenfoot,  
Ballymoney  
28th July 1982

Dear Mrs. Gregory:

Thank you for your letter, inclosing bulletin of the McConaughy Society of America and dollar for return postage.

I'm afraid that I don't know of any written records about the McConaughy family, but the Public Record Office at 66 Balmoral Ave., Belfast 9, might be able to help you on this.

"Our family is not related to anyone else of the same name in this area. My father is an only son, as was my grandfather, though he had a sister who married and emigrated to America. He came from the village of Kirkhills, a few miles outside Ballymoney.

I am sorry that I am unable to help you further, but we simply don't have any Maconaghie relation!

Ann Maconaghie (Miss)  
Asst-in-Charge."

How's that for a dead end? I thought surely she would be interested! I may write again, but not with such 'high hopes' next time!

Louise Covault had a couple of 'finds' in the John the Covenantor line (also Ballymoney, you'll recall). A cousin in Fort Wayne came up with some old pictures, letters, and cards which Louise copied. One of them mentioned not having time to see mother and father in PA -- Philadelphia, I believe, if you're interested -- ask Louise! -- and it made it appear clearly that John the Covenantor and his wife came to America, too! This would mean only Robert stayed in Ireland and eventually (and much later) all of his children came to America. This is a fascinating turn of events!

Jocelyn Jamison wrote a while back to tell me that the men in the news photo in last year's bulletin (McConaghie's who donated ground for a playground in Ballymoney) are her cousins, which is the same line as Betty Kienzle's, too. All these little things should add up some time!

Andy talked some of his family and either added to or repeated or some of each what he had told me in the past, anyway, worth repeating while we're in Antrim. About 1922 Andy's father, Andrew, and his two brothers, William James and Johnnie, came to America and were around Kansas City and Michigan, as nearly as Andy knows (this was before he was born!). Andrew and Wm. James went back to Ireland and vowed never to return to America again! Johnnie stayed, bought a farm, married, changed his name to Carney and last Andy knew his two sons were in California & he thought they had changed the name back to McConnaughie. Johnnie's daughter lives in NY and I'm trying to get her address to see if she can help with this line.

So, come on in -- the water is fine, but cloudy! We need to have a Gathering in Ballymoney and do a door-to-door search for hidden, lost, or whatever material. Couldn't hurt -- they think the Americans are 'nuts' anyway! Like Andy says, they can't understand why we're so 'gung-ho' to find McConnaugheys -- the cemeteries and the streets are full of them over there! Let's crack this Ballymoney nut before the 1983 Gathering!!!

Please keep the 'tid-bits' coming and we will succeed!!

## History of the Mt. Prospect Graveyard & Cemetery

Courtesy of Lynne McGuffin

The Graveyard, attached to the property of the former Mt. Prospect Presbyterian Church in Mt. Pleasant Twp., came into use soon after the organization of the church on 20 April 1825. To provide a location for the new church building, a tract of three acres, twelve perches was secured from the corner of the farm then belonging to Robert Lyle. This tract included one acre of land to be used for the graveyard of the church property. In those early days, it was almost an invariable custom for families to bury their departed loved ones in the graveyard or near to the church to which the family belonged or adhered. And so it was at Mt. Prospect. The names of the persons interred in the old yard are those whose families were among the early members of the historic church.

When the Mt. Prospect Church was organized, it was composed of families who had been following one of the Presbyterian Churches: Cross Creek to the West, Upper Buffalo to the South, Miller's Run to the east, and Racoon at Candor to the North. Each of these churches is located about six miles from the spot where Mt. Prospect Church was located. At each church a graveyard was maintained and for some of the families represented in the Mt. Prospect Graveyard, earlier burials were made at one of the older churches. The early McGeegin burials are believed to have been made at Upper Buffalo Graveyard, but most of the family burials since the organization of the Mt. Prospect Church, have been made here. Likewise, early Simpson graves can be found in Miller's Run Graveyard and many earlier members of the Campbell family were buried at Cross Creek Village. We don't know the dates of the first burials in the Mt. Prospect Graveyard, since the very earliest may not have been marked, but the earliest now legibly marked grave appears to be that of Samuel J. Stewart d. 21 Oct. 1830. Over the years, about 330 known burials have been made. Since the organization of the Mt. Prospect Cemetery Ass'n in 1907, about 17 burials have been made in the old yard as departed mates have been laid beside their spouses who had died earlier. The last burial in the graveyard was that of Mrs. Jane Florence (Jackson) Donaldson who died 26 Nov. 1956. Her body was laid beside her long departed husband, Dr. W. Brady Donaldson who died in 1899.

When the Mt. Prospect Cemetery Association was organized, it was given a sum of money by the trustees of the Mt. Prospect Church and charged with maintenance of the graveyard, with title to one acre of land remaining in the name of the Mt. Prospect Congregation. 1 Sept. 1971 the title was changed from the presbytery itself to the organization.

McConaughey Burials (included in those buried here are many Rankins and many Davis'):

Father: Hugh McConaughey, b. 23 June 1796, d. 14 Nov. 1874

Mother: Isabella (Walker) McConaughey, wife of Hugh McConaughey, b. 9 May 1793 d. 29 Apr. 1879 "They rest from their labors."  
David W. McConaughey, A. B. (Graduate Jefferson College), 1840 and a candidate for the gospel ministry; d. at Cross Creek, PA 31 Jul 1841 in the 22nd yr. of his age.

James McConaughey, d. 21 Oct. 1835 in the 6th yr. of his age.

William McConaughey, d. 27 Feb. 1838 in the 7th yr. of his age.

Alexander H. McConaughey, d. 20 May 1842 in the 5th yr. of his age.

[These were all children of Hugh & Isabella McConaughy. Hugh McConaughy was a long-time elder in Mt. Prospect Church 1828-1874 and he built the first church building of this congregation.]

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This brief article deserves some comment. For one thing this is part of the Samuel McConaughy/Margaret Thompson line. More on them can be found in other bulletins esp. see. #3, The Marquis Manuscript. It is interesting to note that the spelling there was McConaughy; but Lynne has McConaughy. That isn't the spelling in her family, so that was not the reason for that spelling.

There were five sons and five daughters in this family. The fifth son died unnamed at birth; but all five daughters lived and at least three had large families. It makes a good plot for a detective -- why did only the boys die young?

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#### THE SELKIRK GRACE

by Robert Burns (1759-1796)

Some hae meat and canna eat  
And some wad eat that want it  
But we hae meat. And we can eat.  
Sae let the Lord be thankit.

1982 gave us an opportunity to participate in a Robert Burns' Night celebration in spite of heart attacks and blizzards. It was cancelled one night and reset for another. At the time of the 2nd, the weather was still so bad that most down-town businesses were closed and snow was piled high in the streets. In spite of that over 200 people gathered for the First Robert Burns' night in Indianapolis, Indiana and it was a blast! Haggis and dancing, singing and poetry reading, lots of talking, all kinds of tartans. If you see one advertised in your town, don't miss it!

The Grace is often preceeded by a Toast and the Selkirk Grace is most often chosen for Scottish Gatherings. A Scottish Toast follows. Moose = Mouse; dee = die; and Girnall = Grain Box!

#### A SCOTTISH TOAST

May the best ye've ever seen  
Be the worst ye'll ever see  
May a moose ne'er leave yer girnall  
W'a tear drop in his e'e  
May ye aye keep hale an' he'rtly  
Till yer auld enough tae dee  
May ye aye be just as happy  
As I wish ye aye tae be.

## TOGETHER AGAIN, 39 YEARS LATER

### 'It's Been Unreal,' but Search Reunites Family

With these and similar headlines, I received many different accounts of the reuniting of one McConaha family. What most of you didn't know, was that Maxine McConaha Terrill had been in contact with us. Years before her sister-in-law had been a member of the Society, but not one of the 'lost' sisters-in-law, unfortunately. No, much as we would have liked to have been the ones who really helped, it wasn't us, but Maxine who found her brothers. Following in one account of the first reunion:

"It was 39 years since the McConaha family of Cushing, OK had been together. Hard times had forced Hazel McConaha to turn her five children over to state authorities. The children had been separated. Some were adopted, some were sent to foster homes. The changes of their finding each other were not good.

"BUT AFTER DECADES of searching, three of the children were reunited with their mother and stepsister over the weekend near Mulvane. 'It's been unreal,' said Wilbur Dean, one of two sons who were adopted by the same family and reared in Kingfisher, OK. Dean, his brother, George Dean, their mother, Hazel Cox, and stepsister, Barbara McCoy, met at the home of Maxine Terrell, another sister. With smiles and tears on their faces, they told of how they had tried to find each other after their separation. And they recalled the events that led up to a phone call 1½ weeks ago telling Wilbur Dean that his sister was looking for him.

"HAZEL MCCONAHA TRIED to rear her five children, take care of a sick husband and hold the family together 39 years ago, but felt it was a losing battle, she said. 'I almost had a nervous breakdown,' she said Sunday. 'Everybody was against me...or I thought they were. I knew that if other people adopted them, they could give them things that I never could.' So Hazel McConaha, now Hazel Cox of San Bernardino, CA gave up the children. 'If I had known then what I know now, it would never have happened,' she said.

"MAXINE AND TWO of her brothers were taken to the same foster home, then separated again. She was placed in a home in Perry, OK, and her foster parents there allowed her to see her mother. Wilbur and George were adopted by the same family in Kingfisher, where they grew up and went to high school.

"'I don't have a minute's trouble remembering the day we went,' Wilbur said. About 25 years ago, he began his search for his mother and other siblings, and was told that they were all dead. Memories, though, kept him looking. 'When you're three years old, you can remember a whole lot of things if that's all there is.' But, he said, suddenly finding you sister, mother, a stepsister he didn't even know existed and another brother, James, who was unable to attend the reunion, came as a shock.

"MAXINE CREDITED the Wichita Adult Adoptees, a group headed by Susan Lovette of Wichita, with helping her find the rest of her family. Lovette, herself an adopted child looking for her natural mother, founded the organization last May. (1981) She said the group has about 40 members who help each other in their searches, hear speakers on the subjects of adopted and foster children, and who, most of all, give each other support.

"'We don't want to hurt anybody,' Lovette said. 'We don't want to cause any problems for anybody. We just want to find these people to know where we came from. We're not looking for a replacement.'

"The McConahas' story still is not over. The youngest child, Walter Elmer, has yet to be located."

This first Reunion was held in February on Valentine's Day. Over a month later came the second Reunion:

#### 4 of 5 Siblings Parted in '44 Reunited

.....Four of the five children Hazel Beatrice McConaha was forced to give up in 1942 were reunited at the Dallas-Fort Worth Regional Airport, where about 25 family members gathered to welcome the brother who had flown in from Moses Lake, WA.

"For Mrs. McConaha, 71, who has now learned the whereabouts of all of her children except one, the reunion was an answer to her prayers, but for Maxine Terrel, 41, Wilbur Francis Dea, 42, George Dean, 45, and a half sister, Barbara June McCoy, 36, the arrival of their brother, James Albert McConaha, 51, was like someone coming back from the dead. 'We were told our sister and brothers were dead,' said Wilbur Dean. 'So as far as we are concerned, this reunion is like coming back from the dead. It's unlike anything I've ever experienced before.'

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Not only will the search continue for Walter Elmer McConaha, but Maxine is determined to find the missing ancestors on the other end of the line, also!

(b. 1840)

We believe that Perry McConaha/ came from Ohio to Coles Co., IL where he married Eliza Engles who was half Cherokee Indian, (dau. of Peter Engles & Corina Pocahontus Creasy). They had:

1. Minnie McConaha m. George Dickson, had one son & one grandson.
2. Tonie Married Sam Mohler and had two sons.
3. Charlie McConaha married Nevada Breeding and had four children
  - b. 9 May 1870 IL                      b. 7 Oct. 1872
  - a. Grace McConaha b. 1895 in KS m. George Howery
  - b. Paul Ithmer McConaha b. 19 June 1892 KS, d. 1942 Cushing, OK  
m. Hazel Beatrice Wells, b. 19 Sept. 1912 KS  
James Albert m. Patricia Knight & had 2 sons (Jas. b. 1931)  
Patsy Jean McConaha b. and d. 5 Aug. 1933  
Maxine Ann McConaha Shaw b. 29 Sept. 1934 m. 1st James F. Stratton and had Susan Marie Stratton 1954. Div. Stratton and married 2nd Thomas Alton Terrel & had Deborah Terrel b. 1956; Thomas Terrel b. 1959; David Wayne Terrel b. 1962; Paul Rollin Terrel b. 1966 and Michael Allen Terrel b. 1970. Several of these Terrel offspring are married & have families of their own.
- George Earl McConaha Dean b. 15 Mar. 1937, m.
- Wilbur Francis McConaha Dean b. 3 Mar. 1939, m.
- Walter Elmer McConaha \_\_\_\_\_ b. \_\_\_\_\_ 1942-3
- c. Charles Leon McConaha b. 11 Feb. 1905
- d. Rollo Albert McConaha b. 12 Aug. 1907 m. Theda Bell Whinery

4. Kit McConaha married, had one-two children and disappeared.
5. Rollo, married and had three (?) children
6. Guy McConaha never married.
7. Mary (Toots) McConaha married a Showalter and had two children
8. Eva Mable McConaha married Al McIntire and had two children.
9. Goldie McConaha married twice, had one adopted son.
10. Fred McConaha

Order not certain and there are obviously a lot of 'missing links'. However, from Mrs. Albert Kneebone (nee Beverly Fern McConaha) we have Rollo's family more completely:

Rollo McConaha m. Rose Ila Eyestone & had:

1. George Gheen McConaha -- no children
2. Glenn Roland McConaha who had Beverly Fern McConaha
3. Virginia Lee McConaha who married an O'Farrell and had one daughter who has one son.

Beverly has two daughters.

We believe that we have some super names for 'hints' -- like Perry -- Rollo, Kit, etc.; but have made little head-way on this line. At present rate of speed, we have had one line per decade and nothing further going back; so if anyone has some Coles and Edgar Co., IL McConaha's for us -- send them on, they'll be received with open arms!

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"London Eng. Aug. 6th 1881

My Dear Mother

I want to write you a long and careful letter, but as it seems I can't get a day of more than 24 hours here in London, I must content myself with a hasty note, as I know you will be anxious to hear. We had delightful trip through Ireland and Wales. Stopping en route at Londonderry from which place you received a letter. Port Rush and the Giants Causeway, Belfast, Dublin, Holyhead, Clan deis Pass (by the foot of Mt. Snowden) thence to London. I wish I had time for some description of each of these places. We were delighted with Ireland and our day in Wales was one never to be forgotten. On the reverse of this sheet you will find a letter which will give you a very good account of conference matters. On Sunday though it rained hard we heard Chas. Spurgeon in the morning; in the afternoon service sat under the dome of St. Paul's; and at night heard Canon Farrar (in old Westminster Abbey) pronounce an eulogy upon the late Dean Stanly. A rich day! Have been to the Tower, The National Museum where one can wander through miles of paintings by such masters as Titian, Raphael, Corrigi, Rembrandt, Reubens, Lansteer & Madame Taussands wax works, etc. We had the unusual good fortune of admittance to Parliament Thursday evening. Heard Gladstone, Parnell, O'Donnell, Justin McCCarthy, Sir Stafford Northcote and others speak in House of Commons, and saw John Bright; in the House of Lords, the Irish Land Bill was up, and I heard the Lord Chancellor and Lord Cairns and saw the Arch Bishop of Canterbury in Conversation with the Duke of Argyle, while there, met a number of Lords, and received a most pressing invitation from a baronet, a splendid Christian man, to spend a Sunday at his elegant house in Devonshire. We will probably stop there Sunday the 14th returning from Parris. Yesterday we were entertained at the Country Seat of Samuel Morley M. P. and it was a rare treat, I can assure you. --

Your letter of the 22 has just reached me. I hardly know whether to send this or not but as you will all be able to read and enjoy the other side, I will only add plainly, so all can read, that I send my very best love to you and all. We are well and happy. All join in love.

Your loving boy,

David"

David = 21 year old David McConaughy, b. 1860, of the Gettysburg line going to the British Isles on YMCA and church business.

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Letter from Emma J. Coons Ouren, dau. of Rosannah Jane McConnaughey and Lindsey Coons, to Mr. & Mrs. LaVerne McConnaughey in Hillsboro, OH. Emma then lived in Richland, WASH. with her son..

"4 May 1955

Dear Cousins:

Your good letters came some time ago and I am always pleased to hear from you. I suppose you are all getting ready to celebrate Liza's first birthday May 17th. I have 3 little great grand-daughters.

Well, I am the last one left of my generation, your Father was my last 1st cousin, he was 3 weeks older than my sister Belle. I am Emma's age, 91 years. Uncle Jim Mc was five years older than my Mother and Aunt Ruth was one year younger. Mother always thought so much of her. I remember all of them and where we visited when I was in Ohio with Mother the summer of 1870.

70 Some of Mother's older brothers and her oldest sister Mary had children

Mother's age. Uncle Andrew and Aunt Polly's older children were not much younger. I don't know just how their ages ran but there was Orlando and his wife Julia, Davis and his 2nd wife Sarah; Isaiah and Kitty they lived with Uncle Andrew when we were there; at that time they had only one child, Charlie who was three years old. Eliza Ann was one of Uncle Andrew's older children, much older than her sister Mary who was just a young girl when Eliza died. There was only two girls and I think the three boys.

Uncle David had only two, Flora was living with him and Aunt Nelly when we were there. Her Mother must have died when she was a baby.

I wrote a long letter to Leone Rogers some time ago giving her some of the family history but so far have had no answer. Maybe she isn't curious about her Ancestors. I am still trying to trace the Mc's who were David's (born March 11, 1776) parents.

I have proof of the McIlvaine family who are descended from Lord or Laird Andrew McIlvaine of Ayr, Scotland; his son George born 1689 came to Sussex Co., Delaware, his children Ellenor and Andrew were born there. Ellenor was my great great grandmother, she married Lord William Thompson (that is the one Charlie Mcknew about) who had land warranted to him in Hope-well Twp., Cumberland Co, Penn. about 1730. Andrew, Ellenor's brother, had land warranted to him at the same time. He married Mary Mickey they were the great great grandparents of Mrs. W. H. McCrea who lives in Newville, Penn. She has the Family Tree and Crest. One of William and Ellenor's sons, Andrew married Elizabeth Bell (the 9th child of Walter Bell who had land warranted to him in Hanover Tpw., Dauphin Co., Penn. in 1737.) She was born in 1750 and married in 1769. They had six daughters, Jean, Elizabeth, Sarah, Prudence, Hannah and Rosannah. I have a copy of Andrew's will made Mary 14, 1792. He died that year. I also have a copy of his Father's will made April 16, 1798 at that time according to the records of the Big Spring Presbyterian Church in Newville, he was 92 years old on the record taken in 1786 he was 81 and Ellenor was 71. That fine old Stone Church was built in 1737 and is still in good condition. Josephine and I were in it when we were in Newville two years ago. You and Margaret ought to go there sometime during one of your vacations.

I also have a copy of the Deed where David & Prudence sold her part of her Father's farm to Joseph Culbertson, Sr. The deed was recorded Dec. 7, 1804. They had gone back to Carlisle form Nottingham Twp., Wash. Co., Penn. with three little children to sell it. William, the baby at that time was 2 mo. old as he was born Oct 15, 1804.

Some real grit those old pioneers had. O, well, I came out to Washington State in 1900 with five little ones, the oldest not yet 8 years old but we came on a train and I really enjoyed the trip in the tourist car. My baby was 5 mo. old but no trouble as I nursed her as I did all of my children. No bottle babies for me.

I have a good comfortable home here with my son and his wife. He is one of the Scientists in the G. E. Co. and she is in the Instrument Division of the same Co. They leave for work in the A. M. so I am here all day alone but I am still active and can read all I want to, some times until 9:00 P. M. if I want to finish a story.

Next Sat. A. M. Grederic, Freda and I are going to Leavenworth via Blewett Pass. We will visit our old homestead in tthe foot hills of the Cascade Mts. where we lived for twenty years. That is a lovely place with

large fir and pine trees, a fine place to raise a family of children. I used to teach them at home when the snow was too deep for them to get to town. You see, I had taught school in Iowa for 8 years before I was married (from May 9, 1881 until No. 1889). We will stay in a Motel Sat. night then Sun. P. M. I WILL GO ON THE G. N. train to Seattle to visit Jodie for a few weeks. Will arrive there in time for a Mother's Day Dinner. Another Dan will be there and Jr's son who has been transferred in the Micro-wave business from Pasco, where he has been for two years to Seattle. He, his wife, and Susan are going by car over Snoqualmie Pass Sat. so they will have dinner with us.

Please write to me in c/o Mr. E. S. Ritchie, 6511 1st Ave., N. W., Seattle 7, Wash.

Love & best wishes to all,  
Cousin Emma

Note: The other Emma was undoubtedly Emma Easter.

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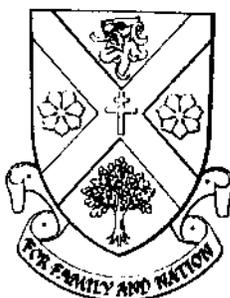
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4th June 1979

Dear Mrs. Gregory,

Many thanks for your letter of 25th May. I am delighted to hear from you, and welcome the correction for a (possible) future edition of my Dictionary of Emigrants to the U. S. A. At present I am working on a volume which I hope to find a publisher for in Canada. I will need around 7,000 entries to make over 30,000 emigrants including dependents, so it may take about another three years to complete a volume for Canada.

I was interested to know that your William McConachie came from Inverness. There was an Alexander McConachy, merchant-burgess of Inverness, whose testament was registered on 20th December, 1737, and further back John, merchant-burgess there, testament registered 28th August, 1669; also Angus McConachy, skinner, indweller there, testament registered 7th December 1632. The parochial registers would probably contain others.

Enclosed is a complimentary copy of my little genealogical 'primer' which you might like to review in your Bulletin. I enclose also a 'flyer' to show the price and postages. I am hoping to find time to send you a contribution to your magazine. Would a list of pre-1800 testaments registered in Scotland be of interest? McConnachie's, etc.

Yours sincerely,  
DONALD WHYTE

As many of you may recall, I did tell of Mr. Whyte's excellent little research aid for Scotland and he did send a fine article of McConnochies, etc. from the Scottish testaments, printed in a previous Bulletin.

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Letter "P" 9 May 1982, LaPaz

Muy queridas hermanas:

Hoping you received my letters: from Necochea and Buenos Aires; I shall try to buy a 'pretty' card for Elizabeth's birthday tomorrow. Alberto and I traveled easily and safely from Argentina, with a brief stop in Santa Cruz, Bolivia, to here (LaPaz) on 7 May early P. M. Alberto proceeded yesterday to Lima for an Episcopal Conference planned there for today.

Next Tuesday I shall go to Puno by bus, modern 'turismo', God Willing! Our life here is fine; we have rich blue skies, hot sunshine and 'cold' nights up here.

After reading the enclosed review of EVITA, please send it to Carl and Sara Jane. Gradually I do things here, with plenty of rest. Irma, our secretary, helps us magnificently.

I feel really sorrowful for our brothers and sisters in Argentina. They are victims, as in the past eight or seven years, of that war of greed, power & violations of human rights. It seems that the Soviets will attain 'that' after either Argentina or Great Britian would win. They are playing their chess polictically, internationally and militarily. It is considered in these parts that Reagan should have remained 'neutral'. Now: mistrust!

The nightly curfew (which ran about midnight to 6:00 A. M.), has been lifted, annulled, in Bolivia after twenty months of it. Alberta and I were never asked to show a document on a street or in a bus or subway in Argentina. Millions of persons, truly virtuous, make up the crowds there.

Today close friends of LaPaz took me on a fine picnic, P.M. Chau, with love and other prayer in our Holy family,

Vincent (McConaughy)

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Aug. 20, 1982

Dear Pat & Warren -- Every minute of the McConaughy (18 ways) Society was super starting with that spectacular buffet Friday evening. What a lot of planning, organizing and COOKING was represented.

Saturday went so well -- I wouldn't have thought of not attending any of it since the wheels started rolling so smoothly on Friday. Usually business meeting don't offer much, but I learned a lot at that one. The fair was a great idea -- only wish I bought more thistle plates -- And the auction was well done, of course, everything was NEW to Jim and me.

We thought the other meals at the Inn were excellent and popped over to the Omelet Shop on Sunday morning -- also good. We could have stayed and stayed. It was memorable. Thank you. Thank all of your loving family as well.

Affectionately, Emmy Lou Moore (Mrs. James)

Note: That was an unsolicited testimonial regarding the 1982 Gathering from a New-comer -- see what you are missing!

WILLIAM McCONAHA, of Mexico (Indiana!)

When I first read the William McConaha enlisted in the Civil War in Mexico, I was flabbergasted! Then I read it again and saw it was 'late Tippecanoe,' 'Lafayette, Indiana' was crossed out. I believe I did determine at one time that Mexico was in Boone Co., which almost touches Tippecanoe Co. where Lafayette is located.

William was 56 years old when he enlisted in Sept., 1961 for three years. He was a farmer born in Cumberland Co., PA which made me sit up straighter right away! My 4x great grandfather, William McConaughy was in Cumberland Co., PA in 1790 and this William born ca 1805 could be one of my William's missing grandsons!

Physically, he was described as a farmer, 5 feet 8 inches in height, grey eyes, fair complexion, and light hair.

He apparently stuck to his bargain for he was still attached to the service in 1864 and it was often noted that he was 'wounded at the Battle of Murfreesboro' which was surely in Tennessee?

There are no pension records connected with the file -- so far as we have found. They could be lost, misfiled or maybe there weren't any. He may have died with no dependents soon after service or they may have been well-off enough not to need the pension. Whatever the reason, we have to dig elsewhere for some answers.

As early as 1830 he could show up as head of household; so we can check 1830 census records for Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Indiana which surely should turn up something. Same will apply to 1840, 1850 and 1860 censuses and, hoping that he did survive his war experiences, we can even hope to find him in 1870 and 1880!

A thorough examination of Boone County, IN records in the time period in question might turn up some further record such as deed, will, marriage, etc.; but we have to realize -- he may have been en route here before the War and these records may be in PA or OH; hence first comes the census records.

His name is also spelled McConahay and McConnaha, but McConaha is most used.

I would love to offer a 'prize' for the first correct identification of this soldier! Can't think of an appropriate one (that fits my pocket-book!); so I shall continue to hope that someone will get curious and dig a little! If you speculate a bit you can come up with all kinds of wild answers -- he was unhappy at home so he joined the service; he lost his family; he didn't have any family; he had a son killed and joined to get revenge, etc.

WHO is this William McConaha?

## SOME NOTES FROM THE LIGONIER VALLEY

David McConnaughey b. 1779 m. Anna Grimes and they lived near Dayton, OH in the Miami River Valley and raised a large family. One of these, John Campbell McConnaughey, was born 3 July 1823 and married Elizabeth Keplinger and had thirteen children. One of these was the Edward Lorenzo McConnaughey in the following sketch, taken from History of City of Dayton and Montgomery Co. Ohio by Rev. A. W. Drury, Vol. II, 1909. The article doesn't disclose the fact that his middle name was Lorenzo; so the L.= Lorenzo!!

### Edward L. McConnaughey

Edward L. McConnaughey, collector of the port of Dayton, and well-known as a local political leader in the ranks of the Republican party, was born on a farm in Miami County, Ohio, November 9, 1872. His youthful experiences were those which fall to the lot of most farm boys who are instructed in the work of the fields and at the same time depend upon the country schools for their early educational discipline. He supplemented his preliminary studies by a course in the Miami Commercial College and thus well equipped for entrance into business life he came to Dayton in 1893. Soon afterward he accepted a position as messenger in the Third National Bank and was in that institution for four years. In 1898 he became connected with the firm of Reynolds & Reynolds, manufacturers, and has since been identified with that house which he now represents in the capacity of bookkeeper. His connection therewith for eleven years is manifest evidence of his loyalty, fidelity, and capability.

In October, 1900, in Osborne, Greene County, Ohio, was celebrated the marriage of Mr. McConnaughey and Miss Mary Musselman. They attend the Second Lutheran church, in which they hold membership, and Mr. McConnaughey is also identified with the Knights of Pythias, the Elks and the Garfield Club. From early youth he has manifested an interest in political circles that has grown with the passing years. He has never regarded lightly the duties of citizenship but on the contrary has been mindful of his obligations and has made a creditable public record as a member of the city council, having been elected alderman at large in Dayton in 1907, taking the office in 1908. On the 31st of May, 1900, he was appointed collector of the port and is now acting in that capacity, his record in this connection being in harmony with his previous record in citizenship and in business life.

(Note: They really do get fancy, don't they? We have no indication that Edward and Mary had a family.)

From the same source comes the sketch that follows. This man was probably a cousin of the Edward above, their fathers being brothers. He, too, apparently had no family -- their siblings made up for that, however!

### William Stanley McConnaughey

The spirit of intense activity characteristic of the present age is as evident in professional circles as in industrial and commercial lines and it has been this spirit which, characteristic of the legal career of William Stanley McConnaughey, has brought him prominently before the general public as a leading attorney of law practicing at the Dayton bar as a member of the firm of Ferneding, McConnaughey & Shea.

He was born in Tippecanoe, Ohio, February 13, 1873. His father was born in Miami County, Ohio, in 1816, and died in the year 1902. He followed agricultural pursuits until middle life. His family numbered five children, of whom four survive, including William S. McConnaughey, who resided in his native city to the age of eighteen years, during which time he pursued a public-school education and was graduated from the high school with the class of 1890. His initial step in a professional career was in educational lines for, after completing his high-school course, he devoted two months to teaching in a country school. The remainder of the winter was spent as a student in the Miami Commercial College in Dayton, after which he devoted a year and a half to stenographic work for the National Cash Register Company.

Leaving that position in 1892 Mr. McConnaughey entered the law office of Gottschall & Brown for the purpose of preparing for the bar and after thorough preliminary reading was admitted in 1896. He at once entered upon active practice in connection with the firm with which he had previously studied and thus continued until January 1, 1903, after which he practiced alone until September, 1906. At that time he became a member of the present well known and successful law firm of Ferneding, McConnaughey & Shea. The firm has an extensive and important clientage, has been connected with many legal cases tried in the courts of the district and its enviable reputation is based upon the many favorable verdicts which they have won.

Mr. McConnaughey was appointed referee in bankruptcy in 1903 and is now filling that position. While he exercises his right of franchise in support of the men and measures of the republican party he does not seek office nor has he any political ambitions. He belongs to the Royal Arcanum, the Mystic Lodge and to the Third Presbyterian church, which associations indicate much of the nature of his interests and the rules which govern his life.

From LIGONIER ECHO dated 10 July 1912 -- meanwhile, back home in Pennsylvania:

"Train wreck at edge of race track on Morningside Farm about one and one-half miles north of Ligonier, Pennsylvania:"

F. F. MCCONNAUGHEY, of Ligonier, who owned a nice residence on Church Street, age 49 years, 7 months and 11 days; engineer on freight train, pinned to ground under engine and scalded to death; taken out and brought to Ligonier. He is survived by two daughters, Ethel and Marian, at home; by his parents, Mr. & Mrs. J. C. McConnaughey, and by three brothers, Robt. D., D. V., and J. H., and by three sisters, Mrs. T. J. Dunlap, Mrs. E. T. Weller, and Mrs. Mary Covode. He was a member of M. E. church and of Ligonier Lodge, F. & A.M. Funeral was held Sunday at 2:30 P. M. at his late residence conducted by Rev. N. H. Sanner, of Swissvale, assisted by Rev. A. Broadley-East. The members of the Masonic lodge attended the funeral in a body. Interment in Ligonier Valley Cemetery. (Obit courtesy of Edwin C. McConnaughey, Ligonier)

F. F. was Francis Filmore McConnaughey, son of John Callendar McConnaughey & Elizabeth Brant, b. 1 Dec. 1862. He married first Margaret Ulerich who died in childbirth in 1893. A son John is listed on the record I have here, however, no son is listed as survivor; so apparently he died before 1912. F. F. then married Sarah Kelly who was the mother of the two girls, Ethel & Marian. Although Sarah survived him by several years, dying in 1919, she is not mentioned in the obituary. I have no explanation for that, but thought it was of sufficient interest to mention it, anyway!

## MOTIONS AND NOTIONS, PAST & PRESENT

Generally speaking, the 'motions' are things in the past, but many are continuing, and the 'notions' are ideas for the future. We can stand help in almost everything; so don't be bashful!

National Genealogical Society Seminar, May, 1982, Indpls., IN: Many of you know that your editor was asked to be one of the speakers on family organizations at this prestigious meeting this year. Our Society probably have more representatives there than any other family group! We had Klista Stender, Bellevue, NB; Florence Post, Hot Springs, AR; Louise & Dick Covault, Sun City, AZ; and yours truly. I believe there were around 800 people in attendance and every big name in genealogy that I ever heard!

Although just an 'amateur', I had the common sense to correspond with my 'team-mate' about speaking arrangements and content, to avoid misunderstandings and duplication of effort. I was confident everything was under control! What fools we mortals be! Deferring to age, my 'team-mate' spoke first. I was a bit (good bit, as a matter-of-fact) surprised to find that my 'professional' team-mate had typed every word of her speech! I was brought up on the cards with notes type of speaking; but that was her choice. When her allotted 20 minutes was up and she wasn't even half way through, I was perturbed! She increased her reading speed, but left nothing out and after 40-45 minutes, I got my turn. I had to talk too fast, think too fast (trying to cut out material as I went) and did not feel that I did as well as I would have under less pressure. It wasn't until later, when she out and out snubbed me that I got down-right indignant! I saw the same thing happen in other meetings to other people; so there's too much of that going around. I've held my tongue for almost six months, but it had to be said some time. I had placed my application for certification as a family genealogist; but I decided if 'professionalism' included lack of consideration for others, I didn't want to be one! So -- take me like I am -- a dedicated and (I hope!) fairly polite amateur!

It was still an honor for me and for the Society; but I doubt I'll be asked back!

Civil War Records: Some years back (about 1977, I believe) Frances Baker Bounds, Shreveport, LA came into our Society. She had already begun collecting Confederate Civil War records of McConaugheys', etc. Andi McConaughey DeCou Cranmer, Temple City, CA thought that was a tremendous idea and undertook the Union Civil War records. She collected all of CA, IA, and OH and part of PA, WV, IN, & IL before it over-whelmed her! These records she arranged in folders, coded by color for state, etc., and deposited them with us in the Archives here. At the time, it was usually only \$2 per record. About a year ago, I decided to start an organized continuation of that search. By now, the Archives are short-handed, in money problems, and there's a time lapse of 6-10 weeks per request. I sent for three records on the 7th, 17th, and 27th of each month and after about 8 weeks they started coming in regularly. They are all in folders in one area, but the color coding needs up-dating. Then the rate went to \$5 in advance per record! We've finished IN, PA, IL, and WV and are now awaiting lists from the other states to continue the search, but the expense is making it more difficult. Several people have made specific donations for this search to continue, which is appreciated, and we will continue just as long as we possibly can as the results are so often rewarding!

As for that book of Civil War records -- we still have about 33-4 pre-paid orders, but that isn't sufficient to go ahead with the publication; so that will remain on the list for the future until funds are available. It is possible it may be published as a 'bonus book' some year when we have the surplus funds.

Missing Persons: We had at least two requests for assistance in locating 'lost' McConaughys. One lady succeeded without us and found two of her missing brothers! They still have one missing and there may be more about that elsewhere in this issue. It would be so great to really help, wouldn't it?

Ruthie McConaughie: Thanks to Ruth McConaughy Rose of Shawnee Mission, KS, we were able to obtain information about the Christ Unlimited Bible Institute in Shawnee Mission for Ruthie. Then there were problems getting her here from Belfast, No. Ireland; but we finally figured the sponsorship papers out and she made it about a week or two late, stayed with Ruth for a while, then found other housing near the school. Ruthie spent Thanksgiving with us on the farm, continued her schooling and graduated in late July. She is now working for CUBI, but has to obtain her own support. CUBI is sponsored by the Kansas City Youth for Christ, which is not associated with the International Youth for Christ. If interested, donations can be made to CUBI in her name. The address is CUBI, 4715 Rainbow Blvd., Shawnee Mission, KS 66205.

Ruthie has a lovely voice and perky personality. She hopes to stay in this country and we hope that she will be able to be at next year's Gathering. She was prevented from coming this year by a diving accident shortly before the Gathering.

Pictures: Still collecting old and new pictures, hoping to one day put them in some reasonable order in the albums! Keep them coming!

Vital Statistics: Slowed down collecting death and birth records this year, mostly due to time, but will try to pick up again this year. I have several lined up, especially Civil War veterans who died after death certificates were common!

Business Cards: I had collected a number of them (McConaughy, etc. business or calling cards), then I found the perfect holder at the perfect price! One of the banks gave son Ken a neat leather folder, three cards to a page, too big to lose, big enough to hold a good many! Then I couldn't find my cards! Finally it all came together -- cards and holder and now need more cards to fill it up!! Send yours -- or any others you find!

Coat-of-arms: This is really carrying on ideas initiated at the Gathering -- to offer a coat-of-arms to new members and to develop one to be needle-pointed or embroidered --

Photograph: My 'notion' is to have color photos made of the colored coat-of-arms I have. Is that feasible? Is it financially sound? I think it can be done because I have a color photocopy of a painted coat-of-arms; but I'm not a photographer.

Hand-work Coat-of-arms: I know it is possible to have someone draw a coat-of-arms onto canvas or cloth, depending upon the type of hand-work to be done; but isn't there a process for photocopying onto canvas or cloth? My 'notion' being to photo-copy the coat-of-arms done for us by Eleanor McConky Callahan (see p. 33, Bulletin #5) in such a manner. Some additional detail for the coloring needs to be made, but this doesn't look like an unsurmountable job to me. Each 'user' could have his particular spelling underneath (this is permissible in the U. S. A.). I have done a GREGORY coat-of-arms in crewel-work, very similar in the general detail to Eleanor's and it isn't too tough a job. Florence Post has done several in petit-point. I imagine she drew hers on the canvas herself!

Membership: We tried to think up some fancy 'angles' to get new members and there were a number of suggestions, like offering the coat-of-arms, which we will continue working on, but how about --

Junior Members: A flat rate of \$10 per year for members under 21, with full membership rights to encourage the young people to join and hopefully stay with the organization later?

Senior Members: A special \$12 a year rate for retirees, regardless of age, since some have retired early due to illness, etc.? I never have wanted to lose anyone because of cost, but it's been difficult to figure how to do it. I think this might be the way?

Gifts: Some of our members have used this method to get others interested, especially the young people and many of them stay on their own after the first year. The special prices would apply to gifts also.

Trial Period: I think we'll have a 'low-key' trial period campaign from now until next Gathering and see how this works. Hope some of you read this!!

Society Song: Nyal McConoughey has proposed a Society song, which is a neat idea, but would take a musical talent to carry it off. I should think one of the lovely Scottish tunes would be the ideal vehicle to carry McConnaughey words? Do you read me, Randy??

Application Blanks: Now and then someone wants one and I tried to develop a form, but am not satisfied with it; so if you have samples you think might be appropriate, send them along, please?

Name Badges: We need some more permanent badges to be given first as new members or as first time comers to the Gathering.

Office Help: Boy, do I need that! You should hear some of the things I hear about my files! I know how bad they are, but there's only one of me! There simply is not money enough to hire help. This is where VOLUNTEERS come in and I don't mean the Army 'you and you and you' kind of volunteers! I mean the Klista Stender kind of volunteers! Klista came and stayed ten days and straightened out the 4-5 William McConnaughey boxes so that there is some order amidst all the chaos! Think what it would mean if one or two came from each line and did that to their records? In the course of which, naturally, they just might find some answers that have been buried in all this paper! We'll furnish board and room.

Family Sheets: Still need to be cross-indexed and sorted out (duplicates) for maximum effectiveness. They are now in 26+ loose-leaf note-books by first name.

Local Research: Some have heard me and to them I say 'Thanks, a million and more and Bless you for your help!' The plea has been for each one able to do so to go to their local library and/or Society and check the purely local records -- not Indiana records in Arizona or Pennsylvania records in Indiana, but Marion Co., Indiana records in Marion County, Indiana and Franklin County, PA records in Franklin Co. I honestly believe that we will turn up some of our missing links in this manner and urge you to do what you can to help.

COMPILATIONS: Still another great way to preserve our family records. Jim Moore did a nice one of what he had on his McConaughy line (Ligonier). Gerald Born is still working on the 'hh' White Co., IN line and that may be done by next year.

James Farron is working on one of his wife's McConaghy line. Thelma Coons Elliott is working on the William McConnaughey line, complete with pictures. (Probably not mine -- I seem to be having trouble getting mine sent!)

Special Funds: This was denoted as a way to do concentrated research on one area or one line, etc.

Salt Lake City Research: The oldest one, originally set up and paid for by my father, Kenneth Earl McConnaughay, it has since his death been carried on by money from the General Fund; however, I am thinking it might be time to define it more carefully and be more picky about what area we search and possibly go to a 'self-supported' effort, in other words, designated funds instead of general funds.

William McConnaughey Scottish Search: This fund was set up by Williams' descendants to carry on research in Scotland. It has been quite expensive and equally unproductive so far as William is concerned. I suspect that until we get down to the Parish level, we have all the records that Scotland has!

Civil War Funds: Already discussed, see above.

Plaque Fund: Which is still just sitting there, to be determined!

Any Fund: May be set up for a specific job or search like these we have mentioned. For example, if descendants of the several Muskingum Co., Ohio Alexander McConaughy's would set up a fund to study and identify each of the 3-4 of that name who keep us so mixed up over there!

Master Index: Indexing the first 12 bulletins with a short paragraph about each article so the new member can decide for themselves if they want to buy the bulletins and if so, which ones.

Articles: We need more about the people and ask you to get yours together! I don't think we are in danger of running out of material, but we need fresh things. too and stories about the family and the people are definitely interesting.

Your Suggestions are eagerly asked for and will be carefully considered. Some of the above 'motions and notions' came from your suggestions. We have a lot to do and it isn't nearly such a 'heavy' task when more are helping with the load! You all must know how much I love to work on McConnaugheys; but it becomes frustrating when you haven't time and can't do as well as you would like. It's time for some H - E - L - P !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

## VITAL STATISTICS

WEDDINGS      WEDDINGS      WEDDINGS      WEDDINGS      WEDDINGS      WEDDINGS

The perfect 'preface' to a good marriage, can be a good engagement and a good wedding. We think the almost perfect 'preface' to this year's weddings is the story of one engagement.

In the Indianapolis, IN News, 27 Feb. 1982, complete with sketch of Romeo & Juliet, 1½" x 3" frame: "LYNN, Let May make you my Bride, Flowing together on love's Tide. Accept my name with this Ring. See what our Future will Bring. Love, Dave." Isn't that a delightful proposal?

2nd verse: Same night, same paper, David Mannweiler's column:

### A LITTLE NERVOUS

"Since a wedding is an extra special moment in a woman's life, the moment of her proposal also is something special. That means there's something special for Lynn Leahy in the special bridal section in The News tonight. Included is an ad placed by Dave McConahay, who helped sell the other ads appearing in the section. In the ad, Dave asks Lynn to marry him.

"I did it because I met the nicest girl I've met in my life,' says Mc Conahay. 'I think she knows I'm interested,' knew one of Lynn's co-workers at Merchants National Bank at the Hyatt Regency also is engaged, and he enlisted her help in making sure Lynn sees the bridal section and his ad.

"McConahay told his story and then asked how he had spelling Lynn's last name. He corrected the spelling, then he corrected the correction. 'I'm just a little nervous,' he said."

3rd verse: David McConahay, son of Thomas McConahay & Gleeda (Graham) married Lynn Leahy on June 19th, 1982 in Indpls., IN. The proposal was a smash hit!!

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The following wedding account came to us from a member in Stockton, CA and had no date; however, we were able to identify the groom as Paul Lossee McConahey III and the account is of special interest since the family has strayed far afield from where we first knew them -- around Sharon, PA!

### ROBERTA LORENZO JOINS ROSTER OF JULY BRIDES

"MANTECA -- St. Anthony's Catholic Church was the setting for the July 29 marriage of Roberta Elizabeth Lorenzo and Paul L. McConahey III. The bride, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Albert Lorenzo, appeared wearing an ivory angel chiffon gown with chantilly lace & pearl trim. Her long veil was edged in matching lace and secured by a picture hat of lace and chiffon. For sentiment she added the pearls worn by her mother on her wedding day 30 years ago. Nancy Graves served as maid of honor, and bridesmaids were Nancy Lorenzo, Debbie Garcia, & Kelly Peterson. Sharmaine Lorenzo served as candlelighter. Glen Silva of Livermore served as best man, and ushers were Collice Rials III & Keven Fatzer of Manteca and Mike & Kevin McConahey of Orangeburg, S.C. A reception was held in the church social hall. The bride graduated from Manteca High School and is attending Delta College as a student vocational nurse. She is a nurse's aide at Dameron Hospital. Her husband is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Paul McConahey, Jr. of Orangesburg. He graduated from West Charlotte High School and is attending Delta.

He is employed as a firefighter on Rough and Ready Island. They are establishing their first home in Manteca."

RICHARD McCONNAUGHEY & Judy Mueller were married 13 June 1981 in Riverton, Wyoming. Richard is the older son of Gene & Shirley McConnaughey and the grandson of the later Charles Jefferson McConnaughey and his wife Flona of Cheyenne, Wyoming.

CAROL McCONKEY married Ronald W. Skeen on 5 Sept. 1981 and moved from Byesville, OH to Parkersburg, WV.

LOWELL SCOTT SMITH and Joan Proper were married in Loudensville, NY on 21 Nov. 1981. Scott is a great grandson of Lucy Evelyn McConaughy of the Gettysburg line. The young couple live in Schenectady, NY.

MARY LEE HOFFMAN & TERRENCE P. McCALLEN

18 April 1982 Mary Lee Hoffman, her future husband, and her family chose the historic Christ Church in Tarrytonw, NY for the scene of their wedding. This church was founded in 1837 and one of it's most famous members was Washington Irving of literary fame. He served on the church board and contributed many things to the church including the Sheffield Plate Communion Service and the famous Melrose Abbey Ivy, which came from Sir Walter Scott's estate, Abbotsford in Scotland.

"The Bride, escorted by her Father (F. L. Hoffman), is wearing a Victorian gown carrying her Great Grandmother Chesnut's Bible and wearing her Grandmother Porter's cameo. She will also have Grandmother Porter's pearl guard ring which will be worn and blest along with her marriage set. Mary Lee will also be wearing her Mother's blue garter and her Grandmother Hoffman's blue handkerchief. So something old, something new, something borrowed, and something blue from three generations.

"The Main of Honor, Mary Lee's sister, Terri Jane is dressed in sapphire blue and carrying her Great Grandmother Chesnut's Book of Psalms. Both girls are named for Grandmother Chesnut. (nee Mary Jane McConaghie, dau. of John McConaghie & Nancy McLean of Ballymoney, No. Ireland). The Best Man is Terry's brother John, and he is accompanied by Terry's sons, Glenn and Christian.

"The readings will be Tobit 8:5b-8, Colossians 3:12-17, and Mark 10:6-9, 13-16, as read by Terri Jane Hoffman, John McCallen, and Reverend Eddy. The flowers on the Altar are in loving membory of Mary Jane McConaghie Chesnut and Eunice Terry Chesnut Porter.

"The Hoffman Family would like to thank everyone for sharing in this blessed and happy event. 'May he who neighter slumbers or sleeps keep you safe as you leave our house of worship.'

Rector: William D. Eddy; Ushers: Brenden & Jerry McCallen; Organiest: D. Beach  
Piper: R. Hamilton"

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Another lovely wedding, like Mary Lee's above, more sentimental and traditional than most -- a very cheering thought!

"Lori Grace Burt & Charles Camp Ragsdell II were wed on May 30, 1982 at the home of her parents in the outdoor wedding. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Robert E. Burt, 9708 N. W. 75th St., Kansas City (Weatherby Lake), MO. The groom's

"Rev. Rob Noland performed the double ring service. Jan Holland provided the music and Kelly Craft, brother-in-law of the groom, was the vocalist. Given in marriage by her father, the bride wore a Victorian style gown with long sleeves featuring embroidered lace on neckline, sleeves, & waist. Her veil was floor length & she carried a bouquet of carnations, mock orange & baby's breath. The dress & veil were made by her sister, Mrs. James Adsem of Excelsior, MN, and most of the flowers were from her parent's garden. For something borrowed, the bride wore earrings belonging to her maid of honor, something old her Grandmother's handkerchief. Matron of Honor Lee Ann Burnette wore a pale blue flowered floor-length gown and carried a nosegay of carnations & Sweet William. Serving the groom as Best man was Howard Dyke II. Users were brothers of the bride, Kenneth Burt of Aurora, IL, and Carl Burt of Eveleth, MN. Ring-bearer was Jesse Burt, nephew & flower girl was Jocelyn Craft, neice of the groom. A reception followed in the bride's parents home. Nancy Ross was in charge of the guest book. Roberta Adsem, sister of the bride & Kathy Burt, sister-in-law of the bride were in charge of the gifts.

"The bride attended Park Hill High School and was employed for 2 yrs. at Commercial Union Assurance Co. The groom attended High School in Brinkley, AR & University of Arkansas, Jonesboro. He is employed as Production Engineer at American SAB Automotive Co., Inc. in Blue Springs.

"Out-of-twon guests included parents of the groom, Mr. & Mrs. Charles C. Ragsdell II of Heber Springs, AR; Mr. & Mrs. Perry Harris, grandparents of the groom, of Tucson, AZ; Mr. & Mrs. Russell Ragsdell of IL; Mr. & Mrs. Kelly Craft, Jocelyn & Rebecca, Iowa City, IA; Mr. & Mrs. James Ragsdell of AR; Dr. & Mrs. Calvin Harris; Grandmother of the bride, Mrs. Grace Burt of Kenosha, WI; Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Burt, Charlene & Kimberlee of Aurora, IL; Mr. & Mrs. Carl Burt, Jesse & Kelly of Eveleth, MN; Mrs. James Adsem, Robbie & Jon Paul of Excelsior, MN. For the wedding trip the bride wore a screen printed white dress with a corsage of yellow roses and baby's breath. They will reside in Blue Springs, MO."

Editor's Note: Bob Burt is a descendnat of William McConaughy & Ellen Berry through Elizabeth McConaughy, dau. of Andrew Duncan McConaughy, and John Burt. Some of you may wonder why I put so much detail into these accounts. Partly to honor those involved and willing to share the accounts with us, but mainly because of the past help I have had from such accounts, carefully saved by family members in old Bibles, journals, etc. One hundred years from now this account may really help one of the descendants of the people above to find their roots.

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JUDITH ANNE JOHNSON, dau. of Donald Lesley & Betty Johnson of Geneseo, IL was married on 5 June 1982 to Hubert M. Lattan at St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Glen Ellyn, IL. Member Betty Johnson is a descendant of Lucy Ellen McConaughy of the Gettysburg line.

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LESLIE LYNN POST, born 12 May 1979, first child of Samuel Dean Post and Ruth Kent Post, great granddaughter of Florence Dean Post; great-great granddaughter of Isabel Florence McConaughy Dean & 3x Great granddaughter of David McConaughy who came to America in 1832 from Co. Tyrone, Ireland and settled in Cameron, WV, a town which he also had the honor to name.

TIMOTHY McCONNEGHEY born 1 Aug. 1981, brother of Christopher (2 yrs. old), son of Dennis M. & Kathleen McConnehey of West Jordan, UT.

"Way back in February, this little one was started.  
Mom and Dad have worried and waited kind hearted.  
After nine months of growing, being pinched, poked and shoved,  
We decided it was time to come into the world and be loved!"

This lovely verse introduces DUSTIN ARTHUR McCrory, born 16 Nov. 1981 at 11:48 p.m., weighing in at 6 lb., 14 oz., 22 inches, son of Bruce & Kris McCrory & grandson of Carolyn & Royal Morse.

DANIEL LOUIS BAILLARGEON, "An armful of BOY.... A heartful of JOY!" -- I think he is also the fifth son of Ray & Lynne Baillargeon, born 29 Jan. 1982 at 7:23 a.m., 7 lb., 10 oz., 20" long; Phoenix, AZ.

WARREN BRETT GREGORY, first child of Warren Roy Gregory & Colette Sue Brett, 1st Gregory grandson of Warren Russell Gregory & Patricia Ann McConnaughay (Their 8th grandchild, however!), born 29 March 1982, 9+ pounds, 22+ inches; weighing ca 22 lbs. at four months -- and not fat, just BIG!

CHRISTOPHER ISAAC MEYER, born 31 March 1982 at 11:05 p.m., 9 lb., 11 oz., 22 in. son of Doug Meyer & Jan Morse, grandson of Carolyn & Roy Morse

KIERSTIN ZABEL MORSE, b. 12 May 1982, 1:10 p.m., 8 lb., 20 in., to Timothy & Karyn Morse (delivered by Tim & mid-wife), grandchild of Carolyn & Royal Morse.

MARY ELIZABETH BOUNDS, 2nd child of Teri & Scott Bounds, grandchild of McPherson V. Bounds & Frances Baker (of the West Virginia line), 30 June 1982, 6 lbs., 5½ oz.

DEATHS      DEATHS      DEATHS      DEATHS      DEATHS      DEATHS      DEATHS

CORA V. McCONAHY, 89, widow of Frank E. McConaghy, well-known cannery operator in Kodiak & Cordove d. 27 May (1981??) in Panorama City Convalescent Center, Lacey, WA. A sister, Stella G. Pond, lives in Fredrickton, New Brunswick.

EVALYN NAYLOR JOHNSON, daughter of J. D. Naylor & Lucile Mitchell, granddaughter of Lucy Evalyn McConaughy Mitchell, died Greenville, OH 29 Sept. 1981.

GWYNNE H. McCONAUGHY, age 75, of 1101 Sunnyview Ave. (Dayton, OH) passed away Saturday (31 Oct. 1981) at his residence. He is survived by his wife Lucile; 2 daughters, Mrs. Kathleen C. Zambello of Amherst, Mass., Mrs. Margaret L. Branstator of Richmond, IN; a son David H. McConaughy of Los Angeles, CA & seven grandchildren. Mr. McConaughy had been the Education Director of the YMCA College of the Precursor of the Sinclair Community College for 14 years. He was the President of the Scientiae Corp. and a Management Consultant for many years. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Dayton Engineers Club, a graduate of Otterbein College and had done graduate work at the University of Cincinnati. Memorial services 3 p. m. Sunday Nov. 8th at the First United Methodist Church with Bishop Joseph H. Yeakel, Rev. Robert J. Miller, Dr. Emerson D. Bragg and Rev. Mervyn L. Matteson officiating. There will be a reception in the church parlor on Sunday from 2-3 p.m. Memorial contributions may be made to the Coronary Care Unit of Good Samaritan Hospital or the First United Methodist Church. Arrangements by Carrigan Funeral Home.

VIRGINIA McCONAUGHY KIRSCH, 53, of Phoenix, AZ, formerly of Bridgeport (OH??) died Monday (14 Dec. 1981) in County Memorial Hospital, Phoenix. She was preceded in death by her husband, Robert Kirsch in 1974. Surviving are two sons, David in Arizona and Robert of Palmar, CA ; two sisters, Nancy J. McPeck of Phoenix and Barbara L. Valan of Avon, OH; four brothers, Frank McConnaughy of Bridgeport,

Warren C. of Cleveland, Harry F. of Winter Garden, FL, and William A. of West Wheeling; a grandchild. Friends received at the Wilson Funeral Home, Bridgeport, 7-9 p.m. Thursday and 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Friday, where services will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday. Interment in Weeks Cemetery, Bridgeport.

IRA BROWN, Santa Rosa, CA passed away on 5 Dec. 1981. He was a descendant of the Centerville, IN line -- from the branch that migrated to California before the Civil War.

ADA J. MAY, 92, 10 Tilton Manor, Apt. 14, died 22 Feb. 1982 at Rochelle (IL) Community Hospital after a long illness. She was born 1 Jan. 1890 in Rochelle to James and Amelia (Gardhouse) McConaughy. She was married to Phillip W. May 15 June 1916 in Rochelle; he preceded her in death in 1950. She was also preceded by two daughters and a sister. She was a member of the United Presbyterian Church of Rochelle; the P. E. O. Sisterhood; a 50-year member of the Daughters of the American Revolution; life member of the Rochelle Community Hospital Association, the Rochelle Service Club, Rochelle Women's Club, Order of the Eastern Star and Rochelle Community Hospital Auxiliary.

Survivors include a son, Phillip W. May, Jr.; a daughter, Mrs. Barbara Cledzik, Norfolk, VA; 11 grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren. A memorial service will be 2 p.m. Wednesday at the United Presbyterian Church, Rochelle, with the Rev. Donald Meisenheimer, pastor, officiating. Private burial will be in Lawnridge Cemetery. There will be no visitation. A memorial has been established to the United Presbyterian Church of Rochelle.

Note: Mrs. May was a member of the Ligonier line -- the branch that chose to change their spelling (McConaughy was the usual spelling for this line). Her daughter is a current member of the Society.

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From Topeka (KS) Daily Capital, 16 Feb. 1982:

#### K-4 ACCIDENT KILLS PEDESTRIAN

A rural Denison man was killed Sunday night when he was struck by a pickup truck as he walked along K-4 about four miles south of Valley Falls, Kansas Highway Patrol said. He was identified as Alvin L. McConaughy, 35, Route 1, Denison.

Patrolmen said McConaughy's car ran out of gasoline before he began walking along K-4 about 9:30 p.m. He was struck by a northbound pickup driven by Darrel L. Shanks, 26, Route 1, Rea, MO, officers said. Jefferson County Attorney John Bork said Monday, he was awaiting a report on the accident before deciding whether to file charges.

Alvin L. McConaughy was born 14 Dec. 1946, at Atchison, the son of Mr. & Mrs. Joseph McConaughy. He had lived in the Denison Community 21 years. Mr. McConaughy was employed by Rockwell International at Atchison, where he had worked four years. He was an Army veteran, having served in Vietnam, and he served for 12 years in the National Guard. He was married to Connie Wilcox on 10 March 1979 at Denison. She survives.

Other survivors include a son Joseph McConaughy, at home; a step-daughter, Jody Pilcher, at home; three brothers Thomas J. McConaughy and William D. McConaughy, both in Valley Falls, and James F. McConaughy, Meriden; two sisters, Mrs. Carol Hubach, Denison, and Mrs. Sandra Kruger, Perry; his mother,

Mrs. Isabelle Lindsey McConnaughey, Perry; and a grandmother, Mrs. Mabel McConnaughey, Atchison.

Services will be at 2 p.m. Wednesday at First United Methodist Church at Valley Falls, with military graveside services at Mount Vernon Cemetery, Atchison. Friends and relatives will meet from 7 until 8:30 p.m. today at Nellis-Hagge Funeral Home, Valley Falls. Mr. McConnaughey will lie in state after noon today at the funeral home. Memorial contributions may be made to a trust fund for Mr. McConnaughey's children at Kendall State Bank at Valley Falls.

Note: Editor would like someone to confirm that Alvin is, as I believe he is, one of the Ligonier line?

Mabel McConnaughey Wolf died 22 March 1982 in Stouffville, Ontario, Canada. She would have been 80 years old if she had lived until June, 1982. She was of the William McConnaughey line through his son David McConnaughey b. 1776.

MARIE POHL McCONAHAY, 84, Indianapolis, IN died 15 July 1982 in a local nursing home. The widow of Leo McConahay, she was a native of Cincinnati, OH, and had lived here 68 years. Services will be held at 9 a.m. Saturday in Shirley Brothers Irving Hill Chapel, and at 9:30 a.m. in Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, of which she was a member. Survivors include two daughters, Theresa Meyer & Charlotte Scheibelhut, and two sons, Richard L. & Robert A. McConahay; 11 grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; sister Mrs. Ann Montgomery.

(Mrs. McConahay is connected with the 'hh' White Co., IN line.)

BERNIECE IRENE McCONAHAY, 74, 300 E. Church St., Orlando, FL died Friday (23 July 1982). Born in Curtis, NB, came to Orlando from Miami in 1979. She was a retired school teacher and a Protestant; Member of the Pine Castle Center of the Arts; Pine Castle Arts League; FL Association of Poets & the National Retired Teachers Association. Survivors include son Jim McConahay of Orlando, daughter Mrs. Jean Kelm of Deerfield, IL and sister Mrs. Ruth Morgan of Denver, CO.

KATHERINE McCONAUGHY, Ogden, UT, -- Funeral services for former newspaper publisher Sara Louise Katherine McConaughy were Saturday at the Holy Family Catholic Church in Ogden. Mrs. McConaughy died Wednesday (1 Sept. 1982). She was 78. The native of Hartinton, NB was former co-publisher of the Morgan County News, the Park Record and the Summit County Bee -- all weekly Utah newspapers. Mrs. McConaughy was also a member of the Utah Press Association for more than 30 years. She is survived by her husband Howard McConaughy of Morgan.

Note: The last two people are not as yet identified, but the Berniece McConahay is not the Berniece McConahay who attended the Gathering 2-3 years ago (of the 'hh' line).

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TID-BIT

"Tid-bits" are more fun than anything! The following was sent (I believe) by Frances Bounds and many names pointed to her family, but it wasn't. Names also pointed to a Gettysburg line, but it wasn't. I have a note on it that it was McConaughay and, as I recall it, some of the Illinois bunch and I can, if asked, produce the right connection! It has to do with an estate settlement in Washington Co., Iowa in 1938.

Re: Estate of Elizabeth McConaughy with Edna Purvis, Exe.  
Estate consists of a small piece of land valued at \$50.00  
Household Goods 38.75  
Cash 38.88

Heirs:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>RELATIONSHIP</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>
William McConaughy	Brother	Isador, MO
Bertha Lemon	Niece	Moran, Kansas
Dora Williams	Niece	Wyman, Iowa
Warren McConaughy	Nephew	Fairfield, Iowa
Howard McConaughy	Nephew	Wapello, Iowa
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Grace Hughs	Niece	Columbus Junc., IA
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Chester McConaughy	Nephew	Morning Sun, IA
Will Skinner	Nephew	Colorado Springs, CO
Oda Skinner	Nephew	Peabody, Kansas
Eva McCollough	Niece	Liberal, KS
Martha Skinnger	Niece	Peabody, KS
Robert Skinner	Niece (sic)	Iola, KS
Bessie Skinner	Niece	Iola, KS
Thornie Skinner	Nephew	_____, KS
3 children of Taylor McConaughy, deceased, names and addresses unknown		
4 children of Elias McConaughy, names and addresses unknown.		

There was no inheritance tax, but with 23 heirs and \$127.63 estate (assuming the land was sold for \$50), and no expenses, each might expect to get \$ 5.54. And we think times are tough today?