

Adams, have lived in Jessamine County all except for a short period; I always come back. Most vivid memories take me back to 1945-46. I lived on East Maple Street, a very nice street. I lived across the street from "Pap" Hager, I'm sure everyone remembers, who lived in the in house. Before he bought it, the Goldsteins had a little playhouse out of coal. I envied that house and would slip across the street to play. If they caught you, they would run you out. My grandmother, Mrs. Effie Beasley, ran the cream station on Maple where the farmers brought their milk. She had the cream separated from it, and sold it. They pay their wives got spending money. The men go uptown to meet others for a chat while their wives waited at the cream station for them. They bring their sewing or quilting. I had to go to the cream station; in fact, it was my job, washing the tiny bottle the cream was put into and sweeping the floors clean. Grandmother paid me 50 cents a week, a lot of money for a kid back then. At the door to the cream station, there was Beatty's poultry house, later operated by Woodford. This was where people purchased their fresh eggs, ducks, and hens for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

I can remember my mother, Pearl Whitaker, standing for hours during these two months, plucking chickens and cleaning the fowls. This was the way we got our Christmas money as things were really bad for us then. It was so cold in that poultry house. It was hard work for my mother and grandmother, yet it was really sad when they closed those shops down for health restrictions. Everything has changed since then, but it was a good life. I hope my brothers and sisters remember all these times as I have. Submitted by Doris Adams

### James D. and Thoy Brumfield Adams

James Daniel Adams, born, January 6, 1878, was the third of 14 children born to Taylor Adams and Mary Pollard in the eastern part of Jessamine County near Logana. He married Thoy Hunter Brumfield, daughter of Merriman Brumfield and Corine Hunter, on May 15, 1913, in Lexington, by George Tinsley. James was a farmer in the Logana section of Jessamine County. He and his bride Thoy lived with their grandparents, Thomas Pollard and wife Sally. James continued farming and he and Thoy had children, James Harvey born Feb. 19, 1916, and born Oct. 30, 1925. James became active in politics and served as deputy sheriff under Andrew Hemphill. They also were interested in politics and very active in the Democratic Party in Jessamine County. She was well known as a "good cook" having big burgoo suppers at social events for political leaders such as Gov. A. Stanley, Gov. A. B. "Happy" Chandler, Robert Moore, B. T. Moynahan, Arch Hager and other local political leaders. After the deaths of Thomas Pollard and his wife, James and his brother, William Adams, bought the farm of his grandparents and James and Thoy continued to live at the farm until their deaths, James in June, 1971, at age 82; and Thoy, who died Dec. 20, 1976, at age 91. James Harvey Adams married Mable Walker, daughter of Charles and Eunice Cooley Walker in 1917. James Harvey died of a self-inflicted gun shot wound in June 1937, therefore never seeing his son. Joan Adams married William Moss, son of Theodore and Mary Moss in Oct. 4, 1947. William had just

been killed in a bar for deputy sheriff with Harvey Partin and continued in the sheriff's office under sheriffs Arch Hager, Robert Hinton and Roger Williams, a total of 16 years. In 1963 he worked for the Kentucky Department of Revenue until his death in August 1966.

William and Joan had two sons, James Daniel Moss, born Feb. 14, 1952, and Rodney Lee Moss, born Dec. 17, 1952. James Daniel Moss married Laquita Burch, daughter of Clelle and Helen Walker Burch in August, 1980, and they later divorced. They had no children. Rodney Lee Moss married Kathy Sponcil, daughter of Donald and Alvena Bastin Sponcil, in Oct. 1976. They had two boys, Adam Lee Moss (8/1/79), and William Taylor Moss (4/3/84).

Joan worked for the Jessamine County Health Department from Oct. 1955, until Oct. 1988, when she retired after 33 years with the department. She lives at the same place she was born, the home of her great-grandparents. Submitted by Joan Moss

### Alcorn Family

The Alcorn family came to America prior to 1680. The earliest records found are of a John Alcorn, who immigrated to Philadelphia, PA, from Ulster, Ireland. The next record that we find is a deed dated Feb. 10, 1727, in Lancaster, PA, to James Alcorn. We next find James Alcorn, son of the above James Alcorn, in Augusta and Montgomery counties of Virginia. John Alcorn, son of the second James, came to Kentucky prior to 1793. Madison Co., KY, records show John Alcorn in 1793 giving Robert Breckenridge power of attorney to sell land in Wythe Co., VA.

Robert Alcorn, son of John and Jane Brechenridge Alcorn, was born between 1765-1775. Robert Alcorn married Susannah Turpin Welch, a widow, in Madison County.

John Alcorn, son of Robert and Susannah Welch Alcorn, was born 1799-1801. Jessamine Co. records show John Alcorn on the 1831 tax list. John Alcorn was married three times. He was a farmer and retail merchant.

This John Alcorn was not the first Alcorn in Jessamine Co., his second cousins, George and Robert Alcorn, were on the 1800 Jessamine County tax list. They remained on the Jessamine County tax list until 1806. They then moved to Clay County. George Alcorn was a Revolutionary War soldier and is listed in the "Jessamine County 175th Anniversary Souvenir Book." George Alcorn died in Bartholemeou Co., IN, in 1833. Robert, his brother, died in Pike County, IL, in 1831.

James Alcorn, son of John and his first wife, was born in 1832 in Jessamine Co. and married Sarah Hicks Dec. 21, 1852.

James Alcorn, son of James and Sarah Hicks Alcorn, was born in 1865 in Jessamine Co. and married Anna Eliza Corman, Dec. 18, 1886, in Jessamine Co. James Alcorn died Apr. 29, 1936, in Jessamine Co.

Garrett Alcorn, son of James and Anna Eliza Corman Alcorn, was born Apr. 10, 1902, in Jessamine Co. and married Vela Doris Morrow, Oct. 31, 1936. Garrett Alcorn was a farmer and fisherman. He died Oct. 27, 1988, and is buried in the Wilmore Cemetery. Vela Doris Morrow Alcorn was born Aug. 26, 1918, in Wayne County. She died Feb. 13, 1945, and is buried in the Mt. Hebron Church Cemetery in Garrard Co. Children of Garrett and Vela Doris Alcorn are Mildred and Renda Ann Alcorn.

Renda Ann Alcorn was born Feb. 18, 1942, in Boyle Co. Renda Ann married Carl Ray Puckett and they have two children: Frances and Carl Ray Puckett

I was born in Jessamine County and graduated from the Jessamine County School System. I attended Eastern Kentucky University and married Clyde Bunch on Feb. 15, 1958. We are the parents of five daughters: Donna Jean Miller, Suedell Lathrem, Barbara Ann Cooper, Brenda Diane Woods, and Sandra Horton. I have been active in Jessamine County politics over the years. I was elected by popular vote, from the Lee District, to serve as magistrate on the Jessamine County Fiscal Court 1977. Submitted by Mildred Frances Alcorn Bunch

### Sarah Margaret Land Alexander Family

Sarah Margaret (Land) Alexander was born 6/12/1913, in Fayette Co., near Valley View. She was the daughter of Edgar Poe Land (1/8/1879-1/5/1956) of Fayette Co., and Atha Margaret (Stafford) Land (10/10/1885-4/13/1966) of Jessamine Co. Her brother, Edgar Poe Land, Jr. (11/26/1916) lives on Union Mill Road in Jessamine County. As a child, Sarah Margaret was active in 4/H Club and in July, 1930, was awarded a scholarship to attend Camp Miniwanca, the American Youth Foundation Camp in Shelby, Michigan. For several summers she attended the camp as a camper and later as a counselor. Sarah Margaret graduated from Spears High School in Jessamine County on 5/14/1930 and received her B.A. degree in journalism from U.K. in June 1934. She taught at Red Oak School, Jessamine Co., 1934-35; Russell Cave School, Fayette Co., 1936-41; Lafayette High School, Lexington, 1942-43; and received her M.A. degree from U.K. in 1940.

She met her husband, William Tasse Alexander, III, (2/1/1904-4/25/1992) at the U.K. Teachers' Southeastern Regional Conference on 3/28/1942. They were married 7/10/1943 at Park Methodist Church in Lexington. William (Bill) was the son of William Tasse Alexander, II, of Mecklenburg Co., NC, and Mary Charlotte (Watkins) of Anson Co., NC. He was graduated from Charlotte High School in Charlotte NC, on 5/7/1923, and received his B.A. degree in history from U.N.C.-Chapel Hill in 1927. He was an inspector for Retail Credit Co. of Atlanta from 1928-1937. Beginning in 1937 he became the partner with his brother, Robert Flow Alexander, of William T. Alexander & Co., Auburn Coal Stoker Distributors in NC and SC. He was president of Alexander Tank & Equipment Co., established with his brother on 2/12/1947. Bill was past president of Southeastern Steel Tank Fabricators Association, University City Civitan Club, and Newell Toastmaster Club. He was active in the National Association of Manufacturers, Government Economy Committee, the American Welding Society, the Charlotte Engineers Club, and the Mecklenburg Historical Association.

During World War II he served with the 893rd Tank Destroyer Battalion. From 1946 to 1958 he served on the Mecklenburg County Board of Elections. Bill was a life-long member of Mallard Creek Presbyterian Church. He served as a deacon, elder, and building committee chairman and was active in the annual church barbecue for over 50 years. In 1982 he was a delegate to the General Assembly of the Presb. Church U.S. in Columbus, GA. Their children are: Sarah Land Alexander (8/28/1944), Margaret Stafford Alexander (7/3/1945), and Mary Neal Alexander (10/1/1948-4/2/1968) died in an automobile accident in Fayetteville, NC.

Sarah Land Alexander graduated from East Mecklenburg High School in 1962 and received her B.S. degree in secretarial administration from St. Andrews Presb. College, Laurinburg, NC, in 1966. She worked a year after college at Interstate Securities

*Tr. Renda died May 14, 1982 and is buried in the Maple Grove Cemetery*