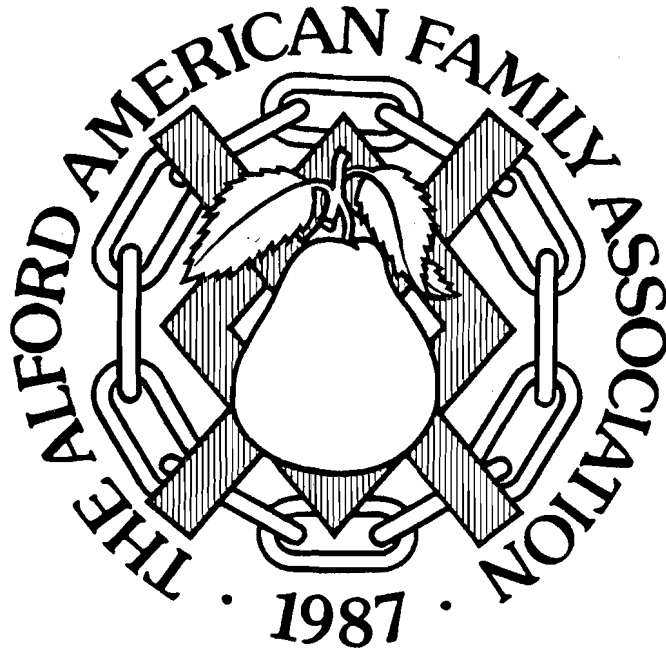


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Editor's Note: I apologize for the poor quality of the photographs and drawings in this issue. In trying to keep the production cost of *AAFA ACTION* low, I'm always looking for printers who offer low rates while keeping the quality and service high. The March 1990 issue was the first one printed by Dogwood Printing, and I was very pleased with their work. The quality seemed comparable to what we'd gotten in the past for a higher price, and it included binding, a cover, and delivery. (Previously, I stapled the copies without a cover and had to make two trips to the printer for delivery and pickup.) However, I had no photos in the March issue and thus had no way to know how they would turn out. The half-tones and original drawings for this issue were very good quality. Even a xerox copy I made looked great, so I expected the offset printing to be even better. I'm embarrassed to send such work to you and am determining what to do to prevent this from happening in future issues.—Pam

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President's Precept

ATTENTION ALL HANDS!
NOW HEAR THIS!

The countdown is underway for the Third Annual Meeting of our Alford American Family Association to be held October 12-14 in Raleigh, NC. More details about the meeting appear elsewhere in this quarterly. Start making your plans to attend right now. And keep in mind that if you don't come, you will be talked about. And if you've ever wondered if other lines of Alfords are as talkative as your own, here is your chance to find out. Somehow I think you know the answer.

The meeting in Raleigh will be an exciting time for most of us who trace our lineage back to NC. If we can arrange it, we'll try to set up some tours in the vicinity of Raleigh to places of specific Alford interest for those who would like that. For others a visit to the Archives might be the most rewarding because it is a veritable treasure-trove of Alford family history. For some a visit to courthouses in surrounding counties might be well worthwhile.

Now at the risk of repeating myself *ad infinitum*, I want to say again that this Association is not a social organization per se. We exist almost solely for the purpose of gathering and distributing Alford genealogy information. There is this terrible, relentless curiosity and insatiable thirst for information about our Alford ancestors. It will not be satisfied by any other way except by more information. I propose the Association adopt as our motto "More! More! More!" There is nothing wrong, of course, with a little socializing in the process of acquiring and disseminating information. This we'll do in Raleigh. But we will try to keep our eye on the "ball" and stick to business. This will also include holding organizational and administrative details to a minimum. So, I hope this constant repetition has not reached the point of *ad nauseam*.

Finally, you may remember in the December 1988 issue of AAFA ACTION I mentioned in this column the peculiar upper eyelid

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Treasurer's Report

	1988 Actual	1989 Budget Original	1989 Actual	1990 Tentative Budget	1990 Actual To Date (4-30-90)
REVENUE					
REG FEE (INITIAL)	\$ 700.00	\$1200.00	\$1580.00	\$1150.00	\$198.00
INITIAL DUES	560.00	750.00	1264.00	3450.00	158.00
RENEWAL DUES	320.00	784.00	749.00	3450.00	758.00
DONATIONS - GENERAL	682.57	1000.00	1348.00	1500.00	326.80
TOTAL REVENUE	\$2262.57	\$3734.00	\$4941.00	\$9550.00	\$1440.80
CARRYOVER FROM PREVIOUS YEAR					
	\$1381.88		\$1394.26		\$1716.24
REG FEE (MEETING)			357.00		
DONATIONS - MEETING			1324.00		
DONATIONS - COMPUTER FUND			235.00		\$50.00
TOTAL FUNDS	\$3644.45	\$3734.00	\$8251.26	\$9550.00	\$3207.04
EXPENSES					
POSTAGE & PO BOX	\$ 653.97	\$1439.00	\$1805.96	\$3650.00	\$664.80
STATIONERY	817.01	0.00	291.20	500.00	107.54
PRINTING	337.84	1510.00	2028.97	3300.00	1205.94
RESEARCH		340.00	144.02	400.00	73.95
FAMILY EMBLEM	200.00				
MISCELLANEOUS	241.37	445.00	764.93	300.00	125.00
ADVERTISING				300.00	
SUPPLIES				700.00	160.20
NON EXPENDABLE ITEMS				400.00	13.50
TOTAL EXP'S	\$2250.19	\$3734.00	\$5035.08	\$9550.00	\$2350.93
MEETING & RECEPTION					
			1499.94		
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$2250.19	\$3734.00	\$6535.02	\$9550.00	\$2350.93
NET WORTH	\$1394.26		\$1716.24		\$856.11

Receipts Running Behind

AAFA's net worth has only increased by about \$50 since last quarter. Donations have been all but non-existent this year—and we were counting on help from members who can afford it in order to keep membership costs down for those on more limited incomes. We don't want anyone to hesitate joining AAFA because of the cost!

A major expense is, of course, the printing and mailing of *AAFA ACTION*. Although we are trying to find ways to keep those costs down, we don't want to skimp on the quality of the publication or the quantity of information we publish.

If the Association's income does not increase during the next quarter to be more in line with the budget, the budget will have to be revised.

1990 Meeting: Raleigh, NC

By Gilbert Alford
AAFA Executive Director

Plans continue for the meeting to be held on October 12-14 at the Holiday Inn, Raleigh North.

Could it be an omen of some sort? The first person to register for the meeting was AAFA member number 001, Mrs. Alicia Roundy Houston of Pennsylvania, the AAFA National Census Project Officer. How about it numbers, 002, 003 etc.?

Every effort is being made to insure the meeting will be enjoyable, educational, and entertaining. Several have already made suggestions regarding what they would like, or would not like, as part of the meeting. If you have any ideas, now is the time voice them while there is still time to do something about it.

It is particularly important that you make it known if you have matters of business that should be discussed at the meeting. Thus far there are no earth-shaking matters to be dealt with. There will be an election of officers and a vote on some changes in the constitution (articles of incorporation) and bylaws.

You may have noticed from the insert that was included with the last newsletter that a change has been made on this year's meeting hotel. It happened after the manuscript was sent to the printer, but before the newsletter was returned from the printer.

The Association was unable to come to contract terms with the Hilton, but as it turned out, this was a blessing in disguise! By moving to the Holiday Inn and getting the better room rates, members will save enough to pay the meeting registration fee—assuming they plan to stay at least two nights at the hotel.

When it was mentioned to the hotel that some members might come a few days early or stay over a few days to do research at the North Carolina State Archives, they immediately offered the reduced rates for a period one week before and one week after the meeting.

The contract the Association had to sign requires an advance deposit for the meeting and food service. The resources to make that deposit will depend on your registration fees—so if you plan to attend the meeting, it is very important that you register now.

If sufficient funds are not received in time for the deposit, the contract will be terminated and it will be necessary to cancel the meeting. In that case those who have registered will get their checks back. The registration checks are not being deposited until it is known if a sufficient number register to cover the deposit.

If you plan to attend the meeting, please send your checks for \$25 per person to the AAFA office for registration. This fee will cover the cost of food for the reception and for the breaks. Those attending the dinner on Saturday evening will be asked to pay an additional amount to cover the meal.

Call the Holiday Inn Raleigh North at 919-872-7666 and make your room reservations. To receive the \$44/49 single/double rates be sure to tell them you are with AAFA.

If you plan to fly and would like a discount, call Delta Airlines at 800-221-1212 and ask for the Special Meetings Network. Give them file number L33016.

See you in North Carolina!!

Census Collection Project Update

By Alicia Roundy Houston
Census Project Officer
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The census collection project is progressing as planned. As a result of President Lodwick Alford's call for help, twelve individuals have volunteered their services for data collection.

The evaluation and assessment of records collected to date has been completed and a system of determining its relative quality developed—a grading system that shows immediately the status of research and the relative completeness of data for each state and census year. A page size tabulation shows what we have and what we need.

As a result of the past year's focus on Texas, this state has one of the most complete census extractions. Lucille Mehrkam was the chief contributor and will be helping to verify and otherwise prepare the data for the most accurate compilation possible. Thanks to Lucille and others who contributed Texas census data. Other states almost as complete as TX are NC, MS, and FL—the meeting states for the next three years. Thanks to Ruby Heard, Rod Bush, and others for their contribution of data for these states.

Since this year's AAFA meeting will be held in NC, 1990 census collection efforts are focusing on this state, from which we have considerable census data—especially on the "Alf" spelling. Thanks to AAFA Genealogist Bill Mitchiner, who did the extraction work. A "raw" printout of the 1860 Alford follows. (The 1850 Alford NC census was published in the Summer '89 issue of Gil Alford's *About Alford's*.) At this time we need copies of many of the published indexes. Offers of help are welcomed, needed, and appreciated!

Alfords in 1860 North Carolina Census

The following data appears just as it was taken from the microfilm or, in a few counties, the published source. The first column lists the person's name, which is Alford unless specified otherwise. The second column is the person's sex; the third column is the age. The fourth column is the AAFA-calculated birth year. This column does not appear on the census, but we think it is a handy reference for researchers! It was developed in the computer program by merely subtracting the person's age from 1860. The last column is the person's place of birth. Left off of our listing are some additional columns with little or no genealogical value that appear on the 1860 Census. These columns pertain to subjects like real estate value and attending school during the year. If any columns that we left off did have genealogical value, like "Married in the Year," we included that information in a note under the person's name. If a person's occupation was noted, it appears under his/her name in parentheses in order to save the space required for an additional column. The families or groups are arranged by county, township, and census page number. The first row of each census family group lists: COUNTY—TOWNSHIP—PHF (page, house, and family numbers as shown on the census page). As you will see, much information is missing, usually because the source was an index or published but incomplete record rather than the actual census page. However, in the interest of getting the information into your hands, we are printing it in its current state.

ASHE—NORTHFORK—PHF: 673-421-421

RILEY	M	60	1800	NC
(FARMER)				
SABRY	F	41	1819	

COLUMBUS—WHITEVILLE—PHF: 1044-1061-1061

SAMUEL	M	45	1815	SC
(FARMER)				
SARAH	F	47	1813	
ELIZABETH	F	21	1839	
NOAH	M	1	1859	

CRAVEN—NEW BERN—PHF: 152-49-49

ALFRED, FREDERICK E.	M	40	1820	NC
(MERCHANT/FAR)				
ALFRED, MARY C.	F	38	1822	
ALFRED, PHEBE A.	F	18	1842	
ALFRED, WILLIAM D.	M	11	1849	
ALFRED, ELY G.	M	10	1850	
ALFRED, ELEANOR	F	8	1852	
ALFRED, VICHA	F	6	1854	
ALFRED, CLARRA	F	2	1858	

CRAVEN—NEW BERN—PHF: 296-___-___

ALVERT, FRANCIS

FRANKLIN—BAKERS CROSSROAD—PHF: 896-324-317

JOHN	M	44	1816	NC
(FARMER)				
SUSAN	F	47	1813	
MARY	F	19	1841	
MARTHA	F	18	1842	
JOHN	M	17	1843	
ELIZABETH	F	15	1845	
ISABELLA	F	13	1847	
MOSES	M	12	1848	
SIDNEY	M	9	1851	

WILLIAM	M	6	1854	
PARRILL, GRACY	F	60	1800	

FRANKLIN—BAKERS CROSSROAD—PHF: 905-___-___

KEASER	M	47	1813	
(FARM LABORER)				
MARTHA	F	35	1825	
BERRY	M	16	1844	
BRYANT	M	12	1848	
MOSES	M	11	1849	
CLARY ANNE	F	7	1853	
JOHN	M	6	1854	
SIDNEY	M	2	1858	
CALVIN	M	2 mo	1860	

FRANKLIN—FRANKLINTON—PHF: 875-161-161

ELI	M	66	1794	NC
(FARMER)				
ELIZABETH	F	66	1794	
WINNIE H.	F	28	1832	
JOSIAH E.	M	26	1834	
(WHEEL RIGHT)				
JAMES	M	24	1836	
(OVERSEER)				
MITCHELL, JOHN	M	81	1779	

FRANKLIN—LOUISBURG—PHF: 883-224-219

MCKNIGHT, ALEX	M	60	1800	NC
ALFORD, NANCY	F	45	1815	NC
(DOMESTIC)				

FRANKLIN—LOUISBURG—PHF: 890-278-271

WILLIS P.	M	37	1823	NC
(FARMER)				
ELIZABETH	F	31	1829	
JOHN J.	M	9	1851	
ROBINSON C.	M	7	1853	

CHARLES R. M 3 1857
WILLIAM M 2 1858

FRANKLIN—LOUISBURG-DUNN—PHF: 914-453-445

BELL, JOHN M 71 1789 NC
(FARMER)
BELL, SARAH F 68 1792
ALFORD, MARY F 35 1825
ALFORD, SALLIE F 15 1845
ALFORD, REBECCA F 13 1847
ALFORD, JOHN M 17 1843
ALFORD, LAWRENCE M 10 1850
ALFORD, MADISON M 8 1852
ALFORD, JAMES M 4 1856

FRANKLIN—LOUISBURG—PHF: 936-30-29

ANCEL M 34 1826
(FARMER)
MARY F 30 1830
REBECCA F 5 1855
WILLIAM M 2 1858

FRANKLIN—LOUISBURG-DUNN—PHF: 35-35-34

FOSTER, HENRY M 55 1805
ALFORD, LITTLEBERRY M 50 1810
(LABORER)

FRANKLIN—LOUISBURG-DUNN—PHF: 916-464-457

SIMON M 43 1817 NC
(FARMER)
REBECCA F 47 1813
WILLIAM M 14 1846
LAURA F 12 1848
MARY F 8 1852

FRANKLIN—PACIFIC—PHF: 894-306-399

HINESBERRY M 33 1827 NC
(OVERSEER)
LUANZA F 30 1830
WILLIAM J. M 9 1851
SARAH F. F 8 1852
AMARILDA F 6 1854
PATRICK H. M 3 1857

FRANKLIN—PACIFIC—PHF: 895-313-306

JULIUS M 38 1822 NC
(FARMER)
ELIZABETH F 28 1832
WILLIAM T. M 11 1849
JOHN H. M 8 1852
ELIZABETH F 6 1854
SALLIE F 11 mo 1859

FRANKLIN—PACIFIC—PHF: 895-314-307

THOMAS M 60 1800
(FARMER)
DICY / LISA F 65 1795
ANNIE / AMY F 36 1824

HALIFAX—SCOTLAND NECK—PHF: 796-573-559

ROBERT M 23 1837 NC
(FARMER)
SUSAN F 38 1822 NC
ROBERT J. M 4 mo 1860 NC
GRAY, ANNE E. F 16 1844 NC
GRAY, HESTER A. F 13 1847 NC
GRAY, HENRY H. M 12 1848 NC
GRAY, CALVIN M 9 1851 NC

JOHNSTON—BEULAH—PHF: 739-412-390

JOHN M 37 1823
(FARMER)
MARY F 30 1830
MARTHA F 10 1850
MORDECAI M 8 1852
MARY F 6 1854
JOHN M 3 1857

JOHNSTON—BEULAH—PHF: 917-583-564

H. M 30 1830
(MECHANIC)
MILLIE F 23 1837
BENNETT M 5 1855
BETTIE F 3 1857
MARY F 1 1859
POPE, JAMES M 15 1845
(APPRENTICE)

JOHNSTON—BOON HILL—PHF: 844-19-19

B. B. [Bython] M 41 1819
(FARMER)
EVELINE F 31 1829
KEZIAH F 12 1848
WILLIAM M 11 1849
APSILLA F 9 1851
CHARLEY M 7 1853

JOHNSTON—BOON HILL—PHF: 844- -18

WILIE M 50 1810 NC
(FARMER)
ELIZABETH F 32 1828
LANGLEY, SARAH F 9 1851
JOHNSTON—SMITHFIELD—PHF: 899-449-436
BRYANT M 35 1825
(DAY LABORER)
POLLY F 33 1827

[The above two people were designated as mulattoes.]

MCDOWELL—OLD FORT—PHF: 355-362-363

BURGIN, JESSE	M	73	1787	NC
(FARMER)				
BURGIN, MARTHA	F	68	1792	
BURGIN, LEAH	F	47	1813	
BURGIN, PATSY	F	65	1795	
BURGIN, REBECCA	F	32	1828	
BURGIN, MARGARET	F	18	1842	
ALFORD, ROSA	F	30	1830	NC
ALFORD, MARTHA	F	65	1795	
ALFORD, ALNEY	M	14	1846	
ALFORD, MARY	F	12	1848	
ALFORD, WILLIAM	M	10	1850	
ALFORD, ELIZA	F	9	1851	

NASH—ARRINGTON—PHF: 630-1072-1019

GABRAEL	M	39	1821	NC
(OVERSEER)				
MARY	F	23	1837	
PATTIE	F	14	1846	
BETTIE	F	11	1849	
THOMAS	M	9	1851	
MARY	F	6	1854	
MILLY	F	5	1855	

RANDOLPH—PHF: 448-448

ALLFORD, GREENBERRY	M	73	1787	
ALLFORD, PENINA	F	35	1825	

RANDOLPH—PHF: 458-458

ALLFRED, JEREMIAH	M	36	1824	
(MECHANIC)				
ALLFRED, ELIZA	F	34	1826	
ALLFRED, ROXANA	F	9	1851	
ALLFRED, MARY E.	F	7	1853	
ALLFRED, NANCY J.	F	6	1854	
ALLFRED, WINCY	?	3	1857	

RANDOLPH—PHF: 446-446

ALLFORD, SIDNEY	M	29	1831	
(CABINET MAKER)				
ALLFORD, MARY	F	30	1830	
ALLFORD, EMMA A.	F	4	1856	
ALLFORD, MARTHA J.	F	3	1857	

RANDOLPH—PHF: 447-447

ALLFORD, THOMAS	M	30	1830	
ALLFORD, MARTHAM.	F	29	1831	
ALLFORD, SARAH E.	F	4	1856	
ALLFORD, JAMES MILTON	M	2	1858	

RANDOLPH—ASHBORO—PHF: 343-478-478

JAMES B.	M	45	1815	
(METH MIN.)				

ELIZA	F	43	1817	
WILLIAM	M	21	1839	
HENRY	M	20	1840	
MOLLIE	F	18	1842	
DELILA	F	6	1854	
MARY	F	1	1859	

ROBESON—LUMBERTON—PHF: 809-20-20

H. C.	M	28	1832	NC
(FARMER)				
CLARKEY	F	24	1836	

ROBESON—LUMBERTON—PHF: 999-524-524

SION	M	64	1796	NC
(FARMER)				
ELIZABETH	F	58	1802	
FLORA A.	F	30	1830	
HENRY	M	25	1835	
(CARPENTER)				
DAVID	M	24	1836	
(SCHOOLMASTER)				
JACOB E.	M	22	1838	
(FARM LABORER)				
MARGARET D.	F	20	1840	
ELLEN	F	18	1842	
FRANCES	F	16	1844	
VIRGINIA	F	14	1846	
ARABELLA	F	13	1847	
CHARIS, HANRY	M	40	1820	
(FARM LABORER)				

ROBESON—LUMBERTON—PHF: 999-525-525

BARBARA	F	80	1780	
(FARMER)				
DIANNA	F	50	1810	

ROBESON—LUMBERTON—PHF: 1007-590-583

SARAH	F	43	1817	
(FARMER)				
SION M.	M	23	1837	
(FARM LABORER)				
VICTORIA	F	21	1839	
ANN	F	19	1841	
JULIA	F	18	1842	

ROBESON—LUMBERTON—PHF: 1009-606-597

JACOB	M	71	1789	NC
(FARMER)				
PATIENCE	F	40	1820	
NATHAN T.	M	16	1844	
(FARM LABORER)				
CHARLOTTE O. D.	F	12	1848	
JULIUS E.	M	9	1851	
WILEY	M	7	1853	
SION W.	F	1 mo	1860	

ROBESON—LUMBERTON—PHF: 1039-847-823

JOHN W.	M	48	1812
DON OLIVIA	F	20	1840
MARY A.	F	17	1843
JAMES W.	M	12	1848
LODEMA	F	10	1850
KATE	F	8	1852

WAKE—MORRISVILLE—PHF: 43-330-336

G. H.	M	39	1821	NC
(FARMER)				
REBECCA	F	38	1822	
GEORGE B.	M	14	1846	
ANDREW	M	13	1847	
ELIZABETH	F	11	1849	
COLUMBUS	M	10	1850	
FRANCES	F	6	1854	
BLANCH	F	3	1857	

WAKE—MORRISVILLE—PHF: 121-894-902

WILLIAM	M	41	1819	NC
(FARMER)				
LUCY	F	41	1819	
ALBERT	M	17	1843	
WILLIAM	M	15	1845	
RUFUS	M	12	1848	
ROMULUS	M	8	1852	
MARY	F	6	1854	
MARTHA	F	3	1857	

WAKE—RALEIGH—PHF: 288-89-89

LOUGEE, W. J.			1860	
SUSAN ALFORD			1860	

WAKE—RALEIGH—PHF: 344-571-565

JAS. H.	M	25	1835	NC
(PRINTER)				
SUSAN	F	24	1836	
ELIZABETH	F	1	1859	
WINFREY, EMILINE	F	30	1830	

WAKE—ROLESVILLE—PHF: 366-757-759

JAS. R.	M	43	1817	NC
(FARM LABORER)				
DICY	F	48	1812	
MASSINGALE, WILLIAM	M	15	1845	
BOYAKIN, REBECCA	F	26	1834	

WAKE—ROLESVILLE—PHF: 368-773-775

WIATT B.	M	34	1826	NC
(CARPENTER)				
JOANNA	F	30	1830	

WESLEY	M	9	1851	
MANDY	M*	4	1856	
SIMON	M	2	1858	
				*sex is questionable

WAKE—ROLESVILLE—PHF: 371-796-797

GILBERD	M	68	1792	NC
(FARMER)				
SALLIE	F	65	1795	
MARY	F	25	1835	

WAKE—ROLESVILLE—PHF: 371-297-298

SIMON	M	26	1834	NC
(LABORER)				
MARY	F	29	1831	
ROGERS, MALISSA	F	18	1842	

WAKE—ROLESVILLE—PHF: 397-997-1002

CHUCHWELL	M	40	1820	NC
(FARMER)				
ALCEY	F	41	1819	
JEFFREYS, HENRY	M	7	1853	

WAKE—ROLESVILLE—PHF: 451-1414-1413

CLEM	M	47	1813	NC
(OVERSEER)				
JANE	F	37	1823	
FAISON, RUTHY	F	19	1841	

WAKE—ROLESVILLE—PHF: 760-715-717

BALDY	M	44	1816	NC
(FARMER)				
PRISCILLA	F	44	1816	
ANN	F	20	1840	
JOSIAH	M	18	1842	
JANE	F	15	1845	
SALLIE	F	14	1846	
JOHN	M	12	1848	
FANNIE	F	9	1851	
ALEY	F	6	1854	

WAKE—ROLESVILLE—PHF: 760-715-716

PEARCE, LUCY	F	42	1818	NC
(FARMER)				
ALFORD, NANCY	F	75	1785	

WAYNE—GOLDSBORO—PHF: 970-196-196

CLARISA	F	45	1815	
MARGARET	F	16	1844	
WILLIE	M	11	1849	
FANNY W.	F	9	1851	

Alfords in the News



James Louis Alford

JAMES LOUIS ALFORD

Unknown newspaper
McComb, MS— 21 Jan 1990

CHAMBER HONORS ALFORD by Roy Thomas

[Almost 400 people attended] the Pike County Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Foundation[']s...annual membership banquet...at Southwest Mississippi Community College...

One of the evening's highlights was the presentation of the Oliver Emmerich Award given for longtime community service.

James Louis "Lit" Alford was the 14th recipient of the award, joining past winners Oliver Emmerich, Gordon Covington, J. W. Alford, Dr. Wyatt Hunter, Bill Neville, Tom Magruder, Dr. Verner Holmes, Herbert E. Wilmesherr, James A. Lambuth, Loreice Naklie, Horace Holmes, John William Powell and Magnolia Mayor W. J. Simmons.

In his remarks, Alford said, "All the previous recipients were close personal friends and it is a pleasure to

accept this award." Alford is a former McComb city attorney who served in World War II and played a major role in the development of the oil business in southwest Mississippi.

JULIUS ALFORD

Unknown newspaper
McComb, MS—21 Jan 1990

"Business of the Month" By Jack Ryan

IT'S A BUYER'S MARKET, ALFORD SAYS

Julius "Pooley" Alford [AAFA Treasurer] no doubt has a stake in saying this, but he believes that now's is the time to look for a good deal on a house.

"The prices have gone down and interest rates are the lowest they've been in years," observes Alford, who operates Alford Realty Inc. of McComb. "It's a good time to buy. If you are satisfied with some of these fixer-uppers in some of the older houses, you can get some good buys."

... Unfortunately, Alford, like other local realtors, says there's a darker side to the buyer's market. It means houses aren't selling

Gary Alford (standing) and Julius Alford

well, which means something's wrong with the local economy.

"The market in real estate has been very slow in McComb, and prices have gone down," he said. "And we've also had more foreclosures than we've ever had since I've been in business. . . ."

Alford is marking his 30th year in real estate and his company has been selected as business of the month by the Pike County Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Foundation.

He returned to his native McComb in 1960 and joined the Gay-Wardlaw Agency as a salesman, then left in 1966 to form his own agency.

"It was a little easier than it is now," he said. "It wasn't so competitive. For a while there were only two or three brokers in McComb. Now there are 13 or 14."



Alford has two full-time broker associates. Gary Alford, by Pooley's reckoning his sixth cousin, once removed, handles sales as well as property appraisals. . . .

Alford himself has been designated a senior residential appraiser of the National Society of Real Estate Appraisers.

He also owns office space in McComb, including two buildings on State Street and three on Delaware Avenue that he developed.

He and Gary Alford, as joint owners, completed the third one last year, on the corner of Delaware and Sixth Street. His real estate company also made two important changes, moving into larger office space in his westernmost building on Delaware and registering with the state as a corporation.

"I should have done this years ago," he cheerfully admitted. "But you know how it is. You get busy and don't have time for these things."

Alford, who got pegged with his nickname as an infant, when his older brother Warren couldn't quite pronounce "Julius," isn't quite sure about his plans for the future but expects it to include anything but full retirement.

"I'm getting close to retirement, but I don't want to retire," he said. "I want to taper off a little and do less, but I don't want to retire. Our plans are just to try to keep growing as the town keeps growing and to get our share of the business."

BOBBY R. ALFORD

TEXAS MEDICAL CENTER JOURNAL—December 1989

"Accolades"

Dr. Bobby R. Alford [son of AAFA Member #124, Bryant J. Alford], executive vice president and dean of medicine at Baylor College of Medicine, has been awarded a Presidential

Citation by the president of the American Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery for his exceptional service to the medical specialty.

Alford received his award during the association's 93rd annual meeting in September in 1989.

Alford is also a Distinguished Service Professor and the Olga Keith Wiess Professor and has been chairman of Baylor's department of Otorhinology and Communicative Sciences since 1967. He serves as executive vice president of the American Board of Otolaryngology and a member of the American College of Surgeons.

He served as president of both the American Academy of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery and the American Council of Otolaryngology—Head and Neck Surgery in 1981 and was instrumental in the consolidation of these two major organizations within the specialty during his term in office.

MARTHA ALFORD MARKS

The following article was compiled by Pam Thompson from two articles:

BNA CRIMINAL PRACTICE MANUAL—Aug 1989

"Language Proficiency Expert Aids in Challenge to Consent," pp. 237-240,

Unknown source and date

"The Use of a Language Expert on the Issue of Voluntariness"

By Dennis Doherty

Guillermo Yambo was stopped by police at the Chicago airport on suspicion that he was transporting narcotics and was asked for his ticket, his identification, and his permission to allow police to search his suitcase. After he voluntarily consented to the search, they found a kilogram of cocaine in the luggage.

Mr. Yambo contended that he had little understanding of what was going on since he speaks little or no English and the officers spoke no Spanish.

The attorney for Guillermo Yambo, Dennis Doherty, basing his case on a previous one in which it was established that statements or consent may not be "voluntary" if the defendant is questioned in a language he does not understand, sought the expertise of an oral proficiency examiner. He was referred to the state's "most qualified, and most respected, ACTFL-certified Oral Proficiency Tester and Trainer, Spanish-English Translator and Interpreter: Martha A. Marks, Ph.D, [daughter of AAFA Member #005 Truman Alford] of Riverwoods, Illinois," who has also been called "the number one oral proficiency tester in the country." She holds a B.A. in Spanish and German, and an M.A. and Ph.D. in Spanish. She is the only certified oral proficiency tester in both the English and Spanish languages in Illinois and is the tester for the Illinois Board of Education. She has authored two major college Spanish textbooks and was the Spanish language coordinator at Northwestern University for 10 years. She was worked for the U.S. Department of Defense at the Defense Language Institute in California. She has conducted workshops on oral proficiency testing at more than 30 colleges and universities, and she is the Spanish/English proficiency tester/trainer for the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages in New York. She also acts as a consultant throughout the country and for WGBH-TV in Boston.

Although Dr. Marks was reluctant at first to become involved in a criminal case and indeed had never before testified in court, she agreed to examine the defendant for his ability to understand English and Spanish after Doherty explained to her that he believed his client had been set up as a courier/stool pigeon.

After examining Yambo, Dr. Marks concluded that he "would not be

capable of understanding the police when they stopped him at the airport." Her report stated, "It is apparent to me that Mr. Yambo's English is limited to his grasping a word or two at a time. He seems to recognize a number of isolated words and short phrases, but sentences in English mean nothing to him."

The court therefore concluded that Mr. Yambo's consent was not voluntary, and thus the search that led to the discovery of cocaine was illegal. In granting the defendant's motion to suppress, the judge wrote of Dr. Marks: "Unlike too many experts she gave every indication of being an objective witness rather than a partisan, a person who was intrigued and challenged by the assignment."

The following article was compiled by Willie M. Alford, AAFA Member #128, from several articles:

LODWICK H. ALFORD

THE SYLVESTER LOCAL NEWS
Sylvester, GA— 18 May 1989, 1 June 1989, and an undated article

THE ALBANY SUNDAY HERALD
Albany, GA—28 May 1989

DISTINGUISHED SONS OF WORTH SPEAK AT MEMORIAL DEDICATION

Dedication ceremonies for the Worth County [GA] Veterans Memorial were held Saturday, 27 May 1989 on the grounds of the Worth County Courthouse. The ceremony recognized all veterans and particularly the Gold Star Mothers and Gold Star Wives whose sons and husbands from Worth County lost their lives during active duty while in service for their county.

Countless individuals spent nearly a year to raise private donations exceeding \$15,000 to finance the granite monument, which stands over eight feet

tall and weighs over 6000 pounds. In addition to the monument, a cast aluminum plaque was dedicated which bears the names of 207 Worth County veterans who died during active service.

The crowd stood silent during the many tributes to the war veterans, including the fly-over by a T-28, the placing of sixteen wreaths around the base of the monument by family members and friends, a 21-gun salute, and the playing of taps by the Worth County High band. The monument and plaque were unveiled by members of the Thomas Nelson Camp of Sons of Confederate Veterans, dressed in Authentic Confederate uniforms adding to the spirit of the occasion.

Among the featured speakers was Captain Lodwick H. Alford [AAFA President], U.S. Navy, retired. Capt. Alford, a native of Worth County and son of the late Mr. and Mrs. W. L. H. Alford of Sylvester, was born April 27, 1914. A 1931 graduate of the Sylvester High School, Capt. Alford enlisted in the U. S. Navy in 1932 as apprentice seaman and in 1934 entered the U. S. Naval Academy, Annapolis, Maryland. Capt. Alford was commissioned in 1938. His major Commands included the destroyer USS RENSHAW, Destroyer Division 202, destroyer tender USS YOSEMITE and destroyer squadron 22. His last assignment was in the office of the Secretary of Defense, International Security Affairs.

After 35 years of service Capt. Alford retired in 1967. He holds the Bronze Star Medal with Combat V and a Gold Star in lieu of a second award; Joint Service Commendation Medal; Navy Commendation Ribbon with Combat V; Army Commendation Ribbon; Army Distinguished Unit Emblem and numerous campaigns medals including Asiatic-Pacific Campaigns with nine engagement stars.

Capt. Alford holds a BS, U. S. Naval Academy; Diploma, Naval War College, Newport, RI; Diploma, National War College, Washington, DC; Diploma, American University,

Washington, DC; and an MA in International Affairs, George Washington University, Washington, DC.

Capt. Alford is married to the former Katherine Kirkland of Sylvester [GA], and they have a son and a daughter and four grandchildren. After living in ten different states from coast to coast, including Hawaii plus a stint in Cuba, Captain and Mrs. Alford now make their home on Sea Island, Georgia.

CLAUDE ALFORD

Sent by AAFA Treasurer Julius Alford:

MAGNOLIA GAZETTE
Magnolia, MS—Wed., 14 March 1990

"The Progress Report"
By Mrs. Birl Rimes Sr.

Monday the 5th, Mr. Claude Alford [AAFA Member #017] made a business trip to Osyka and visited with Mr. and Mrs. Wilford Varnado. Tuesday, Mrs. Claude and grandson, Howard Alford, went to Franklinton on business. Wednesday, Mr. Claude and son, Hollis Alford, attended the Rotary Club meeting in McComb. Thursday, Mr. Claude Alford made 25 new straw brooms and went to Columbia to visit his sister, Mrs. Effie Smith and his nephew, Richard Ball.

On Friday Mr. Harry Cornea of Bogalusa, La., visited with Mr. Claude Alford.

Saturday, Mr. Claude Alford attended the reunion of the 1941 graduating class of Progress High School. A large crowd with some of the teachers and classmates with their families attended. . . .

Saturday evening Mr. Claude visited both rest homes in McComb and that night attended the Masonic Lodge meeting. For a person 92 years young I would say he had a very busy week! Could you keep up with him?

The Caroline Bridges Alford Letter

Mary Caroline Bridges married Alexander Alford 7 January 1857 in Copiah County, Mississippi. Alexander, the son of Sion and Catherine (McPhaul) Alford, was born 18 September 1827 in Robeson County, North Carolina. Caroline was born January 1837, making her a young lady of 20 when she wrote the letter.

A copy of the following letter was given to AAFA Member Frances Alford of Atlanta by the late Mr. Hayden Alford of Jackson, Mississippi. Frances is, and Hayden was, a member of this branch of the family.

*McInnes Bridge, N.C.
November 17th 1857*

Dear Sister,

It has been two long weeks since I left home, and as I cannot see you, it is a pleasure that I take my seat to write to you this evening. I am very anxious to get home and see you again. I have been visiting so much that I'm getting tired of it, and have not got half round yet. We are well and I have enjoyed very good health since I left home, except for a slight cold.

We are at Paisley's (Mr. A's brother). I like him and his wife very well. They are very religious, and I know that you would like them. Mr. A's mother and father are as good to me as they could be to anybody. I do not know who to write about. I will tell you all about them when I come home. I reckon Mr. A's oldest half-brother will come to Miss. with us.

We took them all by surprise when we came over. They did not know we were in the country until we were at Neil Alford's. I have been to church three times since I have been over here. I don't like Presbyterians much. They are too cold. They are not like Methodists. I have not seen a Methodist

since I have been here that I know of. Everybody nearly are Presbyterians.

I have got acquainted with Mary and Susan Bridges, dau. of James Bridges. I believe they want to claim kin with me

Check Your Scrapbooks

If you have an old "Alford letter" which might be of interest to our members or might have some historical significance, please send a legible copy to the AAFA mail box. We will publish most of those received.

Transcribed copies are fine, but we need to know whether you have corrected the spelling and punctuation.

If the letter includes the date, name of addressee, name of author, and possibly the place where it was written, it will be even more valuable!

whether I am any relation or not. Susan is a very smart girl. I reckon we will call on them, as they insist on us doing so. I have not seen their father yet.

This country looks very poor. It is a very pretty country though. It is so level it is very pleasant traveling in carriages and buggies. I have not seen a

lady ride horseback since I have been here. It is a very uncommon thing.

I have commenced my collar, and I think it will be right pretty. I have no idea that I will finish it before I come home, as I have to visit so much. The fashions are about the same here as they are in Miss—some little differences. I have seen some right pretty collar patterns.

Mr. Alford says he is going to write to Mr. Norman this week. We will start home between the 1st and 10th of December. I reckon we are going to return by way of Memphis. I have got lots to tell you, but I do not know how to write it. It looks so simple when I write it down. I want to see you all very bad, and I hope the time will soon pass away. Tell Ma not to be uneasy about me and not to stay home by herself much of the time. You must go to see her often. Give my love to her. I remain as ever,

*YOUR AFFECTIONATE SISTER,
Caroline*

P. S. I wish I could hear whether you are all well or not.

The Paisley Alford mentioned in the letter married twice and later lived in Dillon County, South Carolina where he died in 1896. The older half-brother mentioned was apparently Henry Giles Alford who also married twice and died in Erath County, Texas in 1913.

The Neil Alford mentioned was probably Neill Little Alford, son of Warren and Jennette (Little) Alford. He died 1866 and is buried in Dillon County, South Carolina. He was Alexander Alford's uncle.

Obituaries

Willie M. Alford, Florida State Representative, copied the following notices on 8-9 Aug 1989 from *The Bradenton Herald*, located on microfilm at the Manatee County [FL] Library:

THOMAS F. & EVA F. (STEWART) ALFORD

THE BRADENTON HERALD
Bradenton, FL—1 Jan 1962

T. F. ALFORDS KILLED IN CRASH OF SWAMP-BUGGY

A New Year's weekend double tragedy that took the lives of a Bradenton couple in a swamp-buggy accident last Saturday at Sunniland, Florida will be marked tomorrow with double burial ceremonies in Ellenton Community Cemetery northeast of Bradenton on US 301.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Floyd Alford, both 39 years old, will be lowered side by side into a double grave, but their 11 year old daughter, Celeste McLean will not be able to attend.

Celeste lies injured in Manatee Veterans Memorial Hospital at Bradenton, also a victim of the same accident. Her condition was reported "satisfactory" today, after she suffered an injured back and other hurts. Mr. and Mrs. Alford were killed when their swamp-buggy, a low-swung vehicle with massive tires, went out of control and flipped over a railroad embankment as they were returning from a holiday hunting trip.

The accident occurred 10-1/2 miles south of Immokalee on State Road 29. The couple's three sons, Randy, 16 and twins Terry and Gary, 15 were following in another vehicle and were uninjured.

A Highway Patrol officer reported the Alford's were approaching a highway dead-end when the brakes on

the swamp- buggy apparently failed. The buggy crossed the intersecting Highway 840 and the machine overturned after hitting the embankment, pinning the Bradentonians beneath.

Mr. Alford is a native of McCool, MS. He operated the Alford Plumbing firm at 512 19th Ave. W. He came to Bradenton 34 years ago at the age of 5 and has lived since then in both Bradenton and Ellenton.

He was a member of the Ellenton Methodist Church.

Mr. Alford is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Alford of Ellenton; one daughter, Pamela Alford of Anna Marie Island, one Sister, Miss Thelma Alford of Ellenton. And the aforementioned step-children.

Mrs. Alford, the former Eva Faye Stewart of Ocala, came to Bradenton from Knoxville, TN, about 10 years ago. Aside from her children, she is survived by three brothers, Page Stewart of Oneco, Stanford Stewart of Tallahassee, and Asa Stewart of Houston, Texas, and two sisters, Mrs. Winifred Shepherd and Miss Ida Stewart, both of Oneco.

The service will be held at 2 pm with Edwards Funeral Home of Palmetto in charge of arrangements.

LULA NANCY ALFORD

THE BRADENTON HERALD
Bradenton, FL—8 Jan 1962

Mrs. Lula Nancy Alford, 91, died Saturday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. T. Collins, 602 Third St. E. She was a native of Cuthbert, GA, and came here 25 years ago from Darlington. She was a charter member of the Calvary Baptist Church and a charter member of the Travelers Rest Primitive Baptist Church in Samson, AL.

Other survivors include five daughters, Mrs. Mattie Johnson of De

Funiak Springs, Mrs. Ola Warren of Samson, Mrs. Ida Kilcrease of Chancellor, AL, Mrs. Anna Worn and Mrs. Oma James of Bradenton; a brother Joe Garrett of Morgantown, MS, 20 grandchildren, 56 great grand-children, 22 great great grand-children and 13 great great great grand-children.

Funeral services will be tomorrow at 2 p m at Shannon Bradenton Chapel with Rev. D. R. Hubbard pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church officering. Burial will be at Manasota Memorial Park.

Serving as pallbearers will be grandsons. Deacons and officers of the Calvary Baptist Church will serve as honorary pallbearers.

CORA E. ALFORD

THE BRADENTON HERALD
Bradenton, FL—31 March 1980

Mrs. Cora E. Alford, 75, died Friday in Manatee Memorial Hospital.

Visitation will be from 2 to 4 this afternoon and from 7 to 9 this evening at the Griffith-Cline Funeral Home, 720 Manatee Ave. W. Services will be Monday at 4 p. m. at the funeral home. Rev. Charles Harkala of Oneco First Baptist Church will officiate. Burial will be in Mansion Memorial Park, Ellenton.

Born in Ft. Valley, GA, Mrs. Alford came to this area from Lenox, GA, 52 years ago. She was a homemaker and a member of Oneco First Baptist Church.

Surviving are two daughters, Barbara Litchfield of Bradenton and Elizabeth Myers of Sanford. two sons, Noah Austin O'Berry, Jr. of Bradenton and Paul Alford of Tallahassee, one sister Berta Parker of Columbus, GA. ten grand-children, and 11 great grand-children.

ANDREW H. ALFORD

THE BRADENTON HERALD
Bradenton, FL—25 Aug 1969

Andrew H. (Tom) Alford, 88, of 615 Leffingwell Ave., Ellenton died at a local Hospital Saturday (Aug. 23, 1969). He was born in McCool, MS, and came to Ellenton from Tarpon Springs 60 years ago. He was a retired farmer.

Mr. Alford made his home with his nephew and niece, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Church and is survived by other nieces and nephews.

Services will be at Griffith-Cline Funeral Home Tuesday at 11 a.m. with Rev. F. Clifford Hicks of Calvary Baptist Church and Rev. Jesse T. Joiner of Ellenton First Baptist Church officiating. Burial will be at Ellenton Cemetery.

Pallbearers will be Roy Lee Edwards, Irving Taylor, Howell Foy, Sonny Edwards, Lonnie Collins and Jack Greene.

THOMAS F. ALFORD

THE BRADENTON HERALD
Bradenton, FL—7 Jan 1965

Thomas Farrar Alford, 72, of Ellenton died at a local rest home Wednesday (January 6, 1965). Born in McCool, MS, he came to Ellenton 38 years ago from McCool, MS. Mr. Alford was a retired farmer and a member of Mount Zion Presbyterian Church of McCool.

Survivors include his wife Mrs. Eunice Alford, a daughter Miss Thelma Alford of Ellenton; three brothers, A. H. Alford of Ellenton, J. B. Alford of Louisville, MS, and A. F. Alford of Belzona, MS; a sister Mrs. G. L. Sloan of Louisville, MS, and one granddaughter.

Funeral services will be held at Edwards Funeral Home, Friday at 2 p.m., with the Rev. Jesse Joiner of the

First Baptist of Ellenton officiating. Burial will be in Ellenton Community Cemetery. Serving as pallbearers will be Ralph Church, Buck Church, William Vowell, James Foy, Howell Foy and Roy Wood.

MARY SLOAN ALFORD

THE BRADENTON HERALD
Bradenton, FL—13 May 1962

Mrs. Mary Sloan Alford, 77, died at a local rest home Friday night. She came here 55 years ago from Louisville, MS, and was a member of the First Baptist Church.

She is survived by her husband Andy H. Alford and three brothers, Grover Sloan and Will Sloan of Louisville, MS., and Hub Sloan of Bruton, AL.

Services will be at Edward's Chapel, Sunday at 2:30 p.m., the Rev. Jesse Joiner officiating. Interment will be at Ellenton Community Cemetery.



EUNICE E. ALFORD

THE BRADENTON HERALD
Bradenton, FL—8 July 1970

Services for Mrs. Eunice Earline Alford, 71, of 3618 Elm St., in Ellenton, will be Thursday at 3:30 p.m. at Edward Funeral Home.

The Rev. Lowell Shaw of the First United Methodist Church of Ellenton and the Rev. Jesse Joiner of the First Baptist Church of Ellenton will

officiate.

Burial will be in Ellenton Cemetery, with Roy Wood, Sammie Wood, Howell Foy, Charles (Sonny) Edwards, Donald Grubbs and Roy E. Wood serving as pallbearers.

Compiled by Lodwick Alford, AAFA President and Marvin Alford's brother:

MARVIN F. ALFORD

Marvin Floyd Alford of Jacksonville FL, died March 22, 1989, in that city. Marvin was a native of Parkerville, Worth County, GA, and was born on December 10, 1921. He was a son of William Leorus Haywood and Lucy Melvina Overby Alford.

Marvin Alford was a Navy veteran of World War II, and his profession was that of a Master Mechanic and welder. He was engaged most of his professional life in business in Jacksonville. He was a member of the Methodist Church and was a devoted family man.

Mrvin married Juanita Shepherd on July 26, 1941, in MacClenny, Baker County, FL. He is survived by his widow, three children, Marvin Floyd Alford, Jr. of Jacksonville, Donald Hoyle Alford of Jacksonville, and Patricia Annette Alford Masters of Savannah, GA.

Interment was at Memory Gardens Cemetery, Orange Park, FL.

Compiled from articles in *THE RED BLUFF [CA] DAILY NEWS* by Member #203, Patricia DeGrofft, daughter of Betty Alford:

BETTY L. ALFORD

Betty L. Alford died at the Alford Cattle Ranch home 10 miles west of Red Bluff on October 17, 1989.

Mrs. Alford was born to Samuel Joseph Stone and Rachel Margaret (Hazen) Stone June 17, 1926 in Los

Molinos (Tehama County) California at her parents' farm home. She graduated from Red Bluff High School in 1945 and went on to graduate from Mercy College of Nursing in Sacramento as a Registered Nurse in 1948.

On September 12, 1948 Betty married Jack V. Alford of Carmel, California. Her husband preceded her in death on July 11, 1989. [See his obituary, AAFA ACTION, September 1989, page 16.] Born to this union were two children, James V. Alford and Patricia Ann (Alford) DeGrofft.

Mrs. Alford was a working partner in the family's 7th generation cattle ranching operation west of Red Bluff (Tehama County) California.

She was active in the Registered Nurses Assn., Tehama County Historical and Genealogical Societies, and past president of the Tehama County Cowbells. In 1975, Tehama County Cowbells honored Mrs. Alford as Cowbell of the year.

Mrs. Alford is survived by her son James V. Alford, his wife Vicki, and their children Quinn Roy and Abigail Paige, all of Red Bluff; her daughter Patricia Ann Alford DeGrofft of Pendleton, OR, her husband Duane, and their children Ryan and Tiah Jillian; brothers Sam Stone of Oakland, Bill Stone of Red Bluff, Fred Stone of Woodland, Robert Stone of Bass Lake, and Jim Stone of Seattle, WA; sisters Ann Willard McNabb of Red Bluff, Emily Ruff of Paskenta, Sally Tatro of Gerber, June Moore of Turlock, and Nancy Henderson of ID. A brother Henry Stone preceded her in death.

Burial was in the Alford Family plot at Oak Hill Cemetery in Red Bluff.

Submitted by AAFA Member #203
Patricia DeGrofft:

IRENE D. ALFORD

EAST OREGONIAN
Pendleton, OR—31 Jan 1990

ATHENA—Irene D. Alford, 53, long-

time resident of Athena, died Sunday, Jan. 28, 1990, at, Walla Walla.

Memorial services will be held at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Athena on Thursday at 10 a.m.

Mrs. Alford was born Feb. 6, 1936 at Ontario, Calif., to Clarence and Mary Estein Arnaiz. She attended schools at Imperial, Calif.

On Aug. 2, 1958 she married Tom Alford at Yuma, Ariz. The Alford's moved to Athena in the early 1960's.

Mrs. Alford was a member of the Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Athena and was past president of the Umatilla County CowBelles, past vice-president of the Oregon CowBelles, a member of Umatilla County Home Extension, a past member of the Athena PTA, and active in community affairs.

Survivors include her husband, at the home; sons, Charlie of Imperial, Calif., and Cliff of Adams; a daughter, Evelyn Sue (Mrs. Robert) Box of El Centro, Calif.; her parents, at San Jacinto, Calif.; brothers, Bob Arnaiz and Jim Arnaiz, both in San Diego, Calif., and five grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society Research Fund, P. O. Box 404, Pendleton, Ore. 97801, directly or through Munselle-Rhodes Funeral Home, 902 S. Main, Milton-Freewater, Ore. 97862.

*Note: "Success Strikes Again," AAFA ACTION December 1989, page 31, pertains to the ancestry of Irene's husband, Tom.

Submitted by AAFA Treasurer
Julius Alford:

**VELMA WALTERS
ALFORD**

No source
Probably McComb, MS—no date

Mrs. Velma Walters Alford, 82, a

resident of Magnolia, died Jan. 19, 1990, in Beacham Memorial Hospital of Magnolia. Visitation will be 5-10 tonight in Catchings Funeral Home of McComb. Services will be 10 a. m. Saturday in Catchings chapel. The Rev. A. D. Rhodes and the Rev. Rudolph Hollingsworth will officiate. Burial will be in Magnolia Cemetery. Mrs. Alford was born May 30, 1907, in Pike County. She was the daughter of Thomas and Victoria Allen Walters.

She was a homemaker and a member of Bala Chitto Baptist Church.

Mrs. Alford also was preceded in death by her husband Arthur Eugene Alford; and one son, William Joseph Alford.

She is survived by one stepson, Travis Alford of Denham Springs, La.; three daughters, Shirely Hasselle and Janie Alford Roberts, both of Magnolia, and Mary Stojan of Brooklyn, N.Y.; two stepdaughters, Robbie Harris of Meridian and Willie Jean Hannula of New Orleans; one brother, Arthur Walters of McComb; one sister, Clara Montgomery of McComb; eight stepgrandchildren, six step great-grandchildren; and a number of nieces and nephews.

MOSE H. ALFORD

THE CLARION LEDGER
Jackson, MS—Tues., 2 Jan 1990

Mose H. Alford, 82, retired bondsman, Malcom, Alabama; 11:00 a.m. today, Nowell Funeral Home in Philadelphia, Sandtown Cemetery.

The following was gathered on the telephone. Mose H. Alford was born 27 August 1907 in Neshoba County, Mississippi. Died 1 January 1990 in the Springfield Memorial Hospital at Mobile,. Mr. Alford had lived in Mobile area since 1939. Two brothers were listed, W. E. Alford—454 5th. Avenue, Chicasaw, Alabama and Gene Alford of Pearl, Mississippi.

Letter from England

The letter printed below was sent last year to Willie M. Alford, AAFA Member #128, by the grandson of Josiah Alford, whose *Alford Family Notes* we are reprinting in this newsletter. The writer's most interesting offer to sell his antique Bible might still be good!

Charles P. Alford
4 Beaufort Buildings
Christ Church Green
Clifton Village, Bristol
Avon B58 4AN England

23-2-89

Dear Willie,

Thank you for letting my wife and me know about "Alford Families Around the World." I hope all the detailed information in my grandfather's *Alford Family Notes* (published... in 1908) was of use to you. Have you mentioned that the old Roman ford over the River Dee in Cheshire was guarded by a "motte & bailey" fort (still in existence!) commanded in 1160 A.D. by Robertus de Aldford, named from the ford & the village which grew out of the bailey? Robert's son, Ricardus, became Lord of Aldford Manor & Casile, c. 1200, and nearby Holt Castle (the ruin can still be visited!) was the family home from c. 1500-1600.

I hope, too, that the Coat of Arms to which you refer is the only correct one, i.e. with 'crest' of scallop shell & bishop's crozier, and 'motto' VIVE UT VIVAS, i.e. "Live and let live." Have you mentioned, I wonder, the little Alford Room at the Admiral Blake Museum in the town of Bridgwater, Somerset, which contains a family 'tree' connecting the Alford, Symes, & Sydenham families back to c. 1500 A.D. and portraits & belongings including a rare 18 century swordstick, a 1560

family Bible inscribed "Mary Allford" (showing the pronunciation!), and a silver falconry ring inscribed "Sir Wm. Allford of Mewx" (Meaux Abbey, Beverley, Yorks)?

Gregory Alford, Mayor of Lyme Regis, Dorset, in 1685 when the Duke of Monmouth landed there in rebellion against King James, and the Victorian Dr. Charles Alford, Bishop of Victoria, Hong Kong, are other historical figures who deserve mention. . . .

Now would you, or any other member of the family whom you may know, be interested to acquire a comparatively rare historical family treasure, namely an original copy of the famous Geneva Bible printed in 1560 in its original leather binding blind-tooled with the family surname on the front cover? The fly-leaf has contemporary handwritten details of ownership, from father to son, for seven generations back to 1708 A.D.

The date (1560) is stamped in gold at the foot of the spine; the covers were closed across the fore-edge by a pair of brass clasps one of which is now, after 400 years usage, unfortunately missing. Similarly the first four leaves of text have lost their lower edges to a depth of about two inches, but the special and unusual feature of this genuine antique Bible is well and clearly preserved in Verse 7, Chapter 3 of Genesis where Adam & Eve "sewed fig tree leaves together and made themselves breeches."

In 1553 Queen Mary had prohibited public reading of the Bible and the translator of this work from Greek and Hebrew, William Whittingham (later Dean of Durham), had to flee the country. It was the first English Bible printed in Roman type—all previous versions were in Black Letter—and the first in which chapters were divided

into verses. An important feature are the often bigoted & puritanical marginal notes to which King James I took great exception, his strong dislike of them being partly responsible for the later well-known Authorised Version. This most popular of all versions ran to no less than 140 editions between 1560 and 1640.

I will part with this unique Alford item to any other member of the family for the inclusive sum of £3,000, full return guaranteed if not satisfied, though my lifelong experience of books tells me that the volume would almost certainly fetch considerable more at auction.

With best wishes from my wife and myself.

Yours sincerely,
Charlie

(President's Precept, cont. from p. 1)

skinfolds which sometimes appear in my line of Alfords. I was surprised at the number of people at the Houston meeting who went around looking for them. And surprise! Surprise! They found quite a few. Come to Raleigh and look for more.

Welcome to new members! What took you so long? On to Raleigh!

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Colorado Alford's

Joe B. Alford and his wife, George Marie, just recently returned from a tour of Belgium and the Netherlands. Joe, the AAFA Colorado State Representative, is undertaking a project to contact all the Alford's in Denver—about fifty families. According to the latest listings available, there are about 130 Alford households in Colorado. Joe has already contacted those in Colorado Springs.

The Colorado Alford's promise to be an interesting lot if we can ever get adequate information on them. One of the earliest, if not the first, Alford's in the state was Nathaniel C. Alford, the son of a prominent New England family who moved to Colorado to enter the "stock raising business." He was enumerated in Larimer County in 1880 and his oldest child Fred C. was born there in 1875.

It is possible Alford's resided in the state earlier since there was a marriage recorded 1 January 1874 between Marian C. Alford and Harry L. Boyd in Jefferson County. Marian may have been the daughter of a William B. Alford who was born July 1815 in New York and was living alone in Jefferson County in 1900.

The only other "Alford" family listed in the 1880 census soundex file was a "Jno Alfred" who was born in England. Colorado must have held some special attraction for English Alford's because by 1900 there were four different households headed by an Alford from England. There were three "Alford" households with a family head from Sweden. Then there were two households each from Kansas, New York and Illinois and one from Missouri, Vermont, Indiana, Mississippi, Ohio, Virginia, Nebraska, Georgia, Maine and Tennessee.

Strangely enough these folks did not concentrate in one part of the state. There were "Alford's" in Arapahoe, Bent, Boulder, Cheyenne, Douglas, Hinsdale, Jefferson, La Plata, Lake, Larimer, Las Animas, Pueblo, San Miguel, Teller and Weld Counties.

It is not unusual to hear people speak of their Indian ancestry. The Colorado census proves that there were Indian Alford's with an entry in 1900 for Colorado Alfred, a Ute Indian born May 1872 who was with the Ignacia Sub Agency of the South Ute Indian Reservation.

We look forward to more information from Joe, George Marie, and the rest of the Colorado Alford's!

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Booklist Additions

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The complete Booklist, a compilation of references to Alford's (and spelling variations) contained in books and other publications, now consists of 43 pages, including this quarter's additions! If you are a new member and would like a copy of the Booklist, send \$1.00 to cover postage to Pam Thompson, 1017 Marilyn Drive, Mountain View, CA 94040.

Entries are organized by state and county. Family histories are listed at the end under their appropriate states whenever possible—but there are no family histories this quarter. Each entry lists the book name and publication data followed by the name in bold print of every Alford listed on the pages that AAFA has. The page number where the name is found is listed next followed by a description of what information about the person is contained on the listed page.

The Association has copies of all the pages listed. To obtain pages that interest you, write to the AAFA Librarian, Nancy Dietrich, P.O. Box 1838, Westport, WA 98595. If you'd like to contribute to the Booklist, xeroxed pages of books may be sent to either Nancy or Pam—don't forget the title page!

MULTIPLE STATES

• Bowman, Wm. Dodgson. *BRISTOL AND AMERICA: A RECORD OF THE FIRST SETTLERS IN THE COLONIES OF NORTH AMERICA 1654-1685*. London, England: R. Sydney Glover, n.d. Title page and the following pages that list Alford's: **John**, 55 (no destination given); **William**, 145 (destination VA).

• White, Virgil D. *INDEX TO INDIAN WARS PENSION FILES 1892-1926, Volume I: A-K*. Waynesboro, TN: The National Historical Publishing Company, 1987. This book lists pension files obtained from microfilm records located at the National Archives. The Introduction gives instructions for ordering the actual files. Title page, Introduction, Explanation of Entries, List of Abbreviations, and all the pages that list Alford's or variations: **Albert**, 20 (served 1855-56, d. 1921 in Talent, OR; he filed 1902 in OR, widow **Catharine** filed 1922 in OR); **Benjamin**, 20 (served in Creek War, filed 1895 in GA); **Edmond**, 20 (used alias Edmond R. Welch, served 1875-82, d. 1928 in Oakland, CA; he filed 1923 in CA, widow **Nellie** filed 1928 in CA); **Jason L.**, 20 (served in Seminole War, d. 1912; widow **Susan** filed 1913 in FL); **John Q.A.**, 20 (served in the Florida War, filed 1893 in TX); **John R.**, 20 (served in Creek War, widow **Amelia** filed 1892 in TX; served 1863-1865, filed 1917 in TX); **Joseph**, 19 (alias of Joseph ALFERD);

Lodowick P., 20 (served in Creek War, filed 1892 in AL); **Thomas**, 20 (filed 1902 in OR); **William**, 20 (served in Creek War, filed 1892 in AL); **William L.**, 20 (served in Creek War, widow **Mary** filed 1893 in GA); **Joseph ALFERD**, 19 (served 1866, d. 1907 in Portage, UT; widow **Emma** filed in 1917); **Edward W. ALFRED**, 20 (served 1881-86, d. 1931 in Little River, FL, filed 1929 in FL); **Joseph HOLFORD**, 19 (alias of Joseph ALFERD).

• White, Virgil D. *INDEX TO OLD WARS PENSION FILES 1815-1926, Volume I: A-K*. Waynesboro, TN: The National Historical Publishing Company, 1987. This book lists pension files obtained from microfilm records located at the National Archives. The "Old Wars" files are primarily for claims based on death or disability incurred in the military service between the end of the Revolutionary War and the beginning of the Civil War. The Introduction gives instructions for ordering the actual files. Title page, Introduction, List of Abbreviations, and the only page that lists Alford's (no variations): **Ephraim D.**, 10 (served in Mexican War from AL, filed 1890 in AL); **James**, 10 (served in Florida War 1836 from GA; widow **Dorcas** filed 1885 in GA); **Haywood**, served in Mexican War from GA, widow **Matilda** filed 1849 in GA).

• White, Virgil D. *INDEX TO VOLUNTEER SOLDIERS 1784-1811*. Waynesboro, TN: The National Historical Publishing Company, 1987. This book indexes compiled service records obtained from microfilm records located at the National Archives. The Introduction gives instructions for ordering the actual files. Title page, Introduction, and all the pages that list Alford's or variations: **Benjamin**, 5 (1807 VA Militia); **James**, 5 (1st Regiment US Levies, 1791-92); **James ALFERD**, 5 (same as James Alford); **James ALFRET**, 6 (same as James Alford).

OHIO

Statewide or Multiple Counties

• Bell, Carol Willsey. *OHIO WILLS AND ESTATES TO 1850: AN INDEX*. Columbus, OH: By the author, 1981. Title page and page 4, the only page that lists Alford's (no variations):

Elijah	1846 Portage Co.
Elijay	1832 Portage Co.
James	1850 Monroe Co.
John	1833 Guernsey Co.
Stephen	1825 Lawrence Co.

Summit County—established from Portage, Medina, and

Stark, 1840

• St. John, Loretta, Marilyn Welsh, and Jane Woods. *SUMMIT COUNTY, OHIO DEATHS 1866-1872*. N.p.: By the authors, 1970. Title page and the only page that lists Alford's (no variations): Wm. M., 1 (d. of whooping cough 1 Aug 1872 in Shalerville, age 4 years 4 months 12 days, b. Carbon Co., lived in Akron).

Trumbull County—established from Jefferson and Wayne, 1800

• Clegg, Michael Barren. *TRUMBULL COUNTY OHIO NEWSPAPER OBITUARY ABSTRACTS 1812-1870*. Fort Wayne, IN: By the author, 1981. Title page and all the pages that lists Alford's or variations: D.F., 111 (husband of Almira); Mrs. Almira, 111 (Geneva, 18 March 1850, age 50); Sarah A. ALFRED, 28 (near Lma, Allen Co., age 25, daughter of E. Hover, formerly of Newton, Trumbull Co.).

• Upton, Harriet Taylor. *A TWENTIETH CENTURY HISTORY OF TRUMBULL COUNTY OHIO, Vol. I*. Chicago, IL: Lewis Publishing Company, 1909. Title page and the only page that lists Alford's (no variations): Ruth, 499 (one of first teachers in Howland).

• Winnagle, Mrs. Roscoe, comp. *EARLY MARRIAGES OF TRUMBULL COUNTY, OHIO 1800-1865*. Ann Arbor, MI: Trumbull County Chapter of the Ohio Genealogical Society: 1973. Title page, Forward, and all the pages that lists Alford's (no variations): Maria, 2 (m. 1865 to Daniel H. Artherholt); Nancy, 50 (m. 1842 to Amos Reeves).

SOUTH CAROLINA

Charleston County—original district, established 1769

• Heitzler, Michael J. *HISTORIC GOOSE CREEK, SOUTH CAROLINA, 1670-1980*. Easley, SC: Southern Historical Press, 1983. Title page and the only page that lists Alford's or variations: James ALFROD, 46 (participated in Indian uprising battle 1715).

Marion County—established from the Georgetown district, 1798

• Sellers, W.W. *A HISTORY OF MARION COUNTY, SOUTH CAROLINA, From Its Earliest Times to the Present, 1901*. Columbia, SC: R.L. Bryan Company, 1902; reprint ed., Marion, SC: Marion Public Library, 1956. This book is unindexed and includes few dates; a substitute index was used to find the Alford entries—*ANCESTRAL KEY TO THE PEE DEE*, by Mary Belle Manning Bethea, pages 3-7 (no publication data). Notes from that book are included below

when the information differs from or supplements that in *MARION COUNTY*. Title page, Contents, Preface, and the following pages that list Alford's (no variations): _____ Alford Currie, 283 (daughter of Neill [1]); _____ Alford DuBose, 283 (daughter of Neill [1], d. before 1901); _____ Alford McLucas, 283 (daughter of Neill [1], d. before 1901, no children); Althea, 284, 286, 370 (oldest daughter of Lodwick, m. first James P. McInnis in 1840's or 1850's, who died, m. second Colonel Levi Legette, had 1 daughter by McInnis who m. W.D. Carmichael, no children by Legette, still living in 1901); Ann, 289-90 (daughter of Sion, m. Alexander Blue, had 2 daughters); Daniel M., 283 (son of James L., m. Miss Walter, lived in Dillon, at least 1 daughter); Daniel W., 295 (m. Bettie Walters, the daughter of William Walters and Harriet Ridgell, lived in Dillon, SC, had 2 daughters and 1 son), 578 (served in Company H, Orr's Regt. Rifles, SC Volunteers in Confederate Army, wounded at Wilderness, 1864, limb amputated, 1875); Della, 284 (daughter of Warren L., never married); Dian/Dianna, 284 (daughter of James L., m. Dr. McLean in upper Marion, had 1 daughter who m. Clarence McLaurin—[*Ancestral Key to the Pee Dee*, substitute index, spells her name "Dianah" and gives Dr. McLean's first name as Advil]); Dock, 284, son of Warren L., m. Miss Harrelson); Douglass, 578 (served in Company H, Orr's Regt. Rifles, SC Volunteers in Confederate Army, Marion, d. at home 1865); Ella, 282 (daughter of William McD., teacher in Columbia Female College); Frierson, 283 (son of James L., m. daughter of William J. David, lived in upper Marion—[*Ancestral Key to the Pee Dee*, substitute index, gives his name as "James Frierson Alford with the following information: b. 29 Aug 1846, d. 1 March 1912, m. 31 Dec 1902—obviously incorrect—to Annie Spears David, who was b. 21 July 1860 and d. 20 Oct 1925; also includes list of their children with vital statistics]); Henry, 282-83 (son of Neill [1], m. in NC, lived near Floral College in Robeson Co., NC), 293 (son of Neill [1], m. Clarke McKay, the daughter of John McKay and Katie Alford, lived in Selkirk, SC, and then moved to NC, had 2 sons lived in Maxton, NC, and 3 daughters); James L., 282-283 (brother of Lodwick B. and Neill [1], from NC, m. Miss McPhaul or McFail, had 6 sons and 6 daughters, 2 sons d. before 1901, 5 daughters never married—[*Ancestral Key to the Pee Dee*, substitute index, gives his name as "James Little Alford", b. 9 July 1811 and d. 14 June 1883, son of Warren Alford and Gennett Little, m. Sallie McPhaul, lists children); John K., 293 (m. Bettie McKay, the daughter of John McKay and Katie Alford, had 1 son who moved to TX with his mother after John K. died); 417 (Dr., of NC, m. Sallie Bethea); John, 282 (son of Neill [1]); Katie, 292 (daughter of Sion, m. John McKay, had 3 sons and 3 daughters); Lodwick / Loderick B., 282 (brother of James L. and Neill [1], from NC), 284 (went to TN, m. Miss Hall, returned with his family to upper Marion, d. in 1850's—[*Ancestral Key to*

the Pee Dee, substitute index, gives his name as "Lodwick Blue Alford", m. Cinderella Bridges Hall, lists children: Warren Little, Sion, Douglas, Jane, Aletha (*sic*), Ann, Louisa, Aledra]; Malcolm, 578 (served in Company H, Orr's Regt. Rifles, SC Volunteers in Confederate Army, killed at South Anna, June 1864—[*Ancestral Key to the Pee Dee*, substitute index, gives his names as "Malcolm Alexander Alford", son of James Little, b. 3 Nov 1842, d. 24 June 1864]); Manton, 283 (son of James L., m. woman from AL, lived in upper Marion); McLean "Mack", 282 (son of William McD., m. to _____); Miss _____, (m. George Alexander McDuffie in Horry Co.); Moses, 578 (served in Company H, Orr's Regt. Rifles, SC Volunteers in Confederate Army, Marion, transferred March 1862); Mrs. Benjamin McKibben, 283 (daughter of Neill [1]); Mrs. James Berry, 283 (daughter of Neill [1]); Neill [1], 282-83 (brother of James L. and Lodwick B., from NC, m. Miss McPherson, lived on Big Reedy Creek, had 5 sons and 10 daughters, 2 daughters living but not married, 3 d. unmarried—[*Ancestral Key to the Pee Dee*, substitute index, shows his name as "Neill Little Alford", b. 9 March 1709—obviously an error—d. 1 July 1866, m. Gracie McPherson, 1806-1886, and lists children in following order of 6 sons and 9 daughters:

William McDonald	1827-1902
Henry Clay	1833-1868
Robert Harlee	
Christian J.	1835-1887 [not listed by Sellers]

John D.	
Walter Stan	
Flora	1826-1904
Julia Ann	1829-1865
Catherine	
Caroline	
Mary D.	
Amanda	1869-? [date probably wrong as mother would have been 63]

Henrietta Coit	
Harriet Black	
Florence Matilda	1849-?];

Neill [2], 219, 283, 362 (m. "Duck" Stackhouse, daughter of Colonel E.T. Stackhouse and Elizabeth Ann Fore, son of James L., lived in Marion—[*Ancestral Key to the Pee Dee*, substitute index, gives his name as "Neill Little Alford", b. 10 Oct 1848 and d. 14 July 1925, m. Eugenia Eliza Stackhouse, and lists 3 children with vital statistics]); Plummer, 282 (son of William McD.); Robert, 282-83 (son of Neill [1], d. 1868), 282 (son of William McD.); Sion, 290 (of Robeson Co., NC); W. Warren, 578 (served in Company H, Orr's Regt. Rifles, SC Volunteers in Confederate Army, Marion); Walter L. or S., 282-83 (son of Neill [1]); Warren L., 284 (son of Lodwick, had large

family, d. before 1901—[*Ancestral Key to the Pee Dee*, substitute index, gives his name as "Warren Little Alford", b. 28 Sept 1823 and d. 24 Jan 1898, m. Nancy McInnis, 1826-1906, and lists 9 children]); William McD., 282 (son of Neill [1], m. Miss McLean of NC, had 5 sons and 5 daughters, State Legislature Representative); William, 282 (son of William McD.) Yancy, 282 (son of William McD., m. to _____, physician in Sumter Co.).

VIRGINIA

Statewide or Multiple Counties

• Bockstruck, Lloyd Dewitt. *VIRGINIA'S COLONIAL SOLDIERS*. Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1988. Handwritten transcription on one page of all Alford or variations: James, 137 (served and died in Dunmore's War 1774); Thomas ALFORT, 139 (served in French and Indian War 1758); William OFFERD, 217 (on militia list for New Kent Co., 1702).

• McIlwaine, H.R., ed. *JOURNALS OF THE HOUSE OF BURGESSES OF VIRGINIA 1659/60-1693*. Richmond, VA: N. pub., 1914. Title page and the following page that lists Alford: Elizabeth, 19 (wife of John, twenty lashes); John, 19 (charged with rebellion and disobedience and wounding the sheriff on the head, received thirty lashes—no year, but next entry mentions a prior order dated 1656).

• Meyer, Virginia M. and John Frederick Dorman, eds. *ADVENTURERS OF PURSE AND PERSON: VIRGINIA 1607-1624/5*. N.p.: Order of First Families of Virginia, 1607/1624/25: 1987 (third edition). Title page and the following page that lists Alford: Richard, 39 (age 26, inhabitant of "the neck-of-land near James City taken Febr the 4th 1624).

Lancaster County—established from Northumberland and York, 1651

• Nottingham, Stratton. *THE MARRIAGE LICENSE BONDS OF LANCASTER COUNTY VIRGINIA FROM 1701 TO 1848*. N. place: By the author, 1927. Title page and all pages that list Alford or variations: Jane, 62 (m. William Reaves 1833); Lucy, 63 (m. Cyrus Robinson 1811); Elizabeth ALFRED, 7 (m. John Bradley 1800); Harriet ALFRED, 37 (m. Henry Hazard 1841); Margaret ALFRED, 7 (mother of Elizabeth); Robert ALFRED, 7 (father of Elizabeth).

