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Some Changes Coming...

By Gilbert K. Alford, AAFA Executive Director

s I write this, it is still early in the new year. In addition to wishing all of you a prosperous New Year, I want to thank you for all you have done for AAFA and the "Alfords" thus far. As you know it is customary at this time of the year to look back on the past year and to make some resolutions or plans for the coming year. We don't have any resolutions as such, but there are some significant plans in the mill for this year. At the Board of Directors meeting in Richmond, we "looked back" and agreed that we need to review all of our operations from top to bottom, making changes as dictated by our phenomenal growth over the last eight years.

Those of you who were with us in the beginning know we really had no idea where we were headed. I was instrumental in setting up an organization that has gotten us by but needs improvement. I imagined work and started signing folks up for jobs. Some of the jobs are still not defined—some folks are still waiting for us to help them figure out what to do or how to do it. In other cases I gave folks jobs, but the work just did not fit their abilities or resources.

In our effort to review the entire operation we have started at the top, and each member of the board has been involved with an evaluation of the Board of Directors as related to the operating officers—President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. Recommendations have come in that are still in review to combine, eliminate, reduce, streamline, etc. Coming from the Chairman of the Board of Directors, for example, is the recommendation that we do away with the position of Chairman and let the President be the leader of both the officers and the board. Those present at the meeting in Decatur will have an opportunity to vote on what the board concludes and recommends.

Regarding other Association projects and committees, if you want to continue to work and have been doing a reasonable job, then you will likely continue with that work—though we might call it by another name. If you have a job that is not a good match for your abilities, interests, time, or other resources, then you will be given the opportunity to do resign from it very easily and gracefully. In fact, if you fit in that category, you can just serve notice in writing now that you would like to be relieved.

At one time state chapters in states with large memberships seemed like a good idea, but after trying that for about five years—we currently have two state chapters and 19 "state representatives"—we find that it just has not worked. We are likely to discontinue the state chapters, but some of the workers in those states—like the genealogists—will continue with the same duties as before. Not that any of us ever really defined those duties. But some have figured out some constructive things to do and made a significant contribution. Others are still

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wondering and waiting. We've discovered that you can't just create a job, apply it to every state, and expect that there will be volunteers who know what needs to be done and how to do it. There are different sources and needs in each state. Each person is unique and each has a different set of abilities. In our future work with the states we will be trying to find out specifically what tasks need to be done in each state and what members we have in that state who can help with one or more of the tasks. If we have tasks and no one with abilities to match, we will just leave the job undone for the moment. If we have members with abilities and no tasks, we will try to find some work that will fit their abilities. While we can afford to leave work undone, it would be terrible to have volunteers and not have work for them.

Those of you who want to get involved and do some kind of work for AAFA can get started without waiting for the form we will eventually send to everyone. If you have a particular talent or resource nearby, tell us about it. It has been years since we sent a questionnaire to all members asking about how they could help. I suspect we have never given over half of you an opportunity to get involved and that is a shame—for which I take the blame. I think it's safe to say that we can find a job for just about anyone who is willing to work. You don't need to travel, don't have to have a computer, don't need to be near a library. You don't even need to be a "genealogist." There is just one requirement. We only want folks who want to work and will produce. We no longer need folks just to "fill a slot" on the chart or to show the flag in their area.

Before I bring this to an end I want to say that there are a few workers who we have come to depend on so much that they are now indispensable. I have gotten close to these folks, both the

"Alfords" and their spouses. I have come to love them as though they were my own siblings. I'm not going to call names but they know who they are, and they are scattered from coast to coast. Thanks, "cousins"!

There is one other thing the Association must have, in addition to this devotion and dedication, and that is funds. I'm always reluctant to mention it but we must have resources if AAFA is to succeed and continue to have a first class operation. I bet you've never seen a better organization or a better family publication. Now, if you think that your initial fee and your annual dues are enough to pay for all that, I have a bridge here in St. Louis I'd like to sell you. It takes much more money than that for AAFA to operate. We can all be grateful that we have a few members who've made donations that total thousands of dollars. Most of us can't do that, but AAFA can use every small donation it gets. Remember that unlike most other organizations, no one in AAFA gets any pay. I think it's safe to say that every worker absorbs some or all of the inevitable incidental expenses. Our vice president, who has been most generous, told the group at one of our meetings that he had made AAFA his "charity" and that he thought it was more important to channel money into it than to pass it on to his adult children. (Donations to AAFA are not tax deductible.) AAFA appreciates whatever you can dodon't wait for us to send a form!

Rather than leave on that note let me say again how much I appreciate you, love you, and look forward to the first time we can meet or until we meet again. I sat the other evening and watched the video tape of our first meeting in Atlanta. We didn't have but about a dozen folks there, and two of the lovely ladies have gone on to their reward. Who would ever have thought that from such a small beginning you would have accomplished so much? I really don't have the words to thank you. 🛠

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New Member Lineages

Prepared by Gil Alford

Each of the lineages below was sent to the member for review and comment. Appropriate changes and corrections were made on those that were returned. Those for which there was no response are being published as is but are correct to the best of our knowledge.

The footnote numbers that appear for some records in the

far right column refer to comments at the end of the lineages or in previous issues [we do no plan to repeat comments]. Those with "5" have comments in this issue while the others are in previous quarterlies.

It is suggested you read introductory remarks in previous issues if there is any question about the format below. Send remarks pertaining to these lineages to AAFA, POB 1586, Florissant MO 63031 — not to the editor in California.

Membership # and New Member's Name

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Refe	rence #	Spouse: Name	Birth Date	& Place	Death Date	e & Place	Marriage Date &	Place	Note
#6	69 Bobby	Pace Alford							
1	BOB931TN	BOBBY PACE	19310910	TN LAWR					
	m.	SOWELL, MARTHA ANN	19390530						
2	ROY906TN	ROY BOB	19060910	TN LAWR	19810804	TN LAWR			
	m.	PACE, BIRDIE BELL	19040721	GA DODG	19900915		1928		
4 E	BOB877TN02	BOBBY JOE	18771012	TN LAWR	1957				
	m.	MOORE, HATTIE ESTELLA	A1882	TN LAWR	1962		19031118	TN LAW?	
8	ROB839TN	ROBERT NEWTON	183911	TN LAWR	1915				
	m.	EDMISTON, MARTHA ANI	N	185408		18620724	TN LAWR		
16	ISA805NC	ISAAC W.	18051114	NC FRAN	18591123	TN LAWR			
	m.	EDMISTON, MARY P.	1812	TN	1876		18310726	TN LAWR	
32	BAI781NC	BAILEY	17810715	NC FRAN	1836-40	TN LAW?		TN LAWR	
	m.	WILLIAMS, NANCY	17800725	NC WAKE	18630321	TN LAWR	18000724	NC FRAN	
64	ISA748NC	ISAAC	1748E	NC					3
	m.	ALFORD, MARY	1760E	NC	1846CA	NC		NC	
65	mar760nc	MARY	1760E	NC		NC			3
	m.	ALFORD, ISAAC	1748E					NC	
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670 Jean S. Donnelly

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	m.	SAUNDERS,	19240423	VA BATH	18830228	KY MERC 18640610	KY MERC
		JAMES ALLEN					

(see Early Alford Ancestors of GRANVILLE C. ALFORD 1806 following the new lineages)

671 Fred W. Dollar

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1		JESSE BURDELL	10471021	NC WAKE					
1		CARTER, SHIRLEY	194/1021	NC WAKE					
2	m. JES919NC	JESSE BURDELL	19190718	NC FRAN	198207	NC			
2	m.	KING, RUBY RUDINE	19170718		170207	NC .			
4	JUL895NC	JULIUS		NC FRAN	1910>				5
-	m.	PERRY, MATTIE	1895	NC	19940326	NC	19160117	NC FRAN	5
8 J	OH850NC0B	JOHN HENRY	185003	NC WAKE		ne	19100117		
05	m.	ALFORD, ALIE ANN	1854	NC	1908>	NC	18751223	NC WAKE	
9	ale853nc	ALEY ANN	1854CA	NC FR??	1908>	110	10,01220		5
	m.	ALFORD, JOHN HENRY	185003	NC FR??	1870>	NC	18751223	NC WAKE	
16	JUL820NC	JULIUS	1820-23	NC					5
	m.	WIGGINS, ELIZABETH	1831	NC	18471006	NC FRAN			
18	ARC816NC	ARCHIBALD	1816CA	NC	1870<				4
	m.	PEARCE, PRISCILLA	1816CA	NC	1870>		18351208	NC FRAN	
36	JOH776NC	JOHN	1776CA	NC	1850<	NC			4
	m.	WRIGHT, NANCY	1780CA	NC	1850>	NC	18010901	NC FRAN	
72	JOH750NC	JOHN	1750CA	NC	1830>				5
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#6	76 Virgin	ia F. Clyburn							
	-	ia E. Clyburn	10700400	****					
7		LEANZY	18720420	WV					
14		FARRIS, JOHN	102604	VA CADE	1000	XX / X /			~
14		ADAM ABNER	183604 1836CA	VA CABE	1920>	WV	19700 4		5
1 0 D		FARLEY, NANCY		VA VA DUTN	190911		1870CA	WV PUT?	
28 K		ROBERT / ROBIN	1814CA	VA PUTN	18910430	VA PUTN	1927	MA CADO	
50		1 COON, LEANZA	1822	VA HARR		VA CABE	1837	VA CAB?	
56		GEORGE	1763	IRELAND	1830=<	VA CABE	17020214		
110	m.	BYRNSIDE, MARY	1774	VA GREE	1855E	VA CABE		WV GREE	
112	JOH735IR	JOHN	1735CA	IRELAND	18091025	VA ROCK			5
	m.	, NANCY	1740CA	IRELAN?		IRELAND			
#6	77 Benja	min G. Alford							
1	BEN NC	BENJAMIN G.	19	NC					
2	DAL908NC	DALLAS LLOYD, JR.	19080808	NC					
	m.	GRIFFIN, GLENN							
4	DAL889NC	DALLAS LLOYD	18890103	NC WAKE	19610122	NC DURH			
	m.	POPE, SALLY KATE	1891CA	NC	1909CA				
8	WIL845NC	WILLIAM DALLAS	1845CA	NC WAKE	18940124	NC DURH			5
	m.	2 SORRELL, CIVIL E.	1845CA	NC	18740124	NC WAKE			
16	WIL818NC	WILLIAM R.	1818CA	NC WAKE	18790130	NC WAKE			
	m.	UTLEY, LUCY MIRANDA	1819CA	NC	18400106	NC WAKE			
32	NAT787NC	NATHANIEL GREEN	1787	NC WAKE	1848CA	NC WAKE	HIGH HOUSE	NC WAKE	E
	m.	LILES, NANCY ROSE	1794	NC WAKE	1851	NC WAKE	18130726	NC WAKE	Ξ
64	JAM749NC	JAMES LODWICK	17490707	NC EDGE	1820	NC WAKE			4
	m.	ROSS, SUSANNAH	1752	NC FRAN	1838	NC WAKE	1770	NC FRAN	
128	JAM713VA	JAMES	17130207	VA NEWK	1782CA	NC FRA?			4
256	JAM687VA	JAMES	1687CA	VA ????		VA			1
512	JOH645VA	JOHN	1645E		17100314	VA NEWK	-		3
# 6	78 Brad A	Alan Alford							
1		BRAD ALAN	10520501	MS WALT					
1		HIGGS, CHERYL	19530501 19580416	IVIS WALL					
r		CLAUDE ALLEN		MS PIKE					
2		JACKSON, MARYLIN	19230928	MOTINE					
4		CLAUDE ANDING		MS PIKE					
4		ALLEN, INEZ	18980100		19830418	MS 99	19200418	MS ??	
8		JEPTHA JOSEPH		MS ?? MS PIKE		MS 22 MS PIKE	SILVR SPG	MS ?? MS PIKE	5
0		FORTENBERRY, O.L.	18561222	MOTINE		MS PIKE MS PIKE		MD FIKE	5
16 7		IRA PAYNE		MSDIVE				IAMACTI	-
101				MS PIKE			MT HERMON	LA WASH	5
37 F		1 HOPE, ELIZABETH	18260115	NC CUM9		LA WASH		MS DIVE	3
3∠ E.		WIN BARKSDALE		NC CUM?	18780310		ROADSIDE	MS PIKE	3
	m.	SMITH, MARTHA P.	18020302	SC	18610808	IVIS	18181220	MS PIKE	

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# 68	80 Miche	le L. Brooks							
23	emi828in		18281029	ΙΝ ΠΑΥΙ	18691211	IN DAVI	ALFORD	KS CHAU	
25		MCCORD, JOSEPH ALLEN				IN DAVI	18490408	IN DAVI	
46	JAM791VA		17911221		18610809		ALFORDSVILLE		5
-0		BAKER, HANNAH	1791	VA WYTH		KS CHAU		VA WYTH	
02 10		JOHN	1763CA	VAWIIII VA	10/50027	KY	1015		4
92 J		2 HOGE, ELEANOR	17690405		181412	VA WYTH	17801026	VA MONT	4
184	THO725VA		17690403 1736CA	VA VA FRE*		VA WITH VA WYTH		VAMONI	2
104			1730CA 1745CA	VAFKE	1805/6>	VA WITH VA WYTH		VA	2
260	JOH696MD	FIELD ??, ELIZABETH JOHN	1745CA 1696E	MD ????			1700 CA	VA	4
368		JOHN , MARY	1090E	MD !!!!	1748 175804>	VA FRED			4
# 44	01 Stonk	nia D. Jamall							
	-	anie R. Jewell							_
19		SARAH ALVORD		CT MIDD		NY CHEM			5
		PRATT, RANSOM		CT DELA		NY CHEM		NY CHEM	
38		OTIS ALVORD		CT MIDD		NY CHEM			5
		CARRIER, LUCY		CT HART	18820829		18180915	CT HART	
76	SET754CT	SETH ALVORD		CT MIDD	18360714				5
		1 NORCOTT, RUTH		CT MIDD	17920825	CT CHAT	17770703	CT CHAT	
152	SET714MA	SETH ALVORD	17141113	MA HAMS		CT CHAT			5
	m.	SPENCER, ELIZABETH	1717	CT MIDD	18000530	CT CHAT			
304	THO683MA	THOMAS ALVORD		MA HAMS	17681229	CT CHAT			
	m.	2 STRONG, MARY	16901229	MA HAMS					
608 T	THO653CTTH	OMAS ALVORD	16531027	CT HART	16880722	MA HAMS			3
	m.	TAYLOR, JOANNA		MA HAMS		MA HAMS	16810322	MA HAMS	
1216	ALE627EN	ALEXANDER ALVORD	162710=<	ENGLAND	16871003	MA HAMS			3
	m.	VORE, MARY			1686<		16461029	CT HART	
# 68	82 Nedra	Jean Alford							
1	ned9640h	NEDRA JEAN	19640519	OH CUYA					
2	VER934CO	VERNON RAY		CO PUEB					
-	m.	CHANEY, BARBARA ANN							
4	VER905MS	VERNON LEON		MS HIND	19670722	CA FRES			
	m.	JONES, VELLA MAURINE			19860412	OH SAND	19310712	OK KAY	
8	THA871MS	THADDEUS LADORA		MS RANK			CEDARLAWN	MS HIND	
5		ROBBINS, FANNIE		MS RANK		MS HIND		MS RANK	
16		WARREN JEFFERSON		GA FAYE	18980301	MS SCOT			
10		GARRETT, SARAH ELIZ.	183608	AL	19090309	MS SCOT MS SCOT	1857-58		
32		SPIRE WASHINGTON		GA UPSO	1870-71		MT OLIVE	MS SCOT	
52		BRASSELL, SARAH		GA JONE	1900'S	MS SCOT MS SCOT		GA	
64		BRITTAIN WASHINGTON			18490210	GA PIKE		GA PIKE	5
04		BRASSELL, BARSHEBA	17810204		18490210	GA FAYE		GA PIKE GA PIKE	3
128	III. ISH749NC		17850210		18341119	GA TROU	10030317	UA I INE	5
120					1832	GA IKOU GA	1780 E	NC	5
	111.	FERRELL, ANNA	1/000010	NC FRAN	1020<	UA	1/00 E	INC	

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# 68	3 Walte	r Thomas Alford							
1	WAL911SC	WALTER THOMAS	19110918	SC					
		FRANKLIN, LILLIE BELL							
2		JESSE "TUN"	18821010		194405	SC DARL			
	m.	MACK, SUSANNA							
4	GEO8 SC	GEORGE	1850EE	SC ????	1896CA	SC			
	m.	, ELLEN			1896CA	SC			
# 68	4 Darry	l W. Alford							
1	-	DARRYL W.	19420228						
		MUSSO, SARA	19551107						
2	HER907TN	HERMAN MORRISON	19070422	TN GIBS	19781212	LA EABR			
4		DOUGHERTY, IONA JOHN LAYFAETTE	19701110	TN GIBS	10220101		DOCELAWN		5
4		CATHCART, SALLIE JANE			19280101	LA EABK	ROSELAWN 18970424	LA EABR TN GIBS	5
16 W	III. IL786VA01	WILLIAM		VA AMHE		TN RUTH	18970424	IN GIDS	
10 W		1 WALLER, SALLY/	17961125			TN RUTH	18130603	TN DAVI	
		SARAH	17901125	110	10040000	IN KO III	10150005		
# 68	85 Donal	d Gordon Alford							
		DONALD GORDON	19420708	MD					
	LEO909NC			NC / SC					5
2		DENBOW, HAZEL		MD HARF			19331206	MD ANNE	
# 68	6 Rover	ly Alford							
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1 (Beve		BEVERLY ghter of WALTER THOMAS A	19 .LFORD 19	SC 911 SC, meml	oer # 683 ab	ove)			
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		ne Carter Brown							_
2 GGN		MARY E./C.	1811E	NC	18380418	AL MORG			5
2001		OWEN, WILLIAM A.		AL MORG	1940 42				-
s GGF	FCAD771NC		1771CA	NC WAKE	1840-42	MS TALL			5
	111.	, ELIZABETH							
# 68	88 Paula	Suzanne Alford							
1	1	PAULA SUZANNE		MS WALT					
4		PAUL DONOUGH		LA WASH					
		BREELAND, LATANE	19220513				19380806		
	IDD895LA						BOGUE CHI	LA WASH	
8	m	MORRIS, ELLA		LA WASH				LA WASH	
			18620722	LA WASH	19480526	LA WASH		LA WASH	3
		JEPTHA MARTIN							
16 JE	EP862LA0A m.	1 PURVIS, FANNIE O.	186910	MS		LA WASH		LA WAS?	
	EP862LA0A m. JOH807LA		186910 18071011	LA WASH	18911115		IDDO FARM	LA WAS? LA WASH LA WASH	

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# 6	89 Micha	el Rives Alford							
1		MICHAEL RIVES	19380823	NC GRAN					
1	m.	JENNINGS, DIANA MYER					19620312	NY SCHE	
2		DAVID WILSON		NC GRAN	1945			NC GRAN	
		COX, CHRISTINE GLADY			-,				
4		JOSEPH LEE	188805	NC ??	19290529		FLATROCK	NC FRAN	
		WYNNE, PATTIE LOIS	1890		1975		19080805		
8 V	WIL851NC02	WILLIAM JOSEPH	185103	NC	19180718	NC FRAN	FLATROCK	NC FRAN	
	m.	2 STELL, ELGY VANN	186006	19270406	18841218	NC WAKE			
16	HIN827NC	HINES BERRY	182701	NC	190408=<	NC FRAN	ALFORD	NC FRAN	5
		WADFORD, LOUANSA E.		NC		NC FRAN	18490312	NC FRAN	
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# 6	90 Perry	Allen Sanders							
5	mau866ky	MAUDE P.	18660524	KY MERC	19450815	LA CLAI			
	m.	SANDERS, PERRY J.	1864		1914		18881121	KY MERC	
(see]	Early Alford A	Incestors of GRANVILLE C.	ALFORD 18	06 following	the new line	ages)			
		17-11- A 16 1 T							
F 0	91 Fred V	William Alford, Jr.							
1	FRE934NC	FRED WILLIAM, JR.	19340119	NC					
	m.	, SHIRLEY C.	19350517						
2	FRE912NC	FRED WILLIAM	1912CA	NC					
	m.								_
4	WAL874NC	WALTER J.	18740406						5
0	m.	, KATE	1882-82	NC					-
8		JOSEPH H.	1839CA	VA					5
16		MILLS, ANNIE E.	1853	NC	102011	37.4			_
16	JOS802VA		1802CA	VA MONR		VA			5
32	m. JOH773VA	HANDLY, CATHERINE	1810 1772 CA	WV M?		WV MONE			5
52		ALFORD, MARGARET	1773 CA 1774	VA AUGU VA AUGU	18330413 1840-50	VA MONR VA MONR		VA ROCK	
33		MARGARET	1774	VA AUGU VA AUGU		VA MONK		VAROUR	
55		ALFORD, JOHN	1773CA	VA AUGU VA AUGU		VA MONK		VA ROCK	
64	JOH732VA	JOHN	1773CA 1732CA	VA 2000 VA 2000	1794-96	VA MONR		VAROCK	5
04		JOHN	1752CA	V A ::::	1/94-90	VANONK			5
66	m. JOH735IR	JOHN	1735CA	IRELAND	18091025	VA ROCK			5
00	m.	, NANCY	1735CA 1740CA	IRELAND	10071023	IRELAND			5
128	JOH696MD	JOHN	1740CA 1696E	MD ????	1748	VA FRED			4
120		, MARY	10,01		175804>	, TTTRED			•
# 6		I. Bennett Alford, J	[m						
		,		AT MADO					
1		HAROLD BENNETT, JR.		AL MARS			10720401	TNOLEI	
(100		DUGAN, LYNN Incestors of HAROLD BENN	19500124 ett al for	D 1022 follo	wing the new	v lineages)	19720401	TN SHEL	
(500)	Larry Anora A	Incestors of HAROLD DENIN	LTI ALFUK	1722 10110	wing the nev	v micages)			
# 6	-	Steven Lee Alford							
1	STE949AL	STEVEN LEE		AL MARS					
	m.	ZIMMERMAN, MARCIA	19590921				19890519	PA ALLE	
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# 694 Victor	Ray Alford							
	VICTOR RAY	19510818	AL MARS					
	FORTSON,		WA PIER			19771211	AL DALL	
	DEBORAH LYNN	1,001120				.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,		
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Early Alford	l Ancestors of GRA	NVILI	E C. AI	FORD	1806 KV	Y Branch		
-	GRANVILLE C.	18060911				GRAPEVINE	KY MERC	
	2 TRENT, LUCY JANE	18000911	** *	19170815	KI MERC	18630825	KY MERC	
JOH782VA			VA LOUI		KY LINC	10000020	and milline	
	HUNTER, NANCY C.		VA LOUI			18051209	VA LOUI	
JAC726VA			VA GOOC				111 LOOI	4
	HUNTER, NANCY ANN		VA LOUI		KY GARR		VA LOUI	
Early Alford	Ancestors of HAR	OLD B	ENNET	T ALFO	ORD 192	22 AL Brand	h	
•	HAROLD BENNETT					MEMORY HILL		
	RAY, EUNICE LEE		GA POLK					
	BENNETT ALLAE					MEMORY HILL	AL MARS	
m.	LUMPKIN, EMMIE SUE		AL CALH				AL MARS	
JAM846GA02	JAMES CLAY	18460123	GA MORG	19070206	AL TALD	CHILDERSBURG	AL TALD	
m.	2 SMITH, SARAH ELIZAB.	18440512		19140214	AL TALD			
KIN812NC02	KINCHEN	18120509	NC	18910726	GA MORG	ł		2
m.	2 HAYNES, NANCY	1825CA	GA	1861		1845	GA	
KIN768NC	KINCHIN	1768CA	NC	1850>	NC			2
	WILLIAMS, LINDA				NC FRAN			
LOD710VA03 m.	LODWICK 3,	1710CA	VA NEWK	1787	GA			2
JAM687VA	JAMES	1687CA	VA ????		VA			1
JOH645VA	JOHN	1645E		17100314	VA NEWK			3
Early Alford	Ancestors of JAC	OB AL	FORD 1	761 NC	Branch			
JAC761NC02		17610815	NC BUTE	18240716	LA WASH		LA WASH	3
m.	2 SEABORN, FRANCES	17660929	VA SU??	1850-60	LA WASH	1792CA	NC CUM?	
JUL717VA		17170904	VA NEWK	177111	NC BUTE			1
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First I give and bequeath unto my youngest son Hudson Alford the quarter section of land whereon I now live with all the apurtenances belonging thereto which he may dispose of as he may think proper.

I give and bequeath unto my three daughters, Elizabeth Russel, Susan Morgan [should this be Dogan/ Dougan??] & Sarah Thompson my four beads with all the furniture belonging thereto to be equally divided among them.

All the residue of my property, both real and personal, which I may possess at my death shall be sold on a credit of twelve months and the money arising therefor I equally give and bequeath in four parts that is to say:

First to my daughter Susan Dougan one part Second to my daughter Sarah Thompson one part Thirdly to my grandson and grand daughter Joseph C. Britt & Susan E. J. Pridley one part

And to my two grandsons Thomas B. Owens and William A. Owens the other part.

But should one of my grandsons Thomas B. Owens or William A. Owens die before he arrives to the age of twenty one years then the other shall receive the portion bequeathed to both. Should both die before they arrive to the age of twenty one years then I give and bequeath their part to my daughters Susan Dogan and Sarah Thompson equally.

And I hereby appoint my son Hudson my sons in law Hamilton Dougan & James Thompson executors of this my last will and testament hereby revoking all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this first day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty. —Cade Alford The above instrument consisting of one page was now hand subscribed by Cade Alford the testator in the presents of each of us and was at the same time declared by him to be his last will and testament and we at his request sign our names hereto as attesting wit-

nesses:

John Ellett residing in Tallahatchie Cty Mis James S. Rowland residing in Tallahatchie Cty Mis State of Mississippi} Tallahatchie County }

Personally appeared in open court John Ellett and James S. Rowland who being duly sworn dispoeth and saith that they saw Cade Alford the above testator sign and heard him publish and declare the within instrument to be his last will and testament that they these deponents signed their names thereto as witnesses in the presence of the testator and in the presence of each other sworn to and subscribed in open court the 14th day of November AD 1842

John Ellett James S. Rowland

The within will this day proven before me to the satisfaction of this court and ordered to be filed for record in the office of the Clerk of Courtprobate for record this 14th November AD 1842. Hendson Allen Judge of Probate.

HIN827NC

The dates of death are based on a widows pension application which showed "13 Aug 1904." Hinesberry would have had to be dead for her to be a widow and she would have been living in order to apply for the pension. (6/94)

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There are conflicting reports on the date of their marriage. In addition to the date recorded, Dec. 30, 1843, another source says Aug 9, 1845.

ISH749NC

Anne was the daughter of John and Ann (Fish) Ferrell. Children included Brittain W. 1781, Baldy 1784, Bynum 1787 and Anna 1790.

JAM791VA

There are conflicting dates of his death. Some say July 9 and other August 9. He was buried in the Christian Cemetery in Alfordsville, Daviess County, Indiana.

Hannah was the daughter of Joseph and Hannah Baker. As a widow she moved to Chautauqua County, Kansas with her granddaughter, Orleana Harris Alford whom she had raised. She is buried in the Alford Cemetery north of Peru in Chautauqua County.

The family lived in Virginia for a while, moving to Indiana in 1816 where they settled on the south bank of the White River at Portersville, Dubois County. They also lived in Gibson County, Indiana, where James was known as Captain Alford. After living there for a while they moved north a few miles to a two story hewed log house in Alfordsville, Indiana. James founded Alfordsville and gave it its name. He gave ground for the first church (Christian), which most of the Alfords attended. This was the first church in Reeve Township.

JEP854MS

The full name of the spouse was Olivia Lumender Fortenberry. Her first two names have been spelled a number of different ways but this is about as average as it gets. Even FORTENBERRY is sometimes spelled as FORTINBERRY.

JOH732VA

John is now thought to be the eldest son of John Alford whose will was dated 1748 in Frederick County, VA. Some basis for thinking he was eldest: He was listed first in the will and received 2 horses, 1 negro and a still

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which was to help support his mother. Others only got 1 horse (except for daughter Priscilla) John got his inheritance at age 19 or marriage of mother; others got theirs only at their marriage. At the marriage of the mother John became responsible for siblings' inheritance. A 1754 Frederick County deed indicates that John is acting on behalf of siblings William and Acquilla, who apparently were underage at the time. John's age mentioned in his father's will-not yet 19-was the only one mentioned. If others were older they would probably have been made responsible for support of their mother and made the executors of the will.

John and Jane had sold land in Rockingham County, VA by February 1787 but were still living in Rockingham when the tax list was made. He seems to have died by 1796. His will was written July 2, 1794 in Greenbrier County but was not probated until 1810 (in Monroe County which was formed from part of Greenbrier in 1799.)

JOH735IR

There was a John Alford with son Benjamin and John Jr., who was evidently over 21, in Rockingham County, VA in 1788. In 1792, John Alford was listed with sons Robert and Benjamin still living at home. John, Jr. was no longer listed. John Alford, Sr. owned 180 acres of land in 1789 which seems to have been on Mill Creek just north of the town of Cross Keys. The will of this John Alford, dated or probated 25 October 1809 in Rockingham County, VA, seems to have burned and is no longer available; however several deeds referring to the will help determine some of the members of this family. Census records, tax records and these deeds suggest John's wife was Nancy and that they had the children listed below, who are not necessarily in the order of

birth. John 1755, Thomas 1756, Nancy 1758-60, George 1763, Elizabeth 1765, Joseph 1767, Benjamin 1772, Margaret 1774, Robert 1776, Henry 1778, and Sarah 1780.

The family seems to have come from Ireland to Augusta County, VA by 1774 at which time John Alford donated shoe buckles, whisky, compasses and buttons to the cause of the American patriots. It is not known which children were born in Ireland, but sons of Thomas and George claimed their fathers were foreign born in the 1870 census. The family seems to have several members who were Jr. and Thomas.

All of the sons seem to have owned land at some time.

JOH750NC

It was apparently he who was enumerated in the family of his son Abraham in Greene County, Alabama in 1830. (8/92)

JOH773VA

Margaret was the daughter of John Alford and wife Nancy. This John, Margaret's father, is now sometimes called "Irish John" for his Irish Birth.

JOH787NC

Did he die in AR CARR or AR BOON?

JOH870TN

Another record shows spouse born April 24.

JOS802VA

Catherine was the daughter of Archibald and Susan (Kincaid) Handley, who were married October 14, 1801. When Joseph died, his father-in-law was the administrator of his estate. After his death Catherine married, in 1846, Thomas Shires. (11/ 94)

JOS839VA

Some of this data may be questionable. They were enumerated in the 1880 census of Wadesboro, Anson County, NC; they were listed with ages to suggest births shown and with the birth states as shown. There were two young ladies named Mills living with the family. Concluding they were Annie's sisters, the Mills name was shown for her. Dan Sullivan (DSU) also reports that Annie E. Mills was the wife.

There was a Joseph H. Alford who married Mary Ann Bailey January 12, 1859 in Rockingham, NC. Could that be this same fellow, who enroute from Virginia to Anson County, NC married earlier?

A 1868 Monroe County, VA record indicates Joseph H. Alford of North Carolina inherited 116 + 25 acres of land.

JUL820NC

Julius was previously shown as a POSSIBLE son of Lockhard Alford. Though we are lacking proof, Robbie Alford AAFA #041, believes that Julius was the son of Thomas Alford, and a brother of Hinesberry Alford. Julius and Hinesberry were each bondsmen on each other's marriage bonds. Thomas, Julius and Hinesberry all lived in land bordering each other. The fact that Julius named a son William Thomas Alford reinforces the theory. (6/94)

JUL895NC

He was known as "Johnnie Boleus."

LEO909NC01

He is thought to have been born June 1909 in Laurinburg, Scotland County, North Carolina or maybe in nearby South Carolina. He and Hazel separated in 1943 and divorced shortly thereafter. He moved to California, remarried, and had at least two more children, probably sons. His oldest child by this marriage saw him last in

1946. It is known that he and his second wife are deceased. Children by this marriage: Janet 1935, Clifton Boyd 1938, Richard Eugene 1940, James Gilbert 1941 and Donald Gordon 1942. Janet and Donald are members of the Alford American Family Association and would appreciate any help they can get it contacting descendants of Leon's second marriage. They especially want to obtain photographs of their father, their children's grandfather.

LOU872LA02

Howard Alford says she was born 1882.

mar811nc

Marriage also shown in Limestone County. Date shown is apparently date of license. Marriage list did not include either his or her initials. Married by Jo. Lane, MG. "No return" shown in Morgan Co. published marriage list.

They had children: Thomas B., and William A. who married Mary F. Davis April 2, 1861 in Lafayette County, Mississippi. Mary was not mentioned in her father's will but her sons were. That suggests that Mary was deceased at the time the will was written.(11/94)

OTI794CT

Lucy was the daughter of Joseph and Lois (Day) Carrier. Otis was a clothier by trade and had a small factory at Marlborough, Connecticut, and from there he went to Middlefield and carried on business. About 1882 they removed to Schuyler, NY and afterwards to Havanna, NY. After the marriage of his daughter Sarah, he went to Elmira, NY and lived there until his death. Children were Sarah 1819, Betsey Lavinia 1827 and Augustus Gates 1839. (11/94)

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Ransom was the son of Daniel and Mary (Pratt) Pratt. For nearly thirty years he was a leading business many of Elmira, NY. He and his brother began the woolen industry in Elmira and at the time of his death was President of the Clinton Woolen Mills Co. and a director of the 2nd National Bank. Sarah was involved extensively with the 1st Presbyterian Church and the Southern Pier Orphan's Home. In the latter she occupied consecutively the offices of trustee, vice-president and president. (11/94)

SET714MA

Elizabeth was the daughter of Timothy and Abigail Spencer. Children were Damaris 1739-1743, Seth 1743 died young, Damaris 1745, Orren 1747, Ruel 1750, Seth 1754, Anna, Huet 1757, John and Elizabeth.

SET754CT01

The first of his three wives, Ruth, was the daughter of William and Betsy (Sears) Norcott. Children by this wife were Lydia 1778, Ashbel 1780, Ruth 1782, Sarah 1785, Seth 1787 and Zenas 1789. Seth was a cabinet maker by trade which consisted of making furniture and coffins for the most part. He also built houses occasionally. His brother Oren kept tavern in a house built by Seth, still standing, in 1908, east of the Congregational Church in East Hampton. Revolutionary War Service: "Private with Captain Churchill's Company, 3rd Battalion Wadworth's Brigade, Colonel Sage Commander. Raised June 1776 to reenforce Washington at New York. Served at New York City and on Long Island; caught in the retreat from the city September 15, and suffered some loss. Engaged at White Plains, Oct.18. Time expired December 25, 1776." His pension application of November 19, 1832, which

was allowed, lists a much more varied service. (11/94)

vir864ky

Virginia died at East Bernstadt, Laurel County, KY, but her body was sent back to Harrodsburg, Mercer County, KY, for burial; presumably in the family burial plot on the farm of Benjamin and Martha Jane (Tuder) Sanders, which was taken up when the farm was sold out of the family. James Allen Sa(u)nders was presumably buried beside her. Both graves have disappeared.

WAL874NC

The family was enumerated 1910 & 1920 in Pineville, Mecklenburg County, NC. 1880=Walter was listed as six year old son of Joseph and Annie Alford in Anson County.)

1900=not located in the census soundex record; where were they?

1910=Walter 36, Katie 27, and Ethel less than 6 months.

1920=Walter J. 46, Kate 38, Roy 21, Wilburn J. 20, Fred W. 8, Ruth H. 5 and Annie E. 8/10. All members of the family were born in North Carolina and all children were identified as "s" or "d" should questions arise about ages of Roy and Wilburn. They lived on Draper Street.

Where were Roy and Wilburn in 1910? Was this a second marriage for Walter, with Roy and Wilburn having come from a previous marriage?

WAR819MS

Conflicting dates on marriage June 8 or July 18.

WIL845NC

Was spouse named SYBIL or CIVIL? �

JESSE W. ALFORD

Sent by Gale Belser, AAFA #304

POST AND COURIER Charleston, SC—Sunday, 8 May 1994

GALIVANT'S FERRY—Jesse W. Alford, 74, a farmer, died Saturday in Charleston. The funeral will be at 3 p.m. Monday in Goldfinch's Conway Chapel. Burial will be in Gethsemane Cemetery.

Mr. Alford was born in Horry County, a son of Jesse F. Alford and Golie Alford. He was an Army Veteran of World War II.

Surviving are a daughter, Betty Oloughlin of Springfield, Va.; a granddaughter, Lisa Oloughlin of Springfield, Va., a step-daughter, Bobbie Denning of Charleston; one half-sister, Leona Hooks of Galivant's Ferry.

Sent by Marge Gray, AAFA #590

No source Jacksonville, FL—5 April 1994

Mary Thomas Alford died Wednesday, March 30, 1994. She was a native of Providence, Rhode Island, and was visiting California at the time of her death. She was preceded in death by her husband, William R. Alford, earlier this year, and is survived by 1 son, James E. Alford; 1 daughter, Mary Carroll; 3 grandchildren; 2 brothers; and 4 sisters. Funeral Services will be Wed. at 11 a.m. graveside in South Prong Cemetery, Sanderson, with Dr. Jerry Powers, officiating. Friends may call at Fraser Funeral Home, 8168 Normandy Blvd., Tuesday from 5 until 7 p.m.

Obituaries

Sent by Elizabeth Hazlip, AAFA #358

THE CLARION-LEDGER Jackson, MS—Sat., 12 February 1994

MAGEE — Earl Preston Alford, 68, a carpenter, died of cancer Friday at Magee General Hospital.

Services are 2 p.m. Sunday at Goodwater Baptist Church in Magee with burial in Goodwater Cemetery in Simpson County. Visitation is 3-9 p.m. today at Colonial Chapel Funeral Home.

Mr. Alford, a Marion County native, had lived in Magee for 30 years.

Survivors include: Daughter, Wanda Jean Warren of Magee; brother, Douglas F. Alford of Columbia; sisters, Reba Whitman of Lumberton and Dorothy Nell Robbin of Columbia; and three grandchildren.

Sent by Margary Nelson, AAFA #393

COURIER JOURNAL Crescent City, FL—14 July 1976

Funeral services for a young Satsuma woman who was killed last Monday night in an automobile accident near Fruitland were held Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Pamela Diane Alford, 19, who attended Crescent City Junior Senior High School, was killed about 11:25 p.m. last Monday on State Road 308 about three miles east of Fruitland. She was pronounced dead on arrival at Putnam Community Hospital.

A passenger in the car, Peggy Dickson, Palatka, was admitted to the hospital with a broken leg and other injuries, and was listed Friday in good condition....

Miss Alford's Toyota failed to negotiate a curve known locally as "dead man's curve," left the road on the right shoulder and overturned on its right side, striking two trees with the top of the car.

Services were held in the chapel of Clayton Frank and Sons Funeral Home. Rev. Robert White, pastor of the First Baptist Church of Pomona Park officiated, followed with burial in Eden Cemetery.

Seh was born in Fairbanks, Alaska and had lived in Satsuma for eight years.

Survivors include her father, J.C. Alford, Longview, Tex.; her mother, Mrs. Ann Walters, Satsuma; three brothers, James Alford, Gainesville and Bruce and Steve Alford, Satsuma....

ANNIE KLUKAN ALFORD Mother of D.L. Alford Jr., AAFA #54

Sent by Evonne Salmons, AAFA #130

BURLESON CO. CITIZEN TRIBUNE Burleson Co., TX—20 February 1975

Funeral services for Mrs. Annie (Klukan) Alford, 95, of 703 W. Buck St. were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday in the First Presbyterian Church with the pastor, Rev. Robert Lewis, officiating.

Mrs. Frank Batista, accompanied by Mrs. Murray F. Broaddus, sang "Evening Prayer."

Mrs. Alford died Monday evening in Goodnight Memorial Hospital.

Mrs. Alford was the daughter of Frank and Theresa Schiller Klukan and was born on November 15, 1879, in Wesley, Washington County. After the death of her father, who was a mer-

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chant, she moved to Caldwell with her family. She was a graduate of Caldwell High School (1897) and attended Kidd-Key College in Sherman, Texas. She taught in county schools for several years prior to her marriage.

She was married to Daniel Lee Alford Sr., June 22, 1903 in Caldwell. He preceded her in death September 15, 1964.

She was a faithful member of the First Presbyterian Church of Caldwell.

She was preceded in death by her husband, parents, one brother Frank, and one sister Mrs. Lillie McLean.

Survivors include one son, Daniel Lee Alford Jr. of Caldwell; two grandsons, Lee Alford II and James J. Alford of Caldwell; and two great grandsons, Daniel Lee Alford IV and Michael Bruce Alford of Caldwell; one sister, Mrs. Lee Broaddus of Caldwell.

Interment was in the Masonic Cemetery. Serving as active pallbearers were: Halcut Alford, Frank Batista, Murry James Broaddus, William L. Broaddus, E.E. Johnston, Boswell Porter, Marvin Porter Jr. and W.L. Surovik Jr.

Honorary pallbearers were officers and directors of the Caldwell National Bank, session members of the First Presbyterian Church, city attorney, mayor, city manager, and members of the City Council of Caldwell, Dr. Joe C. Smith, John Young P.A., Tom Yager, M.G. Perkins, Paul Haines, Holland Porter and Charles Sebesta Sr.

COY ALFORD

Sent by Bob Alford Sterling

THE DECATUR DAILY Decatur, AL—9 February, 1972

FALKVILLE—Funeral services for Coy Alford, 69, Falkville 1, who died Tuesday at a Hartselle hospital, will be Thursday at 2 p.m. at Gandy's Cove Methodist Church, Rev. J.R. Aycock officiating with burial in the Cook Cemetery, Peck Funeral Home directing.

Survivors include the widow, Mrs. Jamie Alford, Falkville 1; three daughters, Mrs. S.M. Golson, Prattville; Mrs Don Turney, Falkville 1 and Mrs. Ann Bobelak, Biloxi, Miss.; five sons, J.C. Alford, Bessemer; R.W. Alford and C.J. Alford, both of Birmingham; R.L. Alford and Jerry Don Alford, both of Falkville; 18 grandchildren; three greatgrandchildren; two sisters, Mrs. Elbert Hill and Mrs. Gilbert Hill, both of Falkville.

Nephews will be pallbearers.

[Note from Bob Sterling: Coy was the son of Pleasant Alford. (See "Some Alford Vital Records in Morgan Co., AL," p. 56, AAFA ACTION, Fall 1994.) Most of the locations mentioned above are in the Morgan County area of Alabama. Prattville is near Montgomery; Bessemer is near Birmingham.]

BETTIE ALFORD

Sent by Martin G. Alford, AAFA #147

No source _____, AR—1970

ROGERS, Ark.—The funeral for Mrs. Bettie Alford, 55, Rogers, formerly of Concordia, will be at 11 a.m. Monday at the Chaput-Buoy Funeral Home, Concordia, the Rev. Loren Werth officiating. Burial will be in the Pleasant Hill Cemetery.

Mrs. Alford died Thursday in Rogers.

She was born Jan. 15, 1925, at Concordia. She and her husband operated the Concordia Country Club from 1962 to 1967 as well as country clubs in Lyons and McPherson before moving to Rogers four years ago. Surviving are her husband, LeRoy, of the home; a daughter, Mrs. Suzie Desilet, Independence, Mo., two brothers, William and James Erhardt, both of Concordia, and two grandchildren.

Friends may call at the funeral home.

DANIEL LEE ALFORD, SR. Father of D.L. Alford Jr., AAFA #54

Sent by Evonne Salmons, AAFA #130

No source

_____. TX—17 September 1964

Services Set Today for Lee Alford, Sr.

Funeral services for Daniel Lee Alford Sr. will be held at 10 a.m. Thursday, Sept. 17, at the Presbyterian Church in Caldwell with the Rev. Milton Bierschwale, pastor, and the Rev. Joe Lee Turner, a great nephew, officiating. Mr. Alford passed away at about 8:30 p.m. Tuesday in Goodnight Memorial Hospital after an extended illness. Interment will be in the Masonic Cemetery under the direction of Phillips-Luckey.

A native of Caldwell, Mr. Alford was a prominent businessman and stockman. He retired a few years ago.

Survivors are his wife, Mrs. Lee Alford Sr., of 703 W. Buck; his son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. D.L. Alford Jr., 705 W. Buck; two brothers, R.A. Alford and Phil Alford Sr., both of Caldwell; two sisters, Miss Lizzie Alford and Mrs. W.L. Surovik Sr., also of Caldwell, and two grandsons and a granddaughterin-law, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Alford III, Caldwell, and Jimmy Joe Alford of Baylor University, and a great grandson, Lee Alford IV. \clubsuit

Alford Authors

The last time we published this column was in the September 1992 issue. Since then, more Alford authors have been "discovered."



HENRY ALFORD

Alford, Henry. *MUNICIPAL BOND-AGE*. New York, NY: Random House, 1994.

William R. Alford, AAFA #278, sent the dust jacket to this new book and informed us that Henry is the 7th greatgrandson of Consider Alford. William also generously offered to donate a copy of the book to the AAFA library! From the cover:

.... An adventurous and rather odd young man who has made it his mission to probe the mysteries of the big city, Alford joins the ranks of civilization's great prisoners in *Municipal Bondage*, a unique collection of pranks, comic investigations, essays, and musings that reflects Alford's distinct realm of urban psychic confinement.

There is no one else on the literary humor scene like Henry Alford-for good reason. What other writer is brave enough to take a dog-grooming test intended for professionals? Attractive enough to pass himself off as a high-ranked earlobe model? Political enough to chauffeur the governor of Colorado during the Democratic National Convention? Or entrepreneurial enough to invent, bake, and peddle his own yummy snack food, Nubbins? Working undercover, Alford uses his self-taught skills as an investigative humorist to do all of this and so much more that readers will be dizzy with delight.

....Henry Alford is a major comic talent. *Municipal Bondage* is inescapably brilliant.

About the Author: Henry Alford has written for many publications, including *Details, The New York Observer, Spy, Vanity Fair, Vogue, Washington Monthly,* and *The New York Times Magazine. He lives in New York City.*

We also received two reviews. The first, sent by Virginia Rep Joe Alford, AAFA #88, appeared in the *Daily Press* on 17 April 1994:

Investigative humor is a tough racket. Where most humor writers can work fro the relative ease of an armchair in the den, the investigative humorist has to venture out into the world, risking life, limb and pride in search of a chuckle.

In his poorly named new book, Municipal Bondage, Henry Alford finds plenty of laughs in this line of work, usually by putting himself into embarrassing situations. As he says: "Mine is a curious profession; trouble is my business. Traipsing from situation to situation to situation, I approach the unwitting world around me as a scientist his laboratory."

And so, he develops a horrid snack food called "nubbins," tries to sell them to major corporations and eventually even sets up at a New York street fair, pitching them to passers-by despite their complete untastiness. He takes a series of licensing tests for different professions—dog grooming, barbering, cement masonry—though he knows nothing about the skills each requires....

Many of these encounters are very funny. The tension in the best pieces arises from the gap between Alford the unwitting dupe and Alford the wry

writer.

Humorous writing usually calls for the re-creation of oneself as a humorous figure of fun. Alford's pose is a familiar one: the writer as an outcast who doesn't fit into the world around him. No one did this sort of thing better than Robert Benchley, who was at his height 70 years ago.

But Benchley's pose rested on the idea that the world round him was normal, while Benchley, who didn't fit in, wasn't. Alford lives in a different world, a much crazier world in which not fitting in might be a compliment. In the best pieces here, he not only gets laughed at himself, but laughs at those around him, too.

Another review, sent by Don Alford, AAFA #59, was written by Alex Heard, an editor of *Outside* magazine, and printed in the Book World section of *The Washington Post* on Sunday, 3 July 1993:

.... Alford's strong point is a sort of manic over-willingness to go do something, even if—especially if—the task requires ritual self-humiliation. His beat is Manhattan, specifically the Manhattan of pathos-dripping Learning Annex classes on "Letting Go of Clutter," sadistically stupid modeling agencies, department-store bridal registry counters and chauffeuring.

It's one thing to secretly audit such situations and snicker into your notebook. It's another to make yourself the operative butt of the joke, which Alford willingly does.

.... On the down side for book consumers, some of this material—all of which first appeared in magazines, including Spy and Vogue—has an offthe-magpage half-life of zilch.... These annoying moments are rare, though. Overall, after stepping into a lot of batter's boxes and taking high, hard

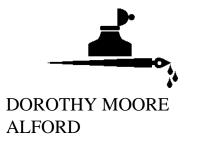
ones, Alford's batting average is impressively high.

Diane Alford Garlick, AAFA #632, sent an article by Henry Alford:

Alford, Henry. "A Comedy of Manors." *GQ Magazine*. March 1994, pp. 252-260.

The subtitle to this article says, "Living like a lord is easy, now that many British aristocrats, beset by financial difficulty, have converted their stately homes to bed-and-breakfasts."

Henry's photo appears on the Contributors page with this blurb: "Henry Alford, the author of the new humor collection *Municipal Bondage* (Random House), recounts his experiences as an Ugly American lodger in the great manors of England."



Alford, Dorothy Moore. *REFLEC-TIONS AND RECOGNITIONS CRYSTAL SPRINGS, MISSISSIPPI* (1820–1972). No publication data;

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cover page and page ii sent by Elizabeth Hazlip, AAFA #358.

[From page ii:] Dorothy Moore Alford, reared in the parsonage home of her parents, Rev. and Mrs. J.A. Moore, is a graduate of Millsaps College with majors in English and Religious Education and is a retired teacher of senior English in high school.

A course in journalism at college began her writing of feature stories; and after her retirement, she began writing a weekly feature for the *Meteor*. Many of her articles have appeared in the *Sunday Clarion*-*Ledger—Jackson Daily News*.

Mrs. Alford has had poetry and articles to appear in national publications; has had a play and an article in *Mississippi Authors*; has had several honors in the Literary Competition of the Mississippi Arts Festival, including honorable mention awarded by Eudora Welty for a short story; and last year won first place at the Festival for her television script, *The Doll*.

Her "Reflections and Recognitions" concerning her adopted hometown she has found most rewarding as, according to her, "Crystal Springs is a most interesting and lovable town."

NOTES FROM AAFA RECORDS:

Dorothy Moore, born September 1, 1908, married Richard Earl Alford on June 3, 1930. Earl was the son of RICHARD SION and Ada (SEXTON) ALFORD and was born August 3, 1899. We have neither his obituary nor death certificate, even though we have lots of MS death certificates, but the social security decdent data says he died April 13, 1990.

Earl Alford and Julius M. "Pooley" Alford, AAFA Director, are 5th cousins—being 3rd great-grandsons of Jacob Alford and Mary Pace.

Willie Alford, AAFA #128, sent some of memories of Dorothy Alford that his

niece Lynette Ingram Conklin wrote. Dorothy was Lynette's high school English teacher:

I remember Mrs. Dorothy Alford, not as just an English teacher, but as a real and compassionate person. She could see through any situation to the heart of it. She put everything into perspective. She took of her time to expose three high school freshmen girls to the premiere of the Sound of Music in Jackson in the early sixties. I was so inpressed. She gave me the confidence in myself to start college at the age of thirty-two to finish my degree with highest honors. She always said, "you are never too old to learn." She said the learning process never ends, try to learn something new every day. As an English teacher in Crystal Springs, Ms. she made literature easy and Shakespeare real.

Class of 1966 Lynette (Ingram) Conklin

Lynette, currently living in Jackton, MS, is the daughter of Annie Louenette Alford Ingram, sister of Willie Alford, AAFA #128. (Annie Alford married James Miller Ingram.) Lynette is 46 years old and had English under Dorothy Alford at Crystal Springs High School. Lynette finished high school in 1966. Fifteen years later when Lynette was 32 years old Dorothy convinced her to pursue a college degree.



WILLIAM ALFORD

In an undated issue of the *Chicago Tribune* is an article by William Alford, "professor of law and director of East Asian legal studies at Harvard Law School. He has just returned from China." The article is titled "Underestimating a Complex China." �

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Alfords in the News

NATHANIEL JEFFERSON ALFORD III

Sent by Kathryn Alford, AAFA #543

BEAUMONT ENTERPRISE Beaumont, TX—Sun., 9 October 1994

Nathaniel Jefferson Alford III, son of Dr. and Mrs. Jeff Alford, will receive his Eagle Scout award in a Court of Honor at 2 p.m. today at

Westgate Memorial Baptist Church.

Alford began his Scouting career as a Cub Scout in September 1988. He earned the Arrow of Light, the highest award at the Cub Scout level, as a member of Pack 291.

In March 1991, he joined Troop 221 where he served as assistant senior patrol leader, patrol leader, librarian and instructor. He earned 22 merit badges.

Alford, a freshman at Kelly High School, is a member of the Order of the Arrow Hasini Lodge. He attended the National Scout Jamboree in Fort A.P. Hill, Va., in 1993, and plans to attend the World Jamboree in Holland in August 1995. For his Eagle service project, he planned and directed a landscaping project at Westgate Memorial Baptist Church.

ATLANTA JOURNAL/CONSTITUTION Atlanta, GA—Tuesday, 24 May 1994

[On list of 921 students who passed the Georgia bar exam]

Gregory Milam Alford, Macon Thomas Marvin Alford, Evans

WILLIAM RALEY ALFORD Son of William R. Alford, AAFA #61

Sent by Glenn Alford, AAFA #38

ST. TAMMANY FARMER _____, LA—____ 1994

son of William and Susan Alford of Covington, will deliver the farewell address. Alford, who recently received the school's top award in English—the Walker Percy award—will attend Louisiana State University on a full four-year honor scholarship.

Sent by Glenn Alford, AAFA #38

THE TIMES-PICAYUNE New Orleans, LA—Sun., 22 May 1994

Gov. Edwards, who proclaimed May 4 Teacher Appreciation Day, was joined at the governor's mansion by members of the St. Tammany Federation of Teachers and School Employees, the parish Teachers of the Year.

> Elementary School Teacher of the Year Johnnie Alford of Mandeville Elementary

On behalf of the Class of '94, valedictorian William Raley Alford,

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***** SHANNA N. ALFORD Sent by Margary Nelson, AAFA #393 PALATKA DAILY NEWS Palatka, FL-Friday, 13 May 1994 **G-P** Honors Eighth Grade Scholars Hard work in the classroom was rewarded for a number of Putnam County eighth-graders at the annual Georgia-Pacific Eighth-Grade Honors Program.... [Shanna's photo was included in the article] ***** JAMES NASH ALFORD Nephew of Dale Alford, AAFA #268 Sent by Margaret Baumgardner, **AAFA #26** DAILY SIFTINGS HERALD Arkadelphia, AR-Wed., 23 Feb 1994 Cinematographer drawn to Africa PINE BLUFF, Ark. (AP) — James

Nash Alford was drawn to the wilds of Africa 12 years ago and has made it one of his many homes.

Alford is a nomad of sorts, traveling around the United States, Canada, Europe and Africa to photograph landscapes and animals.

"I've never held a conventional job," Alford said in an interview at the Pine Bluff home of his parents, Boyce and Mandy Alford. "I've never had a 9 to 5 job. People with 9 to 5 jobs don't understand that. My job is 24 hours a day."

After hiking the Great Rift Valley in east Africa in 1982, Alford realized he could use his training in biology and photography and make it a career. He conducted photographic and natural history safaris in Tanzania and Kenya in the 1980s.

"The people and landscapes in Africa are so alluring, especially the bush, way off the beaten path," Alford said as he sipped coffee. "I really enjoy being in the bush, if it's in Arkansas or Africa.

Alford began to branch into cinematography recently. One of his latest projects, called "Journey to Kilimanjaro," was broadcast on PBS earlier this month. The Nova special featured the mountain on the border of Kenya and Tanzania that is Africa's tallest, at 19,321 feet, and its volcanic cones and plants.

"It's a poetic rendering of what's up high and the ecosystem and how it works," Alford said. A British version, titled "Islands in the African Sky," was broadcast recently by the BBC.

Alford, a 1967 Pine Bluff High School graduate, initiated the project after seeking the advice of Hugo van Lowick, a cinematographer who lived in Africa and made many of the early films about Jane Goodall. Van Lowick, author of "Savage Paradise" and "Among Predators and Prey," was the executive producer for the hour-long PBS show.

"I wanted to reach a broader audience with a conservation and environmental message," Alford said.

To sharpen his cinematography skills, Alford attended a two-year television and film fellowship in Canada while London-based Partridge Films came up with more than \$500,000 in funding for the project. The project was filmed in 1992 and early 1993.

The idea for the Africa production was all Alford's. He also was the location manager, handling the details while on location, and assisted in sound and filming. A self-described "language hack," he wrote the Swahili poetry that goes with the original composition for the film.

"I speak a lot of languages just enough to get me by," Alford said, who received degrees in biology and humanities from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock. "You do have to know the language."

Alford just finishing working on his first feature-length film, called "Unconditional Love," about an artist on Cape Cod, Mass. Alford was the executive in charge of production, second-unit director and director of photography for the low-budget film.

Alford said the film will probably be released first in Europe and possibly featured at the Cannes Film Festival that will be held in France in May.

Alford said he wants his next project to be about Arkansas, most likely the Buffalo River. After his visit to his parents, he left for Boston and New York to sell his idea to film buyers such as Nova, Discovery and National Geographic.

But Africa will be the subject for more films, he said.

"I still have very much an established base there," Alford said. "There are plenty of African stories I'd like to tell."

JERRY ALFORD

Sent by Lodwick Alford, AAFA #11

FLORIDA TIMES-UNION _____, FL—Friday, 4 February 1994

Walk for Hope '94

About 3,500 people are expected to take part in the second annual Walk for Hope, which is March 26,

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according to Jerry Alford, Executive director of People With AIDS Coalition of Jacksonville. The 3-mile walk is expected to raise \$100,00 in cash and in-kind contributions, which will be used to benefit people with AIDS and to raise awareness in the community. (About \$45,000 was raised last year.) The walk will begin at 10 a.m. at the Marina Hotel at St. Johns Place, with registration beginning at 8:30 a.m. If you're interested in walking or volunteering to help with the walk, call PWACJ at (904) 398-9292.

JENNIFER ALFORD

Sent by Lodwick Alford, AAFA #11

BRUNSWICK NEWS Brunswick, GA—14 December 1993

Teen Shot By Stray Bullet

A 15-year-old Brunswick girl was treated and released after being shot in the leg by a stray bullet on I Street Monday night.

Brunswick police Sgt. Larry Bruce said Jennifer Alford was in the 1100 block of I Street around 9:13 p.m. when she was struck in the leg by a stray bullet.

Bruce said two men apparently got into an argument in the area, and one pulled a gun, shooting at the other. Miss Alford was accidentally struck during the shooting, he said.

"She was just a by-passer who got struck in the leg," he said.

Officers Scott Hudson, Rodney Fulks and Sabrina Young responded to the call and found Miss Alford had already been taken to Southeast Georgia Regional Medical Center, where she was treated and released.

No arrests had been made as of this morning.

Sent by Elizabeth Hazlip, AAFA #358

THE CLARION-LEDGER Jackson, MS—Sunday, 7 November 1993

Gun Permits

The state Department of Public Safety issued 26 permits for the week ending Sept. 14.

[on list] Alford, Malcom J. Jr., 1507 West Flowers Road, Terry, MS

SCOTT P. ALFORD Son of Ebbie P. Alford, AAFA #237

Sent by Margary Nelson, AAFA #393

PALATKA DAILY NEWS Palatka, FL—Tuesday, 22 June 1993

Airman Scott P. Alford has graduated from Air Force basic

training at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, Texas.

During the six weeks of traiing the airman studied the Air Force mission,

organization and customs and received special training in human relations.

In addition, airmen who complete basic training earn credits toward an associate degree through the Community College of the Air Force.

Alford is the son of Ebbie P. and Martha L. Alford of Palatka. He is a 1992 graduate of Palatka High School.

JIMMIE R. ALFORD AAFA #500

Sent by Truman Alford, AAFA #5

CHICAGO TRIBUNE Chicago, IL—19 February 1993

Tax hikes may be gift to fundraisers

A fundraising consultant believes President Clinton's package of proposed tax increases may contain "a ray of hope" for not-for-profit groups that saw contributions drop last year because of the recession and government cutbacks.

Clinton's call for higher marginal income tax rates on the wealthy may encourage them to boost their charitable giving as a way to raise their deductions, says Jimmie R. Alford, managing partner of Alford, Ver Schave & Associates Inc., Skokie.

"In effect, a tax increase makes the cost of a gift less for the donor," he reasons.

Alford also hopes Clinton will support a measure to restore the deductibility of gifts, such as stocks or property, to not-for-profit groups at the current market value of the assets instead of their original cost. A similar provision was included in a tax bill that President Bush vetoed last November, he says.

"In the past, Clinton has said he favors the idea, which had bipartisan support," Alford says. "But he didn't mention it in his speech the other night." Alford's firm offers consulting

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services to dozens of health-care, educational, religious, cultural and other organizations in Chicago and other cities.

Some of its projects include efforts to raise \$17 million in funds for a cerebral palsy research center on Chicago's West Side; \$10 million to build three early childhood education centers in the city's Hispanic neighborhoods, and \$40 million for a memorial to President Franklin D. Roosevelt in Washington, D.C.

Sent by Margary Nelson, AAFA #393

PALATKA DAILY NEWS Palatka, FL—Tues., 18 February 1992

....Contestants in the Little Miss Palatka pageant are:

Natalie Erin Alford, 6, is the daughter of Charles E. "Skeet" and Dawn Alford of Palatka. She is a first grader at Kelley Smith Elementary School. For the talent portion of the pageant, Natalie will do a ballet to a song from the soundtack "Fathoms Below" from The Little Mermaid....

D.L. and CATHERINE ALFORD, AAFA #54

THE BURLESON COUNTY CITIZEN Caldwell, TX—11 October 1962

An Evening at the Surrey

"I've stayed in a lot of motels, and most of them have several features they're quite proud of, but this one has them all." This is how one recent Surrey Inn guest from Houston describes his accommodations to his host, hostess, and Surrey Inn Owners Mr. and Mrs. D.L. Alford, Jr.... ◆

Catherine and D.L. Alford, Jr., in the surrey for which their inn was named.

Alfords in Burleson County, Texas

From ASTRIDE THE OLD SAN ANTONIO ROAD, A History of Burleson County, Texas, 1980. Catherine Alford was the editor or this book and the author of many of the articles, including all but the one on Philip Alford in this excerpt. At the time of publication she was serving as the President of the Burleson County Historical Society.

FIRST GENERATION HALCUT ALFORD

[See the June 1991 issue of *AAFA ACTION*, pp. 28–29, for an article on Halcut's grandfather, "Halcut Alford, 1789–1858".]

Halcut Alford, son of Richard Erwin and Frances Elizabeth Lee Alford, and Mary Jane Scott, daughter of Philip Bruce and Mary Rice Scott, were married in Burleson County on February 22, 1876. Mary Jane, born in 1852, was reared on her parents' farm in the Elizabeth Chapel Community. Halcut's parents were married in Aberdeen, Mississippi and came to Washington County, Texas in 1850, finally settling on land in Burleson County in 1851. Their farm was in the Cooks Point Community, where they became members of the Salem Baptist Church. Halcut, who was named for his paternal grandfather of Georgia, was born in the family home in 1854. He was one of eight children, six of whom grew to adulthood. The Alfords, who came to Texas from the "Deep South", were dyed-in-the-wool southerners. In 1863, R.E. and his son, Halcut (only nine years old!), were listed on the roll of the undrafted militia of the Texas State Troops in Burleson County. Also, when their youngest son was born in 1863, they named him Stonewall Jackson Alford (1863-1864). The other children were John W., Dewitt C., Margaret Lee

Watford, Ella Lee (1849-1851), Annie Bell Page, and Carrie Evans Wallin. Halcut, still a boy when the Civil War ended, was a product of his time. He never forgot the galling experiences suffered by the citizens of Burleson County during the Reconstruction Era, and he remained a "Johnny Reb" to the day of his death.

After their marriage, Halcut and Mary Jane settled on her father's land in the Elizabeth Chapel Community. Until they finished their home, they lived in a log cabin with a hardpacked dirt floor. Here their oldest son, Daniel Lee, was born. Then followed Mary Baylis, Lizzie Evans, Cadie Scott, Richard Erwin, and Robert Atticus. Although Mary Jane inherited her share of her father's estate, she and Halcut moved to Caldwell circa 1891-1892, after which Florence Inez (Mrs. W.L. Surovik, Sr.) [AAFA #107] was born. Halcut continued to operate his farm, raising cotton, corn, and cattle and opened a livery stable in Caldwell at 301-5 West Buck Street. In 1894, tragedy struck. Their daughters, Mary Baylis and Cadie Scott, both died of typhoid fever on November 10 of that year. Their brother Lee always said that they died on a Saturday, that a circus came to town, and that R. Struwe's cotton gin, located where the First Presbyterian Church stands today, burned to the ground on the same day. Since there was not a mortician in the town, family friends prepared the bodies for burial in Elizabeth Chapel Cemetery. Later, Nellie (1895-1896) and Philip were born.

When Halcut and Mary Jane moved to Caldwell, they transferred their membership from the Elizabeth Chapel Methodist Church to the Methodist Church in town. Soon Halcut began to participate in the life of the community, serving as an alderman of the City of Caldwell from 1906 to 1926. When the automobile appeared on the scene, H. Alford sold his livery stable, and he and his son Lee owned a bottling works until 1917. It was during this time that an amusing incident with sad undertones happened. Halcut, still farming and supervising business interests in town, always found time to whittle. He formed the habit of sitting in front of one of the local saloons, whittling and watching the world go by. His family disapproved of the location, so his son Lee bought a chair for him and insisted that he sit in front of his confectionery store, rather than in front of the saloon. One day, one of the town drunks, scion of a prominent family, appeared on Buck Street, brandishing his pistol and yelling "All you _____'s get out of my way.' Everybody promptly scurried for cover, including Lee, but Halcut remained in his chair, calmly whittling. Each man-the drunk and the whittlerignored one another. When the commotion had subsided. Lee emerged from his confectionery and said, "Papa, you heard what _____ said. Why didn't you move?" "Well, son," the old man drawled, as he continued to whittle, "he wasn't talking to me."

Mary Jane, who inherited her father's brown eyes and dark hair, was an invalid for several years before her death on July 28, 1913. She was buried beside her three daughters in Elizabeth Chapel Cemetery. In 1914, Halcut bought the old Methodist parsonage and moved it down the hill to 300 North Thomas Street. He remodeled it extensively and lived there with his children and grandchildren until his death on June 27, 1928. He, too, was buried in the cemetery at Elizabeth Chapel.

SECOND GENERATION D.L. "LEE" ALFORD, SR.

[This article was previously published in *AAFA ACTION*, March 1989, pp. 10–11.]

D.L. "Lee" Alford, Sr., the eldest child of Halcut and Mary Jane Scott Alford, was born December 12, 1876, in a log cabin on his Grandfather Scott's farm in Elizabeth Chapel Community. As was the custom, he was named for his paternal grandfather, Daniel Lee, of Aberdeen, Mississippi. Life was simple, and times were difficult, when Lee was a boy. He recalled that sugar was a precious commodity, to be carefully stored, and that shoes were hard to come by. He said that the prairie grasses were as high as a horse's stomach and that he could remember the wild turkeys roosting in rows along the rail fences. As soon as Lee completed his schooling in the Elizabeth Chapel Community, he moved into Caldwell and went to work, doing whatever he could. Until his parents moved to town, he boarded with family friends. Afterward, he worked for his father at his livery stable; he said that when salesmen came to town, he drove them all over the county to call on their customers.

In 1901, Lee bought a confectionery store from the Boswell Brothers. In the meantime, he had been courting Anna

Frantiska "Annie" Klukan, a local belle. Annie, the daughter of Frank and Theresa Schiller Klukan, was born in Wesley, Texas on November 15, 1879, where her father was a merchant. Her maternal grandparents were Vincent and Frances Schiller, who came to Texas from Czechoslovakia in 1853 and settled in Industry, Austin County. During the Civil War, Grandfather Schiller joined a group of freighters who hauled cotton to Mexico in wagons drawn by four or more yoke of oxen. Annie was baptized and confirmed in the Moravian Brethren Church in Wesley and could remember watching Reverend B.E. Laciak paint the interior of the church in 1889. Her father died in 1889; shortly after, Mrs. Klukan sold their store and moved to Burleson County. She and her three younger children, Vlasta (Lester), Annie, and Frank lived with her oldest

daughter, Lillie, and her husband, Dr.

B.O. McLean. When Annie graduated

from Caldwell Public School in 1897,

her mother sent her to Kidd-Key

College in Sherman a fashionable

boarding school for girls. Upon her

"Red Hollow" until her marriage to

return to Caldwell, she taught school at

Lee on June 22, 1903. They were married in Brenham, in the home of Annie's cousin, and returned to Caldwell on the night train. The young couple rented an apartment in the residence of Judge A.W. McIver on South Echols Street. Annie always said that there was a Chinese laundry across the street from Judge McIver's home and that the old Chinaman played Chinese music all day long. In 1904, Lee and Annie built a home at 703 West Buck Street.

Lee prospered in the confectionery. He sold candy, cigars, peanuts, popcorn, fruits in season (he ordered apples by the carload), lemonade, glacés, and ice cream which he made himself; in fact, he milked his own cows. Later, when soft drinks became the vogue, he sold them, too. The ice cream parlor was a popular rendezvous for everybody in town, young and old alike. Lee liked to tell about the time his popcorn machine exploded. At that time, his wife's cousin was working for him. When the noise had subsided, and the steam began to fade, Lee began looking for the boy. He found him still crouching under a counter. The young man later

joined the Signal Corps of the United States Army and carved a distinguished career in the service. He rose to the rank of brigadier general and participated in the African and European campaigns during World War 11. Lee always said he received his baptism of fire when the popcorn machine exploded!

After twelve years of marriage, Lee and Annie became the proud parents of a son, Daniel Lee Alford, Jr., [AAFA #54] born in January, 1915. When the news spread around the town on that cold, snowy Sunday, one of Lee's friends arranged for the fire whistle to blow to let everybody know that the couple had a boy. In 1917, Lee sold the confectionery because it kept him away

Lee Alford's Confectionery

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from home so late each night. Although he had begun farming and raising cattle, Annie didn't want to move to the country. Lee established a wholesale gasoline agency, representing Gulf Oil Company and, later, Sinclair Refining Company until the late 1940's. He also built and operated a cotton platform between his office building and their home. After the birth of their boy, Annie devoted her energy toward the caring of their son, their home, and her flowers. She, along with her family, had joined the Presbyterian Church in Caldwell to be with Dr. & Mrs. McLean, her sister. Lee, reared a Methodist, later joined the Presbyterian Church with Annie and D.L., their son.

Lee, like his father before him, was

active in the life of the community. He was appointed to the board of the Caldwell Public School in 1919 and served through 1930. It was during his term as president of the board that the third public school building in Caldwell was constructed in 1922.

When the depression hit in 1929, Lee suffered severe losses in investments

and in his farming operation. In addition to this, his gasoline customers had a very hard time paying their accounts. He believed in them, though, and said he never lost any money there. He refused to give his creditors the opportunity to foreclose on his property and eventually paid every dime that he owed, in the late 1940's. He and Annie always lived simply-she was very frugal, and Lee was content to stay in Burleson County and work from daylight to dusk-and they were able to send D.L. to college when he graduated from high school.

After he sold his gasoline agency, Lee devoted his time to his cattle, and until he was eighty-five rode horseback regularly, checking the pastures. He died on September 15, 1964 and was buried in the Masonic Cemetery in Caldwell. Annie, who had never stayed alone in her life, determined to live by herself, and did, until she had to have a companion. In November, 1972, she left her home for the last time, subsequently spending ten months in Goodnight Memorial Hospital and the remaining months in the local nursing home until her death on February 10, 1975. She was buried beside her husband in the Masonic Cemetery.

PHILIP ALFORD, SR.

Philip Alford, Sr. was the youngest of six children of Halcut Alford and Mary Jane Scott Alford. He was born August 17, 1898 in Burleson County and lived his life there with exception of short intervals. He was to wear the name of Philip named for his grandfather, Philip B. Scott. (His brother and sisters are named in other sources). The Scott family was a part of the first settlers in Burleson County.

Dora Stubbs and Philip Alford, Sr. were married around 1918-1920. A son was born to this union, and named Philip Jr. In 1944 Philip Alford, Sr. and Mrs. Bertie Hall Davis were married. Bertie brought with her a daughter, Barbara Davis age 10. In 1945, Philip and Bertie had a daughter, Evonne Lynne Alford. Elizabeth (Lizzie) Alford, Philip's older sister lived with this group to make up the family group.

After Philip, Jr. served in World War II, he and Virginia Jones (daughter of Moody and Byrdie Jones of Caldwell) were married. To this union were born five children—three boys and two girls. Of course the first son had to be Philip III.

Evonne Alford [AAFA #130] married Duncan Salmons, and had a son. His name became Philip Andrus Salmons. So on and on with the name of "Philip". This one is 7 years of age and lives in Aransas Pass, Texas. The families of Philip Jr. [AAFA #317] and his son Philip III [AAFA #153] live in Lewisville, Ark. Of course, Philip Scott and Philip Alford, Sr. are deceased.

Miss Lizzie Alford died Sept. 18, 1968, which began the break-up of this Alford family. Then Philip, Sr. died on April 3, 1970. None of this family group lives in Burleson County at present. Barbara married C.J. Zapalac. They have a daughter and son and live in Houston. Bertie (Philip Sr.'s wife) lives in Rosenberg, Texas. —Mrs. Bertie Alford

THIRD GENERATION D.L. ALFORD, JR. AAFA #54

D.L. and Catherine Grace Alford. daughter of James W. and Cornelia Kellogg Guynes, were married on December 26, 1939 in Franklin, Texas. Both are native Texans. D.L., a fifth generation Texan, is a descendant of Joseph and Elizabeth Bruce Scott and their son, Philip Bruce, who came to Texas from Tennessee in 1831 to join Sterling C. Robertson's Colony in what is now Burleson County. Catherine, a fourth generation Texan, is descended from Simon W. and Caroline Tiebout Kellogg, who emigrated to Texas from New Harmony, Indiana in 1840 and settled in Wheelock, Robertson County. The Scotts were farmers; the Kelloggs were merchants. D.L. was born in his parents' home, which is still standing at 703 West Buck Street: Catherine was born in her Grandmother Kellogg's home in Franklin, and that house is still standing. Her paternal grandfather, Samuel B. Guynes, came to Texas from Mississippi in 1872, traveling by horseback. When he arrived in the "Little Mississippi" Community in Robertson County, his clothes were tied in a roll behind his back, and he had fifty cents left in his pocket. Her mother's father, Henry Pelham Kellogg, fought in the last land engagement of the Civil War, at Palmito Ranch, and in 1869 rode the Goodnight-Loving Cattle Trail as far as the Rio Hondo in New Mexico.

D.L. attended the public schools in Caldwell, graduating in 1932, and entered Baylor University, Waco. The depression was in full swing, so D.L. was very pleased to receive a scholarship in the Golden Wave Band to help pay his tuition. In addition to this, he joined a dance orchestra to earn extra money. When he was a sophomore, he took over the leadership of the orchestra, and thereafter they became known as "Dan Alford and his Varsitonians". They played for dances (off campus!) and in various restaurants and hotels for their meals: during the summer months they played "one night stands" throughout central and south Texas. In the summer of 1933, D.L.'s father loaned them his old Chrysler for an engagement in the Rio Grande Valley. The boys liked to tell about the night the car broke down between the towns of Alice and Edna. They always said they slept between Alice and Edna! D.L. and his Varsitonians were "on the road" for six months after he graduated from Baylor, but at the end of that time, he decided against becoming a professional musician and returned to Caldwell. Early in January, 1937, he entered the life insurance business; in March following, he became a property and casualty underwriter as well, licensed as "D.L. Alford, Jr., Insurance".

Catherine attended public schools in Franklin, Dickinson, Calvert, Putnam, and Big Lake, where she graduated from high school. She, too, entered Baylor in 1931, but although she and D.L. were both enrolled in the university in the fall of 1932, they never met. Catherine left Baylor after the first quarter, 1932, and went to work in the bank in Big Lake, where her parents were living. Later, she worked in the First State Bank in Franklin until she began teaching in Mumford in January, 1937. Between school terms, she attended Texas University. D.L. and Catherine were introduced by his uncle, Robert Alford, whose children were attending Mumford School. After their marriage, Catherine continued teaching in Mumford until they moved into the middle portion of their present home in May, 1940.

Their sons, Daniel Lee III [AAFA #170] and James Joseph [AAFA #58], were born in 1940 and 1944, respec-

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tively. Shortly after Jim was born, D.L. joined the American Red Cross as a field director. He trained in Washington, D.C. and was stationed in Missouri and San Antonio, Texas. In the meantime, Catherine obtained licenses for life and property and casualty insurance and managed the agency until D.L. returned home. He liked her work so well that she wasn't able to get rid of her job; she has been associated with him in the agency since that time. In 1962, D.L. and Catherine built The Surrey Inn, a motel and restaurant located at the intersection of State Highways 21 and 36. [See "Alfords in the News" in this issue.]

D.L. is a lifetime member of the First Presbyterian Church in Caldwell. Catherine, reared a Methodist, elected to remain in that denomination and is a member of the First United Methodist Church. Both support each other's denomination; Catherine has laughingly referred to herself as a Presbyterian Methodist, and D.L. as a Methodist Presbyterian, for years. She has been a member of the Caldwell P.T.A., the Band Boosters Club, the Caldwell Woman's Club, the Caldwell Garden Club, and is presently a member of the Friends of the Library and the Burleson County Historical Commission. In addition to this, she is a member of the Mayflower Society, the Daughters of the American Revolution, and the Daughters of the Republic of Texas, D.L. has served as a director of the East Texas Chamber of Commerce, the Brazos Valley Development Council, and an alderman for the City of Caldwell from 1951 to 1977. He is a member of the Burleson County Industrial Foundation, the Caldwell Rotary Club, the Sons of the Republic of Texas, and various professional organizations. He is also a director of the Caldwell National Bank and Goodnight Memorial Hospital.

Both their sons, much to their parents' joy, live in Caldwell. Lee, after graduating from Caldwell High School, attended Texas University for three years and then came home, announcing that he didn't need a degree to raise cattle. In December, 1962, he and Mary Agnes Collerain of Houston were married, and they have two sons, Daniel Lee IV and Michael Bruce. Jim, who is associated with his parents in D.L. Alford, Jr. & Company, also graduated from Caldwell High School and Texas A&M University. In June, 1979, he and Kathryn Lurene (Kathy) Burgess were married in Port Lavaca.

Catherine, D.L., and Jim are operating the insurance agency in the building Lee Alford, Sr. built in the 1920's to house his gasoline agency. Lee III, the rancher, is raising cattle on land that his Greatgreat-grandfather Scott bought in 1872; this land was accepted for registration in the Texas Family Land Heritage Registry, 1974, by the Texas Department of Agriculture. Jim and Kathy have elected to live in the house that his grandparents, Lee and Annie, built in 1905. So, in many ways, D.L., Catherine, and their family are carrying on customs and traditions begun by their ancestors during the days of the Republic of Texas.

FOURTH GENERATION DANIEL LEE ALFORD III AAFA #170

The families of Lee and Mary Alford have a long Texas heritage. Lee's paternal ancestry in Texas dates back to 1831 and to 1837 in Burleson County. Lee is a member of The Sons of the Republic of Texas by right of lineal descent from Philip Bruce Scott, early settler of Burleson County and veteran of the Texas Revolution. Lee's mother's family came to Texas in 1840. On his mother's side Lee is descended from five members of the Mayflower Colony. Mary's paternal ancestors were also early immigrants to Texas during the mid 1800's, principally through the port of New Orleans, Louisiana from Ireland, England, and Germany. Her maternal

ancestors came to America beginning in the early 1700's, but the records presently available are not complete as to the exact dates; they came to Texas during the late 1800's.

Lee is a lifetime resident of Caldwell and Burleson County, graduating from Caldwell High School in 1959. Mary's parents are Joseph Bernard and Mary Alice Beaver Collerain; she was born and grew up in Houston, Texas, where she graduated from parochial school system in 1958. Lee and Mary both attended the University of Texas at Austin, where they met. Lee studied Finance and Accounting and played football for the Texas Longhorns; Mary received her degree in English and History and is a member of Delta Gamma Sorority. They were married December 22, 1962 and have made Caldwell their home. Lee has been a rancher in Burleson County throughout his adult life. Mary began teaching at Caldwell High School in 1971.

Lee enjoys reminiscing to his family about life in Caldwell during his youth. He recalls that in the early 1940's Buck and Fox Streets were the only paved streets in Caldwell and that automobiles were few. This afforded him the privilege of traveling about town horseback at a rather young age. For him to dismount, he had to he sure someone was nearby to help him up again. To his parents' dismay, he often "disappeared" astride "Old Dobbin," his first horse, one which his Grandfather Alford had given to him. Lee's mother relates the story of one such disappearance on a day she was to accompany D.L. to a meeting out-oftown. Since Lee was nowhere to be found.... After much inquiry and direction-giving, they found Lee at the slaughterhouse, then located south on Highway 36, happily watching the day's activities. They had missed the meeting.

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Charles Alford of Tennessee

By Gil Alford, Executive Director

have been corresponding with Mrs. Sarah H. McEachern of Loudon, TN, AAFA #53, since 1983. She was one of the first subscribers to my old About Alfords newsletter. In 1984 she wrote "Thanks to your publication I found my g-ggrandfather. Hazel Rea, Buffalo Mo, answered my Query. I have been looking for the fellow for 30 years." Hazel Rea is AAFA #060 and also a long time correspondent. It was through Sarah that her nephew, Benjamin F. Alford, Jr., heard about the association- and now he is our president.

Even before hearing from Sarah I had received, in January 1983, a short letter and "Alford Lineage Chart" from Carl and Eva Larson of Kettering, OH not AAFA members and not heard from for over ten years. Their lineage provided basic vital statistical data on a CHARLES ALFORD born 1790 in North Carolina, a son and a grandson and all their spouses. Their data was entered in what is now the AAFA master data file and no connecting families were found at that time.

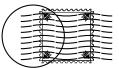
A number of member lineages were published in *AAFA* ACT*ION* June 1989. One was for Joann Allen AAFA #140 whose ultimate Alford ancestor was a CHARLES ALFORD, but my computer system and I were not smart enough to see a connection with the information sent by the Larsons six years earlier. In September 1989 Sarah wrote the following letter and enclosed the other letters printed below. As you will see she sent a copy of the material she sent to me to Joann Allen whose more recent Alfords were in Macoupin County, IL.

In December 1991 we heard, via Prodigy, from Keith Morehead, an attorney in Chicago who was looking for his Macoupin County 2nd great grandmother MARY ANN ALFORD. With data previously received from three other sources we were able to add two generations to his Alford lineage and provide considerable information on the family. Keith is AAFA #468.

Sarah McEachern is not from this branch of the family, and she and many other members would dearly love to know more about their JOHN ALFORD who was born about 1787 in North Carolina and who apparently moved soon thereafter to Tennessee. We also don't know any more about CHARLES ALFORD who was born about 1790 in North Carolina.

We have never had the pleasure of meeting Sarah in person. She is busy like so many of us and once wrote "I am 'to my eyeballs in alligators' so this will be short." Maybe she will be able to shake off those alligators long enough to drop down to Decatur, AL next year. It is not all that far as the crow files. Likewise we have never met Hazel Rea, and when we meet in Springfield, MO in 1996 we will be practically at her front door. Maybe we can see her and some of the Buffalo Alfords at that time.

Now the "success story" items.



P. O. Box 343 Loudon, Tennessee 37774 1 August 1989

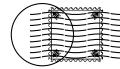
Dear Gil,

Sorry! I thought I had sent you the information on Charles Alford, Roane

Co. Tenn. I am also mailing a copy to Joann Allen, Girard, Ill.

I am still at a loss on my John Alford 1787 NC, but I am still searching—

Sincerely,



Sarah H. McEachern

4525 West Walnut Soquel, California 95073 2 July 1976

Dear Mr. or Mrs. Alford:

Recently when I was in the San Francisco Library I came upon a book of family bibles in Tennessee. I am doing Alford family research myself, and was pleased to find pages of a Bible copied from one belonging to Carl Alford from Lenoir City, TN.

My great–great grandfather Charles Alford lived near Philadelphia, Tenn. which at that time (1840–1850) was part of Roane County.

I noticed that many of the Alford names listed in the Bible also appear in my family, such as Charles, Benjamin, Mary, Martha, William and Robert.

I found in the 1850 Census for Roane County, Tenn., John Alford, age 64, and his wife Jane, age 58, both from North Carolina. They had five children, Luisa, Thomas, Margaret, Rebecca and Alexander, all born in Tennessee. Was this family related to you? My great–great grandfather Charles also lived in Roane Co. at that time. He was 61 years old and was also from North Carolina. I think he and John were brothers although I have no proof of that. Charles had a daughter

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named Rebecca also and a son William Alexander. My grandfather was	Tipton Alford had seven children. They were:	tion, and finally as neighbors on the 1850 census of Roane County.
Thomas Alford so again there is a		
similarity in names.	William — wife: Jane Riddle, died in Macoupin Co., Illinois	On the early East Tennessee Tax lists (1801–1820), John Alford appears
From what I've been able to discover	John C. — wife: Sarah Maddy, died	being taxed for property on Town
in records, Charles Alford left North	Macoupin Co., Illinois	Creek which is not far from the
Carolina shortly after 1800 and settled	Mathew Nelson — wife: Martha C.	property that Charles Alford and
in East Tennessee. I think he had 2	Young, died Hayward, Calif. 1868.	Robert Cannon were witness to (see
brothers, John and William. At	Mashack T. — (See Biographical	attached map). Could he have been related to Charles?
different times he lived in Knox, Sevier, Monroe and Roane Counties.	Sketches below) Robert — Moved to Arlington, Texas	related to Charles?
He lived in Limestone Co., Alabama	from Macoupin Co., Illinois	I have no further information on
between 1820–1830 where my great	between 1860–70	Limestone County, Alabama other than
grandfather Mathew was born, but	Rachael Rebecca — Married George	the fact that Charles Alford and his
moved back to East Tennessee where	Riddle	father–in–law Mashack Tipton appear
he lived until 1850 near Philadelphia. About 1850 several of the Alfords	Sarah — Married B.S. Riley	on the 1819–1820 census.
moved to Macoupin Co., Southern	My great-grandfather Mathew Nelson	I couldn't locate Robert C. Alford on
Illinois to continue farming. My great-	Alford married Martha C. Young in	the 1850 Roane Co. census. I will
grandfather Mathew left Illinois about	McMinn Co., Tenn. in 1848. They had	check further in other counties and see
1863 and settled here in Northern California.	six children. They were:	if I can locate him.
cumornia.	Charles — Killed Battle of Shiloh	I hope some of this information will be
If anyone in your family is interested	1862	useful to you. Please let me know if
in, or has any information concerning Alford family history, I would sure like	William Alexander — Shot and killed San Francisco 1892	you piece anything together. I will be anxious to hear from you.
to hear from them.	John Wesley — Policeman shot and	
I've tried to find out what part of North	killed Watsonville, Calif., 1897	Sincerely, James (Jim) Alford
I've tried to find out what part of North Carolina the family is from but so far	Julia Evaline — Died Marysville, Calif., 1931	James (Jim) Anord
have been unsuccessful.	Thomas Newton — (grandfather) Died	*****
have been unsuccessful.	Santa Cruz, Calif., 1928	BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES
Sincerely,	Richard Gates — Died Hayward,	(from unknown book/s)
James (Jim) Alford	Calif., age 1 1/2 yrs	
Damming		M.T. ALFORD
	Could your grandfather Charles	
	Franklin Alford have been named for	This gentleman, a view of whose farm
	Charles Frank Alford who died in Macoupin Co., Illinois? I have attached	and residence appears on another page,
_	a military record showing Charles F.	is a native of Sevier County, Tennes-
28 July 1976	Alford, born in Georgia, 18 years of	see, where he was born May 22, 1828.
	age, enlisting in the Civil War from	His ancestors were from North
Dear Mrs. McEachern:	Macoupin County. You said that your	Carolina. His father was Charles Alford, and his mother's maiden name
Thank you for answering my letter and	grandfather's brother Alex lived in Georgia. Could there be a connection	was Mary Tipton. Mr. Alford was the
for the information you sent. Your	there?	fifth of a family of seven children. His
information raises some questions that		birth-place was on Little Pigeon river,
I hope we can eventually answer.	Was your great-grandfather Robert	in Sevier County, and when about a
- •	Cannon Alford named after Robert	year old, his father moved to Roane County, Tennessee. He settled two
First I'll try to supply the information	Cannon? My g. g. grandfather Charles	miles from the town of Philadelphia, in
you asked for regarding Charles and	and Robert Cannon appear as wit-	what is known as the Sweetwater
Mathani's shildren My great great	naccos on a Know Co. dood in 1909 on	

nesses on a Knox Co. deed in 1808, on

a later Roane County property transac-

Mathew's children. My great–great grandfather Charles Alford and Mary

valley, where he was raised. He had

very poor advantages in the way of

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obtaining an education. His father was the owner of considerable land, but kept his children at work; instead of sending them to school. Mr. Alford attended school only a few months, and the most of the instruction he received was imparted by his father, who was a man of considerable knowledge and information. He was brought up to habits of industry, and has always known what it was to work. He remained at home until his marriage, which occurred in May 1849, to Rebecca Edwards, who was born and raised in Roane County, Tennessee. He removed to Illinois the next year after his marriage, (1850) and settled in North Palmyra township. He rented land until February 3d, 1861, at which time he purchased sixty acres, in Scottville township, where he lived until March, 1865, when he moved to the place where he now lives, in section 30, North Palmyra township. He owns 280 acres, three eighties of which lie in section 19, twenty in section 30, and twenty in section 29. He has been one of the substantial farmers of Palmyra township. His first wife died in June, 1869. His second marriage occurred in November, 1869, to Susan M. Sercy, who was born in Spencer County, Kentucky, and was the daughter of Fieldon H. Sercy. He has nine children-William, Charles, Robert, Benjamin, Caleb, Sarah, Martha, Rosa and Bertha. The last five are by his second wife. William went to Kansas in the spring of 1879, where he is now engaged in farming. Charles is farming in Scottville township. Mr. Alford was raised an old line whig, and cast his first vote for president for Scott, in 1852. Afterwards he became a democrat. Mr. Alford is a man who stands well in his community, and is one whose name deserves a place in this work. His father came to Scottville township in 1850 and died there in 1858. His mother died there a year or two after.

ROBERT E. ALFORD

A lifelong resident of Macoupin county, Robert E. Alford, of North Otter township, can claim intimate acquaintance with the resources of this section, and a well kept farm of more than four hundred and sixty acres is evidence of his good judgement and sound business ability. He was born October 21, 1855, a son of M.T. and Rebecca (Edwards) Alford, both of whom were natives of Tennessee. They arrived in Illinois in 1850. With nothing to depend upon but a good constitution and an indomitable will to make a creditable name for himself among his fellowmen, M. T. Alford lived to witness his early dreams realized. He became a leading farmer of Macoupin county and acquired three hundred and seventy-three acres, which yielded a generous annual harvest. The mother of our subject died in June, 1869, when he was thirteen years of age. In their family were nine children, namely: William, who is now living in southwestern Kansas; Charles F., of Clay county, Nebraska; George who is deceased; Robert E., of this review; Benjamin F., who died in 1880; Martha, Samuel and Mary, all of whom have passed away; and Caleb C., who lives in Macoupin county. The father was again married, his second wife being Susan Mary Searsey, and by this union eight children were born: Sarah, the widow of William Vogel, who lived near Palmyra; Martha, who married John Angle, of Carlinville; Rosa, who is the wife of H. A. Whithorn and lives near Mount Ayr, Iowa; Joseph of Nilwood, Illinois; John and Bertha, both of whom are deceased; Oliver Pritchett, of Kentucky; and Cleveland H. of Nilwood. The father of these children lived to an advanced age and died May 21, 1906.

Robert E. Alford attended the public schools and continued assisting his father upon the home farm until

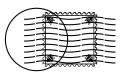
twenty-seven years of age. He then began renting land on his own account, starting with one hundred and eighty acres, but he increased his operations and cultivated two hundred and twenty acres for a number of years. At the end of eleven years he purchased two hundred acres, which he later sold, and then bought one hundred and sixty acres on section 25, North Otter township, where he has made his home since 1895, and to which he has added three hundred acres. He is a general farmer and stock-raiser and through good business management has prospered financially so that he now enjoys ease and comfort as the result of many years of wisely directed effort.

On the 26th of March 1884, Mr. Alford was married to Miss Mary E. Ballard, a daughter of Wiley and Elizabeth (Brodmarkle) Ballard. The father was a native of Illinois and the mother of Maryland. In their family were three children: John H., who is deceased; Mary, now Mrs. Robert E. Alford; and Charles W., who lives in Girard. One child, Alma B., has been born to Mr. and Mrs. Alford. She is the wife of Alvah O. England, of Macoupin county, and is now living at home with her parents, being the mother of one child, Maurine, who was born July 27, 1906.

Politically Mr. Alford gives his allegiance to the democratic party. He has taken the interest of an intelligent and wide-awake citizen in local affairs and for fourteen years has served as county supervisor, a position he has filled to the general satisfaction of taxpayers irrespective of their party affiliation. He has also held various other offices of responsibility, evincing a fidelity to trust that has gained for him many friends throughout the county. He is a stanch supporter of worthy causes and his religious belief is indicated by membership in the Methodist church.

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6017 Medlin Hgts. Rd. Knoxville, Tenn. 37918 26 June 1979

Dear Mrs. Pennington,

I am looking for information concerning my ancestors who came into East Tennessee from North Carolina in 1805 or 1806. I understand your maiden name was Alford and that you are from the Lenior City Alfords who are apparently of the same branch. I would appreciate any information you might have. Following is a brief outline of our history as I know it.

Great Great Grandfather Charles was born in North Carolina in 1789. He and a brother or cousin John were located in Knox Co. Tenn. in 1806. They later lived in Blount County. John moved to Roane County (later Loudon Co.) and Charles followed in 1830 after living in Alabama and Sevier County, Tenn. Great Grandfather Robert was born in Philadelphia (Tenn.) in 1833. Charles moved to Palmyra Co. Ill. in 1850 and died 1858. Robert followed in 1856 and Grandfather Robert was born in 1869. The family moved to Arlington, Texas in 1878 and back to Tennessee in 1880 after Great grandfather Robert died. My father Paul was born at Hoods Landing near Kingston, Tenn. in 1898 and I was born at Hoods Landing in 1928.

Again I would appreciate you sharing of any information you might have. Thank you.

Sincerely Thomas J. "Jack" Alford ◆

Two John Alfords of VA/WV

By Lynn Shelley, #484, WV State Rep

ince the article that appeared in the Spring 1994 AAFA ACTION, "John Alford, ca1740-1796/ 1809", p.48 was written, much has been discovered about the John Alfords referred to in that article. There were two John Alford families involved (discussed under I and II below). We have not found a relationship between the two except the marriage of Margaret Alford of the first family to John Alford of the second family in Rockingham County in 1799. The presence of both families in the same area at the same time, similarities in naming of children, and the fact that both Johns wrote wills that were probated in Monroe or Rockingham Counties, 1809-1810, help explain some of the past confusion concerning these two families.

In 1784 there were two John Alfords on the Rockingham Co. VA tax lists. Both had fairly large families (9 white souls and 10 white souls). There were still two Johns (and a William) who appeared in 1787 in Rockingham tax list "B", one with no males 16-21 and the other with 2 males 16-21 in addition to the head of household. In 1788 one of these families was still in Rockingham Co., but the other had moved to Greenbrier County, part of which became Monroe Co. VA in 1799 and Monroe County WV in 1863.

I. JOHN ALFORD OF AUGUSTA/ ROCKINGHAM CO., VA (C1735?-1809)

In 1788 in Rockingham County, there was a John Alford with son Benjamin and a John Alford Jr., who was evidently over 21. This may or may not indicate that John had just turned 21. In 1792, John Alford was listed with sons Robert and Benjamin still living at home. John Jr. was no longer listed. John Sr. owned 180 acres of land in 1789 which seems to have been on Mill Creek just north of the town of Cross Keys. The will of this John, dated or probated 25 Oct. 1809 in Rockingham Co. VA, seems to have burned and is no longer available; however, several deeds referring to this will help determine some of the members of this family. Census records, tax records and these deeds suggest that John's wife was Nancy and that they had the following children [birth order not necessarily correct]. Those marked with an asterisk lived in Greenbrier or Monroe Co. VA at some time. More is known about those who lived in this area.

- i. John born c1755, Monaghan, Ireland [for more discussion about this John, see below]
- ii. *Thomas born 1756-60, Ireland; died 1831, Rockingham Co. VA. He married Betsy [Elizabeth?] Mellon/Melling, Botetourt Co. VA, 29 Sept 1796 and lived Greenbrier, Botetourt, Rockingham Co.VA.
- iii. Nancy born 1758-60??, Ireland??; died after 1816, remained single.
- iv. *George born 1763, Ireland; died by 1830, Cabell Co. VA. He married Mary Byrnside, Greenbrier Co. VA, 14 Feb 1793 and lived Harrison?,Greenbrier/ Monroe,Cabell Co.VA.
- v. *Elizabeth born 1765, Ireland/ VA?; died 15 Feb/Apr 1841, Greenbrier Co. VA. She married John Boon, Rockingham Co. VA, 1785.
- vi. *Joseph born c1767, Ireland??; died by 1819, Monroe Co. VA. He married Jean/Jennie Gwin, Greenbrier Co. VA, 05 Nov 1792 and lived Greenbrier/Monroe Co. VA.
- vii. *Benjamin born 1772, Augusta

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Co.VA??; enlisted in War of 1812 in Feb. 1813 and died Dec. 1813, Canada. He lived Monroe Co. VA, enlisted from Greenbrier.

- viii. *Margaret born 1774, Augusta Co.
 VA; died 1840-1850, Monroe Co.
 VA. She married John Alford, Rockingham Co. VA, 10 Oct 1799.
- ix. Robert born 1776, Augusta Co.VA. He may have lived in Shenandoah Co. VA.
- x. *Henry born 1778, Augusta/ Rockingham Co. VA. He married Eleanor Melling/Mellon, Botetourt Co. VA, 09 Aug 1802; left Greenbrier/Monroe Co. area, 1835.
- xi. *Sarah born 1780, Rockingham Co. VA; died after 1860, Rockingham Co. VA. She married Abraham Funk, Rockingham Co. VA, 15 Oct 1798 and lived Augusta Co., Greenbrier Co., Rockingham Co.VA.

This family seems to have come from Ireland to Augusta Co. VA by 1774 at which time John Alford donated shoe buckles, whisky, compasses and buttons to the cause of the American patriots. It is not known which children were born in Ireland, but sons of Thomas and George claimed their fathers were foreign-born in the 1870 census. The family seems to have several members who were weavers (John Sr.) or tailors (John Jr. and Thomas). Other than farmers, occupations of the other sons are not known. All seemed to be landowners at some time.

Where were Thomas, George, and Joseph in the the 1787 tax lists? George was probably in Greenbrier Co. having bought land there in 1786. As a tailor, did Thomas travel from place to place? Was the male aged 16-21 who was taxed with Thomas in Monroe Co. in 1793 a son by an earlier marriage or an apprentice? Was his first marriage at age 36-40? After his father's death, why was he the only son who returned to Rockingham to live? The John Jr. of the above family is the major remaining problem concerning these families. Is he the 27year-old private from Rockingham Co. in the militia at Albemarle Court House in 1782 (I have assumed this to be true)? Is he the John Alford with George Alford in Harrison Co. VA in 1784 tax lists? This John was on Randolph Co. VA tax lists in 1787 and then may have migrated to Madison Co. KY (VA until 1792) where he married a second wife-Nancy Alumbaugh, also from Greenbrier Co. VA. The question is-did he go back to Rockingham Co. where he was on the 1788 tax list before going to Kentucky? If not, who is the John Jr. in the 1788 tax lists? The John who went to Madison Co. KY died there by 1801, and seems to have had two daughters by this second wife and two children by a previous marriage (Fielding and Elizabeth Alford). Who was the first wife? There is also another John Alford in Lincoln Co. KY at this same time, who also came from VA and was a Rev. War veteran. In deeds involving the above family (I), the John who was the son-in- law seems to be the only John mentioned in the will. Was John Jr. deceased or just out of the picture by 1816 when the deeds were written?

II. JOHN OF AUGUSTA/ ROCKINGHAM/ GREENBRIER/MONROE COUNTIES, VA (c1750-1795)

The other John Alford family from Rockingham had moved to Greenbrier Co. VA, by 1788. John and wife Jean had sold land in Rockingham Co. by February, 1787, but were still living in Rockingham when the tax list was made. The father John Alford seems to have died by 1796. His will was written 2 July 1794 in Greenbrier Co. but was not probated until 1810 (in Monroe Co. which was formed from part of Greenbrier in 1799). It reads as follows:

WILL OF JOHN ALFORD MONROE CO. VA (now WV) WILL BOOK 1, pp. 174-176

Will made Greenbrier Co. VA July, 1794 Probated Monroe Co. VA, June, 1810

In the name of God, Amen. Being indisposed and weak in body but of a perfect mind and sound of memory and I thank God for it, I do make this my last will and Testament, hereby making void all other and former wills by me made, either by word or in writing and this to be taken for my last will and no other.

Impremis: My will is for my three sons, Thomas, John and James to have my lands. My son Thomas to have that part whereon he now lives, John to have his part next Dixon, James to have that part whereon I now live and all the improvements thereunto belonging, all but the camp field. And that Thomas is to have, the land to be equally divided betwixt them three.

I bequeath to my loving wife Jane Alford the third of all that shall be raised on the said plantation by my son for her maintenance. I bequeath to my three daughters Margaret, Sarah and Jane Alford a feather bed apiece to be paid by Thomas, John and James Alford, and it is my will that Thomas is to give my daughter Amy [Anny?] a new woman saddle and my son John and James is to give her a beast worth two pounds and my son Thomas to school my daughter Jane and my son John to school my daughter Margaret. And James is to school my daughter Sarah and my son Thos. is to pay 3 pounds 6 shillings and nine pence the last payment of the land.

I bequeath to my daughter Mary Alford one cow to be given her by her mother and the remain of my Estate to be at the disposal of my loving wife Jane Alford and I hereby make and appoint my loving wife Jane Alford Executrix and my loving son John Alford Executor of this my last will and Testament, hereby revoke all and disannul void all former wills and bequeaths by me made and declare this only to be my last will and Testament. In witness I have hereunto set my hand and seal this second day of July one thousand seven hundred and ninty four. I bequeath to my loving wife her choice of the sugar camps during her natural life.

Witnesses: John Alford his mark Owen Ellis John Eagon Robt. Johnson

This is probably the family with 10 white souls in 1784. This John Alford is the one who is often listed as the son of the John Alford of the 1748 Frederick Co. VA Will. Although this is a possibility, no proof of this has been found. Descendants of this family with which I have corresponded literally extend from coast to coast.

Jane Alford was a landowner until 1801 when she no longer appeared on tax lists. She probably died shortly thereafter or at least was living with one of her children until her death. All of the children lived in the Greenbrier/Monroe County area, even though several marriages occurred in other counties. The children of this union, all listed in the will, are as follows:

i. Thomas born 1771, probably Augusta Co. VA; died 2 Jul 1853, Wolf Creek, Monroe Co. VA. He married (1) Phoebe Cummins, Botetourt Co. VA, 12 Oct 1793. He married (2)Elizabeth Scott, Monroe Co. VA, 24 Sep 1837.

- ii. John born 1773, probably Augusta Co. VA; died 15 Apr 1853, Wolf Creek, Monroe Co. VA. He married Margaret Alford (dau. John? Alford of Augusta/ Rockingham Co. VA—one record says Henry??), Rockingham Co.VA, 10 Oct 1799.
- iii. Mary (Polly)?Ann? born c1775, probably Augusta Co.VA; died 1820's? KY? She married John Sallards/Sellards?, Greenbrier Co. VA, 22 Sep 1794 [records list John Sellard's wife as "Annie"].
- iv. Anne born 1777, probably Augusta Co. VA; died after 1843. She married Charles Keenan, Greenbrier Co. VA, 23 Jun 1798.
- v. James born 1779, probably Rockingham Co. VA; died by 1830, Monroe Co. VA. He married Nancy Hines/Hinds, Monroe Co. VA, 03 Feb 1806.
- vi. Sarah born c1781, Rockingham Co. VA. She married Joseph Ellis, Monroe Co. VA 30 May 1803.
- vii. Margaret (Peggy) born c1783, Rockingham Co. VA. A Margaret/Elizabeth Alford married David Jarrett—marriage bond 22 Dec 1802, marriage 24 Dec 1802, Monroe Co. A Peggy Alford married Jacob Jarrett Jr.—marriage bond 27 Jan 1804, marriage 02 Feb 1804, Monroe Co. WERE THESE THE SAME WOMAN??? Were the husbands brothers??
- viii. Jane/Jean born c1784, Rockingham Co. VA; died by 1814? [husband remarried]. She married William Hines/Hinds, Monroe Co. VA, 31 Jul 1806.

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Lee remembers that Big Pop, his family's name for his grandfather, was always good for an Indian-head nickel so that he could buy a big Buchanan Orange Drink at Berndt's store, located next to Overby Lumber Company. He also remembers that when the troop trains passed through Caldwell during World War II, they would stop at the Santa Fe depot. The boys in town could earn a little money running up to Berndt's store to buy soda waters for the soldiers.

But his favorite pastime of all was tagging along at his grandfather's heels, especially if he was going to the pasture. Mr. Lee, as he was known to many, made little effort to hide the pleasure this gave him as well. In those days, cattle were taken to market in Fort Worth by truck. Riding in the big bob-tail truck was always an important event in Lee's young life. So was the annual Burleson County Fair, one of the year's most important local events, just as it is today for Lee's sons.

Mary's father was at first apprehensive about how she would adjust to living in a small, rural community since she had always lived in the city. She assured him that Caldwell was different: she believed it had a certain vital spark that set it apart from many others. In the seventeen years they have been married, Lee and Mary have been very interested in the growth and development of Caldwell. They have always felt that Burleson County is a wonderful place to raise a family.

Their older son, Daniel Lee Alford IV [AAFA #166], was born in Caldwell February 15, 1964; on the day he left the hospital, a group picture was taken of the four generations named Daniel Lee Alford, all born and reared in Burleson County. Their younger son, Michael Bruce Alford, was born here on January 17, 1966.... Lee IV and Bruce are proud to be seventh generation residents of Burleson County. \clubsuit AAFA ACTION

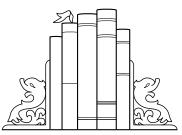
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Booklist Additions

Compiled by Pamela Thompson, Publications Director

The Booklist is a compilation of references to Alfords (and spelling variations) contained in books and some periodicals. Entries are organized by state and county. 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 brief description (and sometimes the complete listing) of what information about the person is contained on the page.

AAFA has the pages listed. To obtain copies that interest you, write to AAFA Librarian Nancy Dietrich, P.O. Box 1838, Westport, WA 98595. If you would like a copy of the current Booklist, ordering information is listed in the "Back Issues Available" box in each issue. If you'd like to contribute to the Booklist, xeroxed pages of books may be sent to AAFA. Don't forget the title page, pertinent introductions and other interpretative material, index pages showing Alfords and variations, and any other pages you think will help understand the contents. Be sure to check for spelling variations: ALFRED, ALLFORD, ALVORD, etc.



KENTUCKY

Statewide or Multiple Counties

• Green, Karen Mauer. *THE KENTUCKY GAZETTE*, 1787– 1800, Genealogical and Historical Abstracts. Baltimore, MD: Gateway Press, Inc., 1983. Title page, Preface, Index, and all pages that list Alfords or variations: **Jacob**, 246 (3 Oct 1799, letter at Lexington post office for "Jacob Alford in Garrard County"); **John ALLFORD**, 67 (29 Aug 1792, found mare in Lincoln Co.).

• Green, Karen Mauer. *THE KENTUCKY GAZETTE, 1801–1820, Genealogical and Historical Abstracts.* Baltimore, MD: Gateway Press, Inc., 1985. Title page, Preface, Index, and the only page that lists Alfords or variations: **Fielding ALFRED**, 131 (5 Sept 1809, wife **Sarah ALFRED** left him and he won't pay her bills).

Mercer County-established from Lincoln, 1785

• Schreiner-Yantis, Netti and Florene Love. *THE PER-SONAL PROPERTY TAX LISTS FOR THE YEAR 1787 FOR MERCER COUNTY, VIRGINIA (NOW KENTUCKY).* Springfield, VA: Genealogical Books in Print, 1987. Title page, map, Index, and all pages that list Alfords (no variations): **Charles**, 1452 (on list of tithables), 1455 (on list of insolvents, sworn constable), 1467 (on Personal Property Tax for 1789 list), 1471 (called on 25 March 1787); **Hansel**?, 1452 (on list of tithables [see also King, *Abstract of Early Kentucky Wills and Inventories* for Hansil Alford in Mercer Co., KY]).

Trigg County-established from Christian, Caldwell, 1820

• Jackson, Ronald V., Gary R. Teeples, and David Schaefermeyer, eds. *INDEX TO KENTUCKY WILLS TO 1851, THE TESTATORS.* Bountiful, UT: Accelerated Indexing Systems, Inc., N.d. Title page and the following page that lists Alfords: **Nancy**, 1 (Trigg Co., 1847).

OHIO

<u>Holmes County</u>—established from Coshocton, Wayne, Tuscarawas, 1824

• Berry, Ellen Thomas and David A. Berry. *EARLY OHIO* SETTLERS, Purchasers of Land in East and East Central Ohio, 1800–1840. Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1989. Title page, Preface, and the only page that lists Alfords or variations: **Gurdon ALFRED**, 4 (1835 and 1836, Holmes Co.).

<u>Monroe County</u>—established from Belmont, Washington, Guernsey, 1813

• Fedorchak, Catharine Foreaker. *MONROE COUNTY, OHIO, GENEALOGICAL RECORDS, Vol. II.* Gary, IN: By the author, 1962–63. Title page, Table of Contents, Index, and the only page that lists Alfords (no variations): **Jonas**, 45 (d. 29 Dec 1859, in 75th year, published in *Spirit of Democracy* newspaper, Vol. 7, 1 Jan 1851).

VIRGINIA

Amherst County-est. from Albermarle, 1758

• Sweeny, William Montgomery. MARRIAGE BONDS AND OTHER MARRIAGE RECORDS OF AMHERST COUNTY,

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VIRGINIA 1763–1800. Lynchburg, VA: J.P Bell Co., 1937. Index, page containing male Alfords, and handwritten extract of female Alfords:

<u>Name</u>	Spouse	Date	Notes

Elizabeth William Waller Key 20 Dec 1790 NOTE: John Alford, Surety; William Alford gave consent Joseph Austin 3 June 1800 Jenny NOTE: William Alford, father of bride, gave consent John Elizabeth Bibb 2 March 1783 Mary Clark James Landrum 13 Dec 1787 NOTE: William Alford, Surety Milley John Crisp 16 Dec 1799 NOTE: William Alford gave consent Thomas Frances Crisp 10 Oct 1795 NOTE: John Crisp, brother of bride, swore his sister was 21 years old

Augusta County-est. from Orange, 1738-45

• Chalkley, Lyman. CHRONICLES OF THE SCOTCH-IRISH SETTLEMENT IN VIRGINIA, Extracted from the Original Court Records of Augusta County 1745–1800, Vol. II. Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1966. Title page, Contents, Index, and all pages that list Alfords or variations: William, 179 (22 March 1774, "no inhabitant"); John ALFALL, 215 (18 May 1780, tithable for road); George ALFRED, 422 (May 1811, "Fisher vs. Alfred— Contract, 1809, with George Alfred as schoolmaster"); John ALLFORD, 125 (17 Oct 1765, added to tithables); Henry AULFORD, 122 (20 Aug 1765, exempted from county levy).

• Chalkley, Lyman. CHRONICLES OF THE SCOTCH-IRISH SETTLEMENT IN VIRGINIA, Extracted from the Original Court Records of Augusta County 1745–1800, Vol. III. Baltimore, MD: Genealogical Publishing Co., 1966. Title page, Index, and the only page that lists Alfords (no variations): **Phoeby**, 226 (mentioned with no relationship in will of Robert Cummins, 23 Jan 1804).

<u>Frederick County</u>—established from Orange, Augusta, 1738–43

• King, J. Estelle Stewart. *ABSTRACTS OF WILLS, INVEN-TORIES, AND ADMINISTRATION ACCOUNTS OF FREDERICK COUNTY, VIRGINIA 1743–1800, With Cemetery Inscriptions, Rent Rolls, and Other Data.* Scottsdale, AZ: N. pub., 1961; reprint edition, Baltimore: Genealogical Publishing Co., Inc., 1982. Title page, Table of Contents, Index, and the only page that lists Alfords (no variations): John, 8 (will, 4 Jan 1748, proved 13 Nov 1748, "wife: Mary Adford [sic]. sons: John, to receive a negro boy (John not 19 years of age yet), **Thomas, William**. daughers: **Mary** Alford, **Aquilla** Alford, **Priscilla** Alford. Extrx; wife **Mary**.")

Lancaster County—established from Northumberland, York, 1651

• Nottingham, Stratton. *THE MARRIAGE LICENSE BONDS OF LANCASTER CO., VA FROM 1701 TO 1848.* Onancock, VA: N. pub., 1927. Index, page that lists male Alfords and variations, and handwritten extract of female Alfords and variations:

Spouse	<u>Date</u>			
Janette W. Wallace	15 May 1823			
William Reaves	5 July 1833			
Elizabeth Gundrey	18 Jan 1832			
Patty Jones	18 Jn 1806			
Cyrus Robinson	31 Dec 1831			
Nancy Bell	8 Feb 1811			
Nancy Wilkerson	3 Aug 1824			
Frances Coates	4 July 1810			
John Bradley	2 Apr 1800			
NOTE: daughter of Robert & Margaret ALFRED				
Henry Hazard	7 Sept 1841			
Jane Mitchell	1 Apr 1839			
Nancy Scholfield	2 Sept 1802			
	Janette W. Wallace William Reaves Elizabeth Gundrey Patty Jones Cyrus Robinson Nancy Bell Nancy Wilkerson Frances Coates John Bradley of Robert & Margaret AL Henry Hazard Jane Mitchell			

Rockingham County-est. from Augusta, 1778

• Wayland, John W. A HISTORY OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY, VIRGINIA. Dayton, VA: Ruebush-Elkins Company, 1912. Title page, map, Index, and the following page that lists Alfords (no variations): John, 55 (5 Dec 1774, weaver, listed with items purchased [?] from shopkeeper: shoe buckles, whisky, compasses, 3 doz. buttons).

<u>Wythe County</u>—established from Montgomery and part of Grayson, 1789

• Brock, R.A. *HARDESTY'S HISTORICAL AND GEO-GRAPHICAL ENCYCLOPEDIA*. New York, NY: H.H. Hardesty & Co., Publishers, 1884. Title page and the following pages that list Alfords (we have Wythe County only—no Index, so this is probably incomplete): ______ Alford, 92 (in company H, 63rd Virginia Infantry); Elizabeth Jane, 99 (m. William Crawford in Wythe Co., Oct 1851; b. 1 Aug 1830, daughter of John and Elizabeth Baker Alford; short biography of William Crawford); Margaret **R.**, 104 (m. Robert E. Swecker in Wythe Co. 3 May 1866; b. 5 July 1842, daughter of John and Elizabeth Baker Alford; short biography of Robert Swecker).

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• Presgraves, James S. WYTHE COUNTY CHAPTERS, A Gathering of materials From Scarce, Rare, or Out-of-Print Sources About Wythe County, Virginia. Wytheville, VA: By the author, 1972. Title page, Table of Contents, and the following page that lists Alfords (no variations): **R.J.**, 179 (listed in 1893–94 Business Directory, "Mills—Saw & Planing", Austinville); also listed are **Elizabeth Jane**, 273, **John**, 273 & 292, and **Margaret R.**, 292, but they are repeats of Hardesty's Historical and Geographical Encyclopedia by R.A. Brock—pages are clearer in this edition.

WEST VIRGINIA

Statewide or Multiple Counties

• Sims, Edgar B. *SIMS INDEX TO LAND GRANTS IN WEST VIRGINIA*. Charleston, WV: N. pub., 1952. Title page, introduction, and all pages that list Alfords or variations: **Henry**, 106 (Greenbrier Co.), 514 (Monroe Co., 2 listings); **James**, 45 (Cabell Co., 4 listings); **John**, 45 (Cabell Co., 2 listings), 106 (Greenbrier Co.), 514 (Monroe Co., 2 listings); **Joseph**, 514 (Monroe Co.); **Mary**, 45 (Cabell Co., 2 listings); **Robert**, 45 (Cabell Co.); **William**, 346 (Kanawha Co., "et al"), 652 (Putnam Co.); **Wm.**, 45 (Cabell Co., 2 listings "et al Heirs"); **George ALFRED**, 514 (Monroe Co.); **Henry ALLFORD**, 106 (Greenbrier Co.); **Joseph OLFORD**, 529 (Monroe Co.).

<u>Barbour County</u>—established from Harrison, Lewis, Randolph, 1843

• Cochran, Wes. *BARBOUR COUNTY, VW, MARRIAGES* 1843–1892. Parkersburg, WV: By the author, 1986. "These marriages were taken from the WPA records that are located in the State Archives at Charleston, West Virginia." Title page, Index, and all pages that list Alfords or variations [all indexed under "Alfred"]: **E.M.**, 81 (m. H.L. Shaffer 16 Aug 1887); **Mary ALFRED**, 26 (m. Jacob Poling 28 May 1865); **J.H. ALPHRED**, 30 (m. Eliza Colebank 31 March 1867).

Cabell County—established from Kanawha, 1809

• Postlethwait, Wanita M. *CABELL COUNTY VIRGINIA MARRIAGES 1809–1830, Book #1.* Huntington, WV: KYOWVA Genealogy Society, n.d. Title page, and all pages that lists Alfords or variations:

<u>Name</u>	Spouse	Date	Pg
Asenith	Peter Smith	1828	1
Cinthia	Benjamin Burnsides	20 Jan 1828	1, 3
Elizabeth	Joseph Meadows	1822	1
Ruth	John Meadows	1823	1

Zelda	Francis Burns	1828	3
Zillia	Elliott Rutherford	26 Sept 1826	1
Nancy ALFRED	James Burns	1814	1
Nancy ALFRED	James Burns	1818	2

Gilmer County-est. from Kanawha, Lewis, 1845

• Cochran, Wes. *GILMER COUNTY, WV, MARRIAGES,* 1845–1933. Parkersburg, WV: By the author, 1989. The meaning of the counties listed after the person's name is not clear—when two counties are listed, it probably indicates birthplace and residence; when one county is listed, the meaning is unclear. Title page, Index, and all pages that list Alfords or variations: **Charles ALFRED**, 53 (age 26, Lewis Co., m. Lummie Wood, age 30, Gilmer Co., 22 March 1891); **Nettie ALFRED**, 116 (age 17, Gilmer Co., m. Berkley Barbarow, age 22, Gilmer Co., 4 apr 1915); **Zina ALFRED**, 109 (age 17, Gilmer Co., m. Arpha W. Bush, age 23, Gilmer Co., 13 June 1912).

Greenbrier County-est. from Montgomery, 1777

• Stinson, Helen S. GREENBRIER CO., W. VA. COURT ORDERS 1780–1850. Moorpark, CA: By the author, 1988. Title page, Introduction, Index, and all pages that list Alfords (no variations): Elenor, 283 (25 Nov 1818, wife of Henry); George, 119 (31 Aug 1791, on jury), 121 (2 Sept 1791, plaintiff vs. Abraham Eversole), 122-123 (1 Dec 1791, on jury), 136 (26 March 1793, obligee of Abraham Eversole), 146 (31 Aug 1793, on jury), 149 (20 March 1794, ordered to pay witness), 152 (26 & 27 March 1794, various court orders), 231 (30 Oct 1798, v. John Cails); Henry, 283 (25 Nov 1818, deed for land in Monroe Co. sold to Thomas Corrough), 294 (25 Aug 1819, deed for land bought from John Bowman), 302 (28 March 1820, deed "235 acres on Muddy Creek Mountain" to James and Robert Alford), 312 (25 July 1820, mentioned in case), 321 (22 May 1821, to work on road), 323 (17 Aug 1821, owner of 2 horses allegedly stolen by slaves, who were found not guilty); James, 208 (3 June 1797, paid as witness in John Alford vs. Henry Miller), 302 (28 March 1820, deed "235 acres on Muddy Creek Mountain" from Henry Alford); Jane, 207 (2 June 1797, vs. Henry Miller); John, 101 (29 June 1790, "deed of bargain and sale from John Hall to John Alford"), 198 (28 Feb 1797, appointed surveyor); 208 (3 June 1797, vs. Henry Miller), 282 (27 Oct 1818, bought land from Charles and Esther Arbuckle); Nancy, 239 (27 Sept 1808, mother of Wm.); Robert, 12 (20 June 1782, payment made to him for 1.75 bushels of salt), 302 (28 March 1820, deed "235 acres on Muddy Creek Mountain" from Henry Alford); Thomas, 188 (28 June 1796, mentioned in court order), 197, (1 Feb 1797, paid as witness), 207 (2 June 1797, on jury), 208 (3 June 1797, on jury, paid as

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witness in John Alford vs. Henry Miller case); Wm. , 239 (27 Sept 1808, orphan child of Nancy Alford bount to Wm. Smithie [orphan, in this instance, means father has died]).	Jane ALFRED, 64 (age 90, d. 1 Jan 1937 in Weston, buried in Waldeck Cemetery); Nora ALFRED Lasch, 64 (daughter of Margaret, of Weston); Pleasant ALFRED, 64 (husband of Margaret, Civil Ware veteran, d. "31 years ago"); W.B. ALFRED, 64 (son of Margaret, Dr., of	
• Stinson, Helen S. <i>LAND ENTRY BOOK BREENBRIER</i> <i>CO. W.VA.</i> Dallas, TX: By the author, 1984. Title page, Table of Contents, Preface, Introduction, map, Index, and	Pricetown, state veternarian); ALF (daughter of Margaret—Mrs. Clay Jarvis)	RED Jarvis , 64
the only page that lists Alfords (no variations): George , 221 (2 Sept 1786, 100 acres by State Warrant).	• Smith, Robert B. MARRIAGE BONDS A RIAGE RECORDS 1816–1865 LEWIS CO VIRGINIA. Jane Lew, WV: Hacker's Cree	UNTY, (WEST)
Kanawha County—established from Greenbrier, Montgomery, 1788	Descendants, 1988. Pages in this handwri are unnumbered. [Compare to <i>LEWIS CO</i> <i>RIAGES</i> by Wes Cochran.] Title page, int	UNTY MAR-
• Wintz, Julia. KANAWHA COUNTY MARRIAGES January 1, 1792 to December 31, 1869. Parsons, WV:	all pages that list Alfords or variations:	Date
McClain Prining Company, 1975. Title page and the following page that lists Alfords: William , 25 (m. Sally Dollin 21 Nov 1839).		2 March 1860
Lewis County—established from Harrison, 1816	SPOUSE: Margaret M. TurnerPARENTS: Charles & Agnes AlfordFrances Ann24	1 March 1859
• Cochran, Wes, Linda Camp, and Martha Metz. <i>LEWIS</i> <i>COUNTY MARRIAGES, 1817–1880.</i> Parkersburg, WV: By the author, n.d. [Compare to <i>MARRIAGE BONDS</i> <i>AND MARRIAGE RECORDS 1816–1865 LEWIS</i> <i>COUNTY</i> by Robert Smith.] Title page, Index, and all pages that list Alfords or variations: Elizabeth , 41 (m. 27 Dec 1851 to James M. Turner); Agnes ALFRED , 78 (m. 28 April 1870 to Wm H. Waggy); Amanda ALFRED , 93 (m. 12 July 1877 to Wm B. Hoover); Charles ALFRED , 65 (m. 5 March 1865 to Mary C. Snider); Eliza ALFRED , 40 (m. 24 Dec 1851 to James M. Turner); Frances A. ALFRED , 56 (m. 31 March 1859 to Jas V. Turner); James ALFRED , 56 (m. 22 March 1860 to	SPOUSE: Mary Catharine Snider, age 23 PARENTS: Charles & Agnes ALFRED SPOUSE'S PARENTS: Peter & Mary Ca Eliza ALFRED 2 SPOUSE: James M. Turner, age 25 SPOUSES'S PARENTS: George W. & Sa	4 Dec 1851 ally Turner 3 March 1858
Margaret M. Turner); Martha E. ALFRED, 98 (m. 28 May 1879 to Lewis C. Montgomery); Pleasant ALFRED, 67 (m. 15 March 1866 to Margaret Losh); J.S. ALFRIEND (male), 55 (m. 23 March 1858 to A.E. Kester).	• Bosworth, A.S. <i>A HISTORY OF RANDO</i> <i>WEST VIRGINIA</i> . No publciation data for reprint edition, Parson, WV: McClain Prin 1975. Title page, Table of Contents, Index that list Alfords or variations: John, 43–4 court, vs. Joseph Parsons); John ALFRE	1916 edition; nting Company, x, and all pages 4 (July 1787
• Harrison Co. Genealogical Society. <i>SELECTED CEN-</i> <i>TRAL WEST VIRGINIA OBITS 1934–1937</i> . Clarksburg, WV: N. pub., n.d. Note appearing on publication data	1786 court, petitioner for road);	•
page: "The following obituary extractions are taken from an old scrapbook found in a Bridgeport Garage Sale by Caroline Davis, of Flemington, WV. Although some are known to have been clipped from the Clarskburg EXPO- NENT newspaper, some I am not certain of. Almost all were dated." Title page, Index, and the only page that lists Alfords or variations (index lists only subjects of obits, so there could be others): Bernice ALFRED Snyder , 64 (daughter of Margaret, of Weston); C.G. ALFRED , 64 (son of Margaret, of Shinnston); Margaret	 <u>Wood County</u>—established from H Cochran, Wes. WOOD COUNTY, WV, M 1880–1925. Parkersburg, WV: By the auth page, Index, and all pages that list Alfords George Lawrence, 109 (age 27, b. Lawrer resident of Tyler Co., WV, m. on 19 Dec McCabe, age 21, b. Wetzel Co., WV); Let ALFRED, 1 (age 24, b. Wood Co., WV, n 1880 to Lucy Lee Smith, age 23, b. Wood 	MARRIAGES, hor, n.d. Title s or variations: ence Co., PA, 1895 to Hattie roy Athey n. on 23 Dec

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Alfords in The Virginia Genealogist

Lynn Shelley, AAFA #484, searched the indexes of Volumes 1–37 (1957–1993) of *THE VIRGINIA GENEALOGIST* for "Alfords" and submitted copies of pages where they were found. All of these pages will be in the AAFA Library.

VOL. 2, NO. 1, Jan-Mar 1958

•"Some Virginia Settlers of Georgia, 1773–1798," by Lundie W. Barlow, p. 24

"Deed to John King of Gloucester Co., Va., from Robert Middleton of Wilkes; 1000 acres on waters of Ogeechee River, part of 2150 acre tract granted to Benjamin Few; **James Alford** and John Rutherford, witnesses; 21 June 1785."

VOL. 2, NO. 4, Oct–Dec 1958 •"Middlesex County, Virginia, Wills, 1713–1734," p. 152

"Richard Allford. Inventory. 24 Sept. 1714. Appraised by John Degge, John Sandeford and George Berrick. Total valuation £26.4.6. Signed by Mary (W) Alford, admx. 5 Oct. 1714. Presented by Mary Allford."

VOL. 3, NO. 1, Jan–Mar 1959 • "Albemarle County, Virginia, 1800 Tax List," p. 4

[on list:] "**Alfred, George** 1 [white male over 21]-0 [horses]"

VOL. 3, NO. 3, July–Sept 1959 •"Albemarle County, Virginia, 1800 Tax List (Continued)," p. 113

[on list:] "Alferd, Jas. 0 [white male over 21]-1 [horse]"

VOL. 4, NO. 3, July–Sept 1960 •"Local Notices from the Virginia Gazette, 1780 (Continued)," p. 136

2 August 1780: "**Thomas Alford** advertises for a mare strayed or stolen from his plantation on Bull Run near Col. John Hooe's. Offers \$200 reward plus charges if brought to Washington's Mill."

VOL. 5, NO. 2, Apr–June 1961 •"Amherst County, Virginia, 1800 Tax List," p. 80

[on list—#1 = white males over 21; #2 = horses; #3 = tithable slaves over 16; #4 = tithable slaves age 12–16]

"Alford, John 1-4-2-1 Alford, William 1-2-1-0 Alford, Thomas 1-1"

•"Local Notices from the Virginia Gazette, 1780 (Continued)," p. 88

20 September 1780: **"William Alford** advertises two mares taken up in Amherst."

VOL. 5, NO. 3, July-Sept 1961

•"Middlesex County, Virginia, Wills, 1713–1734 (Continued)," p. 110

"Will of Thomas Causer, dated 9 Jan. 1724/5....Wit: [illeg]**a** Allford....

VOL. 7, NO. 1, Jan–Mar 1963

•"Bath County, Virginia, 1800 Tax List," p. 21

[on list:] "Alford, Jabesh 1 [white male over 21]-2 [horses]"

VOL. 8, NO. 3, July-Sept 1964

•"Notes on the Humphrey Parrish Family of Goochland and Louisa Counties, Virginia," by Nancy Elizabeth Parrish Gardner, p. 102

"The will of 'Humphry Parish of Saint James Northam and County of Goochland' was dated 27 April 1773 and was proved 20 September of the same year.... Hesse Hodges, **Charles Alford**, John Walker and Will Pryor were witnesses...."

•"The Keys of Key West, Albemarle County, Virginia, (Continued)" by Marcus M. Key, M.D., p. 119

"John Key, Jr., is said to have married Susannah Watts.... One of the children can be identified as the William Waller Key who married **Elizabeth Alford** in Amherst County in 1795."

VOL. 9, NO. 4, Oct-Dec 1965

•"Botetourt County, Virginia, 1800 Tax List (continued)," p. 156

[on list:] "**Alfried, Thomas** 1 [white male over 21]-1 [horses]"

VOL. 17, NO. 4, Oct–Dec 1973

•"Some Marriages of the Rev. Paul Henkel," by Mrs. Bert Harter, p. 248

Shenandoah Co., VA: "**Georg Alferd** / Betsy Joes (?) March the 7th 1808"

VOL. 18, NO. 2, Apr-June 1974

•"George Key, Virginia Soldier and Missouri Pioneer (continued)," by Marcus M. Key, Rhoda Newman, and Helen Yates, p. 101

William Alford mentioned in the Amherst Co., VA, Order Book 1766–69 on p. 266

VOL. 19, NO. 2, Apr–June 1975

•"Inquisitions on Escheated Land, 1665–1676," pp. 129–130

William Alford, deputy escheator, mentioned in four Elizabeth City Co. records of 1667.

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•"Inquisitions on Escheated Land, 1665–1676 (continued)," pp. 181–183

William Alford, deputy escheator, mentioned in two Nansemond Co. records, 1669; one Lower Norfolk Co. record, 1669; and one Elizabeth City Co. record, 1669.

•"Account Book of Ambrose Madison, 1725–1726," by Mrs. Malcolm Gardner, p. 187

[on list:] **John Alford** (Ambrose Madison was the grandfather of President James Madison.)

•"Some Delinquent Taxpayers, 1787–1790," by Robert Y. Clay, p. 191

[on list for Albemarle County, 1787:] "James Alford £0.3.0"

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•"Farifax County, Virginia, 1800 Tax List (continued)," p. 12

[on list:] "Alford, Drury 1 [white tithable male]-0 [horses]"

•"Inquisitions on Escheated Land, 1665–1676 (continued)," pp. 21–25

William Alford, deputy escheator, mentioned in nine

Nansemond Co. records, 1670—called "Gent." in eight of those records; and four Elizabeth City Co. records, 1670—called "Gent." in all four.

• "Prince William County, Virginia, Order Book 1759–1761 (continued)," p. 36

24 March 1760 "Ordered the Churchwardens of Dettingen Parish bind **John Allford**, orphan of **John Allford**, to William Lucas, Lucas obliging himself to learn the apprentice the trade of house carpenter."

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•"Inquisitions on Escheated Land, 1665–1676 (continued)," pp. 111, 113–116

William Alford, Gent., deputy escheator, mentioned in one Nansemond Co. record, 1670; seven Nansemond Co. records, 1671; and three Lower Norfolk Co. records, 1671/2.

•"Some Delinquent Taxpayers, 1787–1790 (continued)," by Robert Y. Clay, p. 121

[on list for Fauquier County, 1787:] "Rachel Alford, Insolvent £4."

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• Inquisitions on Escheated Land, 1665–1676 (continued), pp. 167, 170

William Alford, Gent., deputy escheator, mentioned in one Elizabeth City Co. record, 1671; and three Lower Norfolk Co. records, 1671/2.

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•"Fauquier County, Virgiia, 1800 Tax List (concluded)," p. 255

[on list:] "Alfred, William 1 [free tithable]-1 [horse] Alfred, James 1 [free tithable]-1 [horse] Ashby, will (Elijah Alfred) 2 [free tithables]-2 [horses]" [Note: meaning of name in parentheses not given]

VOL. 23, NO. 3, July–Sept 1979 • "British Mercantile Claims, 1775–1803," p. 187

Jacob Alford: "Warwick Store. About 1783 he was in low circumstances, no fixed place of residence, wandering to and fro, and is now in parts unknown."

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• "Powhatan County, Virginia Oaths of Alleg by Robert Y. Clay, p. 194		• •
"List of Persons who took the Oath of Alleg State before E Logwood Gent Justice 1777 Ansel Alford"	giance to the	L, b. 1853 SC
VOL. 28, NO. 1, Jan-Mar 1984	- Italiis Alloid, MS	
•"Local Notices from the Virginia Gazette, 1 (continued)," p. 18	Richmond, 1783 Descendants of ROBERT Marian Alford Hodges, AR Mary Alford Helms, AR	r, b. 1760 England
"Advertisement of a mare taken up by Willi the Tye River, Amherst County."	iam Alford, near Don and Joan Alford, AR	
VOL. 29, NO. 4, Oct–Dec 1985 •"John and Susannah Key of Old Amherst C		., b. 1814 SC
ginia," by Betty Key and Marcus M. Key, p	p. 196–204. Descendants of SEABOR Evelyn Mistich, LA	N, b. 1807 LA
Elizabeth Alford m. William Waller Key in 1790. Her father was probably William and John . One of their daughters, Elizabeth, m.	her brother was	
1816 in Davidson Co., TN. Extensive histor		
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•"Local Notices from the Virginia Gazette, 1 (continued)," p. 108	Richmond, 1784 Descendants of TOMMY Pamela Alford Burnett, OK Elroy and Jan Alford, OK	WILDCAT ALFORD
"Thomas Johnson, Sheriff, advertises for sal Court house land to satisfy the tax due there James Alford, 50 acres"	le at Louisa	M, b. 1786 TN
VOL. 33, NO. 4, Oct–Dec 1989 •"Kanawha County, (West) Virginia 1800 T	Fax List," p. 264 Elizabeth Alford McLane, GA	
[on list:] "Alford, John 1 [white male over Alford, John 1 [white male over		M b 1804 GA
VOL. 34, NO. 4, Oct–Dec 1990	Catherine (Alford) and Bruce	
•"Lancaster County, Virginia 1800 Tax List		
[on list:] "Alford, Zachariah Est. 3 [white	male tithable]" Descendants of WILLIAN Roberta (Alford) and Milton F	
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•"John and Mary Finley of Montgomery (W Virginia (continued)," by Carmen J. Finley,		·
 "Known children of Thomas Milton and Lur Finley are: iv. William Orville Finley, born 4 Jan. 183 County [TN]; married Mary C. Alford died 9 June 1895, Dallas Co., Texas." 	tecia (Horne) 27, Overton , 22 Feb. 1872;	

Alabama "Alford" Marriages

The following are all of the Alabama marriages currently on file in the AAFA computer master data record. They come from a variety of sources—not all first quality primary sources—so use them only as a clue as to where to search for a marriage record. It is probable that there are errors and omissions, and we need help to correct the data and to expand it. There are one or two cases of apparent duplicates, but notice that the dates, place of marriage, or name spelling is different.

Name	Spouse	Date	St County
A.M.	Mathis, Eviline	18730814	Al Clar
Adeline C.	Bryant, Joseph H.	18470112	Al Gree
Ader Matilda Hallford	Baker, Dock	19020831	Al Covi
Albert Augusta	Corrigan, Margarett	19160316	Al Mont
Albert Luther	Harp, Emma Lou	1924	Al Morg
Alfonza	Forbes, Mamie Ester	19251211	Al Talp
Allen	Johnson, E.J.	1867-909	Al Etow
Allman	Wood, Sarah Ann	18561118	Al Mont
Alma Hallford	Blair, Rufus Neal	19431122	Al Cren
Alma Hallford	Mills, Robert Delton	19440512	Al Mont
Amy	Rainy, Henry	18661005	Al Talp
Annie Maria	Atkinson, Thomas W.	19091226	Al Etow
Annie Merle Hallford	Ammons, Lester		Al Covi
Archibald Mckay	Wood, Sarah A.	18871221	Al Hous
Arnold	Laster, Johnie	19041016	Al Mont
Artemus Salathiel	Cooper, Susan Amanda	18550820	Al Pike
Aus	Vinson, Frances	1867-909	Al Etow
Austin	Young, Georgiana	1867-909	Al Etow
B.A.	Ivey, Maggie	19061219	Al Mont
Bennett Allae	Lumpkin, Emmie Sue	19220730	Al Mars
Bolling A.	Tobias, Birdie	19011218	Al Mont
Bondin Dempsey	Davis, Verlon	1929	Al Gene
Bonnie Sue Hallford	Hendricks, Jimmy Ray	19660305	Al Esca
C.F.	Snow, Mary Ann	18391107	Al Jeff
C.J.	Clark, Dolly	19020628	Al Calh
Caroline C.	Wynn, Elijah	18650903	Al Mont
Catherine	Lawrence, Samuel	18841208	Al Morg
Charlie	Pike, Tavir	1867-909	Al Etow
Cheryl M. Hallford	Thomas, Jimmy Ray	19650625	Al Esca
Clyde	Collins, Rufus F.	19190301	Al Mont
Collen	Hodge, Rebecca Ann	18360822	Al Mont
Columbus Wash.	Glover, Maryann	18710917	Al Talp
Cora J.	Mitchell, J.T.	19030107	Al Mont
Cora Connell	Bartle, A.O.	19050815	Al Mont
Cornelius T.	White, Martha K.	18570806	Al Mont
D. Fenner	Cherry, Sarah A.G.	18410908	Al Gree
Daisy	Sanders, Walter Ed.	19091124	Al Hous
Daisy F. [Sarah]	Blake, John H.	18981225	Al Wins
Daniel Henry Hallford	Etheridge, Frances E.	19131109	Al Covi
David A.	Orrick, Polly		Al Morg
David Allford	Abernathy, Julia	18890412	Al Calh
David Redin Hallford	Nalls, Nora Frances	19091201	Al Butl
Debra Jean Hallford	Carroll, Clyde D.	19780609	Al Esca
Donnette Hallford	Lurie, Ralph H.J.	19570831	Al Mont

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Earkeil A.	Willis, Laura W.	19071212	Al Mont	
Edna Mae Hallford	Owens, Jerry Lawson	19600319	Al Esca	
Edward Halford	Newman, Margaret	18271001	Al Laud	
Edward	Mason, Anna	19031221	Al Calh	
Edward H. Hallford	Fuqua, Ester Mae	19320305	Al Esca	
Edward H. Hallford	Bass, Olga A.	19590411	Al Esca	
Edward H. Hallford	Salter, Barbara J.	19640522	Al Esca	
Elizabeth	Webb, William H.	18430709	Al Madi	
Elizabeth	Stubbs, George	18741208	Al Mont	
Elizabeth M. Hallford	Gill, Houston	19690823	Al Bald	
Elmer C. (Elma)	Thompson, Minnie A.	1914	Al Morg	
Emma S.	Powell, Charles M.	18901112	Al Mont	
Ernest Eugene	King, Kathleen Marg.	1941	Al Morg	
Euell F.	Stowers, Effie J.	19130426	Al Mont	
Ezekiel C.	Stovall, Mary Susan	18661119	Al Lawr	
Ezekiel C.	McAnear, Nannie H.	18900914	Al Morg	
Fannie H.	Haigler, George F.	18730116	Al Mont	
Fannie Viola	Jones, John H.	18941221	Al Mont	
Fereby	Hickman, Daniel	18281220	Al Mont	
Frances	Alexander, John F.	18451030	Al Gree	
Frances	Nichols, Daniel D.	18590811	Al Talp	
Frances J.	Pou, James A.	18660209	Al Mont	
Frances P.	Caddell, John A.H.	18700823	Al Etow	
Fredrick Oliver	Pruitt, Lula Emma	19140207	Al Etow	
			Al Etow	
George	Whisenant, Jane	18670909		
George C.	Larken, Margaret A.	18481203	Al Lown	
George Cook	Clayton, Lucinda	18650710	Al Talp	
George W.	, Mahany Eliz.	10660000	Al Russ	
Georgia A.	Cobb, Jacob W.	18660208	Al Barb	
Georgia A.	Green, A.D.	18670909	Al Etow	
George Wm. Hallford	Sims, Bertha Caroline	19221101	Al Butl	
George Jeff. Hallford	Legg, Irone	19390218	Al Cren	
George V. Hallford	Howell, Sandra Jane	19920126	Al Esca	
Gertha Mae (May)	Thompson, Oscar J.	1916	Al Morg	
Glenna Gertrude	Klyce, Martin Peter	19140415	Al Jeff	
Grace	Hill, Marion Elbert	1930	Al Morg	
Gussie	Feltman, William F.	19190928	Al Mont	
H.L. (Male)	Vickers, W.A.	19131019	Al Talp	
Halon	Pugh, Amigrade	19061220	Al Mont	
Hamlin C.	Edwards, Frances E.	184910	Al Mont	
Hamlin C.	Edward, Frances E.	18491003	Al Barb	
Hannibal O.	Foster, Erycenia P.	186_0725	Al Mars	
Hardman Talmadge	Spinks, Annie Rhoda	19320405	Al Cher	
Harold Bennett	Ray, Eunice Lee	19461220	Al Jeff	
Harold Leon	Overstreet, Orine	1944ca	Al Jeff	
Harriett	Grantham, J.H.	18960122	Al Mont	
Harvey Carroll	Gillespie, Gertrude T.	1897	Al Mobi	
Hattie	Harris, Edward A.	1906	Al Morg	
Hattie Lena Hallford	Sowell, Oliver	19191108	Al Covi	
Hay / Coy ??	Holmes, Jamie	19270305	Al Morg	
Henderson H.	Whitehead, Catherine	18481122	Al Gree	
Hendricks Clevland	Bostwick, Catherine L.	19140728	Al Mont	
Henrietta F.				
	Alford, John F. Welker, Marthe Japa	18441107	Al Mont	
Henry Dortch	Walker, Martha Jane	18430907	Al Mont	
Henry Dortch	Cutts, Mary Ann E.	18761130	Al Bull	

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Hillary Alfred	Holmes, Ira	18280619	Al Laud	
Hilliard Judge	Copeland, Henriet.	18610426	Al Pike	
Homer Peacock	McCall, Martha	19251101	Al Esca	
Hugh Paisley	Parker, Belle		Al Coo?	
Ilus Malvin Hallford	Turner, Clara Cumi	19340106	Al Butl	
Irine	Hill, William Gilbert	1929	Al Morg	
Isham	Hodges, Sylvia Anne	18380515	Al Stcl	
J.F.	Phelps, Marian L.	18551220	Al Mont	
J.H.	Mitchell, Lou Anna J.	18860110	Al Mont	
J.L. (Male)	Nolan, E.	19271224	Al Talp	
Jack Warren	Causey, Martha Eliz.	19370703	Al Sumt	
Jackson	Perry, Mary Jane	1850e	Al	
James	Corbett, Julia	18940520	Al Mont	
James	Rodgers, Susie	19160106	Al Mont	
James L.	Chaney, Nora	18121024	Al Talp	
James Wiley	Miller, Isabelle Eliz.	18331215	Al Sump	
James Redden Hallford	Williamson, Louisa J.	18580711	Al	
James Zeadock	Reel, Mary Ann Britt	18671121	Al Talp	
James Badger	Robinson, Sarah E.	18701208	Al Hous	
James Edward	Smith, Harriett L.	18750325	Al Etow	
James A.	Smith, H.S.	1867-909	Al Etow	
James (Jacob) Wesley	Pugh, Lydia M.	18700209	Al Mont	
James J.	Thompson, Cinthia M.	18690503	Al Talp	
James J.	Christian, Martha C.	18701206	Al Talp	
James E.	Smith, Margaret	18780702	Al Talp	
James Owen Hallford	Beasley, Mary Alice B.	19000411	Al Butl	
James Thomas	Evans, Josephine	18940201	Al Mont	
James W.L. Hallford	Stephens, Sarah F.	19190205	Al Cren	
James Redden Hallford	Thomas, Lila	19201101	Al Covi	
James Hilton Hallford	Maddox, Alma Alice	19250929	Al Esca	
James Chas. Hallford	Rabren, Valera Inez	19420419	Al Esca	
James Gordon Hallford	Davis, Louvenia	19480405	Al Covi	
James H. Hallford	Patterson, Belinda	19491226	Al Esca	
James H. Hallford	Martin, Tina Marie	19770624	Al Esca	
Jane	Barnett, Clauside	18110413	Al Madi	
Jefferson	Gulledge, Nancy	18730223	Al Etow	
Jefferson	Allen, Nancy Ann	1846	Al Cher	
Jesse Alfred	Davis, Andrew	18811024	Al Talp	
Jim Hallford	Alverson, Jewel Dean	19480623	Al Butl	
Joan Hallford	Partin, Bill Cecil	19570904	Al Hous	
Joan Hallford	Hidle, Gerald Lee	19591219	Al Coff	
John B.	Bailey, Temperance	18171021	Al Madi	
John William	Roden, Leanna W.	18250316	Al Gree	
John H./W./N.	Lamascus, Malinda	18310825	Al Morg	
John H.	Barnes, Mary E.	18390725	Al Gree	
John H.	Williams, Margaret	18500809	Al Gree	
John N./M.	Thomas, Rhoda	18380708	Al Morg	
John F.	Alford, Henrietta F.	18441107	Al Mont	
John Madison	Rainey, Sarah C.	18540406	Al Gree	
John John J. K. Mallfard	Thomas, Nancy	18551230	Al Morg	
John Julius Hallford	Jones, Mary Jane	18620206	Al Butl	
John W.	Wright, Nancy	18660621	Al Morg	
John Peachman	Solomon, Martha	18650404	Al Monr	
John F. John Condon Hallford	Jones, Bettie	18760225	Al Mont	
John Gordon Hallford	Cole, Climmie Belle	19110511	Al Covi	

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John Cornelius	Palmer, Maude	19230111	Al Hous	
John Warren	Tidwell, Amy Cleo	19031013	Al Wins	
John Robert Hallford	Martin, Lena Dell	19150404	Al Covi	
John Robert Hallford	Busby, Minnie Ola A.	19551011	Al Esca	
John Richard	Ward, Bessie Jenette	1911?	Al Gene	
John Hallford	Chance, Mildred	19440212	Al Cren	
Johnnie B. Hallford	Batson, Dempsey	19311031	Al Esca	
Josiah	Mooney, Eunice	18381208	Al Mont	
Judy Lynn	Maples, Virgil E.	19680528	Al	
Julia	Berry, Dave	1867-909	Al Etow	
Julius Caesar	Baldwin, Sarah F.	18440808	Al Mont	
Julius Caesar	Boswell, Martha H.	18520222	Al Mont	
Julius Stanley	Ellesberry, Caroline J.	18670321	Al Mont	
Katherine Hallford	Libera, Renaldo D.	19421031	Al Mont	
Katie M.	Gately, J.S.	19151223	Al Mont	
L.H.	Herring, Elizabeth	19160910	Al Mont	
Leldon Felix	Harp, Ola Mae	1928	Al Morg	
Leldon Howard	Beckham, Wanda Joyce	19471220	Al Morg	
Lena Mae Hallford	Manning, Louis A.	19230303	Al Esca	
Leven E.	Derrick, Charlotte	18341011	Al Mont	
Levinia Alfred	Rhynus, John	18190210	Al Madi	
Levin E.	Downing, L.J.	18860106	Al Mont	
Levin L.	Smilie, Mary Lou	19111123	Al Mont	
Levin E.	Haney, Joseph	18230512	Al Morg	
Levisa	Henderson, Abner	18230312	Al Morg	
Lillie A. Hallford	Stone, Morris Milburn	19451117	Al Esca	
Lodwick C. Pierce	Sherrill, Martha E.	18360915	Al Loun	
Lodwick H.	Swint, Sallie	18780902	Al Mont	
Lodwick Herrin			Al Mont	
	Harris, Elizabeth G.	19160910		
Lora Warner	Gibson, Grace	19250724	Al Jeff	
Louisa I. Alfred	Crier, Alfred	18500801	Al Morg	
Louise Grace	Parker, James Knox	19391231	Al Hous	
Lucretia	Johnson, Henry M.	18760814	Al Talp	
Lucy Ann (Nancy)	Rhodes, Jacob	18301005	Al Morg	
Lucy Emoline Hallford	Capps, W. Fed	19061024	Al Covi	
Lula	Tucker, Jefferson	18841231	Al Talp	
Lydia	Higgombothom, R.	18281231	Al Gree	
M.E. Halford	Mrs. Bryan, T.	18681207	Al Henr	
M.E. (Miss)	Mitchell, W.B.	18810109	Al Mont	
Mabel Francis	Parsons, Andrew Jack.	19090427	Al Jeff	
Madison Ewing	Orrick, Nancy	18331024	Al Walk	
Malcom	Alford, Elizabeth Mrs.	18911203	Al Elmo	
Malinda Alfred	Waters, Gaimon	18761019	Al Morg	
Mamie	Lee, Morrison	19051011	Al Mont	
Marcus R. Hallford	Rowell, Rhonda J.	19800225	Al Esca	
Marelle D. Hallford	Jackson, Donald Ray	19890422	Al Cone	
Margaret	Faulk, Charles J.	18981012	Al Hous	
Margaret Ann Hallford	Knott, John James	19741022	Al Esca	
Martha	Brooks, Jeremiah	18190113	Al Madi	
Martha Ann	Miller, William E.	18380217	Al Sumt	
Martha K.	Rudder, William H.	18640120	Al Mont	
Martha Alfred	Beeson, John Walton	18810223	Al Stcl	
Martha E.	Hodge, I.S.	18910128	Al Mont	
Mary	Fortson, Samuel H.	18290115	Al Gree	
Mary E./C.	Owen, William A.	18310803	Al Morg	

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Mary	Stevens, Calvin	18490513	Al Morg	
Mary	Smilie, William L.	18620111	Al Mont	
Mary	Beasley, A.	18610224	Al Mont	
Mary R./E. Alfred	Curbow, Daniel	18770902	Al Morg	
Mary Lou	Dees, Arthur L.	19050103	Al Mont	
Mary Missouri	Smith, Owen Fleming	19081124	Al Cham	
Mary Lou	Roy, Adams	19191001	Al Mont	
Mary Genevieve	Farris, Smith Harvey	19210816	Al Jeff	
Mary Eula	Dunlap, O.B.	1922	Al Morg	
Mary Agnes Hallford	McKissack, Grady L.	19541030	Al Esca	
Mary C. Hallford	Lloyd, Kent Sterrett	19600909	Al Esca	
Matilda J.	Williams, Albert	18670707	Al Mont	
Mattie Belle	Booth, Arthur R.	19110905	Al Mont	
Mattie Pearl	Pugh, Milton	19131217	Al Mont	
May	Sliars, Henry	18110102	Al Madi	
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Miley L. Hallford	Blackwell, James E.	19481223	Al Esca	
Mourning Allford	Yarbrough, Arthur	18271003	Al Lime Al Madi	
Nancy	Robertson, James	18110518		
Nancy	Reeves, T.F.	1867-909	Al Etow	
Nancy Alfred	Fox, James D.	18360908	Al Gree	
Nancy Ann	Means, Joseph M.	18410726	Al Morg	
Nancy C.	Priddy, James A.	18310803	Al Morg	
Nancy B.	McClanahan, Robert	18920207	Al Morg	
Nanie Clark	Goode, John Edw. M.	18900420	Al Stcl	
Nellie	Murphy, W.T.	18900928	Al Morg	
Odessa Celestia	Wilson, George M.	18920127	Al Wins	
Olian Hannibal	Hughes, Sarah Ethel	1867-909	Al Etow	
Ollie Lee	Oden, Walter A.	1927	Al Morg	
Owen Warren	Miller, Mary Jane	19280721	Al Walk	
Pamela L. Hallford	Weaver, Samuel A. Jr.	19700321	Al Esca	
Patricia Ann Hallford	Fuqua, Donald Alex	19541204	Al Esca	
Paul Warren	Colvin, Mattie Jean	19631221	Al Pick	
Paul David Hallford	Blanton, Margaret Mae	19630608	Al Coff	
Paul T. Hallford	Oliver, Janice	19800216	Al Shel	
Paula Kay Hallford	Allen, Earl Vandon	19741215	Al Esca	
Paula Y. Hallford	Billingsley, Joe	19930306	Al Cone	
Peachman	Whipple, Elizabeth	18370906	Al Lown	
Pennina	Banes, Littleberry	18301211	Al Gree	
Philip Edward	Houston, Ina Nell	19520209	Al Dall	
Pleasant M.	Sandlin, Lavina	18380125	Al Morg	
Pleasant M.	Sterling, Beulah	1898	Al Morg	
Preston Giles	Thurman, Lucy	18751216	Al Hous	
R.B. (Male)	Tate, R.B.	19290124	Al Talp	
Raymond Talmadge	McMoy, Corintha V.	19160123	Al Mont	
Rebecca E.	Coleman, Robert E.	18380220	Al Gree	
Rebecca E. Rhea / Rhey	Jones, Mary		Al Madi	
	•	18190902		
Rilla Sylvia Hallford Robert J	Sims, Zollie G.	19450717	Al Butl	
Robert L.	Griffen, Lula P.	18801107	Al Esca	
Robinson C. Hallford	Ammons, Mary O.	10070010	Al Covi	
Roina	Miller, William	18270818	Al Gree	
Russell Alger, Sr	Dilger, Alma Rita	19190531	Al Jeff	
Russell Alger, Jr.	Martin, Sue Flournoy	19551203	Al Barb	
Sallie Jackson	Beale, Cadwalader H.	18691221	Al Bull	
Sallie	Dunnaway, Causey	19040515	Al Talp	
Sallie Louise	Gibson, Albert H.	1934	Al Morg	

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Sarah Elizabeth	Adams, Bennie R.	19251206	Al Gene	
Savannah	Carter, Ellis A.	18680225	Al Mont	
Sill Walker	Rudder, Sarah Jane	18921227	Al Mont	
Stephen Lynn	Campbell, Sherrie	1974	Al Jeff	
Stephen Lynn	Simpson, Karen	1988	Al Jeff	
Stephen D. Hallford	Jebelian, Dawn	19890722	Al Shel	
Susan	Dogan, Hamilton	18270730	Al Morg	
Susan M.	Livingston, Robert	18690407	Al Morg	
Susan	Sanders, Benjamin G.	18751223	Al Stcl	
Susie	Faulk, J.W.	18841228	Al Mont	
Susie L.	Mullins, Burton L.	18860929	Al Morg	
Susie Hallford	Stokes, Leonard	19220729	Al Esca	
Sylvanus Walker	Blackburn, Martha	18611001	Al Pike	
Sylvanus Walker	Reynolds, Eliza	18700808	Al Mont	
Sylvanus Walker	Davis, Mary	18740507	Al Mont	
Syrania W.	Mann, Elizabeth	18750725	Al Elmo	
T.B.	Sizemore, Leila	1867-909	Al Etow	
Terry Lee	Steward, Jeanette	19690130	Al Pick	
Thelma Hallford	Burch, Thomas Edward	19390610	Al Cren	
Thomas	Truss, Patsy	18280304	Al Stcl	
Valera B. Hallford	Evans, James Lester	19700819	Al Esca	
Victor Ray	Fortson, Deborah Lynn	19771211	Al Dall	
Voncile Hallford	Jernigan, Grover	19350601	Al Esca	
W.H.	Stowers, Annie	19041222	Al Mont	
W.L.	Cash, Dinkey	19060603	Al Talp	
Walter R.	Fuller, Julia E.	18811115	Al Wilc	
Walter	Spinks, Jennie	18891016	Al Calh	
Wanda Lou	Walters, Jerry	19910818	Al Choc	
Warren Montgomery	Frizzel, Eloise	18661115	Al Mont	
Wilbert M. Hallford	Evans, Opal Reeves	19390714	Al Esca	
Wilbur Jean Hallford	Hicks, Garrett T.	19550525	Al Esca	
William	Sargant, Ann	18270210	Al Gree	
William	Truss, Priscilla	18290223	Al Stcl	
William	Chapman, Jane	18571204	Al Russ	
William ?	Cossans, Vassie E.	10571204	Al Gene	
William A.	Spelling, Elizabeth	18600625	Al Mont	
William B.	Snowden, Sarah Ann	18401110	Al Monr	
William B.	Thames, Sarah Ann	18401110	Al Monr	
William C.	Adams, Mavis	19041222	Al Mont	
William Curtis	Hall, Chella Gustine	19330824	Al Mars	
William G.	Ozier, Elsie Jane	18720118	Al Mont	
William H.	Lamascus, Mary	18720118	Al Morg	
William James	Craig, Jennie Elizab.	18910211	Al Jeff	
William J.	Bone, Samantha J.		Al Etow	
William Perry		18820108	Al Mont	
William Jackson	Ramey, Mary Lillian	19060513		
William Jackson William Jef. Hallford	Wright, Ida I. Wright, Gladys F	18950801	Al Pike	
	Wright, Gladys E.	19440103	Al Butl	
William Leldon	Thompson, Cathy Worldy, Binkin Viola	19710620	Al Jeff	
William T. Hallford	Worley, Pinkie Viola	19120522	Al Covi	
Willie William	Waters, Rachel	18860114	Al Morg	
Wilma Hallford	Ivey, Gordon Vernon	19470322	Al Covi	
Wm R. Halford	Malone, Mary E.	18570913	Al Henr	
Woodrow W. Hallford	Carnley, Norma Jean	10050111	Al Covi	
Zelma E.	Turnipseed, W.T.	19050111	Al Mont 🔹	

Part 3: Uncle Emmett, The Alford Farm and I

By Jack Kinabrew, AAFA #87

[The author's uncle was William Emmett Alford, 1874–1937, son of Seaborn John Alford and Mary (Kirk) Wadsworth. Part 3 completes the book.]

WORK

We helped with the farm work.

I learned how to hoe, plow, side harrow, mow and rake hay, shuck corn, pull fodder, dig potatoes and peanuts, plant, set out sweet potatoes, cut bean poles and stake them, harvest crops, pitch hay, make haystacks, pick cotton.

Apropos of picking cotton, Uncle Emmett had a most enjoyable habit. As we laid by the crop, he would plant watermelon seeds in the skips in the cotton.

As a result, we would be picking cotton on a hot, dusty day and, lo and behold, there would be a nice cool melon hidden under the vines. Work would stop until we consumed the treat, then resume with renewed vigor.

One day we were laying by a field of corn down by the river. I was plowing with a large sweep pulled by a mule.

The cotton rein lines were draped across my shoulder and under one arm. I was happily whistling a tune and talking to the mule as required, when all of a sudden the plow turned up a bumble bee nest in the ground.

The first angry bees stung the mule, and he took off, dragging me right into the angry swarm. Several bees promptly popped me. Off across the field we went, with me trying to stop the animal, hold the plow clear of the ground, and swat bees, all at the same time. When we reached the edge of the field, the mule stopped and began to munch grass as if nothing had happened. The trace chains had broken and the plow had been left behind, but I was still entangled in the reins. We had plowed a nice quarter drain across that field.

We drilled a water well, we built small barns, cotton houses, and small bridges.

Many of these projects started with felling pine trees with a two man saw, trimming and topping the poles, and skinning off the bark. Roof shingles were rived from cypress balks. We cut down pine trees, sawed them into lags, and carried them to a sawmill in Summit or Bogue Chitto to be made into 1x12's, 1x6's, 2x4's, 4x4's, etc. Then we had to haul them back to the farm.

Some of the small barns and cotton houses were built of notched logs with pole rafters. Sawn wood was only used for roof laths, floors, doors and windows.

It was fun helping Uncle Emmett plan a structure, then help get out the material, and finally to be a part of the construction. Ever since, I have enjoyed planning projects.

Another chore was to cut, split, haul, and rack firewood for heating. We cut pine for a quick, hot fire and hardwood for a long lasting fire. We also collected lighter knots in the old piney woods to start a fire.

One summer my father secured an order from the United Fruit Steamship Company for several carloads of pine cordwood. This was the time when many steamers still burned coal and the pine wood was used to kindle the fires when getting up steam. The trees had to be felled, cut into cordwood lengths, split, and racked up into cords to dry.

Then it was hauled to the siding at Johnston Station and thrown into the door of a boxcar. My job was to stack it up in the car. It was a hot, sticky, dirty job, the worst that I ever had until I went to Buffalo and had to unload sacks of carbon black at the Hewitt Rubber Company.

But between wagon loads I could walk down to Mr. Coney's store, drink a cold Delaware Punch, and talk to June.

Sometimes we went to a gravel pit and loaded the wagon with gravel for a road on the farm.

This was all completely new to me. I never imagined that these jobs existed. To be honest, I enjoyed learning how more than doing. But I think I did my share, not because I was made to, but because I wanted Uncle Emmett's approval.

TALK

The new house had a small open front porch. With no air conditioning and no electric fans, it was the coolest spot in the evening.

After supper, we would sit or lie down on the porch floor, enjoy the cool, gentle evening breezes, and talk. Uncle Emmett did most of the talking, with many questions from Elmer and me.

The subjects were varied and interesting. The experience of growing up in the post Civil War rural South. Family history. The neighbors, with his opinions about them. Scientific farming. Politics.

For instance, he told of growing up at a time when things were much scarcer

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than even during the Depression. When hunting squirrels in the swamp—for food as much as for sport—you always waited until the tree was directly behind the game before shooting. Then the tree would be cut down and the spent lead rifle bullet cut out of the wood, to be melted down, molded, and used again.

This sounded a little like a tall story, but when we were in the swamp he showed us dozens of tree hearts with ax marks where they had been cut down and the bullets cut out. We were convinced.

He talked for hours about family history. If only I had possessed a tape recorder then! I did write down a family tree, but unfortunately loaned it to a relative and never got it back. As remembered, it was pretty accurate, according to AAFA records. The best part was his comments on and assessments of various family members.

As mentioned before, Leander and Sophronia had taken Mary Wadsworth Alford's orphans to raise with their own children. According to Uncle Emmett, Aunt Sophrony was a little woman—about 100 pounds—with a commanding personality and a will of iron. (Sounded like her daughter Amanda, who I knew as Aunt Kinabrew.) She had to be a strong person to control 14 teenagers from two families.

If any of the boys got out of line, she would call for two of the others to grab and hold him while she "whupped" the recreant.

One year, while grinding cane for syrup, some of the older boys took a barrel of juice to ferment into "beer". They bored a hole in the bung, inserted a hollow reed, and submerged the barrel in a spring fed creek in the swamp. When the brew was ready, they would go down to the creek, lean over as if drinking, and suck up the potent liquid.

All went well until one greedy boy came home tipsy. Befuddled, when questioned he told all. Aunt Sophrony collected some black hands—she couldn't trust the other boys, as they were all implicated—took an ax , and went to the swamp. The barrel was pulled from the water, and she smashed it to bits with her ax. A real Carrie A. Nation.

His comments on the neighbors were most illuminating. He was civil to all, but was very forthright in his remarks to us.

These folks were the local thieves don't trust them or leave anything around to be picked up. This family was very proud, and looked down on the rest of the community for no good reason, as adduced by his recital of various incidents.

Of particular interest to two teenage boys was his assessment of the girls in the neighborhood. According to him, there were only five families with the kind of daughters worth going out with. He was on the ball there. My own judgment, formed when I began to get around, bore him out. The Coneys were one of those families, and June was one of those girls.

Where did he get his insight?

Uncle Emmett was a great friend of boys, all the way from Summit to Bogue Chitto. They would come down to visit him on weekends, and, in addition to having fun, would talk among themselves and to him. He soaked it all up, digested it, and passed his conclusions on to us.

Having been a school teacher for a while—although not having too much of an education himself,—he was convinced that a good foundation of learning was essential to success in life. I know that he encouraged several boys to continue school and get an education.

His description of scientific farming was this. "First you go to school and learn how to sign, then you get out on the farm and tific."

This was the era of the demagogue in politics. Louisiana had its Huey Long and Mississippi had its J.K. Vardaman and Theodore Bilbo. You should have heard Vardaman's name roll off of Uncle Emmett's tongue, coated with sarcasm. There were also some good ones—Brister, Johnson and White. He dissected them all and poked holes in their campaign promises and policies.

COUNTRY WAYS

All Protestants like to sing in church and country Methodists and Baptists most of all.

They weren't satisfied with singing hymns in unison, they wanted to harmonize. So every summer a singing teacher would come to Johnston Station and conduct a singing school at the Consolidated School. (Not much separation of church and state there and then.) Separate classes were held for older and younger people.

I attended, but not from any desire on my part to become a singer. Uncle Emmett encouraged participation, and I must admit that I got to know quite a few boys and girls. Then too, June was there, an added inducement.

There was a lot of socializing at lunch time and after school, and a certain amount of surreptitious fun during classes.

Camp Meeting was another country institution. It was—and is—a two week affair, held in the late summer after the crops were laid by and before harvest. It is held at Felder's Campground, on Topisaw Creek, east of Summit.

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Dating from the 1820's, this was originally a real camp meeting. People moved out there in wagons, set up tents in a circle around a brush "tabernacle", and partook of three	three bedrooms, a kitchen, a dining room, and a porch. The facilities were out back, water was pumped by hand from a well.	grown—watermelon parties, peanut boilings, baseball games, swimming in the river, making ice cream, playing checkers, or reading.
church services a day. It was an opportunity for folks over a 20 or 30 mile radius to visit together.	Light was furnished by kerosene lamps, food was cooked on a wood stove. Heat came from two fireplaces. Doors and window closures were of	The social life of the community revolved around the churches and the school. In the summer, there was no school activities, so I was never
By the 1920's the tabernacle was a large open building, built of mortised and tenoned timbers pegged together, with a roof of hand riven cypress	wood—no glazed sash and no screens. They were only closed in cold or rainy weather. They were hung with curtains made from flour sacks (remember the	involved there. At that time Johnston Station had three churches—Baptist, Methodist, and a
shingles, and with sawdust spread over the packed earth. Today it is pretty much the same, except for a corrugated iron roof.	printed designs?) to keep the sun and flies out, let the breeze in, and give some measure of privacy.	black congregation. Neither of the first two could afford a full time preacher and were on circuits, with services once or twice a month. Both congrega-
The canvas tents had been replaced by permanent wooden buildings, primitive	The food was ample and tasty. every- thing was home grown except for salt, sugar, coffee, flour, and white bread	tions attended the church that had a service. All the younger generation went to the Baptist Young People's
but comfortable. Today, some are quite fancy, and are used as summer homes.	(put out for the visitor). Everyone was polite—all the country	Union meetings on Sunday nights. When a revival was held at any of the
With the advent of cars and trucks, the radius of attendees approached 200 miles.	people had innate good manners—and seemed genuinely glad to see me. We all went to Moak's Creek Church	three churches, everyone attended. Room was made for all.
The second summer on the farm, we built a "Tent" (or cabin) and made Camp Meeting for a number of years.	Sunday morning and I walked home after Sunday dinner, my friend walking part of the way home with me— another nice country habit.	Almost every Saturday or Sunday afternoon, six or eight boys from the surrounding farms and nearby towns would congregate at the farm. We would play ball, hunt, fish, swim, eat
In the country, one of the polite niceties, when leaving, was to say "Come, go home with me." It was recognized as a convention and the	It was quite an experience for me. I soon figured out why Uncle Emmett had urged me to go. He wanted me to see how average folks lived. The	watermelon, or make ice cream. The boys from town would bring the ice, everything else was from the farm.
invitation was rarely accepted. One Saturday afternoon, a friend from an adjoining farm extended the usual	experience had a sobering effect on me and made me appreciate more what I had.	There was always an argument as to who was going to crank the freezer. One afternoon we couldn't agree, so Uncle Emmett volunteered.
invitation. I started to make a polite refusal, when suddenly Uncle Emmett	FUN	We went about our games. Finally we
injected himself into the conversation. It was apparent that he wanted me to accept. I was mystified, but agreed to go.	In the country in the 1920's there was no television and not much radio. The closest movies were at McComb, twelve miles south, or Brookhaven, twenty miles north.	returned to the house, hot, sweaty, and ready for ice cream. Behold! No ice cream freezer and no Uncle Emmett. We called—no answer. We searched, and finally found Uncle Emmett,
Making a bundle of my pajamas, toothbrush and toothpaste, etc., I walked home with my friend.	Also, we had only kerosene lamps for light after dark. For a kid who was used to flipping a switch, filling the	asleep in the root cellar, a satisfied smile on his face, with the freezer between his legs. Horrors! The gallon can was almost empty.
His folks were sharecroppers, raising cotton on forty acres. They lived in a tin roofed, board and batten house, supported by blocks of sandrock. It had	lamp, trimming the wick, and cleaning the chimney was a lot of work. As a result, entertainment was home	Needless to say, we never argued about turning the crank again, nor did we ever trust Uncle Emmett with the ice

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cream again. It was a valuable lesson in cooperation.	The trees along the banks shaded it. There was deep water in the bend, and sand and gravel bars across the river	could work free or fall prey to a snapping turtle, we would run the lines and collect our catch. Sometimes it
On the bank of the river, just below the bridge to Johnston Station, was a good sized cypress tree. In a large limb,	and upstream. It was deep enough for diving, and we had one of the usual swing ropes.	would be a snapping turtle, whose greed caused him to end up in the pot.
extending over the river, was a knot hole in which there was a hive of bees.	We joined together in improving the	We also ran an occasional trot line.
We decided to rob it one weekend. A rope was thrown over the limb above the hive limb. I—being a foolhardy teen-ager—took a one man saw and	swim hole. Uncle Emmett had a wide, tapered board cut at the sawmill, which we installed as a diving board. We built a dock at the water's edge, and constructed ladders down the bluff. A	Getting bait for this kind of fishing entailed a visit to the swamp. When the spring floods receded, ponds would be left behind. Trapped in them were many small fish.
was hoisted up to stand on the hive limb. I fastened the rope out on it and,	few snags were located and removed.	We would make "muddying rakes" by
standing close to the trunk, cut through the limb.	Years later, it gave me a warm glow to see my children enjoying the swim hole that we had worked on long ago.	nailing a short 1.4 to the end of a pole. Then we would stir up the water in a pond, until the fish came to the surface
It swung into the trunk below me. When it struck the tree, all of the bees swarmed out and up around me. I embraced the trunk, nobly resisted the	The other close by swim hole was just below the bridge on the road to Johnston Station. It was not as large or	of the muddy water. They were pushed up on the bank with the rake or scooped up in a net and placed in a bucket of clean water.
impulse to swat the bees away, and hollered for them to send the rope up	as deep, but the company was nice. All the boys and girls from the town would	These ponds were also a favorite place
for me.	be there on weekend afternoons, and sometimes during the week.	of snakes—often water moccasins—to feed. Almost every pond had one or
No response! Everyone was busy cutting into the hive and gorging themselves with honey. Finally, I	FISHING	two in residence. Luckily, they usually slithered up the far bank when the muddying began.
braved the bees, which were still buzzing around the place where the hive had been, grabbed both ends of the rope, and scrambled down to get	Uncle Emmett loved to fish. So did I, for my father had taken me fishing from the age of six.	Spring lizards (salamanders) were also found in the swamp and used for bait.
my share of the sweets. Some friends!	Fishing the Bogue Chitto River and the creeks was not the same as fishing	Another method of catching catfish, new to me, was "grabbing" (guddling).
SWIM HOLES	Chef Menteur in any respect. Here we fished for "trout" (black bass) with	Experienced grabbers knew where yellow cats would lie up, under an
Swimming was our favorite recreation in the summer time. Before we had running water, it was ablution as well as recreation.	cane poles and used worms or small fish for bait. Later on, I saved up and bought a rod and reel and some artificial lures. Uncle Emmett consid- ered this rig a "play pretty," his term	overhanging bank or behind a log. The grabber would ease up to the spot and gently feel about in the water. When a fish was located he would be
Most of the time we went down to the hole in the bend of the Bogue Chitto	for a toy.	stroked and tickled under the belly, much like playing with a feline.
River at the "River Pasture." This was about a mile away, so we stopped by the garden, picked some tomatoes to eat on the way, and gathered some	We fished the river for blue (channel) and yellow catfish. The usual method was to cut and trim stout iron wood poles, tie stout cotton lines to the tips,	Having lulled the fish, a quick grab was made for the mouth or gills, and he was hauled, thrashing about, out on the bank.
watermelons or muskmelons to chill in the cool river water for later consump- tion.	bait the hooks, and drive the butts into the river bank. The baits would be just below the surface of the water.	Not exactly sporting, but very exciting A rudely surprised fifteen pound catfish makes a lot of commotion. It
The river was normally clear and cool, being fed by many spring fed creeks.	This would be done in the afternoon. Early next morning, before the catch	took skill and strength to be a success- ful grabber.

HUNTING

Uncle Emmett liked hunting even more than fishing. Before going up to the farm, I had done no hunting of any kind, so it was all new to me. My father bought Elmer and me each a nice little double barrel Parker field grade shotgun.

Rabbits were hunted with dogs. (We had a couple of beagles.) The hunters would line up in the open and send the dogs into the swamp to chase the game out. It was exciting to hear the dogs in full cry and see the cottontails pop out of the brush.

My father used to put on a big rabbit hunt every year between Christmas and New Year. He invited all the neighbors to take part, and furnished shells to any that needed some. The country folks, with their single barrel Ivor Johnsons, were pot hunters and rarely missed.

Squirrels were also hunted with dogs. A good hound would pick up the scent on the ground, follow it to a tree, and bark a signal that the game was treed. If the squirrel moved from tree to tree, the dog would follow, barking all the time.

We also still hunted them. Picking out a beech with lots of mast, we would sit still until a squirrel showed up. Or we would stake out a cornfield on the edge of the woods. As a "bushy tail" came out to feast on ears of our corn, we would get them.

Quail were plentiful in the piney woods and adjacent fields. We never had any bird dogs, so we walked them up. The Quail population didn't suffer much from me. I could never hit a rapidly moving target.

Doves were abundant, particularly in fields that had been harvested. They would fly out of the woods to feast on the gleanings, and thus meet their doom.

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On the river there were turtles to shoot with a .22 rifle. I mounted a telescopic sight on mine. Soft shell turtles would climb out on a log to sun themselves, presenting a nice target for the hunter creeping along the bank. The problem was to kill the turtle with a head shot, so that he couldn't swim away, wounded. Uncle Emmett always emphasized that wild things shouldn't be needlessly harmed.

His favorite prey was the hawk. He blamed them for his limited success in raising chickens. My father gave him a double barrel duck gun.

Uncle Emmett would take off for the swamp, to a tree where he expected hawks to perch. There he would lie down, his gun by his side, his hat over his eyes, and go to sleep. When he woke, he would glance up at the eyrie and, if a hawk was there, bag the predator with one shot.

WILD STUFF

Robbing bee trees brings back vivid memories, I guess because of the excitement that accompanied the operation.

Uncle Emmett would point out some bee martins and we would try to follow the birds to the hive. Or we would watch the direction that nectar and pollen laden bees took in returning to the bee tree. Some folks said—we never tried it—that you could trap some bees and dust them with flour, thus making them easier to follow.

There were always hives in the trees across the river from the swim hole. We robbed at least one hive a summer in that area.

Having located a bee tree, we would put our pants inside of our socks, roll down our shirt sleeves and button the cuffs, fasten our collars, pull our hats around our ears, and proceed to chop or saw it down.

The first action would stir up the bees, so we didn't dally in felling the tree. When it hit the ground, we would rush to the knot hole holding the hive, and chop it open, with a million angry bees buzzing about.

Uncle Emmett gave us two valuable pieces of advice. First, don't swat at the bees. If you don't attack them, they won't sting you. Second, smear honey over your exposed skin. Bees won't sting you then.

We would often make a "bee gum" out of 1x12's and bring it with us. Left near the felled bee tree, it often afforded a home to the displaced bees. After a few days, we would stop up the openings, bring the gum to the house, and set it up on a stump. Then we could get honey without all that work.

A few years later, my father bought some real fancy A.I. Root hives from F. Martiny. They had a brood chamber and as many supers as a swarm could fill up in a summer.

Along with the hives and some domesticated bees, he bought bee nets to go over our hats, bee proof gloves, and smokers with which to quiet the bees.

With the rashness of youth, I soon fancied myself as a real beekeeper. Gradually I dispensed with all that equipment except the smoker. I even forgot to stuff my overall legs into my socks.

One day I smoked down a hive and started to take off a honey laden super. Suddenly I felt some of those smoke stupefied bees crawling up inside of my pants legs. How much farther would they go before stinging me? What to do?

Throwing modesty and propriety to the winds, I slipped out of my overalls and

I was met by Uncle Emmett, who had seen it all and was laughing fit to kill.	of the renter houses of the Depression	school.
seen it all and was laughing fit to kill.	period.	501001.
	period.	Uncle Emmett was right. By next
	They were perhaps a little better than	summer, many screens had been
	most, for they had glazed windows.	removed and others had holes punched
	However, there were no screens and no	through them. It seems that they were
	way to keep out flies and mosquitoes.	perceived to restrict the flow of air
pastures. When riding, we would		through the house in hot weather.
always stop and eat a few while the	I have described my father's attempt to	
	provide milk to the tenant families. He conceived another worthwhile project	So much for good intentions!
t	to better the living conditions of the	EPILOGUE
11 0	tenants—screens in the windows and	
	doors.	Uncle Emmett introduced me to June
would have to shake the vines and		Coney one Sunday in 1928, after
1 5	Uncle Emmett admitted that it was a	services at the Methodist Church at
	good idea, but doubted that it would work.	Johnston Station.
Blackberries were all over the pastures,		We went together for eight years, on
	These houses had been built by local	and off, and were married on June 19,
5	jackleg carpenters. No two door or	1936. As a result, I had almost fifty
	window openings were of the same	years of happy marriage to thank him
	size. So the first thing was to make a	for.
	list of the houses, their openings, the sizes of the screened doors and	
	windows, and a bill of materials.	My wedding day was the last time that
one in the yard by the house. The fruit	windows, and a oni of materials.	I saw Uncle Emmett. I was working in
	Then Uncle Emmett arranged with the	Buffalo, New York, at the time, and
	County Agent for use of the wood-	June and I lived there for two more
	working shop at the Johnston Station	years.
• • •	Consolidated School.	Deine dasse som av fordagetet
with long poles to dislodge the		During those years, my father had a falling out with Uncle Emmett, about
cherries.	My father arranged for the necessary	what I never knew. Later on I heard
	lumber, screen, tacks, hinges, etc., and	rumors and gossip, but—considering
	we went to work. Mr. Fortenberry, the	some of the sources—I never placed
	County Agent, furnished a lot of	much credence in them.
	advice on design and construction.	
e	After a month, we had to finish the	Before we returned to New Orleans,
	closures.	Uncle Emmett died. He is buried in the
One night we were awakened by a barrage. Apparently we had bottled the	Every day at lunch time. I would well	Felder Cemetery above the Camp
• • • •	Every day at lunch time, I would walk down the road to Mr. Coney's store,	Grounds on Topisaw Creek. 💠
	buy some bread, meat, cheese, and a	
-	soft drink and talk to June.	
down all over the linen and clothes		Welcome to
	Sometimes Mrs. Coney would invite	
	me to have "dinner" (lunch) with them.	26
•	That was a real treat, for she was a	26
	wonderful cook. I have never found a	
A SOCIAL EXPERIMENT	chess pie to compare with hers.	New Members
On the farm there were four tenant	Installing the screens and doors went	This Quarter!
	quickly, and the project was completed	
	before I returned to New Orleans and	

From Gil Alford's Mailbox

In the June 1992 issue of *AAFA ACTION* we published an article on p. 28, "William Alford, 1751–1811" that was compiled by Camille Crouse, AAFA #34, and Gil Alford. Following publication of that article, Camille wrote a letter to Gil correcting some errors and proposing some theories.



733 Plantation Estates Drive, B–302 Mathews, North Carolina 28105 August 6th, 1992

Dear Gil,

...Now to the William Alford article a correction. The dates for Esther Alford are those of Esther Ball Harper—Wiley's ancestress who at one time, I speculated was Esther Alford until I found Mary Alford's petition for dower rights stating she was the wife of John Stith (Jonathan Slythe in some census reports or marriage records), and I found the death certificate for Esther Harper's 101 year old daughter which stated her mother was Esther <u>Ball</u>.

I think the Anne Alford who married John Fyffe was probably the daughter of William Alford, <u>Jr</u>. of Wilkes Co. for William Sr. died in Stokes Co. and I now know that the John Alford b. ca 1787 was not William Alford's son, John. The 1787 one was an orphan and had a daughter Malinda who married William Ewing (listed in TN IGI just below the Malinda Alford who married Harrison Crouse—and whose parents I'd still like to find!!)

Now I'm thinking that Thomas and Elizabeth Alford, who signed Wiiliam's deeds in NC, were the Thos. who died and left a will in Wythe Co.,

VA, 1805 (found a copy of his will in an old Alford Family newsletter of Mrs. Bowman's-he did not leave a son William) were William's 1751-1811 Uncle and Aunt. That possibly Wiley's William above was the son of a William or John who were brothers of Thomas-and that William, John & Thomas were the sons of John Alford will 1748 of Frederick Co., VA. What think ye? Can't prove a thing-but I've toyed with that 1748 will of John's for a long time. Letters from Orville Alford in Pineville, KY, regarding those 3 sons of John's sort of enforces my feelings and logic about them. Wonder where John of 1748 came from-Maryland or further north-maybe Delaware from where some other kinfolk of mine moved to Montgomery Co., VA-then to Rutherford Co., NC. Feel like some of William's 1751-1811 sons and families may have gone to Rutherford Co., NC or TN. Puzzles-puzzles!!!! 'Til now wasn't aware of the Rutherford Co. Alfords/Halfords.

Have been fascinated with articles, suppositions, theories, etc. of Jim Alford, you and Wick concerning all the Lodwicks-but the letters in this last one blew my mind. I have read and re-read them-and I still think ole Lod died in NC, and I believe his third wife was Goodrich's widow, Sarah. It was sons or grandsons or nephews who married Ferrells and Hartleys-not ole Lod. Watch the names of the descendants-who had a son, Ferrell Alford, etc.? I know for a fact that DAR records are wrong, wrong, wrong-had a great Aunt who joined on the line of a man who never married, we learned later!! I put no store by them at allonly to look into for possible leads, but I don't trust them. We got the truth of that line eventually-goes back to Mayflower.

Feel sure ole Lod's wives were (1 & 2)

Cades—then (3) Sarah. I just have a "gut feeling" about it plus circumstances make it very reasonable.

In one of the more recent back issues in one of Jim Alford's articles he said my Elizabeth died young!!! You tell him for me that he's crazy-that I descend from her and am very well satisfied with all the circumstantial evidence that proves to me she was ole Lod's daughter who married William Lore-had a daughter who married a Flewellen who had a son. Lodwick Flewellen, named for her Grandfather. I only learned of Lodwick Flewellen in recent years as he remained in NC when the other Flewellens moved to GA. Apparently died not too long after the others went to GA for the GA relatives had no record of him. Finding and learning all of this has been fascinating.

Also, am now trying to track down info on Kinchen Alford-for I believe he may be the ancestor of my Norfleet cousins. Only recently saw in the paper where a Kinchen Norfleet built a saw mill in Gates Co. in 1811. Have never seen the name Kinchen except in Alford lines so do wonder if the Betsy Alford who married Marmaduke Williams was Kinchen's daughterand that they had a daughter who married a Norfleet?? How's my reasoning-now if I can just track it down-can you help me? Is there a list of Kinchen's children? His wife's name, etc.

When I can find the time, want to send you all I know and have circumstantially and factually on Elizabeth Alford and see if you don't agree she's ole Lod's daughter of 1735/6 (1736 was baptismal date) from whom I descend.

Must close now....

Camille 🛠

1994 Meeting in Richmond, VA

By Ben Alford, #447, AAFA President, Wyomissing, PA

Our 1994 AAFA Annual Meeting in Richmond, VA, was a great success. Approximately 125 "Alfords" and their families attended. Their membership numbers and places of residence, included for each person mentioned in this report, show that both old and new AAFA members are involved and that our active members cover a large portion of the U.S.

Emanuel "Al" Alford, #617, AAFA Events Coordinator from Pensacola, FL, found our organization an excellent location at the Richmond Holiday Inn at the airport. The location allowed members a chance to visit the many historical spots near Richmond before and after the meeting. The meeting also got started on a very sound basis through the work of Doris Alford Vetri, #303, AAFA Treasurer from Mount Laurel, NJ, and Max Alford, #230, AAFA Secretary from Mesquite, TX, through their extensive publicity to the members and collection of meeting fees.

Al Alford, #617, FL

This year's excellent program opened with Friday's optional Genealogy Workshop conducted by Richard and Charlene Dunn from Everton's Genealogical Publications. They discussed many areas related to good family research. I particularly remember their suggestion to make a list of desired information before visiting a library or historical society reference room. They also helped us learn how to ask the right questions in order to obtain the best information and save time. They brought numerous handbooks and forms for sale to help in cataloging the data you obtain. Included with the workshop fee was a free year's subscription to Everton's *Genealogical Helper* magazine. With the help of the *Helper*, all of us expect to be better genealogists in the coming year!

The Friday night reception allowed us to get together socially and to meet new members. Joe Alford, #88, our Virginia State Representative from Hampton, VA, and Al Alford provided the group with numerous door prizes, including Virginia hams and bacon! Thank you, Joe and Al.

Andrea Alford Fantacci, #319, AAFA Buying Service Director from Zachary, LA, had a tremendous "store" of Alford mementoes. She has really turned up some neat Alford items. As some of you

> The Sales Area, where items with the Alford emblem were displayed and sold.

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of James		
Alford, b.		
1713 in VA:		
Chairman of		
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Lodwick		
Alford, #011,		
GA, and his		
wife Frances;		
and Wick's		
daughter		
Andrea		
Fantacci,		
#319, LA,		
Buying		
Service		
Director in		
charge of the		
"store".		

know it started with just a few t-shirts from which she got the name "t-shirt lady." Thanks also to Andrea's helpers, Gil's wife Mary Alford, Doris and Sebastian Vetri, and others who tended the store. They kept it open during the reception and other off-hours between the meetings. A list of AAFA merchandise along with Andrea's address is included as a flyer in the Fall 1994 issue of the quarterly, and in the next issue we hope to have a flyer that will permit those of you who can't make it to the meetings to purchase plain, matted, or framed copies of our AAFA logo and/or the Alford emblem and several other interesting Alford items.

Registration Friday afternoon, where Doris Vetri, #303, NJ, and Max Alford, #230, TX, signed in the attendees

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Mike Alford, #004, VA. and Ruth Eager Moran, #622, OK, with the picture display in background.

At the Saturday morning business meeting officers presented reports about their area of activity for the past year with new activities outlined for the upcoming year. An election was held, and the current officers were reelected. Max Alford discussed future meeting sites: October 1995 will find us in Decatur, AL, near the Red Stone Space Arsenal Museum. Bring your children and grandchildren to see the space capsules and the equipment used to test them; the following year we will meet in Springfield, MO, where you can take a side trip to Branson for the latest in country western music. The group voted to meet on the west coast in October 1997 so the loyal Alfords who've been flying east each year can drive to the meeting for a change!

On Saturday afternoon Lynn Davidson Shelley, #484, AAFA West Virginia State Representative from Morgantown, WV, and Gil Alford, #19, AAFA Executive Director from, as we all know, Florissant, MO, led the Alford Family Forum. They discussed the movement of colonial Virginia settlers to the interior by several early roads. Many of the settlers, including the Alfords, were emigrants and had to work for the landowners to pay for their ship passage before being able to move inland to obtain land of their own. Lynn provided us with a lot of new information based on her detailed research, particularly in western Virginia, which became the state of West Virginia at the beginning of the Civil War.

Evelyn Mistich, #481, LA, and Evonne A. Salmons #130, TX, looking through the research materials on Sunday morning.

Descendants of John Alford, b. 1696 in MD: Front—Jean Harvey, Elizabeth Price (sisters); and Ruth Eager Moran, #622. Back—Elizabeth and Vincent Heazel, #664, MD; and Diane Etchison, #656, CA.

At the Friday night reception—Descendants of Littleberry Alford, b. 1801 in NC: Ken Alford and his father H.L. Alford, #446, MS; and descendants of William Alford, b. 1804 in GA: Nancy Herrington and her sister Catherine Ellard, #606, MS. Descendants of John Alford, b. 1801 in NC: Front—Hollis and Arliene F. Alford, #196, TX; Earline and Max Alford, #230, TX. Back—Roy and Dave Alford (sons of Hollis and Arlien), TX; Doris and Sebastian Vetri, #303, NJ.

Descendants of Isham Alford, b. 1749 in NC: Aloma and Charles Alford, #187, FL; Lynn Shelley, #484, WV; Ann Lavenia Alford #386, MS; and Janice Stogsdill Smith, #152, TX.

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Front-Marian M. Houk, #043, VA; Stephanie Alford Mixon; Julius M. Alford, #013, MS. Back—David and Juanita Stevens. #621, GA. Marian, Stephanie, Julius, and Juanita are descendants of Jacob Alford, b. 1738 in VA. Another attendee from this branch was Elizabeth Hawes Hazlip, #358, MS.

During the afternoon we had a detailed discussion by James Boles of Ancestral Tours about a proposed special trip to Great Britain by the Alford group. Jim has led many family groups in tours of their ancestral countries. The tour is scheduled for June 4–15, 1995, and requires a minimum of 20 participants. Jim has prepared a detailed brochure for the tour, which can be obtained from him at Ancestral Tours to Great Britain Ltd., 24 Murray Street, Norwalk, CT 06851, or call 203-846-8911.

Saturday night everyone enjoyed the buffet dinner, followed by Awards Night. The Association awards \$25 to the winners in each of four categories. The winner for getting the most new members was Elizabeth McLane, #76, Valdosta, GA, for getting 5 new members; Tim Alford, #696, Kentwood, LA, was a runner up with 3 new members. Mildred Richbourg, #542, Panama City, FL, won the award for submitting the most new family group sheets: 43! Runner-up was Dick Alford, #534, W. Columbia, TX, with 34.

The award for the best non-biographical article for *AAFA ACTION* went to our Chairman of the Board, Lodwick Alford, #11, Sea Island, GA. He won for his article titled "Adventures in Greene County, Georgia" (Winter 1994, p. 34).

Frequent contributor James P. Alford, #115, Houston, TX, won for the best biographical article, "Julius Caesar 'Paddy' Alford, 1848–1876" (Spring 1994, p. 59).

Descendants of Lockhard Alford, b. 1790 in NC: Mary Alford Intellini, #707, MD, and Larue Alford King, #701, NC. Several photographic awards were also presented for "Alford" pictures submitted to Jack Kinabrew, #83, AAFA Photograph Project Director from New Orleans, LA. We hope to publish the winning entries in the quarterly.

Thanks go to all the above award winners as well as to the many other members who help us recruit new members and who contribute the articles that help make *AAFA ACTION* one of the best family quarterlies in the country. We also want to thank Pamela Alford Thompson, #30, AAFA Publications Director from Mountain View, CA, for her outstanding effort in the publishing of our quarterly.

At the Sunday morning History Workshop, Gil had the AAFA state workbooks laid out for review. He also had updated computer printouts of many of the Alford lineages. This workshop allowed the members to check organizational information against their own genealogical data and update their data from new information Gil received during the past year.

Start planning now to join us on October 13–15, 1995, in Decatur, AL. The Annual Meeting grows and improves every year, so don't miss this great opportunity to meet your cousins, learn about your family history, and support our efforts to have the best family organization in the country!

EDITOR'S NOTE: All

of the wonderful meeting photos published in this issue were taken by Janice and Jim Smith, #152, of Plano, TX. They went to a lot of trouble to group people into family groups and to get a picture of nearly every attendee. More photos will be published in the next issue, so if you were there and don't see your picture, you'll probably see it next time. 🔹

Descendants of Julius Alford, b. 1747 in NC: Henry G. Alford, #057 and his father, Albert Alford. Henry is the State Representative for Maryland

More descendants of Julius Alford, b. 1747 in NC: Front—D. L. and his wife Catherine Alford, #054, TX. Back—Dovie Jean Alford, #110, TX, Geraldine and her husband Lewis Obermiller, #429, NC; Jim Alford, #115, TX; and Evonne Salmons, #130, TX.

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	Samuel McCray, VA	
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John and Gerry Echols, NC	Doris (Alford) and Sebastian Vetri, NJ	
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Ruth Echols McNinch, GA	Hollis and Arliene Alford, TX David Alford, TX	
Linda Echols Perry, MD		
Kristie Echols, NC	Roy Alford, TX	
Gail Echols, NC	Descendants of JOHN, b. 1807 LA	
	Pat Brock Smith, MS	1
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Bob and Maxine Alford, TX	Murray and Mary Alford, LA	
Jim and Mary Alford, TX	Sally and Dick Stoewer, LA	
	Mattie Lou (Giddings) and Harvey Fry, 7	гх
Descendants of ISHAM, b. 1749 NC	Vesta Alford Giddings, TX	
Lynn Davidson Shelley, WV	Seanne Carrigan, CA	
Charles and Aloma Alford, FL	Josephine Alford Carrigan, CA	
Ann Alford, MS		
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Elizabeth Hawes Hazlip, MS		
Julius "Pooley" Alford, MS	Descendants of JULIUS, b. 1747 N	NC
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