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Harry Scott McVicker [A00505]

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HARRY SCOTT McVICKER, b. June 26, 1880, at Wilton Junction, Muscatine County, Iowa, son of Norval Wilson McVicker and Margaret Emma (Hill) McVicker. Printer; teacher; Superintendent, Schools of Keokuk County, Iowa (since 4 January, 1909-). Education: Sigourney Iowa Public Schools, Normal Schools, Valparaiso University. Experienced teacher; Principal, Thornburg Iowa Schools; Principal, Webster Iowa Schools, from which place he was called to Superintendent of Fremont Iowa Schools, 1907. Next, elected Superintendent of Schools of Keokuk County, Iowa, and twice re-elected, with gratifying majorities in the vote in each of three popular elections he has continued in this office. When the law vested election of this officer in the hands of Boards of Education in the counties in Iowa, Harry S. McVicker was retained in office and his service continued to be so satisfactory that he has remained as the prevailing choice when other candidates have contested, often having had no opposition to his unanimous re-elections. It is not difficult to find reason for his successful tenure when his service is considered. He is happy in his work and has a good-humored way of treating people while performing his duty. He was a highly successful teacher and deservedly popular in his teaching places. He has the knack of keeping order by being constantly in a good humor while on the job. His pupils would have fought for him. His school constituencies decisively supported his elections as County Superintendent of Schools. When leaving Fremont to assume the duties of this office his high school pupils accompanied him to the train, all cheering him though sorrowful and some saying that they would not return to school without "Mac" as they called him.

Harry made his home with and cared for his aged father who lived almost 96 years. When about 21, Harry took his father, Norval E. McVicker, then nearing 74, on a trip through West Virginia to the places of his boyhood days which the father had left when orphaned some 60 years before. There they found relatives and boyhood friends and acquaintances of the father. They visited with great interest the father's old home place and the remembered scenes of his boyhood. They found his sister whom he had not seen for about 60 years. They spent five weeks in visiting and traveling about in West Virginia, in Pennsylvania, and in Indiana where the father had lived in his young manhood.

Upon returning from this trip honoring his father, Harry resumed teaching, soon climbing to principalships and school superintendencies. His work has drawn wide recognition outside his county. Educators in Iowa and the country at large have noted his achievements. Eminent leaders have been brought with their messages of inspiration to Keokuk County teachers. Former-President Homer R. Seerley, the "grand old man" of Iowa State Teachers College, said: "There is no one like Harry." The LADIES HOME JOURNAL devoted an article to a report of Harry's work in Keokuk County Schools. While content to carry on in his characteristic earnestness, many recognitions have rewarded his service. People have discerned merit because able service has been rendered. A chief reward has been that of Harry's making firm friends. He is friendly. He works hard and keeps constantly in a good humor. He aims to render his best service to all as satisfactorily as he can. He well accomplishes this aim. A skilled organizer of his work and of the schools, he plans to have always something interesting for the schools as well as to see that the regular work is carried on toward its goal.

Harry visits all the schools both rural and town, which requires much time each year. He counsels with Boards of Education in different parts of the County to help them in their plans. His Civics Manual and School Officers' Manual are his individual product, masterpieces in their respective lines. His success may be briefly described as that of one who whole-heartedly likes his work, sharing his energy to help all who wish to improve their school conditions, whether they may be parents, pupils, teachers or directors--working together in common purpose. Harry has been diligent in his work. He stands courageously before the people of his County and has been judged with decisive approval. He secures co-operation by sound leadership and unstinted attention to his duties.

Philip Kefover (1789-1881) [A00507]

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PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881)

Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was born May 12, 1789, in Frederick County, Md., He settled in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pa., where he became a successful agriculturist. His home farm place is about 2½ East of Masontown, Pa.

Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was married three times:

(1) To Ophelia Elizabeth Lucky who bore him 10 children, as follows--

- 1--James Kefover (1811-1904), married Susan _____; lived in Wilton, Muscatine Co., Iowa
- 2--Thomas Kefover (1815-1894), married Sarah Harrison; lived at Woodside, Fayette Co., Pa.
- 3--Philip Kefover (1821-1912), married-1st-Lavinia Maleby-2nd-Eliza Ann (Smith) Murray; lived in Fayette County, Pa.
- 4--William Kefover (____-____), married Sarah Elizabeth Jackson; lived in Fayette Co., Pa.
- 5--Albert Gallatin Kefover (1851-1914), married Sarah Ann Bowers; lived in Fayette Co., Pa.
- 6--John Kefover (____-____), died when a young child
- 7--Mary Jane Kefover (1824-1902), married Henry B. Maleby; lived in Mahaska County, Iowa
- 8--Clarissa Kefover (____-____), married Robert Hanna; lived in Clarksville, Butler Co., Ia.
- 9--Margaret Kefover (____-1910), married Thomas Sessler; lived at High House, Fayette Co., Pa.
- 10--Martha Kefover (1816-1867), married James Hill (1815-1859); lived in Fayette Co., Pa.

(2) The second marriage of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was to Phoebe Harper by whom he had no children.

(3) The third marriage of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was to Delilah Boice (180 -1879, died 74th year) who bore him one child, as follows--

- 11-- Elizabeth Ann Kefover (____-____), married George W. Burner; lived in Fayette Co., Pa.

Philip Kefover (1789-1881) died April 3, 1881, aged 91 years 10 months 21 days.

He is buried by the side of his third wife, Delilah (Boice) Kefover (who died September 29, 1879 in the 74th year of her age) in the Old Frame (Presbyterian) Churchyard about 3 or 4 miles Southeast of Masontown, Fayette County, Pennsylvania.

Inscription engraved on his tombstone:

"Holy Bible ... 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.' "

Inscription engraved on monument to Delilah:

"Holy Bible Delilah wife of Philip Kefover Sr. died Sept. 29, 1879 in the 74 year of her age.

'Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God.' "

Further data as to Ophelia Elizabeth Lucky, first wife of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) and the ancestress of most of his descendants, is not known to the writer.

Family of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) [A00508]

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FAMILY OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881)

Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was born on May 12, 1789, in Frederick County, Maryland. He settled in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, where he became a successful farmer. His old farm homestead is located about 2½ miles East of Masontown, Pennsylvania.

Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was married three times:

First marriage to Ophelia Elizabeth Luckey (daughter of _____), who bore him 10 children --

- 1 James Kefover (1811-1904), eldest son, married Susannah (_____) (maiden name not found); lived in Wilton Junction, Muscatine County, Iowa
- 2 Thomas Kefover (1815-1894), married Sarah Harrison; lived at Woodside, Fayette County, Pennsylvania
- 3 Philip Kefover (1821-1913), married--1st--Lavinia Maleby--
married--2nd--Eliza Ann (Smith) Murray; lived in Fayette County, Pennsylvania
- 4 William Kefover (____-____), married Sarah Elizabeth Jackson; lived in Fayette County, Pennsylvania
- 5 Albert Gallatin Kefover (1831-1914), married Sarah Ann Bowers; lived in Fayette County, Pennsylvania
- 6 John Kefover (____-____), died when a young child
- 7 Mary Jane Kefover (1824-1902), married Henry Bowel Maleby; lived at Indianapolis, Mahaska County, Iowa
- 8 Clarissa Kefover (____-____), married Robert Hanna; lived in Clarksville, Butler County, Iowa, in the 1870's and 1880's, no later record found
- 9 Margaret Kefover (____-1910), married Thomas Sessler; lived at High House, Fayette County, Pennsylvania
- 10 Martha Kefover (1816-1867), married James Hill (1815-1859); lived near Masontown, Fayette County, Pennsylvania

The second marriage of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was to Phoebe Harper (daughter of _____), by whom he had no children.

The third marriage of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was to Delilah Boice (daughter of _____), who bore him one child --

- 11 Eliabeth Ann Kefover (____-____), married George W. Burner; lived in Fayette County, Pennsylvania.

Philip Kefover (1789-1881) died on April 3, 1881, aged 91 years, 10 months, 21 days. He is buried by the side of his third wife, Delilah (Boice) Kefover (who died Sept. 29, 1879 in the 74th year of her age). Both rest in the Old Frame (Presbyterian) Churchyard, about 3 or 4 miles Southeast of Masontown, Pennsylvania. Inscription engraved on Philip's tombstone:

"HOLY BIBLE ... 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord.' "

Inscription engraved on monument to Delilah:

"HOLY BIBLE ... Delilah wife of Philip Kefover Sr. died Sept. 29, 1879 in the 74 year of her age. 'Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God.' "

Descendants of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) [A00509-1]

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DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881): Son, James Kefover (1811-1904):

Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was born May 12, 1789, in Frederick County, Md. He settled in Nicholson Twp., Fayette County, Pa., where he became a leading agriculturist. His home farm place is about 2½ miles East of Masontown, Pa. He was married 3 times: (1) To Ophelia Elizabeth Lucky who bore him 10 children, James Kefover (1811-1904), Thomas Kefover (1815-1894), Philip Kefover (1821-1949), William Kefover (____), Albert Gallatin Kefover (1831-1914), John Kefover (____, died young), Mary Jane Kefover (1824-1902—married Henry B. Malsky), Clarissa Kefover (____—married Robert Hanna), Margaret Kefover (____—1810, married Thomas Sessler), Martha Kefover (1816-1867, married James Hill); (2) the second marriage of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was to Phoebe Harper by whom he had no child; (3) the third marriage of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was to Delilah Boice (180__-1879, 74th year) who bore him one child, Elizabeth Ann Kefover (____—married George W. Burner). Philip Kefover (1789-1881) died April 5, 1881, aged 91 years 10 months 21 days, and is buried by the side of his third wife, Delilah (Boice) Kefover (who died Sept. 29, 1879 in the 74th year of her age) in the Old Frame (Presbyterian) Churchyard, about 5 or 4 miles Southeast of Masontown, Pa. Inscription engraved on his tombstone: "Holy Bible . . . Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." Inscription engraved on monument to Delilah: "Holy Bible Delilah wife of Philip Kefover Sr. died September 29, 1879 in the 74 year of her age. Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God."

James Kefover (1811-1904), the oldest son of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) and Ophelia Elizabeth (Lucky) Kefover, was born August 27, 1811, in Fayette County, Pa., died at Wilton Junction, Muscatine County, Iowa, October 1, 1904, aged 93 years 1 month 4 days. He married Susan or Susanna _____ b. _____ d. _____, a sister of Rosanna _____ b. _____ d. _____, who married William Beatty, also a resident of Wilton Junction, Muscatine County, Iowa, for some time. The sisters Susan _____ and Rosanna _____ are said to have been orphans _____

James Kefover (1811-1904) and Susan (_____) Kefover had three children:
 1 James Robinson Kefover, b. Sept. 4, 1834, d. May 16, 1931, in his 97th year;
 2 Elizabeth (Libbie) Kefover, b. _____, d. _____;
 3 Philip Alexander Kefover, b. Jan. 5, 1837, d. Sept. 30, 1897, in his 61st year.
 James Kefover (1811-1904), his wife Susan _____, and their son James Robinson Kefover are buried in the Kefover plot in Oak Dale Cemetery, Wilton Junction, Iowa.

1 James Robinson Kefover (1834-1931) was born near Uniontown, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, and died in the Muscatine County Iowa Home, May 16, 1931, in which he had been an invalid inmate since his admittance on June 24, 1926. He was never married, and had lived alone after the death of his father for about 22 years from his 70th year until invalided into the Muscatine County Home in his 92d year. He spoke of coming from Fayette County, Pa., to Muscatine County, Ia., when a boy about 14 or 15 years of age. He was an ardent admirer of the religious doctrines taught by Emanuel Swedenborg (1688-1772). He was a well read man, especially in the Swedenborgian philosophy, as well as in many other lines and an able conversationalist. Until quite advanced in years he had farmed a tract of land he owned about 2½ miles West of Wilton and adjacent to Sugar Creek not far from the Cedar River near Moscow, Muscatine County, Iowa.

2 Elizabeth (Libbie) Kefover, b. _____ d. _____, married Alex. ("Eck") Smith. They had three children, the third child of which marriage died young. The Miller Smith family, of which Alex. Smith was a son, lived at or near Moscow, Muscatine County, Iowa, in pioneer days. It is supposed that the family may have removed to Kansas.

3 Philip Alexander Kefover, born January 5, 1837 (probably in Fayette County, Pa.), died Sept. 30, 1897, at his farm home about 2½ miles West of Keswick, Cassak County, Iowa. He married (April 22, 1875): Mrs. Bessie Arilia (Upson) Phillips, born

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DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881): Son, James Kefover (1811-1904):

(3 Philip Alexander Kefover (1857-1897)--continued--)

(Mrs. Bessie Arilia (Upson) Phillips, born July 6, 1848, died May 25, 1918. Philip A. Kefover and Bessie Arilia Kefover are buried in Sorden Cemetery, near Keswick, Keokuk County, Iowa. By her former marriage, Mrs. Bessie Arilia (Upson-Phillips) Kefover had 2 daughters: Eva Phillips, born February 15, 1871; and Maggie Elisabeth Phillips, born February 1, 1872, died October 5, 1872. The children of Philip Alexander Kefover (1857-1897) and Bessie Arilia (Upson-Phillips) Kefover:

- (1) Ida Mae Kefover, born August 26, 1876;
- (2) Nora Bell Kefover, born Dec. 23, 1877, died Aug. 21, 1878;
- (3) Edith Gertrude Kefover, born Mar. 24, 1879, died July 7, 1880;
- (4) George William Kefover, born April 12, 1880;
- (5) Carrie Kefover, born June 10, 1882, died Aug. 7, 1882.

Misses Eva Phillips and Ida Mae Kefover reside together on the home farm, their address being R.F.D. #1, Box 75, Keswick, Keokuk County, Iowa.

Philip Alexander Kefover (1857-1897) in the early eighties removed with his family from Wilton Junction, Iowa, to What Cheer, Iowa, then a very thriving coal mining town in Keokuk County. After the severe fire in What Cheer in the latter eighties in which his harness store was burned, he gathered his resources and purchased the 80 acre farm near Keswick, Keokuk County, Iowa, which ever afterward has remained the home of his family and on which Miss Eva Phillips and Miss Ida Mae Kefover now reside. He was a man of very genial, lively and jocular disposition, and always interesting company. He was a capital story teller. He was a well beloved relative, a man of exemplary habits, and a fine character. Of such pioneer characters, Iowa was well settled.

George William Kefover, the only son of Philip Alexander Kefover and Bessie Arilia (Upson-Phillips) Kefover, was born Apr. 12, 1880, in Wilton, Cassadine County, Iowa. He married (Dec. 25, 1915): Fannie Shafransk, born Aug. 21, 1880. The marriage was solemnized by his kinsman, James R. McVicker, then serving as a Justice of the Peace in Sigourney Township, Keokuk County, Iowa, by special appointment of the County Board of Supervisors. The following named children are the issue of this marriage:

- (1) Evalyn Mae Kefover, born January 10, 1915;
- (2) Bessie Arilia Kefover, born January 21, 1917;
- (3) George Philip Kefover, born December 5, 1918;
- (4) William Alexander Kefover, born September 27, 1920;
- (5) James R. Kefover, born August 21, 1922.

The address of George William Kefover is: Ramona, Washington County, Oklahoma, where he and his family reside upon his farm.

While the spelling of the Pennsylvania family as KEFOVER has been adhered to herein by the writer, it must be noted at this point that the sons of the family of James Kefover (1811-1904) adopted the spelling with two ee's in the first syllable of the surname, thus KEEFOVER, and that the latter was in the one that the descendants spell their name.

DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881): SON, JAMES KEFOVER (1811-1904):

DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881): SON, JAMES KEFOVER (1811-1904):

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HISTORY OF JAMES KEFOVER (1811-1904) FAMILY -- Appendix

WILLIAM _____ BEATTY, Brother-in-Law of JAMES KEFOVER (1811-1904)

William _____ Beatty, b. _____

d. _____

married (_____):

Rosanna _____ b. _____ d. _____

who was a sister of Susan _____ b. _____ d. _____

who married James Kefover (1811-1904).

Children of William Beatty and Rosanna _____ Beatty

- 1 James Beatty, b. _____ d. _____
 - m. Hannah _____ Upson, sister of Mrs. Bessie Arelia Upson Phillips who married Philip Alexander Kefover (1837-1897).
 - Hannah _____ Upson, b. _____ died _____
 - children: _____

2 Jane Beatty, b. _____ d. _____

3. Anna Beatty, b. _____ d. _____

4. Elizabeth Beatty, b. _____ d. _____

5. Juliet Beatty, b. _____ d. _____

m. William Franklin Morgan, b. _____ d. _____
a nephew of Norvel Wilson McVicker (1827-1925)

6. Frank Beatty, b. _____ d. _____
m. Anna Grander, b. _____ about 80 in 1935
residence 1007 South 2d Street, S.W., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

~~Note: This outline of the William Beatty family is included in the James Kefover family history because of the ~~two~~ intermarriage of the Beatty and Kefover families: (1) The wives of James Kefover (1811-1904) and of William Beatty were sisters, said to have been orphans who were raised in the McClelland (or McClelland) family (probably in Fayette County, Pennsylvania); (2) the wives of Philip Alexander Kefover (1837-1897), second son of James Kefover (1811-1904), and of William Beatty, oldest son of William Beatty, were sisters. Thus, the two first cousins, Philip Alexander Kefover and James Beatty, married sisters, Mrs. Bessie Arelia (Upson) Phillips and Miss Hannah Upson, respectively. And (3) ~~xxxx~~ Juliet Beatty, daughter of William Beatty, married William Franklin Morgan who was a nephew of Norvel Wilson McVicker (1827-1925, --the writer's father) who married Margaret Emma Hill who was a granddaughter of Martha (Kefover) Hill who was a sister of James Kefover (1811-1904).~~

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DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881): Son, Thomas Kefover (1815-1894):

Ophelia Elizabeth(Kefover) Springer (1849-1927)

Ophelia Elizabeth Kefover, daughter of Thomas Kefover and Sarah (Harrison) Kefover, was born Jan. 22, 1849, at Woodside, Fayette County, Pa., died Aug. 27, 1927, at Woodside, Pa. She was married on Jan. 22, 1876, at Woodside, Pa., to Zadock Beeson Springer, son of Jonathan Downard Springer and Elizabeth (Fulton) Springer. Zadock Beeson Springer was born Oct. 12, 1835, at Uniontown, Pa., died Oct. 24, 1905, at Woodside, Pa. Zadock Beeson Springer and Ophelia Elizabeth (Kefover) Springer, his second wife, are buried at Uniontown, Pa. He became a member of the M. E. Church, she was a member of the Presbyterian Church. Zadock Beeson Springer was descended from two historic families of Fayette County, served the United States as an illustrious soldier in the Civil War, and after the return of peace became a leading business man of Uniontown, Pa., as will more fully appear in the accompanying sketch of his life(next following this page).

Zadock Beeson Springer and Ophelia Elizabeth (Kefover) Springer had six children:
Daisy Ophelia Springer, born Jan. 12, 1877, at Uniontown, Pa. *d. Dec. 28, 1948*
Anna Louise Springer, born Nov. 26, 1879, at Uniontown, Pa.
~~Sarah~~ Saretta Springer, born Aug. 30, 1881, at Uniontown, Pa., m. Winfield Mundell
Catherine Wyona Springer, born Feb. 1, 1885, at Uniontown, Pa., m. John W. Victor
Zadock Beeson Springer, born June 14, 1889, at Woodside, Pa.
Nellie Brown Springer, born May 18, 1895, at Woodside, Pa., m. Charles S. Honsaker

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DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881): Son, Albert Gallatin Kefover (1831-1914)

Henry Stanton Kefover, son of Albert Gallatin Kefover and Sarah Ann (Bowers) Kefover, was born Dec. 10, 1866, in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pa. He was married on Nov. 22, 1898, in German Township, Fayette County, Pa., to Sarah Jane Johnson, born Aug. 11, 1868, in German Township, Fayette County, Pa., daughter of Nicholas Johnson and Catharine (Barnhart) Johnson. To this union were born three children as follows:

1 Harold Carmon Kefover, born Aug. 22, 1889, who served the United States in the World War

2 Elmer Lloyd Kefover, born Nov. 10, 1899, died May 25, 1907

3 Albert Stanton Kefover, born Apr. 28, 1907, died Feb. 18, 1909

In his earlier years, Henry Stanton Kefover served as a teacher in the public schools of Fayette County. In the latter years, he has followed the carpenter trade in his community. The residence of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Stanton Kefover is in Masontown, Fayette County, Pa., and the postal address is P.O.Box No. 1, Masontown, Pa. Residing with them in the home is their son, Harold Carmon Kefover, and the sister of Henry Stanton Kefover, Mrs. Cynthia Jane (Kefover) Ramsey, is also residing in their home.

The notes of the trip of the writer's brother, Harry Scott McVicker, who in company with our father, Norvel Wilson McVicker, visited at Masontown, Pa., June 3-5, 1901, during the occasion of their trip taken from Sigourney, Ia., to our father's boyhood home at Morgantown, W. Va., show that they made the trip from Morgantown to Masontown by steamboat and return. These notes say:

"Monday, June 3—came out and stayed over night with Albert (Gallatin) Kefover—a good man—who stays with the widow Mrs. Jake Mack. Jake Mack was a son of Alex. Mack's half brother ... Albert Kefover, Masontown, Pa. ...

~~from Morgantown to Masontown by steamboat and return.~~

~~Henry Stanton Kefover, son of Albert Gallatin Kefover and Sarah Ann (Bowers) Kefover, was born Dec. 10, 1866, in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pa. He was married on Nov. 22, 1898, in German Township, Fayette County, Pa., to Sarah Jane Johnson, born Aug. 11, 1868, in German Township, Fayette County, Pa., daughter of Nicholas Johnson and Catharine (Barnhart) Johnson. To this union were born three children as follows:~~

~~1 Harold Carmon Kefover, born Aug. 22, 1889, who served the United States in the World War~~

June 4—Stayed all night at Henry (Stanton) Kefover's in Masontown. ...

J.M. Howard a good friend of Hill family. ...

Wed. June 5—Took boat Adam Jacobs for Morgantown. ...'I hope to see you some time either here or there.' "

Descendants of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) [A00509-6]

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 DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881): Son, ALBERT GALLATIN KEFOVER (1851-1914)

Descendants of Grandson, John Austin Kefover and Ellen Amanda (Canan) Kefover:

Bessie Kefover, daughter of John Austin Kefover and Ellen Amanda (Canan) Kefover, was born May 15, 1877, at High House, Fayette County, Pa., and died Jan. 3, 1897, at Fairchance, Fayette County, Pa. She was married on Nov. 1, 1895, at Uniontown, Pa., to Ewing Franks Brown, born _____, died Aug. 24, 1896, at Morgantown, W. Va. They are buried at Fairchance, Pa. Their one child, Ewing Franks Brown, Jr., was born Dec. 14, 1896, at Fairchance, Pa. He served the United States in the World War, over seas, in the Railroad Division.

Mary Etta Kefover, daughter of John Austin Kefover and Ellen Amanda (Canan) Kefover, was born May 17, 1878. Residence at 24 North Howard Avenue, Bellevue, Pa. She is a member of the Bellevue Presbyterian Church and a member of the Alpha Bible Class. She has ably co-operated in the gathering of material for the family history and actively shown her interest toward its furtherance and completion.

Alice Kefover, daughter of John Austin Kefover and Ellen Amanda (Canan) Kefover, was born Sept. 18, 1879, at High House, Fayette County, Pa., and died Oct. 31, 1908, at Mercy Hospital, Pittsburgh, Pa. She was married to David W. Rider, son of Isaac Rider and Mary (Longenecker) Rider. Their residence was at 61 West Craig Street, Uniontown, Pa. They were members of the Third Presbyterian Church, Uniontown, Pa.

Clark M. Kefover, son of John Austin Kefover and Ellen Amanda (Canan) Kefover, was born Feb. 14, 1861, at High House, Fayette County, Pa. He was married on Nov. 14, 1907, at Bellevue, Pa., to Florence Ada Boswell, daughter of Joseph B. Boswell and his wife Emma E. (McCrackin) Boswell. The residence is at 164 Irwin Ave., Ben Avon, North Side, Pittsburgh. They have no children. They are members of Forest Avenue United Presbyterian Church, Bellevue, Pa. Clark M. Kefover has membership in the following named Masonic organizations: Fayette Lodge No. 228 A.F. & A.M., Uniontown, Pa.; Pennsylvania Consistory 52d degree, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Allegheny Commandery No. 35, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Syria Temple of the Shrine, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Until recently, Clark M. Kefover was Vice President and General Manager of McCanns, a leading store in Pittsburgh and outstanding as a food store in this country. His rise to success and recognition in business leadership has been due to the sterling character inherited from his forbears and his own indefatigable industry and boundless energy. In his early career, Mr. Kefover was employed with the National Bank of Fayette County, Pa., at Uniontown, from which ~~position~~ employment he later left Uniontown to accept a position in the store of Boggs & Buhl, of Pittsburgh, Pa. In his twenty years experience with this firm his work was rewarded in his continuous promotion from one department to another until he became store superintendent. He went from the latter position to accept an offer in McCann & Company, acquiring a substantial interest and becoming a junior member of the firm. For ten years he devoted his unstinted industry and enterprise to the upbuilding of the business with consequent business expansion and its profitable development. He later disposed of his interest but remained as general manager of the firm until January 1, 1931, when with Mrs. Kefover he started a trip around the world. Upon returning from this trip, he resumed his work as the general manager of McCanns and continued his duties for some time, when his physical condition again necessitated his retirement from business activities. The great store of McCann & Company came into the ownership of Mr. A. N. Fraser, in 1933, who more recently has transformed it into a unique example of industrial socialization, whereby the employes now own the McCann Store and receive the profits of the business. He turned over his entire interest to the employes through an intervening board of management, called the McCann Trusteeship. Almost the entire McCann stock is held by a trusteeship of four persons, under whose management the profits are divided among the employes, their participation in the division being based on their annual wage or salary after a preliminary one year of service as such employe and after compensating the management. Under this plan, Clark M. Kefover was retained as one of the four trustees-managers.

Descendants of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) [A00509-7]

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DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881): Daughter, Martha Kefover (1816-1867):

Grandson, James Rufus Hill (1852-1926):

James Rufus Hill, son of James Hill (1815-1859) and Martha (Kefover) Hill (1816-1867), was born September 8, 1852, died March 25, 1926, at Daytona, Florida. He married on May 26, 1875, Annie Cora Covode, b. August 16, 1853, d. May 12, 1903, at Hendersonville, N.C., daughter of Dr. Joseph Covode and Lydia (Griffith) Covode, of Jenners, Somerset County, Pa.

To James Rufus Hill and Annie Cora (Covode) Hill were born 4 children:

- 1 Nabel Anna Hill, b. April 24, 1876, married on Nov. 25, 1900, Fred J. Trout, b. Dec. 11, 1872, son of _____ Trout and _____ Trout.
Home address, 1954 S.E. Second Avenue, Miami, Florida.
- 2 Maud Minerva Hill, b. April 12, 1879, d. August 22, 1903
- 3 Josephine Covode Hill, b. August 23, 1887, d. June 9, 1895
- 4 Mildred Lee Hill, b. January 5, 1894, married on July 27, 1921, at Hendersonville, N.C., Charles Louis Newman, of Halifax, Nova Scotia, b. Jan. 15, 1868, son of _____ Newman and _____ Newman.
To Charles Louis Newman and Mildred Lee (Hill) Newman were born 2 children:
(1) Charles Louis Newman, b. April 25, 1922
(2) James Herman Newman, b. Aug. 23, 1923
P.O. Address of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Newman,
Box 105, Annapolis, Md.

Josephine Covode Hill (1887-1895) is buried in the Episcopal Churchyard cemetery at Crescent City, Florida, her grave being within an iron-fenced enclosure, West and a little South of the Episcopal Church, the headstone bearing inscription: "Josephine Covode Hill Born August 23, 1887 Died June 9, 1895."

Maud Minerva Hill (1879-1903) and her mother, Annie Cora (Covode) Hill, are buried in _____ Cemetery, _____, Somerset County, Pa.

James Rufus Hill (1852-1926) is buried in Cedar Hill Cemetery, about two miles West of Daytona, Florida, his grave being at Grave Site #3, Lot # 52, Sec. D. (To the North of his grave is that of Fannie S. Hawkins (1875-1926) and to the South is the grave of Doris C. Swain (1928-1930).)

The writer visited the grave of Josephine Covode Hill on March 26, 1957, and the grave of James R. Hill on October 17, 1926, and on July 29, 1957, in Cedar Hill Cemetery (or Cedar Hill Burial Park as it is also named), West of Daytona, Florida, on the DeLand Road.

Uncle James Rufus Hill was ever very regardful of his sister, Margaret Emma (Hill) McVicker (the writer's mother). He was kind and generous toward his nephew, James Rufus McVicker, his namesake (the writer), whom he employed in his general merchandise store at Crescent City, Florida, during the year following his nephew's graduation from Sigourney Lee High School, 1893-1894. He was honorable and honest in his dealings. He was of high character, confident ideals, and deep religious faith. He was a highly successful business man and well accredited merchant whose word was as good as his bond and whose name was trusted and honored in the business world.

Descendants of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) [A00509-8]

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DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881) ; Family of Son, James Kefover (1811-1904):

Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was born May 12, 1789, in Maryland. He settled in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, where he became a leading agriculturist. His home farm place is about 2½ miles East of Masontown, Pennsylvania. He was married three times: (1) To Elizabeth Lucky who bore him ten children, James, Thomas, Philip, William, Albert, John, Mary, Clarissa, Margaret, and Martha; (2) Phebe Harper, who bore him no children; and (3) to Delilah Boyce (or Bice, Bise) who bore him Elizabeth Ann (Kefover) Burner. His first wife's name has been given as Ophelia Elizabeth Lucky. He died April 3, 1881, aged 91 yrs 10 mos and 21 days, and is buried by the side of his third wife, Delilah (who died September 29, 1879, in the 74th year of her age) in the Old Frame (Presbyterian) Churchyard, about three miles Southeast of Masontown, Pennsylvania.

(1811-1904)

James Kefover, said to be the oldest son of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) and Ophelia Elizabeth (Lucky) Kefover, was born August 27, 1811, died at Wilton Junction, Muscatine County, Iowa, October 1, 1904, aged 93 yrs 1 m & 4 days. He married Susan _____ b. _____ d. _____

a sister of Rosanna _____ b. _____ d. _____ who married William Beatty. The sisters, Susan and Rosanna _____ are said to have been orphans who were raised in the family of General McClellan. Evidently, this was not the family of General George B. McClellan (1826-1885) but probably that of his father, Dr. George McClellan (1796-1847), who was married in 1820 to Elizabeth Brinton. Dr. George McClellan founded Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and later founded a similar institution, at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

James Kefover and Susan (_____) Kefover had three children:

- 1 James Robinson Kefover, b. Sept. 4, 1834, d. May 16, 1931, at 97² years;
- 2 Elizabeth (Libbie) Kefover, b. _____ d. _____
- 3 Philip Alexander Kefover, b. Jan. 5, 1837, d. Sept. 30, 1897, in his 61st year. James Kefover (1811-1904), his wife Susan, and their son James Robinson Kefover are buried in the Kefover Plot in Oak Dale Cemetery, Wilton Junction, Iowa.

1 James Robinson Kefover (1834-1931) was born near Uniontown, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, and died in the Muscatine County Iowa Home May 16, 1931, in which he had been an invalid inmate since his admittance on June 24, 1926. He spoke of being born in the East and coming to Wilton Iowa when a boy around 14 or 15 years of age. He was never married. He was an ardent admirer of the religious doctrines taught by Emanuel Swedenborg (1688-1772). Until quite advanced in years he had farmed a tract of land he owned adjacent to Sugar Creek not far from Cedar River and near Moscow, Iowa, his father, James Kefover, probably also having been a farmer. He was a well read man and able conversationalist.

- 2 Elizabeth (Libbie) Kefover, b. _____ d. _____ married "Eck" or Alex. Smith, the third child of which marriage died young. The Miller Smith family, of which Alex. Smith was probably a son, lived at Moscow, Muscatine County, Iowa, in the pioneer days. No more data found. May have removed to Kansas.
- 3 Philip Alexander Kefover was born, probably in Pennsylvania, January 5, 1837, died on Sept. 30, 1897, at his farm home about 2½ miles West of Keswick, Iowa. He married (April 22, 1875): Mrs. Bessie Arilia (Upson) Phillips, born July 6, 1848, died May 25, 1918. Philip A. Kefover and Bessie A. Kefover are buried in Sorden Cemetery, Keswick, Keokuk County, Iowa. By her former marriage, Mrs. Bessie A. Kefover had two daughters: Eva Phillips, born February 15, 1871; and Maggie Elizabeth Phillips, born February 1, 1872, died October 5, 1872. The children of Philip Alex. Kefover and Bessie A. (Upson-Phillips) Kefover: Ida Mae (Mae) Kefover, born August 26, 1876; Nora Bell Kefover, b. Dec. 23, 1877, d. Aug. 21, 1878; Edith Gertrude Kefover, b. Mar. 24, 1879, d. July 7, 1880; George William Kefover, born ~~September 12, 1880~~; April 12, 1880; Carrie Kefover, b. June 10, 1882, d. Aug. 7, 1882. Misses Eva Phillips and Ida Mae Kefover reside together on the home farm, their postoffice address being Keswick, Keokuk County, Iowa, R.F.D. #1, Box 75.

Descendants of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) [A00509-9]

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DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881): Family of Son, James Kefover (1811-1904):

Philip Alexander Kefover (1857-1897) probably farmed some and also learned the harness trade in his earlier days. After his marriage and in the early eighties he removed with his family from Wilton Iowa to What Cheer Iowa, then a thriving coal town in Keokuk County. After the severe fire in What Cheer, probably in a late year of the eighties, in which his harness and shoe store was burned, he gathered his resources and purchased the 80 acre farm near Keswick, Iowa, which ever afterward has remained the home of his family. He was a man of very lively and jocular disposition, and always interesting company. He was a capital story teller. He was a well beloved relative, a man of exemplary habits, and a fine character. Of such pioneer characters, Iowa was well settled.

George William Kefover, the only son of Philip Alexander Kefover and Bessie A. Kefover, was born April 12, 1880, probably in Wilton, Muscatine County, Iowa. He married (December 25, 1915): Fannie Shafranek, born August 21, 1880. The marriage was solemnized by his kinsman, James R. McVicker, then serving as a Justice of the Peace of Sigourney Township, Keokuk County, Iowa, by appointment of the Board of Supervisors of the County. The following named children are the issue of this marriage:

Evalyn Mae Kefover, born January 10, 1915; lives with her Aunt Mae Kefover, Keswick, Ia.;

Bessie Arilia Kefover, born January 21, 1917;

George Philip Kefover, born December 5, 1918;

William Alexander Kefover, born September 27, 1920;

James R. _____ Kefover, born August 21, 1922.

The postoffice address of George William Kefover and his family is:

Ramona, Washington County, Oklahoma. There he and his family reside upon his farm.

While the spelling of the Pennsylvania family as KEFOVER has been adhered to by the writer, it must be noted at this point that the sons and the family of James Kefover (1811-1904) for some reason adopted the spelling with two ee's in the first syllable of the surname, thus, KEEFOVER.

Descendants of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) [A00509-10]

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DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881): Daughter, Martha Kefover (1816-1887):
Grandson, Ashbel Fairchild Hill (1842-1876):--Continued

Political Activities.-- In October, 1872, A. F. Hill was associated with Liberal Republican Headquarters, 21 School Street, Boston Massachusetts, his activities then including his speaking at political meetings every night in behalf of Horace Greeley for President of the United States. In 1876, A. F. Hill unsuccessfully sought the Democratic nomination for a place as representative in the Pennsylvania Legislature from Fayette County, and although defeated in this desire he ardently spoke thereafter at political meetings in behalf of the election of Samuel J. Tilden for President of the United States.

Nelson's Biographical Dictionary and Historical and Reference Book of Fayette County Pennsylvania (1890), Vol. I, page 381:
"In the sphere of fiction and romance the county is not devoid of worthy representatives. A. F. Hill has played a versatile role in literary enterprise, being journalist, poet and romancer. He produced "Our Boys," "The White Rocks," "Secrets of the Sanctus," and "John Smith's Funny Adventures on a Crutch."

Wassentown's Authors--Sketches of Its Two Leading Literary Men--Best known of all Wassentown men to the world of letters were Ashbel F. Hill and George W. Linton. They were blood relatives, Linton's mother being an aunt of Hill's mother, both women being Kefovers. Linton was three years Hill's senior and outlived him 15 years. There was something melancholy in the death of each. Linton died by his own hand April 26, 1881, and Hill's death, November 7, 1876, was in part due to the disappointments and excesses incident to the democratic primary campaign of that year.

"George W. Linton was the son of Zetan and Hannah Kefover Linton and was born in German township, December 24, 1839. His mother was a sister of Philip Kefover, of Nicholson township, who lived to be nearly 100 years old. He was a saddler by trade and wrote as a pastime. While his cousin, Hill, was bold and assertive, Linton was modest and shrinking. He had tempting offers of positions on magazines, but he declined them because he had no faith in his ability to fill them. Had he possessed Hill's energy, his success would have been astounding, for of the two writers, Hill was the more ready and fertile, Linton was the more subtle and methodical. Linton was for years a valued contributor to the Standard and in the course of a sketch printed at the time of his death this paper used these words: 'Mr. Linton's writings were singularly free from the personal, vulgar or abusive element that constitutes the stock in trade of some newspaper writers, and he had a contempt for such literary titmouse and pretensions. He was passionately fond of a beautiful thought in nature or art for its own sake, and he was an accomplished word artist. He was a contributor to the Standard for nearly 25 years, and whether as a Wassentown correspondent, an author of short stories, or of poetry, or as a party to a controversy, such as the 'Viduaq' of the Wassentown school building question, he was always entertaining and polished.'

"Ashbel F. Hill was a son of James and Martha Kefover Hill, his mother being a daughter of Philip Kefover, mentioned above. He was born Oct. 23, 1842. His writing talent manifested itself early, and he first came into prominence when a clerk in McGleary's store in Smithfield by publishing in the county papers an account of a street fight which greatly excited the citizens of that town. He dished the affair up in rhyme, under the caption of "A Watermelon Fight," in 18 stanzas of four lines each. It was a great hit and though Hill was less than 15 years old, he at once became the local Byron, and his poem was declaimed by school boys. (This poem was afterward inserted by A. F. Hill in Chapter 24 of "White Rocks," when he produced that work.

Descendants of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) [A00509-11]

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DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881); Daughter, Martha Kefover (1818-1887);

Grandson, Ashbel Fairchild Hill (1842-1878);--Continued

*Hawthorn Authors--Sketches of Its Two Leading Literary Men--Continued

*Shortly after he enlisted in Capt. C. L. Gomer's Co. D and entered the service in the 8th Regt. Pa. Reserves. He was mustered in as a private June 21, 1861, and was promoted to Sergeant May 1, 1862. He was in the battles of Bull Run, Manassas, Hunter's Mills, Mechanicsville, Gaines' Mills, Chickshowing, North Mountain and Antietam. In the last named battle he lost a leg and was discharged from the army in Dec. 1862. He then took up the pen, and became a prolific writer. He was for a time editor of the Golden City in California (writing many special feature articles and poems and many humorous articles under the nom de plume of "O. Job. Jones"). Later he was attached to the editorial staff of the Boston Times, and served there until he left to take charge of the New Hampshire Patriot, Concord, N.H. He was assistant editor of the Philadelphia Herald. He was a regular contributor to Saturday Night and other periodicals, and some of his stories were republished by Saturday Night. In 1865 he published his third book, White Rocks, by which he is best known. This book had a large sale, and went out of print, but other editions were later published. In this book A. F. Hill immortalizes in song and story the tragedy in which Philip Rogers decoys the young girl, Polly Williams, whom he had deceived, to the high ledge of rocks above Fairchance and murders her by hurling her to the bottom of the cliff. Hill had a varied literary and journalistic career, the most noted chapter in which was his experience with William S. Mann, the well known Philadelphia politician. While on the Philadelphia Herald Hill wrote a story for that paper wherein were caricatured some of the Quaker City's bosses.

"One of the characters held up to ridicule and merciless satire was one 'William Hillman.' The literary portraiture was on all hands conceded to fit Mr. William S. Mann, and the resemblance of the fictitious name to his own satisfied Mr. Mann that he was the gentleman aimed at, and he prosecuted the Herald for criminal libel. The trial was one of the most famous in Philadelphia libel cases, and resulted in a victory for the paper, Mann being thrown into the costs. Mr. Hill gives an account of this famous episode in his last book, 'Secrets of the Sanctus.' His two other books were 'Our Boys' and 'John Smith's Fanny Adventures on a Scratch.'

"A. F. Hill returned to Fayette County in the middle 70's and was employed on the Seneca of Liberty. In 1878 he was a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the legislature, but was defeated by a small margin. There were two other candidates named Hill, and A. F.'s friends were free in the charge that many of his votes were counted for the other Hills. He took it hard that his county should have refused him this small honor, and it was believed to have hastened his death, which occurred on the day of the Hayes-Tilden presidential election, Nov. 7, 1878, at the early age of 54." . . . (Newspaper sketch, probably the Uniontown Standard)

Passing beyond the mortal scene at 54, A. F. Hill had compressed within the narrow time of 15 active years a literary and journalistic productivity that has remained a cherished heritage in the memory of his friends and relatives and the citizens of his locality and state throughout the intervening years. But we writing these notes could not seek to say for him what his own work does so much better express, nor clutter up the clear writ record of his own active career. So we have thought it better that we should show from what we have received, coming wadded down to us from the reefs of time in many scattered fragments of papers and notes so numerous that we have only a small portion of them, the appreciation and the tributes of his fellows--those who personally knew A. F. Hill and lived with him and who wrote down what well they thought upon his passing career. And so we but list his literary achievements and the words of his contemporaries, and compile but a little of the record of which there has been much about Ashbel Fairchild Hill.

News Article - Minerva (Covode) Ruppel [A00510-1]

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The following newspaper article from the _____ the clipping of which was loaned to the writer by Mildred Lee (Mill) Newman, is relevant to the family history of the writer's Aunt Annie (Covode) Hill and is interesting in its historical disclosures:

"CASE" AND COMMENT
PASSING OF A WONDERFUL WOMAN
MINERVA (COVODE) RUPPEL

Mrs. Minerva V. Covode Ruppel, widow of former Judge William H. Ruppel, passed from this life to the spirit life of the world beyond at 11:00 Monday evening, after an illness of nearly two months' duration.

LIVED SERENE CHRISTIAN LIFE

Since the death of Judge Ruppel which occurred on February 1, 1919, Mrs. Ruppel has resided quietly, unobtrusively in the fine Ruppel home on East Main Street, Somerset, where her time and activities were given mostly to church and charitable work in which she most delighted; but her mind also encompassed all questions of public and community interest; questions of national and international scope, all of which she envisioned as a deeply versed student, even as a publicist.

FORTUITOUS ORIGIN

On every public question Mrs. Ruppel preserved what may be called an "inherited attitude" devised and bequeathed from her rich ancestral setting. Her great-grandfather, Garrett Covode, was kidnapped on a street in Amsterdam, Holland, by a sea captain, who brought him to Philadelphia and sold him into bondage as a "redemptioneer," his term of service lasting several years after attaining his majority, during which he had served as a "domestic" in the household of General George Washington, before the Revolution. After gaining his freedom he went to York, where he reared a family of four children, and removed to Westmoreland County, where he died in 1825, and where Jacob Covode, his only son, reared a family of seven, four sons and three daughters: Mary, John, Jacob, Susan, George, Anna and Dr. Joseph Covode--a distinguished physician and father of Mrs. Ruppel.

PIONEERS OF ABOLITION

The wife of Jacob Covode was Anna Updegraff, a Quakeress whose ancestors in Philadelphia prepared and published the first protest against human slavery ever issued in America, the proximate cause of their formal protest having been the tolerance and recognition of slavery by William Penn as a legal institution in Pennsylvania. That manifesto was followed by the powerful writings of the immortal John Woolman, in which he inveighed against toleration of the slave trade by the Society of Friends -- the Quaker Church; -- but the Updegraff manifesto, which was neither an anonymous declaration, nor even a "round robin," was a general protest, making its appeal to public opinion irrespective of sect or religious belief; and that protest contained essentially, perhaps, the first true interpretation of "America," the real America as we know it today, wherein all men and women are equal and free, and the sovereign people may rule whenever they elect to rule; and thus all Americans may inherit not only the "attitude" to be in all things right but also the power to enforce the rights as the majority determines "the right" by their will and suffrages; -- hence, also, America, in its inception the mere spawn of liberty, is now, because of the broader and higher vision of the rarest few of her pioneers -- is now not only "a place on the map" but a living idea, forged into reality by the unctious and breath of "inherited public opinion" in the fires of the most sanguinary fratricidal struggle in the world's history; upon the anvil of war.

News Article - Minerva (Covode) Ruppel [A00510-2]

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(MINERVA (COVODE) RUPPEL --- 2)

HONEST JOHN COVODE

One of the sons of Jacob Covode was the famous Congressman John Covode of Westmoreland County, the close and staunch friend of President Lincoln, and whom Lincoln dubbed "Honest John Covode of Pennsylvania," the deserved and distinguishing sobriquet that stuck with him through all his remaining life. The two men had many personal traits and characteristics in common and both were men of rugged, heroic stature. One day Lincoln said to him: "Do you know why I came to love you so much so soon after our first meeting? It was because I found you to be honest. You are 'honest John' and I am 'honest Abe.'" During the Civil War President Lincoln sent Mr. Covode on many important secret missions that required fine discretion and great tact to carry out, both of which the great Westmorelander possessed in high degree; and few Congressmen in the Civil War period stood forth in the service of the Union cause with equal distinction and recognition. He was made Chairman of the Special Congressional Committee to investigate the charges against President James Buchanan, whose report, exonerating the President, was published in 1860, and afterwards he was a prominent member of the Joint Committee of House and Senate that investigated the conduct of the War up to 1865. After the death of President Lincoln, President Andrew Johnson sent Mr. Covode to the South to aid in the work of Reconstruction of the seceded States; but, finding that his views on Reconstruction differed with those of the President, he requested to be recalled to Washington to resume his labors in the House. He served in all twelve years in Congress, being the first time elected as an Anti-Mason candidate to the 34th Congress in 1854. He declined re-election to the 42nd Congress in 1874 because he disagreed with the policies of President Grant, though he cherished Grant's friendship as he had that of Lincoln and Johnson before; but by refusing re-election he exemplified as always the inflexible "Covode attitude" -- to espouse the cause of right irrespective of after-consequences or "subsequent events." After his resignation from the mission to the South upon which President Johnson had sent him Mr. Covode notwithstanding, accompanied the belligerent President on the spectacular tour through the North and West, which made a stop at Johnstown, where the station platform collapsed with disastrous results immediately after Mr. Covode had introduced President Johnson to the great out-door audience there assembled.

Illustrating the confidence of the plain people in "Honest John," an incident is related of one of his constituents, who on learning that the Civil War had actually begun, exclaimed:--"O, that is too bad; this war must be stopped; where is John Covode?"

Such a grand, true character could not exist in American public life today. He would be snuffed off the stage by the flaming breath of intolerant fanaticism.

Mrs. Ruppel was the third daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Lydia Griffith Covode, of Jenner township. For many years Doctor Covode was the only physician in Northwestern Somerset County, where he enjoyed an extensive and an eminently successful practice. Having first received a good academic education, he studied medicine in the office of Dr. George B. Funderburg in Pittsburgh and graduated from the Pennsylvania Medical College in Philadelphia in 1846, he was thoroughly well equipped for such a brilliant career in his chosen profession as his success therein so abundantly demonstrated.

Besides Mrs. Ruppel, five other children were born to Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Covode only two of whom survive Mrs. Ruppel, namely, Mrs. Margaret Griffith of Johnstown and Mrs. Bertha Caffin of Sewickley; those previously deceased having been Lillie, Anna C. (Hill), and Robert G. Covode.

Through her mother, Lydia Griffith, daughter of Samuel Griffith, Mrs. Ruppel was a direct descendant of Michael Hillegas, first United States Treasurer. But Mrs. Ruppel lived not in the fabled past, but in the throbbing present. Her honored lineage was her heritage and patrimony, but these served only to emphasize her modesty, her graciousness, and the noble generosity of her nature.

News Article - Minerva (Covode) Ruppel [A00510-3]

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(MINERVA (COVODE) RUPPEL -- 5)

Somersett, Pa., May 27, 19____.-- A very large number of people attended the funeral services for Mrs. Minerva W. (Covode) Ruppel, widow of former President Judge William H. Ruppel, who died at her East-Main street home at 11 o'clock Monday night.

The funeral services were conducted by the Rev. I. Hess Wagner, pastor, with burial in Union cemetery.

The following excerpt is noted from the NATIONAL CYCLOPEDIA OF AMERICAN BIOGRAPHY, vol. II, page_____:

"Michael Hillegas, merchant, was born in Philadelphia in 1728, a son of Michael Hillegas who came to America from Germany. He became interested in a sugar refinery, was active in municipal affairs, and after serving as Treasurer of the Committee of Safety of which Benjamin Franklin was President in 1774, was appointed by the Continental Congress as Treasurer of the United States in 1775. This office he held until 1789. He was empowered by the General Assembly in 1781 to revise and publish the resolves of the Committee of the Province of Pennsylvania and the proceedings of the Provincial Conference of Committees held in Carpenters' Hall in 1776, the Declaration of Independence, etc. This volume he published in 1782. He died in Philadelphia, September 29, 1794."

Abstract of Certification - genealogy record (pg 16) [A00513-1]

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State of Iowa)
Polk County) ss. AFFIDAVIT OF CERTIFICATION OF TRANSCRIPTION OF
PART OF FAMILY HISTORY OR GENEALOGICAL RECORD

I, James R. McVicker, a resident at 1117 East College Street, Iowa City, Johnson County, Iowa, on my oath state: That I am 64 years of age, by profession a lawyer; that I am the head of a family of whom my wife, Virginia M. McVicker, and five children four of whom are married, are now living; and that I have been for many years personally interested in the genealogy of my family and relatives and have gathered information and data thereon, and have compiled and recorded and typed such facts and information in systematic and tabular form arranged in divisions and sections.

And I hereby certify that the accompanying and annexed sheet, numbered page - 16 - , is a part of my said genealogical work and record containing the history and data about all the members and their descendants to this date of the family line of the said James R. McVicker, and that it is a true, literal, correct and complete copy of the said family record page as herein stated to have been compiled.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto subscribe my name this 13 day of May, 1941.

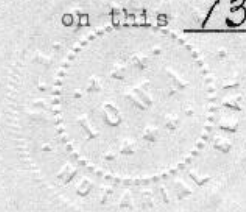
James R. McVicker

Subscribed and sworn to before me by the said James R. McVicker on this 13 day of May, 1941.

V. D. Grimes

Notary Public in and for Polk County, Iowa.

My Notarial Commission expires July 4, 1942.



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("Aunt Patty Hill")

DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER Sr. (1789-1881): Dau., MARTHA KEFOVER (1816-1887):

10 Martha Kefover, b. July 20, 1816, d. November 17, 1887
m. (Sep 22, 1835): James Hill, b. May 22, 1815, d. Jan 2, 1859
5th child:
Margaret Emma Hill, b. Aug 11, 1849, d. Feb 18, 1899
m. (Sep 8, 1875):
Norvel Wilson McVicker, b. Sep 8, 1827, d. April 2, 1923
children, 1st:
James Rufus McVicker, b. July 6, 1876
m. (March 12, 1905):
Virginia Matilda Constant, b. Oct 30, 1878
children:
Bernadine Constant McVicker, b. March 1, 1908
m. (Aug. 27, 1929):
Raymond Earl Norman, b. Jan 20, 1908
children:
Constance Joan Norman, b. Oct 9, 1929, d. Oct 24, 1929

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m. (Aug 30, 1932):
Gilbert Leroy Kelso, b. Dec 5, 1906
children:
James Edward Kelso, b. March 18, 1934

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Benjamin Franklin McVicker, b. Aug 6, 1912
m. (August 29, 1935):
Oral Dorothy Allmond, b. Aug 24, 1916
children:
Dolores Anne McVicker, b. April 28, 1934

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The Ancestral Family of Philip Kefover [A00516-1]

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THE ANCESTRAL FAMILY OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881)

What was the ancestry of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) ?

Various suppositions have been advanced by descendants.

Minor Fox Sangston (great grandson) thought that the name, Kefover, is Dutch. Henry Stanton Kefover (grandson) also thought that the name, Kefover is derived from the Dutch, or from Holland. (Interviews with the writer, June 25-26, 1935.)

"Nelson's Biographical Dictionary and Historical Reference Book of Fayette County Pennsylvania," Vol. III, page 839 (published, 1900), states:

"The Kefovers are of German descent. The founders of the family in America were George and Peter Kefover who emigrated from Germany and settled at Fredericksburg, Virginia. Philip Kefover, the grandfather of the subject of this sketch (Charles Fremont Kefover), and descendant of said Peter Kefover, settled in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, where he was one of the leading agriculturists of said Township." ...

Jordan and Haddon's "Genealogical and Personal History of Fayette County Pennsylvania," Vol. I, page 81 (published, 1912), states:

"Peter Kefover came to America from Alsace-Lorraine, now Germany, and is the founder of his family in this country. He settled at Frederickstown, Maryland, with his brother George. He was a farmer, an occupation usually followed by his descendants. He married and among his descendants was a son Philip, of whom further. While many descendants are found in Maryland, an important branch of the family settled in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, founded by Philip, son of Peter Kefover, the emigrant.

"(II) Philip, son of Peter Kefover, was the first of his family to settle in Fayette County, coming from Maryland during the closing years of the 18th century. He was a farmer all his life, dying in Fayette County. He married and among his children was a son William, of whom further.

"(III) William, son of Philip Kefover, was born in Fayette County, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the public school, and has been devoted to agriculture all his life. He is now living retired at Merrittstown, Fayette County. He married Sarah Jackson, born in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, of Virginia ancestry. Children: Mary, deceased; James W., a farmer of Washington County, Pennsylvania; Charles F., of whom further. William Kefover, the father, is living, aged 84 years; his wife died in 1911, aged 79. They were both members of the Presbyterian Church of Dunlap Creek.

"(IV) Charles F., a son of William and Sarah (Jackson) Kefover, was born January 2, 1862, in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania." ...

(Note.--The full sketch of the life of Charles Fremont Kefover, of Uniontown Pennsylvania, successful attorney at law and business leader, will be found under the history of the branch of William Kefover to be hereafter written, the purpose of introducing the above quotation thus far being to identify the source of the statement ^{therein} as to the Ancestry of Philip Kefover (1789-1881)).

From tradition, the statement was made to the writer in June, 1935, by Henry Stanton Kefover (grandson) and also by Mrs. Martha (Kefover) Mickey (granddaughter) that the father of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was named Jacob Kefover (Keefover). Written confirmation of his oral statement to this effect was later made by Henry Stanton Kefover in an enclosure to this writer mailed to the writer and received on July 20, 1935.

The Ancestral Family of Philip Kefover [A00516-2]

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THE ANCESTRAL FAMILY OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881)—Continued

Further developments have advanced in line with the last stated view or tradition—that stated by Henry Stanton Kefover and Martha (Kefover) Mickey. In the light of this tradition, public records adduced, and all the evidence taken together, it now appears reasonably clear that Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was a son of Jacob Kefover (Keefober, Kefauver, or otherwise variously spelled) and his wife, Mary (Iseminger) Kefover, who were married in Frederick County, Maryland, under a marriage license issued on July 25, 1783.

REPORT OF PUBLIC RECORDS

The writer has received from Dr. Harry Joshua Kefauver (R.F.D. # 2, Frederick, Maryland) a carefully prepared report embodying his "Observations and Notes Concerning Jacob Keefober, Senior, Second Kefauver Generation in Maryland and Pennsylvania." From the documentary evidence disclosed in this report, it clearly appears that Jacob Keefober, Sr., with his family moved into Springhill Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, from Frederick County, Maryland, at sometime between the years 1790 and 1800.

FAMILY OF PHILIP KEEFOBER, Sr. (d. 1779): 7 CHILDREN INCLUDING JACOB KEEFOBER, Sr.

Jacob Keefober (Kefauver...) was one of the sons of Philip Keefober (Kefauver) and his wife, Anna Mary (_____ maiden name unknown) Keefober. This Philip Keefober was the progenitor of the Maryland families spelling the name as Kefauver and, it appears, of the Pennsylvania families in Fayette County spelling the name as Kefover, and of numerous descendants in other states. It is supposed that this Philip Keefober came from Germany to America, and it is indicated that he settled in Frederick County, Maryland, prior to November 27, 1750. The year when he came to America, whether he came alone or with a wife and children or with brothers or other relatives, are all points which apparently are not disclosed by the data known. He died in Frederick County, Maryland, in 1779, and as in the cases of many early pioneers it has not been possible to locate his grave. The wife of this earliest known Philip Keefober (d. 1779), Anna Mary (_____, maiden name unknown) Keefober, and their children, except one, survived him. Their seven children were as below indicated first after the numbers (1-7):

1 Philip Keefober (Kefauver), Jr., b. Mar. 10, 1747, d. Feb. 9, 1814. The Frederick County Maryland Census of 1790 indicates that his children consisted of one male under 16 years and 3 females. The census records for both 1800 and 1810 report no children in his family. The names of any of the children of Philip Keefober Jr. have not been definitely identified.

2 Peter Keefober (Kefauver), b. _____, d. _____, m. Dec. 18, 1786, Catherine Yost, b. _____, d. _____. The Frederick County Maryland Census of 1790 shows that the children of this family consisted of two males under 16 years, and in 1800 of 4 males in the 1-10 age group, and of one female in the 1-10 age group. Apparently, Peter Keefober moved to Virginia sometime between 1800 and 1810 as indicated by the Census of 1810 for Botetourt County, Virginia, showing in this family two males under 10, two males in the 16-26 age group, two females under 10, and one female in the 16-26 age group. Peter Keefober (Kefauver) and Catherine (Yost) Keefober (Kefauver) were probably the parents of Jacob Kefauver (1786-1863) who married Nancy Vineyard (1800-1825). Jacob ~~Kefauver~~ and Nancy (Vineyard) Kefauver were the parents of only one child of their marriage, Jacob Peter Kefauver (1819-1895), who in 1861 married Miss Nancy Rieves Cooke (his 2d wife) to whom were born four children: (1) Paul F. Kefauver (in Idaho); (2) Vineyard Kefauver (now Mrs. V.K. Scott, in ^{Virginia} Va.); (3) Charlotte Kefauver (now Mrs. C.K. Johns, Madisonville, Tenn.); and (4) Robert Cooke Kefauver, Madisonville, Tenn.

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THE ANCESTRAL FAMILY OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881)--Continued

The father of the four persons last listed (at bottom of preceding page), Jacob Peter Kefauver (b. Roanoke Va., 1819), was a pioneer Baptist minister in Tennessee. His son, Robert Cooke Kefauver (b.1870) married Miss Phredonia Estes (of Brownsville, Tenn.), of which marriage three children were born: (1) (Carey Estes Kefauver (b.1903); (2) Nancy ~~Riuv~~ Kefauver (b.1907); and (3) Nora Mann Kefauver (b.1911). Carey Estes Kefauver (b.1903) married Nancy Pigott, of Glasgow, Scotland, in 1935.

3 Nicholas Keefober (Kefauver), b. July 20, 1756, d. July 24, 1811, married Margaret Beckenbaugh, b. _____, d. _____. The Frederick County Maryland Census of 1790 shows that the children of this family consisted of two males under 16 years and one female. In 1800, the report shows the children as two males in the 10-16 age group and one female in the 10-16 age group. In 1810, the children are reported as 3 males in the 1-10 age group, 2 males in the 10-26 age group, 1 female in the 10-16 age group and 1 female in the 16-26 age group. The 1790, 1800, and 1810 reports for Nicholas Kefauver are all for Frederick County, Maryland. Nicholas Kefauver and Margaret (Beckenbaugh) Kefauver were the parents of George Kefauver (b.Oct.8, 1785, d. Sept. 7, 1861, married Mary Castle) and of John Kefauver (b. April 18, 1787, d. June 18, 1853, married Rebecca Claumm) who were the progenitors of numerous descendants in the Maryland Kefauver lines. The history of these families and others is being traced by Dr. Harry Joshua Kefauver and Miss Gladys A. Kefauver, who are descendants of Nicholas Kefauver (1756-1811).

4 JACOB KEFOBER (KEFAUVER, KEFOVER), b. _____ d. _____, married Mary Iseminger under a Frederick County, Maryland, marriage license, issued July 25, 1785. See forward.

5 Susanna Keefober (Kefauver), b. _____ d. _____, married Peter Beckenbaugh.

6 Magdalene Keefober (Kefauver), b. _____ d. _____, married George Hager.

7 Another daughter whose name is not known left one son whose name is also unknown, but they are both referred to in the Will of Philip Keefober, Sr. ^{who d. 1779}

JACOB KEFOBER (KEFAUVER), Sr.,
OF FREDERICK COUNTY MARYLAND AND FAYETTE COUNTY PENNSYLVANIA

Jacob Keefober, Sr., the fourth child above listed of the original Philip Keefober, Sr., removed with his family from Frederick County, Maryland, to Springhill Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, evidently between the years 1790 and 1800 as appears following. The Frederick County Maryland Census of 1790 shows that his children consisted of 3 males under 16 years and 2 females. In the Census of 1800, the report for Jacob Keefober appears from Springhill Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, showing children as follows: 1 male in the 10-16 age group, 1 male in the 1-10 age group, 1 male in the 16-26 age group, 4 females in the 1-10 age group, and 2 females in the 10-16 age group. In the Census of 1810, there is a report for Jacob Keefober, Sr., and also one for Jacob Keefober, Jr., both reports being from Springhill Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, showing children as follows: For Jacob Keefober, Sr., 3 males in the 1-10 age group, 1 female in the 10-16 age group and 1 female in the 26-45 age group; for Jacob Keefober, Jr., 1 male in the 1-10 age group, 2 males in the 10-26 age group, 1 female in the 1-10 age group, and 3 females in the 1-16 age group.

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THE ANCESTRAL FAMILY OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881)--Continued

WILL OF PHILIP KEEFOBER, Sr.(d.1779), OF MARYLAND

Philip Keefober, Senior, who settled in Frederick County, Maryland, prior to November 27, 1750, executed his Will on December 27, 1778 (probated February 27, 1779), naming his two sons, Philip Keefober and Peter Keefober as executors, and mentioning the following members of his family: his wife, Anna Mary; four sons, (1) Philip, (2) Peter, (3) Nicholas, (4) Jacob; two daughters, (1) Susannah (under 18 years of age), (2) Magdalene (under 18 years of age); and one grandson (name not given), the son of a deceased daughter (name of this 3d daughter not given). (Liber G.M. #1, Folio # 109, Records of Office of Register of Wills in Circuit Court of Frederick County, Maryland.)

Jacob Keefober, Sr., one of the sons of Philip Keefober, Sr., married Mary Iseminger, under a marriage license issued on July 25, 1783. (Records of Circuit Court of Frederick County, Maryland.) Mary Iseminger was probably either a sister or a daughter of Adam Iseminger, whose children as 3 boys under 16 years and 4 girls are reported in the Census Records of 1790, Heads of Families, etc., for Frederick County, Maryland (page 66).

Jacob Keefober, Sr., is shown in the Will of his father, Philip Keefober, Sr., as the devisee of all the real estate owned by Philip Keefober, Sr., except 67 acres ("Whiskey Alley"), 90 acres ("Lawnell"), given to his son, Philip Keefober, Jr., and 70 acres and the Mill given to his two sons, Peter and Nicholas. (Liber G.M. #1, Folio #109, of the Records in the Office of the Register of Wills, in the Circuit Court of Frederick County, Maryland.)

MARYLAND LANDS DEEDS RECORDS

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Jacob Keefober, farmer, of Frederick County, Maryland, executed a trust deed on August 30, 1783, to Jacob Derner, Conrad Young, Nicholas Bowlass, John Carn, Adam Smeltzer, and John Flucke, Members and Trustees of the German Reformed, Lutheran, and Calvinist Congregations in and about Middletown, Frederick County, Maryland, for the tract of land called "Resurvey of Whiskey Alley" (about 50 acres, to be set apart for the Use of said Congregations as the Constitution thereof contemplates and no other use whatsoever. (Recorded in Liber W.R. #4, Folio 179, Land Records of Circuit Court of Frederick County, Maryland; Annapolis Archives, W. R. 4, page 179.)

In addition to the above described deed of trust, the records of the Circuit Court for Frederick County, Maryland, show the following described other deeds to lands made by, or joined in the making by, Jacob Keefober (Kefauver), Sr. thereafter:

Jacob Kefauver to Joseph Swearingen, etc., May 24, 1794 (Liber W.R. #12, Folio 435.

Jacob Keefaver to Peter Beckenbaugh, Sept. 5, 1796 (Liber W.R. #14, Folio 474).

Philip Keefaver, Peter Keefaver, heirs and executors of Philip Keefaver, deceased, Peter Beckenbaugh and Susanna, his wife, also one of the heirs of the said Philip, all of Frederick County, Maryland, and Jacob Keefaver, of Fayette County, Pennsylvania, also one of the other said heirs (of Philip Keefober or Kefauver, Sr.), joined in a deed conveying parts of two tracts of land called the Resurvey of Whiskey Alley and Hopkins Content, containing 172½ acres, to Lawrence Everhart for 690 pounds, on September 5, 1796. (Liber W. R. # 14, Folio 482.)

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THE ANCESTRAL FAMILY OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881)--Continued

MARYLAND LANDS DEEDS RECORDS--Continued

Jacob Keefour (Keefober, Kefauver), of Fayette County, Pennsylvania, to Nicholas Keefour (Keefober, Kefauver) and John Flucke, of Frederick County, Maryland, for part of Resurvey of Whiskey Alley for 220 pounds, on February 9, 1810. (Liber W. R. #36, Folio 325.)

IDENTIFICATION OF JACOB KEEFOBER, Sr.

Reference to the above and foregoing recitation of the five deeds to lands therein partially described, tends to establish clearly that Jacob Keefober, a son and heir of Philip Keefober, Senior, who died in Frederick County, Maryland, about 1779, and which said Jacob Keefober, of Frederick County, Maryland, joined in the execution of the trust deed to the six Trustees named therein on August 30, 1785, was one and the same Jacob Keefober (Kefauver), Senior, of Fayette County, Pennsylvania, who on September 5, 1796, joined in the execution of the deed to Lawrence Everhart, and who on February 9, 1810, executed the deed to Nicholas Keefour (Keefober, Kefauver) and John Flucke jointly. It is more difficult to copy the several different spellings of the surname as they appear in various deeds, or are given, than it is to identify the individuals of the family name. In those days, scribes oftentimes varied from the proper spelling of family names.

FAMILY OF JACOB KEEFOBER (KEFAUVER, KEFOVER), Sr.

The Census records of 1790 for Frederick County, Maryland, indicate that Jacob Keefober and Mary (Iseminger) Keefober, his wife, then residing there, had 3 boys under 16 years of age and two girls. Both family tradition and records in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, indicate that Jacob Kefover and his wife, Mary Kefover, raised a family of nine children, 4 boys and 5 girls, as follows:

- 1 George Kefover, settled in Virginia as tradition has given it;
- 2 Philip Kefover, b. May 12, 1789, d. April 3, 1881, settled in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, married three times:
First marriage--to Ophelia Elizabeth Luckey, by whom he had ten children, viz., 6 boys and 4 girls;
Second marriage--to Phoebe Harper, by whom he had no children;
Third marriage--to Delilah Boice, by whom he had one daughter, Elizabeth Ann Kefover;
- 3 James Kefover, of whom the writer has no further data;
- 4 Another son whose name and other data concerning whom are unknown to writer;
- 5 Elizabeth ("Betsy") Kefover, b. _____ d. _____,
married Thomas Jaco, b. _____ d. _____.
- 6 Jennie (Jane?) Kefover, b. _____ d. _____,
married Joseph Osburn (Osburne, Osborn), a preacher of the gospel;
- 7 Matilda ("Tilly") Kefover, b. _____ d. _____,
married Isaac Humbert, b. _____ d. _____.
- 8 Isabella ("Ibbie," "Eva," called "Eva Griffin" by Daisy Ophelia Springer),
b. _____ d. _____, married John Griffith (Griffin),
b. _____ d. _____.

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THE ANCESTRAL FAMILY OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881)—Continued

FAMILY OF JACOB KEFOBER (KEFAUVER, KEFOVER), Sr.—Continued

9 Hannah Kefover, b. _____ d. _____,
 married Zetas Linton, b. _____ d. _____.
 They were the parents of George W. Linton (1839-1891), a newspaper contributor,
 writer and poet of fine and recognized ability, and who was a relative and
 contemporary of the author and journalist, Ashbel Fairchild Hill (1842-1876).
 George W. Linton was born in German Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania,
 December 24, 1839. His mother, Hannah (Kefover) Linton, was a sister of Philip
 Kefover (1789-1881), of Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania. The
 parents of George W. Linton lived in German Township and later in or near Mason-
 town, where George W. Linton became a saddler by trade and wrote as a pastime.

Therefore, it seems that one of the 3 boys of Jacob Keefober (Kefauver)
 and Mary (Iseminger) Keefober (Kefauver) reported in the Frederick County
 Maryland Census for 1790 may be identified as Philip Kefover as above listed,
 born May 12, 1789, died April 3, 1881.

THE CENSUS RECORDS OF 1800 AND OF 1810

"The census records of 1800 for Springhill Township, Fayette County, Pa.,
 show that Jacob and Mary Kiehaver (Kefover, Keefober) had one boy in the 1-10
 age group, 1 boy in the 10-16 age group and 1 in the 16-26 age group, 4 girls
 in the 1-10 age group, 2 girls in the 10-16 age group.

"In this census report the boy in the 10-16 age group could be logically
 identified as Philip (born May 12, 1789, died April 3, 1881. ...

"There are no Kefauvers by the name of Jacob reported in the census returns
 from Maryland in 1800. The records in Frederick County, Maryland, show that
 Jacob Kefauver disposed of his real estate in Maryland between 1790 - 1800
 and obviously moved to Fayette County, Pennsylvania, sometime prior to 1800.
 In a deed dated September 5, 1796, made to Lawrence Everhart, Jacob Keefaver
 of Fayette County, Pennsylvania, is mentioned as one of the grantors. This deed
 is recorded in Liber W.R. #14, Folio 482, one of the records of the
 Circuit Court for Frederick County, Maryland, as previously stated.

"The census records of 1810 for Springhill Township, Fayette County, Pa.,
 shows two (2) Jacob Kefauvers. Jacob Kefauver Sr. is reported as having 3 boys
 in the 1-10 age group, 1 girl in the 10-16 age group and 1 girl in the 26-45
 age group.

"In this report the name of Philip cannot be identified in any age group,
 as only one age group 1-10 of boys is reported. It is quite likely that Philip
 Kefover (1789-1881) had established a family of his own and had moved to
 Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania. We have not secured the
 census records for this township. ...

"There is no entry in the 45 up female group. It is probable therefore
 that his wife Mary (Jacob Kefauver Sr's wife) died between 1800 and 1810,
 unless his wife was very much younger than he was in which case his wife may
 be the individual reported in the 26-45 age group for 1810.

"Jacob Kefauver, Jr. shows one male in the 1-10 age group, 2 males in the
 16-26 age group, 1 female in the 1-10 age group, 3 females in the 10-16 age group,
 no females older. It would appear, therefore, that his wife was deceased at the time
 the 1810 report was made. "

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THE ANCESTRAL FAMILY OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881)—Continued

IDENTIFICATION OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881) AS
A SON OF JACOB KEEFOBER FROM CENSUS RECORDS

The above and foregoing analysis of census data quoted from the Report of Dr. Harry J. Kefauver, further advances the view that Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was a son of Jacob Keefober (Kefauver) and his wife Mary (Iseminger) Keefober (Kefauver)), who with their children including Philip Kefover (Keefober) (1789-1881) removed from Frederick County, Maryland, to Springhill Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, between the dates of the first and the second census (1790-1800).

CORROBORATION

The view that the father of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was Jacob Keefober (Kefauver, Keefover) is corroborated by the same statement orally made to the writer by Henry Stanton Kefover (Box No. 1, Masontown, Pa.), a grandson of said Philip Kefover (1789-188), on June 26, 1935, and further confirmed by him in writing in a letter received by this writer on July 20, 1935. Further corroboration is afforded by the same statement orally made to the writer by Martha (Kefover) Mickey (Masontown, Pa.), a granddaughter of said Philip Kefover (1789-1881), on June 25, 1935.

VIEW OF THE WRITER

In the opinion of the writer, all this evidence from tradition, public records, and family history is convincing, and tends quite clearly to establish as a fact the proposition that Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was a son of the same Jacob Keefober (Kefauver) and Mary (Iseminger) Keefober (Kefauver) who came with their family (obviously including Philip Kefover, 1789-1881) as one of their children) from Frederick County, Maryland, to Springhill Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, between the years 1790 and 1800.

In closing, we note that repetition in statement seemed necessitated herein to avoid confusion and to present the evidence, identifications, and corroboration in this situation involving different suppositions which have resulted from the great lapse of time, varied oral traditions, lack of family records and the consequent variation in the views obtaining.

The writer's appreciation is due and his grateful acknowledgments are hereby expressed for the several reports and letters received from Dr. Harry Joshua Kefauver (R.F.D. #2, Frederick, Maryland) and Miss Gladys A. Kefauver, Attorney at Law, (28 Connecticut Avenue, Kensington, Md.), who have extensively researched into the history of the Kefauver families, have efficiently collaborated in their research, and have courteously extended the reports of their researches to this writer.

JAMES R. McVICKER

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Sketch of	Parents	Grandparents	Great Grandparents
Henry M. Kefauver b. Middletown Valley 4-9-1837 (m) 1861 Elizabeth Young Children: Carrie Bell; Charles R.; George H; Mary	Henry Kefauver (1810-1865) (m) Maria (Hiser) Kefauver Children: Middletown Daniel C. (of Balto) Henry Milton; George H.; M. Calvin; Sophia; Germanus; Thomas Clinton; Wm. Emory; Eugene; Mary Elibeth; (unmarried)	George Kefauver & wife Mary buried in graveyard, Reformed Church Frederick Co. Md. Children Daniel (1808-1876) ; Henry (1810-1865); John of Balto., Md. Jonathan (To Ohio) Jacob (1815-1882) Elizabeth; Mary Ann; Rebecca;	Nicholas Kefauver, native of Germany, immigrant; early settler in Frederick County, who came to this Country with his brother Phillip

Copy of Philip Kefauver Senior Wills.

Note: The other biographies of the Kefauver published in Volume #2 of Williams History Frederick County all trace their lines to Nicholas, the immigrant, through ~~his~~ his son George. No off-spring of the immigrant Philip shown.

Family of Jacob Keefober (Kefauver, Kefover) Sr. [A00518]

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FAMILY OF JACOB KEFOBER (KEFAUVER, KEFOVER), Sr.

The Census of 1790 for Frederick County, Maryland, shows that Jacob Keefober and Mary (Iseninger) Keefober, his wife, then residing there, had 3 boys under 16 years of age and two girls. Both family tradition and records in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, indicate that Jacob Keefober and his wife Mary Keefober, raised a family of nine (9) children, 4 boys and 5 girls, as follows:

1 George Kefer, settled in Virginia, as tradition has given it;

2 Philip Kefer, b. May 12, 1769, d. Apr. 8, 1861, settled in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pa., married three times:
 First Marriage--to Ophelia Elizabeth Luckey, by whom he has ten children, being the large Kefer family of Fayette County, Pa.;
 Second Marriage--to Phoebe Harper, by whom he had no children;
 Third Marriage--to Dolly Boice, by whom he had one daughter, Elizabeth Ann Kefer, married George W. Burner

3 James Kefer, whom the writer has not identified

4 Another son, also unidentified (Jacob Kefer)

5 Elizabeth ("Betsy") Kefer, b. _____ d. _____
 married THOMAS JACK, b. _____ d. _____

6 Jennie (Jan) Kefer, b. _____ d. _____, married Joseph Osburn,
 (Osbourne, Osborn, a preacher of the gospel

7 Matilda ("Tilly") Kefer, b. _____ d. _____, married Isaac Humbert

8 Isabella Kefer ("Ibbie," called Eva Griffin by Daisy Ophelia Springer,
 married John Griffith (Griffin), b. _____ d. _____

9 Hannah Kefer, b. _____ d. _____
 married (1st--Hertzog)

(2nd--Zetas Linton, father of George W. Linton (1833-1891) a contemporary and relative of Ashbel Fairchild Hill (1842-1878) His mother, Hannah Kefer was a sister of Philip Kefer (1782-1861), of Nicholson Township, Fayette Co., Pa. The parents of George W. Linton lived in German Township, and later in or near Macostan, where George W. Linton became a saddler by trade and wrote for papers as a pastime.

The census records of 1810 for Springhill Twp. Fayette Co., Pa. show two Jacob Keefobers (Kefauvers). Jacob Kefer, Sr. is reported as having 3 boys in the 1-10 age group, 1 girl in the 10-16 age group and one girl in the 25-45 age group.

Jacob Kefer Jr. shows one male in the 1-10 age group, 2 males in the 15-25 age group, one female in the 1-10 age group, three females in 10-16 age group, no females older. It would appear therefore that his wife was deceased at the time the 1810 report was made.

Nelson's Biographical Dictionary [A00519]

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NELSON'S BIOGRAPHICAL DICTIONARY and HISTORICAL REFERENCE BOOK OF
FAYETTE COUNTY PENNSYLVANIA
S. B. Nelson, Publisher Uniontown, Pa. 1900

Vol. III page 839: "The Kefovers are of German descent. The founders of the family in America were George and Peter Kefover who emigrated from Germany and settled at Fredericksburg, Virginia. Philip Kefover, the grandfather of the subject of this sketch (Charles Fremont Kefover), and descendant of said Peter Kefover, settled in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, where he was one of the leading agriculturists of said Township." ...

GENEALOGICAL AND PERSONAL HISTORY OF FAYETTE COUNTY PENNSYLVANIA
—Jordan and Haddon
Lewis Historical Publishing Company 1912

Vol. I page 81: "Peter Kefover came to America from Alsace, ~~Lorraine~~, now Germany, and is the founder of his family in this country. He settled at Frederickstown, Maryland, with his brother George. He was a farmer, an occupation usually followed by his descendants. He married and among his descendants was a son Philip, of whom further. While many descendants are found in Maryland, an important branch of the family settled in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, founded by Philip, son of Peter Kefover, the emigrant.
"(II) Philip, son of Peter Kefover, was the first of his family to settle in Fayette County, coming from Maryland during the closing years of the 18th century. He was a farmer all his life, dying in Fayette County." ...

John W. Willard -> JRM [A00522-1]

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Masontown, Pa., Jan. 21, 1935.

Doctor James R. McVicker,
603 East Market Street,
Iowa City, Iowa.

Dear Mr. McVicker:- I read your letter of Jan. 5, 1935, with great interest and shall give you some information regarding your mother's people. I have consulted Henry Kefover, a near street neighbor, Mrs. Martha Mickey who lives just across from my home on East Church Street and Hugh Townsend, a Civil War veteran, aged 90 years, whose mother died at the age of 100 years. Henry Kefover is a son of "Bert" Kefover and Mrs. Mickey is a daughter of Philip Kefover, Jr. Henry and Martha are first cousins of your mother. Gilbert Coffman was one of my best friends. He has died since your visit to his home. I remember Philip Kefover, Sr., and two of his sons, Bert and Philip, and two of his daughters, Martha Hill and Phelia Springer. The two last named were often in our home when I was small. Mrs. Retta Springer Mundell lives in town. She, too, is a cousin of your mother.

Mr. Townsend says he remembers Jerry Hill, father of your grandfather James Hill. Charles Kefover is an attorney of the Fayette County bar at Uniontown, Pa. James Hill was a carpenter of ability. He was a "hewer" of timber. I have heard my father say that "Jim" Hill went into the forests, cut down the trees, hewed his logs and notched the corners for the house he wished to build. Every log went into its place when brought together. He built the two story log house in which A.F.Hill was born and where I was born 13 years later and lived until I was married. The house is standing but it has been framed.

You will find two mistakes in the print of my enclosed article. Two loving graduates should be "living" instead of "loving" graduates. Another was the date of A.F.Hill's birth. He was born Oct. 23, 1842, and died Nov. 7, 1876. He sleeps in the old M.E. cemetery at Masontown on West Church Street, not more than ten feet from the pavement where hundreds pass hourly. A fine stone was erected at his grave by the Fayette County Soldiers' Association. Mrs. Mickey thinks his sister Martha Hill was buried by his side and she thinks that James and Martha Hill were buried at Old Frame.

In looking through Ellis' History of Fayette County, a book of 840 pages, printed in 1880, that sold at twelve dollars per copy, it refers to A.F.Hill in these words: "Ashbel Fairchild Hill was born Oct. 23, 1842 and died at the close of the Presidential campaign Nov. 7, 1876. He was a member of Capt. Cyrus L. Connor's Company and lost a limb in the war. During his soldiering he wrote "Our Boys," later he wrote "The White Rocks," "Secrets of the Sanctum," and several romances for literary papers."

If I remember correctly he lost his leg in the battle of Antietam or South Mountain. I stopped once there on my way to Gettysburg. Mr. Hill took an active part in the Democratic campaign for Tilden and Hendricks, as a speaker. The last time I saw him alive was at a Democratic meeting where he was the speaker and I was a secretary. He worked on newspapers in Philadelphia and California. He wrote up the grafting of one William "Bill" Man of Philadelphia. He put the two words together and made it read "Billman." Suit was brought for damages. "Bill" Man lost the case. A "black bird" is not a "blackbird."

James Rufus Hill was a bright boy. He was great on "ghost" stories. At school he was a fine reader. A.F.Hill was a schoolmate of my brother-in-law, A. S. Richey, who died at the age of 93 years. He said "Ash" Hill kept the children excited with his stories. The patrons talked of keeping him out school.

The Kefovers have been substantial citizens in Fayette County. A number of their descendants have been farmers, carpenters and teachers.

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John W. Willard -> JRM [A00522-2]

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My new friend, Mr. McVicker, I am glad to learn that you have made a success in life and that your life is a credit to your ancestors. Lieutenant Charles Howard and Major Surgeon Doctor G.W. Neff of Mason-town were soldiers in the Philippines, members of the noted "Fighting" Tenth Pennsylvania regiment. Major Neff, now deceased, was a chum of A.F.Hill. Mr. Hill wrote an article for one of our county papers and told of the Senior Doctor Neff's treatment of his leg and did not charge a cent for his services.

I will be 80 years old Feb. 2, 1935. Please excuse this rambling letter. Best wishes to you for a long life. Yours Sincerely,

JOHN W. WILLIARD

...and Martha are first cousins of your mother. ... I remember Philip Kefover, Sr., and two of his sons, ... and two of his daughters, Martha Hill and Phyllis ... last named were often in our home when I was small. ... Mr. Townsend says he remembers Jerry Hill, father of ... James Hill. Charles Kefover is an attorney of the ... at Uniontown, Pa. James Hill was a carpenter of ability. ... "power" of timber. I have heard my father say that "Jim" Hill went into ... the forests, cut down the trees, hauled the logs and worked the ... for the house he wished to build. Every log went into its place when ... brought together. He built the two story log house in which A.F.Hill ... was born and where I was born 13 years later and lived until I was ... married. The house is standing but it has been ... You will find two mistakes in the print of my enclosed article. Two ... loving gradates should be "Lillian" instead of "Lillian" ... Another was the date of A.F.Hill's birth. He was born Oct. 23, 1828 ... and died Nov. 7, 1878. He always in the old M.E. cemetery of Mason- ... town on West Church Street, not more than ten feet from the ... there hundreds years hence. A fine stone was erected at his grave by ... the Fayette County Soldiers' Association. Mr. Mickey thinks the ... Martha Hill was buried by his side and she claims that James and ... Martha Hill were buried at Old Trees. ... in looking through Elias' history of Fayette County, a book of 340 ... pages, printed in 1890, that said at twelve dollars per copy. It ... refers to A.F.Hill in these words: "Martha Hill was born ... Oct. 23, 1828 and died at the close of the Presidential campaign Nov. 7, ... 1878. He was a member of Capt. Cyrus L. Conroy's Company and lost ... his life in the war. During his soldiering he wrote "Our Boys", later he ... wrote "The White Rocks", "Secrets of the Sanctorium", and several romances ... for literary papers." ... If I remember correctly he lost his leg in the battle of Antietam or ... Gettysburg. I stopped once there on my way to Gettysburg. Mr. Hill ... took an active part in the Democratic campaign for Wilson and La Follette ... as a speaker. The last time I saw him alive was at a Democratic meeting ... where he was the speaker and I was a secretary. He worked on newspapers ... in Philadelphia and California. He wrote up the printing of one William ... "Bill" Hill of Philadelphia. He put the two words together and made it ... read "William Hill". Bill was brought for damages. "Bill" was told the ... case. A "black bird" is not a "blackbird". ... James Rufus Hill was a bright boy. He was great on "ghost" stories. ... at school he was a fine reader. A.F.Hill was a schoolmate of my mother- ... in-law, A.S. Richey, who died at the age of 98 years. He said "Bill" ... Hill kept the children excited with his stories. The papers called of ... keeping his out school. ... The Kefovers have been substantial citizens in Fayette County. A ... number of their descendants have been farmers, carpenters and teachers.

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History of Bedford County PA [A00523]

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HISTORY OF BEDFORD, SOMERSET AND FULTON COUNTIES, PENNSYLVANIA (1884)

JOSEPH COVODE, M.D. (Portrait, Facing Page 430)

Dr. Covode, one of the oldest practicing physicians in the county of Somerset, was born in Ligonier valley, Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, August 14, 1822. Garret Covode, the progenitor of the family, was a native of Amsterdam, Holland. When a child he was kidnapped in the streets of his native city by a sea-captain, who brought him to Philadelphia and under a then existing law sold him into bondage as a "redemptor," in which condition he was held for some years after arriving at manhood, and was employed as a domestic servant in the household of Gen. Washington. After the completion of his term of servitude he went to York county, and from thence to Westmoreland, where he resided until his decease, which occurred in 1826, at the advanced age of ninety-four years. During the war of the Revolution he served his adopted country, but in what capacity or for what length of time is not known. The name of Garrett Covode does not necessarily represent that of the Hollandish family from which he was born, as it was coined or originated by the sea-captain who stole him, any by him conferred upon the boy.

He reared a family of four children. Jacob, the only son, was born in York county, and grew to manhood in Westmoreland county. He was a pioneer in all that the name implies. He died at the age of eighty-two. He married Anna Updegraff. She was a Quakeress, and it is among the traditions of her family that two of her ancestors, uncles, together with a person named Wood, prepared and published a protest against the decision of William Penn, recognizing the legality of negro slavery. This protest is said to be the first anti-slavery manifesto published in this country. To them were born seven children, four sons and three daughters: Mary, John, Jacob, Susan, George W., Anna and Joseph. John, extensively known as one of the most prominent and able men in the commonwealth, was for many years member of congress. He led an active and useful life, and died in Westmoreland.

Joseph was reared on the farm of his father. He received an academical education, and at the age of twenty-two years began the study of medicine in the office of Dr. George B. Fundenberg, of Pittsburgh, graduating at the Pennsylvania Medical College at Philadelphia in 1849. Shortly after he came to Jenner Cross Roads, where for thirty-four years he has been actively engaged in the practice of his profession. For many years he was the only physician in the north-west portion of the county, his practice extending from near Johnstown, on the north, to near Somerset, a distance of twenty miles. But few practitioners have led a more active and useful life than Dr. Covode, or have attained a greater degree of success in the practice, and none have secured a larger portion of public esteem. He possesses the essential qualities of the successful physician other than knowledge --firmness and compassion blended with kindness and discretion.

In 1853 the Doctor was married to Miss Lydia, daughter of Samuel Griffith, Esq., of Jenner. The Griffith family is one of the oldest and most prominent families in this section of the county. Six children have been born to them: Lillie (deceased), Anna C., Minerva, Robert G., Margaret and Bertie K.

Descendants of Philip Kefover Sr. [A00525-1]

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Descendants of Philip Kefover, Sr.

The Kefover family lived in or near Smithfield, Pennsylvania where they had migrated to from Germany via Morgantown, West Virginia.

His children were as follows: (They may not be in exact order)

1. Mary
2. Margaret
3. William
4. Philip
5. Albert

1. Mary Kefover

Mary Kefover was born April 21, 1824. She was married September 5, 1842 to Henry B. Malby of Smithfield, Penn. ~~Henry B. Malby~~ Henry Malby was a prominent farmer and stockdealer of Nicholson township. The family resided here until 1869 when they migrated to Mahaska County, Iowa. In doetime most of their family joined them at their new home. Many of the boys being in service during the Civil War. Henry B. Malby passed away on June 4, 1894. Mary Kefover lived until March 19, 1902 when she passed away from a stroke at the home of her daughter Mrs. Matilda Hutchinson near What Cheer, Iowa. She had suffered for years from rheumatism but despite the fact she was almost helpless in her limbs, was an indefatigable worker always busy sewing or reading religious books. For quite a while she kept house for herself with the aid of her grandchildren coming in to do some of her chores for her. Despite all this she was never one to complain of her aches and pains but maintained a sunny cheerful disposition. She was converted quite young and united with the Baptist Church. She was a patient, kind, faithful, and earnest follower of Christ and the thought of meeting God had no fear for her, for she regarded him as her father.

Their children were as follows:

- (a) Calvin Miles born April 26, 1844

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Mary Kefover - Henry Malaby (Continued)

- (b) Margaret H. Malaby born May 16, 1846
- (c) William Cass Malaby born May 21, 1848
- (d) Martha Matilda Malaby born May 5, 1850
- (e) Albert Pierce Malaby born Feb 7, 1852

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Calvin Miles Malaby

Calvin Miles Malaby (Malaby) oldest son of Mary and Henry Malaby was born in or near Smithfield, Pennsylvania. He was a Civil War Veteran and served in Company K, 2 Pennsylvania. H.A. He served as aid to General Grant. On February 25, 1869 he married Hannah Ann Ross daughter of Hannanhi Ross of Masontown. They lived in Pennsylvania only a short time than followed the Henry Malaby family to Iowa. Here they remained three or four years before going on to Fort Collins, Colorado. Calvin haven gone on ahead with his brother Albert in order to find quarters for his family. In Fort Collins he and his brother operated a Beer Garden. Upon seperating Calvin took his family and moved to Bellview where they had a large ranch and stone quarry. Here he saw the passing of his bride on April 28, 1887. They remained on the home place for several years than took a wagon trip arround the state. Upon arriving back in Denver the family was broken up - the two youngest girls Lillian and Alma were sent to Iowa to live with their Mother's sister Nancy. Ross returned to the vicinity of Fort Collins. Ettie married John Riley and they remained in Denver. They had allowed him to make the trip through Colorado with them. Not exactly sure the exact time but shortly after wards Calvin went up near Delta where he homesteaded. His son Fredrick Grant accompanied him. Calvin Miles Malaby later gave the place to his oldest daughter Ettie if she would live there with him. A few years after her death he went to California where he passed away at Saul Tel the Veterans Hospital in Los Angeles. He passed away July 8, 1913.

Their Children as follows: ✓

- (1) Etna Iowa born Feb 20, 1870 *ad. FEB 8 1906*
- (2) Henry Ross born May 27, 1871
- (3) Charles Sumner Malaby born March 28, 1874

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Calvin Miles Malaby (Continued)

Their Children (Continued)

- (4) Frederick Grant Malaby born July 8, 1878
- (5) Alma Malaby born Sep 13, 1880
- (6) Lillian Gertrude Malaby born Oct 22, 1883.

Calvin Miles Malaby misspelled the name of Malabix Maleby when he entered the United States Army so he retained the incorrect spelling of Malaby. His brother Albert followed suit and accepted the Malaby in place of the Maleby.

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Etna Iowa Malaby

Etna Iowa Malaby was born in Iowa on Feb 20, 1870. Upon the death of her Mother she assumed the mothering of her younger brothers & Sisters up until her marriage to John Thomas Riley in Denver, Colorado in Dec 1894. They lived for some time in Denver then went to her father's homestead near Exkert and Delta. Here she passed away on Feb 8, 1906 following the birth and death of her baby daughter. John later took his two boys and moved to Tulare, California near the home of his sisters. He later married again. Here John passed away

Their family as follows:

- (a) Richard Lester Riley born March 28, 1895 killed in Motorcyle accident
- (b) William Edwin Riley born Jan 30, 1897 married Lillian Ballerstein. He is Chief of the Highway Patrol at Visalia, California. They have one son.
 - (1) Kenneth Eugene Riley Born Nov 24, 1922. He is a member of Uncle Sams Air Force.
- (c) John Thoms Riley lived only a few days. He was a Blue Baby.
- (d) Daughter born Feb 4 or 5 1906 and passed away one day later.

1-a-2 Henry Ross Malaby born May 27, 1871 in Iowa. He was just a little tike when his folks moved to Fort Collins, Colorado. After their trip around the State in Wagons he moved back to the vicinity of Bellview where the family had lived. He married Emma Alice Collamer in 1896. They later operated a small neighborhood Grocery Store in Fort Collins, Colorado until the beginning of the 2nd World War. Ross as he was better known passed away in a nursing home on Nov 13, 1948.

Their family as follows:

- (a) Laura Malaby born Feb 6, 1897 and died March 25, 1897
- (b) Alma Alice born Jan 31, 1898. Married Edwin Breen, employed by one of the Railroads. They make their home in Fort Collins about one block from her folks.
 - Their family consists of:
 - (1) Mary Alice born Dec 11, 1919. Mary married William Wessels a member of the Fort Collins Fire Department.

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Henry Ross Malaby (Continued)

(b) Alma (Continued)

1. Mary and William Wessels children are as follows:

- (a) Wilfred Jack born Dec. 4, 1941
- (b) Barbara Marilyn born Apr 5, 1944
- (c) Robert Allan born Nov 13, 1946
- (d) born 1948

2. Dorothy Eileen Ereen born Aug 10, 1924

3. Thomas Edwin born April 5, 1922

1.(son)

(c) Ralph Malaby born Nov. 20, 1907. Single and lives at home with his Mother. Did a Hitch in the Navy during the 30's.

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Charles Sumner Malaby born March 28, 1874 passed away on Dec. 23, 1920 near Prescott, Arizona. He was murdered for the money he obtained from a sale of livestock that morning. led the life of a Cowboy and cattle inspector and buyer. For years he went by the name of Charles Sumner dropping the name of Malaby.

1-a-4 Frederick Grant Malaby born July 8, 1878 passed away March 28, 1897. He was thrown by a bronco and drug for a short ride through a pile of rocks. Never regained conscience.

1-a-5 Alm a Malaby born Sep 13, 1880. (Still living - now at Route 3, Box 363 Grants, Pass, Oregon. Married on Nov 29, 1900 to Earnest Loughridge. They were married in Iowa then moved to Oregon than to Washington and back into Oregon once more. Alma lived with her Aunt Nancy Ferrin in Iowa up until her marriage. She taught scholl a year or two. Most of their family live not far from them. Ernest suffered a ~~stroke~~ stroke in Spring of 1952 but has slowly regained his strength once more.

(a) James Grant born Nov 7, 1901 married Vernona Svaively Jun 1, 1929. Vernona (Nonie as she is better known) was born Jan 12, 1905. Nonie has taught school quits for awhile than goes back when teachers are needed. James works in the local Stone Quarry at Wilderville, Or Oregon. They have no children.

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1-a Calvin Miles Malaby(Continued)

1-a-5 Alma Malaby

1-a-5-b - Alice & Lenora born May 12, 1904 married on May 17, 1924 James Robert Linsey born Oct 6, 1899. They make their home at Wilderville, Oregon. Jim (as he is called by every one) is Superintendent of a local rock quarry. Alice is a born leader and teacher. At present works for the County Extension work in Home Economics. Has always been active in many Community Organizations.

Their family is as follows:

(1) Alice Rebecca born Aug 19, 1926 married Robert Hamilton June 1946

(a) Robert Hamilton Jr. born Feb 12, 1947

(b) Gerald James born March 26, 1950

(c) Ernest Eugene born Oct 4, 1951

(2) Alma Louise Lindsey born Jan 26, 1936.

1-a-5-c- Clara Maude Loughridge born July 29, 1906 married Edwin Robinson July 29, 1931. Edwin was born Feb 7, 1901. He operates a dairy farm at Wilderville, Oregon. At one time his father and he had quite a diversified farm - growing all kinds of berries, fruits, vegetables and nuts which they sold from their truck in Grants Pass, Oregon and to the resorts from Grant Pass to Crescent City, California. They have taken over the farming of the old farm of his folks.

Their children as follows:

(1) Edwin Keith born April 25, 1932

(2) James Lee born Nov 12, 1936

1-a-5-d Claude Sherman Loughridge born Aug 9, 1908. He first married Magdalen Cole on Sep 17, 1929. They were later divorced and he married Louise Ash on Sep 17, 1939. He has worked for the forest service and worked on the farms. I do not know his present occupation. They make their home in Northern California. - at Alturas. or near it.

Their children as follows:

(1) Claudia born May 6, 1941

(2) Freddy Earnest born June 1, 1943

(3) James Marion born Nov 5, 1945 died Nov 28, 1945.

1-a-5-e Marion Calvin Loughridge born Nov 20, 1914 married on Dec 12, 1946 Letha Murphy (sister a twin) born on Nov 17, 1914. They have no children. He is employed by the city of Grants Pass, Oregon. They live in Grants Pass, Oregon.

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1-A Calvin Miles Malaby

1-a-6 Lillian Gertrude Malaby better known as Lil was born at Fort Collins, Colo. On Oct 22, 1883. She lived with her folks until the marriage of her oldest sister Etta (Ettie) then she and her sister Alma went to Iowa to live with different relatives. Later her sister Ettie sent for and she went to live in Denver, Colo. with her and her family. She (Lillian) first married Fredrick Hatch. They lived in Denver and at Cripple Creek. After the start of the big mining tie up due to a strike they moved to Charleston, Wash. Here Fred was killed in a fall in the Navy Yard on 13 Sep 1905.

Their children are as follows:

- (a) Charles Willford Hatch born June 22, 1902. Married Myrtle Margie Cavanass on May 15, 1924. Myrtle (better known as Margie) was born in Muskogee Oklahoma on Aug 22, 1904. They have no children. In Spring of 1952 they have took into their home Margaret Luark - Bills youngest sisters girl. (Charles is better known as Willford or Bill) Employed in the Naval Shipyards as Rigger in Shop 07.
- (b) Mae Gertrude Hatch was born 27 June 1904 in Charleston, Washington ~~State~~. In Sep 1922 she married Carl J. Hoyer born Oct 11, 1903. They have lived in Chimacum, Wash.; Tacoma and Bremerton, Wash. At present he is employed as a ~~Master~~ Packer in the Naval Shipyards.
- (1) William Hoyer was born ~~near~~ Chimacum, Wash. on April 25, 1923. He was in the Navy during World War II. Married Clara Kay Gee born Feb 13, 1926. Married April

Their Children as follows:

- (a) Lawrence Michael born June 13, 1946
 - (b) Lorraine)
 - (c) Lorretta) twins born Oct 15, 1947
 - (d) Lynda Mae born May 10, 1948
- 2) Williard L. Hoyer born Oct 31, 1928. At the present time he is Sargent First Class and is stationed in Tokyo, Japan. He spends most of his time in Korea where he is teaching gunnery.

After the death of her first husband, Lillian Malaby remarried. Her second husband was Robert More Britten who was born in Wisconsin on May 8th, 1890. He was a veterans of the Spanish American War - served in the Phillipine Islands. He never returned home to Iowa where he was raised after the War. He had started to work his way home but never got any further than Charleston, Washington. Robert Britten passed away at the Veterans Hospital in Vancouver, Wash. on July 10, 1947

Their Children were as follows:

- (a) Gracia Britten born in Charleston, Wash. on June 10, 1908. Still single and lives in the old family home with her mother in Navy Yard City on the edge of West Bremerton. Charleston now being a part of Bremerton.

Employed as a Stenographer in the Puget Sound Naval Shipyards.

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1-a Calvin Miles Malsby

1-a-6 Lillian Gertrude Britten (Continued)

(d) Max Ivah Alberta Britten was born in Charleston, Wash. on Feb. 23, 1911. Musician of the family - went max as far as possible on the Piano without going to the University of Washington. She Graduated from High School at the top of her class. On April 21, 1932 she married Dale Luark who was born on Aug 8 at Takah, Wash. At the time of her death y he was employed at the Ammunition Depot - later to be known as the Bremerton Annex. Ivah passed away on Nov 13, 1936 at 8 P.M.

Their children are as follows:

- (1) Lorraine Esther Luark born in Bremerton, Wash on May 22, 1933. Lorraine married John Thomas of Idaho in Feb 1952. John Thomas is in at present a member of the United States Navy.
- (2) Margaret Ivah Luark was born in Bremerton, Wash. on Nov 12, 1936. She lived first with her grandmother Margaret Luark then with her stepmother. The family moved to Silverdale, Wash. She has been with her Aunt Margie and Uncle Bill Hatch since the spring of 1952. At present attending Special School in Bremerton.

1-b Margaret H. Malsby was born May 16, 1846. Margaret married Porter Smith.

Children as follows:

- (1) Mary (Mollie) E. Smith born 1871 (29 in 1900)
Mary married Grant Nicholson, born . Grant
passed away Feb 27, 1932

Their children as follows:

- (a) Mary Nicholson
- (b) Olive Nicholson

- (2) Frank Smith born
Married

Their children as follows:

- (a) Lois Smith born
Married Evans Mosier and lives in Fairchance
- (b) Stanley Smith
He lives near York, Penn.

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1-c William Cass Maleby (had copy of obituary from which to copy data and for some reason it has been misplaced). William Cass Maleby was born May 21, 1848 in Fayette County, Penn. While he was soldier in the United States Army during the Civil War his parents moved to the state of Iowa. William served in the 14th Pennsylvania Regiment during the Civil War. He married Mary Cecelia Rainey who was born Feb 14, 1847. Mary passed away long before he did - she died on July 21, 1899. William remarried on Sep 28, 1904 to Francis K. Barlow Parkinson. Her former husband was Rev. Frederick Parkinson who drowned in the water reservoir at What Cheer, Iowa on June 20, 1898. Francis was born April 6, 1869. William passed away on Jan 31, 1930 at age of 81 years, 8 months & 10 days. Mary & William's children were as follows:

- (a) Laura Lubussa Maleby born June 30, 1871
- (b) Esther Evelyn Maleby
- (c) Harry Maleby
- (d) John Henry Rufus Maleby was born Dec 28, 1876
- (e) Zilphia Edith Maleby was born July 15, 1878
- (f) Lena Rosetta Maleby born May 22, 1881
- (g) Ada Margaret Maleby born Oct 30, 1883

Frances Parkinson's daughter by her marriage to Rev. Parkinson was
(h) Frances Parkinson she was born about 29 in obituary notice of remarriage.

- (a) Laura Lubussa Maleby born in Iowa on June 30, 1871. On Oct 30, 1887 married Everett Smith (he was born July 15, 1863). They made their home at Kalamazoo, Michigan. Everett Smith passed away on July 13, 1903. Laura died on Feb 5, 1942.

Their children as follows:

- (1) Dot Evelyn Smith Born Oct 11, 1888
- (2) Bud Cleo Smith born

- (1) Dot Evelyn Smith born Oct 11, 1888 married on Nov 13, 190 Herbert B. St. Stuart who was born June 14, 1883

Their Children:

- (a) Bruce Smith Stuart born March 13, 1913. On Aug 19, 1939 he married Jeane Alta Whittam Whitblock born Oct 28, 1915.

Their children:

- (1) Robert Bruce Stuart born Dec 6, 1945

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1-b William Maleby

- (2) Esther Evelyn Maleby died when she was about 15 years old.
- (3) Harry died in infancy.
- (4) John Henry Rufus Maleby was born Dec 28, 1876. He married Stella Lawson. They had no children. John passed away on June 14, 1919. Later Stella Lawson Maleby remarried.
- (5) Zilphia Edith Maleby was born July 15, 1878. She married John Logan Walden Sept. 3, 1899. John Walden was born Feb 20, 1876. Zilphia passed away in 1948.

Their children were as follows:

- (a) Letha Gladys Walden was born June 27, 1900. She married on Dec 2, 1920 Gail Berfield. They made their home at Dayton, Ohio. Letha passed away on Dec 10, 1984.
 - (b) Max Maleby Walden was born Dec 7, 1903. On Oct 3, 1921 he married Ruth Hoodham who was born Aug 17, 1902. They make their home at Waukegan, Illinois.
 - (1) Bennie Max Walden was born Aug 7, 1922
 - (c) Don Laurence Walden born March 12, 1910. On Jan 1, 1925 he married Leona Harriet Peterson who was born April 14, 1903.
 - (1) Donald Leon Walden was born Oct 27, 1926.
 - (d) Bud Wayne Walden was born July 22, 1914.
 - (e) Sid Clarence Walden was born Nov 23, 1920.
- (3x)
- (6) Lena Rosetta Maleby was born May 22, 1881. Lena married John Darland born July (82) on March 4, 1903. They had no children.
 - (7) Ada Margaret Maleby born Oct 30, 1883 married George Ebert. They make their home at Bismark, North Dakota. They had no children.
 - (8) Frances Parkinson - step daughter.

1-c Martha Matilda Maleby was born near Uniontown, Pennsylvania on May 5, 1850. Martha on Sept 25, 1873 married James Irvin Hutchinson. James Hutchinson was born at Peru, Indiana on March 10, 1844. He served during the Civil War as First Lieutenant Co. "C" 87th Indiana Infantry Volunteers. They married after he had bought his place and having farmed it for 3 years. Martha passed away in Miami, Florida on Dec 25, 1933 and is buried in a mausoleum at Woodlawn Park, Miami, Florida. 25

Their children were as follows:

- (1) Carrie Hutchinson was born Sept 24, 1874 and passed away on Sept 20, 1878.
- (2) Mary Louise Hutchinson was born July 2, 1879. On _____ married Jesse Rowland Ford born Jan 7, 1873. Jesse was ~~she~~ drowned June 20,

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1-c Martha Matilda Maleby (Continued)

(2) Mary Louise Hutchinson (Continued)

1898 in the water reservoir at What Cheer, Iowa. Mary Louise remarried - her second husband being Al Winters. They lived at South Bend, Indiana. He was a traveling salesman for a match company. They had no children, but adopted an Italian boy whose first name was John. Mary passed away on July 19, 1933 and is buried in a Mausoleum at South Bend, Indiana.

(a) Helen Rose Ford was born Jan 23, 1898. Helen Married J. W. Runnels and they make their home near Sioux City, Iowa.

(b) (1) Eugene Runnels born Sept 26, 1917

(2) Irving Ford Runnels was born Feb 16, 1919

(3) Carol Runnels was born Aug 28, 1925

(3) Rose Elizabeth Hutchinson was born ~~at~~ May 13, 1883. On June 28, 1905 married Mr. James Pascoe. He was born Nov 14, 1881. Rose was a member of the DAR - James McElwee Chapter, Sigourney, Iowa No. 208618.

(a) Irvin James Pascoe was born March 12, 1907. He is married and lives at Lakewood Suburb, Cleveland, Ohio.

(b) Ruth Eleanor Pascoe was born Dec 9, 1909. Teacher of music, schools, Marengo, I-va, 1934-1935.

(c) Waldo Dale Pascoe was born Dec 20, 1916. (a fine lad)

(4) Jennie~~y~~ Maria Hutchinson ~~was~~ was born March 12, 1895. On June 16, 1908 she married Benjamin Gottlieb ~~y~~ ~~y~~ Yahmka. Benjamin was born Aug 23, 1882. They live at 1785 S. W. 10th Street, Miami, Florida.

1-d Albert Pierce Maleby was born Feb 7, 1852 near Smithfield, Pennsylvania. He serve as a Solder during the Civil War. He married June 20, 1871 Elizabeth Burroughs Hawk who was born June 5, 1853. They lived in Iowa, (Fort Collins and Denver) Colorado, Alaska and finally ended up in California. He and his wife separated. Albert or Bert as he was called passed away on April 5, 1920 in San Francisco, California. Elizabeth passed away in Los Angeles at the age of 82 years of age, on Oct 17, 1947.

(1) Zachary Taylor Maleby was born in Iowa near Indianapolis on July 6, 1872. He became a doctor of Medicine and served his country in that capacity during the Spanish American War. In 1934 he ran for the Governorship of the State of California but was defeated in the primaries by Upton Sinclair who in turn lost the race in the general election. Married in Denver, Colorado on 6 March 1897 Georgeanna Hardcourt Rankine. She was born in St Johns, Nev Brunswick Canada on Oct 24, 1872. Georgeanna passed away in Pasadena on 24 January 1951.

(a) Zachary Taylor, Jr. born Benita Barracks, California on 15 June 1898. Married Edna Pearl Hoxie born on Nov 8, 1910.

(1) Georgeanna Pearl born at Long Beach California on March 21, 1931

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1-d Albert Pierce Malaby (Continued)

(1) Zachary Taylor Malaby (Continued)

(a) Zachary Taylor, Jr. (Continued)

~~(1) Zachary Taylor, Jr. (Continued)~~

(2) Avis Louise born Pasadena, California on June 4, 1933

(b) Avis Malaby born in San Francisco, California on 23 Nov 1901
Married in Pasadena, California on June 17, 1920 John Albert
Russell. John was born in Boston, Massachusetts on 4 March
1899. Passed away in Pasadena, California on 8 Aug 1926.
They had no children.

(2) Daisy Dean was born Sep 20, 1877. She married Samuel Albert
Bryson.

(a) Alice Alberta was born _____ married Hyman Smith.

(1) Carol Rosalie

(2) Judith Elaine

(3) Alberta Malaby was born Nov 27, 1879. Alberta married Mr.
Stickney.

(4) Richard Malaby was born Nov 16, 1882. Richard was married
twice. His marriage was to a Miss Eich.

(1) Richard Malaby, Jr. was born in Denver, Colorado on
He adopted the name of his mother and goes by the name
of Richard Eich. He and his lovely wife make their
home in Denver, Colorado.

Descendants of Philip Kefover Sr. [A00526]

A00526 - 16 - ("Aunt Patty Hill")
DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER Sr. (1789-1881): Dau., MARTHA KEFOVER (1816-1867):

10 Martha Kefover, b. July 20, 1816, d. November 17, 1867
m. (Sep 22, 1835): James Hill, b. May 22, 1815, d. Jan 2, 1859
5th child:
Margaret Emma Hill, b. Aug 11, 1849, d. Feb 18, 1899
m. (Sep 8, 1875):
Norvel Wilson McVicker, b. Sep 8, 1827, d. April 2, 1923
children, 1st:
James Rufus McVicker, b. July 6, 1876
m. (March 12, 1905):
Virginia Matilda Constant, b. Oct 30, 1878
children:
Bernadine Constant McVicker, b. March 1, 1906
m. (Aug. 27, 1928):
Raymond Earl Norman, b. Jan 20, 1906
children:
Constance Joan Norman, b. Oct 9, 1929, d. Oct 24, 1929

[REDACTED]

m. (Aug 30, 1932):
Gilbert Leroy Kelso, b. Dec 5, 1906
children:
James Edward Kelso, b. March 18, 1934

[REDACTED]

Benjamin Franklin McVicker, b. Aug 6, 1912
m. (August 29, 1933):
Oral Dorothy Allmond, b. Aug 24, 1916
children:
Dolores Anne McVicker, b. April 28, 1934

[REDACTED]

Harry Scott McVicker (pg 18) [A00527]

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HARRY SCOTT McVICKER, born June 26, 1880, at Wilton Junction, Iowa, printer, teacher, Superintendent Schools of Keokuk County, Iowa (4 January, 1909-). Education: Public Schools, Normal Schools, Valparaiso University. Experienced teacher in rural schools, Principal of Thornburg Iowa Schools, Principal of Webster Iowa Schools from which he was called to superintend Fremont Iowa Schools, 1907. Next, elected Superintendent of Schools, Keokuk County, Iowa, and twice re-elected by popular vote, receiving handsome majorities at each of three popular elections, he is now serving in this office. When the law vested election of this officer in hands of Boards of Education in counties, Harry S. McVicker was retained and his work has been so satisfactory that he has remained the popular choice when candidates have contested, often none having opposed his unanimous re-election. It is easy to find reason for his successful tenure when service is considered. He is happy in his work and has a good humored way of pleasing people while performing his duty. He was a highly successful teacher and very popular with his pupils. He had a knack of keeping order by being constantly on the job in a good humor. His pupils would have fought for him. So he was decisively elected County Superintendent of Schools. When he left Fremont to assume this office his high school pupils accompanied him to the train, many saying that they would not go back to school without "Mac" as they called him.

Harry made his home with and cared for his aged father who lived almost 96 years. When about 21, Harry took his father, Norvel W. McVicker, then nearing 74, on a trip back to West Virginia to the boyhood home which the father had left when orphaned 60 years before. There they found relatives and boyhood friends and acquaintances of the father. They visited with great interest the father's old home place and the well remembered scenes of his boyhood. They found a sister whom he had not seen since leaving home over 60 years before. They spent five weeks visiting in West Virginia, Pennsylvania, and in Indiana where the father had lived in his young manhood.

Upon returning from this trip undertaken as a labor of love, Harry resumed teaching, soon to climb to principalships and superintendencies. His work has drawn wide recognition outside his county. Leading educators in Iowa and the country at large have cited his achievements. Many eminent leaders have been secured to bring messages to Keokuk County teachers. President Homer H. Seerley said: "There is no one like Harry." The LADIES HOME JOURNAL devoted an article to a resume of his work in Keokuk County Schools. While he has been content to carry on in his characteristic way, many recognitions have rewarded his service. People have discerned merit because able service has been secured. A chief reward has been that of Harry's making firm friends. He is friendly. He works hard and keeps constantly on the job in a good humor. He aims to render his best service, and that as satisfactorily as he can. He well accomplishes this aim. He is a skilled organizer of his work and of the schools. He plans to have something interesting for the schools as well as to see that the regular work is carried on.

Harry visits all the schools both rural and town, which requires much time each year. He counsels with Boards of Education of different parts of the county to help them in their plans. His Civics Manual and School Officers' Manual are the product of his individual work and they are masterpieces in their line. Harry's success may be briefly stated as that of one who whole-heartedly loves his work, sharing his energy to help all who wish to improve their school conditions, whether parents, pupils, teachers, or directors--working together in common purpose. Harry has been diligent in his work. He stands courageously before the people of his county and has been judged with decisive approval. He secures co-operation by sound leadership and his unstinted attention to duty and service.

Who's Who in American Education (JRM) [A00528]

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WHO'S WHO IN AMERICAN EDUCATION

A Biographical Dictionary of Eminent Living Educators of the United States
 Edited by Robert C. Cook - Seventh Edition - 1935-36
 Publishers The Robert C. Cook Company 277 Broadway, New York City
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McVICKER, James Rufus, Acting Prof. of Law, Univ. of Ky. Coll. of Law, Lexington, Ky.; b. July 6, 1876, Wilton Junction, Muscatine Co., Iowa; s. Norvel Wilson and Margaret Emma (Hill) McV.; m. Virginia Matilda Constant of Lone Tree, Iowa, Mar. 12, 1905; c.: Bernadine Constant (McVicker) Norman; Mildred Hill (McVicker) Kelso; Benjamin Franklin; Thomas Edison; and Patricia Virginia. Edn.: B.S., Valparaiso Univ., 1902; A.B., 1911, A.M., 1912, LL.B., 1913, Ph.D., 1925, J.D., 1925, State Univ. of Iowa; LL.M., 1931, S.J.D., 1932, Law Schl. of Harvard Univ. Exp.: Clerk of the District Court, Keokuk Co., Iowa, 1903-07; Prin., Fremont, Iowa, Schls., Jan.-June, 1907; Supt., Keota, Iowa Schls., 1907-10; Supt., Hortonville, Wis., Schls., 1917-18; Supt., Dow City, Iowa, Consolidated Schls., 1918-19; Supt., Belle Plaine, Iowa, Schls., 1919-23; Grad. Asst., Polit. Sci., Univ. of Iowa, Jan.-June, 1924; Acting Prof. of Polit. Sci., Univ. of Kans., summers 1925-28; Practiced Law individually at Sigourney, Iowa, 1913-15, in partnership with Hon. W. H. Hamilton at Sigourney, Iowa, in practice of law, 1915-17, he being now a Justice of the Supreme Court of Iowa; mem. of practicing law firm, Watsabaugh & McVicker, Cedar Rapids, Ia., 1925-26; Practiced Law individually at Iowa City, Ia., 1923-35; Prof. of Law, Univ. of Detroit Law Schl., 1926-28; Prof. of Law, Chicago-Kent. Coll. of Law (Chicago, Ill.), 1929-30; Acting Prof. of Law, Univ. of Ky. Coll. of Law, 1935-36. Hon. pos.: Chmn., Hortonville (Wis.) Four Minute Men, 1917-18; Outagamie Co. Council of Defense, Wis., 1917-18; Mem. and special committeeman. Mem.: Phi Delta Kappa; life mem. The State Hist. Soc. of Iowa; A.F. & A.M., Webb Lodge No. 182, Sigourney, Ia. (1900-36); The Univ. of Ky. Club (Lexington, Ky.); Natl. Defense Organizations; Major Officers' Reserve Corps; mem. Reserve Officers' Assn. of the U.S. Ph.D. dissertation: Studies in the Administration of Justice in the Iowa County. S.J.D. dissertation: The Organization of Administrative Work in Courts. Author: The Administration of Justice in the County, The Clerk of the District Court, The County Attorney, being Chapters VI, VII & XI in Volume entitled "County Government and Administration in Iowa," 1925 (published by the State Hist. Soc. of Ia.); Hist. of the Iowa State Bar Assn. and Law Reform, published in the Iowa Jour. of Hist. and Politics, April, 1926. Contbr.: Iowa Jour. of Hist. and Politics; Law Reviews. Rsch.: Local Government; The Organization and Administrative Work of the Courts; The Seventeenth Century Justice of the Peace in England; The Arbitration of Internatl. Investment Controversies; The Development of the Law of Arrest; Fair Comment and Defense to Libel in Ill. War record: Corporal, Company "F," 51st Iowa Inf. Volunteers in the Spanish-Am. War and Philippine Insurrection, in the Philippines, 1898-99. Travel: As an Amer. soldier in the Orient, Hawaiian Islands, Philippine Islands, China, Japan, 1898-99. Spec. int.: Judicial Admn. Achievements of gen. int.: A clearing up of the delinquent probate admn. in old executorships, administration-ships and guardianships while serving as Clerk of the District Court of Keokuk County, Iowa, 1903-07; A published study on the status, functions, duties and influences of the Prosecuting Attorney in the preponderantly rural county as distinguished from the Prosecuting Attorney in urban communities.

Newspaper clip: Uniontown, PA [A00529]

THE MORNING HERALD, UNIONTOWN, PA.. WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 16, 1935.

**KLONDIKE
 HAPPENINGS**

**NEWSPAPERS
 ARE NECESSARY**

By JOHN W. WILLIARD
 MASONTOWN, Jan. 15. — The importance of the newspaper is beyond measure as a lasting information distributor and memory awakener. Some years ago, we wrote that it had been fifty years since Moses Ross had been drowned while crossing the Monongahela river on the ice on Christmas Day. We also spoke of the marriage of William Schroyer and Mary Harriett Neff. A letter came from Minnesota written by a minister who said, "I performed the marriage ceremony at the marriage of William Schroyer and Mary Harriett Neff and took part in the funeral of Moses Ross." Fred Schroyer, a former pupil and well known financier told us yesterday that when his parents celebrated their golden wedding, his father sent that minister fifty dollars in gold. Now comes a letter from far away Iowa, caused by an article printed in the Uniontown Morning Herald one year ago. The letter was written by James R. McVicker of Iowa City, Iowa, a nephew of A. F. Hill, author of "The White Rocks or Robbers Den." Thousands have read Mr. Hill's books and other thousands read his thrilling story which was run in The Herald about twenty years ago. We are running Mr. McVicker's letter because it will be of interest to hundreds of his relatives among Herald-Genius readers. We will tell about him following his letter.

Mr. McVicker's letter:
 "603 East Market Street,
 Iowa City, Iowa.
 Jan 5, 1935

Mr. John W. Williard,
 Masontown, Pennsylvania.
 Dear Mr. Williard:

A cousin at Coraopolis, Pa., (Mrs. Alma Allebaugh Whittaker) sent me a clipping from The Uniontown Morning Herald of Feb. 2, 1934, giving an account of your long experience as an educator and newspaper man. Recently, I came across one of my uncle James R. Hill's letters telling me that you were a schoolmate of his. It seems that you were acquainted with my uncle, Ashbel Fairchild Hill author of "The White Rocks" and that you were a schoolmate of my mother, Margaret Emma Hill McVicker.

I am very desirous of securing information concerning my mother's family. She came out to Iowa about 1868-69 and in 1876 was married to my father, Norval W. McVicker, who was born near Morgantown, W. Va. The long years in the distant new country of Iowa, never permitted her to revisit her Pennsylvania home, and the strenuous times of my youth prevented me a long cherished wish to visit in Pennsylvania longer than a few days spent at Gilbert Coffman's (my first cousin) home at McClellandtown in June, 1931, on the occasion of my return from a trip in the East.

Uncle Ashbel F. Hill died in 1876 the year that I was born, my mother, Margaret Emma Hill McVicker died at Sigourney, Iowa, in 1899 while I was a soldier in the Philippines and Uncle James R. Hill, for whom I was named, died at Daytona, Florida, in 1926.

While I was at Gilbert Coffman's home, in June, 1931, received a few notes regarding my mother's family. As you may know, her mother was Martha Kefover, a daughter of Philip Kefover, Sr., and Delilah Kefover, who are buried in the Old Frame church yard. The Kefover family is quite a numerous one and I would welcome all the information I can obtain regarding them as all the notes I have are very incomplete. Having never found occasion to visit Pennsylvania except for the brief and hurried visit to Gilbert Coffman's, I do not know from whom I might secure the information desired. I am very interested in adding to the record I have.

I should like to hear from you. I too, have spent many years in teaching and I have had some experience in newspaper work and writing. I shall greatly appreciate hearing from you.

I am,
 Sincerely yours,
 JAMES R. McVICKER,
 603 East Market St.,
 Iowa City, Iowa.

It is a great pleasure to know that our friends have succeeded or have helped others to succeed. We never heard of "Margaret Emma" Hill after she went to that (then) far distant land. She has left behind her a bright light in the person of her son that will guide others to higher peaks of learning, a clipping enclosed from "The Iowa City Citizen" has this headline: "Five Degrees Held by Two University of Iowa Grads." One of these mentioned is James R. McVicker. Because of their persistent studies at the University of Iowa, two living graduates are entitled to inscribe the letters denoting five degrees after their names. Dr. McVicker received his first degree in 1911, his last was awarded in 1925. The Alma Allebaugh Whittaker mentioned in the letter was a daughter of Mary Hill Allebaugh. She was a schoolmate of the writer who served as a pallbearer at her mother's funeral. The James R. Hill mentioned was Rufus or "Ruf" among the boys. Ashbel F. Hill and the writer's oldest sister were born in 1840, between Masontown and the Monongahela river less than one mile apart.

William Ramsay, of Mapletown, was a recent caller at our home. He had three small reward of merit cards given by Alex Mack and Dr. W. A. Longanecker, two of his early teachers. The first one was given in 1861. He thought I was the only one of his early schoolmates living. Mary Elizabeth Allebaugh Moser of Uniontown, Mrs. Martha Ingraham Sangston, mother of Attorney William J. Sangston, of Uniontown, and Josiah Bowman, father of Ex-Congressman Frank L. Bowman of Morgantown, and Eliza Altman Wilson of Kansas and Isaac N. Longanecker of Masontown and perhaps others are still living.

Miss Jean Marie Stilwell, daughter of Mrs. Daisy Stilwell, East Church street, Masontown, has been confined to her bed with flu for some days past, but is slowly recovering.

Little Betty Voitofer has been sick for some weeks. She had measles followed by mumps and then flu.

Albert Moser called to see us a few days ago. "Bert" is one of McClellandtown's oldest citizens and an old friend of this writer and reads our stuff.

Leo Lang of Mt. Pleasant is visiting his aunt, Daisy Stilwell, for a few days. Mrs. Stilwell had a severe sprain of her ankle but she is recovering.

Philip Kefover & James Hill Families [A00532]

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Philip Kefover (1789-1881) and James Hill (1815-1859) Families

Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was born on May 12, 1789, in Frederick County, Maryland, the son of Jacob Keefover (Kefauver) and his wife Mary (Isenminger) Keefover (Kefauver), who came with their children including Philip, from Frederick County, Maryland, to Springhill Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, and settled there sometime between the years 1790 and 1800 as disclosed by the Federal Census. Later, Philip Kefover, one of the sons, settled in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, where he became a successful farmer. His old farm homestead is located about 2 1/2 miles East of Masontown, Pennsylvania.

Philip Kefover was married three times:

First marriage to Ophelia Elizabeth Luckey, who bore him 10 children:

- 1 James Kefover (Keefer) (1811-1804), married to Susannah _____, moved to Wilton Junction, Mascoutine County, Iowa
- 2 Thomas Kefover (1815-1804), married Sarah Harrison, lived at Woodside, Fayette County, Pennsylvania
- 3 Philip Kefover (1821-1915), married 1st Lavinia Maleby, 2nd Eliza Ann (Smith) Murray, lived in Fayette County, Pennsylvania
- 4 William Kefover (1827-1914), married Sarah Elizabeth Jackson, lived in Fayette County, Pennsylvania
- 5 Albert Gallatin Kefover (1831-1914), married Sarah Ann Bowers, lived in Fayette County, Pennsylvania
- 6 John Kefover (____-____), died while quite young
- 7 Mary Jane Kefover (1824-1902), married Henry Bowel Maleby, moved to Indianapolis, Mahaska County, Iowa
- 8 Clarissa Kefover (____-____), married Robert Hanna, lived in Clarkeville, Butler County, Iowa, in the 1870's and 1880's, no information obtained about them since a letter of March 10, 1887 from Clarissa to her niece Margaret Emma (Hill) McFicker
- 9 Margaret Kefover (____-1910), married Thomas Sessler, lived at High House, Fayette County, Pennsylvania
- 10 Martha Kefover (1816-1867), married James Hill (1815-1859), carpenter and builder, lived near Masontown, Fayette County, Pennsylvania

Second marriage of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) to Phoebe Harper _____
No children

Third marriage of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) to Delilah Boice (____-1879), who bore him one child, a daughter:

- 11 Elizabeth Ann Kefover (1847-1904), married George W. Burner, they lived at Masontown, Fayette County, Pennsylvania

March 22, 1958: At present there are lacking Reports for Families of
Philip Kefover (1821-1915)
William Kefover (1827-1914)
Margaret (Kefover) Sessler (____-1910)

and we have some Reports on the Elizabeth Ann (Kefover) Burner Family to be finished and typed later.

Descendants of Philip Kefover [A00534-1]

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DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1749-1831); Daughter, Martha Kefover (1816-1867);

Grandson, Ashbel Fairchild Hill (1848-1876);--Continued

Political Activities.-- In October, 1872, A. F. Hill was associated with liberal Republican headquarters, 21 School Street, Boston Massachusetts, his activities then including his speaking at political meetings every night in behalf of Horace Greeley for President of the United States. In 1876, A. F. Hill unsuccessfully sought the Democratic nomination for a place as representative in the Pennsylvania Legislature from Fayette County, and although defeated in this desire he ardently spoke thereafter at political meetings in behalf of the election of Samuel J. Tilden for President of the United States.

Nelson's Biographical Dictionary and Historical and Reference Book of Fayette County Pennsylvania (1908), Vol. I, page 381:

"In the sphere of fiction and romance the county is not devoid of worthy representatives. A. F. Hill has played a versatile role in literary enterprises, being journalist, poet and romancer. He produced "Our Boys," "The White Rocks," "Secrets of the Sanctum," and "John Smith's Funny Adventures on a Crutch."

Wassentown's Authors--Sketches of its Two leading Literary Men---Best known of all Wassentown men to the world of letters were Ashbel F. Hill and George H. Linton. They were blood relatives, Linton's mother being an aunt of Hill's mother, both women being Kefovers. Linton was three years Hill's senior and outlived him 18 years. There was something melancholy in the death of each. Linton died by his own hand April 23, 1891, and Hill's death, November 7, 1876, was in part due to the disappointments and excesses incident to the democratic primary campaign of that year.

"George H. Linton was the son of Zetia and Hannah Kefover Linton and was born in German township, December 24, 1828. His mother was a sister of Philip Kefover, of Nicholson township, who lived to be nearly 100 years old. He was a saddler by trade and wrote as a pastime. While his cousin, Hill, was bold and assertive, Linton was modest and shrinking. He had tempting offers of positions on magazines, but he declined them because he had no faith in his ability to fill them. Had he possessed Hill's energy, his success would have been commanding, for of the two writers, Hill was the more ready and fertile, Linton was the more subtle and methodical. Linton was for years a valued contributor to the Standard and in the course of a sketch printed at the time of his death this paper used these words: "Mr. Linton's writings were singularly free from the personal, vulgar or abusive element that constitutes the stock in trade of some newspaper writers, and he had a contempt for such literary titbits and pretensions. He was passionately fond of a beautiful thought in nature or art for its own sake, and he was an accomplished word artist. He was a contributor to the Standard for nearly 25 years, and whether as a Wassentown correspondent, an author of short stories, or of poetry, or as a party to a controversy, such as the 'Vidooq' of the Wassentown school building question, he was always entertaining and polished."

"Ashbel F. Hill was a son of James and Martha Kefover Hill, his mother being a daughter of Philip Kefover, mentioned above. He was born Oct. 25, 1848. His writing talent manifested itself early, and he first came into prominence when a clerk in McCleary's store in Smithfield by publishing in the county papers an account of a street fight which greatly excited the citizens of that town. He dished the affair up in rhyme, under the caption of "A Watermelon Riot," in 18 stanzas of four lines each. It was a great hit and though Hill was less than 18 years old, he at once became the local Byron, and his poem was declaimed by school boys. (This poem was afterward inserted by A.F. Hill in Chapter 24 of "White Rocks," when he produced that work.

Descendants of Philip Kefover [A00534-2]

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DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1788-1861); Daughter, Martha Kefover (1818-1867);
Grandson, Ashbel Fairchild Hill (1842-1876);--Continued

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*Shortly after he enlisted in Capt. C. L. Conner's Co. D and entered the service in the 5th Regt. Pa. Reserves. He was mustered in as a private June 21, 1861, and was promoted to Sergeant May 1, 1862. He was in the battles of Bull Run, Manassas, Senter's Mills, Mechanicsville, Gaines' Mills, Chickahominy, South Mountain and Antietam. At the last named battle he lost a leg and was discharged from the army in Dec. 1862. He then took up the pen, and became a prolific writer. He was for a time editor of the Golden City in California (writing many special feature articles and poems and many humorous articles under the nom de plume of "O. Job. Jones"). Later he was attached to the editorial staff of the Boston Times, and served there until he left to take charge of the New Hampshire Patriot, Concord, N.H. He was assistant editor of the Philadelphia Mercury. He was a regular contributor to Saturday Night and other periodicals, and some of his stories were republished by Saturday Night. In 1865 he published his most famous book, White Rocks, by which he is best known. This book had a large sale, and went out of print, but other editions were later published. In this book A. F. Hill immortalizes in song and story the tragedy in which Philip Rogers decoys the young girl, Polly Williams, whom he had deceived, to the high ledge of rocks above Fairchance and murders her by hurling her to the bottom of the cliff. Hill had a varied literary and journalistic career, the most noted chapter in which was his experience with William B. Mann, the well known Philadelphia politician. While on the Philadelphia Mercury Hill wrote a story for that paper wherein were caricatured some of the Quaker City's bosses.

"One of the characters held up to ridicule and merciless satire was one 'William Williams.' The literary portraiture was on all hands conceded to fit Mr. William B. Mann, and the resemblance of the fictitious name to his own satisfied Mr. Mann that he was the gentleman aimed at, and he prosecuted the Mercury for criminal libel. The trial was one of the most famous in Philadelphia libel cases, and resulted in a victory for the paper, Mann being thrown into the costs. Mr. Hill gives an account of this famous episode in his last book, 'Secrets of the Sanctum.' His two other books were: 'Our Boys' and 'John Smith's Funny Adventures on a Crutch.'

"A. F. Hill returned to Fayette County in the middle 70's and was employed on the Genius of Liberty. In 1876 he was a candidate for the Democratic nomination for the legislature, but was defeated by a small margin. There were two other candidates named Hill, and A. F.'s friends were free in the charge that many of his votes were counted for the other Hills. He took it hard that his county should have refused him this small honor, and it was believed to have hastened his death, which occurred on the day of the Hayes-Tilden presidential election, Nov. 7, 1876, at the early age of 34." . . . (Newspaper sketch, probably the Uniontown Standard)

Passing beyond the mortal scene at 34, A. F. Hill had compressed within the narrow time of 15 active years a literary and journalistic productivity that has remained a cherished heritage in the memory of his friends and relatives and the citizens of his locality and state throughout the intervening years. But in writing these notes could not seek to say for him what his own work does so much better express, nor clutter up the clear writ record of his own active career. So we have thought it better that we should share from what we have received, coming wafted down to us from the roofs of time in many scattered fragments of papers and notes so numerous that we have only a small portion of them, the appreciation and the tributes of his fellows--those who personally knew A. F. Hill and lived with him and who wrote down what well they thought upon his passing career. And so we but list his literary achievements and the words of his contemporaries, and compile but a little of the record of which there has been much about Ashbel Fairchild Hill.

Nicholas Keefauver [A00535-1]

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Nicholas Keefauver

Nicholas Kefauver married Catherine DeVault (b 1769 - d 1855) Tennessee

1. Elizabeth married James Crouch of Tennessee
2. Henry Kefauver m Betsy Galloway of Tennessee
3. Nicholas Jr. married Nancy (Dicie) Bacon

1. Shelton Keefauver m Edna Hunt

- (a) Nicholas
- (b) John
- (c) Jacob
- (d) Mattie
- (e) Mary (Young)

2. Abraham Keefauver m Deborah Bacon

- (a) W. E. (Buck)
- (b) James
- (c) Mollie (Martin)

3. George Keefauver m Lydia Ann Bacon

(a) Abraham - No children

(b) Alvin m M. N. Crouch

- (1) Robert
- (2) Ida
- (3) Rose
- (4) Bona
- (5) Perry
- (6) Bryan
- (7) Devey
- (8) Alfred
- (9) Paul

(c) Joseph m Belle Hylton

- (1) Mary
- (2) Kathleen
- (3) Weldon
- (4) Louise
- (5) Joseph, Jr.
- (6) Howard
- (7) Ruby

(d) James - No children

(e) Elizabeth m John Coffman

- (1) Ada
- (2) Eva

(f) Julia m Robert Bowman

- (1) Dr Robert Bowman
- (2) Ana
- (3) Margaret

(g) Shelton m Ada Crookshanks

- (1) Ruth

(h) Alice - no children

Nicholas Keefauver [A00535-2]

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Nicholas Keefauver

4. Henry Keefauver m Sarah Walker

- (a) R. L. Buck
- (b) John
- (c) Mary (Hunt)
- ~~(d)~~ Babe Verite Hunt -
James Hunt (Johnson City, Tenn.)

5. Deliah Keefauver M Will Martin

- (a) Will
- (b) Charles
- (c) Lalla
- (d) Vertie (Walker)

6. Elizabeth Keefauver M Uriah Squibb

- (a) Dicey M Ike Miller
 - (1) Effie Miller
- (b) Mary M Sam Laub - No children
- (c) Will M Sadie Bayless
 - (1) Paul
 - (2) Hal
 - (3) Mary Sue

7. Nancy Keefauver M Uriah Squibb

- (a) Mack M John T. Bacon
 - (1) Julia
 - (2) George
 - (3) John T
 - (4) Lois
- (b) Lois M Ed Leah
- (c) Axie M Charles Lewis

Uriah Squibb first married Elizabeth Keefauver than later married Nancy Keefauver.

Children of Keefauver [A00536-1]

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Children of
Nicholas Keefauver and Nancy (Dicie) Bacon Keefauver

1. Shelton Keefauver - - Nicholas
M - John
Edna Hunt - Jacob
- Mattie
- Mary (Young)
2. Abraham Keefauver - W. E. (Buck)
M - James
Deborah Bacon - Mollie (Martin)
3. George Keefauver - Abraham - No children
M - Alvin - Robert
Lydia Ann Bacon M - Ida
N Crouch - Rose
- Bona
- Ferry
- Bryan
- Devey
- Alfred
- Paul
- Joseph - Mary
m - Kathleen
Belle Hylton - Weldon
- Louise
- Joseph, Jr
- Howard (Jack)
- Ruby
- James - No children
- Elizabeth - Ada
M - Eva
John Coffman
- Julia - Dr. Robert Bowman
M - Ana
Robert Bowman - Margaret
- Shelton - Ruth
M
Ada Crookshanks
- Alice - No children
4. Henry Keefauver - R. L. Buck
M - John
Sarah Walker - Mary (Hunt)
Babe (Vertie) Hunt - James Hunt (Johnson City, Tenn)
5. Deliah Keefauver - Will
M - Charles
Will Martin - Lulla
- Vertie (Walker)
6. Elisabeth Keefauver - Dicey
M - Effie Miller
Uriah Squibb - Ike Miller
- Mary - No children
M
Sam Laub
- Will - Paul
m - Hal
Sadie Bayless - Mary Sue

Children of Keefauver [A00536-2]

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**Children of
Nicholas Keefauver and Nancy (Dicie) Bacon Keefauver**

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|--------------------|---|---------------|---|---------|
| 7. Nancy Keefauver | - | Mack | - | Julia |
| M | | M | | George |
| Uriah Squibb | | John T. Bacon | - | John T. |
| | | | - | Lois |
| | - | Lois | | |
| | | M | | |
| | | Ed Leah | | |
| | - | Axie | | |
| | | M | | |
| | | Charles Lewis | | |

Uriah Squibb married first Elizabeth Keefauver and later married Nancy Keefauver

Descendants of Philip Kefover [A00537-1]

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DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881): Son, James Kefover (1811-1904):

Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was born May 12, 1789, in Frederick County, Md. He settled in Nicholson Twp., Fayette County, Pa., where he became a leading agriculturist. His home farm place is about 2½ miles East of Masontown, Pa. He was married 3 times: (1) To Ophelia Elizabeth Lucky who bore him 10 children, James Kefover (1811-1904), Thomas Kefover (1815-1894), Philip Kefover (1821-1898), William Kefover (____), Albert Gallatin Kefover (1831-1914), John Kefover (____, died young), Mary Jane Kefover (1824-1902—married Henry B. Maleby), Clarissa Kefover (____—married Robert Hanna), Margaret Kefover (____—1910, married Thomas Sessler), Martha Kefover (1816-1867, married James Hill); (2) the second marriage of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was to Phoebe Harper by whom he had no child; (3) the third marriage of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) was to Delilah Boice (180__-1879, 74th year) who bore him one child, Elizabeth Ann Kefover (____, married George W. Burner). Philip Kefover (1789-1881) died April 3, 1881, aged 91 years 10 months 21 days, and is buried by the side of his third wife, Delilah (Boice) Kefover (who died Sept. 29, 1879 in the 74th year of her age) in the Old Frame (Presbyterian) Churchyard, about 3 or 4 miles Southeast of Masontown, Pa. Inscription engraved on his tombstone: "Holy Bible . . . Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord." Inscription engraved on monument to Delilah: "Holy Bible Delilah wife of Philip Kefover Sr. died September 29, 1879 in the 74 year of her age. Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God."

James Kefover (1811-1904), the oldest son of Philip Kefover (1789-1881) and Ophelia Elizabeth (Lucky) Kefover, was born August 27, 1811, in Fayette County, Pa., died at Wilton Junction, Muscatine County, Iowa, October 1, 1904, aged 93 years 1 month 4 days. He married Susan ~~or~~ Susanna _____ b. _____ d. _____, a sister of Rosanna _____ b. _____ d. _____, who married William Beatty, also a resident of Wilton Junction, Muscatine County, Iowa, for some time. The sisters Susan _____ and Rosanna _____ are said to have been orphans _____

James Kefover (1811-1904) and Susan (____) Kefover had three children:
 1 James Robinson Kefover, b. Sept. 4, 1834, d. May 16, 1931, in his 97th year;
 2 Elizabeth (Libbie) Kefover, b. _____, d. _____;
 3 Philip Alexander Kefover, b. Jan. 5, 1837, d. Sept. 30, 1897, in his 61st year.
 James Kefover (1811-1904), his wife Susan _____, and their son James Robinson Kefover are buried in the Kefover plot in Oak Dale Cemetery, Wilton Junction, Iowa.

1 James Robinson Kefover (1834-1931) was born ^{Sept 4, 1834} near Uniontown, Fayette County, ^(Sept 4, 1834) Pennsylvania, and died in the Muscatine County Iowa Home, May 16, 1931, in which he had been an invalid inmate since his admittance on June 24, 1926. He was never married, and had lived alone after the death of his father for about 22 years from his 70th year until invalided into the Muscatine County Home in his 92d year. He spoke of coming from Fayette County, Pa., to Muscatine County, Ia., when a boy about 14 or 15 years of age. He was an ardent admirer of the religious doctrines taught by Emanuel Swedenborg (1688-1772). He was a well read man, especially in the Swedenborgian philosophy, as well as in many other lines and an able conversationalist. Until quite advanced in years he had farmed a tract of land he owned about 2½ miles West of Wilton and adjacent to Sugar Creek not far from the Cedar River near Moscow, Muscatine County, Iowa.

2 Elizabeth (Libbie) Kefover, b. _____ d. _____, married Alex. ("Eck") Smith. They had three children, the third child of which marriage died young. The Miller Smith family, of which Alex. Smith was a son, lived at or near Moscow, Muscatine County, Iowa, in pioneer days. It is supposed that the family may have removed to Kansas.

3 Philip Alexander Kefover, born January 5, 1837 (probably in Fayette County, Pa.), died Sept. 30, 1897, at his farm home about 2½ miles West of Keswick, Keokuk County, Iowa. He married (April 22, 1875): Mrs. Bessie Arilia (Upson) Phillips, born

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DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881): Son, James Kefover (1811-1904):

(3 Philip Alexander Kefover (1837-1897)—continued—)

(Mrs. Bessie Arilia (Upson) Phillips, born July 6, 1848, died May 25, 1918. Philip A. Kefover and Bessie Arilia Kefover are buried in Sorden Cemetery, near Keswick, Keokuk County, Iowa. By her former marriage, Mrs. Bessie Arilia (Upson-Phillips) Kefover had 2 daughters: Eva Phillips, born February 15, 1871; and Maggie Elizabeth Phillips, born February 1, 1872, died October 5, 1872. The children of Philip Alexander Kefover (1837-1897) and Bessie Arilia (Upson-Phillips) Kefover:

- (1) Ida Mae Kefover, born August 26, 1876; died Feb. services Tues. Feb. 28, 1956
(2) Nora Bell Kefover, born Dec. 23, 1877, died Aug. 21, 1878;
(3) Edith Gertrude Kefover, born Mar. 24, 1879, died July 7, 1880;
(4) George William Kefover, born April 12, 1880;
(5) Carrie Kefover, born June 10, 1882, died Aug. 7, 1882.

Misses Eva Phillips and Ida Mae Kefover reside together on the home farm, their address being R.F.D. #1, Box 75, Keswick, Keokuk County, Iowa.

Philip Alexander Kefover (1837-1897) in the early eighties removed with his family from Wilton Junction, Iowa, to What Cheer, Iowa, then a very thriving coal mining town in Keokuk County. After the severe fire in What Cheer in the latter eighties in which his harness store was burned, he gathered his resources and purchased the 80 acre farm near Keswick, Keokuk County, Iowa, which ever afterward has remained the home of his family and on which Miss Eva Phillips and Miss Ida Mae Kefover now reside. He was a man of very genial, lively and jocular disposition, and always interesting company. He was a capital story teller. He was a well beloved relative, a man of exemplary habits, and a fine character. Of such pioneer characters, Iowa was well settled.

George William Kefover, the only son of Philip Alexander Kefover and Bessie Arilia (Upson-Phillips) Kefover, was born Apr. 12, 1880, in Wilton, Muscatine County, Iowa. He married (Dec. 25, 1915): Fannie Shafranek, born Aug. 21, 1880. The marriage was solemnized by his kinsman, James R. McVicker, then serving as a Justice of the Peace in Sigourney Township, Keokuk County, Iowa, by special appointment of the County Board of Supervisors. The following named children are the issue of this marriage:

George d. Jan 24 1953 d. Nov 1947

- (1) Evalyn Mae Kefover, born January 10, 1915;
(2) Bessie Arilia Kefover, born January 21, 1917;
(3) George Philip Kefover, born December 5, 1918;
(4) William Alexander Kefover, born September 27, 1920;
(5) James R. Kefover, born August 21, 1922.

The address of George William Kefover is: Ramona, Washington County, Oklahoma, where he and his family reside upon his farm.

While the spelling of the Pennsylvania family as KEFOVER has been adhered to herein by the writer, it must be noted at this point that the sons of the family of James Kefover (1811-1904) adopted the spelling with two ee's in the first syllable of the surname, thus KEEFOVER, and that the latter was is the one that the descendants spell their name.

What Cheer—services for Miss Ida Kefover were held Tuesday. Burial was in Sorden cemetery near Keswick. Register 2-28-56

DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1789-1881): Son, James Kefover (1811-1904):

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HISTORY OF JAMES KEFOVER (1811-1904) FAMILY -- Appendix

WILLIAM _____ BEATTY, Brother-in-Law of JAMES KEFOVER (1811-1904)

William _____ Beatty, b. _____

d. _____

married (_____):

Rosanna _____ b. _____ d. _____

who was a sister of Susan _____ b. _____ d. _____

who married James Kefover (1811-1904).

Children of William Beatty and Rosanna _____ Beatty

- 1 James Beatty, b. _____ d. _____
 m. Hannah _____ Upson, sister of Mrs. Bessie Arelia Upson Phillips
 who married Philip Alexander Kefover (1857-1897).
 Hannah _____ Upson, b. _____ died _____
 children:

- 2 Jane Beatty, b. _____ d. _____

3. Anna Beatty, b. _____ d. _____

4. Elizabeth Beatty, b. _____ d. _____

5. Juliet Beatty, b. _____ d. _____
 m. William Franklin Morgan, b. _____ d. _____
 a nephew of Norvel Wilson McVicker (1827-1923)

6. Frank Beatty, b. _____ d. _____
 m. Anna _____ Grunder, b. _____ about 80 in 1935
 residence 1007 South 2d Street, S.W., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.

Note: This outline of the William Beatty Family is included in the James Kefover family history because of the ~~two~~ intermarriages of the Beatty and Kefover families: (1) The wives of James Kefover (1811-1904) and of William Beatty were sisters, said to have been orphans who were raised in the McClelland or McClelland family (probably in Fayette County, Pennsylvania); (2) the wives of Philip Alexander Kefover (1857-1897), second son of James Kefover (1811-1904), and of William Beatty, oldest son of William Beatty, were sisters. Thus, the two first cousins, Philip Alexander Kefover and James Beatty, married sisters, Mrs. Bessie Arelia (Upson) Phillips and Miss Hannah Upson, respectively. And (3) Juliet Beatty, daughter of William Beatty, married William Franklin Morgan, who was a nephew of Norvel Wilson McVicker (1827-1923, the writer's father) who married Margaret Emma Hill, who was a granddaughter of Martha (Kefover) Hill, who was a sister of James Kefover (1811-1904).

DESCENDANTS OF PHILIP KEFOVER (1811-1904): SON JAMES KEFOVER (1811-1904)

'The Kefover Story' (Jack Anderson & Fred Blumenthal) [A00539]

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From Book: Jack Anderson & Fred Blumenthal's "THE KEFOVER STORY."
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The first American Kefauvers, two Huguenot brothers, came from Alsace-Lorraine and settled near Frederick, Maryland, in 1750. The name Kefauver was a French spelling of the German name Kefober.

Estes' grandfather, J. P. Kefauver, was a fire-and-brimstone Baptist minister, pastor of a large church in Chattanooga. He liked to spin out to the farm areas and hold revival meetings. A heavily bearded man, he was disarmingly frank about his preaching power. Once he was asked by some ministerial colleagues to name his favorite speaker. "Well, I'll tell you," Pastor Kefauver replied, "When I get to going good, I'd just about as soon hear myself preach as anybody I know."

But to those who lay stress on lineage, Estes Kefauver's mother had perhaps more to offer. Phredonia Estes could trace her family back to the eleventh century when Albert Azo II, Marquis of Luguire, founded the house D'Este in Italy. This became one of the major reigning families in Italy and played an important part in renaissance times.

Eventually, the family emigrated to Virginia. Three members of the clan Estes distinguished themselves in the American Revolution. An Estes from West Tennessee was a political opponent of Davy Crockett. When he soundly whipped Crockett in an election, the king of the wild frontier said, "You stay here and go to hell if you want to. I'll go to Texas." Phredonia's father, Albert Carey Estes, was a prominent lawyer in Brownsville, Tennessee. (His old law books were passed on to young Kefauver, no doubt contributing to his decision to become a lawyer).

Tennesseans regarded the match of the Rev. J.P. Kefauver's son with the descendant of the House D'Este as an admirable one. And the couple settled down in a white-frame home, built by the bridegroom, in Madisonville. The first child born to Cocks and Phredonia was a son, Robert, in 1901. When a second ~~child~~ boy arrived July 28, 1903, the elderly family doctor called Cocks Kefauver into the room and said, Mr. Kefauver, I ^{want} you to see the finest back I ever saw on a baby."

The parents named their second-born Carey Estes Kefauver. In later years he was to drop the first name and to become known simply as Estes "Big Bill" to his playmates, as awkward a country ~~bumkin~~ as ever wore a size eleven shoe or tried to drink out of a fingerbowl.

THE KEFAUVER STORY --by Jack Anderson and Fred Blumenthal,
 THE DIAL PRESS, NEW YORK, pages 16 - 18

The Keefober (Kefauver) Family of Fredrick Co. MD [A00540-1]

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THE KEEFOBER (KEFAUVER) FAMILY OF FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND

The several biographies of this family in Williams' "History of Frederick County, Maryland," are in error in stating that Nicholas was the progenitor of the Kefauver family in Frederick County.

It appears from the court records of Frederick County that Philip Keefober (Kefauver) signed, sealed, published, and declared a last will and testament on the 27th day of December 1778, as recorded in Liber G. M. No. 1, Folio 109, one of the records of the office of the Register of Wills in the Circuit Court of Frederick County, Maryland. Philip Keefober died between December 27, 1778 and February 27, 1779, and his will was probated on February 27, 1779, his two sons, Philip and Peter, having been nominated as executors. The will was witnessed by John Kim, Andrew Beck, and John Frederick Miller. A true copy of the meaning of the will in the original (X German) was translated by Thomas Schley.

Land Through Purchase

Deed to Philip Kiefalpor from Caleb Touchstone recorded in Liber B, Folio 306, November 27, 1750, conveying 67 acres, of record in the Circuit Court, Frederick County, Maryland.

Land By Grant

1. "Lawnell" - in name of Philip Keywaughover (Keefober), April 10, 1760, 90 acres.
2. "Hopkins Content" - Phillip Keefawver, 1761, 100 acres (See Land Records, Hall of Records, St. John's College, Annapolis, Maryland).
3. The Resurvey on "Whiskey Alley" - Philip Keywaughover, September 14, 1768, 567 acres. (For items 1 and 3, see Scharf's History of Maryland, (1882), page 985.

First Generation

PHILIP KEEFOBER, SR. settled in Frederick County, Maryland, prior to November 27, 1750, born _____, died _____ 1779, married _____, Anna Mary _____, born _____, died _____. Marriages prior to 1778 were not recorded in the Court Records of Frederick County. There is no record of the dates of death or places of burial, although it is believed that both of them were buried in the family burial plot on the land west of Middletown, Maryland, which came into possession of the Reformed and Lutheran Churches after the death of Philip Keefober, Sr. (See Trust Deed under Jacob Keefober, a son). All traces of the family burial plot have since been destroyed. (See newspaper report in the Valley Register, April 1, 1859, about the church). Seven children resulted from this union. See will of Philip Keefober, Sr., recorded in Liber G. M. No. 1, Folio 109, one of the records of the circuit court for Frederick County, Maryland. Philip and Peter Keefober, sons, were executors. Will probated, February 27, 1779.

See next page for the family of Philip Keefober, Sr. and Anna Mary _____.

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THE KEEFOBER (KEFAUVER) FAMILY OF FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND

Second GenerationThe children of Phillip Keefober, Sr., and Anna Mary _____, were:

1. Philip, Jr., born March 10, 1747, died February 9, 1814, married _____, Magdalene _____, born August 15, 1756, died October 3, 1807. No Court record of marriages in Frederick County prior to 1778. Both are buried in the Reformed Church Cemtery, Middletown, Maryland. Dates of birth and death obtained from the tombstones.

See Deed, dated June 16, 1787, from Philip Keefauver to John Bartholomew (being a part of a tract called Lawnell), and recorded in W. R. No. 7, Folio 342, one of the Land Records of Frederick County, Maryland. This deed was signed by wife, Magdalene, releasing her dower right. Also, see Deed in 22, Folio 450, dated April 8, 1802, from Phillip Keefauver to Michael Miller, covering parts of Lawnell, Whiskey Alley, and Frog's Bottom, which was signed by Magdalene. Magdalene is buried in the Reformed Church Yard, Middletown, Maryland, near the grave of Philip.

2. Peter, born _____, died _____, married (license issued) December 18, 1786, Catherine Yost, born _____, died _____. This family moved to Virginia. The dates and places of burial are unknown. Peter and Catherine Yost Keefober are the ancestors of Senator and Vice-Presidential (1956) candidate, Estes Kefauver.
3. Jacob Keefober, born _____, died _____, married (license issued) July 25, 1783, Mary Iseminger, born _____, died _____. This family moved to Fayette County, Pennsylvania. The dates and places of burial are unknown. For a list of the children of Jacob and Mary Iseminger Keefober, see the next page (Third Generation). Ancestors of Mr. James R. McVicker, 1206 Sixth Avenue, S. E., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.
4. Nicholas, born July 20, 1756, died July 24, 1811, married (license issued), April 15, 1784, Margaret Beckenbaugh (Peckepaugh), born _____, died _____. Listed as Patriot Associator, Committee of Observation, Frederick County, Md. (Ref.: Maryland Historical Magazine, Journal of the Committee of Observation of the Middle District of Frederick County, Md., September 12, 1775 to October 24, 1776, volume 11, p. 169, (1916). Ancestors of Marceline Kefauver Tyson (Mrs. Robert S. Tyson) 101 East Church Street, Frederick, Maryland.
5. Susan Keefober (Keffauver), born _____, died _____, married (license issued) December 15, 1784, George Peter Peckepaugh, born _____, died _____. No record of the dates or places of burial of either.
6. Madeline (or Magdalene) Keefober, born _____, died _____, married (license issued) December 8, 1781, George Hagar, born _____, died _____. No records of the dates or places of burial of either.

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THE KEEFOBER (KEFAUVER) FAMILY OF FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND

Second Generation

The children of Phillip Keefober, Sr., and Anna Mary _____ (concluded):

7. Daughter: _____ (deceased in 1779; see will of
Philip Keefober, Sr.). She had one son.

Notes: (a). Dates of birth and death are unknown for Peter, Jacob,
Magdalene, and Susan, and for the deceased daughter no.
7, above.

(b). Nicholas, Philip, Jr., and his wife Magdalena, are buried in
the Reformed Church Cemetery, Middletown, Maryland.

The Keefober (Kefauver) Family of Fredrick Co. MD [A00540-4]

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THE KEEFOBER (KEFAUVER) FAMILY OF FREDERICK COUNTY, MARYLAND

Third GenerationFamily of JACOB KEEFOBER (KEFAUVER, KEFOVER), SR.

The Census of 1790 for Frederick County, Maryland, shows that Jacob Keefober and Mary (Iseminger) Keefober, his wife, then residing there, had 3 boys under 16 years of age and 2 girls. Both family tradition and records in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, indicate that Jacob Keefober and his wife Mary raised a family of nine (9) children, 4 boys and 5 girls, as follows:

1. George Kefover, settled in Virginia, as tradition has given it.
2. Philip Kefover, born May 12, 1789, died April 3, 1881, settled in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, married three times:
 - 1st Marriage: to Ophelia Elizabeth Luckey, by whom he had ten children, being the large Kefover family of Fayette County, Pa.
 - 2nd Marriage: to Phoebe Harper, by whom he had no children.
 - 3rd Marriage: to Delilah Boice, by whom he had one daughter, Elizabeth Ann Kefover, who married George W. Burner.
3. James Kefover, whom the writer has not identified.
4. _____, (Another son, also unidentified).
5. Elizabeth ("Betsy") Kefover, born _____, died _____, married Thomas Jaco, born _____, died _____.
6. Jennie (Jan) Kefover, born _____, died _____, married _____, Joseph Osburn (Osbourne, Osborn), a preacher of the gospel.
7. Matilda ("Tilly") Kefover, born _____, died _____, married _____, Isaac Humbert.
8. Isabella Kefover, ("Ibbie," called Eva Griffin by Daisy Ophelia Springer), born _____, died _____, married _____, John Griffith (Griffin).
9. Hannah Kefover, born _____, died _____, married twice:
 - 1st Marriage: _____ Hertzog (?)
 - 2nd Marriage: Zotas Linton, father of George W. Linton, 1839-1891, a relative and contemporary of Ashbel Fairchild Hill (1842-1876). His mother, Hannah Kefover, was a sister of Philip Kefover (1789-1881), of Nicholson Twp., Fayette Co., Pa. The parents of George W. Linton lived in German Township, and later in or near Masontown, where George W. Linton became a saddler by trade and wrote papers as a pastime.

The Census records of 1810 for Springhill Township, Fayette Co., Pa., show two Jacob Keefobers (Kefauvers). Jacob Kefover, Sr., is reported as having three boys in the 1-10 age group, one girl in the 10-16 age group, and one girl in the 26-45 age group.

Jacob Keefober, Jr., shows one male in the 1-10 age group, two males in the 16-26 age group, one female in the 1-10 age group, three females in the 10-16 age group, no females older. Thus, it would appear that his wife was deceased at the time of the 1810 report.

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Philip Keefober Sr. settled in Frederick County, Maryland, prior to November 27, 1750. In his will executed Dec. 27, 1775, and probated Feb. 27, 1779, his two sons, Philip and Peter were nominated as executors. The following persons are mentioned in the will: Anna M^W, his wife; four sons (1) Philip; (2) Peter; (3) Nicholas; (4) Jacob; two daughters, (1) Susannah (under 18 years of age), and (2) Magdalene (under 18 years of age); one grandson (name not given) the son of a daughter, deceased (name not given). See Liber G.M. #1, Folio #109, one of the records in the office of the Register of Wills in the Circuit Court of Frederick County, Maryland.

Sr.
Jacob Keefober, one of the sons of Philip Keefober Sr. married Mary Iseninger, license issued July 25, 1783. See Records of Circuit Court, Frederick County, Maryland. There is no information available as to the dates of birth and death of either.

In the census records of 1790, Heads of Families, there appears the name of Adam Iseninger, in Frederick County, Maryland, Page 66. Three boys under 16 years and 4 girls are reported in this family. Mary Iseninger, the wife of Jacob Keefober, therefore, was possibly either the sister or the daughter of Adam Iseninger reported in this census. (This should be verified).

Jacob Keefober Sr. was mentioned in the will of his father Philip Keefober Sr. as follows:

Item - I give to my son Jacob Keefober his heirs and assigns forever, all the Remaining or rest of my Land with all the Houses, Barns and other Buildings, and all the grain and other income thereon growing provided he the said Jacob do and shall pay to my daughter Susannah the

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sum of 500 Pounds current money in the terms hereafter mentioned (Viz) at the arrival of 18 years the sum of 100 pounds and from that time every twelve months the sum of 50 Pounds until the above sum is paid to her. And the above mentioned Peter and Nicholas Keefover to pay to my daughter Magdalen The Sum of 500 pounds good lawful money at the arrival of her age and also one hundred pounds common money to my Grandson the son of my daughter which is dead.

Item - I give to my son Jacob, Waggon Gears and Plough, one gray mare, one gray horse and one Sorrel horse, provided he gives my daughter a Colt.

The real estate devised to Jacob Keefober was all the real estate owned by Philip Kefauver, Sr. except 67 acres 'Whiskey Alley' and 90 acres 'Lawrell' given to his son Philip Jr. and 70 acres and the Hill given to his two sons Peter and Nicholas.

On 8/30/1783 a trust Deed was executed in part as follows:

Jacob Keefour, Farmer, of Frederick County and Jacob Berner, Conrad Young, Nicholas Rowless, John Carr, Adam Smeltzer and John Flucke, Members and Trustees of the German reformed Latherian and Calvinist Congregations in and about Middletown in the county aforesaid:-

"Said Jacob Keefour in consequence of his Father's Intentions before his Decease and also in consequence of the sum of 5 shillings --- hath granted, etc. unto ----Trustees, all that tract called Resurvey of Whiskey Alley now laid out for 50 acres, to be set apart for the Use of and applied by said Congregations as Constitution, etc. may think proper and expedient, to the only proper Use and behoof of ----- aforesaid Trustees and no other use whatsoever.

This Deed Trust is recorded in Liber W. R. #4, Folio 179, one of the land records of the Circuit Court of Frederick, Maryland. (Also see Annapolis Archives, W. R. 4, p. 179).

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In the Valley Register published at Middletown Maryland 4/1/1859, it is stated that this land was deeded in trust to Jacob Flock on the part of the German Reformed and Conrad Young on the side of the Lutherans.

In the records of the Circuit Court for Frederick Co. Maryland the following deeds additional to the above deed trust are recorded as being made by Jacob Kefauver between 1778 and 1815.

Jacob Kefauver to Joseph Swearingen etc. Liber W. R. #12, Folio 435, - 5/24/1794.

Jacob Kefauver to Peter Beckenbaugh, Liber W. R. #14, Folio 474 - 9/5/1796.

Philip Keefaver, Peter Keefaver, heirs and executors of Philip Keefauver, deceased Peter Beckenbaugh and Susanna, his wife, also one of the heirs of the said Philip, all of Frederick County and Jacob Keefaver of Fayette Co. Pa. also one of the other said heirs in consideration of 690 pounds, conveyed parts of two tracts of land called the Resurvey of Whiskey Alley and Hopkins Content, containing 172½ acres to Lawrence Everhart - Liber W. R. #14, Folio 482, 9/5/1796.

Jacob Keefour of Fayette Co. to Nicholas Keefour and John Flucke of Frederick County, Md. for 220 pounds for part of Resurvey of Whiskey Alley, Liber W. R. #36, Folio 325, 2/9/1810.

In the census records of Frederick County, Maryland, for 1790 it is indicated that Jacob Kefauver (Mary Kefauver his wife) had 3 boys under 16 years of age and 2 girls. From family tradition and family records in Fayette County, Pa. it appears that Jacob and Mary Kefover raised a family of 9 children, 4 boys and 5 girls. (1) George, settled in Virginia tradition has it. (2) Philip b. 5/12/1789, d. 4/3/1881, settled in Fayette Co. Pa. ~~James Kefover~~, m. (1) Elizabeth Luckey by whom he had 10 children, 6 boys and 4 girls; m. (2) Phoebe Harper -

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no children; m. (3) Delilah Boyce - one daughter. (3) James. (4) son (name unknown). (5) Elizabeth - married Thomas Jaco. (6) Jennie - married _____ Osburn. (7) Tilly - married _____ Humbert. (8) Ibbie - married _____ Griffith. (9) Hannah - married _____ Linton. (Lived in Masontown) in the 1790 census therefore one of these boys may be definitely identified as Philip (born 5/12/1789, died 4/3/1841). Due to the lack of dates of birth the names of the other children cannot be identified. Efforts are being made to obtain dates of birth, death and places.

The census records of 1800 ~~ENEN~~ for Springhill Twp. Fayette Co. Pa. show that Jacob and Mary Kiehaber had one boy in the 1-10 age group, 1 boy in the 10-16 age group and 1 in the 16-26 age group, 4 girls in the 1-10 age group, 2 girls in the 10-16 age group.

In this census report the boy in the 10-16 age group could be logically identified as Philip (born 5/12/1789) died 4/3/1841. For reasons stated above the names of the others cannot be identified at this time.

There are no Kefauvers by the name of Jacob reported in the census returns ~~KEEGER~~ from Maryland in 1800. The records in Frederick Co. Maryland show that Jacob Kefauver disposed of his real estate in Maryland between 1790-1800 and obviously moved to Fayette Co. Pa. sometime prior to 1800. In a deed dated 9/5/1796 made to Lawrence Everhart, Jacob Kefauver of Fayette Co. Pa. is mentioned as one of *the* grantors. This deed is recorded in Liber W. R. #14, Folio 482 one of the land records of the Circuit Court for Frederick County, Md. as previously stated.

The census record of 1810 for Springhill Township, Fayette County, Pa. shows two Jacob Kefauvers. Jacob Kefauver Sr. is reported as having 3 boys in the 1-10 age group, 1 girl in the 10-16 age group and 1 girl in the 26-45 age group.

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In this report the name of Philip cannot be identified in any age group, as only one age group 1-10 of boys is reported. It is quite likely that Philip Keefober had established a family of his own and had moved to Nicholson Township Fayette Co. Pennsylvania. We have not secured the census records for this township. (James R. McVicker Esq. of Iowa City, Iowa, speaks of Philip Keefober Sr. of Nicholson Township, Fayette Co. Pa. in his letter to me dated 7/17/1935).

There is no entry in the 45 up female group. It is probable therefore that his wife Mary died between 1800 and 1810, unless his wife was very much younger than he was in which case his wife may be the individual reported in the 26-45 age group for 1810.

Jacob Keefauver, Jr. shows one male in the 1-10 age group, 2 males in the 16-26 age group, 1 female in the 1-10 age group, 3 females in the 10-16 age group, no females older. It would appear, therefore, that his wife was deceased at the time the 1810 report was made.



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Pennsylvania (1882)

"In 1797 the impending danger of foreign war and the passage of the act to procure 20,000 stand of arms for the state, as also similar action in other states and by the general government, led to the establishment of gun factories, in various parts of the country, and among these was the one established by Albert Gallatin and Melchior Baker near New Geneva in 1799, for the manufacture of muskets, broadswords, and other arms. It was located in that part of Springhill Township which is now Nicholson, on land now or recently owned by Philip Kefover. The establishment employed from 50 to 100 men. In 1800 the state contracted with this establishment for 2000 muskets, and the same time the firm received an order for the general government for a large number of arms. In 1801, when Mr. Gallatin was about being called to the head of the Treasury Department, he came from Washington to New Geneva, and closed out his interest in the factory to his partner, Mr. Baker, because his prospective position as Secretary of the Treasury, would render it impossible for him to be privately concerned in the contracts to which he would necessarily be a partner on behalf of the government. Mr. Baker continued the business for several years and with some success until the government armories at Harper's Ferry and Springfield, Massachusetts were established, when he abandoned his gunworks in Fayette County and removed to Charlestown, Virginia"

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Vol III p. 839
(his picture facing p. 822)

"Charles Fremont Kefover, attorney-at-law
was born in Nicholson Township, Fayette
County, Pennsylvania, January 12, 1862. His
father is William Kefover, his mother Sarah
E. (Jackson) Kefover. When Charles was about
two years of age his parents removed to Red-
stone Township, Fayette County. The Kefovers
are of German descent. The founders of the
family in America, were George and Peter
Kefover who emigrated from Germany and
settled at Fredericksburg, Va. Philip Kefover,
the grandfather of the subject of this sketch,
and descendant of said Peter Kefover, settled
in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Penn-
sylvania, where he was one of the leading

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agriculturists of said township. Charles' mother is a daughter of the late James Jackson, who was a contractor in George's township. James Jackson's wife was a Showalter of Virginia, and her mother was a Wattersson; of the family of Watterssons of which Henry, the distinguished editor of the Louisville "Courier-Journal," is a member. Charles F. Kefover grew up on the farm and received his early education in the country district school. Afterwards he attended Dunlap's Academy, and then he entered Southwest Normal School at California, Pa., and graduated in 1884; he remained two years longer at the normal school pursuing a post-graduate classical course. Then he entered the law office of Hon. Nathaniel Ewing, at Uniontown, Pa. and was admitted to the bar in June, 1889. He early gained recognition as a clever lawyer, and since attaining his majority Mr. Kefover has been actively engaged in the work of the Republican party in Fayette County, and has served on the different committees for several years, and at present is a member of the Executive Committee of Fayette County. In 1896 he was prominent enough at the bar to be elected by the incoming sheriff as his attorney, in which capacity he served three years. He was married June 19, 1895, to Ann Hamilton, daughter of Colonel Thomas B. Searight, whose personal history is contained in this volume. Colonel Searight died in 1899. He was a college chum of James H. Blaine, and the two were lifelong friends, although political opponents. In 1873, Colonel Searight was appointed surveyor-general of Colorado then a territory.

Mr. and Mrs. Kefover have one son, Charles Searight Kefover. Charles F. Kefover

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enjoys a large and lucrative practice, and has an enviable reputation for fairness. He is entirely free from professional jealousy and is popular at the bar and with the public."

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Veck's work entitled, "The Monongahela
of Old or Historical Sketches of Southwestern
Pennsylvania to the year 1800."
- Illustrated - Vol. I
New York, Lewis Historical Publishing Company
1912

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Kefover:

Peter Kefover came to America from
Alsace, Loraine, now Germany, and is the
founder of his family in this country. He
settled at Frederickstown, Maryland, with
his brother George. He was a farmer, an
occupation usually followed by his des-
cendants. He married and among his
children was a son Philip, of whom further.
While many descendants are found in Mary-
land an important branch of the family
settled in Fayette County, Pennsylvania;
founded by Philip, son of Peter Kefover,
the emigrant.

(II) Philip, son of Peter Kefover, was
the first of his family to settle in

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Fayette County, coming from Maryland during the closing years of the eighteenth century. He was a farmer all his life, dying in Fayette County. He married and among his children was a son William, of whom further.

(III) William, son of Philip Kefover, was born in Fayette County, Pennsylvania. He was educated in the public school, and has been devoted to agriculture all his life. He is now living retired at Merrittstown, Fayette County. He married Sarah Jackson, born in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, of Virginia ancestry. Children: Mary, deceased; James W., a farmer of Washington County, Pennsylvania; Charles F., of whom further. William Kefover, the father, is living, aged 84 years; his wife died in 1911, aged 79. They were both members of the Presbyterian Church of Dunlap Creek.

(IV) Charles F., a son of William and Sarah (Jackson) Kefover, was born January 12, 1862, in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania. He grew up on the farm of his father, and received his early education in the public schools. This was followed by a course of study at Dunlap Creek Academy, a Presbyterian preparatory school. He then entered the State Normal School at California, Pennsylvania, whence he was graduated B.S., class of 1884, later receiving the degree of M.A., then taking a post graduate course of two years from the same institution. He also took a private course in Latin, Greek, and Mathematics under Rev. James Mc Masters, pastor of the Presbyterian at Dunlap Creek. After completing his studies he taught for seven years in public schools and in Dunlap Creek

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Academy. During this period he began the study of law, and in 1888, entered the law office of Judge Nathaniel Ewing, of Uniontown, as a law student. In 1889 he was admitted to the Pennsylvania bar and at once began the practice of his profession in the office of Judge Ewing, continuing five years. He then opened office his own in the Old News-Standard building on Court Street. He prospered in his chosen work, becoming well known and extended his practice to all state and federal courts. Besides his extensive legal business he has large interests in coal lands, corporations, and real estate. He is a director of the Fayette County National Bank; director and large stockholder in the Labor Brewing Company. Among his real estate holdings is the Old News Standard building, which he bought and rechristened the Kefover Law building from the fact that it is largely tenanted by lawyers. He still retains his own offices there which he has occupied since first starting in private practice.

He is a Republican in politics, active and influential in the party, but never a candidate himself for elective office. He was borough attorney of Uniontown seven years and has filled other appointive offices; has frequently served on the executive committee of the Fayette County Republican Committee and a delegate to party conventions. While a strong party man he stands only for good government and clean political methods. He is public-spirited to a high degree and is active in promoting the public good of his city and state. While reared in the Presbyterian faith he later united

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with the church of which his wife was a member, the Episcopal. He is an active worker in the church, and contributes his time and influence to the elevation and uplift of his community. He is a member of the various bar associations; was one of the organizers and members of the first board of governors of the Uniontown Country Club, where he is numbered among the golf enthusiasts, playing indeed solely for recreation, but one of the many fine players belonging to the club. His influence everywhere is for good and he is everywhere known and respected for his manly qualities.

He married, May 19, 1895, Ann H., daughter of Colonel Thomas B. and Rose (Flanagan) Searight, both old revolutionary families. Children: Charles S. and Rose Elma.

(pp. 81-82 Portrait: Charles S. Kefover facing page 82.)

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BOOKLET: THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MORGANTOWN, WEST VIRGINIA—
 Short Biographical Sketches—by James R. Moreland—1788—150—1938
 (With Short Biographical Sketches of Its Pastors, Missionaries,
 Ministers and Lay Leaders—by James R. Moreland, Church Historian and
 Archivist—On the Occasion of the celebration of the Sesqui-Centennial
 of the Church's Existence—1788 -150- 1938—Published by the Church 1938)

Ch. VI—The Men of the Pulpit

Rev. Ashbel Green Fairchild, a young licentiate just graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary began his labors for this church in 1817. Being only a licentiate, the call was not put in his hands, but he was ordained as an evangelist and appointed to supply in that capacity. He was promised \$150 for one-half of his time. He was ordained on October 8, 1818, and on July 2, 1822 he was regularly called for one-third of his time. He accepted the call, was installed and served this church until 1827. During his ministry the first church edifice was constructed. He resigned in 1827 to give all of his time to the Tent Church near Fairchance, Pennsylvania. He did not lose contact with Morgantown for his son and daughter continued to live here. He came here frequently for religious services and to visit his friends. He was a warm friend of Hon. Thomas Wilson, one of Morgantown's foremost lawyers and the father of Louisa Ann Wilson-Lowrie, the missionary. No doubt Dr. Fairchild had much to do with instilling in her that religious fervor and devotion which caused her to go willingly to her death in a foreign field. He also wrote her memoirs, published in 1837, four years after her death. He was a man of broad education, being able to speak eight languages. He published "Unpopular Doctrines," "The Great Supper," "What Presbyterians Believe," and "Scripture Baptism." These books were for many years authoritative in the church. He had a pleasant manner and was much loved by his people. His work lives in the impetus he gave to Presbyterianism in western Pennsylvania and northern West Virginia. He died on June 30, 1864, leaving a daughter, Anna, married to Lycurgus S. Hough, a prominent lawyer of Morgantown, and a son, Col. Ashbel Fairchild, who was a wagon manufacturer in the early days of Morgantown. Both Mr. Hough and Col. Fairchild were trustees of this church for many years.

A tablet to ~~the~~ the memory of Dr. Fairchild was presented to this church by his son, Col. Ashbel Fairchild. It was designed by a grandson of Dr. Fairchild, Dr. Walter Hough, who was then Curator of the National Museum in Washington, and executed by Tiffany and Company. This work was unfinished at the time of Col. Fairchild's death, but Mrs. Fairchild had it completed and presented it to the church. It was unveiled November 5, 1905, by another grandson, Mr. Frederick C. Hough. The tablet bears the following inscription:

"In Memory
 of
 Ashbel Green Fairchild
 Pastor, Missionary, Author
 Born 1795 Died 1864
 He served this church from
 1817—1827
 And was its first pastor."

The following excerpts are from an address delivered by Dr. Aaron Moore Buchanan on the occasion of the unveiling of that tablet in this church:

"On May 1, 1795, when a baby boy came to the Fairchild home in Hanover, N.J., he was given the name Ashbel Green. The Rev. Ashbel Green was then 33 years old and was pastor of the Second Presbyterian Church of Philadelphia, and must at that very early age have been giving evidence of the many gifts that made him, in later life, one of the really great leaders of the Presbyterian Church.

"At 13 years of age Ashbel Fairchild commenced his classical education at Morristown, N.J. At 17 he entered the senior class at Princeton College, graduating one year later. The next year, 1817, when 19 years old he entered Princeton Theological Seminary, where he remained two years, and after spending six months in missionary work in North Carolina, and six weeks in Sussex County, N.J., was in 1817 commissioned by the Western Missionary Society as a missionary to this region, where he spent his whole life, which closed June 30, 1864, giving 47 years to the general community to which he was first sent. Licensed by the Presbytery of N.J. at Morristown on April 24, 1816. Ordained by the Presbytery of Redstone July 1, 1818.

Ashbel
 Green
 was then
 President

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"I am not able to make out from the data at hand just how this young preacher divided his time for the first decade of his ministry. For the first 5 years he gave one-third of his time as stated supply at Morgantown Church, the other two-thirds he gave to charges in Fayette County. For the next 5 years he was pastor of the Morgantown Church, and George's Creek and Greensboro. In 1827, he resigned the pastorate here and settled as the pastor of the united congregation at George's Creek and Throne's Creek, or the Tent Church. In advanced age he resigned the George's Creek charge, but retained the Tent, and added a new church at Fairchance.

"It would be impossible to give within the limits of this address anything like a just estimate of the work of Dr. Fairchild in the strip of Fayette County, Pa., bordering on the state line. He impressed himself on the whole region, as no other one has done. * * * * In a mutilated article, so mutilated that the name of the evidently able author is absent, I find this incident, which illustrates the hold Dr. Fairchild had on the hearts of his people and the confidence they had in him. The writer says he preached in the Doctor's church one day when the doctor was too ill to be present, and at the close of the sermon offered to present the subject of the endowment of the Western Theological Seminary. One arose in the audience and said 'You spent the night with Dr. Fairchild.' 'Yes, sir.' 'Does he heartily approve of your scheme?' 'He does.' 'Then hand around the subscription paper. We go for anything which he endorses.'"

"For the instruction of his own people and for the better understanding of the fundamental doctrines of the Presbyterian Church he wrote 4 books. His best known book was 'The Great Supper,' an illustration of the leading doctrines of Grace. This book of which an edition of 25 copies was first published by subscription and by the authority of the Presbytery was afterward revised by the author, published by the Board of Publication and for many years was one of its most popular books. Another of his books bore the title 'Scripture Baptism'; another 'The Unpopular Doctrines of the Bible,' and the fourth was 'What Presbyterians Believe.'

It is the testimony of Dr. Fairchild's contemporaries that these books contributed much to the clearing of the atmosphere in those early days of strife, and had a large place in the forces that made for the advancement of the Presbyterian church, not only in this region, but throughout the whole country."

Dr. Buchanan quotes further from a sketch by Rev. Samuel Wilson, a co-Presbyter and ministerial neighbor:

"In person Dr. Fairchild stood over 6 feet in height, very erect, with a countenance marked with intellectuality, beauty and loveliness. His manners were of the most dignified, graceful and winning type, such as attract special notice in any assembly. His conversation possessed a singularly pure and spicy interest, always improving, which made him a most welcome guest in any home and company, however plain and simple, or highly cultured and erudite. His life was very beautiful, full of industry and usefulness. An admirer and student of nature, he delighted in horticulture, selecting the finest fruits and flowers for his orchard and garden, in which he found ample encouragement in the sympathy and co-operation of his excellent wife, an intelligent and cultured lady from Newark, N.J. Possessed of a well chosen library, and taking some of the best journals and reviews, religious, secular and scientific, from which he stored his excellent memory, he kept well abreast with the times, and never seemed to grow old. He was well versed in science, literature, theology, and history, natural, civil and ecclesiastical. Familiar with the doctrines and government of the Presbyterian Church, he was an able expounder and defender of these, as well appears in his writings. He was not only an able defender, but very able and candid in dealing with opponents, employing no harsh language or personalities, but solid, logical argument and pertinent illustrations. He realized the power of light and love, 'that the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God,' and that the servant of God must not strive but be gentle, that soft words and hard arguments are most winning. The life of truth and its fruits in Christian life was in his heart a divine and steady flame, which made him strong and courageous in its defense and shed a radiance on the minds of others. With error his soul could have no ~~relationship~~ fellowship, any more than light with darkness or good with evil. In short he was eminently fitted by nature and grace to direct religious thoughts and feeling in church life so as to secure the highest degree of Christian character and citizenship. Hence he was an accepted counselor and leader in church courts and social and religious assemblies.

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 (REV. ASHBEL GREEN FAIRCHILD--continued)
 "In all his relations with society he was a model--emphatically a Christian gentleman. It was a privilege to enjoy his personal friendship and society. His example and counsels were deemed a benediction." "
 "The Rev. Henry W. Biggs, pastor of this church at the time of Dr. Fairchild's death, preached a commemorative sermon from the text found in II Samuel ~~ix~~ 3:28: "Know ye not that there is a prince and a great man fallen this day in Israel?"

 Henry Halleck Ryland was born in Morgantown, January 9, 1862. His mother was a daughter of Aaron Baird, an elder of this church. Mr. Ryland was graduated from West Virginia University in 1888. After graduating from Western Theological Seminary at Pittsburgh, he was licensed by the Presbytery of Redstone in 1890, and ordained by the Presbytery of Calrion in 1891. His ministerial services were rendered to various churches in Western Pennsylvania, where he labored until his death September 8, 1937, at his home in Ligonier. He was the author of the words and music of nearly 100 hymns, as well as the compiler of two books, "Selected Hymns" and "Choice Hymns." His widow and second daughter continue to reside at Ligonier. His only son now lives in Wheeling, after graduating from his father's old Alma Mater, the West Virginia University, with the class of 1931.

 The one outstanding Sunday School Superintendent within the memory of many of the living members of the church was Mr. William Moorhead, a Scotch Irishman, born and reared in the North of Ireland, where Presbyterianism flourished, and from where so many devoted and devout members came. Mr. Moorhead was first a traveling salesman, frequently visiting Morgantown, where he met and married Alice John, and where he settled permanently as a merchant with is father-in-law, Dr. George W. John, and his brother-in-law George M. John, under the firm name of George W. John and Co. Mr. Moorhead was received into the Church on examination on Jan 15, 1887, and remained a member from that date until his death. The Sunday School was his church life. So far as known, the only church office he ever held was that of Church Treasurer. But the Sunday School was his child and he devoted much of his life to its work. His rich Scotch-Irish brogue, his literary attainments, his elocutionary ability all peculiarly fitted him for that work.

 The records of this church show that William S. John (William Scott John) with others was elected an elder in 1907 and continuously re-elected for many years. (Two daughters of James McVicker married two brothers of the John Family) (This was James McVicker (1768-1852), son of Capt. Duncan McVicker (1759-1818)).

Kefover Family Tree + notes [A00545-1]

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Kefover Family Tree

(Kefauver, Keefover, Kefober)

"Jordan and Haddon's Genealogical and Personal History of Fayette County, Pennsylvania", Volume 1, Page 81 (Published 1912), states:

"Peter Kefover came to America from Alsace-Lorraine, Now Germany, and is the founder of his family in this Country. He settled at Frederickstown, Maryland with his brother George. He was a farmer, an occupation followed by his descendants. He married and among his descendants was a son Philip, of whom further. While many descendants are found in Maryland, an important branch of the family settled in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, founded by Philip, son of Peter Kefover, the emigrant.

"Nelson's Biographical Dictionary and Historical Reference Book of Fayette County Pennsylvania" Volume III, Page 839 (Published 1900), states:

"The Kefovers are of German descent. The founders of the family in America were George and Peter Kefover who emigrated from Germany and settled at Fredericksburg, Virginia. Philip Kefover, the grandfather of the subject of this sketch (Charles Fremont Keefover), and descendants of said Peter Kefover, settled in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pennsylvania, where he was one of the leading agriculturists of said Township "— — — — —"

PHILIP KEEFOBER, Sr

Philip Keefober was the progenitor of the Maryland families spelling the name as Kefauver, and it appears, of the Pennsylvania families in Fayette County, spelling the name as Keefover, and of numerous descendants in other states. It is supposed that this Philip Keefober came from Germany to America, and it is indicated that he settled in Frederick County Maryland prior to November 27, 1750. Exactly what year he came to America, and whether he came alone or with a wife and children or with other brothers or other relatives, are all points which apparently are not disclosed by the data known. He died in Frederick County, Maryland in 1779, and as in the case of many early pioneers it has not been possible to locate his grave. His wife Anna Mary () (Maiden name not known) Keefober and their children, except one survived him.

HIS WILL

Philip Keefober, Senior who settled in Frederick County, Maryland, prior to November 27, 1750, executed his Will on December 27, 1778 (Probated February 27, 1779), naming his two sons, Philip Keefober and Peter Keefober as executors, and mentioning the following members of his family: his wife, Anna Mary; four sons, (1) Philip, (2) Peter, (3) Nicholas (4) Jacob; two daughters, (1) Susannah (under 18 years of age), (2) Magdalena (under 18 years of age), the son of a deceased daughter (name of the 3rd daughter not given). (Liber G.M. #1, Folio #109, Records of Office of Register of Wills and Court of Frederick County Maryland.)

Jacob Keefober, Sr., is shown in the will of his father, Philip Keefober, Sr. as the devisee of all the real estate owned by Philip Keefober, Sr., except 67 acres (Whiskey Alley) and 90 acres (Latnell), given to his son Philip Keefober, Jr., and 70 acres and the Mill given to his two sons, Peter and Nicholas. (Liber G.M. #1, Folio #109 of the Records in the Office of the register of Wills, in the Circuit Court of Frederick County, Maryland).

Kefover Family Tree + notes [A00545-2]

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DEEDS

Philip Keefaver, Peter Keefaver, heirs and executors of Philip Keefaver, deceased, Peter Beckenbaugh and Susanna, his wife, also one of the heirs of the said Philip, all of Frederick County, Maryland, and Jacob Keefaver, of Fayette County, Pennsylvania, also one of the other heirs (of Philip Keefover or Kefa uver, Sr.), joined in a deed conveying parts of two tracts of land called the Resurvey of Whiskey Alley and Hopkins Content, containing 172 $\frac{1}{2}$ acres, to Lawrence Everhart for 690 pounds on September 5, 1796. (Liber W. R. #14, Folio 482.)

NOTE:

The new writer extends appreciation which is due and she gratefully acknowledges that a great deal of this manuscript is taken from the one written by James R. McVicker in 1935. He received reports and letters from Dr. Harry Joshua Kefauver (RFD #2, Frederick, Maryland) and Miss Gladys A. Kefauver, Attorney at Law (28 Connecticut Avenue, Kensington, Maryland) who have extensively researched into the history of the Kefauver families. They efficiently collaborated in their research, and had courteously extended the reports of their researches to James McVickers (Cedar Rapids, Iowa). I wish to thank the following for sending me information on their branches of the family: Mrs Clara Robinson (Grants Pass, Oregon) for her mother Mrs. Alma Loughridge (Grants Pass, Oregon); Mrs Lena Darland (Waterloo, Iowa); Mrs Alma Ereen (Fort Collins, Colorado); Mrs Avis Russell (Pasadena, California) and many others who gave me ideas of where to search.

In time I have hopes to rewrite this adding additional information on all branches of the family. Am in hopes that this will bring forth additional information which is at present missing from this manuscript.

Miss Graecia Britten
(3611 G Street)
(Bremerton, Washington)

Kefover Family Tree + notes [A00545-3]

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1. PHILIP KEEFOBER, JR.

Philip Keefober (Kefauver), Jr, was born March 10, 1747 and died February 9, 1814. The Frederick County Maryland Census of 1790 indicated that his children consisted of one male under 18 years of age and 3 females. The census records for both 1800 and 1810 report no children in his family. The names of any of his children have not been definitely identified.

2. PETER KEEFOBER

(see special section)

3. NICHOLAS KEEFOBER

Nicholas Keefober (Kefauver), born July 20, 1756 and died July 24, 1811, married Margaret Beckenbaugh b. _____, d. _____. The Frederick County Maryland Census of 1790 shows that the children of this family consisted of two males under 16 years and one female. In 1800, the report shows the children as two males in the 10-16 age group and one female in the 10-16 age group. In 1910, the children are reported as 3 males in the 1-10 age group, 2 males in the 10-26 age group, 1 female in the 10-16 age group and 1 female in the 16-26 age group. The 1790, 1800, and 1810 reports for Nicholas Kefauver are all for Frederick County, Maryland. Margaret and Nicholas Keefober were the parents of:

(a) George Kefauver born October 8, 1785 and died September 7, 1881. He married Mary Castle born _____ and died _____.

(b) John Kefauver was born April 15, 1787 and died June 18, 1853. John married Rebecca Clausen born _____ and died _____. They were the progenitors of numerous descendents in the Maryland Kefauver lines.

The history of these families and others were being traced by Dr. Harry Joshua Kefauver (now deceased) and Miss Gladys A. Kefauver, who are descendants of Nicholas Kefauver (1736-1811).

4. JACOB KEEFOBER

(See special section)

5. SUSANNA KEEFOBER

Susanna Keefober (Kefauver), b _____, d _____ married Peter Beckenbaugh.

6. MAGDALENE KEEFOBER

Magdalene Keefober, b _____, d _____, married George Hager.

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Another daughter whose name is not known left one son whose name is also unknown, but they are both referred to in the Will of Philip Keefober, Sr. (d. 1779).

Kefover Family Tree + notes [A00545-4]

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PETER KEEFOBER

Peter Keefober (Kefauver), b _____, d _____ m Dec 18, 1786, Catherine Yost, b _____, d _____. The Frederick County Maryland Census of 1790 shows that the children of this family consisted of two males under 16 years, and in 1800 of 4 males in the 1-10 age group, and of one female in the 1-10 age group. Apparently, Peter Keefober moved to Virginia sometime between 1800 and 1810 as indicated by the Census of 1810 for Botetourt County Virginia, showing in this family two males under 10, two males in the 16-26 age group, two females under 10, and one female in the 16-26 age group. Peter Keefober (Kefauver) and Catherine (Yost) Keefober (Kefauver) were probably the parents of Jacob Kefauver (1788-1885).

Jacob Kefauver (1788-1885) married Nancy Vineyard (1800-1825). They were the parents of only one child - Jacob Peter Kefauver (1819-1895).

Jacob Peter Kefauver (1819-1895) married Nancy Rieves Cooke in 1861. She was his second wife. Jacob Peter Kefauver was a pioneer Baptist Minister in Tennessee. He was born in Roanoke, Virginia in 1819. His children by his second wife were:

- (1) Paul F. Kefauver (in Idaho)
- (2) Vineyard Kefauver (Now Mrs. V. K. Scott, in Louisiana)
- (3) Charlotte Kefauver (Mrs. C. J. Johns, Madisonville, Tennessee)
- (4) Robert Cooke Kefauver, Madisonville, Tennessee. He was born in 1870. Robert married Phredia Estes of Brownsville, Tennessee. They had three children:

(a) Carey Estes Kefauver born in 1903. He is better known as Senator Estes Kefauver. Member of the Democratic Party and was one of the aspirants for the position of Candidate for President for his party. He was defeated at the National Convention. He married Nancy Pigott of Glasgow, Scotland in 1933. Estes attended the Elementary schools of Madisonville, Tenn., both the University of Tennessee and Yale. He was attorney at Law from 1927-1936. Commissioner of Finance and Taxation State of Tennessee for 4 terms of office beginning in 1937. Member of the house of Representatives. Estes has written quite a number of books which have been published. Nancy and Estes Kefauver are the proud parents of 4 children.

- (1) Eleanor "Linda" Cooke Kefauver born October 24, 1941
- (2) David Estes Kefauver born January 27, 1946
- (3) Diane Carey Kefauver born December 19, 1947
- (4) Gail Estes Kefauver born October 7, 1950

(2) Nancy Rieves Kefauver was born in 1907.

(3) Nora Mann Kefauver was born in 1911.

Notes [A00546-1]

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Philip Keffer (1789-1881) from Alsac-Lorraine (now Germany)
Ophelia Elizabeth (Lucky) Keffer
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Martha (Keffer) Hill July 20 - Nov. 17 - 1816 - 1867
James Hill - May 22, 1815 - Jan. 2, 1859

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Margaret Emma Hill Aug 11 - 1849 - Feb 18 - 1899
Harriet Wilson McVicker

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James Rufus McVicker 1876 - 1963
Virginia Madeline Constant 1878 - 1963

Nary McVicker died June 1 - 1947

George V. Wheeler " Mar 13 - 1961

Maudie Wheeler June 29 - 1946
1883 —

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 Duncan McVicker (1765-1847)
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 Nancy McCollison 1748-1820 1757 ¹⁷⁹⁶
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 Joseph McVicker 1776-1854
 Mary Prudence McMullin
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 Horace Wilson McVicker 1827-1923) died April - 23
 Margaret Emma Mel 1849-1899 died Feb. 18-1899
 James R. McVicker

 Michael Constant 1800-1857
 Rose Vignenane Anthony McVicker
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 Henry Constant 1841 - 1892
 Amanda McVicker 1847-1931 / Canada

 Virginia Matilda Constant McVicker 1878-1963
 James Rufus McVicker 1876-1963
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 Bernadine Constant McVicker Norman 1906 -

Notes [A00546-3]

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James Hill married Martha LeJone Sept. 22, 1835
B. May 22, 1815 D. Jan. 2, 1859 B. July 20, 1816 D. Nov. 17, 1867

Children

Mary Matilda Hill B. June 18, 1837 D. March 18, 1883

Elizabeth Ann B. March 7, 1840 D. July 17, 1864

Ashel Fairchild Hill ~~B. Aug. 11, 1849~~ ~~D. Feb. 18, 1889~~
B. Oct. 23, 1842 D. Nov. 7, 1876

Martha Jane B. Sept. 23, 1845 D. July 29, 1866

Margaret Emma B. Aug. 11, 1849 D. Feb. 18, 1899

The Jeremiah Hill Family [A00547-1]

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 --Noted by Harry S. McVicker as stated to him by a relative on the occasion of his visit to Masontown, Pa., in June, 1901.

"I suppose you know that there is Scotch blood in our veins, that either our grandfather or great grandfather Hill and two brothers migrated to this country from Scotland in years gone by, but although I think each one of these brothers settled in far distant states from each other and that it was our predecessor that chose Pennsylvania, I know little or nothing more--but sorry."--Letter from Mildred L. Hill Newman to James R. McVicker, December 28, 1927.

The above statements comprise the extent of all the information I have about my great grandfather, Jeremiah Hill, father of James Hill and grandfather of Uncle James Rufus Hill and of my Mother, Margaret Emma Hill McVicker. April 15, 1935: See later note below.

Jeremiah _____ Hill, born (in Scotland) _____ 17 _____
 died at _____ Pa., _____ 18 _____
 buried in _____ cemetery _____ Pa.
 married (_____):
 Patricia _____ Kefover, born _____ 17 _____
 died _____ 18 _____
 buried in _____ cemetery _____ Pa.

children:
 1 James _____ Hill, b. May 22, 1815, d. Jan. 2, 1859
 married (Sept. 22, 1835 _____):
 Martha _____ Kefover, b. July 20, 1816, d. Nov. 17, 1867
 (James Hill and Martha Hill are buried in Old Frame Churchyard,
 3 miles southeast of Masontown, Pa.)

Any other children of Jeremiah Hill and Patricia Kefover Hill? _____

The record of the family of James Hill and Martha Kefover Hill is contained in the Family BIBLE of Grandfather James Hill which came into the possession of my Mother, Margaret Emma Hill McVicker, and which is now in my custody.

" . . . Father said that Jeremiah Hill lived to be 103 years old and fought in the Revolutionary War . . ." --Mabel A. Trout, Apr. 12, 1935.

The Jeremiah Hill Family [A00547-2]

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I. THE JEREMIAH HILL FAMILY -- continued

Some questions and points for desired information:

1. Is there any known or ascertainable information as to the names or history of the brothers of my great grandfather, Jeremiah Hill?
2. Was Jeremiah Hill married but once and only to Patricia Kefover?
3. Did Jeremiah Hill and Patricia Kefover Hill have any other children than their son, James Hill?
4. Presumably, Jeremiah Hill lived in Fayette County, Pennsylvania. Did he live in or near Masontown, Pa.?
5. Is the family of James Hill and Martha Hill the only descendant of Jeremiah Hill? Or is this family the only known descendant of Jeremiah Hill?
6. Was Patricia Kefover who married Jeremiah Hill in any way related to Philip Kefover Sr.?
7. Presumably, Patricia Kefover was related to Philip Kefover Sr. and if so, how?
8. James Hill, son of Jeremiah Hill and Patricia Kefover Hill, married Martha Kefover, daughter of Philip Kefover Sr. Was Martha Kefover related to Patricia Kefover before Martha Kefover's marriage to James Hill, and how?
9. Was there any war service in either the Revolutionary War or the War of 1812 by Jeremiah Hill or by any others of his family that may be known?

The Jeremiah Hill Family [A00547-3]

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Jeremiah _____ Hill, born (in Scotland) _____ 17
 died at _____ Pa., _____ 18
 buried at _____ cemetery _____, Pa.

married:

Patricia Kefover (her middle name if any _____)
 born _____ 17
 died _____ 18
 buried at _____ cemetery _____ Pa.

Their children:

1 James _____ Hill, born May 22, 1815, died January 2, 1859, who married Martha _____ Kefover, born July 20, 1816, died November 19, 1867. They are buried at Old Frame Churchyard, 3 miles southeast of Masontown.

Any other 2 _____
 known 3 _____
 children 4 _____
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 Jeremiah Hill

I have the record of the family of James and Martha Kefover Hill. The record of the family of James and Martha Kefover Hill is contained in the Bible of James Hill which came into the possession of my Mother, Margaret Emma Hill McVicker, and which is now in my custody.

I suppose that there is no known or ascertainable information as to the names or history of the brothers of my great grandfather, Jeremiah Hill.

The Jeremiah Hill Family [A00547-4]

Revised -- see other pp. 1,2, for revision

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I. THE HILL FAMILY--continued

Some questions and points for desired explanation:

1. Was Patricia Kefover who married Jeremiah Hill in any way related to Philip Kefover Sr.? I presume that she was, and if so, how?

2. James Hill, son of Jeremiah Hill and Patricia Kefover Hill, married Martha Kefover, daughter of Philip and Delilah Kefover. What relationship, if any, was Martha Kefover to Patricia Kefover Hill before the said Martha Kefover married James Hill?

3. Tillie Malaby Hutchinson, in June 1923, learning ^{that} the name of my youngest daughter is Patricia, said that Martha Kefover Hill (Uncle James R. Hill's and my Mother's mother) was called "Aunt Patty," and this seemed strange to me since I had never heard of her being so called. I have since wondered all the more because of the note left in Uncle James R. Hill's handwriting saying: "Patricia Kefover was the maiden name of my father's mother." It has seemed doubly strange to me that my grandmother Martha Kefover Hill should have been called "Aunt Patty" and that my great grandmother Patricia Kefover Hill should have been my grandmother Martha Kefover Hill's mother-in-law and at the same time also possibly otherwise related to her.

4. Was there any war service in either the Revolutionary War or the War of 1812 by Jeremiah Hill or by any others of his family that may be known?

5. Presumably Jeremiah Hill lived in Fayette County. Did he live in or near Masontown? Is the family of James Hill his only known descendants?

6. Was Jeremiah Hill married but once and only to Patricia Kefover?

7. I am not sending special inquiries as to the families of the children of James and Martha Kefover Hill at this time: Ashbel F. Hill, Elizabeth Ann Hill Coffman, Martha Jane Hill, Mary Matilda Allebaugh Whitaker, James Rufus Hill, and my own Mother. I have a good deal of that record and I am in communication with relatives to whom I shall send inquiries. However, I may later wish to ask you some special questions, and of course I will appreciate any and all information that you may give me regarding them anyway.

I am particularly interested in the statement in your letter that Mr. Hugh Townsend, a Civil War veteran aged 90 years, remembers Jeremiah Hill, father of my grandfather James Hill. I am hoping that some greatly desired information may be remembered by him. All the information I have ever received about Jeremiah Hill is stated on the preceding page 1. I am also glad to note that you live near Mrs. Martha Jane Mickey, daughter of Philip Kefover Jr., Henry Kefover, son of Albert Kefover, and Mrs. Retta Springer Mundell. Miss Daisy Springer once visited us many years ago at Sigourney, Iowa. While in Masontown with Gilbert Coffman in June 1931 we called on Mrs. Mickey and we were also at the home of her son Pierce Mickey in the country near Masontown. Gilbert Coffman and I also called on Miss Daisy Springer and her brother Zed Springer Jr. at their home at that time.

The Jeremiah Hill Family [A00547-5]

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June 26, 1935. Hugh Townsend says that he remembers nothing about Jeremiah Hill.

June 25, 1935. Martha Keffer Wickey says she knows nothing of Patricia Keffer.

(Mildred L. Hill Newman) wrote in answer to question: -
Was Patricia Keffer who married Jeremiah Hill in any way related to Philip Keffer?
"I think so, probably brother and sister - not sure."

3. My mother's daughter is Patricia Hill, born in 1912, living in the city of...
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Family of Jacob Heefober [A00548]

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FAMILY OF JACOB HEFOBER (KEFAUVER, KEFOVER), Sr.

The Census of 1790 for Frederick County, Maryland, shows that Jacob Keefober and Mary (Iseminger) Keefober, his wife, then residing there, had 3 boys under 16 years of age and two girls. Both family tradition and records in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, indicate that Jacob Keefober and his wife Mary Keefober, raised a family of nine (9) children, 4 boys and 5 girls, as follows:

1 George Keferver, settled in Virginia, as tradition has given it;

2 Philip Keferver, b. May 12, 1789, d. Apr. 5, 1881, settled in Nicholson Township, Fayette County, Pa., married three times:

First Marriage—to Ophelia Elizabeth Luckey, by whom he has ten children, being the large Keferver family of Fayette County, Pa.;

Second Marriage—to Phoebe Harper, by whom he had no children;

Third Marriage—to Delilah Boice, by whom he had one daughter, Elizabeth Ann Keferver married George W. Burner

3 James Keferver, whom the writer has not identified

4 Another son, also unidentified

5 Elizabeth ("Betsy") Keferver, b. _____ d. _____
married THOMAS JACO, b. _____ d. _____

6 Jennie (Jan) Keferver, b. _____ d. _____, married Joseph Osburn,
(Osbourne, Osborn, a preacher of the gospel

7 Matilda ("Tilly") Keferver, b. _____ d. _____, married Isaac Humbert

8 Isabella Keferver ("Ibbie," called Eva Griffin by Daisy Ophelia Springer,
married John Griffith (Griffin), b. _____ d. _____

9 Hannah Keferver, b. _____ d. _____,
married (1st—Hertzog)?

(2nd—Zetas Linton, father of George W. Linton (1833-1891) a contemporary and relative of Ashbel Fairchild Hill (1842-1876) His mother, Hannah Keferver was a sister of Philip Keferver (1789-1861), of Nicholson Township, Fayette Co., Pa. The parents of George W. Linton lived in German Township, and later in or near Masontown, where George W. Linton became a saddler by trade and wrote for papers as a pastime.

The census records of 1810 for Springhill Twp. Fayette Co., Pa. show two Jacob Keefobers (Kefauvers). Jacob Keferver, Sr. is reported as having 3 boys in the 1-10 age group, 1 girl in the 10-16 age group and one girl in the 26-45 age group.

Jacob Keefober Jr. shows one male in the 1-10 age group, 2 males in the 16-26 age group, one female in the 1-10 age group, three females in 10-16 age group, no females older. It would appear therefore that his wife was deceased at the time the 1810 report was made.

Interview of George D. Hill [A00550]

A00550

George D. Hill

June 26, 1935. Interview with George D. Hill, 305 East Church Street, Masontown, Pa. He says he is a grandson of Jeremiah Hill. Jeremiah Hill, married 3 times and had children by all 3 wives. Jeremiah Hill is buried at Fairview Dunkard Church, 1st St. fr. Masontown.

1-m. _____

2-m. _____

3-m. Anna Helmick, _____

children

Rebecca Hill

Sally Ann Hill

John Hill (killed in grist mill, caught in cogs, gears, Gray Distillery, Masontown

m. Adaline Masters

children

1 John Hill

2 Samuel D. Hill

3 Jennie (Hill) Johnson

4 Nancy (Hill) Brooks

5 Mary E. (Hill) Ramsey

6 Sarah (Sadie) A. (Hill) Hasson

7 George D. Hill (about 68 yrs of age _____)

m. Latitia Gilmore

children

Nellie Hill

John M. Hill

Lennie Matilda Hill

Elmer Ray Hill

} --all (4) deceased

Jeremiah Hill died at about 105 years (84 years from 1935) (1740-1851)

Jeremiah Hill worked for George Washington, drove an ox team at Perryopolis, Fayette County (on other side of Uniontown) when Washington laid out town.

Alfred Hill was at Masontown some time ago looking up family. He was a son of William Hill who was a son of Jeremiah Hill.

Does not know whether Patricia Kefover was a 1st or 2d wife.

George D. Hill's sister, Mary ^E_B. (Hill) (Mrs. Wm.) Ramsey, Mapleton, Green County, Pa., about 84 years of age.

Mrs. Sarah (Sadie) A. (Hill) Hasson, about 79, stays with her dau. at Uniontown.

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June 30, 1936

Mrs. Ray Fulton,
100 Ben Lomond Street,
Uniontown, Pa.

Dear Mrs. Fulton:

Perhaps you will kindly remember me after a year. I was a guest at your and your father's home for dinner on June 27, 1935, and had a very enjoyable visit and conversation with your father, Mr. M. M. Hopwood, Attorney. Thereafter we called on Miss Ethel Boughner, State Registrar for Pennsylvania, D.A.R.

Upon suggestion of Miss Boughner and yourself, I wrote to Mr. H. B. Mathiot, Smithfield, Pa., requesting consent for release of information from his Mother's papers in the D.A.R. records. He did not reply.

My purpose is friendly to the policies of the D.A.R. and rather in co-operation and furtherance of their purposes and interest in getting historical conflicts in my ancestors' records harmonized, saving in convenience and in many ways for future applications for memberships.

Upon reflection I doubt if there was a report of the magnitude and extent which I had supposed from what Mr. H. B. Mathiot told me. Mr. Mathiot told me that his Mother went into the D.A.R. on 9 or 10 different lines, and if that be so evidently but a small part of her report and data would concern the descendants of Capt. Duncan McVicker (1739-1818).

I have three names given me as names of wife of Capt. Duncan McVicker:

- (1) NANCY McCO LLUM, vouched for by Morgantown West Virginia branch of McVicker descendants (many of whom joined D.A.R. giving her name as the wife), and the name of NANCY McCOLLUM has been handed down to these descendants from at least two grandsons and perhaps the son of Capt. Duncan McVicker, and they do not at all doubt it;
- (2) ANNIE LAURIE, inscribed on monument erected at Captain Duncan McVicker's grave in the Schellsburg Bedford County Pennsylvania cemetery by a great-great-granddaughter of the Captain who over thirty years ago wishing to erect the monument and to place the name of his wife thereon and not having such name not being able to secure or verify the name of such wife from the descendants of the Captain in her home community of Bedford County where he died and is buried went to New Jersey whence he came shortly after the Revolution with 7 sons to Bedford County and to make her researches in New Jersey to obtain the name of Cpat. Duncan McVicker's wife, which name she had inscribed on the monument as having been ANNIE LAURIE;
- (3) JEAN McCONNELL, shown by the New Jersey will of her father dated in 1777 to have been the wife of a Duncan McVicker at that time, but whether this Duncan McVicker is the same Duncan McVicker as the Captain Duncan McVicker (1739-1818) (my great grandfather), I do not at present know as I have no sufficient identification. But this will of Thomas McConnell refers to: "my daughter Jean McConnell, the wife of Duncan McVicker," and it was made in adjoining County in N.J.

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The three names above given may all have been the wives of Capt. Duncan McVicker at different times, but I have been unable to obtain any information about any of them except their respective names, hence I am not sure of the record, doubt the identification, and greatly desire to know what if any sources of information may have been given in Mrs. Carrie Stewart Mathiot Metcalf's papers for entrance to membership or in that special report referred to by Mr. H. B. Mathiot as having been made by her and filed with the Society. I presume that she in common with others of the Monongalia County descendants of Capt. Duncan McVicker says that the name of the wife was NANCY McCollum, but does she identify who Nancy McCollum was among the McCollums? If she does not, then I have all that she has upon the subject, most likely. But if she tells who Nancy McCollum's father or parents were in New Jersey, how related to the McCollum family and what McCollum family, etc., that is what I most desire to know.

The reason I have attached such significance to her records in my quest is because that I was referred separately to her papers by D.A.R. ladies who knew the problem I am investigating about the wife of the Captain McVicker who was my great grandfather, both by the National Office of the D.A.R. and the former State Regent of D.A.R. of Pennsylvania. Then when Mr. H. B. Mathiot told of her extensive researches, I supposed that she may have traversed the same ground and much additional ground as I have about the records desired. However, she may merely have ascribed NANCY McCOLLUM as the wife with nothing further said in her papers.

I enclose copies of my notes taken last June when I was a guest at your home and your father's on this quest.

I will enclose on a separate sheet a memorandum about my great grandfather on my Mother's side of our family, Jeremiah Hill, who also served in the Revolution.

I request that my best personal regards be conveyed to Mr. Hopwood, your father, and to Mr. and Mrs. Harold E. Hopwood.

I am,

Sincerely yours,

Compiled by James B. McVicker

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