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Charles Herbert "Hub" Latta

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11 Feb. 1890 – 9 July 1951

Charles Herbert Latta (great uncle of the author) was the sixth and last child surviving infancy of William Albert and Lavina (Trueblood) Latta. He generally went by his middle name, but was most often called by his nickname, "Hub", by those who knew him. The family lived on a small farm in Vigo County, Indiana.

Herbert's WW I Draft Registration card (below), showing him to be 27 years old, single and with no physical disabilities, made him a prime candidate for the draft, and, indeed, he was inducted into the U.S. Army serving in the 325th Field Artillery. Ferman, a brother 2 years older than Herbert, also served in that war, seeing time in France.

In December 1921, not long after returning from his service, Herbert's brother-in-law, Clarence Modesitt, husband of sister Tressie (Latta) Modesitt, died shortly after a work related injury leaving Tressie with four small children and another (mother of the author) to be born in 3 weeks. Tressie did have a house but no savings and few marketable skills. After some time seeing Tressie, resolute but struggling to keep her family together, Herbert, who never married, moved in to help the family. However, he didn't reside in the house. Instead, he slept in a small, unheated outbuilding. It's not clear how many years Herbert lived there helping Tressie's family, but his WW II Draft Registration card (below) recorded in April 1942 showed him then a

1	Name in full Charles Herbert Latta	Age in years 27
2	Place of birth Indiana	
3	Date of birth February 11 1890	
4	Are you (1) a natural born citizen, (2) a naturalized citizen, (3) an alien, (4) or have you declared your intention to become a citizen? Naturalized citizen.	
5	Where born Lucyville Indiana U.S.A.	
6	If not a citizen, of what country are you a citizen or subject?	
7	What is your present trade, occupation, or profession? Farmer.	
8	By whom employed? Lost Creek Township.	
9	Where you (1) a son, mother, wife, child under 18, or a sister or brother under 18, and if so, what is your relationship to the person? Mother & Father	
10	Married or single (check) Single If married, give name of wife and date of marriage	
11	What military service have you had? Rank No	
12	Do you have any physical disabilities? I do not	

I declare that I have marked above answers and that they are true.
Herbert Latta

13-3-81-A	
REGISTRAR'S REPORT	
1. Tell me, or about your child, (1) Tall Tall (2) Stocky, medium, or small (check) Medium	
2. Color of eyes Light brown Color of hair Dark Build 760	
3. Has person had any leg, foot, or back pain, or is he otherwise disabled (specify)? None	
I certify that my answers are true, that the person registered has read his own answers, that I have witnessed his signature, and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:	
George Briggs	
President B.	
City or County Vigo Co. Lost Creek Twp	Date June 5 1917
State Indiana	(Date of registration)

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Editorial

Ken Erdle continues our series of biographies of Latta family members with his story on his great uncle, Charles Herbert Latta. We would like to see your story about your parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles. By sending your story here you keep their memory alive for years to come. We will print your story, and send our Newsletter to major libraries for future generations to read.

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Articles will be edited for grammar, spelling, and clarity. Requests to publish an article will be individually evaluated by the editor.

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Revised List of Branch Captains

Another goal of our Latta Family is to find a branch captain for every branch of the Latta Family. Unfortunately, we do not have a Captain for every Branch. We could use some more volunteers. If interested, please contact Sue Lattea Cox, Branch 17, Coordinator of Branch Captains.

Our website contains the following as duties of a branch captain:

- ✳️ Collect, organize & share information for their representative branch.
- ✳️ Start a GEDCOM file with the data collected for the branch.
- ✳️ Enter into the GEDCOM all information with documentation received from other members of the branch.
- ✳️ Coordinate research to provide documentation for all data contained in GEDCOM.
 - ✳️ Share GEDCOM information with other members of the branch. Ensure that the GEDCOM file does not
 - ✳️ contain any information about living persons to protect their privacy.
- ✳️ Information about living persons may be shared ONLY with the written permission of the living individual.

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Latta Genealogy Society Treasurer's Report

July 2, 2021

AUDITOR: Stan Latta, 115 Cimmaron Ct., Cary NC 27511 stanlatta@usa.com.

TREASURER: Randy Phillips, 41 S. Morrell Ave., Geneva NY 14456 (315) 759-9121
parting_glass65@yahoo.com.

Report Period: April 20, 2021 through July 2, 2021

Beginning balance: \$9,118.44

Income:

General Fund donations:	\$455.00
Research Fund Donations:	\$100.00
DNA Fund donations:	\$50.00
Pay Pal Donations:	\$37.94

Total Income: \$642.94

Expenses:

Hostway website fees	\$44.85
Newsletter 72 Expense (Ken Mueller)	\$517.15

Total Expenses: \$562.00

Ending balance as of July 2, 2021: \$9,199.38

Included in ending balance:

Funds allocated for research: \$1,480.50

Funds allocated for DNA: \$4,088.70

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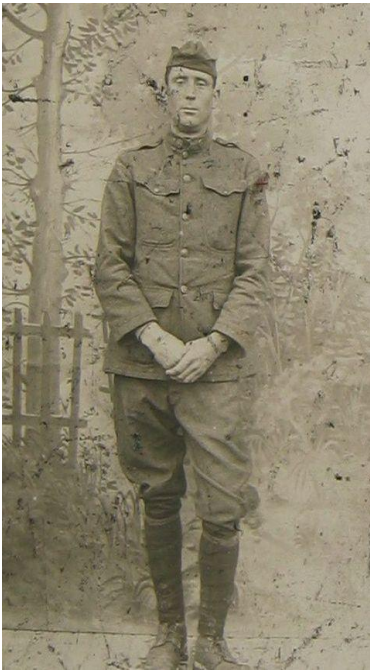
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member of the Civilian Conservation Corps at a camp in Nashville, Indiana about 50 miles away. His unit helped build what would later become two Indiana State Parks. Being 52 years old, Herbert was not called for duty in WW II. Sometime in 1947, with failing health issues and no family of his own, Herbert went to live at the Indiana Soldiers and Sailors Home in West Lafayette, Indiana. He continued to reside there until his death, and is buried in a peaceful grove in the Indiana Soldiers Home Cemetery at that facility. He is remembered on the Find A Grave website as Memorial ID 50197325.



REGISTRATION CARD—(Men born on or after April 28, 1877 and on or before February 16, 1897)

SERIAL NUMBER U 584	1. NAME (Print) CHARLES HERBERT LATTA (First) (Middle) (Last)	ORDER NUMBER
2. PLACE OF RESIDENCE (Print) C.C.C. CO. 1557-V NASHVILLE BROWN IND. (Number and street) (Town, township, village, or city) (County) (State)		
[THE PLACE OF RESIDENCE GIVEN ON THE LINE ABOVE WILL DETERMINE LOCAL BOARD JURISDICTION; LINE 2 OF REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE WILL BE IDENTICAL]		
3. MAILING ADDRESS C.C.C. CO. 1557-V NASHVILLE BROWN, IND. (SAME) (Mailing address if other than place indicated on line 2. If same insert word same)		
4. TELEPHONE None	5. AGE IN YEARS 52 DATE OF BIRTH FEB. 11 1890 (Month) (Day) (Year)	6. PLACE OF BIRTH Vigo (County) INDIANA (State or county)
7. NAME AND ADDRESS OF PERSON WHO WILL ALWAYS KNOW YOUR ADDRESS TRESSIE MOTESITT Seelyville, INDIANA		
8. EMPLOYER'S NAME AND ADDRESS CIVILIAN CONSERVATION CORPS		
9. PLACE OF EMPLOYMENT OR BUSINESS CO. 1557-V NASHVILLE BROWN IND. (Number and street or R. F. D. number) (Town) (County) (State)		
I AFFIRM THAT I HAVE VERIFIED ABOVE ANSWERS AND THAT THEY ARE TRUE D. S. S. Form 1 (Revised 4-1-42) (over) 16-21630-2 Charles H. Latta (Registrant's signature)		

REGISTRAR'S REPORT

DESCRIPTION OF REGISTRANT			
RACE	HEIGHT (Approx.)	WEIGHT (Approx.)	COMPLEXION
White	69"	180	Sallow
Negro			Light
Oriental			Ruddy
Indian			Dark
Philippine			Freckled
			Light brown
			Dark brown
			Black

Other obvious physical characteristics that will aid in identification: None

I certify that my answers are true; that the person registered has read or has had read to him his own answers; that I have witnessed his signature or mark and that all of his answers of which I have knowledge are true, except as follows:

Registrar for Local Board: James F. Wessinger, M.D.
(Signature of registrar)
1 BROWN IND.
(Number) (City or county) (State)

Date of registration: APRIL 27, 1942

Local Board No. 1	51
Brown County	013
MAY 6 1942	001

Nashville Lodge #1001
Nashville, Indiana
(The stamp of the Local Board having jurisdiction of the registrant shall be placed in the above space)

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The inscription on his tombstone reads: Herbert Latta, Indiana, Pvt 325 Field Arty 84 Division World War I, February 11, 1890 July 9, 1951

Note: previous articles of the earlier ancestors of Branch 51 appeared in Newsletter 18, Fall 2002, and Newsletter 49, Spring 2013.

Openings for Assistant Editor, Webmaster, Historian and Treasurer

For our Latta Genealogy Society to continue, we will need willing volunteers to step forward and become an assistant. The assistant would learn from the current officer what to do, and be ready to eventually take over that position. Like our Latta ancestors, we will all pass on. Please contact me at DocHuer@aol.com or one of the officers.

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Descendants of William Latta

By: Kenneth Mueller, Branch 1 Captain, DocHuer@aol.com

Note: This is an update and correction on a previous article published in Newsletter 49, Spring 2013.

Generation 1

1. WILLIAM¹ LATTA . He died in April 1808 in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. He married ELIZABETH TAYLOR. Notes for William Latta: See this volume at the Rare Book Room at the Library of Congress, Washington, DC. Call no. CS71L36: 1940 Latta, Robert H. The Latta Collection. 14 Volumes. William Latta is from Branch One of the Latta Family, Volume One, beginning on page one.

William Latta and Elizabeth Taylor had the following children:

i. JOHN² LATTA was born on 15 Sept. 1756 in Pennsylvania, U.S.A. He died on 04 Oct. 1842 in Greenville, Mercer County, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. He married MARGARET POTTER.

ii. WILLIAM LATTA.

iii. CATHERINE LATTA. She married HUEY.

iv. MARGARET LATTA. She married GIBBLES.

v. ANDREW LATTA was born on 29 April 1769. He married Jennette Robertson on 06 Oct. 1795.

vi. JAMES LATTA.

2. vii. ROBERT LATTA was born on 29 Sept. 1773 in Mt. Pleasant, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. He died on 28 April 1851 in Haw Patch, La Grange County, Indiana, U.S.A. He married Isabella Johnston on 22 Dec. 1795. She was born on 25 Dec. 1768. She died on 02 Feb. 1853 in Eden Township, La Grange County, Indiana, U.S.A.

viii. MAYOR LATTA. She married COTTER.

ix. SAMUEL LATTA was born on 11 June 1775 in Fayette County, Pennsylvania, U.S.A.. He died on 24 July 1851. He married RACHEL NEWELL.

x. EPHRAIM LATTA. He died in 1838 in Honey Creek, Richland County, Ohio, U.S.A. He married CHRISTIANA MCFADDEN WIDOW. She was born on 03 Dec 1776 in Maryland, U.S.A. She died on 03 April 1856 in Seneca County, Ohio, U.S.A.

xi. MOSES LATTA was born on 14 Sept. 1782 in Lancaster County, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. He died on 18 Nov. 1854 in Muscatine County, Iowa, U.S.A. He married MARGARET QUARY. She was born on 13 Aug. 1786 in Pennsylvania, U.S.A. She died on 12 Dec. 1868 in Dearborn County, Indiana, U.S.A.

xii. JANE LATTA. She died in 1830. She married (1) MCCONNELL. She married (2)MICHAEL GROSSER. She married (3)WILLIAM COCHRAN.

Generation 2

2. ROBERT² LATTA (William¹) was born on 29 Sept. 1773 in Mt. Pleasant, Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. He died on 28 April 1851 in Haw Patch, La Grange County, Indiana, U.S.A. He married Isabella Johnston, the widow of James Waddell, on 22 Dec 1795. She was born on 25 Dec. 1768. She died on 02 Feb. 1853 in Eden Township, La Grange County, Indiana, U.S.A.

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Notes for Robert Latta: See U. S. Census taken 8 August 1850, Town of Eden, T36NR8E, LaGrange County, Indiana, M432, Roll 157, Page 6, Family 61.

Robert Latta and Isabella Johnston had the following children:

3. i. JAMES³ LATTA was born on 13 Nov. 1796 in Bellefontaine, Logan County, Ohio, U.S.A. He died on 14 Feb. 1855 in Perry Township, Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A. He married (1) ELIZABETH SEEGAR on 17 April 1821 in Champaign County, Ohio, U.S.A. She was born on 23 Aug. 1800 in New Jersey, U.S.A. She died on 27 March 1839 in Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A. He married (2) FRANCES S. GOODE on 12 June 1839. He married (3) ELIZA JANE REEDER on 18 Jan. 1842 in Elkhart County, Indiana, U.S.A. She was born in 1810 in Ohio, U.S.A. She died in Ligonier, Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A.
- ii. JANE LATTA was born on 14 Sept. 1799 in, Ohio, U.S.A. She died on 06 May 1868. She married Robert Samuel Curl on 29 June 1819 in Champaign County, Ohio, U.S.A.
- iii. WILLIAM LATTA was born on 05 Nov. 1801 in Ohio, U.S.A. He died on 05 Nov. 1847 in Goshen, Elkhart County, Indiana, U.S.A. He married Matilda Prudence Layton on 16 Nov. 1826.
- iv. MARGARET LATTA was born on 26 Nov. 1802 in Ohio, U.S.A. She died on 27 Feb. 1850. She married Benj. Chandler on 15 Jan. 1818.
- v. SAMUEL ALEXANDER LATTA was born on 08 April 1804 in Bellefontaine, Logan County, Ohio, U.S.A. He died on 28 June 1852 in Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio, U.S.A. He married (1) MARY ANN GUTHRIE on 08 April 1828. He married (2) CAROLINE BLACKMAN on 15 March 1831.
- vi. MARY A. POLLY LATTA was born on 21 March 1805 in Bellefontaine, Logan County, Ohio, U.S.A. She died on 29 Nov. 1869 in Hancock County, Illinois, U.S.A. She married William Darnell on 15 April 1826. Notes for Mary A. Polly Latta: See The Latta Genealogy Newsletter, Issue 2, Autumn 1996, pages 3& 12. Source given in Newsletter as 977.14H2A, 1872, History of Champaign & Logan Counties of Ohio.
- vii. JOHNSTON LATTA was born on 12 Jan. 1807 in Bellefontaine, Logan, Ohio, U.S.A. He died on 05 Jan. 1873 in Haw Patch, Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A. He married Martha L. Copeland on 26 Sept. 1842 in Elkhart County, Indiana, U.S.A.
- viii. SARAH LATTA was born on 03 June 1809 in Ohio, U.S.A. She married Benoni Barnes on 15 April 1824.
- ix. ACHSA LATTA was born on 24 Feb. 1811 in Ohio, U.S.A. She died on 07 Oct. 1864 in Sterling, Whiteside County, Illinois, U.S.A. She married WILLIAM COTTER. Notes for Achsa Latta: See The Latta Genealogy Newsletter, Issue 5, Autumn 1997, page 7.

Generation 3

3. JAMES³ LATTA (Robert², William¹) was born on 13 Nov. 1796 in Bellefontaine, Logan County, Ohio, U.S.A. He died on 14 Feb. 1855 in Perry Township, Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A. He married (1) ELIZABETH SEEGAR on 17 April 1821 in Champaign County, Ohio, U.S.A. She was born on 23 Aug. 1800 in New Jersey, U.S.A. She died on 27 March 1839 in Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A. He married (2) FRANCES S. GOODE on 12 June 1839. He married (3) ELIZA JANE REEDER on 18 Jan. 1842 in Elkhart County, Indiana, U.S.A. She was born in 1810 in Ohio, U.S.A. She died in Ligonier, Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A.

Notes for James Latta: See U.S. Census taken 17 August 1850, Perry Township, Noble County, Indiana, M432, Roll 162, Page 189, Family 52.

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James Latta and Elizabeth Seegar had the following children:

i. MILTON MILLER⁴ LATTA was born on 09 July 1822 in Champaign County, Ohio, U.S.A. He died on 30 Nov. 1899. He married (1) JULIA ANN MCDEVITT in 1845. He married (2) JULIA R. REDFIELD in 1871.

ii. WILLIAM JONATHAN LATTA was born on 02 Feb. 1824 in Champaign County, Ohio, U.S.A. He died on 05 Nov. 1856. He married Catherine Wineland on 04 Feb. 1851.

4. iii. ROBERT SEEGAR LATTA was born on 12 Nov. 1826 in McLean County, Illinois, U.S.A. He died on 13 Feb. 1900 in Oasis, Cherry County, Nebraska, U.S.A. He married Mary Tumbleson, daughter of James Tumbleson and Margaret Collet, on 21 Dec. 1848 in Eden Township, La Grange County, Indiana, U.S.A. She was born on 13 Jan. 1828 in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, U.S.A. She died on 11 March 1907 in Cherry County, Nebraska, U.S.A.

iv. SAMUEL LEMON LATTA was born on 16 Jan. 1830 in Bloomington, McLean County, Illinois, U.S.A. He died on 30 Jan. 1905 in Warsaw, Kosciusko County, Indiana, U.S.A. He married Frances E. Pearce on 19 Feb. 1858 in Winona, Winona County, Minnesota, U.S.A. She was born in June 1838 in Baltimore, Baltimore County, Maryland, U.S.A. She died on 30 Jan. 1905 in Warsaw, Kosciusko County, Indiana, U.S.A. Samuel Lemon Latta and Frances E. Pearce had the following children:

i. WINONA LATTA was born about 1859 in Winona, Winona County, Minnesota, U.S.A.

ii. ERNEST W. LATTA was born in June 1865 in Indiana, U.S.A.

iii. JOSEPH L. LATTA was born in June 1876 in Indiana, U.S.A.

v. JAMES JOHNSTON LATTA was born on 23 June 1832 in McLean County, Illinois, U.S.A. He died on 15 April 1894.

vi. JABEZ ELBERT LATTA was born on 06 July 1836 in Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A. He died on 17 Aug. 1874.

vii. EDEN REEDER LATTA was born on 24 March 1839 in Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A. He died on 21 Dec. 1915 in Guttenburg, Clayton County, Iowa, U.S.A. He married Mary Elizabeth Wright on 29 Sept. 1863 in Delhi, Delaware County, Iowa, U.S.A.

Generation 4

4. ROBERT SEEGAR⁴ LATTA (James³, Robert², William¹) was born on 12 Nov. 1826 in McLean County, Illinois, U.S.A. He died on 13 Feb. 1900 in Oasis, Cherry County, Nebraska, U.S.A. He married Mary Tumbleson, daughter of James Tumbleson and Margaret Collet, on 21 Dec. 1848 in Eden Township, La Grange County, Indiana, U.S.A. She was born on 13 Jan. 1828 in Tuscarawas County, Ohio, U.S.A. She died on 11 March 1907 in Cherry County, Nebraska, U.S.A. Notes for Robert Seegar Latta: See U.S. Census taken 9 June 1860, Perry Twp., Noble County, Indiana, M653, Roll 285, Page 52, Family 377. See U.S. Census taken 1 July 1870, Perry Twp., Noble County, Indiana, M593, Roll 347, Page 241, Family 132. See Nebraska State Census taken 19 June 1885, Little York Pct., Loup County, Nebraska, Enumeration District 513 or 22, Sheet 23, Family 5, Dwelling 5.

Robert Seegar Latta and Mary Tumbleson had the following children:

i. WILLIAM CARROLL⁵ LATTA was born on 09 March 1850 in La Porte County, Indiana, U.S.A. He died on 22 Dec. 1935 in West Lafayette, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, U.S.A. He married Alta E. Wood,

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daughter of Amos F. Wood on 10 July 1879 in Mason, Ingham County, Michigan, U.S.A. She was born on 16 March 1854 in New York, U.S.A. She died in 1940 in West Lafayette, Tiptecanoe County, Indiana, U.S.A.

William Carroll Latta and Alta E. Wood had the following children:

i. BERTHA LATTA was born in 1884 in West Lafayette, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, U.S.A. She died in 1960.

ii. ROBERT W. LATTA was born in 1886 in West Lafayette, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, U.S.A. He died in 1970.

iii. PAULINE LATTA was born in 1890 in West Lafayette, Tippecanoe County, Indiana, U.S.A. She died in 1955. She married Henry J. Reemtsma in 1921 in El Paso, El Paso County, Texas, U.S.A.

5. ii. SARAH JOSEPHINE LATTA was born on 26 April 1852 in Jay County, Indiana, U.S.A. She died on 06 Feb. 1939 in Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona, U.S.A. She married (1) HIRAM TURNER DAVIS, son of Hiram Davis and Frances Wilkerson, on 15 Feb. 1874 in Albion, Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A. He was born on 02 Aug. 1850 in Benton Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, U.S.A. He died on 27 Dec. 1907 in North Webster, Kosciusko County, Indiana, U.S.A. She married (2) SAUL MARSTERS, son of Stephen Marsters and Malinda Baldwin Martin, on 27 May 1886 in Council Bluffs, Pottawattamie County, Iowa, U.S.A. He was born in Oct. 1831 in Harrison County, Indiana, U.S.A. He died on 22 Aug. 1903 in Clayton Township, Payne County, Oklahoma, U.S.A. She married (3) JOHN LABON EVINGER, son of John Evinger Junior and Elisa Jane Yager, on 09 Jan. 1907 in Leavenworth County, Kansas. He was born on 17 July 1840 in Jefferson County, Kentucky, U.S.A. He died on 09 May 1917 in Cove Township, Hatfield, Polk County, Arkansas, U.S.A.

iii. MILTON NIMMON LATTA was born on 18 July 1853 in Perry Township, Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A. He died on 16 May 1929 in Valentine, Cherry County, Nebraska, U.S.A. He married (1) MARY MCTHENA on 03 Dec. 1875 in Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A. She was born about 1854. He married (2) WILLETTE MARSTERS, daughter of Saul Marsters and Nancy Ann Clark, on 04 Oct. 1885 in Taylor, Loup County, Nebraska, U.S.A. She was born about 1871.

Milton Nimmon Latta and Mary McThena had the following child as known:

i. NONA LATTA.

Milton Nimmon Latta and Willette Marsters had the following children as known:

i. NILES LATTA was born on 16 April 1887 in Nebraska, U.S.A.

ii. VERA LATTA was born on 21 March 1890 in Nebraska, U.S.A.

iii. GUY LATTA was born on 10 Oct. 1892 in Nebraska, U.S.A.. He died on 01 Jan. 1921 in Martin, Bennett County, South Dakota, U.S.A.

iv. MARY WANDA LATTA was born on 17 March 1903 in Nebraska, U.S.A. She died on 18 March 1905 in Nebraska, U.S.A.

v. AUNO LATTA was born on 18 Jul 1905 in Nebraska, U.S.A.

iv. MARY CAROLINE LATTA was born on 15 Oct. 1856 in Olmstead County, Minnesota, U.S.A. She died on 01 Sept. 1949 in Orange County, California, U.S.A. She married Frank R. Lagourgue on 28 Nov. 1882 in Gage County, Nebraska, U.S.A.

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vi. MARGARET ELIZABETH LATTA was born on 23 Sept. 1858 in Olmstead County, Minnesota, U.S.A. She died on 23 Sept. 1858 in Olmstead County, Minnesota, U.S.A. Notes for Margaret Elizabeth Latta: Margaret and James were twins.

v. JAMES THEODORE LATTA was born on 23 Sept. 1858 in Olmstead County, Minnesota, U.S.A. He married Abigail Simpson on 21 April 1880. Notes for James Theodore Latta: James and Margaret were twins.

vii. GEORGE LINCOLN LATTA was born on 30 April 1862 in Perry Township, Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A. He died on 02 April 1893 in Kennedy, Cherry County, Nebraska, U.S.A.

viii. CHARLES LEWIS LATTA was born on 06 Nov. 1864 in Ligonier, Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A. He married Daisy Stillwell on 01 March 1896.

Generation 5

5. SARAH JOSEPHINE⁵ LATTA (Robert Seegar⁴, James³, Robert², William¹) was born on 26 April 1852 in Jay County, Indiana, U.S.A. She died on 06 Feb. 1939 in Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona, U.S.A. She married (1) HIRAM TURNER DAVIS, son of Hiram Davis and Frances Wilkerson, on 15 Feb. 1874 in Albion, Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A. He was born on 02 Aug. 1850 in Benton Township, Elkhart County, Indiana, U.S.A. He died on 27 Dec. 1907 in North Webster, Kosciusko County, Indiana, U.S.A. She married (2) SAUL MARSTERS, son of Stephen Marsters and Malinda Baldwin Martin, on 27 May 1886 in Council Bluffs, Pottawattamie, Iowa, U.S.A. He was born in Oct. 1831 in Harrison County, Indiana, U.S.A. He died on 22 Aug. 1903 in Clayton Township, Payne County, Oklahoma, U.S.A. She married (3) JOHN LABON EVINGER, son of John Evinger Junior and Elisa Jane Yager, on 09 Jan. 1907 in Leavenworth County, Kansas. He was born on 17 July 1840 in Jefferson County, Kentucky, U.S.A. He died on 09 May 1917 in Cove Township, Hatfield, Polk County, Arkansas, U.S.A.

Notes for Sarah Josephine Latta: See Nebraska State Census taken 19 June 1885, Little York Pct., Loup County, Nebraska, Enumeration District 513 or 22, Sheet 23, Family 5, Dwelling 5.

Notes for Hiram Turner Davis: See U.S. Census taken 7 June 1880, Perry Township, Noble County, Indiana, T9, Roll 301, Enumeration District 68, Page 383, Family 98. Divorce Papers for HIRAM TURNER DAVIS and SARAH LATTA were filed 31 Dec. 1885, District Court, Taylor, Loup County, Nebraska. Petition Granted 12 May 1886.

Hiram Turner Davis and Sarah Josephine Latta had the following children:

i. MINNIE ELLEN⁶ DAVIS was born on 19 Oct. 1875 in Ligonier, Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A.. She died on 28 June 1953 in Soap Lake, Grant County, Washington, U.S.A. She married EUGENE D. THURSTON. He was born in Sept. 1859 in Wisconsin, U.S.A.

ii. HIRAM DAVIS was born in 1877 in Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A.

iii. CHARLES E. DAVIS was born in 1881 in Indiana, U.S.A.

iv. SCHUYLER ANSON DAVIS was born on 12 Nov. 1884 in Odell, Gage County, Nebraska, U.S.A. He died on 16 July 1955 at the Storm Ranch, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. He married (1) EVA ELIZABETH SEIDEL, daughter of Gottlieb Daniel Seidel and Manuela Barba on 11 Nov. 1907 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. She was born on 21 Nov. 1890 in Tucson, Pima County, Arizona, U.S.A. She died on 03 March 1955 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. He married (2) HELEN LUCRETIA

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KUHNS on 07 June 1930 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. He married (3) VERNA MINGS on 10 Sept. 1936 in Orange County, California, U.S.A. He married (4) SUSAN ELIZABETH MURPHY on 25 July 1947 in Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada, U.S.A. She was born on 16 Oct. 1898 in Platte County, Nebraska, U.S.A. She died on 20 Oct. 1997 in Needles, San Bernardino County, California, U.S.A.

Notes for Saul Marsters: SAUL MARSTERS mustered in 22 Sept. 1864 in 22nd Indiana Volunteer Infantry, Company A, and mustered out 8 May 1865. He received pension no. 568798. SARAH, his widow, received pension no. 578202.

Saul Marsters and Sarah Josephine Latta had the following children:

- i. HAZEL⁶ MARSTERS was born on 29 March 1886 in Taylor, Loup County, Nebraska, U.S.A.
- ii. ETHEL MAY MARSTERS was born on 04 March 1889 in Taylor, Loup County, Nebraska, U.S.A. She died in Jan. 1976 in Mesa, Maricopa County, Arizona, U.S.A. She married (1) IVAN C. LANSING on 03 July 1911 in Pottawattamie County, Iowa, U.S.A. She married (2) FELIX CLARENCE CASTRO, son of Domitilo Castro and Lucy Audrey Cage on 03 June 1925 in Yuma, Yuma County, Arizona, U.S.A. He was born on 28 April 1896 in Bakersfield, Kern County, California, U.S.A. He died on 21 June 1984 in Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona, U.S.A.

Ivan C. Lansing and Ethel May Marsters had the following child as known:

- i. IVAN C.⁷ LANSING JR. was born on 29 July 1915 in Lincoln, Antelope County, Nebraska, U.S.A. He died on 29 June 1973.
- iii. SAUL MARSTERS was born on 18 Jan. 1891 in Taylor, Loup County, Nebraska, U.S.A. He died on 24 Nov. 1897.
- iv. JOSEPHINE MARSTERS was born on 29 Nov. 1894 in Taylor, Loup County, Nebraska, U.S.A. She died on 22 May 1958 in Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona, U.S.A. She married Sydney Marshall Paige on 30 May 1915 in Wilcox, Cochise County, Arizona, U.S.A. He was born on 18 Aug. 1878 in Lilac, Texas, U.S.A. He died on 18 Dec. 1950 in Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona, U.S.A.

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MINNIE ELLEN⁶ DAVIS (Sarah Josephine⁵ Latta, Robert Seegar⁴ Latta, James³ Latta, Robert² Latta, William¹ Latta) was born on 19 Oct. 1875 in Ligonier, Noble County, Indiana, U.S.A. She died on 28 June 1953 in Soap Lake, Grant County, Washington, U.S.A. She married EUGENE D. THURSTON. He was born in Sept. 1859 in Wisconsin, U.S.A. He died in 1941. Notes for Minnie Ellen Davis: See U.S. Census for Taylor Precinct, Loup County, Nebraska, 20 and 21 June 1900, Supervisor District 6, enumeration district 157, sheet 8, dwelling 133, family 135, T623, Roll 934.

Eugene D. Thurston and Minnie Ellen Davis had the following children:

- i. CLARENCE A.⁷ THURSTON was born on 28 Oct 1893 in Nebraska, U.S.A. He died on 27 Oct. 1981. He married CECILIA C. MCKEAN. She was born 24 Sept. 1897, and died 20 July 1980.
- ii. NORA F. THURSTON was born on 19 April 1898 in Nebraska, U.S.A. She died on 17 Dec. 1970 in Hamilton, Ravalli County, Montana, U.S.A. She married PATTERSON.

10. SCHUYLER ANSON⁶ DAVIS (Sarah Josephine⁵ Latta, Robert Seegar⁴ Latta, James³ Latta, Robert² Latta, William¹ Latta) was born on 12 Nov. 1884 in Odell, Gage County, Nebraska, U.S.A. He died on

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16 July 1955 at the Storm Ranch, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. He married (1) EVA ELIZABETH SEIDEL, daughter of Gottlieb Daniel Seidel and Manuela Barba on 11 Nov. 1907 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. She was born on 21 Nov. 1890 in Tucson, Pima County, Arizona, U.S.A. She died on 03 March 1955 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. He married (2) HELEN LUCRETIA KUHN on 07 June 1930 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. He married (3) VERA MINGS on 10 Sept. 1936 in Orange County, California, U.S.A. He married (4) SUSAN ELIZABETH MURPHY on 25 July 1947 in Las Vegas, Clark County, Nevada, U.S.A. She was born on 16 Oct. 1898 in Platte County, Nebraska, U.S.A. She died on 20 Oct. 1997 in Needles, San Bernardino County, California, U.S.A. Notes for Schuyler Anson Davis: See U.S. Census taken 21 Jan. 1920, Long Beach City, 22 Santa Clara Ave., Los Angeles County, California, Precinct 1, T625, Roll 104, Enumeration District 72, Sheet 18B, Family 363, Dwelling 509. For Divorce of SCHUYLER DAVIS and EVA ELIZABETH SEIDEL see Case Number 8518, entered 23 Sept. 1922 in Superior Court, Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A.

Notes for Eva Elizabeth Seidel: See U. S. Census taken 15 April 1910, Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, T624, Roll 42, Enumeration District 127, Dwelling 8, Family 8.

Schuyler Anson Davis and Eva Elizabeth Seidel had the following children:

12. i. EVA JOSEPHINE⁷ DAVIS was born on 02 Oct. 1908 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. She died on 02 Dec. 1982 in Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona, U.S.A. She married (1) LOUIS BOYD HART. He was born about 1907 in Columbus, Franklin County, Ohio, U.S.A. He died on 24 Oct. 1944.

Louis Boyd Hart was a civilian held as a Prisoner of War by the Japanese in the Philippines. He died in the sinking of the *Arisan Maru* by an American submarine in the Bashi Channel of the South China Sea. Most of the POWs survived the attack, but the Japanese refused to rescue them from the ocean. Of the 1,803 POWs on the ship, only nine men survived.

Louis Boyd Hart and Eva Josephine Davis had the following child:

i. STANLEY LOUIS⁸ HART was born on 18 Oct. 1931 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. He died on 04 Aug. 2001 in Anchorage, Anchorage County, Alaska, U.S.A.

Eva married (2) FRANK STOUTON WAITMAN on 19 Dec. 1936 in Phoenix, Maricopa County, Arizona, U.S.A. He was born on 25 Nov. 1911 in Owensboro, Daviess County, Kentucky, U.S.A. He died on 23 Oct. 1991 in Prescott Valley, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A.

Frank Stouton Waitman and Eva Josephine Davis had the following children:

i. CHUCK⁸ WAITMAN.

ii. THOMAS WAITMAN.

13. ii. BERNICE NORA DAVIS was born on 11 Dec. 1910 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. She died on 23 April 2005 in Tucson, Pima County, Arizona, U.S.A. She married (1) FRANK TRAVIS HARVEY, son of James Vincent Harvey and Anna Cecilia Munday on 06 Nov. 1926. He was born on 01 March 1907 in Spokane, Spokane County, Washington, U.S.A. He died on 24 Jan. 1971 in Signal Hill, Los Angeles County, California, U.S.A. She married (2) WILLIAM RUDOLPH STORM, son of William Bunton Storm and Bonita Agnes Stephan on 24 Apr 1942 in Gallup, McKinley County, New Mexico, U.S.A. He was born on 09 March 1913 in Junction, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. He died on 10 Feb. 1995 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. William was a WW II veteran of the U.S. Navy.

iii. CLARENCE E. DAVIS was born on 30 July 1914 in Yucaipa, San Bernardino, California, U.S.A. He died on 11 Jan. 1997.

14. iv. CHARLES T. DAVIS was born on 10 March 1916 in Yucaipa, San Bernardino County, California, U.S.A. He died on 23 April 1980 in Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California, U.S.A.

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He married ROBERTA HOWE.

Charles T. Davis and Roberta Howe had the following child as known:

i. CYNTHIA KAREN⁸ DAVIS was born on 31 Dec. 1941 in Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California, U.S.A. She died on 09 Oct. 2007 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A.

13. BERNICE NORA⁷ DAVIS (Schuyler Anson⁶, Sarah Josephine⁵ Latta, Robert Seegar⁴ Latta, James³ Latta, Robert² Latta, William¹ Latta) was born on 11 Dec. 1910 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. She died on 23 April 2005 in Tucson, Pima County, Arizona, U.S.A. She married (1) FRANK TRAVIS HARVEY, son of James Vincent Harvey and Anna Cecilia Munday on 06 Nov. 1926 at Holy Innocents Church, Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California, U.S.A. He was born on 01 March 1907 in Spokane, Spokane County, Washington, U.S.A. He died on 24 Jan. 1971 in Signal Hill, Los Angeles County, California, U.S.A. She married (2) WILLIAM RUDOLPH STORM, son of William Bunton Storm and Bonita Agnes Stephan on 24 Apr 1942 in Gallup, McKinley County, New Mexico, U.S.A. He was born on 09 March 1913 in Junction, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. He died on 10 Feb 1995 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A.

Bernice Nora Davis and William Rudolph Storm had three children, all living.

Frank Travis Harvey and Bernice Nora Davis had the following children:

15. i. MARILYN ESTELLE⁸ HARVEY was born on 05 Nov 1927 in Bellflower, Los Angeles County, California, U.S.A. She died on 16 Aug. 1997 in Orange County, California, U.S.A. She married (1) George Merwin Vermillion on 26 Dec. 1945 in Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California, U.S.A. He was born on 01 April 1927 in Orange County, California, U.S.A. He died on 17 Sept. 1980 in Orange County, California, U.S.A. She married (2) Whitney Loren Hansen. He was born 28 July 1927 in Alameda County, California, U.S.A. He died 28 Nov. 1985 in Orange County, U.S.A.

Marilyn Estelle Harvey and George Merwin Vermillion had the following children:

a. SUZAN ANNETTE⁹ VERMILLION was born on 03 Dec. 1946 in Los Angeles County, California, U.S.A. She died in 1980 in California, U.S.A.

b. GEORGE MICHAEL VERMILLION was born 20 May 1949 in Missoula, Missoula County, Montana, U.S.A. He died 24 Sept. 2014 in Crofton, Anne Arundel County, Maryland, U.S.A.

c. Still Living

d. Still Living

ii. JAMES ROBERT HARVEY was born on 25 Aug. 1931 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. He married Shirley Louise Scott on 26 July 1952.

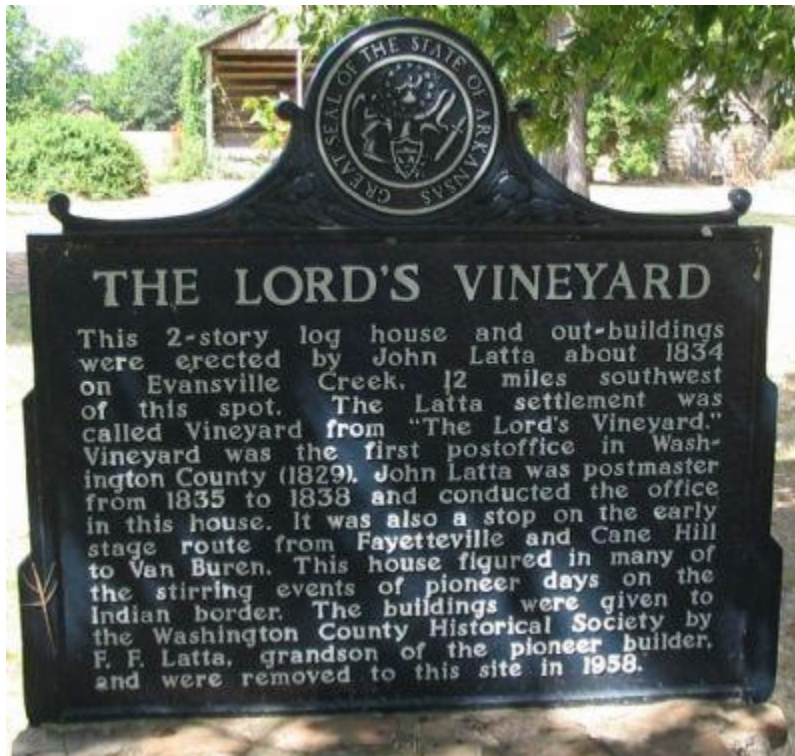
16. iii. JANET ARLENE HARVEY was born on 10 Sept. 1933 in Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, California, U.S.A. She died on 11 April 2012 in Prescott Valley, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. She married Vernon Harold Gerdes, son of Louis William Gerdes and Lela Mae Tucker on 27 June 1953 in Long Beach, Los Angeles County, California, U.S.A. He was born on 19 Jan. 1929 in Coffeyville, Montgomery County, Kansas, U.S.A. He died on 18 Feb. 2016 in Prescott Valley, Yavapai County, Arizona, U.S.A. Vernon served in the Korean War as a staff sergeant in the 452nd Light Bomb Wing, Headquarters Squadron, United States Air Force Reserve, 1950-1952.

Note for Janet Arlene Harvey: See U.S. Census taken 6 April 1940 in Prescott, Yavapai County, Arizona, Supervisor District 1, Enumeration District 13-2A, Sheet 3A, Household 102.

Vernon Harold Gerdes and Janet Arlene Harvey have 12 children, all living, 23 grandchildren, and 18 greatgrandchildren, so far.

The Lord's Vineyard Historical Markers

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1. The Lord's Vineyard Marker

Inscription: The Lord's Vineyard

This 2-story log house and out-buildings were erected by John Latta about 1834 on Evansville Creek, 12 miles southwest of this spot. The Latta settlement was called Vineyard from "The Lord's Vineyard." Vineyard was the first post office in Washington County (1829). John Latta was postmaster from 1835 to 1838 and conducted the office in this house. It was also a stop on the early stage route from Fayetteville and Cane Hill to Van Buren. This house figured in many of the stirring events of pioneer days on the Indian border. The buildings were given to the Washington County Historical Society by F.F. Latta, grandson of the pioneer builder, and were removed to this site in 1958.

Erected by State of Arkansas.

This historical marker is listed in this topic list: Settlements & Settlers. A significant historical year for this entry is 1834.

Location. 35° 58.978' N, 94° 18.504' W. Marker is in Prairie Grove, Arkansas, in Washington County. Marker can be reached from East Douglas Street (U.S. 62), on the right when traveling west. Located at stop two, the Latta House, of the driving tour of Prairie Grove Battlefield State Park. Touch for map. Marker is in this post office area: Prairie Grove, Arkansas 72753, United States of America.

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2. The Lord's Vineyard Marker

Other nearby markers. At least 8 other markers are within walking distance of this marker. Morrow House (about 400 feet away, measured in a direct line); Historic Wall (about 500 feet away); Generals James G. Blunt and Francis J. Herron (about 500 feet away); Battlefield Park (about 500 feet away); Rhea's Mill (about 500 feet away); Major General Thomas C. Hindman (about 500 feet away); Battle of Prairie Grove (about 600 feet away); March of the Armies (about 600 feet away).



3. The Latta House

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4. Latta Kitchen



5. Back of Latta House and Cellar

The Latta house was not on the ridge during the battle of Prairie Grove. However four other houses were. Many residents hid in the nearby Morton house in a cellar (about 2000 yards west of the park visitor center). That cellar was likely similar to the Latta cellar seen here (low structure just beside the house).

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The Lord's Vineyard

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I recently came across a booklet entitled "The Lords Vineyard." My dad had given it to me several years before he passed some 30 years ago. I recently rediscovered it and put it aside. It was written and mimeographed by F.F. Latta Feb. 9, 1940. It is 92 pages long and has a Latta Coat of Arms in the front. Here is an excerpt from this book.

LATTA FAMILY IN AMERICA

Most branches of the Latta family in America came direct from the north of Ireland, from the counties of Antrim, Donegal or Londonderry. Of our immediate branch it appears that three brothers came to America at the same time during the middle of the 18th century and probably others at a later date. The given names of these first three brothers are not known, but we know of them in York District, South Carolina as early as 1790. Neither is the given name of the father of these three brothers known, or the exact place in the north of Ireland from which they came. One of the three brothers had two sons, one named Thomas and another whose given name is not known, but we are almost certain that he married a Margaret Neely, sister of the wife of Thomas Latta, whose given name was Martha. Both were daughters of Samuel and Sarah Neely who in 1844 lived in Chester County, South Carolina.

2 Thomas (2) Latta (The numbers before and after the names of members of the family are for genealogical reference) was born in the north of Ireland, November 4, 1763. Between that date and 1790, when his son John was born, together with the unnamed brother, his father and two of his father's brothers, he came to America. What became of the father, the two uncles and the unnamed brother is also unknown at this time. Perhaps future research will show other branches of the family descended from them.

In 1790 when his son John was born, 2 Thomas (2) Latta lived in York District, South Carolina. He had married a Miss Martha Neely, also in York or Chester County, South Carolina. Martha Neely was born November 23, 1765 and died February 18, 1847, aged 82 years. We do not know who she lived with after the death of her husband in 1807, where she died or where she is buried.

During January 1939 this writer received a postal card from F. C. Symmonds of the Central Presbyterian Church in Hyden, Kentucky. Mr. Symmonds stated, "I note that you are interested in the Campbell, Neely, Starr lineages. Do they come from Mecklenburg County, N.C., and before that from Pennsylvania? If so I may be able to help you." It is needless to state that the return mail carried a letter from me. February 2nd brought the following answer:

"Chester, South Carolina Will Book C, page 70: I Samuel Neely, Sarah, my beloved wife, my loving son, James Neely, all the heirs of my body vis: Thomas Neely, Margaret Latta, Elizabeth Chambers, Martha Latta, Robert Neely, William Neely and James Neely. 14th day of September 1797. Samuel Neely October 8, 1803

"Chester, S.C., Will Book A, page 136: I, James Neely of the state of South Carolina, Chester County, Yeoman; wife, Martha; sons George, Thomas, Isaac; daughter, Agnes, Jane, Elizabeth. Thomas Neely Silliman. I do appoint Thomas Neely, wagonmaker and Thomas Latta, blacksmith, sole executors, 9th day of August 1792. James Neely in presence of Samuel Neely. Probated September 1793"

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Brief as were these two notes, they carried more source material concerning early members of our particular branch of the Latta family than all of the other correspondence received in the prior five years. Several important things were fixed: the given names of both the father and mother of Martha (Neely) Latta; the vocations of great grandfather, 2 Thomas (2) Latta, the fact that Martha Neely had a sister, Margaret who married a man named Latta, probably a brother of 2 Thomas (2) Latta; the given names of the rest of her brothers and sisters, the probable source of the given name of the father of this writer, Eli Chambers Latta (undoubtedly named for his great Aunt Elizabeth (Neely) Chambers.

Let us hope that many more such postal cards arrive in the not too distant future. According to his son John, 2 Thomas (2) Latta died November 14, 1807, aged 44 years and was probably buried in York District, South Carolina.

To Thomas Latta and his wife, Martha Neely, were born four children, 3 John (3), 4 Samuel (3), Sarah (3) and Elizabeth (3).

4 Samuel (3) Latta, who is said to have been born in 1792, went to Tennessee in 1818.

What became of the two daughters of 2 Thomas (2) Latta was unrecorded by the family. Whether they located in South Carolina or Tennessee or followed their brothers Samuel and John west, was only guesswork. Research in these localities among the birth, death, marriage, church, and cemetery records finally solved the mystery. Frances Mitchell, of Little Rock, Arkansas and granddaughter of 3 John (3) stated that one of them married a man named McFadden and the other a man named McCants or McKans or some similar sounding name. John Luther Latta wrote concerning Sarah and Elizabeth, "I am impressed they both settled north of Nashville, Tennessee." It was the lead given by John Luther Latta that uncovered data solving the mystery of what became of Sarah Latta (3). The book, "Tombstone Inscriptions" by Jeannette T. Aklen of Nashville, Tennessee, page 78 states: "Sallie Latta was born February 8, 1803, died March 16, 1847; married Ebenezer McCance, who died June 3, 1851; children, William N. (Neely?) McCance born September 9, 1822, died June 3, 1851, Matthew married Ann Walker."

3 John (3) Latta and Family

As has been mentioned above, 3 John (3) Latta was born in York District, South Carolina, February 23, 1790. He was the grandfather of this writer and left eleven children, 8 boys and 3 girls, from whom have descended many members of the Latta family.

3 John (3) Latta was born, raised and married in York District, South Carolina. He married Jane Starr. She was a member of a prominent pioneer Virginia and South Carolina family of English ancestry, a daughter of John Starr, Revolutionary War veteran. Miss Frances Mitchell of Little Rock adds the following about the Starrs and other York relatives: "When I visited in York, S.C. in 1903, I learned that Starrs were of pure English descent. They came from England to Virginia and then to S.C., settling in York and Chester Counties, particularly around Rock Hill. There were other families around York related to us. They included the Moores, Masons, Hannas, Dunlops, Neelys (2 families), Williams and Williamsons."

3 John (3) was a large man, six feet three inches in height and weighing more than 200 pounds. He was a very quiet, unobtrusive man, but was a terror to evil doers who overran the Indian Territory in the early days and was a man of great integrity. In 1831, he started with his family to go from South Carolina to Arkansas. It

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was found necessary to leave part of the family in Tennessee for a time and it was here that 12 Eli Chambers (4) was born. Taking several of the [black] men with him, John went on to Cane Hill, Arkansas, where a location was made. He then returned for the family and took them on to Arkansas in 1833. He was a wheelwright, a blacksmith and a farmer, the most skillful of each trade in that part of Arkansas and Indian Territory.

3 John (3) died at Fort Smith, Crawford County, Arkansas on October 2, 1861 while being cared for at the home of his son 10 James Eudorus (4) Latta. It is interesting to note here that it was five years later before his son, 12 Eli Chambers (4) then living in California, learned of his death.

Jane Starr, wife of 3 John (3) Latta, was born in York District, South Carolina, on September 17, 1792 and died July 20, 1854 at Vineyard, Arkansas. She is buried in the Old Academy Cemetery near Evansville. She was the daughter of John Starr and Margaret Moore. It is said that she died of a broken heart. An affectionate, motherly person of considerable charm, she never recovered from the shock of the departure within a few months of four of her sons when they left for California, all of them not to return during her life and too never to return to their old home. There were 7 Samuel Neely (4), Robert Hall (4), 11 Andrew Jackson (4) and 12 Eli Chambers (4). Andrew Jackson returned about 1859 to remain blind for 20 years. Eli Chambers returned for a short visit in 1902. The other two never returned and nothing is known of their fate.

The first child of 3 John (3) Latta and Jane Starr, a son, born in York District, South Carolina, December 3, 1815, died the same day and was not named.

Thomas Starr (4) Latta

The second child was Thomas Starr, born Friday, December 6, 1816, in York District, South Carolina. He died at the age of 26, April 5, 1842, of pneumonia and is buried in one of the cemeteries, probably Academy, near Evansville, Arkansas. We only know that he was a favorite son, the remainder of the family being very proud of him, and naming several of their children after him.

Margaret Ann (4) Latta

The third child was Margaret Ann (4) called Peggy Ann. She was born Thursday, February 19, 1818, in York District, South Carolina. She was married September 19, 1839 to Eli Kelly. They raised a large family, going to Basin Springs, near Whitesboro, Texas in 1861. There she died Jan 2, 1883. Eli Kelly was born in Pittsburg, Pa., in 1809 the son of James Kelly (native of Ireland) and (7) Anderson. Eli Kelly died at Basin Springs, Texas, Sunday, March 4, 1894. Their children scattered through western Arkansas, northern Texas and Indian Territory. So far as we have been able to learn, their descendants are as follows, the 9 children born at Greersburg, Arkansas

1. Catherine Jane Kelly, married Elbert Cross. In 1936 she had a son living in Sherman, Texas (E.A. Cross).
2. Lucretia Kelly, married Thomas Carter. In 1936 she had a son, Auther Carter, living in State of Washington.
3. Mollie Kelly, married Edward Fletcher.
4. William Robert Kelly, born March 4, 1847, married Bell Kinslow.

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5. John Newton Kelly, born March 3, 1849, married Ada Cross, died at Sadler, Texas, September 22, 1936 and had the following children, all born at Sadler, Texas:
 - 1) Lou Emma Kelly, born March 31, 1877, married C. F. Westbrook
 - 2) Alice Gertrude Kelly, born November 9, 1878, died age 12
 - 3) Eli Jackson Kelly, born September 11, 1880, married Mary Etta Sanders
 - 4) James Kelly, born March 5, 1883, died in infancy
 - 5) Sarah Watson Kelly, born October 27, 1886, died aged 2 years
 - 6) Ina Margaret Kelly, born July 31, 1889, married J.W. Bullard
 - 7) Mary Myrtle Kelly, born October 27, 1891, not married in 1936 Olan Newton Kelly, born December 4, 1893, died aged 17
 - 8) Elizabeth Woodson Kelly, born March 7, 1896, married C. A. Lowery
 - 9) Ruth Katharine Kelly, born March 20, 1899, married R. B. Short.
6. Thomas Samuel Kelly, born August 3, 1854, married Jane Lindsey
7. Laura Ruth Kelly, born August 3, 1854 (twin with above) married Marion Simpson
8. James Andrew Kelly, born September 8, 1857 married Lillie Ruft and had the following children
 - a) Guy Ferrell Kelly, born at Whitesboro, Texas October 23, 1885; married Sorle Jobe
 - b) Anna Mary Kelly, born at Whitesboro, Texas September 29, 1887, married Rev. J. B. Culwell
 - c) Ethel Kelly, born at Whitesboro, Texas June 1, 1889, married J. M. Hendrix
 - d) Alpheus Eli Kelly, born in Montague County, Texas September 11, 1891, married Lois Wilson
 - e) Fannie Ruth Kelly, born at Whitesboro, Texas June 19, 1896, married Len Hickman
 - f) Lucile Kelly, born at Whitesboro, Texas April 26, 1898, married H. F. Lanier
 - g) Everett Kelly, born at Whitesboro, Texas March 19, 1900, married Ruth Benedict
 - h) Latta Eugene Kelly, born at Durant, Oklahoma, May 17, 1902 single in 1936.
9. Francis Eli Kelly, born March 1859 married Laura Ann Wammack and had the following children all born at Sadler, Texas
 - a) Lou Esina Kelly, born December 31, 1884 married S. W. Senoi
 - b) Mary Eunice Kelly born January 27, 1880 died January 14, 1919, married Robert Gilliland
 - c) John Wilburn Kelly, born July 31, 1888, married Zella Ross

7 Samuel Neely (4) Latta

The fourth child was 7 Samuel Neely (4). He was born in York District, South Carolina, Monday, December 20, 1819. Together with his brothers Thomas Starr and John Stewart and his sister, Margaret Ann, he was left in school in York District in 1831 when his parents started on the long trip to western Arkansas by way of Tennessee. About 1834, together with the three just mentioned he was taken to Arkansas by his Uncle, Samuel Latta. November 26, 1844 Samuel Neely Latta married Tennessee Gray, of a prominent pioneer family from Evansville, Arkansas. Until 1850 they lived in or near Evansville, and would probably have continued so if it had not been for the discovery of gold in California. In 1850, together with his brothers, Andrew Jackson and Eli Chambers, he came to California and placer mined at Marysville, Nevada City and Grass Valley.

For a number of years Samuel Neely Latta kept in touch with his brothers in California and occasionally wrote to his wife in Arkansas. But fortune did not smile on him in the mines and he stopped corresponding with

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any of his relatives. The last word received from him by his brother, Eli Chambers Latta, was in 1858, so this writer was told when a boy. To this day nothing has been known of his fate.

It has always been thought possible by the relatives that Samuel Neely may have been robbed and murdered, but nothing definite has ever been known about his disappearance. From 1858 until January, 1940 none of the Eli Chambers Latta family had heard from "Uncle Sam" or any of his descendants. In that month we received a letter from Mrs. Claud Proctor, of DeKalb, Texas. Mrs. Proctor is a granddaughter of Samuel Neely Latta. Contact with her ended many years of search and inquiry. As usual, it was Miss Frances Mitchell of Little Rock, Arkansas, who helped us to locate Mrs. Proctor.

The oldest child was Lucetta. She was born in 1845 and married Robert McCarty. The second child was Iantha. She was nicknamed "Sammy" after her father. She was born in 1848 and married James Black. Mrs. Proctor is a daughter of Lucetta (Mrs. McCarty). She has furnished us with the following information about the descendants of her grandfather, Samuel Neely Latta, the first such data we have ever been able to collect.

Dear Mr. Latta

Your letter of January 5 received in due time and I was very much interested in the contents. Thank you so much for the information. I have filled out the blanks you sent me best I can, am only sorry that I cannot add anything definite to the one of Grandfather Samuel Neely Latta. No, I do not know of anyone having any old letters that he wrote back. We children were told that he went to California during the gold rush and that he staked a claim and found gold on it. The family heard from him at times, and the last letter stated that on a certain date he was leaving California to come back to Arkansas to get his family, and expected to return to his claim in California to live. My father told us that he carried gold with him and it was thought that he was robbed and killed by his partner or someone else, therefore he never reached home and was never heard from anymore. No one of his family ever knew what became of him.

It was said the Grandmother died of a broken heart. My mother was quite small when her mother died. I do not know with whom my Mother and Aunt Iantha lived after Grandmother's death. After my Father and Mother were married, Aunt Iantha lived with them until she married James Black and they moved to Texas. In Aunt Iantha's young days they called her "Sam" or "Sammie" for her father and we always called her "Aunt Sam Black". She was killed by an automobile some 12 or 15 years ago in Fort Worth, Texas. Uncle Jim had died some years before and both were buried at Krum, Texas. They had 7 children. I have met some of them and visited them a few times and one of the girls and family came here to see me about ten years ago. Again I thank you for the family sketch and hope that you may be entirely successful in tracing the lineage. I would like very much to have a copy when it is completed. Very Sincerely, Mrs. C.C. Proctor, De Kalb, Texas, January 24, 1940

From data furnished by Mrs. Proctor we compiled the following concerning the descendants of Samuel Neely Latta:

1. Lucetta Caroline Latta was born April 3, 1847, in Washington County, Arkansas at Viney Grove, near Fayetteville. She became a tall woman with gray eyes and brown hair and fair complexion. On May 4, 1870 she married Robert Lee McCarthy, son of Timothy H. McCarthy and Mary Jane Morrison. Timothy H. McCarthy was born November 8, 1821 and served in Company I, 43d Infantry, State of Tennessee, during the Civil War.

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He was captured by the Union forces, made a prisoner of war and carried to Rock Island, Illinois, where he was buried, after his death September 9, 1863. Lucetta died July 8, 1880 and is buried at Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Their children were:

- a) Myrta Florence, born February 8, 1871, at Fayetteville, Arkansas, married George Appleby, died March 14, 1902, leaving no children and is buried at Fayetteville
 - b) Ida Corinne, born April 8, 1876, at Fayetteville, married J.C. Battle, lives 1940 at Texarkana, Arkansas
 - c) Thursa Pearl, born November 21, 1878, at Fayetteville, married Claud C. Proctor, living 1940 at De Kalb, Texas. Their children were an infant son born November 3, 1903 at De Kalb, Texas and died the next day, and Robert Claud born June 13, 1914, at De Kalb, Texas, married Avanelle Atchley in 1940 living at De Kalb, with children, Clarence Atchley (born September 17, 1934) and Robert Neal (born July 4, 1939)
2. Iantha Anna, born February 15, 1849, at Viney Grove, near Fayetteville, Arkansas. She married James Black, died about 1926 and is buried beside her husband at Krum, Texas. James Willis Black was born at Natural Dam, Crawford County, Arkansas, August 5, 1848 and died at Krum, Texas, in 1909, being buried at Krum, in Jackson Cemetery.

We have always hoped that we would have time to go to the Mother Lode country of California and investigate the disappearance of our Uncle Samuel Neely Latta. Our work has always taken us in some other direction. Certainly in the records of Nevada County would contain something concerning mining claims or property owned by a miner who had worked in the locality from about 1851 to 1859.

Since the preceding page was mimeographed we received a fine letter from Mrs. Maud Evans of Krum, Texas. She is a granddaughter of Samuel Neely Latta and a daughter of Iantha Anna (Latta) Black. While Mrs. Evans gave us detailed information about her mother's descendants, she was able to add but little to that already recorded about her grandparents. She wrote that her mother's middle name was Anna and that the given name of the father of Tennessee Gray was Samuel. The mother of Iantha was a very small woman, and it appears that all her descendants resemble her in stature. Iantha was five feet one inch in height and weighed about 125 pounds.

The children of Iantha Anna Latta and James Black are:

- a. Alice Tennessee Black was born December 8, 1873, at Natural Dam, Arkansas, and died at Krum, Texas, November 9, 1889.
- b. Sudie Maud Black, born March 13, 1876 at Natural Dam, Arkansas married George Edward Evans at Krum, Texas, March 24, 1895. George Edward Evans was born at Huntsville, Illinois, April 13, 1866, the son of James Enos Evans, and Mary Elizabeth Stiles. He died at Krum, Texas, September 12, 1938, and is buried there in Jackson Cemetery. Their children, all born at Krum, are: 1) Arthur Earl Evans, born February 13, 1896; 2) Velma Maud Evans, born January 25, 1901, married J.A. Stone; 3) James Edward Evans, born January 8, 1904, married Barbara Trimble.
- c. Aubrey Edwin Black, born August 6, 1878, at Natural Dam, Arkansas, married Pearl Wilson at Drop, Texas, October 8, 1899. Died in August of 1922, at Wellington, Texas. He was five feet one inch in height, weighed 125 pounds and had grey eyes, brown hair and fair complexion. Their children were: 1) Blanche, born in July, 1900, at Krum, Texas; 2) Jewell, born at Krum, Texas; 3) John J., born in Drop, Texas; 4) Willis, born in Oklahoma; 5) Vivian, born in Oklahoma; and 6) Juanita, born in Oklahoma.

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d. Elizabeth Latta Black, born September 25, 1880, at Natural Dam, Arkansas, married Nicklas Cecil Nail at Krum, Texas, February, 1909. Their children are: 1) Aura Betella Nail, born July 23, 1901, at Slidell, Texas, married Willis Blackwell (Aura, a daughter by a first marriage); 2) Ina Mae Nail, born at Krum, married Albert Von Diest; 3) Willa Naree Nail, born at Krum, Texas, married Charles Harris.

e. Nannie May Black, born September 27, 1883, at Natural Dam, Arkansas, married Theodore Fincannon at Krum, Texas, in October of 1907. She was five feet one inch in height, weighed 150 pounds and had grey eyes, light brown hair and fair complexion. Their children were: 1) Garland, born January 9, 1908, at Netonia, Missouri, is deceased and buried at Neosho, Missouri. 2) Maude Elizabeth, born in October, 1914, at Neosho, Missouri.

f. James Earl Black, born March 31, 1886, at Eastland, Texas, married Earle Wilson, died in 1937 and is buried at Chicasha, Oklahoma. They had no children.

g. Glen Dale Black, born May 31, 1889, at Krum, Texas, married Felicia Lavender at Fort Worth, Texas. They have two children: 1) Ruth Estelle Black, born in October, 1913, at Fort Worth, Texas; 2) Martha Elaine Black, born in Colorado. At one time Glen Dale Black lived in Fresno, California.

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Editor's Note: In the Library of the University of Arkansas at Fayetteville there is a similar book in their Arkansas Collection. The call number is: F417.W3.W3 no. 27-28. The citation is: Latta, Frank F., 1892-1983 1956 The Lord's Vineyard; being the history of the pioneer Latta family of old Vineyard in Washington County, Arkansas and including the life of E. C. Latta. Washington County Historical Society, Fayetteville, Arkansas, 118 pages. First published by the author at Shafter, California in 1940. Revised by the author in 1956.

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Research Queries, Replies and Notes.

Please send your queries and notes to the editor, Ken Mueller, 7400 E. Mule Circle, Prescott Valley, Arizona 86314, DocHuer@aol.com.

1. Our auditor Stan Latta and his father E. Michael Latta report that the Latta Plantation in Huntersville, North Carolina, near Charlotte NC, is closed until further notice. The Latta Nature Preserve, Quest, and the Raptor Center are still open.
2. Linda K. Smith, Branch 9 Captain, reports that a copy of the 1956 version of The Lord's Vineyard is in her home, and another copy is available at the Arkansas State Library in Little Rock, AR. The call number is CS16.L28, Arkansas Collection.
3. The editor invites all readers to send in their queries and notes to be printed here.

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Our New High Speed Scanner

The LGS board approved the purchase of a high-speed scanner for digitizing and copying documents, photos, and other items. The scanner handles regular 8.5 x 11 sized paper, legal sized documents, such as D.A.R. applications, and smaller, irregular sized items. This now allows us to digitize any size quantity of documents in a very short time. It also allows us to preserve and share documents with other Latta genealogists and family. The first project was to digitize a quantity of photocopies from the Lewiston Historical Society in Lewiston, NY. These documents pertain to branch 4 and a likely connection to branch 16 and have been published in the LGS Newsletter.

If any LGS member has documents that pertain to the Latta family that they would like to share, they can be sent to Randy Phillips, Treasurer, for scanning. We will return the originals along with a digital copy. The documents will also be shared with Ken Mueller, Editor, for publication as permissible. If you have any questions please call or e-mail Randy Phillips, 315-759-9121, parting_glass65@yahoo.com.

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- ✳ Perform other duties as assigned by the Branch Captain Coordinator.
- ✳ Act as an advisor to the Branch Captain Coordinator.
- ✳ Periodically write reports for the Newsletter.

Of course, a GEDCOM would be any program where you are collecting information. You can send me as much or as little information as you want, and I will get it updated as soon as I can and published to the website and or newsletter. Sue Lattea Cox, Branch Coordinator and Web Master.

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