

THE CHILDREN OF ALFRED DAVIS AND HELEN AUGUSTA DeBARD

I. Alfred, the author, was born in Greenup, Greenup County, Kentucky, November 15, 1859.

He attended the public school in Greenup and Riverton private school, going to Irving College, Tennessee two years. Returning to Kentucky, he served two or three years as depot agent and telegraph operator at Leon Station E. L. & B. S. Ry., Carter County, Kentucky. Resigning from the position to help his father on the old DeBard farm of 1500 acres.

After two years here, he emigrated to Grant Co., Kansas. Took up three quarter sections (480) government land. Two successive crop failures on account of dry weather forced him to leave that section of the state, penniless.

He and a friend walked twenty-four miles to Hartland, Kansas on A. T. & S. F. Ry. and gave a brakeman 52 cents to let them ride in a box car to Dodge City, Kansas.

Alfred began teaching school near Atlanta, Kansas, 1889 where he was united in marriage, 1891, to Miss Myrtle Haworth, one of his pupils.

He and his father-in-law, M. P. Haworth took part in that historic "Race" into the "Cherokee Strip" 1893.

They did not get a "claim" in this race and Alfred, wife, and baby daughter went to Greenup, Kentucky, where Alfred entered the drug business with his father. At the end of three years, he and family returned to Oklahoma, purchasing a relinquishment of 80 acres government land near where he had made the race four years before.

He lived in Oklahoma ten years farming and teaching school, being assisted by his wife when he had a very large school which was often the case in district schools before they were consolidated and the children transported by buses.

Later he taught school four years in Kentucky, making twenty years in the school room. During one of these calendar years, he taught thirteen school months.

Alfred served as census enumerator three different times in three different states, in Greenup County, Kentucky, 1880, Cowley County, Kansas, 1910, in San Diego County, 1930.



Dr. Alfred Davis DeBard.



**Helen Augusta Seaton DeBard,
wife of Dr. Alfred Davis DeBard.**



**Dr. James Harvey DeBard
(and wife, Eliza Lewis Davis)**

He and his industrious wife, who came from a family of pioneers, have developed three different ranches on three different frontiers; Kansas, Oklahoma, and California and have wound up on a two acre avocado ranch in California, poor in this world's goods, but rich in the Lord, in the possession of a fine family, stirring memories of frontier life, and the belief that they have done what they could in life's perilous adventure.

They have always been active in church work, teaching classes in Sunday School.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred DeBard Sr. celebrated their fiftieth marriage anniversary October 4, 1941 at the age of 82 and 68.

All of their children were converted and baptized before leaving home.

Their names and the order of birth are as follows: 1. Helen, 2. Mahlon Pleasant, died in infancy, 3. Ambrose Seaton, 4. Jonas Haworth, 5. Earl, 6. Alfred, 7. Ashby.

THE CHILDREN OF ALFRED DeBARD AND MYRTLE HAWORTH DeBARD

1. Helen, born in Torrance, Cowley County, Kansas, September 17, 1892. Married W. O. Bryant April 17, 1919 by Rev. E. P. Wise at Akron, Ohio, where Bryant was working in the Goodyear Rubber factory. They had one child, a girl, Iona Marie.

After graduating from high school Helen taught five years in the city schools of Arkansas City, Kansas and the district schools of Cowley County.

They lived in Kansas and Oklahoma.

At this time Helen and her daughter, Iona Marie, are living together in Inglewood, California, the mother working in a defense factory making parts for bomber airplanes. Iona is a stenographer and typist in The Traveler's Insurance office in Los Angeles. They are both earnest and active workers in the First Christian Church of Inglewood. It looks as if this war is going to take not only all we have, but our young people as well.

Since the above was written, Iona Marie married William Harmon Watkins, November 1942.

Mr. Watkins is serving his country in the army air corps, as an engine mechanic. He is now stationed in New Guinea.

Iona's mother, Helen, married the second time to Harry Rolph, ten days prior to her daughter's marriage. They live in Inglewood, California.

2. Mahlon Pleasant was born in Greenup, Kentucky Oct. 2, 1894, and died Feb. 2, 1897, in his grandfather Haworth's home near Atlanta, Kansas, being 2 years, 3 months old. Mahlon was born in the same house in which his father was born and dressed by Aunt Evelyne Jackson (colored) who had dressed his father at birth 35 years before.

3. Ambrose Seaton born, Dec. 20, 1898, nine miles Northeast Newkirk, Oklahoma. Married Olive Chandler Sept. 11, 1924 in Los Angeles, California. Went to housekeeping in their new home at 3125 Garden Avenue. Olive was operating a comptometer in the office of the Fairbanks, Morse Company.

They have one child, a girl, Suzanne Althea, born April 25, 1926. Ambrose, like all of his brothers helped on the farm and attended the public school. He went to the Kansas State Agricultural College at Manhattan and has developed into a very capable agricultural engineer, employing eight to ten men caring for orchards in this Vista irrigating district. California. He is a veteran of World War I, having served in France two months in combat force and ten months in Hospital Corps. He is President of Rotary Club and active in all civic enterprises. A director in the Escondido Sunkissed Orange Association and a member of the Vista Unified School District board.

Suzanne is attending school and when work is pressing, she drives the tractor and farm trucks for her father. We are finding out in these war times that women can do most any kind of work. She is also a member of Vista Jr. Ambulance Corps.

4. Jonas Haworth, born April 3, 1900, nine miles Northeast Newkirk, Oklahoma. Married Irene ^{Lucile} Marie Grunder in Los Angeles, California, November 26, 1925, no children.

Irene is a leading fashion artist in Bullock's Wilshire store in Los Angeles.

Jonas attended the public schools and helped his father on the farm, but when only 17 he volunteered in the Coast Artillery and sailed for the Philippines Feb. 5, 1918. He was honorably discharged at Camp Dodge, Iowa, Sept. 2, 1919., returning home after twenty months service on Corregidor under Commanding Officer Co. Dorries, Company Commander Maurice Barker. He tried to volunteer in this second World war but was not accepted and now has to content himself with serving as air-raid warden in his Los Feliz district, Los Angeles, California.

He has at this time a good position as collection manager with General Motors Acceptance Corporation, 714 W. 10th St. Los Angeles, California.

5. Earl, born Dec. 18, 1901—nine miles Northeast Newkirk, Oklahoma, married Hilda Wilcox of Arkansas City, Kansas, who was born near Wellington, Kansas, Nov. 29, 1907. They were married in Wichita, Kansas, Feb. 12, 1924. They have no children.

Earl attended the public schools and helped his father on

the dairy farm one mile west of Arkansas City. When his parents left, he and his brother Ashby purchased the cows and other stock, machinery and feed and operated the dairy until his father sold the farm. Earl then moved to another farm, ran the dairy there.

He and Hilda made several trips between Kansas and California, for like many others, when once enjoying the climate, scenery and other advantages of California, they always come back. They now operate, for the owner, one of the largest rabbitries in California, near Vista, California.

6. Alfred, Jr. born Nov. 18, 1904, nine miles Northeast Newkirk, Oklahoma, married Irma Penner of Hillsboro, Kansas, Oct. 13, 1937. They have one girl, Marcia Ann, born Sept. 12, 1942. Alfred, after graduating from Arkansas City, Kansas, high school, graduated from Kansas City, Missouri Osteopathic Medical and Surgical College. He worked his way through this college, being head clinic student of obstetrical department during college, and, after many hard knocks, established himself in a good practice at Hillsboro, Kansas. He specializes in Obstetrics and is doing some independent research work into the cause and treatment of the disease commonly known as Undulant Fever caused by drinking milk from cows having "Bangs" disease. Little was known about this disease in human beings until lately. Alfred thinks that the germ manifests itself in many ailments, being called rheumatism, arthritis, etc. by some doctors. He maintains a small hospital in Hillsboro, Kansas, at present.

7. Ashby, born Dec. 17, 1906, 8½ miles Southeast Arkansas City, but in Oklahoma. Married Velma Ash, Dec. 5, 1921, at Winfield, Kansas. Of this union one child was born, a girl, Veva Joe, who married Sylvester Spore, April 13, 1941. They are living in Wichita, Kansas where he is employed in an airplane factory. They have a son, Sylvester Joe, born June 26, 1943.

Ashby's second marriage was to Geraldine Smith, Sept. 6, 1933, of Vista, California. They have one son, Terrance Lee, born Aug. 9, 1934.

Ashby was in partnership with his brother, Earl, in the dairy business near Arkansas City, Kansas, before coming to California. In Los Angeles, he was a milk salesman for the Adohr Milk Company, moving to San Diego, California, where

he and his family now live. He is a wholesale milk salesman for the Qualitee Dairy. Ashby has been dairying and selling milk since he was 14 years of age, beginning for his father, working before and after school and during vacations.

The second child of Dr. Alfred Davis and Helen Augusta DeBard was Mary Seaton, born in Greenup, Greenup Co., Kentucky, 1862, May 1st, died Feb. 22, 1906.

She was united in marriage with Thomas N. Biggs by Rev. Mebane, Feb. 30, 1893, and to them were born three sons: 1. Alfred DeBard. 2. Naylor. 3. Seaton.

II. Mary taught a private kindergarten school of her own for several years in Greenup, Kentucky. She was peculiarly adapted by disposition and study for this work. She is especially remembered for her devotion to the education and training of her three boys, and it is regrettable that she did not live to see what fine successful men they made. All of her thoughts and energies were devoted to their welfare. She was kind, indulgent, and attentive to their slightest wants. Her character was strong and earnest. She was a member of the Presbyterian Church, Greenup, Kentucky.

Biographies of her boys follow:

Alfred DeBard Biggs, born December 20, 1893, Greenup County, Kentucky. Graduated from Pikeville College Academy, Kentucky, May 25, 1911. Maryville College, Tennessee, 1915. A. B. degree and from Rush Medical College, 1922. He served his internship in St. Luke's Hospital, Chicago, where it was followed by a year of Research Fellowship 1923-1924. After three years of general practice at Big Bay, Michigan, he served one year as Resident Pediatrician of the Presbyterian Hospital of Chicago (1927-1928). Since that time he has been engaged in the practice of Pediatrics in Chicago, with offices at 1713 W. 95th Street. At present he is a Senior Attending Pediatrician at St. Luke's Hospital, Chicago, Consulting Pediatrician to the Roseland Hospital and Attending Physician to the Chicago Home for the Friendless. He is author or co-author of the following contributions to the Medical Literature;—

(1) Pseudo-leukemia Gastro-Intestinalis, Journal American Medical Association, Vol. 83.

(2) The Prognosis of Chronic Infectious Endocarditis, The Archives of, Internal Medicine, Vol. 35.

(3) Observations on Congenital Megacolon, Journal of Pediatrics, Vol. 13.

(4) Congenital Hypoplasia of the Mandible, American Journal of Diseases of Children, March, 1943.

He was married to P. Nishine Sprague, August 25, 1923. Three children were born to them. Phyllis Hoyt, April 3, 1926, Elaine DeBard, May 26, 1927, Alfred DeBard, January 11, 1932. All reside at 9554 Longwood Drive, Chicago, Illinois.

Naylor Bragg Biggs. Born in Greenup, Kentucky, July 18, 1895. Naylor started to school in Greenup and went to school in Pikeville the same year that Alfred went. He left Pikeville and came to Tiffin, May 18th, 1913. After coming here he obtained work and went to Heidelberg Commercial College. After receiving a commercial education he became secretary to the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce in 1916. In 1918 he enlisted in World War I and was stationed at Camp Grant, Illinois, and Camp Robison at Sparta, Wisconsin, until the armistice. He returned to Tiffin May 18th, 1919 and took up his duties at that time as Secretary of the Tiffin Chamber of Commerce. April 3, 1920 he married Marian Gladys Thomas of Tiffin, Ohio. Jean Marie was born October 1st, 1923, and Helen DeBard was born April 18, 1927. In 1923-24-25 Naylor attended the National School for Commercial and Trade Executives at Northwestern University in Chicago. This was a summer school course. Naylor is a man of keen judgment and with the assistance of his sympathetic and understanding wife has developed into a very capable business man.

Their oldest child, Jean Marie, after one year at college, is attending commercial college.

The younger daughter, Helen DeBard, sixteen in April, 1943, is a sophomore in high school, and is a very good student.

Seaton Humphrey Biggs, born June 20, 1898, Greenup, Co., Kentucky, died June 11, 1932. Married June 26, 1918, to Carrie Jackson of Elkhorn City, Kentucky. He was educated at Pikeville College, Kentucky, where he graduated May 17, 1918. He later made his home with his family at Elkhorn City, Kentucky, where he engaged in various business enterprises.

Eldest daughter, Mary Frances Biggs Anderson, born April 23, 1919.

Youngest daughter, Margaret Record Biggs, born Janu-

ary 31, 1922, married James W. Coleman, Jr. February 19, 1938, died September 17, 1938.

III. Lilian, third child of Dr. Alfred Davis and Helen Augusta DeBard, born December 17th, 1864, died March 5th, 1865 and was buried at Maysville, Kentucky.

IV. Helen Goss, fourth child of Dr. Alfred Davis and Helen Augusta DeBard, born March 9th, 1866, died March 14, 1931 at Ashland, Kentucky. She was married twice. Her first husband, Scott Clifton, and the writer went to western Kansas together, where they took up government land. Later he was a member of the faculty of Wilmot Academy in Kansas. He and wife returned to Kentucky where he died after less than a year of married life.

Her second marriage was to James Burns, who for a number of years was bookkeeper for Ashland Rolling Mill Co. at Ashland, Kentucky, where they lived until their deaths.

I remember with gratitude the letters that sister Helen wrote me up to her passing. The beautiful penmanship, nice choice of words and correct grammatical sentences were prominent characteristics of her letters. If she blotted a sheet, or made a mistake, it was copied on a new sheet of paper. She never sent out a letter unless it was neat and correct.

Helen was a beautiful girl, and had a head of hair that would be a marvel today. When she stood erect, her hair reached to her knees and enveloped her entire body.

Of this union there were three children.

1. Gordon died in infancy.

2. Helen, died in Grayson, Kentucky, 1938, 43 years old. She married Junius Wilhoit. They had one son, Gordon. Helen was active in church membership, president of the Woman's Club, Democratic Woman's Club and at the time of her death, city clerk. Junius Wilhoit still lives in Grayson, Kentucky.

Warren, born January 14, 1899, Shellsford near McMinnville, Tennessee, married Marian Kramer of Ashland, Kentucky, on June 26, 1928.

Warren attended school in Ashland, Kentucky, New York City and Wareham, Mass. Mechanics had interested Warren from childhood so he pursued this type of work, supplementing his practical experience with additional technical subjects . . . extension work with the University of Chicago and

the University of Pennsylvania in engineering. He is at present (1942) mechanical engineer with the American Rolling Mill Company, dealing primarily with the operating and maintenance of this company's new one thousand ton blast furnace.

Warren and Marian are active members of the Presbyterian church and are interested in civic activities.

V. Carrie Bell DeBard, fifth child of Dr. A. D. and Helen DeBard, born Feb. 28, 1869, died Dec. 7, 1876.

VI. Harriet D. DeBard, sixth child of Dr. A. D. and Helen DeBard, born Jan. 21, 1872, was never married and after a useful life is now living in the home of her niece Mrs. Eunice Myers at Great Neck, Long Island, N. Y.

Sister Harriet, a graduate nurse, served in Ancon Hospital, Panama, in that trying climate, and aided still more trying patients, tough men from all corners of the globe, until the completion of the canal.

Later, in a New York hospital she sustained a back injury, from which she has not entirely recovered, and has now retired from nursing.

In a letter written from Panama, she said, "In the perpetual summer of 80 degrees, vegetation grows very rapidly and decays rapidly, creating a poisonous atmosphere; and it is impossible to avoid having some malaria in one's system. The wet season lasts from May 15 to December 15. During this time it rains on an average of six days a week."

VII. Margaret DeBard, seventh child of Dr. A. D. and Helen DeBard, born Dec. 24, 1874, married, June 1st, 1897 in Greenup, Kentucky to Samuel Wurts Peters, who, at the time of his marriage was cashier in the Farmer's and Merchant's Bank. They moved from Greenup to Ashland, Kentucky, where Sam was employed as bookkeeper in a wholesale feed store. From Ashland they moved to Ronceverte, West Virginia. Sam was now working as traveling salesman for Armour & Company. (Meat Packers, Chicago, Ill.) Moving to Knoxville, Tennessee in 1916, he was made manager of Armour & Company's branch house. In that same year, Sam was transferred to Huntington, W. Va. and moved with his family there, returning to Knoxville in 1918.

He resigned from Armour & Company in 1925 and became

an insurance agent for the Provident Mutual Life Insurance Company of Philadelphia, Pa.

Sam died Feb. 22, 1930 in Knoxville, Tennessee, age 54 years.

Margaret and Sam had two boys and seven girls.

1. Henry William Peters, born May 13, 1898 in Greenup, Kentucky, married Josephine Hannah Brown of Roanoke, Virginia, March 26, 1921. They have two children.

(a) Margaret Laird Peters, born Oct. 26, 1922 in Abingdon, Virginia.

(b) ~~Margaret Elizabeth Womack, born March 1, 1935, in Bristol, Tennessee.~~ *Henry William Peters Nov. 4-1926*

Henry William Peters, Sr. is a traveling salesman for the East Tennessee Packing Co. of Knoxville, Tenn. They live in Bristol, Tenn. and are members of the Presbyterian church.

2. Alfred DeBard Peters, born February 13, 1901, in Greenup, Kentucky. Died July 12, 1902.

3. Margaret DeBard Peters, born April 20, 1903, in Greenup, Kentucky, married Francis Wayne Womack of Greenup, Kentucky, September 8, 1926. Wayne has a position under Civil Service. They live in Frankfort, Kentucky, and are members of the Presbyterian church.

Margaret and Wayne have three children.

(a) Francis Wayne Womack, born April 11, 1928 in Ashland, Kentucky.

(b) Margaret Elizabeth Womack, born March 1, 1935, in Greenup, Kentucky.

(c) Edward Peters Womack, born January 17, 1938 in Frankfort, Kentucky.

4. Mary Wurtz Peters born November 13, 1905, in Ashland, Kentucky. Mary has B. A. and M. A. degrees from the University of Tennessee. Employed as teacher of Mathematics in a high school in Knoxville, Tennessee. Member of Presbyterian church.

5. Harriet Davis Peters born April 6, 1908 in Ronceverte, West Virginia. Harriet has a B. A. degree from the University of Tennessee; teaches Social Science in Junior High School in Knoxville, Tennessee. She is a member of the Presbyterian church.

6. Helen Seaton Peters and

7. Adaline Louise Peters (twin daughters), born Feb.

24, 1911, in Ronceverte, W. Va.

Helen married Charles Urban Neas of Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 5, 1936. Charles Neas a graduate of the University of Tennessee is an accountant. A member of the Lutheran church.

Helen is an assistant librarian in the public library of Knoxville, Tennessee, and member of Presbyterian church. They live in Knoxville.

Mary Urban Neas, (adopted) daughter of Helen and Charles Neas, born in Louisville, Kentucky, January 12, 1943.

Adaline Louise married James Milo Kaderly of Knoxville, Tennessee, June 9, 1934.

Milo Kaderly graduated from the University of Tennessee as a mechanical engineer. He is employed at The Fulton Syphon Company of Knoxville, Tenn. Milo and Louise are members of the Presbyterian church and live in Knoxville, Tennessee. They have three children.

(a) Helen Seaton Kaderly born June 19th, 1938, in Knoxville, Tennessee.

(b) Susan Elder Kaderly born March 2nd, 1941, in Knoxville, Tennessee.

(c) Margaret DeBard Kaderly born April 29, 1942, Knoxville, Tennessee.

8. Sarah Russell Peters born Jan. 1st, 1914, in Ronceverte, W. Va. Married David Luke Morgan of Puryear, Tenn., in Knoxville, Tenn., Oct. 10, 1936.

Sarah and Luke graduated from the University of Tennessee in June, 1936. Luke is employed at the Fulton Sylphon Company in Knoxville, Tenn. and is a member of the Church of Christ. Sarah is a member of the Presbyterian church. They live in Knoxville and have three children.

(a) David Luke Morgan, Jr. born Sept. 21st, 1937, Knoxville, Tennessee.

(b) Harriet Davis Morgan, born March 18, 1940 in Knoxville, Tennessee.

(c) Sarah Russell Morgan, born July 16, 1943.

9. Martha Goss Peters born Jan. 2nd, 1918, in Huntington, West Virginia. Martha is employed as secretary in the office of the Fulton Sylphon Co. in Knoxville, Tenn. She is a member of the Presbyterian church.

VIII. Eunice, youngest of the Dr. A. D. and Helen A. DeBard family was born in Greenup, Kentucky, Greenup Co.

She married William Butler Taylor Jr. also of Greenup. They moved to Gallipolis, Ohio, where he was in business and lived six years. Two children were born. William died at the age of 28 years and Eunice moved back to Greenup and lived with her father Dr. Alfred DeBard. She attended Richmond Normal School and fitted herself for teaching and taught several years in the Greenup Graded School. Later she became Post-mistress of Greenup and served during Wilson's Administration. Eunice and William were members of the Presbyterian church in Greenup.

1. Charles DeBard Taylor was born in Gallipolis, Ohio. He graduated from Maryville Preparatory School, Maryville, Tennessee, and University of Kentucky. He taught school in Greenup High School for several years then went to New York City where he received his master's degree at Columbia University. For eight years he taught in the Thomas Jefferson High School, Elizabeth, New Jersey, the senior High School of 1700 boys. The work he did on his Ph. D. degree was done at Harvard University and New York University.

For the last three years he has been director of guidance at the Thomas Jefferson High School, Elizabeth, New Jersey. He married Irma Virginia Rankin at Elizabeth, June 24, 1942, where they are now living. Both are members of the Presbyterian church.

2. Eunice Clifton Taylor was born in Gallipolis, Ohio. She graduated from Maryville Preparatory School, Maryville, Tennessee, and attended the University of Kentucky for three years. She taught school in the Greenup Graded Schools and Wurtland, Kentucky. In May, 1927, she married Carl Edwin Meyer of Kenova, W. Va. He has been employed with McCrory Stores Corporation as buyer for the last sixteen years. They have three sons, all born in New York. All attend the Community Church and live now in Great Neck, N. Y.

- (a) Carl Edwin, born Aug. 6, 1928, in Flushing, N. Y.
- (b) John DeBard, born Aug. 21, 1935, in Flushing, N. Y.
- (c) James Seaton, born Sept. 30, 1936, in Flushing, N. Y.

ANOTHER BRANCH OF THE DeBARD FAMILY

Mrs. W. B. Taylor saw the name A. A. DeBard in a New York paper and wrote him. Below is an excerpt from his reply

which gives some history from another probable branch of the family.

56 Tompkins Street,
Stapleton, New York.
May 17, 1937.

Mrs. William B. Taylor,
270 Convent Avenue,
New York City.

Dear Mrs. Taylor:

Thank you for your letter of April 28. I regret that I have not answered it sooner but I was away from New York for a fortnight and am now busy giving examinations. I thought I would write you this to let you know that I received your letter.

I have never run across any other DeBard in the United States. My father's family—his father and three or four uncles came from France about the period 1880-1890 from a section in the northern part of France, around Belfort. We have known that part of the family came to America many years ago. There is a book entitled FRENCH BLOOD IN AMERICA which mentions the family as one of those settling in the South (Georgia or Carolina, I believe). We also have a coat of arms x x x x x. The family is French Huguenot, Dijon is named as its seat at the time of the granting of the coat of arms. The name "Alfred" is very common in the family, being my middle name, my father's middle name and I have a great-uncle of the name.

Sincerely,

(sgd) AUGUST A. DeBARD, Jr.

CHILDREN OF DR. JAMES DeBARD AND
ELIZABETH LEWIS DAVIS DeBARD

(continued)

(3) Mary Elizabeth, third child of Dr. James DeBard and Elizabeth Lewis Davis DeBard, born March 19th, 1835, died Dec. 20th, 1922, at Ashland, Ky. Married Alvin Burns and lived most of her life in Carter Co., Kentucky. Had three children, —James DeBard, Alvin Dennis and Eliza Bell.

a. James D. Burns, born March 16, 1865, in Tilton, Ky, died August 28, 1927 in Ashland, Kentucky, married his cousin Helen Goss DeBard. They had three children. Gordon died in infancy, Warren lives in Ashland, Kentucky. Helen Seaton married Junius Wilhoit of Grayson, Kentucky, died 1938, leaving one son, Gordon. She was city clerk of Grayson at time of her death.

James D. was bookkeeper for the Ashland Rolling Mill Company for a number of years. He was a member of the Presbyterian church in Ashland, Kentucky. He attended school in Lebenon, Kentucky, and Grayson, Kentucky, and was well informed on any subject and highly respected.

b. Alvin Dennis, born at Bell Grove Springs, Flemming County, May 10, 1868, died in Ashland, Kentucky, December 22, 1922, married Jean Boyce. They had two children, one boy and one girl.

1. Alvin Daniel Burns, now living in Richmond, Ky.

2. Mary Katherine Ashby Burns, living in Ashland, Ky.

Alvin Senior was depot agent at Grayson until a short time before his death. Because of failing health, he moved to Ashland and died soon after. Alvin had a cheerful disposition, an active, inquiring mind and he was liked by everybody. He was member of Presbyterian church.

c. Eliza Bell Burns was born in Flemingsburg, Ky., July ?, 1862. Married James Lee Potts. They had two children:

1. Carrie, living in Richmond, Ky.

2. Elizabeth, living in Ashland, Ky.

Eliza B. Potts and husband, James, lived in Grayson, Ky.

until Mr. Pott's death, when Eliza moved to Ashland, Ky. where she now (1943) lives with her daughter, Elizabeth.

(4) Caroline Robbins, fourth child of Dr. James DeBard and Elizabeth Lewis Davis DeBard born Feb. 1837, died July 6, 1914, at McMinnville, Tenn. Married George Warren Mead of Warren, Pa. Mr. Mead was wharf master of Greenup, Ky., on the Ohio river, sold out and moved to Shellsford, Warren County, Tennessee, where he was partner in a flour grist and saw mill until his death. Mrs. Mead moved to McMinnville in Jan. 1899, living there until her death. Had no children.

(5) Lucy Davis, fifth child of Dr. James DeBard and Elizabeth Lewis Davis Debard, born Oct. 19, 1840, died Nov. 16th, 1876, in Carter Co., Ky. She was never married but lived with her parents in Ashland, Ky. and Carter County, Ky.

(6) Arabella, sixth child of Dr. James DeBard and Elizabeth Lewis Davis DeBard, born Dec. 24, 1842. Went to Tennessee with her sister Caroline R. Mead in 1869. Married Capt. F. M. Smith of McMinnville, Tenn., June 6, 1871. Lived and died there May 27, 1926, Capt. Smith having died June 13, 1914, age 78. Had three children, James DeBard and George Mead (living) and one daughter, Elizabeth. After her husband's death, Mrs. Smith lived with her daughter Elizabeth until Elizabeth's death, then with her son George, until her death.

Arabella DeBard, mother of three children whose record is above was Capt. F. H. Smith's second wife. By a previous marriage he had a son, Irving W., born 1865, died 1923, leaving a wife and daughter living in McMinnville, Tennessee.

a. James DeBard Smith was born April 14, 1872. He married twice. First wife—Annie Lynam, April 20, 1907. She died July 3, 1919. No children. Second marriage to Stella Ann Kennedy, of Toronto, Canada, at Atlanta, Ga., Feb. 28, 1925. One child, a girl, Frances Marion, born Jan. 9, 1926. He left McMinnville, Tenn. in 1890, went to Chattanooga, Tenn., where he lived until 1899, then moved to Atlanta, Ga., where he is at this writing in the employ of the Armour Fertilizer Works as Purchasing Agent and Traffic Manager, purchasing supplies needed to keep the plant in repair.

b. George Mead Smith married twice—first to Jane Whitson, of McMinnville, Tenn., who died in 1907. They had one child, Elizabeth Graves, who married Ward DeWitt of Nashville, Tenn., Oct. 15, 1924. They have one son, Ward, Jr.

born Oct. 15, 1925, one daughter born in 1933. George married the second time, Lillie James Walling, Feb. 1918. No children.

In a letter to the writer dated March, 1941, George says that soon he will have been in the banking business 50 years. Is at this time very busy as President of the First National Bank of McMinnville, Tenn., Mayor of the town and member of the Draft Board.

c. Elizabeth Smith, born Nov. 16, 1875, died Sept. 22, 1922, aged 47 years. Married Henry Conley of Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 22, 1897. They had two boys, George DeBard and Frank Marion, both living at Tullahoma, Tenn. and in business with their father.

(7) James Harvey DeBard, youngest child of Dr. James and Elizabeth Lewis Davis DeBard, was born March 30, 1846, died Feb. 7, 1907, at Shellsford, Warren County, Tennessee. Married Laura Davis at Pine Grove, Kentucky, 1883. Laura D. died at the home of her daughter, Eunice D. Foss in Savannah, Georgia, in May 1940. She was buried by the side of her husband at McMinnville, Tenn. They had two children, Davis Mead DeBard, born November 1, 1884, and Eunice F. DeBard, born October 1, 1888.

James Harvey DeBard remained on the farm in Carter County, Kentucky, operating the farm and together with his sister, Harriet, taking care of their parents for a number of years. James Harvey then entered into contracting work, making fills for railroads when they were being constructed in Kentucky. There at Pine Grove he met and married Laura Davis. After their marriage they moved to Shellsford, Tenn., and entered into a partnership with George Mead, his brother-in-law, in the sawmill, gristmill and lumber business. Children of James H. and Laura Davis DeBard continued.

Davis Mead DeBard is a very capable business man, Vice President of Stone & Webster Service Corporation, a utilities concern, that owns plants all over the United States.

a. Davis Mead DeBard married Eleanor Pratt of West Newton, Massachusetts in 1913, where they now live. They have a daughter, Elizabeth Frances DeBard, born January 6, 1914, and a son, Davis Stuart DeBard, born May 13, 1915. Elizabeth is Assistant Director of U. S. O. at Alexandria, Virginia. Stuart, until recently, has been a lawyer in Boston and now is an Ensign in the Navy. He married in 1939, Cather-

ine Douglas of Philadelphia, and they have one daughter, Ellen Douglas, born April 16, 1941.

b. Eunice DeBard married Howard Coburn Foss in 1910. Mr. Foss, besides many civic activities in Savannah Georgia, was President of the Savannah Electric and Power Co. He died January 10, 1938, leaving his wife, who still lives in Savannah, and two daughters, Eunice DeBard Foss and Laura Coburn Foss.

2. HENRY, the second son of Ephriam and Mary Lewis DeBard, married, lived and died in Missouri, having several children:

(a) Mattie, a daughter, of Platts City, Missouri.

(b) Fannie Oliver, a daughter, of Olathe, Kansas.

(c) David DeBard, a son, Platts City, Missouri.

3. HARVEY married, lived and died in Texas, having one child, a son, R. E. DeBard of Haskell, Texas.

4. ELIZABETH married a man named Whittaker, lived and died in Texas, having no children.

5. SALLY married John Conkwright, lived in Missouri. They had a son, Allen H. who lived and died at Sedalia and other children. Allen was a splendid Latin Scholar. On a visit to the writer's parents in Greenup, Ky., he was inspired to persist in the study of that language. Allen H. Conkwright practiced medicine a number of years.

Mrs. Sally Conkright left 19 heirs to-wit: Mrs. H. E. Porter, a daughter, of Sedalia, Mo., Mrs. Nannie Black, a granddaughter, being a daughter of Cynthia Cox, a deceased daughter, of Clifton City, Mo., R. A. Cox, a grandson, being a son of a deceased daughter Cynthia Cox, of Tanpa, Oklahoma, George Cox, a grandson, being a son of Cynthia Cox, a deceased daughter, of Clifton City, Mo., J. G. Cox, a grandson, being a son of Cynthia Cox, a deceased daughter, of Clifton City, Mo., J. H. Cox, a grandson, being a son of Cynthia Cox, a deceased daughter, of New Smyrna, Fla., W. E. Cox, a grandson, being a son of Cynthia Cox, a deceased daughter, of Lawton, Oklahoma, Sarah Overstreet, a granddaughter, being a daughter of Cynthia Cox, a deceased daughter, of 2310 Allen Ave., St. Louis, Mo., Rebecca Overstreet, a granddaughter, being a daughter of Cynthia Cox, a deceased daughter, of 2424 T St., Lincoln, Nebraska, Tarlton Cox, a grandson, being a son of Cynthia Cox, a deceased daughter, of

Scotia, Washington, J. W. Conner, a grandson, being a son of Margaret Conner, a deceased daughter, of Sedalia, Mo., A. H. Conner, a grandson, being a son of Margaret Conner, a deceased daughter, of Red Bluff, California, F. P. Conner, a grandson, being a son of Margaret Conner a deceased daughter, of Cloverdale, California, J. D. Conner, a grandson, being a son of Margaret Conner a deceased daughter, of Kansas City, Mo., Mrs. Florence Cox, a granddaughter, being a daughter of Allen Conkright a deceased son, of Clifton City, Mo., Adelaide Conkright (age 9) great-granddaughter, being a daughter of S. A. Conkright, a deceased grandson, who was a son of Allen Conkright, a deceased son, of Sedalia, Mo., Allen H. Conkright (age 6) a great grandson, being a son of S. A. Conkright, a deceased grandson who was a son of Allen Conkright a deceased son, of Sedalia, Mo., Sidney Conkright (age 3) a great grandson, being a son of S. A. Conkright a grandson, being a son of Allen Conkright deceased son of Sarah Conkright, Mrs. Shellie Franklin, a granddaughter, being a daughter of Sallie Starr a deceased daughter, of Sedalia, Mo.

(Adelaide, Allen H. and Sidney Conkright are all infants and are in the charge of their mother, Jessie W. Conkright, of Sedalia, Mo.)

6. ELIJAH married and lived in Palestine, Texas, having several children, namely:

- (a) Mrs. Elviva Boyles, a daughter of Palestine, Texas.
- (b) Mrs. Flora Phillips, a daughter of Palestine, Texas.
- (c) J. D. DeBard, a son, of Palestine, Texas.
- (d) Frank DeBard, a son, who has not been heard from for over 15 years, but was last heard from in San Jose, Calif.
- (e) Mary Lacy, a daughter of Denton, Texas. Mary Lacy had a daughter, Julia Carroll, and a son, R. Y. Lacy, of Pittsburg, Texas.

7. THOMAS married, lived, and died at Selam, Alabama. He had no children. The writer remembers having seen Uncle Thomas on a visit to Kentucky that he made during Reconstruction Days. He was county clerk of his county in Alabama. I told him that I had read in the newspapers that the whites in the South intimidated the Negroes and would not let them vote and I would like to know whether these accounts were true. He replied, "We allow them to vote, but do not always count their votes."

8. LEWIS married, lived and died at Mt. Sterling, Kentucky, and had no children. He was a cabinet maker and was very well-off in this world's goods.

9. POLLY married John White, lived in Danville, Ky., (some accounts say Missouri) where she died.

The following history of the George Eve DeBard branch of the family was contributed by Sebern Clay DeBard, his grandson, who spent considerable time gathering data for his very correct and complete record.

10. GEORGE EVE DeBARD, son of Ephriam and Mary Blackwell Lawrence DeBard, as stated before, was born in Clark County, Kentucky, February 5, 1819, and in his early manhood was a live-stock dealer; buying up large droves of mules and horses in Kentucky and Missouri and driving the stock through the country, through Tennessee, North Carolina and South Carolina; and on his trips through the Cross Anchor section of Spartanburg County, South Carolina was the Harris plantation, a stop-over point for resting and feeding the stock; there he met and later in November 27, 1843, married Nancy Elizabeth Harris; (record of her parents not available). To this union there were six children, namely—Lewis Wylie, Mary Agnes, Henry Clay, James Alfred, Thomas Harvey and Sara Elizabeth (Lizzie).

George Eve and Nancy Harris DeBard settled on a plantation near what is now the town of Woodruff, South Carolina, and there reared their children: Moved to Reidville, South Carolina about 1885 and entered into the mercantile business, where George Eve died March 26, 1892. For many years he was 'Justice-of-the-Peace'—(Magistrate) for his township, and the whole neighborhood for miles around came to him for legal council and advise. He was called "Squire" by all the grown-ups. He owned several slaves back on the plantation, and after they were freed in 1865 he called them into "the big house" and told them that the Union had won the war and thereby they were at liberty to go where they pleased: One old negro slave named "Gull" replied, "Marse, dat done mean notin' to me, kaze I'se been as free as I wants to be living wid you and Misus Nancy." Old 'Gull' lived out his years there on the plantation, and "Marse George" put him away to his last resting place. Other former slaves lived on with "Marse George" for years. Some drifted away for a while, but came

back and wanted to live with "Marse George", saying there was no place like home. Until the children grew up, and at times while "Marse George" was away from home, he left orders with 'Gull' and he in turn gave orders to the other negroes and saw to it that they did their chores, while he 'Gull', was detailed to wait on and protect "Misus Nancy". Nancy Harris DeBard, born February 26, 1821, died April 18, 1898, age 77. They were both buried at Cedar-Grove church cemetery, Laurens County, South Carolina. Everyone who knew George Eve and Nancy Harris DeBard, pay them this tribute: "That they were a distinct contribution to society and their country."

Note: On the preceding page it is stated that George Eve DeBard was a live-stock dealer out of Kentucky and Missouri. It has been related and handed down from him, that when he became of age, his father gave him a horse and saddle, (as was the custom in those days), and whatever else was given him is not known; and after attaining age 21, he went for a temporary stay with his sister Salley, who married John Conkwright, living in Missouri. And in all probability he rode his horse from Kentucky to Missouri. It is further related that he and his brother-in-law, John Conkwright, formed a co-partnership in the livestock business. It is also related that George Eve in his late teens served three years apprenticeship as a saddle and harness maker, and was a craftsman in the art.

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Lewis Wylie, born Sept. 13, 1846, served in the Confederate army in the Civil War, died of Measles in Virginia while in the army June 1, 1865, and was buried at Long Island, N. Y. He never married.

Mary Agnes, born Sept. 10, 1848, married Monty T. Westmoreland, son of Andy Westmoreland of Spartanburg County, South Carolina, and to this union there was one child, Cora Maude. Mary Agnes died Oct. 8, 1926 at Fountain Inn, South Carolina, and was buried at Belview church cemetery, (near the old plantation), Spartanburg County, South Carolina. Her husband preceded her in death in 1920. They were both of the old school, fine noble Christian characters.

Dr. Henry Clay, born June 27, 1850, studied medicine at a medical institution at Atlanta, Georgia, and for some years practised medicine in Spartanburg County, South Carolina. First married Maggie Arnold of same county and state, who died about a year later. His second marriage was to Anette Benson of same county and state. She outlived him some years. (Record of the parents of either of his wives not available). There were no children to either union. Dr. Henry Clay died Oct. 16, 1882 at Wellford, South Carolina, and was buried at Cedar-Grove church cemetery, Laurens County, South Carolina. He was a prominent physician in his day.

James Alfred, born Oct. 5, 1853, first married Elliott Roberts, daughter of Sebern R. and Margaret Linsey Roberts of Spartanburg County, South Carolina in 1877, and to this union there were six children, namely: Gordon, Daisy Dale, Wylie Clyde, Sebern Clay, Maisy Mae and James Elliott. Elliott Roberts DeBard, born Sept. 12, 1857, died March 7, 1889, and was buried at Wellford, South Carolina. "She was a woman of exceptionally high Christian character," is the tribute paid her by all who knew her.

James Alfred married the second time in 1892 to Rosalee Elizabeth Wofford, daughter of Thomas and Nancy Wofford of Spartanburg County, South Carolina, and to this union

there were four children, namely: Winifred Davis, Ora Oree, Nancy Elizabeth and George Thomas. James Alfred died Jan. 3, 1924. Rosalee Wofford DeBard, born Nov. 2, 1861, died Feb. 27, 1927, and she bore the same tribute as did his first wife. They were both buried at Fountain Inn, South Carolina.

James Alfred moved from the old plantation to Wellford, South Carolina in 1884, and lived there until 1894, and in the early nineties was a member of the board of Spartanburg county commissioners. He then moved to Fountain Inn, South Carolina; and was twice mayor of the town, and also served as magistrate of his township, until failing health necessitated his retirement. He was kind and dutiful as a husband and father, for he was a man of high Christian character.

Thomas Harvey, born Sept. 4, 1856, died Jan. 5, 1871, age 15.

Sara Elizabeth, born Aug. 6, 1861, married Jefferson Marion Farrow June 10, 1883, and to this union there were eleven children, namely—first born, a son, died in infancy, second, a daughter, died in infancy, Broadus, Debraugh, Weyman, Blanche, Leo Knight, Henry DeBard, Annie Belle, tenth born, a daughter, died in infancy, and Thomas Jefferson. This family was reared near Fountain Inn, South Carolina. Sara DeBard Farrow, died Nov. 15, 1915 and was buried at New Harmony church cemetery, Laurens Co., South Carolina. Her husband preceded her in death in 1908, and was buried beside his wife. They both were of high Christian character.

Children of Monty T. and Mary DeBard Westmoreland, and as stated before, there was only one child.

Cora Maude, born May 31, 1870, married Loran Balcombe of Spartanburg County, South Carolina, (name of his parents not available,) and to this union there were four children, namely—Daisy Estell, Thomas Grady, Andrew Howard and Pratt. Cora Westmoreland Balcombe died May 26, 1895. Her husband married again and died some years ago.

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ROBERTS DeBARD

Gordon, died in infancy.

Daisy Dale, born May 26, 1879, died Jan. 8, 1897, age 18.

Wylie Clyde, born Sept. 3, 1881, died Jan. 22, 1908, age 27. He never married.

Sebern Clay, born June 11, 1883, married Kathryn Irene Will, of Columbus, Ga. Jan. 12, 1935. They have one child, Ann Ferebee Wills, age 11. Sebern Clay and family now living at Fountain Inn, South Carolina, where he has for the past 21 years been engaged in the insurance business; served as alderman and clerk of his town for a term of two years, and was re-elected and resigned.

Maisy Mae, born May 16, 1885, married Frank W. Welborn, son of D. F. and Mary Gilliland Welborn of Laurens County, South Carolina, and to this union there was one child, Nona Oree. Frank W. Welborn and his wife now living at Fountain Inn, South Carolina, where he has been engaged in the banking, farming and fertilizer business for the past 29 years.

James Elliott, born June 19, 1888, married Lillie Helen Curry, daughter of Lewis S. and Mary Adams Curry of Laurens County, South Carolina, and to this union there were two children, namely—Mary Carolyn and Hazel Elliott. James Elliott and family now living at Fountain Inn, South Carolina, where he is engaged in the mercantile and filling station business.

CHILDREN OF JAMES ALFRED AND ELLIOTT
WOFFARD DeBARD

Winifred Davis, born April 17, 1893, married Frank R. Holden of Greensboro, North Carolina, (name of his parents not available), and to this union there were three children, namely—Franklin DeBard, Thomas Whitted and Shirley Jean. Frank R. Holden died Aug. 23, 1942, at Monroe, La., where Winifred DeBard Holden and children now live.