

**THE
FOLK FAMILY**

SECTION, II, HENRY

born 9 Sept. 1804

4th child of Jacob Folk and Mary Elizabeth Howard

From the files compiled by Joseph Earle Steadman.

HENRY FOLK

Henry Folk, fourth child of Jacob Folk, Jr, and his wife Mary Elizabeth Howard, was born at 8:00 p.m. on 9 September 1804, and died at sometime between 1830 and 1840. At About 1828 he married Mary Hemster (probably the daughter of Michael Hemster, who is listed in the 1790 census for Orangeburgh District, North Part, S.C.) who was born about 1813 and apparently died ~~###~~ before or soon after her Housband's death. The 1830 census for Colleton County (St. Bartholomew Parish), S.C., shows him as the head of a household consisting of himself (20 to 29 years of age), his wife (15 to 19 years of age), and a daughter (0 to 4 years of age). Family bible records show that he had a son who was born in 1831. These apparently were his only children, and the following information is given concerning them.

1, Daughter - born about 1829 and apparently died in infancy.

2, Henry William Capers (physician) - according to his family Bible record, "Was born 2nd February Anno Domini 1831. A male child of Henry and Mary Folk named Henry William Capers". He died at some time during or after 1877. After the death of his parents and until the time of his marriage he was under the guardianship of his uncle Jacob Folk, (the third) He had an excellant education, first graduating from Newberry College at Newberry, S.C., next from Medical College at Charleston, S.C., and then attended a college in Philadelphia, Pa. It is said that he could speak six different languages, On June 12, 1851 he married Mary Rebecca Lightsey (daughter of Henry and Elizabeth Lightsey, and sister of Captain John Lightsey who married Nancy Folk) who was born 4 December 1831 and died after 17 December 1877. His family Bible record shows that he had eight children (five of these being named in the 1870 census for Beaufort District, St. Peters Parish, S.C.) namely :-

a. Thaddeus Henry Theodore, born 2 January 1853. He married Henrietta Sweatman and had one child, namely:-

1, Henry William Capers, married Lilly Bowers (sister of

Thomas Asbury Bowers who was a furniture dealer at Hampton, S.C.

b., Mary Elizabeth, born 17 March 1855 and died 22 September 1858.

c., William Nicholas Hemeter (physician), born 11 May 1860. He married Mahala Clementine Lightsey and had two children, namely:-

1. William Obediah :- born 11 July 1886, and died 30 Dec. 1932 (died from injuries received in an automobile wreck near Wyeross, Ga.).

on 5 January 1908. He married Annie Claire Mattox, who was born, 8 July 1879 and was living in Savannah, Ga. Shortly after 1910 he moved to Wyeross Ga., where he became district superintendent of a Life insurance company. His family bible record shows that he had three children, namely:

a. William Michael (called "Wylly"), born 20 October 1908 and living 1957 in Atlanta, Ga. She graduated from the University of Georgia with a degree in Journalism, and for a number of years has been a staff feature writer on the Atlanta Journal Sunday Magazine. She married, 1 Jan. 1930, Thomas Franklin St. John. They are the parents of one child namely:*

(a-1), Anne Folk St. John, born 5 Dec. 1934, married 14 Feb. 1951 William Ira Smith, divorced; m. 5 Dec. 1953 Charles Herbert Dyer, and ~~is~~ ~~1957~~ was the mother of two children, namely :-

(a. 1. 1.) Rebecca Ann Smith, b. 5 Feb. 1952

(a.-1-20) Jennifer Louise Dyer, b. 17 Dec. 1954

b. Walton Obediah:- born 4 February 1910 and living 1957 at Marietta, Ga. He attended The Citadel, at Charleston, S.C., for two years (1927 - 1929), after which he transferred to the University of Georgia from which he graduated (1932) with a degree in Journalism. Since 1933 he has been in the book business, except for the years of World War II during which he worked on war construction and did short stints in both the United States Army and the United States Navy. For a number of years prior to the war he operated the largest bookstore in Atlanta, Ga.; and since the war he has been doing specialized publishing and selling books

in a 100% mail order business, at Marietta, Ga. He married Elizabeth³ Hood Procter, and has one child, namely :-

bl. ~~Elizabeth~~ Elizabeth^{Judith M. Jones} - born 7 October 1940 and living 1957.

c. John Edward - born 18 May 1912 and living 1957 near Los Angeles, Calif. He is a professional photographer and a career man (Chief Warrant Officer) of the United States Coast Guard. During World War II he did aerial photography in the Pacific Theater of activity. In 1951 he engaged in "shooting" Coast Guard propaganda and Training films at the Republic Studios in Hollywood, Calif. He married (1) June Woodlaver from whom he was divorced after the birth of their only child ; (2) in 1945, Katherine McCollum (called "Kay"); died December 1945, being burned to death; and (3), in 1949 Erika Strobel. The death of his second wife occurred during his absence from home and while he was in Danville, Va. He had one child by the first wife and has three children by his third wife, namely :-

cl.- Clair Diane - born 29 March 1937 and died, Dec. 1945. she was burned to death in the same fire as that in which her stepmother died.

c. 2, Sally Ann - born 25 March 1951;

c. 3, Daughter - born

c. 4, John William - born 28 Feb. 1957;

¶ 2), Mikellah Mahala , ; died 1950 at her home near Ehrhardt, S.C. She married James F. Hiers (called "Jim") and had five children, namely :-

(a) Esther Enola Hiers, living 1957, at Kensington, Md. went to Washington, D.C., and served a number of years as secretary to a Congressman (Senator or Representative) from South Carolina. She married Henry E. Deal.

(b) Landis Wendell Hiers, living 1957

(c) Harley Nicholas Hiers, living 1957 at Chillum, Md.

(d) James Marion Hiers, living 1957

(e) Hazel Hiers, living 1957

d.- Capers Prieoleau ,- born 2 October 1863 and died 20 Jan. 1875
 e - John Lucius (physician) - born 8 Dec.1866 and died sometime
 between 1951 and 1957. He married (1) Julia Lewis, born
 died . they had two children,namely :-

(e,1) Inez - married Walter Brunson

(e,2) Julia Lewis,- married Amaty Peter Garrick

e - John Lucius, married (2) Mrs Bessie S. Fisher (nee Addison)
 they had two children, namely:-

(e,3) John Lucius (called "Jack")- born 13 Mar. 1902

(e,4) Hugh Francis - born 22 Nov. 1905;

f,- Franklin Webster (called"Webb") -born 26 May 1870 and died
 6 Sept. 1877 (accidently hit with a baseball bat)

g.- Mary Rosella (called"Rosa")- born 27 Dec.1872 and died
 26 May 1952,at Savannah,Ga.. She married Stephan Mason and had 5 children
 namely:-

g(e) - Annie Mason, living 1957, md. (1)

(2)

g(1) - John Mason, died before 1957, md. twice

g(2) - Ripley Mason, living 1957 ~~#####~~.

g (3) - Thelma Mason, living 1957,near Savannah,Ga.

g (4) - Maude Mason, living 1957, near Savannah,Ga.

g (5) - Marion Mason, living 1957

h.- Son unnamed- born 17 Dec. 1877, died same day.

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Family bible of Jacob Folk, Sr.

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Henry ; son of Jacob and Mary Elizabeth Folk, was born 9 Sept.1804

Census of South Carolina

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1830 - Colleton County (St.Bartholemew Parish)

Henry Folk, 1 20/30, - 1 5/- , 1 15/20, - 7 (p 12)

1840 Charleston County, (St.Bartholemew-Colleton)

Henry W.C. , 1/ 5/10 - with his uncle Jacob Folk,Jr., 1 30/40

1850 - Colleton County (St. Bartholemew)

Henry W.C. - 19 - with his uncle Jacob Folk, jr. , 48

Family bible of Henry Folk

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Henry William Capers, son of Henry and Mary Folk
was born, 2 February 1831.

Census of South Carolina

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1840 - Charleston County, (St. Bartholomew - Colleton)
1850 - Colleton County, (St. Bartholomew)

Living with uncle Jacob Folk, sr.

1860 - Beaufort County (St. Peters Parish - Silver Hill)

Henry W.C. Folk (Dr.) 29, Mary R. 28, Thaddeus 18, Henry 14
William N.H. 20/35
p. 66, house 446

1870 - Beaufort County - (St. Peters Parish)

H.W.C. Folk 35, Mary 35, Thaddeus 18, Henry 14, Pralcau 8, John &
Francis 2/12. --
p. 123, house 1108

G.L. Sumner - Newberry County, S.C. - H. & G.

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p229 (addenda) Dr. Henry Capers Folk married Mary Lightsey and had
8 children, as follows:- Thaddeus Henry Theodore (b. 1/2/1853), Mary
Elizabeth (b. 3/17/1855), William Nicholas Hemster (b. 5/11/1860),
Capers Pralcau (b. 10/2/1863), John Lucius (b. 12/8.1866), Franklin
Webster (b. 12/27/1870), Mary Rosella (b. 12/27/1872, and a son
whose name is not given in the family bible (b. 12/17/1877). Henry
William Capers Folk and Mary Rebecca Lightsey married, 6/12/1851).
He was born 2/2/1831, and she was born 12/4/1831, being the daughter
of Henry and Elizabeth Lightsey.

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Family of Dr. H.W.S. Folk - He married Miss Mary Lightsey - sister of
Captain John Lightsey - who married Nancy Folk
~~captain John Lightsey - who married Nancy Folk.~~

Their Children

Thaddeus Folk, (Thaddeus Henry Theodore)

Dr. W.N.H. Folk, (William Nicholas Hemeter)

Dr. John L. Folk, (John Lucius)

Webb Folk (Franklin Webster) was killed hit with baseball bat
when a boy.

Rosa Folk, (Mary Rosella)

Thaddeus -married Henrietta Sweat - 1 child Henry William Capers,
he married Lilly Bowers

Dr. W.N.H.- married Mahala Clementine Lightsey,- 2 children
William Obed, Mikella Mahala.

William Obed, married Annie Mattoy, they had 3 children,
Walton, Wylly Mike, John Edward.

Mikella Mahala,-married Jim F. Hiers,- they have 5 children,
Esther Enola, Landis Wendell, Harley Nicholas, James Marion,
Hazel., Nene Married

Dr. John L.- first married Julia Lewis - they had 2 children
Inez and Julia.

Inez married Walter Brunson.

Julia married Amety Peter Garrick

Second wife was Mrs Bessie Fisher, a widow lady- they had 2 children
Jack and Hugh F.

Rosa married Stephen Mason -they had 5 children, Johnnie, Ripley,
Thelma, Maude, Marion.

Mikella wants a copy
address;

Mrs Jim F.Hiers
Ehrhardt, S.C.
R.F.D.

Family bible of Henry William Capers Folk

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Thaddeus Henry Theodore, Son of Henry William Capers Folk and Mary Rebecca Folk, was born 2 January 1853.

Statement of Mrs. Mikellah Folk Hiers

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Thaddeus Folk married Henrietta Sweatman and had child- Henry William Capers Folk who married Lilly Bowers.

**The Saluda (S.C.) Standard
(30 August 1934)**

Mrs Lilly Bowers Folk, sister of Thomas Asbury Bowers (furniture dealer at Hampton S.C.) ,died 3 August 1934, aged 64 years.

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John Lucius Folk (Doctor) of Hampton County S.C., was born 8 December 1866, being the son of Dr. Henry William Capers and Mary (Lightsey) Folk. He married (1) Julia Lewis and had - Inez, and Julia Lewis Folk. He married (2) Mrs Bessie E. (Addison) Fisher and had. John Lucius, Jr. (born 13 March 1902) and Hugh Francis (born 22 November 1905).

Obituary

7-21-1969

Mrs. H.W.C.Folk

Brunson -- Mrs Lilly Bowers Folk, 69, widow of H.W.C.Folk died Monday at Allendale County Hospital.

Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Wednesday in Brunson Baptist Church, Burial will be in Brunson Cemetery.

She was born in Hampton County, a daughter of the late Giles Martin and Mary Hogarth Bowers.

Surviving are a number of nieces and nephews.

Robinson Funeral Home in Allendale is in charge

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Family bible of Henry William Capers Folk

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William Nicholas Hemeter, son of Henry William Capers and Mary
Rebecca Folk, was born 11 May 1860.

Statement of Mrs Mikellah Folk Hiers
Statement of Mr Walton Obed. Folk

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William Nicholas Hemeter Folk married Mahala Clementine Lightsey
and had 2 children -- William Obed. Folk and Mikellah Mahala Folk.

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Mikellah Folk married James Fender Hiers, and they had 5 children - Esther, Enola, Landis Wendel, Harley Nicholas, James Marion, and Hazel. -- Jim Fender Hiers of Ehrhardt, a Bamberg County dairy farmer for the past 8 years, was born in Colleton County on March 2, 1889. He is a Lutheran. His wife (second wife - no children) is the former Zeita Vernelle Planer. He is the father of 5 children - Mrs. C.F. Seidel of Atlanta, Mrs. Henry E. Deal of Kensington, Md. , Harley N. Hiers, L.W. Hiers, and James M. Hiers of Ehrhardt.

Mr. Joseph E. Steadman
4137 Fourth Street, S.E.
Washington 20, D.C.

12 April 1951

Dear Mr. Steadman:

With the kind assistance of Miss Roberta P. Wakefield I have at last succeeded in locating you although I have been hunting you for more than a year - ever since Mr. George Leland Sumners, of Newberry, S.C. sent me a copy of the FOLK genealogical data which you compiled and through the use of which I was enabled to trace my direct descent from the first Jacob Folk who settled in Newberry County in 1740/1741. I am indeed grateful to you for having done this genealogical work for the Folk family, and descendants.

According to your data I, like you, am descended from Jacob Folk (the fourth son of the original Jacob), who moved to Colleton County in 1803. My great-great grandfather was Henry Folk, the fourth child of Jacob whereas your immediate ancestor was Levi Folk, the ninth child.

There is an error in your data which I would like to correct. You state that Henry Folk (my great-great grandfather) married a Miss Hemeter and was the father of.....

(1) Dr. Henry Capers Folk-- married Mary Lightsey and was the father of 4 children. Actually Dr. Henry Capers Folk was the father of 8 children, one of which died at birth. Two are still living at an advanced age, a great-uncle, Dr. John Folk, and a great aunt. I have the names and dates of birth of seven of the eight. The one which died at birth was never named. I obtained this information from a family bible owned by my great aunt and am now making an effort to have transcribed for me the pages containing marriages and deaths.

If you are still working on the Folk genealogy and would like to have this additional information for your records I would be delighted to send you what I have and subsequently acquire- when I can find time to copy it off

If you have made any additions to your Genealogy of the Folk family I would very much appreciate getting such additional information

Please advise me regarding the following: You state that the family is directly descended from a French Huguenot family which fled from France to Germany and Holland during the reign of Louis XIV, as is borne out by French, German and Dutch records of the family.

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Where are the French, German, and Dutch records of the family, and how could access to them be obtained? I would be quite interested in studying the family history as far back as possible.

I was born in Bamberg County, S.C. but my parents moved to Georgia while I was still a baby, My only residence in South Carolina was two years spent at The Citadel, Charleston, 1927-1929 prior to transferring to the University of Georgia for a Journalism degree.

Miss Wakefield said that you would write me. Please do.

Sincerely,

S/ Walton O.Folk

Walton O.Folk

Letter to J. Earle Steadman from Walton Folk

13 May 1957

(Monday night)

Dear Earle:

Without referring to my file I transmit herewith the scant bit of information which, offhand, I don't think you have, and which I obtained today by telephone from Cousin Hazel (Aunt Mikellah's daughter).

Aunt Mikellah was born Dec. 2, 1888 and on 26 January 1910 married Jim F. Hiers, who was born March 2, 1889. Since Aunt Mikellah's death, Hazel's father has remarried, but this is immaterial to your book.

Hazel still doesn't have full data on her brothers who are still living in South Carolina, but promises this information. I assume that you have contacted Cousin Esther (Mrs. Henry Deal) who lives near Washington; also the brother who lives near Washington.

I'll do my best to supply all of the information which I promised, as quickly as possible. My sister, Wylly, says she will help, and will probably be much better at it than I as she is accustomed to doing research for her writing. I'll go over my file with Wylly within the next few days and let her try her hand at digging up some of the wanted information.

To comment further on the coats-of-arms: If you can locate a "black and white" illustration of the coat armor of the ancient French House of Anjou I would like to have made from it the same type of "photo-offset" negative which I requested for the "Volk of Ratisbonne" coat in lieu of the photo-stat which you furnished. Would also like to have description of the Anjouian "coat." I have an artist friend who will do these in color on parchment for framing at a very moderate price.

Cordially,

S/ Walton
Walton Folk

LETTER FROM WALTON FOLK TO J. EARLE STEADMAN

February 13, 1957

Dear Mr. Steadman:

I don't know whether I sent you this or not, but this is the correct information on the progeny of my great grand-father, Dr. Henry William Capers Folk, who married Mary Rebecca Lightsey, and was the father of eight children, not four as Sumner erroneously had it. This was copied verbatim from the family bible now being in the possession of one of my second cousins.

Henry William Capers Folk and Mary Rebecca Lightsey was married 12 June Anno Domini ~~1831~~ 1851.

Was born 2nd. February Anno Domini 1831. A male child son of Henry and Mary Folk named Henry William Capers.

Was born 4th December Anno Domini 1831 a female child daughter of Henry & Elizabeth Lightsey named Mary Rebecca.

Was born 2 January Anno Domini 1853. A male child named Thaddeus Henry Theodore.

Was born 17th. March Anno Domini 1855. A female child named Mary Elizabeth.

Was born 11th day of May Anno Domini 1860 a male child named William Nicholas Hemster (MY GRANDFATHER).

Capers Prielean Folk son of H.W.C. & Mary R. Folk was born 2nd day of October in the year of our Lord 1863.

John Lucius Son of H.W.C. and Mary R. Folk, was born the 8th day of December Anno Domini 1866.

Frankling Webster Son of H.W.C. and Mary R. Folk was born the 26th day of May Anno Domini 1870.

Mary Rosella daughter of H.W.C. and Mary R. Folk was born the 26th day of December Anno Domini 1872.

Was born the 17th December A.D. 1877 and died same day a male child not named son of H.W.C. and Mary R. Folk.

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LETTER FROM WALTON FOLK

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Departed this life September 23rd Anno Domini 1858 Mary Elizabeth daughter of H.W.C. and Mary R. Folk.

Departed this life January 20th Anno Domini 1875 Capers Prioleau son of H.W.C. and Mary R. Folk.

Departed this Life September 6th Anno Domini 1877 Franklin Webster son of H.W.C. and Mary R. Folk

I don't know what happened to the children, if any, of the first son, Thaddeaus Henry Theodere.

My grandfather had two children - my father, William Obed Folk, died in 1932 as the result of an automobile accident. My only brother and only sister are both living. Sister has one daughter and two grand children; brother has two daughters and two grand children by his 3rd wife (first wife divorced; second wife and daughter by first wife killed in a fire); brother's third wife is "expecting" again now.

If you want it for your book I can give you the complete chronology from our family bible including birth and death dates of my father; birth date of my mother, who is still living, date of their marriage, and birth dates of myself, brother, and sister - also dates of our marriages; birth dates of our children, etc. I have only one daughter, age 16.

My aunt Mikellah (father's sister) who died several years ago has several children. My first cousin, Mrs. Deel, in Kensington, Maryland, can give you information on them.

My great uncle, John Lucius, died several years ago and has living children. I think I can get you the address and name of at least one of them if you wish to contact them.

My great- aunt, Mary Rosella, also died quite recently, and has two daughters living near Savannah, Georgia. My mother, who lives at Savannah, is in close contact with them and I can get you their names and addresses if you wish to write them.

As previously stated, I know little about genealogical procedure but if you will let me know exactly the information you will wish to use about our immediate family I will gladly supply it.

Cordially,

S/ Walton Folk

Walton Folk

P.S. I have a good bit of entirely unrelated Folk material. For example, I have in my possession a copy of the following book: THE MORMAN MONSTER OR THE STORY OF MORMANISM, by Edgar E. Folk, A.M., D.D.

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LETTER FROM WALTON FOLK

3.

Editor of "The Baptist and Reflector," Nashville Tennessee. This book was published in 1900 by the Baptist Publishing House in Nashville.

Separately I am sending you from my file a small batch of correspondence regarding Folks in various parts of the country, including a Mrs. Foulk in Culver, Arizona who is trying to tie in; and information regarding an Ohio and Pennsylvania branch of the Folk family.

Will you please mail this correspondence back to me after you have used it for whatever interest it is to you, as I wish to keep it in my file.

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of years in Germany with her husband who was stationed there in the army, she decided to "free lance" instead of returning to the Atlanta Journal and has been quite successful as a free lance writer. In the past two years she has sold three short novels to RED BOOK MAGAZINE @ \$7500.00 each

Wylly's daughter Anne Folk St. John, married William Ira Smith on February 14, 1951, and their daughter is Rebecca Ann Smith, born Feb. 5, 1952

Then Anne divorced Smith and on Dec. 5, 1953 married Charles Herbert Dyer. Their daughter, Jennifer Louise Dyer, was born, 17 Dec. 1954.

Your "write up" of me is correct, except that you might add that in addition to bookselling and publishing I am also in the photo-lithographic printing business commercially. My wife's name is Elizabeth Hood Proctor (you left out the middle name) and my daughter## is Elizabeth Judith (not Judith Elizabeth) al though we call her Judy. All of your dates on us are correct. We were married Dec. 30, 1933, which date you did not seem to have.

My brether, John, is no longer in the Coast Guard, but retired after 20 years, and is now working for ~~Walt~~ Walt Disney Studios. Also he bought out an established Kennel and raises, breeds, sells, and boards fancy breeds of dogs. John has "gone to the dogs" so to speak, specializing in those high-priced African barkless dogs-- I dont recall the name of the breed.

I hope you have contacted my first cohsin, Ester, Mrs. Henry Deal, whose address I sent you, so that you can get full information on her and her brothers and sister. If you can't contact her let me know and I will call Hazel, who lives in Atlanta, and get her to furnish you with as much information as possible.

Back up to my father, WILLIAM OBED FOLK. He moved to Wycress, Ga. in 1927, not 1910, as you have it. Otherwise your sketch of him is correct. Incidentally, he and my aunt Mikella graduated from Orangeburg Collegiate Institute, Orangeburg, S. C., If you want that information.

To return to my brather, John. My sister tells me that she has written in her bible that Claire Diane (who died in the fire) was born 1938 instead of 1937 as you state. I don't know which is correct. My brother's address is 5620 Pence Ave., Woodland Hills, California. if you wish to write him. He could give you the date of his first marriage to June Woolaver. You are in error in stating that the death of his second wife occurred during his absence from home and while he was in Danville, Virginia

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The death of his second wife and Claire Diane occurred in Danville, Virginia, while John was in New York City. The fire was at the home of his wife's parents in Danville, and her mother also died in the fire

John's third daughter, still living, was born Feb. 25, 1953 and is named Amy. I think her middle name is Louise, but am not sure.

I telephoned my cousin Hazel (daughter of Aunt Mikella and Hazel gave me the following information:

On Sept. 2, 1940 Hazel married ~~Kenneth~~ Carl Frederick Seidel; on Oct. 26, 1943 a son Frederick Hiers Seidel was born and died on January 10, 1955.

A daughter, Michaela Susan was born March 21, 1946 and is still living.

Hazel's address is 1390 Westmont Road, S.W., Atlanta, Ga., in the event that you might wish to write her. She doesn't remember when her mother was born or when her mother and father were married but says she will write to find out. I forgot to state that Hazel was born Dec. 31, 1920.

Here are some additional dates which apparently you do not have. My sister copied these at one time from Aunt Mikellah's bible:

Mahaly (should be Mahala - poor spelling) Clementine Lightsey (my grandmother) was born Oct. 18, 1860

Dr. W.N.H. Folk and Mahaly (Mahala) Clementine Lightsey was married on 16th day of July A.D. 1885.

Dr. W.N.H. Folk departed June 27-28, 1924

Mahaly (Mahala) Clementine Folk died July 13, 1911

I don't know whether you can make heads or tails of this disjointed information, but I'll continue.

Getting down to my great-aunt Rosa,

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(I seem to have run out of the other stationary-at home)

Returning to my great-Aunt Rosa, who died 1956 in Savannah, Georgia.

Aunt Rosa's daughter, Marion (my second cousin) lives at Hazelhurst, Georgia. She is Mrs James (Jim) Bass. It is she who has Henry William Capers' family bible from which I sent you the authentic data on his descendant.

Maude (not Maud) lives in Savannah. Offhand I don't know her married name, but it seems to be the most genealogically inclined of Aunt Rosa's children-- seems anxious to obtain a Folk Coat-of-Arms, according to a letter which I received from my mother today. My mother and Maude are in frequent touch by telephone, and I have written mother asking her to send me Maude's name and address---also, I asked mother to give Maude your name and address so that she can write you complete genealogical information about her brothers and sisters, their children, etc. I can't keep up with all of the second cousins--not even the first cousins.

I hope I haven't confused you too much with all of this disoriented information. If I'll do the best I can, with the help of Hazel, to get what information I can on Aunt Mikellah's children and by working with Maude can probably get complete information on great-aunt Rosa's descendants,

In your letter you wish to know in what form your data should be prepared for publication. It should be typewritten, preferably double-spaced, so that the compositor can read it easily. Other than that there is no particular method of preparation. Simply type it in the genealogical form in which you wish it to appear as printed matter. Whoever sets the type will follow your methods of indentation, etc. If you have any approximate idea as to how many typewritten (or printed) pages the mss. will contain I would like to have some idea. Depending on size of the complete book (i.e. number of pages); it might be that we could handle the entire job of composition and presswork on our equipment; or, if too large a job for our presses we might do the composition and farm out the presswork to larger equipment. Anyway, I'll be glad to work with you to assure publication as economically as possible for a first class finished job.

Cordially,
S/ Mark Walton

Walton

Letter to J. Earle Steadman from "Wylly" Folk St. John.

250 Rocky Ford Rd. N.E.
Atlanta, Ga.
April 17, 1951

Dear Mr. Steadman;

My brother, Walton O. Folk, has asked me to write and give you the names and dates in our immediate family Bible. I am glad to do this, as I am much interested in your history of the Folk family, and will hope to see it when it is finished.

Our record begins with the marriage of my father and mother, William Obed Folk to Annie Claire Mattox, January 5, 1908. William Obed Folk was born on July 11, 1886, and died December 30, 1932. Annie Claire Mattox was born July 8, 1879. William Michael (this is my name though I am called Wylly) was born October 20, 1908, married Thomas Franklin St. John on January 1, 1930 one daughter, Anne Folk St. John born December 5, 1934. William Walton Obed Folk was born on February 4, 1910, married Elizabeth Procter (I don't know the date), one daughter, Judith Elizabeth, born October 7, 1940 (I think). John Edward Folk was born May 18, 1912, married June Woolaver (I don't know the date of marriage or divorce), one child, Claire Diane, born March 29, 1937, died in December, 1945, I believe. Also married Kay McCollum (Katherine) earlier in 1945; she died in the same fire that killed Claire. In 1949 (I think) he married Erika Strobel, they have a new daughter, Sally Anne Folk, born March 25, 1951.

That's all of our family immediate family. My brother also asked me to send you the name of my father's sister Mikellah's oldest daughter, who could tell you about their family. She is Mrs. Henry Deel, and the last address I have for her is 74 Knowles Ave. Kensington, Md. She works in Washington; you could probably arrange to see her if you wished.

I hope you have some details in your book about Levi Folk who volunteered for the yellow fever experiment. My brother wrote that that was your great-grandfather's name; but the Levi I am interested in must have been younger. He was probably a closer relative of yours than mine, though. I am interested in the possibility of using his experiences in a historical novel -- if I ever get time to do the necessary research. He strikes me as an extremely interesting character -- but then, many of the past Folk's do! I'd love to have time to dig into ~~the~~ our past as you are doing. It must be very interesting. If you know any details about Levi I'd be glad to know them -- or if you could tell me whom to ask other than yourself, or where to look. I'd appreciate it.

Thanks.

Cordially,

S/ Wylly Folk St. John

Wylly Folk St. John
250 Rocky Ford Rd. N.E.
Atlanta, Ga.