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Dear Cora and Robert,

I hope you all have had a wonderful summer, ours has been very dry and the farmers have really been hard hit. I have been on the puny list all summer, having many tests, etc. but it seems most of my problems stem from the radium burns internally that happened when I had that last bout with cancer in 1977. Am feeling better and hoping the Specialists can come up with something to help alleviate the situation.

Robert, I have not received anything yet from James Lawton. Camille wrote that she was sending him the letter concerning the fund raising for the Pierre Robert Memorial, so am waiting to hear from him to start sending out the letters.

Robert, I have a nephew who moved to Schweinfurt, West Germany in 1962 and he has done very well in the insurance business there. He sells insurance to the GI's and also has a photography business. He is the only one in my immediate family who is really interested in Genealogy. I have xeroxed many copies of many books and sent to him as he is interested in visiting the places our ancestors emigrated from. He travels quite a bit in Europe with his work but has asked me a question I could not answer. He asked was there a connection between our Lawtons and the naming of the town, Lawton, Oklahoma. It seems as though in the back of my mind there is - but I do not know the direct connection. He says much of his military contact is with the military of course (Army Field Artillery) and Army headquarters for Field Artillery is at Ft. Sill at Lawton, Oklahoma and he has a number of friends there. Could you please advise me as to his question?

Tennessee is preparing to host the UDC General Convention in Nashville Oct 31 - Nov. 1. Our UDC President General is from Tennessee - a friend of mine, Caroline Perkey. I am one of her Aides. But this fall I have been asked to do the table decorations and favors for the President's Banquet and we are expecting 700 people. I have ladies all over Upper East Tenn. working on favors and Bob and a friend on the center table containers (78 of them) and I will use silver candelabra for the Speaker's table. All of the planning is done, the favors mostly made (I hope), so now I just have to arrange the flowers and transport all the stuff to Nashville. I asked a Vice President friend of mine for 600 (the number of people they told me to expect at first) darling plastic key ring puzzles and I picked them up Friday from Tenn. Eastman. I will really be relieved when this is all over.

Bob and I had to go to a Spring Board Meeting in Richmond, VA. in March for UDC so we went on to Washington, D.C. to do some research work at the DAR Building and the National Archives. I was appalled at the security of our books and documents at the DAR Building. People with Briefcases and pocketbooks are allowed to take them in and many things WALK OUT. I have written my thoughts on this and understand it is to be brought up at the Fall Board Meeting. I know the subject is complex, but most Archives only allow you to take in a pad and pencil now - not even a ball point pen. I surely hope they can do something to solve that problem.

As the new President of the First Families I hope you have not been too busy. When we went to the Lawton Reunion I wrote ahead to the address that Emory Jarrett gave me and was taken by the GA Wildlife Resources Dept. by boat over to Ossabaw Island for a tour. we enjoyed it very much and I brought back a brick from the original Morel Mansion as written up in National Geographig in 1974. Savannah is really a unique place as far as I am concerned.

Must ring off for this time, but would appreciate your answering my question for my nephew Dick. (Thomas Richard Miller). Best wishes to you and Cora and let's hope this year will be a better one.

Love,

Bob and Maxine

for UDC,

Robert, while I was Division Registrar some papers for a lady from Manchester, Tennessee turned out to be a Jaudon descendant, probably with an intermarriage of our families somewhere along the line. I invited her to join First Families and she wants to. She has sent me her papers to us to help her fill them out and we have gone as far as we could. She is descended from Paul Jaudon brother of Sarah Jaudon born 1719 who m. Jacques Robert. Would you please review the Worksheet and add or correct any information. You mention James Bell Jaudon in Transactions No. 89 (Huguenot) Page 135 and you have reference No. 59 which is yet to be published. Would appreciate any proof you can give us as she is anxious to join First Families and especially her Nephew who lives in St. Louis and is very interested in Genealogy. He really talked her into going ahead and finishing her papers.

Please advise us how much proof she needs to send in on her parents and Grandparents. Florentine is an 81 year young relative who is always smiling and bubbly. We have thoroughly enjoyed knowing her and being with her at the Division and General UDC Conventions.

Also, concerning the Rouse lady from Hilton Head that you wrote about. The Everton Publishers, Inc. P.O. Box 368, Logan, Utah 84321 advertised the following: THE ADOPTION SEARCHBOOK

Techniques for Tracing People

Order No. B35, 218 pgs., paper cover, \$10.00

Mary Joe Rillera

This book is the product of years of combined efforts within the adoption movement. Subjects included are: Wanting to Know; Choosing to Search; Adoption Movement; Available Assistance; Information Sources; Documents and Records; Rules for all Searchers; Adoptees; Birthparents; Adoptive Parents; and Pulling It all Together.

Thank you very much for all of the information I have requested in this epistle.

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