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Dear Reverend Peoples:

I appreciate deeply the interest which led you to write me in response to that published plea for help in our ancestor search. I enjoyed and found most interesting your good coverage of the Leake lineage as it concerns you and your wife. This background leads me to send you a copy of a family sheet I recently received from Yates Publishing in Ozark, Mo, who conduct a family exchange program, with which you may have knowledge and contact. Just perhaps the family of the sheet may have a connection.

Also, my daughter has a neighbor who has loaned her a beautifully documented volume on a McAlfee family which became related to the North and South Carolina Leakes by marriage. The Leakes are covered in detail in

(12) The volume and appear to have the same sources as your wife. You may also be familiar with this information but I mention it in event you do not.

The book is titled The McAfee Family. The author is Barbara Ellen Tucker Harrell. The publisher is Banders Printing Co., Bander^R, TX 78003. The book is dated 1985.

Your reaction to our family situation is similar to ours in that we have a good presumption that we are related to the family of Walter and Judith Mack Leake, because of the appearance of the word Mack in our ^{more recent} ancestor's name. As much and as fast as we can we are checking into the records of the children of this couple. Records of some seem to be non-

③. ~~existent~~ or deeply hidden, as
typical of the times. In East
Tennessee there was a mass
of records destroyed during
the civil war.

Good Hunting to you
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