

28 FEBRUARY 1984



Captain J. A. Peebles

DEAR MR. PEEBLES,

THAT IS A STRANGE WAY
FOR ME TO BEGIN A NOTE.

A FRIEND SAW YOUR
ADVERTISEMENT IN A
MAGAZINE - AND WAS
KIND ENOUGH TO COPY THE
INFORMATION FOR ME.

I HAVE ALWAYS BEEN
INTERESTED IN TRACING
MY "ROOTS" - BUT NEVER
HAD THE TIME. RECENTLY
I VISITED THE NATIONAL
ARCHIVES HERE IN
WASHINGTON, D.C. - BUT
RAN INTO A DEAD-END.



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MY FATHER ARTHUR J.
PEEBLES (ORIGINALLY
JOSEPH ARTHUR PEEBLES)
 WAS BORN IN SHERMAN,
 TEXAS CIRCA 1880. I
 LOCATED THE FAMILY IN
 THE 1880 CENSUS - UNDER
 A MISSPELLING 'PEEPLES'.
 THE CENSUS INDICATES
 THAT MY GRANDFATHER
 WAS JAMES (MIDDLE
 NAME WAS NOT RECORDED)
 BUT BELIEVE IT TO BE
 ALLEN OR ALAN)
 PEEPLES, BORN IN
 VIRGINIA (BELIEVE IN
 LEADSBURG) 29 YEARS



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PRIOR TO THE CENSUS OF CIRCA 1851. THE ARCHIVES FOLKS ADVISED ME THAT MANY OF THE NAMES WERE MISSPELLED BY THE CENSUS-TAKERS.

I ATTEMPTED TO LOOK AT THE 1890 CENSUS - BUT THEY HAD BEEN DESTROYED IN A FIRE.

I WENT TO THE 1900 CENSUS - AND THE FAMILY WAS NO LONGER IN SHERMAN, TEXAS.

MY FATHER HAD NOT SEEN OR HEARD FROM EITHER OF HIS BROTHERS

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FOR OVER 40 YEARS THAT
I KNOW OF; AND UNDERSTAND
THAT BEFORE HE PASSED
AWAY (1960) HE DESTROYED
ALL OF THE FAMILY
RECORDS THAT HE HAD.
I HAVE A FEW "SKETCHY"
THINGS.

I'VE BEEN TOLD THE
PEEBLES SIDE OF THE
FAMILY ORIGINATED IN
PEEBLES, SCOTLAND —
AND SETTLED ORIGINALLY
IN VIRGINIA. MY GRAND-
FATHER JAMES ALAN P.



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MARRIED ADELE FREMONT
(FROM NANTES, FRANCE AND
KIN TO JAMES C. FREMONT,
OF PIKES PEAK FAME)

I DON'T KNOW WHY I HAVE
LAUNCHED INTO THIS
HISTORICAL DIATRIBE -
THOUGHT IT MIGHT BE
OF INTEREST.

I AM ENCLOSED MY
CHECK FOR \$20. 00 FOR

YOUR 209 PAGE

"PEEBLES / ANTE 1600-1962

DESCENDANTS OF CAPT.
DAVID PEEBLES ARRIVED



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VIRGINIA 1649th,

ONE LAST POINT OF INTEREST
I HAD A BROTHER 'ROBERT' -
AND HAVE A SON 'DAVID'.

SINCERELY,