Sampson Blum from Alsace Settled in Cheneyville, La.

Sampson Blum was born in Heckfelden, Alsace, France on Nov. 11, 1843. He came to Louisiana and settled at Cheneyville in Rapides Parish where he married Annie R. Robert on April 26, 1870 at Cedar Grove Plantation. Ann Robert Blum was the great, great from Tennessee. They were married granddaughter of Capt. Peter Rob- (probably in New Orleans) about 1849 or 1850. ert who died in Cheneyville around or 1850. 1825. He was descended from Rev wor Y Rue! 1825. He was descended from Rev. Pierre Robert (1656-1715), born in St. Imir, Switzerland and thought to be the first Huguenot pastor in

Sam Blum was a judge and member of the Rapides Parish school board in Cheneyville, and he died there on Aug. 26, 1899. His wife died there on March 2.8, 1896. They had eight children — Edward, Louis, Leon, Seymour, Jeahefte, Aubrey Bocart, Sarah Helen and Price Blum.

Mrs. Leroy Blum, 5649 Milne Blvd., New Orleans, 70124 would like to hear from any researchers (or descendants) compiling data on the Blum family of Louisiana and France.

Mrs. Arthelma R. Bynum, 1046 E. Vandalia Ave., Porterville, Calif., 93257 would like to learn the parents of Türner Bynum, born in Virginia in 1753, died on Sept. 12, 1820 and buried at Alexandria. He married Mary

of Northampton Co., Virginia.

Mrs. Ruth Buniff Cole, 10367 Starca, Whittier, Calif., 90601 would appreciate information on the civil marriage of Gustave Achille Ozenne from France and Frances Ann Holliday

Mrs. David Brown, 616 Montreal Dr., Yukon, Okla., 73099 would like data on Urbane Erwin Travis, born in 1780 or 1781. He was married to Mary Couch, born in 1801 or 1812. He was a slave owner in East Carroll Parish around Delhi. They had four children - Nettie, Jennie and twins, Clarence Wayne and Clinton Duette. The twins were born on June 9, 1853, and Clarence died on Aug. 5, 1929. They were supposedly the two youngest members of the KKK in Delhi, being forced to join. Clarence married Sarah Emma Harris of Denton Co., Tex., on Dec. 15, 1885, and they had five children. They were: James Clinton, born Oct. 25, 1886, died March 11, 1934; Grace Evaline, born June 7, 1888, died May 25, 1969; Hattie Pau-line, born on Oct. 14, 1891; Wayne Mason, born Oct. 7, 1896, died April 25, 1928; and Urban Erwin, born Nov. 22, 1901. Grace E. Travis was married to Wills Napier Cox of Eastland, Dublin

The latest publication from Polyan-Atherton, daughter of Jeptha Atherton thos, Inc. is "English Convicts in

and Mingus, Tex.

Colonial America, Volume II, London: 1656-1775". Compiled and edited by: Peter Wilson Coldham, it is well documented and indexed for easy perusal. During this period of English history, some 6000 citizens were sentenced for various crimes, and these prisoners were taken from Newgate Prison and sent to the Americas as punishment. Most of these crimes were of an extremely petty nature, but they were exiled from their homeland and forced-

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Aramise John Cheramie, 59 Creagan Ave., Gretna, La. 70053 is researching Haze Pascal Cheramie Jr., born in Lafourche Parish on Jan. 23, 1903, and his father, Haze Cheramie Sr., date and place of birth unknown.

Raleigh J. Cheramie, W-130th St. Box 110, Cut Off, La. 70345 would like to hear from researchers interested in the surnames Cheramie and Griffin.

A seminar/workshop on conservation of archival and library materials will be held on July 25-29, 1977 at St. Mary's Dominican College, 7214 St. Charles Ave., New Orleans, 70118. Complete details on this event can be obtained by writing to Sister Marguerite Brou, O.P., Director. Participation for a portion of this workshop will be limited, and acceptance will be on a first-come basis.

William T. Shinn, Abstracter, Met

Bldg., P.O. Box 594, Franklin, La., 70538 has informed this column of a complete and detailed synopsis of all estate records for St. Mary Parish. Any of this material is available for a nominal fee and includes divorces, emancipations, bonds, applications for marriage licenses and certificates.

Correspondence to this column should be sent to Damon Veach, CAJUNS, CREOLES, PIRATES AND PLANTERS, The Times-Picayune, 3800 Howard Ave., New Orleans, 70140. Queries are printed free and reviews are given if a sample of the book or magazine is submitted with each re-