



Charles Rawlins Records

Documents from Bert Rawlins scanned July 7, 2007

by Dr. James P. Orr—Amos Wil-
son of Rush county to Elizabeth
V. Hunt of Fayette county. Many
yet living remember the jolly,
good natured Amos, who now
rests in East Hill cemetery.

WILSON SURBER
1931
William Surber, who watched In-
dianapolis grow from a "good hunt-
ing place and Indian camp" to a
large city, died Sunday. He was 101
years old. *Ind. Star, May 19,*
1931

Mr. Surber, a resident of Indianap-
olis eighty years, lived with his son,
Harry Surber, 1788 West Twenty-
eighth street, where he died. He had
been active until a year ago when
he was stricken with an infarction of
the foot and arteriosclerosis. He was
a patient at the City hospital sev-
eral months, but seemed to have re-
covered and during the closing weeks
of his life insisted on walking on
himself and dressing without as-
sistance.

Father Died at 110.

Mr. Surber often used to remark
that his longevity was not unusual,
because his father lived to be 110
years old.

He is noted for long life with
plenty of sleep and moderation. He
never used tobacco in any form, it
was said. Until the time of his death
his eyesight was good, and he never
wore glasses.

Born Dec. 25, 1829, in Williams,
Mo., Mr. Surber, when 23 years old,
came to Indianapolis with his
brother. His parents were of Eng-
lish descent.

When he and his brothers arrived
here, Indianapolis was a village with
Indians camping at the Military park
site. He went hunting for rabbits
and birds in what is now the down-
town section.

Wife Died 12 Years Ago.

Mr. Surber worked at the Udel
Lumber Company beginning in 1872.
The same year he was married to
Miss Lucinda Rouse. She died twelve
years ago. He was a member of
the Maritz Place M. E. Church. Fu-
neral services will be held at the
church at 2 o'clock this afternoon.
The Rev. E. Earl Lewis, pastor, will
preach the sermon. Burial will be in
Floral Park cemetery.

Mr. Surber had nine children. Re-
mains the son with whom he lived are
two other sons, John and Charles
Surber of Indianapolis.

J. N. CROWE, FATHER OF ATHLETES, DIES

Ind. Star, May 19, 1931
LAFAYETTE, Ind., May 19.—

James N. Crowe, 51 years old, well-
known farmer of this county and
father of several Notre Dame
athletes, was injured fatally last
night by a hit and run driver and
died in a local hospital.

The accident occurred at Shade-
land, six miles southeast of here as
Mr. Crowe was en route home from

the county store. No trace has
been found of the driver of the car.
Sheriff A. G. Iverson is making an
investigation.

Mr. Crowe was a native of Liberty
and came to this community a quar-
ter of a century ago. Surviving are
the widow, one daughter and eleven
sons, who are noted as football,
basketball and baseball players.
Clem was a member of the Notre
Dame "Four Horseman" football
team. Francis was a Notre Dame
basketball player. Norbert is a mem-
ber of the present Notre Dame
basketball team and all have been
popular on local high school teams.

HOWARD J. MEHL, 43, DIES AT HOME HERE

Ind. Star, May 17, 1931
Howard J. Mehl, 43 years old, traf-
fic manager of the Diamond Chain &
Manufacturing Company, died yester-
day morning at his home, 701
North Rochester avenue. He had
awakened about 2 o'clock in the
morning and died about a half hour
later. Death was attributed to heart
disease.

Mr. Mehl was born in St. Louis,
Mo., and came to this city about
thirty-five years ago. He had been
connected with the Diamond Chain
& Manufacturing Company twenty-
five years. He was a member of the
Tabernacle Baptist Church, Odd Fel-
lows, Improved Order of Red Men
and the Indianapolis Traffic Club, and
had held high office in several of
the groups.

Funeral Tomorrow.

Funeral services, conducted by the
Rev. Robert Gardner, pastor of the
Tabernacle Church, will be held at
2 o'clock tomorrow afternoon, and
will be private. Burial will be in
Crown Hill cemetery.

Survivors are the widow, Mrs. Nellie
Agnes Mehl; three daughters, Miss
Thelma Mehl, Miss Elizabeth Mehl
and Miss Mildred Mehl; three sons,
Howard L. Mehl, Donald Mehl and
Gilbert Mehl; two brothers, Edward
Mehl and Robert Mehl; a sister,
Mrs. Florence Patterson, and three
granddaughters, all of Indianapolis.

Ind. Star, May 17, 1931

Succumbs to Heart Dis-

ease at Home in Broad

Ripple—Was Washing-

ton Township Chair-

man.

Warren A. Sampson, 41 years old,
active in Republican politics many
years, died early last night at his
home, 300 East Main street. Broad
Ripple, of French descent.

He was stricken Friday night at
his home.

During the last congressional cam-
paign Mr. Sampson was an inde-
pendent candidate for the House of
Representatives, but withdrew be-
fore the election. He served as Re-
publican chairman of Washington
township and had held the position
of reader in the Senate of the In-
diana General Assembly.

Came Here as Boy.

Mr. Sampson was a salesman,
being state distributor for the Arc
Fastener Company of Chicago. He
was born in Salem, O., but came to
Indianapolis when a boy. His father,
Dr. Homer A. Sampson, was a well-
known dentist here.

He was a member of the Scottish
Rite and the Shrine.

Survivors are the widow, Mrs.
Edith O. Sampson; a brother, Sam-
uel D. Sampson of Indianapolis, and
a sister, Mrs. T. E. Drake of
Lima, O.

Funeral arrangements have not
been made.

Ind. Star, May 17, 1931
BY ZORA I. ASKEW.

An automobile enthusiast,
mind and eye alert to
enjoy the beauties of
nature, is Mrs. Auto-
belle Rawlins Voris, 91 years old.

oldest native-born citizen of Bed-
ford. She is the daughter of
Joseph Rawlins, Northwest Terri-
tory ranger, pioneer merchant of
Bedford and the man who named
the city.

There is not a sunshiny day
that she does not ride in her car.

Mrs. Voris was the youngest of
thirteen children born to Joseph
and Sallie McManis Rawlins. She
was born Sept. 21, 1839, in the
old farmhouse that stood at the
edge of the first settlement of
Bedford, now in the heart of the
city. When 3 months old, the fam-
ily moved to a brick mansion on
the northwest corner of the pub-
lic square, now the site of the
Citizens National bank, with
which the family has been identi-
fied since its foundation. Her
grandson, A. C. Voris of the third
generation, is cashier of the bank.

The mansion was the stopping
place of all Methodist ministers who
came to this community. From its
environs were called two sons who
became prominent early ministers of
the Methodist denomination. One
son was the president of the Asbury
Female college at New Albany and
a daughter, Mary, was a teacher in
the college. The home was main-
tained by the oldest child, Miss Mi-
randa Rawlins, until she died after
her ninetieth birthday. At her death
the mansion was razed and the bank
was built.

Came From Kentucky.

Joseph Rawlins came from Dan-
ville, Ky., with a basket and 50
Wash men were his brother, James
Rawlins, and their uncle, Frederick

...to what new
...in Law-
...1842. They were
...Pana, second sec-
...tary. It became a
...center of south-
...in boat yards,
...built to transport
...white deer. It was
...for the state cap-
...to be moved from
...to Indianapolis by
...

...Rawlinses were "disting-
...in a copper warfare. Joseph
...money from his larger
...acres of land and
...first crop of corn near
...He was Lawrence coun-
...and was a natural
...soon acquiring more
...McManis came from
...to visit her sister, Mary
...Glover. So persistent was
...of Joseph Rawlins that
...was asked to become his bride.
...he was a merchant in the
...which a year earlier had be-
...the county seat in place of Pal-

...The name of Bedford recalls the
...of the new town. It seems
...of justices could not de-
...upon a name. Rawlins was
...to suggest a name. He had
...returned from a visit to Bedford
...Tennessee, and this no doubt
...him to suggest the name
...Bedford. His suggestion was ac-

Needs Salt Creek Colony.
In addition to his mercantile busi-
...at Bedford Rawlins was at
...of a settlement on Salt
...north of Bedford near
...Dixie highway, where he
...mill and sawmill. The
...so busy that most
...there was a night bus-
...no railroad in the
...the only outlet
...produce was by water
...shipping was by way of
...White river, on to the
...and down the Missis-
...west bank of the creek
...packing houses owned by
...S. F. Erwin and David Bor-
...was a large carpenter
...were made. It
...that all flatboats were
...four and pork
...La. The only re-
...this hustling place are
...stone chimneys of
...house on the north of

Higher Education.
...Rawlins's child-
...in the Rawlins man-
...the old Bedford
...was the only girl of
...to have been grad-
...the district
...and to finish
...and seek higher
...of her class
...educational institu-
...men of note.
...the sophomore class

of Asbury Female college, of which
her brother, the Rev. Benjamin
Rawlins, was president. Her older
sister, Miss Mary Rawlins, also was
a member of the faculty. She was
a member of the graduation class in
1862.

The following November she was
united in marriage to Archibald C.
Voris, who had come from Hanover
college to teach in Bedford academy
in 1853, where their romance had its
inception.

BY ANITA JOENINSON.

Indiana, which has given to the
world musicians and artists hardly
less noted than its famous authors,
has been honored by the distinctive
work along two lines of the Kussner
family. *See Star Aug. 10.*

This family enjoyed the unusual
distinction of having in the same
generation two artists whose accom-
plishments were known and appreci-
ated both in this country and in Eu-
rope.

Albert J. Kussner, who died June
12 at his home in St. Petersburg,
Fla., was the composer of musical
scores that have been played
throughout the world and whose
melodies have been called by Elton
Zimballer, "the music of a genius."

Skilled Painter.

Amelia Kussner, his sister, now liv-
ing in England, is a miniature por-
trait painter of wide renown and has
done portraits of the late King Ed-
ward of England and members of the
former imperial family of Russia.

Mr. Kussner was born in Green-
castle and retained until the last a
great affection for his native state.
His final wish was fulfilled when he
was laid to rest in the Highland
Lawn cemetery at Terre Haute.

He was the son of Emma and
Emilie Kussner and the family
moved early to Terre Haute where
the father conducted one of the fore-
most music houses in the state. The
early education of Albert Kussner
was received in French and Ger-
man under two highly cultured
tutors, Herr and Frau von Stutz.
He was soon ready for advanced
study and entered Phillips Exeter
academy at Exeter, N. H., to pre-
pare for law.

Returns to Terre Haute.

Mr. Kussner returned to Terre
Haute and remained with his father
in business until 1870, when he went
to Chicago. For a number of years
he was associated with the Lyon &
Healy music house. His love of
music and the longing to devote
himself to musical production, sup-
ported by the encouragement of his
father, finally led him to leave from
the firm to engage in the publication
of his own work.

The success that his enterprise
soon permitted Mr. Kussner to travel
freely and much of his time was
spent abroad where he cultivated the
friendship of distinguished composers
and critics. Among his favorite
scores are an aria entitled "By
Candlelight," given the name of

honored on a Zimballer property at
Buckingham palace: "Springtime,"
"Down," "Dance of the Wood
Nymphs," "Autumn Reverie" and
his two most recent compositions,
"Petite Confidence" and "Inqui-
tude."

Honored by Friends.

Glowing tribute was paid Mr. Kuss-
ner by those who knew him well
after his death in June. One of them
declared "his passing is indeed re-
grettable to his many friends, but es-
pecially to his home community to
which in recent years he gave the
essence of his life's intellectual and
spiritual achievements. Though the
memory of his sweet and gentle na-
ture lingers in loving hearts in many
lands, the hands of our sweet musi-
cian have found only a temporary
rest—only to move a little closer to
the Great Master Hand of all music
in the spirit of His love."

To many, this modest gentleman
was known only for his fine and rare
personality, generously given in the
various business careers while a
resident of Indiana and later of Chi-
cago. But to those friends who were
privileged to enjoy his intimate ac-
quaintance and companionship, Mr.
Kussner's soul of music gave a rich-
ness of life which is rarely experi-
enced. He became a member of the
Masonic order, a charter member of
the Chicago Athletic Association,
later becoming an honorary member.
He also was an active member of
the Performing Right Society, Ltd.,
of London, England.

Practical and Ethereal.

Combined with his knowledge and
authenticity of practical affairs and
his profound knowledge of science,
Mr. Kussner possessed a most deli-
cate, esthetic appreciation of life.
This inherently refined realism and
culture found expression in many
exquisite music compositions. Into
his artistic soul music sank tenderly
and deep, like the melody of a song
sounding from out of his childhood
days in loving memories.

The latest scores of Albert Kuss-
ner have been played on piano, vio-
lin and harp as well as in symphony
orchestras and are frequently broad-
cast both in America and in foreign
lands.

The name of Amelia Kussner as a
miniature portrait painter is well
known in America and in Europe.
She began her career in New York
city and is the wife of Capt. Charles
du Pont Couderc of Windlesham
hall, Windlesham, Surrey, England.
She rose rapidly to renown in her
art until she was commanded by the
late King Edward of England to ex-
ecute his portrait. She has since
done portraits of the elite of the so-
cial world of New York, London,
Paris and Vienna. As this class she
is making pencil sketches in black
and white with only a touch of color
here and there and is winning the
recognition for their beauty.

THEODORE F. HAMILTON.

Theodore F. Hamilton, 55 years old,
a pleased realtor and developer of

I do hereby certify that this day I do solemnize the rights of matrimony between Joseph Rawlins and Sally Minnow Green under my hand and seal this fifth day of January 1871.

Joseph Holmberg

STATE OF INDIANA

SS:

COUNTY OF ORANGE

I Floyd Toney, Clerk of the Orange Circuit Court, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of marriage in the foregoing mentioned cause as the same appears on record in this office. Book 1, Page 16

Witness my hand and official seal at Paoli, Indiana this 10 day of April 1971

Floyd Toney
Clerk, Orange Circuit Court

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November 6, 1970

Bert J. Rawlins
402 W. 8th
Liberal, Kansas 67901

Dear Mr. Rawlins;

We do not have death records here at the State Library. You should write to the County Health Office, Bedford, Indiana, for such information.

We have checked our histories of Lawrence County and found one biographical sketch of Joseph Rawlins, which we have copied for you. There are numerous other references which we do not have the staff to check. We are enclosing a list of genealogists who could do this for you if you wish.

We have also located a newspaper article concerning Joseph Rawlins, which we have Xeroxed. As the price of Xerox copies is .25 each, the dollar that you sent will cover the cost of the four copies.

We do not have the Bedford Weekly Mail here. I understand that the publisher had files from prior to 1885. The paper has since merged with the Bedford Daily Times; we do not know if the Times retained the files of the Mail, but if you would write they could tell you if they have the old papers or if they are now located elsewhere. If you could give them the exact date of Joseph Rawlins' death, perhaps they would check this for you. We do not have a record of files of the Mail as far back as 1885 in any other location.

Very truly yours,

Martha E. Wright

(Miss) Martha E. Wright
Reference Librarian
Indiana Division

GREEN HILL CEMETERY

BEDFORD, INDIANA 47421

January - 29 - 71.

Mr. Bert J. Rawlins.

Dear Sir,

In regards to this letter sent me on death of Joseph Rawlins. I find his grave here in our Cemetery. He had a monument stone, all I saw at present taken out and it is Inf. Inf. Company 7. The stone is settled so far under ground - I saw not find any date - he may be put in a wood box cause this. When I put my extra men on to work we may be able to raise this, but at present have no body here to do this. If he died in 1875, his body had to be brought from some other place as Green Hill Cemetery was started in March 1889, first bodies buried then. On this lot I have several by this name, but only small markers and no

dated, on stone.

Sorry I can't help you at present
but appreciate you asking.

Sincerely -
Mr. Berrie Wilson
Caretaker of Cemetery.

1202-18th St.

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History of Lawrence County, Indiana, a re-production of the original "History of Lawrence, Orange and Washington Counties" 1854. Published by State Print Shop, Paoli, Indiana 1965.

entered the State University, where he remained two years. He received a diploma from the Law Department of the State University in 1850, after which he immediately engaged in legal pursuits at Bedford. The fall of 1852 he purchased the *White River Standard*, a paper published at Bedford, which he edited until 1853, when he sold out and turned his attention to the exclusive practice of his profession. In 1852 he was elected State's Attorney for Lawrence and Jackson Counties, and October 11, 1853, married Carolina, daughter of Woodbridge and Harriet (Thornton) Parker. In his profession Mr. Pearson has made a success, both in legal and pecuniary sense. In early life he was a Whig, but since 1850 has been an outspoken Republican. As the nominee of his party he was elected Judge of the Tenth Judicial Circuit in 1873, serving until 1879. He and wife have had born to them eleven children, only Mabel, Caroline, Martha, Henry, Rosa and Charles E. yet living. Mrs. Pearson and three daughters belong to the Presbyterian Church. Judge Pearson is a Camp Degree Odd Fellow. The death of Mrs. Pearson occurred March, 1883.

JESSE T. PHIPPS was born in Shawswick Township May 1, 1823, the fourth of nine children of Lewis and Margaret (Rector) Phipps, the father a native of North Carolina born July 19, 1783, the mother a native of Grayson County, Va., born February 17, 1793. In the winter of 1822 the parents located near Bedford where the father became prominent and well known, and owned at his death November 22, 1858, a farm of 140 acres. The father was a consistent member of the Baptist Church. Our subject's youth was passed without event, and at the age of twenty-six he married (March 29, 1849,) Nancy M. Dohitt, who bore him six children, of whom four are living: Henry C., Sarah M., Oliver M., Parthena A. Henry is in Kansas; the others are with their parents. Mr. Phipps has followed farming principally through life, though for four years he was a merchant in Daviess County. He owns 150 acres of land, is a Republican, takes an earnest interest in all public enterprises, and is universally respected.

JEFFERSON RAGSDALE was born in Lawrence County, August 13, 1847, being the third of nine children of Gabriel H. and Elizabeth (Cain) Ragsdale. His father, a native of Kentucky, came to this county about 1823. His mother was a native of this county. Our subject remained with his parents on their farm until the age of twenty-four years, and November 1, 1871, was united in marriage with Miverva E. Alexander, the issue of which union was one child—Alden C., born August 23, 1875. On the 18th of July, 1876, their little boy died, a loss that will be ever mourned by the parents. Mr. Ragsdale is a successful farmer, now owning seventy-one acres of good land. He and wife are members of the Christian Church. He is a member of the Masonic fraternity, and is a Democrat of the practical school.

JOSEPH RAWLINS, the oldest settler now living in Lawrence County, is a native of the town of Danville, Boyle County, Ky., born April 21, 1790, one of five children born to Charles and Aristicia (Gregory) Rawlins, early settlers of Kentucky. In the fall of 1812 he settled in what is now Lawrence County, Ind., and has made that his home ever since. His father dying when he was four years old, he was left to the care of an uncle, with whom he came to Indiana. He served as a Ranger in 1814, from which service he saved money enough to buy eighty acres of land. In December, 1817, he married Miss Sallie Mc-

Manis, and began farming, taking his produce to New Orleans by flat-boat. In 1828 Mr. Rawlins began doing a general mercantile business at Bedford, which had only then been made the county seat, and which was named at the request of Mr. Rawlins, from Bedford County, Tenn., from whence his uncle had brought him. He built a flouring mill, also. Mr. and Mrs. Rawlins raised a family of ten children: James, Sarah J. (Denson), Miranda, Benjamin F., Mary (Hickman), Homer, Joseph, Susan (Mitchell), Emeline (Farmer), and Nettie (Voris). August 5, 1855, Mrs. Rawlins died, and about the same time he abandoned the mercantile trade entirely. He was the first Assessor of the county. He was elected County Commissioner, but resigned that office. He has generally been a Republican, although not strictly so, as he has always voted for men and principles, not party.

THOMAS T. RAY is the eldest child of seven of Squire and Sallie A. (Woolery) Ray, and was born May 16, 1843. The father, Squire, while yet a boy, came to Indiana from Kentucky in company with Jacob Woolery at an early day, and his parents came later and lived to the age of eighty years. When our subject was in his tenth year his parents died, and he went to live with his uncle, Thomas Stafford; but four years later made his home at his grandfather Woolery's, where he remained two years, and then enlisted in Company G, Fourth Indiana Cavalry, and served with distinction for one year, and was then discharged for disability. November 24, 1863, he married Susan E. Kern, who has presented him with eleven children as follows: Elmer C., Viola E., Wallace E., Ethel R., Harry R., Josse G., Charlie N., Dailey C., Thomas E., Freddie M. and Sallie. Our subject has been a successful farmer, now owning 375 acres of well-improved land. He and wife are members of the Christian Church. He is a Mason, an Odd Fellow, a Granger, and affiliates with the National party.

HORATIO B. RICHARDSON was born at Waltham, Mass., February 10, 1813, and was one of ten children born to Ruel and Orra (Bird) Richardson. He was educated in the common schools of his native State and Connecticut, and when a young man learned the machinist's trade of his father. When only about fifteen years old he was made second overseer in a cotton spinning mill at Glastonbury, and besides having worked at this business in Glastonbury he was also at Lowell and other places. In 1833 he came to Bedford to start the woolen mills, then in course of erection, and remained one year, then went to Louisville, Ky., and from there a year later to Missouri. Two years later he returned to Bedford, which has ever since been his home. In 1847 he embarked in merchandising which for thirty-seven years he has continued without interruption, and to-day represents one of the oldest and most reliable business houses of Bedford. He owns, besides his grocery and provision store and building, nine dwellings and other business property in Bedford and Springville, and eighty acres of farming land. He has served in local positions of trust in the county, is a Republican and has always been identified with the best interests of his county and particularly in the erection of the High School building in Bedford. On the 19th of May 1842, Nancy A. Wobb became his wife, and to their union eleven children have been born, only the following being yet alive: Henry, Horace, Allen, Orra, Mary, Ellen and Louise.

JOHN RILEY, attorney at law, was born in Harrison County, Ohio, September 10, 1824, and is one of ten children born to William and

Nancy (Ewing) Riley. He attended the common schools and at the same time studying both law and medicine. He married Rebecca Agnew, who was the daughter of his father-in-law—Clinton C.—to survive to Lawrence County, Ind., where he continued to reside as a Clerk. He moved to Bedford, and was re-elected to a second term. He resumed the practice of law and is recognized as one of the best lawyers in the county. In 1851, Mr. Riley was married to John R. Nugent, and the living: John R., Euphem and Nancy J. and Louise. Mr. Riley has several times served in the Whig in politics, but in 1860 he joined the Republican party, and in 1860 was elected to the Legislature. When the war broke out he joined the army, and has since been an active soldier.

JOHN SCOGGAN was born in Kentucky. Each of the ten children of the family, and is the only one living. He was born on the early date of 1828, when there was no such school advantages as rudiments. His youth was spent in hard work. January 11, 1851, he married Mary I. Smith; Mary I. Katharine B., who became Mrs. Samuel E. Mitchell; and John Scoggan is a successful farmer and a Republican in politics, and a member of the Farmers' Union.

REUBEN B. SCOTT was born the third of five children of his father, and of whom died when our subject was only five years of age. He came with his grandfather by diligence secured five years. October 4, 1861, he was married. July 15, 1861, he was elected to the Legislature, and served three months. He came home and taught school. He listed in Company A, Sixty-ninth Indiana, and participated in the battle of Shiloh, among which were the soldiers of the Gaines, Blakely and the other regiments. He was twice taken prisoner in the rebel prison at Alex. He has been an invalid. He owns 167 acres of land and he and wife are members of the Farmers' Union.

1880 United States Census

Census Place: Bedford, Lawrence, Indiana

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	Relation	Sex	Marr	Race	Age	Birthplace	
Joseph RAWLINS	Self	M	W	W	84	KY	
Occ: Retired Merchant						Fa: MD	Mo: MD
Marand RAWLINS	Dau	F	S	W	50	IN	
Occ: Keeping House						Fa: KY	Mo: KY
Homer FISHER	Other	M	S	W	18	IN	
Occ: Domestic Laborer						Fa: IN	Mo: IN
Sarah ALCORN	Other	F	S	W	16	IN	
Occ: Domestic Cook						Fa: IN	Mo: IN
John CHAMBERLAN	Other	M	M	W	39	NY	
Occ: Lumber Merchant						Fa: NY	Mo: NY
Susan CHAMBERLAN	Other	F	M	W	30	IN	
						Fa: MD	Mo: IN
Gideon PUTMAN	Other	M	M	W	60	NY	
Occ: Lawyer Boarder						Fa: NY	Mo: NY

I do hereby certify that this day I
did determine the rights of matrimony
between George Morris and Sally
Bishop given under my hand and
seal this 24th day of December 1817
H. H. Holmes

I do hereby certify that this day I
determine the rights of matrimony
between Joseph Rawlins and Sally
Merrison given under my hand and
seal this fifth day of January 1817.
H. H. Holmes

February the 10th 1817 this day married
Lizze Jones to John together John
James and Polly Sanders in the holy
state of matrimony

This is to certify that I joined to
gether according to Law the above
named John James and Polly Sanders
February 16th 1817 D. Stewart Clerk

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