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2. 1930 U.S. census, Boyd County, Nebraska, population schedule, Butte Village, Enumeration District (ED) 8-8, sheet 6-A, p. 239 (stamped), dwelling 139, family 142, Christena Fast; digital image, Ancestry.com (<http://www.ancestry.com> : accessed 22 January 2009), citing National Archives microfilm publication T626, roll 1265.

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In addition to Elizabeth Shown Mills' QUICKSHEET: CITING ANCESTRY.COM Databases & Images, which is described in greater detail above, we are announcing three important reference books that will appeal to a broad range of researchers. For Revolutionary War-era researchers, Joseph Lee Boyle has produced a groundbreaking two-volume collection entitled "He Loves a Good Deal of Rum': Military Desertions during the American Revolution, 1775-1783." Mr. Boyle's new book is based entirely on hard-to-find 18th-century newspaper advertisements. Alan Miller, who previously compiled three volumes of early Tennessee apprenticeship records, returns with a completely fresh collection of adoption records for the Volunteer State. Mr. Miller extracted "Nineteenth-Century Tennessee Adoptions, Legitimizations, and Name Changes" from state legislative records and the widely scattered Minutes of the County Courts. Our third new book is Volume X in the series "Eastern Cherokee by Blood, 1906-1910: Cherokee-Related Records of Special Commissioner Guion Miller," compiled by Jeff Bowen, bringing the number of applications abstracted to 38,215.

Also featured on Genealogical.com this month are the 2008 edition of Gary Boyd Roberts' definitive work on Americans of royal descent as well as unsurpassed guidebooks on British, Scottish, and Irish genealogy. Following is a complete list of our featured titles for February. Immediately below is a link to the page on our website where you'll find short descriptions of each:

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The Royal Descents of 600 Immigrants to the American Colonies or the United States, 2008 Edition

Ancestral Trails: The Complete Guide to British Genealogy & Family History

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"GENEALOGICAL RESEARCH in Southside Virginia," by John W. Pritchett

The purpose of this article is to summarize some unique genealogical aspects of Southside Virginia, which generally encompasses the area on the south side of the James River, bounded by the Blue Ridge Mountains on the west and the Hampton Roads region on the east. Effective genealogical research in Southside Virginia requires a knowledge of county creation, why they were created, what records are available at courthouses and elsewhere, and how to interpret those records.

The social and economic development of colonial Southside was influenced primarily by the pursuit of the profitable production of tobacco, a labor-intensive crop that drove the acquisition of land and the growth of the population--both slave and free. Because tobacco was more easily transported along waterways, planters first staked out land along the James River, the largest river in southern Virginia, and then westward up the Appomattox, Blackwater, Meherrin, Nottoway, Dan, and Roanoke rivers and their tributaries. Land patents and grants, the abstracts of which have been published, reveal the pace of land acquisition. In our day, platting software is being applied to the patents of many Southside counties for identifying precisely where an individual lived and who his/her neighbors were.

The Englishmen who founded Virginia brought with them their devotion to the laws and principles of their mother country and their affection for the Anglican Church. Consequently, they duplicated the concepts of a county and parish as they existed in England, as we shall see below.

The 26 present-day Southside counties evolved from all or part of four of the eight

original Virginia counties or shires: Charles City, Henrico, James City, and Warrosquyoake. As more individuals settled permanently at considerable distances from their county courthouse, the General Assembly chartered new counties to accommodate them. Once the new court was established, records of the new county would be housed in the new courthouse, while earlier records for the residents of the new county, such as wills and deeds, would remain in the old courthouse. For example, a family settled in present-day Nottoway County may have left records in the courthouses of Charles City until 1703, Prince George until 1735, and Amelia until 1789.

For purposes of this article, we include in Southside (from east to west) the present-day counties of Isle of Wight (renamed from Warrosquyoake in 1637), Surry (founded in 1652 from James City), Sussex (founded in 1754 from Surry), Southampton (founded in 1749 from Isle of Wight), Prince George (founded in 1703 from Charles City), Dinwiddie (founded in 1752 from Prince George), Chesterfield (founded in 1749 from Henrico), Brunswick (founded in 1732 from Prince George), Greenville (founded in 1781 from Brunswick), Amelia (founded in 1735 from Prince George), Cumberland (founded in 1749 from Goochland), Powhatan (founded in 1777 from Cumberland), Nottoway (founded in 1789 from Amelia), Lunenburg (founded in 1746 from Brunswick), Mecklenburg (founded in 1765 from Lunenburg), Prince Edward (founded in 1654 from Amelia), Buckingham (founded in 1761 from Albemarle), Appomattox (founded in 1845 from Buckingham), Charlotte (founded in 1765 from Lunenburg), Halifax (founded in 1752 from Lunenburg), Bedford (founded in 1754 from Lunenburg), Campbell (founded in 1782 from Bedford), Pittsylvania (founded in 1767 from Halifax), Franklin (founded in 1786 from Bedford), Henry (founded in 1777 from Pittsylvania), and Patrick (founded in 1791 from Henry).

Unless your Southside research is confined to Isle of Wight County, you must contend with "burned counties" that have lost some or all courthouse records. Of the four original shires that encompassed Southside, all but Warrosquyoake, now Isle of Wight, have lost records: Henrico to the British during the Revolution and Charles City and James City counties during the Civil War. Another significant loss is that of the pre-Civil War records of Prince George County, the predecessor of 16 of today's Southside counties. Dinwiddie and Buckingham lost their pre-1865 records; Nottoway lost many records; and the courthouse of Appomattox County burned in 1892. Although other Southside courthouses have avoided major catastrophes, missing volumes and gaps in the records are not unusual.

Each county clerk kept transcriptions of wills and deeds, bonds of several varieties including guardian and marriage bonds, ministers' returns of marriages performed, court orders, etc. I wish I could report that abstracts of the key extant records of all Southside counties have been published, but it is just not so. Thanks to some diligent compilers, most marriage records into the early 19th century have been published, but wills and deeds are incomplete.

County records now housed in Richmond are described in "A Preliminary Guide to Pre-1904 County Records in the Virginia State Library and Archives" by Suzanne Smith Ray,

Lyndon H. Hart III, and J. Christian Kolbe (Richmond: Virginia State Archives, 1994). Although some early county records remain in their respective courthouses, microfilm copies of those originals are located at the State Archives as well. The good news for researchers is that they can obtain microfilm copies through interlibrary loan (<http://www.lva.lib.va.us/whatwehave/local>). As a resident of Dallas, Texas, I can enter a request for a particular microfilm reel at the website of the Dallas Public Library and have it within two weeks. If you are looking for wills and estates, Wesley E. Pippenger's "Index to Virginia Estates 1800-1865" is indispensable in determining which reel to order. Volumes 3, 5, and 7 include Southside counties.

Despite the destruction of so many records, a large number of Southside Virginia tax lists, fortunately, are extant. For example, the quit rent list of 1704 identifies Southside land owners. A few tithable lists, depicting the heads of households and names of men and slaves of a taxable age, remain for Amelia (1736-57, 1761-64), Buckingham (1773-74), Chesterfield (1756, 62), Cumberland (1758, 60, 68), Halifax (1755, 70-71, 80), Henrico Southside (1747), Lunenburg (1748-52, 64, 69, 72-76), Mecklenburg (1748-52, 64), Nottoway (1771), and Surry (1668-1703) counties. Most real and personal property tax rolls identifying Southside heads of household from 1782 are available even for "burned counties."

Partial surrogates for the 1790 federal census, destroyed during the War of 1812, are the 1782-85 state enumerations, which have been published as "Heads of Families at the First Census, 1790." Found here are enumerations for Amelia (1782, 1785), Charlotte (1782), Chesterfield (1783), Cumberland (1782, 1784), Greensville (1783), Halifax (1782, 1785), Isle of Wight (1782), Mecklenburg (1782), Pittsylvania (1782, 1785), Powhatan (1783), Prince Edward (1783, 1785), Surry (1782, 1784), and Sussex (1782) counties and Richmond City (1782). "Virginia Tax Payers, 1782-87" (available from www.genealogical.com) supplements this publication with selected personal property tax lists--generally the 1782 list--from counties for which no enumerations remain, including the Southside counties of Bedford, Brunswick, Buckingham, Campbell, Dinwiddie, Henry, Lunenburg, Prince George, and Southampton.

In "The Virginia Genealogist," John Frederick Dorman has published the 1800 personal property tax lists for most of Southside, which serve as a surrogate for the now-missing 1800 federal census. There is nothing unique to Southside Virginia when it comes to researching federal censuses for 1810 and beyond. Nor does Southside require any unusual knowledge of military records.

For ecclesiastical purposes, each Southside county was divided into one or more Anglican parishes, which methodically registered baptisms and funerals and recorded minutes of vestry meetings. Portions of colonial registers and vestry books of Bristol (Prince George and Dinwiddie), King William (Powhatan), and Albemarle (Surry and Sussex); the registers of Tillotson (Buckingham) and Bath Parish (Dinwiddie); and the vestry books of Antrim (Halifax), Camden (Pittsylvania), Cumberland (Lunenburg), Henrico (Henrico), Southam (Powhatan), Newport (Isle of Wight), St. Patrick's (Prince Edward), and St. Andrew's (Brunswick) parishes are available.

If your family members were Southside Quakers, you are in luck because William Wade Hinshaw abstracted the records of the Virginia Society of Friends in "Encyclopedia of American Quaker Genealogy," Volume VI. Southside Friends were members of the Chuckatuck, Black Water, Upper, Henrico, Cedar Creek, South River, or Goose Creek monthly meetings.

Marriage and death notices in Richmond newspapers to 1853, published by the Virginia Genealogical Society, include many Southside names. Several Southside counties have published county histories, which often contain sketches on particular individuals and families. I am most familiar with the histories of Amelia, Bedford, Brunswick, Chesterfield, Cumberland, Halifax, Lunenburg, Nottoway, Prince Edward, and Surry. Of course, published genealogies are available on many Southside families as well. [END OF ARTICLE]

[N.B. Persons conducting research on Southside families are encouraged to consult Mr. Pritchett's extraordinary CD collection, SOUTHSIDE VIRGINIA GENEALOGIES. For more information about this CD, see the link below. This link provides a "View Inside this Book" feature, which allows you to scroll through its table of contents, examine sample pages, and check the entire CD index to learn if your ancestor can be found there.]

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NEWTON TOWNSHIP, Old Gloucester County, West New Jersey

Today, Newton Township roughly encompasses the city of Camden plus Haddon Township within Camden County. For this work, compiler John Clement has prepared a number of detailed genealogical and biographical sketches of the township's patriarchs and matriarchs. Each sketch traces the principal and his/her family members through several generations, beginning with the family's place of origin or first appearance in Newton Township. The volume concludes with a collection of marriage entries--some from Quaker meetings--for Burlington, Chester, Evesham, Newton, Salem, and Woodbury.

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This rare and little-known government publication is a synopsis of all the Acts of Congress relating to the promises made by Congress to the officers and soldiers of the Revolutionary Army up to the year 1836. The significance of the work to genealogists lies in the fact that the hundreds of Congressional enactments printed here, both large and small, contain the names of the soldiers or their heirs who applied for relief under the terms of each of the special Acts. For a variety of reasons, veterans may not have received arrears of pay, may not have been issued their promised half-pay for life, their widows and orphans may not have received their seven years' pay, or the veterans may not have taken up their bounty land. Thus, years later, either they or their heirs applied to Congress for satisfaction of their claims, which were dealt with by Acts and Resolutions of Congress.

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WHAT CAN'T BRAVE AMERICANS ENDURE? The New Jersey Infantry at the Valley Forge Encampment

This work marks Joseph Lee Boyle's second book dedicated to resurrecting the identities of the heroes of the six-month encampment of the Continental Army at Valley Forge in 1777-78. His first volume, "Fire Cake and Water," concerns the Connecticut soldiers who were among the 30,000 individuals at the beleaguered Valley Forge encampment. This present book contains an alphabetical list of some 2,500 New Jersey soldiers abstracted from Revolutionary War muster and payrolls at the National Archives. Each patriot is identified by name, rank, date and term of enlistment or commission, names of regiment and company, and a variety of supporting details, such as date of furlough or discharge, when wounded, when and where promoted, etc.

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Originally published as appendices, or supplements, to the "Annual Report of the State Historian of the State of New York" for the years 1897 and 1898, these two volumes contain transcriptions of all colonial muster rolls on deposit in the state capital at Albany for the years 1664 to 1775. This work identifies approximately 30,000 men who served in the various militia companies during the period before the Revolution, including privateers and free-lancers such as Captain William Kidd. At a minimum, each militiaman is noted in connection with his date of enlistment, company and company commander, rank, and place of residence. More often than not, information provided in the muster rolls also includes place of birth, age, occupation, height, and physical description.

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According to the "Guide to Genealogical Research in the National Archives," "many of the pensioners named in this volume were Revolutionary War veterans whose papers were presumably destroyed in the War Department fires of 1800 and 1814." This index is based on a War Department account book, or ledger, showing the amount of semi-annual payments made in March and September to each pensioner for each year of the reporting period, 1801-1815.

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Certain U.S. pension records pre-dating 1800 survive in the form of Congressional reports, and these reports would appear to be the earliest Revolutionary War pension records extant. Four such reports have been identified and are transcribed in this work. Within each report the claims are arranged by state, giving, generally, name, rank,

regiment, description and circumstances of wounds incurred, and information regarding pension, place of residence, and physical fitness.

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The "Pension List of 1820," compiled pursuant to a Congressional Act of 1818 and containing 17,000 entries, is the most complete list of Revolutionary War pensioners compiled up to the date of its publication. Arranged according to the state or territory of residence and thereunder in rough alphabetical order, pensioners are listed with their rank line of service.

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