

Harvey Richardson .....	Concord, N. Y., May 3rd, 1839
Francis Richardson .....	Concord, N. Y., Aug. 11th, 1842
Preston C. Richardson .....	Concord, N. Y., May (14th?), 1843
Charles Richardson .....	Concord, N. Y., March 1st, 1846
Albert Richardson .....	Concord, N. Y., June 10th, 1848
George Richardson .....	Concord, N. Y., June 4th, 1851
Cornelia A. Richardson .....	Concord, N. Y., Sept. 21st, 1856

## Deaths

Arnold Holden .....	Bradford, Pa., March 26th, 1869
Patience Holden .....	Franklinville, N. Y., May 25th 1890
Dennison F. Holden .....	(Lake Canns, Mich.)?, Dec. 12th 1902
Martha A. Holden .....	Ashford, N. Y., Apr. 26th, 1903
Anna Aliza Holden .....	Owatonna, Minn., Aug. 7th, 1867
Nettie Jane Holden .....	Louisville, Ky., Aug. 2nd, 1898
Edwin C. Holden .....	Louisville, Ky., Aug. 11th, 1903
Mary L. Holden .....	Louisville, Ky., May 29th, 1924
Betsey Richardson .....	Concord, N. Y., April 26th, 1821
Albert Richardson .....	Concord, N. Y., June 29th, 1850
Anna Richardson .....	Concord, N. Y., Sept. 2nd, 1832
Joseph Richardson .....	Concord, N. Y., Feb. 9th, 1837
Jane Ann Richardson .....	Concord, N. Y., May 26th, 1868
Charles Richardson .....	East Aurora, N. Y., Apr. 27th, 1876

## Marriages

Arnold Holden .....	
Patience Holden .....	November 29th, 1818
Jeremiah Richardson .....	November 29th, 1818
Anna Richardson .....	Feb. 3rd, 1834, in Collins, N. Y.
Jane Ann Richardson .....	June 9th, 1858, in Concord, N. Y.
Edwin C. Holden .....	June 9th, 1858, in Concord, N. Y.
Mary L. Holden .....	

## BIOGRAPHY OF THE JONES FAMILY

## I.

The Jones' family of southern Worth County, the subject of this sketch, are of Welch extraction. The family tradition places the earliest known ancestors as an emigrant from Virginia to North Carolina. The family remained for more than a hundred years near the ancestral home in Wake County, North Carolina, and then a branch of the family removed to Sumner, Worth County, Georgia. The removal to Worth County was brought about by the heavy losses the family sustained during the Civil War. Slaves freed, land lost while the sons were performing military duty, the family turned to lumbering and naval stores for a livelihood. This business was entered by many others who had experienced similar losses and soon the timber of their section was rapidly being exhausted. It was then they sought the virgin pine

forests of South Georgia, along with many of their neighbors and kins-people, as a land of golden opportunity.

Mrs. Mary Ann Jones, widow of Alvin Jones, removed to Sumner from Wake County, North Carolina, in 1880. She accompanied two of her sons, Y. A. J. Jones now of Moultrie and the late Walter Atlas Jones of Coolidge, and daughters Amy Ann, Emily Victoria Jones and the late Mrs. Jas. L. Sinclair, Mrs. Elliot Holt of Sumner, the late Mrs. Eldridge Hunnicutt of Funston. Her eldest son, Sidney Lane Jones, had preceded the others to Worth in 1877. In 1884 another son, Braxton B. Jones, followed the family into its new home. Only one son, Aldridge Myatt, remained behind. His numerous descendants live in Swift Creek Township, Wake County, North Carolina.

## II.

This particular Jones family look back with pardonable pride upon a brave and patriotic ancestry; many of whom distinguished themselves in the service of their state and upon the field of battle. No less than three of their great-grandparents did valiant service as soldiers in the War of Revolution, also a large number of uncles and other relatives. The maternal grandfather of their mother was Mark Myatt, a brave officer, prominent citizen and a Justice in the Inferior Court of Wake County. He marched with the company of Captain Ebenezer Folsom as a sergeant, engaging in the battle of Moore's Creek Bridge. Later he was made Lieutenant in Captain Wood's company, troop of Horsemen, Colonel Malmedy's Regiment and served with distinction. Another great-grandfather was Shadrack Barker, a staunch patriot who took up arms in defense of American independence. General Joseph Lane I of Edgecombe County, North Carolina, famous soldier of Colonial times, was a third great-grandfather. Other kinsmen were noted in military and State history as generals, governor of State, United States Senators and Court Justices.

This patriotic heritage was reflected by the family that removed to Worth. Three sons of Mrs. Mary Ann Jones were veterans of the Civil War, serving through its entire length, and each being wounded upon the field of conflict. Those serving the cause of the South living in Worth were Sidney L. Jones of Tempy and Walter Atlas Jones of Sumner-Coolidge.

The call to arms by the United States Government in the recent World War was answered by two sons of Braxton B.

Jones. Leo B. Jones responded upon the call of the local Committee, entering the service from Worth County, being trained at Fort Screven near Savannah. The other son, Nordoff R. Jones, volunteered in Atlanta at the beginning of the war for the United States Navy and is a veteran of the United States Ship North Dakota, continuing in the service several months subsequent to the close of hostilities.

### III.

The earliest ancestor to be documentary established by the family surname is Philip Jones (1705-10 to 1760) and wife, Rebecca Jones I. Philip settled in 1758 on the fork between Dutchman's Branch and Swift Creek in Johnston County (now Wake) North Carolina, ten miles south of the present city of Raleigh, and called his new home "Willett." He was accompanied by at least one of his brothers, James Jones and wife, Mary.

Philip died in 1760 leaving his widow with six children: Etheldred, Jesse, Russel I, Leah, Rachel and Rebecca Jones II. The widow was remarried in 1764 to John Rench who left her a widow by death the second time in 1784. Three daughters Patience, Sally and Charity were born of the second marriage. Rebecca Jones Rench, widow of Philip Jones, died October 21, 1804. Her nine children married into the first families of the county, among whom were Lane, Speight, Norris, Peddy, Richardson and Elkin families.

Each of Philip Jones' three sons was devoted to the American cause, showing themselves to be brave patriots, serving honorably in the North Carolina State Militia. The eldest, Etheldred Jones I, was promoted to the rank of Captain and valorously led his company in several fierce engagements. Some of the better known conflicts in which he personally was engaged were Moore's Creek Bridge, the Battle of the Cowpens, and of Guilford's Courthouse. Jesse Jones, a second son, saw military duty as a private during the memorable struggle, was compensated by the United States Government for his service. After the conclusion of hostilities with the English he became a large planter in southeastern Wake County. Russel Jones I, the youngest son, valiantly served in the War of Revolution, was later granted land in Franklin County, Georgia, as a war veteran. Removing to Wilkes County about 1788 and later to Franklin County where he lived until 1828,

loved and respected by all his fellow citizens. He left a large family of sons, daughters and grandchildren in northeast Georgia. One son, Russel Jones II of Jackson County, Georgia, was designated by an act of the Georgia Legislature of 1824 in chartering "The First School For Girls in Georgia" as the first named member of the Board of Trustees for that pioneer institution.

Lucian Lamar Knight, gifted son and eloquent historian of Georgia, favorably comments upon this important and progressive event as follows: "To the old town of Harmony Grove belongs the honor of having launched successfully the first school for girls ever established in the State of Georgia. On account of the vast number of schools for women which have since leaped into existence . . . this pioneer charter is a document of prize importance in the history of modern education." (Georgia Landmarks Vol. II, P. 806). The Jones family experiences a sense of modest pride in having such a distinguished honor as the chairmanship of the first Board of Trustees of the earliest female institution of higher learning ever chartered in Georgia, come to a grandson of Philip Jones.

Captain Etheldred Jones was the eldest son of Philip and Rebecca Jones and was a life-long citizen of Wake County, North Carolina. About 1775 he was married to Jane (or Jean) Lane, the granddaughter of General Joseph Lane I, by his eldest son Barnabas Lane I.

Captain Jones began his military career in early life as a member of the Colonial Militia. In 1772 and 1773 he was Ensign in company 8 and company 9 respectively, Colonel John Hinton's Regiment, North Carolina Colonial Militia, Wake County. Attaining the rank of Captain in the State Militia during the War of Revolution he was held in high regard both by his company and his fellow citizens. He was granted over twelve thousand acres of fertile lands along Swift and Middle Creeks in his home county. Building a large home near Fuquay Springs in Middle Creek Township which was called "The Mansion," he engaged in stock raising and agriculture, living to the age of nearly eighty-six years.

Before the death of his beloved wife in April of 1786 a daughter and four sons were born to Captain Jones. Elizabeth was the only daughter. The sons were Allen Jones, Augustine Jones, Martin Jones and Barnabas Jones I.



## V.

The grandfather of the family that removed to Worth was the second son of Captain Jones. Augustine Jones was of a kindly, quiet nature and retiring in disposition. He was married in 1813 to Edith Barker, a daughter of a War of Revolution veteran, Shadrack Barker of Wake County. Augustine never held any public office but was interested in public affairs, followed the honored vocation of planter, respected by his generation. His children were Alvin, Elizabeth, Etheldred Benton, Jefferson John Quincy and Rebecca Jones III. His daughter Rebecca married Green Haywood Alford and became the mother of the late Alford brothers, Columbus A., Sr., W. L. H. and A. J. Alford, prominent lumbermen and naval stores operators in Worth County during the last quarter of the 19th century.

The husband of Mrs. Mary Ann Jones of Sumner, Worth County was Alvin, eldest son of Augustine Jones and wife Edith. They made their first home upon the ancestral lands inherited from Captain Jones and cultivated the fertile soil of Middle Creek bottoms with slave labor. He was a successful planter and of enterprising character. In 1836 he married the daughter of William Partin and Candis Myatt, and the granddaughter of Lieutenant Mark Myatt already mentioned. Alvin Jones died in early middle life of typhoid fever in the year of 1860.

## VI.

Sidney Lane Jones, late of Tempy, Worth County, was the eldest of the brothers that came to Georgia. In 1880 he was married to Martha Willis, daughter of Daniel Willis, one of the early settlers of Worth County. "Sid" Jones as he was best known to his neighbors, was a man who possessed the courage of his convictions. In later life he affiliated with the Protestant Methodist Church. In early manhood he was a strong Democrat but became an ardent Populist in the early part of the decade of the nineties, remaining in this political faith until his death in 1915. Possessed also of keen insight, a good judge of economic values, and clever trading ability enabled him to accumulate a small fortune. Kindly in his home life, deeply interested in local education and in national politics, hospitable toward his friends, he exhibited the elements of a substantial citizen.

His three sons have distinguished themselves in various vocations of life. Chas. S. Jones is a splendid citizen of Tempy, successful in merchandising and agriculture, popular in his community, trustworthy in every way, and is a steward in the local Methodist Church. The youngest son, Boyd L. Jones, is an educator who is well known and was formerly the Superintendent of County Education in Worth. His eldest son is D. L. B. Jones, who for years was an educator in Worth but is now merchandising in another county. A daughter, Ida, married Wiley White, a postoffice employee in Sylvester. Their son, Milledge White, is an educator and is an instructor in McPhaul Institute. A second daughter, Ada, was married to Rev. Jesse Hurst of the Protestant Methodist Church. These daughters take an active interest in the community life of Tempy.

## VII.

Braxton B. Jones, like his brother Sidney, waited until he came to Worth County to contract marriage. He was married to a young school teacher of Parkerville by the name of Osie Ann Pope, daughter of Alexander Pope and Amanda Arline formerly of Decatur County. "Brax" Jones, as he was familiarly called, operated lumber mills and ginneries for a number of years, being associated part of the time with the different Alford brothers, and later operated his plantation until overtaken by the infirmities of age. A strong Democrat, a Master Mason, steward in the Bridgeboro Methodist Episcopal Church, South, for a long period, he exhibited a keen interest in all the affairs of county and community. His deepest concern in public matters was for better schools and good roads. Industry, integrity and hospitality were marked traits of character. Mrs. Jones was a woman of strong Christian faith. Removing to Sylvester before their death they were buried in the town cemetery.

Two daughters and one son of his six children now live in Worth County. Mrs. Roy Banks (Etawa) and Mrs. Earl E. Flowers (Alma) are residing in Sylvester. Another daughter is living in Valdosta, Mrs. F. M. Salter (Marcia). Leo B. Jones as an educator was superintendent of public schools in several large towns of the State but is now engaged in agriculture at the old homestead near Parkerville and superintendent of the Gorday school. Nordoff R. Jones has been in

the hardware business for many years in the city of Atlanta. The eldest son J. Lytle Jones, Sr., is a member of the South Georgia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, South.

Recently Juanita Jones, daughter of Rev. J. Lytle Jones, was accepted by the national office of the Daughters of American Revolution as a true descendant of Captain Etheldred Jones and became a member of the Oconee Chapter, McRae, Georgia.

### Family Bible Records

Family Record copied from Bible of Captain Etheldred Jones.

"December the 9th, 1835: This Holy Bible was bought this day by Barnabas Jones at the sale of Etheldred Jones deceased."

"Elizabeth Jones, daughter of Etheldred Jones and Jane his wife, was born the 10th of February 1776."

"Allen Jones, son of the above written, was born the 6th day of March 1778."

"Augustine Jones, son of the above written, was born the 1st day of February 1781."

"Martin Jones, son of the above written, was born February 6th, 1784."

"Barnabas Jones, son of the above written, was born March 30th 1786."

"Mary Jones, wife of the above written Barnabas Jones, was born March 30th 1808."

"Nancy Olive, daughter of Abel and Betsy Olive, was born March 8th day 1786."

"Joel and Jose Olive, sons of the same, were born March 15th and 16th days 1789."

Family Record Copied from Bible of Alvin Jones.

"Alvin Jones, his book."

"Alvin Jones, son of Augustine Jones, was born April the 14th 1814."

"William Augustine Jones, son of Alvin Jones, was born September the 5th 1837 and departed this life September the 9th 1837."

"Sidney L. Jones, son of Alvin Jones, was born February 3rd 1839." (d. 30 Nov. 1915).

"Walter Atlas Jones, son of Alvin Jones, was born February 10th 1841." (d. 27 July 1917).

"Aldridge Myatt Jones, son of Alvin Jones, was born April 13, 1843." (d. 10 March 1895).

"Braxton Bragg Jones, son of Alvin Jones, was born January 17th 1848."

"Young Andrew Jackson Jones, was born January 30th 1850, son of Alvin Jones."

"Mary Ann Jones, wife of Alvin Jones and daughter of William Partin, was born December 22nd 1814."

"Amy Ann Jones, daughter of Alvin Jones, was born September 14, 1844."

"Emely Victoria Jones, daughter of Alvin Jones, was born March the 19th 1846."

"Augusta Jane Jones, daughter of Alvin Jones, was born March the 1st 1852."

"Mary Adner Jones, daughter of Alvin Jones, was born April 14th 1854." (d. 20 June 1933).

"Molsey Ann Linier Jones, daughter of Alvin Jones, was born May 2nd 1857." (d. 27 October 1919).

Additional information copied from Family Bible of Mrs. Mary Ann Jones.

"Alvin Jones, son of Augustine Jones, married October the 15th 1836 to Mary Ann Partin, daughter of William Partin."

"Alvin Jones, the husband of Mary Ann Jones, deceased August 29th 1860."

"Mary Ann Jones, wife of Alvin Jones, departed this life September the 20th 1897."

### Condensed Family Record Copied From Bible of B. B. Jones

"This certifies that B. B. Jones and Osie A. Pope were united by me in the Holy Bonds of Matrimony at Parkerville, Georgia on the fourth day of February in the year of our Lord 1886.

Signed J. W. Perry.

Witnesses: M. C. Lemons,

A. E. Bass, Edy Hornsby.

"Captain Etheldred Jones born October 8, 1749; died October 2, 1835."

"Augustine Jones born February 1, 1781; died March 20, 1861."

"Edith Barker Jones, wife of Augustine Jones, died February 20, 1860. She was eleven years younger than her husband, therefore, born 1792."



"Alvin Jones, father of B. B. Jones, born April 14, 1814; deceased Aug. 29, 1860."

"Mrs. M. A. Jones, mother of B. B. Jones, was born Dec. 22, 1814; deceased September 20, 1897."

"Braxton Bragg Jones was born January 17, 1848 in Wake County, North Carolina died in Worth County, Georgia May 20, 1925."

"Osie Ann Pope, wife of B. B. Jones, was born Dec. 8, 1856 in Decatur County, Georgia dying in Worth County 7 August 1921."

"Alexander Pope, father of Osie A. Jones, departed this life at sixty-eight years of age July 20, 1893."

"Amanda Arline Pope, mother of Osie A. Jones, deceased July 17, 1874."

"Ann Bowers Arline Pope, step-mother of Osie A. Jones, died 1916."

"Justin Lytle Jones, son of Braxton B. and Osie A. Jones, was born December 15, 1886; married December 27, 1908 to Bertye Ivey, daughter of Wm. G. Ivey."

"Mallie Marcia Jones, daughter of B. B. and Osie A. Jones, was born April 2, 1888; married Feb. 8, 1914 to Flaud M. Salter."

"Nordoff Renaldor Jones, son of B. B. Jones and wife, was born March 27, 1890; married April 15, 1922 to Myrtle Kelly of Atlanta."

"Leo Bertrum Jones, son of Braxton B. and Osie A. Jones, was born August 25, 1891; married December 26, 1922 to Lovelace Price."

"Osie Alma Jones, daughter of Braxton B. and Osie A. Jones, was born September 12th 1893; married April 5, 1917 to Earl E. Flowers."

"Alex. Braxton Jones born May 20, 1895; died May 20, 1895."

"Infant daughter, born dead, June 5, 1896."

"Mary Ettawa Amanda Jones, daughter of B. B. and Osie A. Jones, was born May 10, 1898; married 4 November, 1917 to Wm. Roy Banks.

### JAMES THADDEUS BANKS

James Thaddeus Banks is the son of Wm. Alston Banks and wife, Fannie (White) Banks, of Goggins, Monroe County. He,

with his family, moved from Goggins to Worth County in 1908.

He has been engaged or interested in the mercantile business most of the years since coming here. He lived a few years in Barwick, but came back to Sylvester and in the year 1933 moved to Tempy, a prosperous settlement of farmers of Worth.

It matters not where he lives he uses his influence for the promotion of any enterprise calculated to be of lasting benefit to this country. His personality and character are such that it inspires confidence and trust in those who meet him. As a business man his record is one of integrity and efficiency. Added to his own merits and honors is that of a distinguished ancestry of Georgia and North Carolina. The Banks family has been one of prominence in Georgia since the Revolutionary War, particularly in Elbert, Hall and Banks Counties, the latter being named in honor of a great-uncle of the subject of this sketch.

Ralph Banks, the first of the family to move to Georgia from North Carolina, was reputed to be a very wealthy slave-owner and planter. His home is still standing and is said to be a show place of Elbert County. The wife of Ralph Banks was the daughter of Capt. James Jones, Commander of Light Horse Cavalry, 3rd. Company, 1st. Regiment, N. C., in 1776, and served in the State Senate in 1777. He died in that year. He married Charity Alston in 1762, daughter of Solomon Alston and wife, Ann (Hinton) Alston, of North Carolina. Ann Hinton was the daughter of Col. John Hinton I, one of the very earliest settlers of Wake County, N. C.

James Thaddeus Banks was born in 1872 and was first married to Elsie Dumas Dec. 9, 1894. They had one child, Elsie, born in January, 1896. Mrs. Elsie (Dumas) Banks died when her baby was seven days old. Elsie Banks, the daughter, married Fred Monk of Worth County January 20, 1915.

On Oct. 18, 1896, James T. Banks married Mabel Ellington, of Monroe County. Their children are Wm. Roy who married Ettowah Jones, Nov. 14, 1917. They have two children, Alston and Mary Ethel.

James Benjamin Banks was married in 1923 to Ouida Pinson, their children are James, deceased, and Bettye Jane.

Fannie Mae Banks was married in 1922 to Kenneth E. Holloway. Their children are Kenneth Eugene, and James Griffin. Mabel Banks was married in 1924 to Fred Chandler. She

died in 1928. They have one child, Mabel. Emily Banks was married in 1931 to Dr. Emory Barrow. They have one child, E. Joe. Alfred Harper Banks not married, Jephtha Thaddeus was married in 1933 to Jessie Pearl Murry.

### THOMAS KIRBY HEINSOHN

Thomas Kirby Heinsohn was born in Munice, Indiana, on March 17, 1871.

He married Miss Mary Sprankle, daughter of Mr. J. R. Sprankle and Victorine (Grasselle) of Cleveland, Ohio, in 1891.

They had one child, Robert, and on account of his delicate health, they moved South and located in Sylvester in 1896.

Mr. Heinsohn was considered one of the most prosperous men in the county during the ten years he did business here.

He and his wife owned the Sylvester Supply Company, a large credit establishment. His death on Sunday morning, Dec. 16th, 1906, was a great shock to the whole county, for he was a noble man by nature, and many a good, hardworking farmer of Worth County attested to his uniform fair dealing and generosity.

At the time of his death and for several years previous, he was postmaster at this place.

When his body was carried back to his home in the North to rest beside his ancestors, his friends in this county, whom he numbered by his acquaintances, felt as if one who had always been among them had passed away, and that his place would be hard to fill.

### MRS. MARY (SPRANKLE) HEINSOHN, McWHORTER

Until Mr. Heinsohn's death, Mrs. Heinsohn was the leader of social life here. After that she gave her time and energy largely to the management of her estate, showing in this, as in everything in her life, her ability to succeed in anything she undertook.

She was a woman of fine intellect—magnetic, highly cultured, even a mere acquaintance felt her charming personality. Her love for her friends was deep and lasting. No woman ever lived in our midst, whose influence was so greatly felt as hers.

On Dec. 29th, 1908, she was married to Mr. J. O. McWhorter, of this place, living just three months after her marriage. Taken

violently ill at the Sylvester Supply Store on Friday, she breathed her last at 10:30 Sunday. Her son, who was in Lima, Ind., at school, and her brother who was in Cleveland had not reached here at the time of her death.

Mrs. McWhorter was reared a Catholic, but a few months before her death, she joined the Methodist Church and was a member here when she died.

She was survived by her husband, her fifteen-year-old son, Robert, and a host of friends, to mourn her untimely death, she having only reached the noonday of life.

Her remains were carried to Cleveland, Ohio, and placed in the family vault by her father and mother.

### MR. ROBERT HEINSOHN

Mr. Heinsohn made Sylvester his home for several years after his mother's death, for this was really home to him—the only one he had ever known. Coming here almost in infancy, the short time spent in his Northern home must have seemed almost as a dream to him—possibly had faded from his memory entirely.

Then, too, we all loved him, and looked upon him as ours; for had he not played with our own boys, and had we not watched with pride his transformation from a frail little invalid to a sturdy, rosy-cheeked lad under the balmy influence of our Southern skies?

When business called and he finally cast his lot elsewhere, the good wishes of this entire people went with him.

Before leaving here, he was married to Miss Lillian Britt of Tifton, a beautiful and charming young woman, a fine musician and lovely Christian character. She was president of the Womans Club of Sylvester for a number of years.

Mr. and Mrs. Heinsohn now (1934) reside in Philadelphia, where he holds a position of trust with the New York Life Insurance Company.

Robert A. Heinsohn enlisted in the Aviation Corps in the World War and was sent to Austin, Texas, for training. He did service in the U. S. A.

As soon as the United States entered the World War Mrs. Heinsohn was made chairman of the Red Cross sewing rooms and no county excelled Worth in war activities. She led our people in this work as long as she was in Sylvester.