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Mr. John Andrew Dabbs
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RE: Proposed Resolution, General Assembly of Georgia, 2004 Session, to name Dabbs Bridge in honor of the Thomas and Lucinda Lively Dabbs officially

Dear Mr. Dabbs:

I am pleased that you have decided to ask Senator Nathan Dean to introduce the aforesaid resolution in the General Assembly of Georgia in 2004. He is a very outstanding public servant and has made many, many contributions to the public good.

As you know, Dabbs Bridge Road was named in honor of Thomas and Lucinda Lively Dabbs and their descendants in the Paulding County Atlas planned and adopted by Commissioner Henry Winn and others. Your famous ancestors bought a 200 acre farm and built a house on Lead Mountain Road near the Dabbs Cemetery in 1842. They founded the Dabbs School, Dabbs Cemetery and engaged in many other activities beneficial to the public good. Their family priorities were: education, work, recreation and morality.

Their descendants have maintained these family priorities and made many contributions to the public good. They were co-founders of the Burnt Mill School, Burnt Hickory Junior High School, Burnt Hickory United Methodist Church and helped preserve the Dabbs, Ferguson and Hunt cemeteries and the Harmony Grove Church building and cemeteries.

Several of their descendants have established saw mills and other businesses and provided employment for their neighbors. Mathis and Robbie Ferguson Carnes operated a country store on Dabbs Bridge Road. Also, they helped Richard M. Carnes operate a cotton gin, grist mill and saw mill on Dabbs Bridge Road for many years.

Mr. William C. "Billy" Ferguson has maintained a landing strip and assembled small airplanes on his property on Ferguson Place Road for many years. Mrs. Annette Ferguson Phillips is a famous teacher and principal of the Dallas Elementary School. Prof. Kenneth Phillips was coach at the Paulding County High School for many years. Mrs. Lula Ferguson is a cosmetologist and operates a beauty parlor on the Cartersville Highway on a portion of the farm once owned by Noah and Connie Dabbs Ferguson.

Mrs. Ruth Ferguson Monk and other of her relatives were co-founders of the Burnt Hickory United Methodist Church and remain devout members of this famous church. The members of this church have made many contributions beneficial to the public good.

The bridge across Pumpkinvine Creek on Dabbs Bridge Road is located in Land Lot 39, Third District, Third Section of Paulding County, Georgia, and deserves to be named Dabbs Bridge officially by resolution of the General Assembly of Georgia, 2004 Session.

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I am pleased that you have decided to sponsor a Dabbs Family Reunion in 2004. Perhaps Mrs. Annelle Ferguson Phillips (Tel. #770-445-1599), Mr. William C. "Billy" Ferguson (Tel. #770-443-2747), Mrs. Ruth Ferguson Monk (Tel. #445-2637), Mrs. Lula Ferguson (Tel. #770-445-7340), Mr. & Mrs. Owen Dabbs (Tel. #770-382-5675) and other relatives would be happy to help you plan the Dabbs Family Reunion of 2004 and select a site for it.

I have known many of the descendants of Thomas & Lucinda Lively Dabbs down thru the past 72 years. Mrs. Connie Dabbs Ferguson was a very pleasant, kind, intelligent person and a super cook. She made apple jelly, buttered biscuits, apple and peach cobbler pies, boiled green beans, cornbread and sassafras tea which were, indeed, very delicious. The memories of her food causes saliva to flow in my mouth as proof that her food was very delicious. The precious memories of her kindness and cheerfulness causes tears of profound appreciation and great joy to flow down the cheeks of my face. To know her was to love her.

Please keep me advised as to the progress made with the proposed resolution and the planning and selection of a site for the Dabbs Family Reunion of 2004. I would like to see Senator Nathan Dean present the resolution to you as representative of the Dabbs Family at the Dabbs Family Reunion in 2004. You should be commended very highly for the research and articles written by you on the genealogy of the Dabbs Family and your many other contributions to the public good. The echoes of your footsteps will remain of profound influence and great value to your fellow man for many years to come.

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Best wishes and may the Good Lord bless us all both now and in Paradise.

Respectfully yours,


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Re: Upkeep of Dabbs Bridge Road

Dear Mr. Swafford:

Paulding County, Georgia, was created by the General Assembly of Georgia on December 3, 1832, out of Cherokee County which had been a part of the Cherokee Indian Nation. The Trail of Tears occurred in 1838-1839. The Cherokee Indians left behind many fields, walnut, peach and apple trees, log houses and barns, gold mines, roads, etc. The East half of the Third District, Third Section of present Paulding County remained part of Cobb County until annexed into Paulding County in 1852.

Richard and Nancy Ruff Carnes, Daniel and Mary Miller Starnes and several other pioneers moved into the area in 1836. They founded the Harmony Grove Church and Harmony Grove School in 1840.

Thomas and Lucinda Lively Dabbs ^{www.georgiapioneers.com} acquired a 200 acre farm in 1842 located along the West side of Pumpkinvine Creek and downstream from the present Dabbs Bridge. They built a house Northeast of the Dabbs Cemetery and on the East side of Lead Mountain Road. Deposits of graphite were discovered in Bartow County along this road and was mined and used as lead for pencils. This famous family founded the Dabbs School and Dabbs Cemetery. Dabbs Bridge was named in their honor and was a covered wooden bridge until replaced by the State D.O.T. with the present bridge.

John and Margaret McEver Baker acquired a farm and in 1855 built a three-room house now known as the Baker-Holland house. Attached is a copy of the history of this famous old dwelling. Jake Baker was elected Judge of the Court of Ordinary in Paulding County. In order that they could avoid the steep hills along present Overlook Trail over which they had to haul heavy loads of fertilizer from Acworth by horse and wagon, he authorized Mr. Richard M. Carnes and other of his neighbors to build a new road in 1905. This road was laid out by Mr. Carnes and his neighbors by transit and graded with scoops and scrapes powered by mules and horses and picks and shovels by hand.

There were several public roads leading toward Acworth from Dallas and each was known as the Acworth Road. It was confusing to advise people where you resided on Acworth Road with several roads bearing the same name.

Mr. Henry Winn was elected chairman of the three-man Board of Commissioners of Paulding County in 1976. Under his leadership building codes were implemented, a county-wide water system was established and a planning commission, water authority, etc., were created to meet the need for good county government. A sound fiscal policy was a top priority. An atlas naming the public roads was

General Assembly



H. R. No. 93-355

By: Representatives Wilson of the 19th, Housley of the 21st.
Kaley of the 19th, Nix of the 20th, Cooper of the 19th and
Burruss of the 21st.

A RESOLUTION

Designating a certain bridge as the George H.
McMillan Bridge; and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, Mr. George H. McMillan served the citizens
of Georgia and Cobb County in an outstanding manner; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McMillan was a commissioner of Cobb
County and instrumental in obtaining the industrial growth
of said county; and

WHEREAS, Mr. McMillan was a learned and great son
of Georgia, the echo of whose footsteps will be of great
influence and benefit to his fellowman.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL
ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA that the bridge on Burnt Hickory Road,
also known as Harmony Grove Road, which crosses Pumpkinvine
Creek in the third district of the third section of Paulding
County, is hereby designated the George H. McMillan Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House
of Representatives is hereby authorized and directed to
transmit an appropriate copy of this Resolution to his
widow, Mrs. Evelyn McMillan.

IN HOUSE

Read and Adopted
February 9, 1979

Glenn W. Ellard
Glenn W. Ellard
CLERK OF THE HOUSE

IN SENATE

Read and Adopted
February 19, 1979

Hamilton McWhorter, Jr.
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SECRETARY OF THE SENATE



Mrs. Dorothy Holland Herring,
Distinguished Genealogist &
Coauthor: HOLLANDS OF
PAULDING COUNTY, 1800-1966



Prof. Walter C. Abney
1914 - 1976
The W.C. Abney Elementary School was named
in his honor.



Rep. Eugene Housley
who introduced
H.R. No. 564-1512 in
General Assembly
of Georgia in 1980.

General Assembly



H. R. No. 564-1512
By: Representatives Housley of the 21st, Cooper, Wilson,
and Kaley of the 19th, and Burruss of the 21st

A RESOLUTION

Designating a certain bridge as the Archibald
Holland Bridge, and for other purposes.

WHEREAS, Mr. Archibald Holland served the citizens
of Georgia and Paulding County in an outstanding manner; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Holland was a pioneer who moved into
Paulding County in 1836 and became a cofounder of the High
Shoals School and High Shoals Baptist Church in 1841 and was
instrumental in building roads and engaged in other
activities beneficial to the public good; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Holland was a learned and great
citizen of Georgia, the echo of whose footsteps will be of
great influence and benefit to his fellow man.

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL
ASSEMBLY**, that the bridge on Old High Shoals Road
which crosses Raccoon Creek in the third district of the
third section of Paulding County, Georgia, is hereby
designated the Archibald Holland Bridge.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House
of Representatives is hereby authorized and directed to
transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to Mrs.
Jeannette Holland Austin and Dorothy Holland Herring who are
descendants of Archibald Holland and coauthors of the book
on family history entitled: Hollands of Paulding County
1800-1966.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House
of Representatives shall also transmit a copy of this
resolution to Honorable Thomas D. Moreland, commissioner of
the Department of Transportation, and to Honorable Henry M.
Winn, chairman of the board of commissioners of Paulding
County.

IN HOUSE
Read and Adopted
February 20, 1980

Glenn M. Ellis
CLERK OF THE HOUSE

IN SENATE
Read and Adopted
March 5, 1980

Hamilton McWhorter, Jr.
SECRETARY OF THE SENATE

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Mrs. Jeannette Holland Austin,
Distinguished Genealogist &
Coauthor: HOLLANDS OF
PAULDING COUNTY 1800-1966



Former home of Samuel D. Holland & Ann Lee



Archibald Holland Bridge with Indian Field
visible on left side of Old High Shoals Road.



Walnut Chest of Archibald Holland
& Elizabeth Hagin which was formerly
owned by Capt. Edward & Mrs.
Elizabeth Hagin, Sr., and is now
owned by Mrs. Lona Bell Bevins.



Archibald Holland Bridge over Raccoon Creek



Mrs. Naomi Corley Holland and Mr. Hubert
Glenn Holland in front of cave at
Qumran, Israel, where the Dead Sea
Scrolls were discovered in 1947.



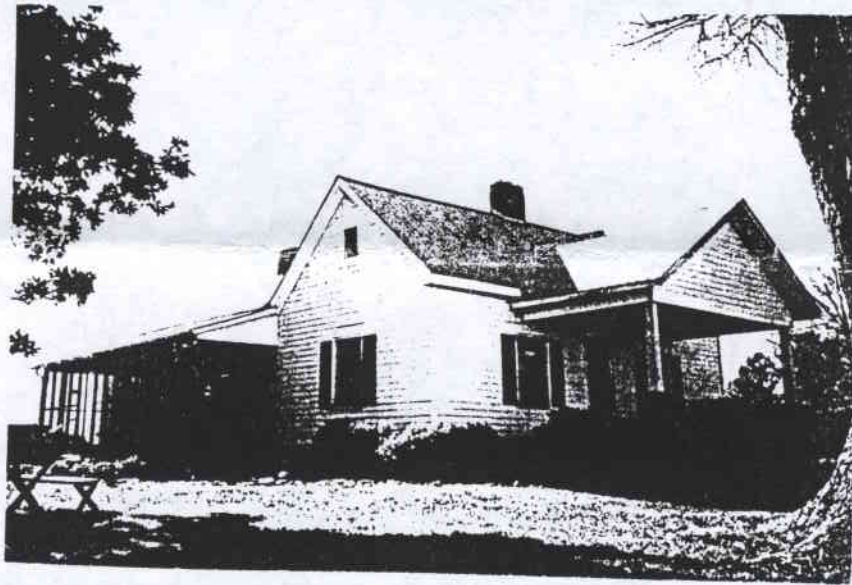
Mrs. Ruth Brown Mercer, daughter
of H.W. "Pete" Brown & Lona
Beatrice Holland & great-great
granddaughter of Archibald
Holland & Elizabeth Hagin



Dr. Hubert Glenn Holland, Hon. Alfred
J. Finch, Sr., Hon. Clyde Theodore
Holland & Dr. James Donald Carnes
at the Holland Cemetery in 1975.

BAKERS AND HOLLANDS OF PAULDING COUNTY

James M. Holland was a descendant of Archibald and Elizabeth Hagin Holland who migrated to Paulding County in 1836. He was born in Polk County, Georgia, in 1895. Clara Isabel Carnes Holland was a descendant of Richard and Nancy Ruff Carnes who migrated to Paulding County in 1836. Archibald Holland was born in Virginia in 1800 and a co-founder of the High Shoals Baptist Church and High Shoals School in 1841. Richard Carnes was born in 1810 in North Carolina. He and Nancy Ruff Carnes were co-founders of the Harmony Grove Church and Harmony Grove School in 1840. There was no public high school in Paulding County from 1851 to 1898. Education was the top family priority for William N. and Fannie Evelyn Noland Holland. Soon after their marriage in Paulding County, they moved to Polk County. They wanted James M. and their other children to complete high school. Several of their children became teachers. James M. Holland taught at the Harmony Grove School for several years. Clara Isabel Carnes graduated from the Harmony Grove School in 1917 and married James M. Holland, her teacher, on January 20, 1918. They produced two children: Lewell G. married Vera Mae Lee and Hubert G. Holland married Naomi Corley.



Three rooms of the house shown in the www.georgiapioneers.com above photograph were constructed by John V. and Margaret McEver Baker in 1855. Three rooms were added to it by James M. and Clara Isabel Carnes Holland in 1933. This old house at 2284 Dabbs Bridge Road, Dallas, Georgia, is a historical landmark.

John V. and Margaret McEver Baker migrated to the Old 20th Militia District of Cobb County, Georgia, in about 1836. This area was located in Cobb County from 1832 until annexed into Paulding County in 1852. They and other pioneers founded the Harmony Grove Church and Harmony Grove School in 1840. Their bodies are interred in the Old Harmony Grove Church Cemetery. Judge William Jacob "Jake" Baker, son of John V. and Margaret McEver Baker, married Susan Stewart in 1873. Jake served as judge of the Court of Ordinary of Paulding County for several years.

Estelle Baker, daughter of Jake and Susan S. Baker, married Sterling Dunaway. Sterling was a son of Mark and Nancy Roberts Dunaway. Mark operated a gold mine on his farm in the Burnt Hickory Community. The Burnt Hickory Estates Subdivision is now located on the farm. Sterling and Estelle B. Dunaway operated a country store on the present site of the Northside Elementary School for many years. Mr. Noah Turner often stopped his school bus at the Sterling Dunaway Store for this writer and other students to purchase BB bats, hoop cheese and crackers, Moon Pies and Royal Crown colas.

Dr. William Horace Dunaway, son of Sterling and Estelle B. Dunaway, and Dr. Boykin B. Dunaway, son of Frank and Roberta Powers Dunaway, founded the Dunaway Drug Company in 1933. It was sold to the Eckerd Drug Company in 1989 for \$6.5 million.

The Baker-Holland House contains 1700 square feet of floor space and has been preserved with an aluminum roof, vinyl siding on exterior walls and pressure treated wooden porches. The inside of it has been remodeled to make it more comfortable and central heating and air conditioning units have been added. It is now occupied by Dr. & Mrs. Gilbert Rinard and Susanna, their daughter who is a gifted student. Dr. Rinard teaches at the Emory University School of Medicine. Mrs. Rinard is a historian and author.

In the back yard of the Baker-Holland House stands a large tree which descended from the huge Black Walnut Tree that once stood in the Pumpkin Patch Indian Village Site on Pumpkinvine Creek near the mouth of Starnes Creek. It was planted by Mrs. Amanda Tooni Dudley Cochran and Mr. & Mrs. James M. Holland in December, 1921. Amanda Tooni Dudley Cochran was a descendant of Winnie Tidwell and Young Deer, a fullblooded Cherokee Indian. She and Mr. Tooni John Cochran, her husband, enjoyed gathering walnuts from the huge Black Walnut Tree each year and presenting them as Christmas gifts to their neighbors.

Atty. Hubert G. Holland purchased the Baker-Holland House and farm from Mr. James M. Holland, his father, in 1964. Atty. Holland and Mrs. Naomi Corley Holland (descendant of Daniel and Mary Miller Starnes who were co-founders of the Harmony Grove Church and Harmony Grove School in 1840) have enjoyed donating walnuts from the tree for planting each year as Christmas gifts. Several thousand descendants of the black walnut tree now grow in various locations in the temperate zones of the United States and Europe. Groves of walnut trees from it now grow in the Trail of Tears Memorial Park in Hopkinsville, Kentucky and at other historical sites in Georgia, North Carolina and Oklahoma.

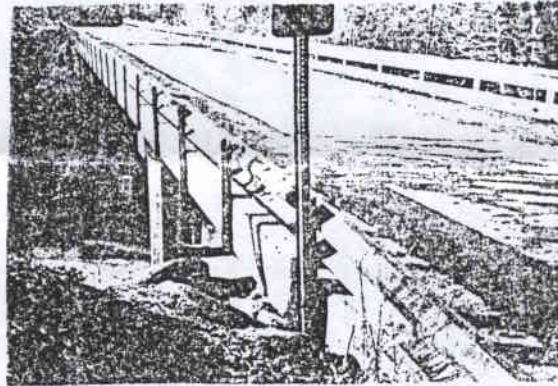
This article was written by Atty. Hubert G. Holland on January 3, 2000, from information furnished by Mr. Lamar Carnes, Dr. Boykin B. Dunaway, Dr. William Burns Dunaway, Mrs. Mamie Lou Holland Morris and the National Archives.

THE McMILLANS OF COBB, PAULDING AND POLK COUNTIES

McMillan is a Scottish descriptive name and means: Son of the Bald or Tonsured One. The research by Mrs. Nancy M. MacPherson revealed that the ancestors of George W. McMillan, Sr., (1805-1878) migrated from Scotland to Ireland to Maryland to North Carolina to Jackson County, Georgia, and settled in the Old 20th Militia District of Cobb County, Georgia, in 1833 while Cherokee Indians still resided in the area. He purchased a total of 450 acres of land in the Pumpkinvine Creek area. His farm was in Cobb County from 1832 until annexed into Paulding County in 1852.

An Indian mound, huge black walnut tree, fields and several fruit trees were located on his farm in the Pumpkin Patch Indian Village Site on Pumpkinvine Creek near the mouth of Starnes Creek. Nearby were the gold mines of Tay Lee Skee, a Cherokee goldminer. Several Indian cabins stood atop Cedar Bluff downstream from the Liddle Rock which was named in honor of Lydia Blackman. Daniel Pumpkinvine, a Cherokee farmer, tilled several acres of bottom land.

Pumpkinvine Creek and its tributaries meander like a pumpkinvine. This creek was named in honor of Daniel Pumpkinvine, the Cherokee farmer, or because it and its tributaries meander like a pumpkinvine.



The McMillan Bridge shown above was named in honor of Mr. George Huie McMillan by H.R. 93-355 introduced by Rep. Joe Mack Wilson et al and approved by the General Assembly of Georgia in 1979.

George and Sarah Huie McMillan, Sr., produced eight children: Elizabeth, Martha married Joseph Orr, Robert Huie married Margaret Prichard, James R. www.georgiapioneers.com Joseph died at age 15 months, Mary Jane married David Orr, George W., Jr., married (a) Lucy Cowan and (b) Julia Tarkenton and Margaret McMillan married Alexander Orr.

Robert Huie and Margaret Prichard McMillan had several children: one being James W. McMillan who married Emma Lemon.

There was no church in the area in 1833. George and Sarah H. McMillan, Sr., and six other persons founded the Mars Hill Presbyterian Church in 1837. The Harmony Grove Church and Harmony Grove School were founded in 1840 by Richard and Nancy Ruff Carnes (grandparents of Richard Henry Carnes who married Sarah Jane McMillan), John and Margaret McEver Baker, Daniel and Mary Miller Starnes (Starnes Creek was named in their honor), Noah and Martha Terry and other pioneers according to File 76-18, Georgia Department of Archives and History, Atlanta, Georgia.

George and Sarah H. McMillan, Sr., and their children were very kind, creative, hardworking people. They established a chair factory, grist mill and sawmill which were powered by the water of Pumpkinvine Creek. He employed several persons in the Harmony Grove Community, one being George Blackman who was a former slave and the husband of Lydia, a slave woman who made dye for clothing and was an expert seamstress. The McMillan farm was sold to John W. Brown. Several of the descendants of George and Sarah H. McMillan, Sr., moved from Paulding County to Bartow County, Cobb and Polk Counties so that their children could complete their high school in their county of residence.

James, Robert and George W. McMillan, Jr., became businessmen in Acworth, Georgia. Each served as mayor, councilman, member of school board and an officer in the Presbyterian Church. William McMillan became a Presbyterian minister.

George Huie McMillan, son of James and Emma Lemon McMillan, was born in 1900. He had nine siblings. He was elected sheriff of Cobb County in 1938 and commissioner of Cobb County in 1941. George helped establish Rickenbacker Field (now known as Dobbins A.F.B.) and assisted Mayor L.M. Blair and Atty. James Carmichael acquire the land upon which the Bell Aircraft Plant was constructed. The Lockheed-Martin Corporation now manufactures aircraft in the building and is the largest employer in Cobb County, Georgia. Mr. McMillan also purchased 600 acres of land on which the Cobb County Prison and other institutions are located. The Cobb Civic Center and other important buildings are located on Fairground Street on lands purchased by Mr. McMillan.

George Huie McMillan married Vaughtelle Webb and they produced two children. Emma J. married Clyde Mize and Martha married Pete J. Somoza. Vaughtelle died and he later married Evelyn Longley and they produced three children: Mary Edith married Walter Sutton, Nancy married Robert MacPherson and Lilouise married Garland Disharoon.

The data above reveals that the priorities of the McMillan Family are: education, work, recreation and morality. The members have become ministers, teachers, civic and public leaders, engineers and other important occupations. The McMillans have made many contributions beneficial to society. The echoes of their footsteps will remain of great value and profound influence to their fellowman for many years to come.

This article was written by Atty. Hubert G. Holland on January 3, 2000, from data furnished by Mrs. Nancy M. MacPherson, Georgia Department of Archives and History and the National Archives.

Honorable R. Blake Swafford

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planned and created by him and others and the Acworth Roads were renamed. The Acworth Road which goes from Georgia Highway 61 a/k/a the Cartersville Highway to the U.S. 41 Highway a/k/a Cobb Parkway was named Dabbs Bridge Road in honor of the famous Dabbs Family named above.

My father purchased the Baker Farm in 1921 after he was discharged from the U.S. Army. I was born in the Baker-Holland house on November 15, 1930, and was delivered by Mrs. Margaret Dona Garrett Weaver, a midwife, and Dr. Joe I. Matthews. After serving four years in the U.S.A.F., graduation from college and law school and helping Naomi complete her BBA degree in accounting at Georgia State University, I purchased the Baker-Holland House and farm in 1964. Since the death of my parents, I have leased the house and pastures to various tenants and enjoyed erecting gourd poles and other dwellings for purple martins and helping keep the banks of Dabbs Bridge Road mowed and sprayed with Brush Killer 875.

The Baker-Holland house is located at 2284 Dabbs Bridge road. Until it was paved, I enjoyed watching Mr. Floyd Atcheson and other employees of the Paulding County D.O.T. scrape and repair Dabbs Bridge road from year to year. This was back during the era when the Paulding County D.O.T. was grossly underfunded and did a large amount of work on the road with hand tools. The small Bridges were built of oak lumber and had to be replaced often. I owned a Caterpillar end loader and used it to help Mr. Atcheson and his crew replace the small wooden bridges with concrete pipe for free.

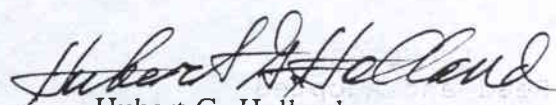
In recent years the Paulding County D.O.T. has been provided with better equipment and funds and have sprayed the banks of the road with Roundup or other chemicals and mowed the banks twice each year.

I drove to my farm at 2284 Dabbs Bridge Road on June 25, and was overwhelmed with profound appreciation and great joy. Your crew had mowed the road banks up to the wire fence in a perfect manner. Also, it is hoped your crew will spray the road banks up to the wire fence thru my farm each year. I will soon be age 73 and have been spraying the banks with a 4-gallon backpack SOLO Sprayer with Brush Killer 875 and mowing the road banks each year with an Echo weed eater. Like that of an Old Soldier, my strength has begun to fade away.

Please extend my profound appreciation to your road crew and advise them to keep up the good works each year. I noticed that they have new mowers and tractors and are very efficient and precise. You are a great supervisor and they are super employees. Please extend raises and other benefits to them very often.

Best wishes for the future. May the Good Lord bless us all both now and in Paradise.

Sincerely



Hubert G. Holland

Encl.

P.S. It is hoped that the data in the enclosed articles and video tapes will prove of value and interesting.