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INTRODUCTION

These papers of Thomas Jefferson Barnes (1883-1956), postman, historian and genealogist of Warren County, Tennessee, received through bequest by the Tennessee Historical Society (THS accession number 203; microfilm accession number 654), consist of genealogical data for approximately 500 families; records for about forty cemeteries and thirteen churches; and copies of public records including county records and an 1812 tax list for Warren County, Tennessee.

Single photocopies of unpublished writings in the Thomas Jefferson Barnes Papers may be made for purposes of scholarly research.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Thomas Jefferson Barnes

1883, July 17 -- Born in Warren County, Tennessee, the son of Beersheba Adeline Coppinger and B. W. D. Barnes.

--postman, genealogist, historian

--resident of McMinnville, Warren County, Tennessee

--married (1) Willie Phelps, d. 1952
(2) Marie Howell

1956, May -- Died at home in McMinnville, Warren County, Tennessee.

Source: *The Southern Standard*, McMinnville, Tennessee, May 11, 1956

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Thomas J. Barnes, of McMinnville, spent a great deal of time as historian and genealogist of Warren County, Tennessee. These papers are a part, though not all, of his collection. The papers fall into three general parts: (1) genealogical records; (2) cemetery and church records; and (3) public records. The genealogical portion is the largest and it represents considerable original research conducted by Barnes. The information in the two other portions, on the whole, otherwise available.

GENEALOGICAL PAPERS

These papers are arranged in file folders, numbered 1-215 inclusive. The following arrangement, in general, has been followed:

- a.) Where there are three pages or more of material on an individual family, the material has been placed in a separate folder and is so labeled. There are about 185 such folders.
- b.) Where there is less than three pages of material on a family, they have been filed in a miscellaneous folder, alphabetically by family name at the beginning of the appropriate letter of the alphabet. There are about 200 families with some mention or with pertinent data up to three pages.
- c.) Each piece of paper, whether data appears on one or both sides, and regardless of size, condition, or medium, has been counted as one page. (Exception: two or three printed works are numbered as they appear, i. e., both sides of the sheet are counted.)

In using this material, the following matters should be kept in mind:

- a.) The internal arrangement of the papers on each family has been left as it was received. As such, the arrangement is not always logical or even accurate. The nature of the material however, is such that in many instances the time required to arrange in a more logical manner would not be justified.
- b.) There is a considerable amount of duplication in these papers: penciled notes, for example, then a typed copy, and sometimes revisions to the typed copy. No effort has been made to weed the papers of duplication.
- c.) The index which follows does not list every name which appears in this collection. Some listings are so brief or inconsequential as to give a false impression of available data, if so included, and others are so buried within the material on other families that such a careful reading and indexing did not seem feasible.

d.) In general, researchers should, if searching for a name not indexed, go through all the material for that letter of the alphabet and/or check the folders for related families where such data might be included.

e.) Where one file obviously includes more than one family, we have included “see” and “see also” references, but we do not suggest that these references are by any means inclusive.

f.) Unfortunately, Mr. Barnes either did not make copies of his replies to correspondence, or his copies have been otherwise disposed of. The correspondence *to* him is included. His notes and data probably formed the bases of his replies, but undoubtedly much of his own correspondence included matters for which he relied on his remembered knowledge, or on some specific research at the time, of which we have no record.

CEMETERY AND CHURCH RECORDS

Mr. Barnes presumably copied these from cemeteries and from the records of the 13 churches included. We can not say how complete these are, but they represent information that may now or later be otherwise unavailable.

PUBLIC RECORDS

These items require no further explanation. The information contained therein will presumably continue to be available in other sources. It is of value only in that it contains in one place certain records, pertaining principally to Warren County, which have been culled from a number of sources.

FAMILY RECORDS

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	Allen		
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	Anglin		
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	Benton		
	Berry		
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	Bishop		
	Black		
	Blanks		
	Blackwell		
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	Blackburn		
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14.	Bond	18	
15.	Bonner	28	
16.	Boss (Bost)	6	
17.	Bottoms	10	
18.	Boulden	36	
19.	Bounds	19	
20.	Boyd	41	
21.	Brady	6	
22.	Bragg	8	
23.	Brooks	6	
24.	Brown	45	
25.	Burger	17	
26.	Burgess	3	
27.	Burleson	7	See also Burks
28.	Burrows	4	
29.	Byars (Byers)	6	
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30.	C-Miscellaneous	45	
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	Cantrell		
	Carmack		
	Carnes		
	Carson		
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	Cathcart		

Chadwick

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	Creighton		
	Crisp		
	Crouch		
	Custer		
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32.	Cain	14	
33.	Capshaw	9	
34.	Cardwell	6	
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37.	Cheek	3	
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45.	Crews (Cruze)	6	
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47.	Cunningham	21	See also Woodlee
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D			
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51.	Davidson	18	
52.	Deakins	6	
53.	Delaney (Dulaney)	10	
54.	Derryberry	11	See also Custis, McGregor
55.	Dodson	23	
56.	Douglas	11	
57.	Drake	12	
58.	Dugan	8	
59.	Duncan	6	
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63.	E-Miscellaneous	15	
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	Edge		
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	Ellis		
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	Estep (Estes)		
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66.	Etter	6	
67.	Evans	17	
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	Francke		
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69.	Fanshier	33	
70.	Farley	18	
71.	Ferguson	3	
72.	Forrest	10	
73.	Forest	20	
74.	Fox	6	
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75.	French	5	See also Forrest
76.	Fults	13	
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	Gaffin		
	Gardner		
	Garmon		
	Garner		
	Garrison		
	Gibbs		
	Gillentine		
	Gordon		
	Graham		
	Griswold		See also Grissom
	Grizzle		
78.	Green	11	
79.	Gribble	8	
	Griffith		See Green
80.	Grissom	5	
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82.	Groves	13	
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83.	Gunter	32	
84.	Gwynn	10	

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	Hancock		
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	Hardin		
	Harper		
	Hash		
	Hawkins		
	Haynes		
	Head		
	Herndon		
	Hicks		
	Hickerson		
	Hitchcock		
	Hogan		
	Hoge		
	Holder		
	Hollinshead		
	Hodge		
	Hoodenpyl		
	Howard		
	Houston		
	Hughes		
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	Horton		
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108.	J-Miscellaneous	6	
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	Jarrell		
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	Jordan		
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	Ledbetter		
	Levan		
	Lilly		
	Lindley		
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	Locke		
	Long		
	Loring		
	Lucas		
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120.	Layne	27	
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123.	Lowry	22	
124.	Luna	6	
125.	Lusk	21	

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126.	M-Miscellaneous	60	
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	Macon		
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	Rives		
	Roach		
	Robertson		
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	Staton		
	Steed		
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183.	Templeton	11	See also Thaxton
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