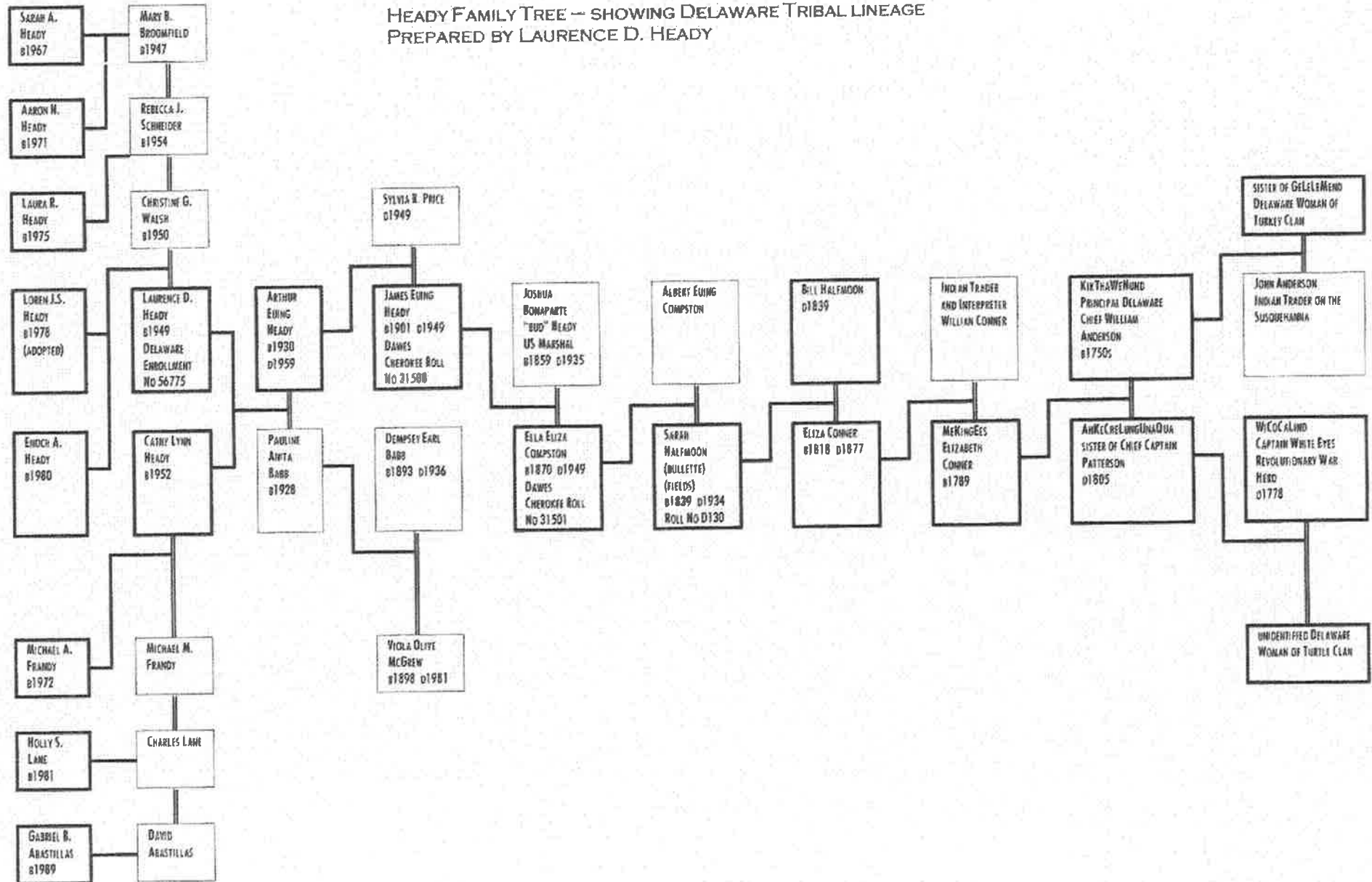


HEADY FAMILY TREE — SHOWING DELAWARE TRIBAL LINEAGE
 PREPARED BY LAURENCE D. HEADY



ELLA ELIZA COMPSTON
b1870 d1949

ALBERT EHRIG
COMPSTON

BILL HALFMOON
d1839

CLAYTON
BARNETT

SARAH HALFMOON
b1839 d1934

ELIZA CONNER
b1812 d1877

WILLIAM CONNER
INDIAN TRADER
b1773 d1855

AMANDA
COMPSTON

TOM WILSON

McKINGEES
ELIZABETH
CONNER b1789

WILLIE
COMPSTON

ZACKERY TAYLOR
FIELDS

GEORGE BULLETTE
d1855

LAURA FIELDS

WILLIAM
McCRACKEN
d1876

TATAMESHA
JOHN CONNER
d1802 d1869

JOHN
McCRACKEN

JOHN KINNEY

HARRY HAMILTON
CONNER b1812

SIMON BULLETTE
b1847

NANCY CONNER
b1814 d1834

LAURA BULLETTE
b1850

WILLIAM
MARSHAL CONNER
b1815 d1855

JOHN LOWERY
BULLETTE b1852

ANLACHECK
JAMES CONNER
b1817 d1877

GEORGE
PEMATAYKA
BULLETTE

KIKYAWEMANO
CHIEF WILLIAM
ANDERSON
b1750S

AHKECHLUNSHADUA
SISTER OF
MESHADUOWHA

MESHADUOWHA
CHIEF CAPTAIN
PATTERSON OF CAPE
GIRARDEAU DELAWARE

GELELEMAND DELAWARE
CHIEF OF TURKEY CLAN
b1730S d1811

SISTER OF GELELEMAND
UNNAMED DELAWARE
WOMAN OF TURKEY CLAN

JOHN ANDERSON
INDIAN TRADER ON THE
SUSQUEHANNA

WICOCALIND
CAPTAIN WHITE EYES
CHIEF OF TURTLE CLAN
d1778

UNIDENTIFIED DELAWARE
WOMAN OF TURTLE CLAN

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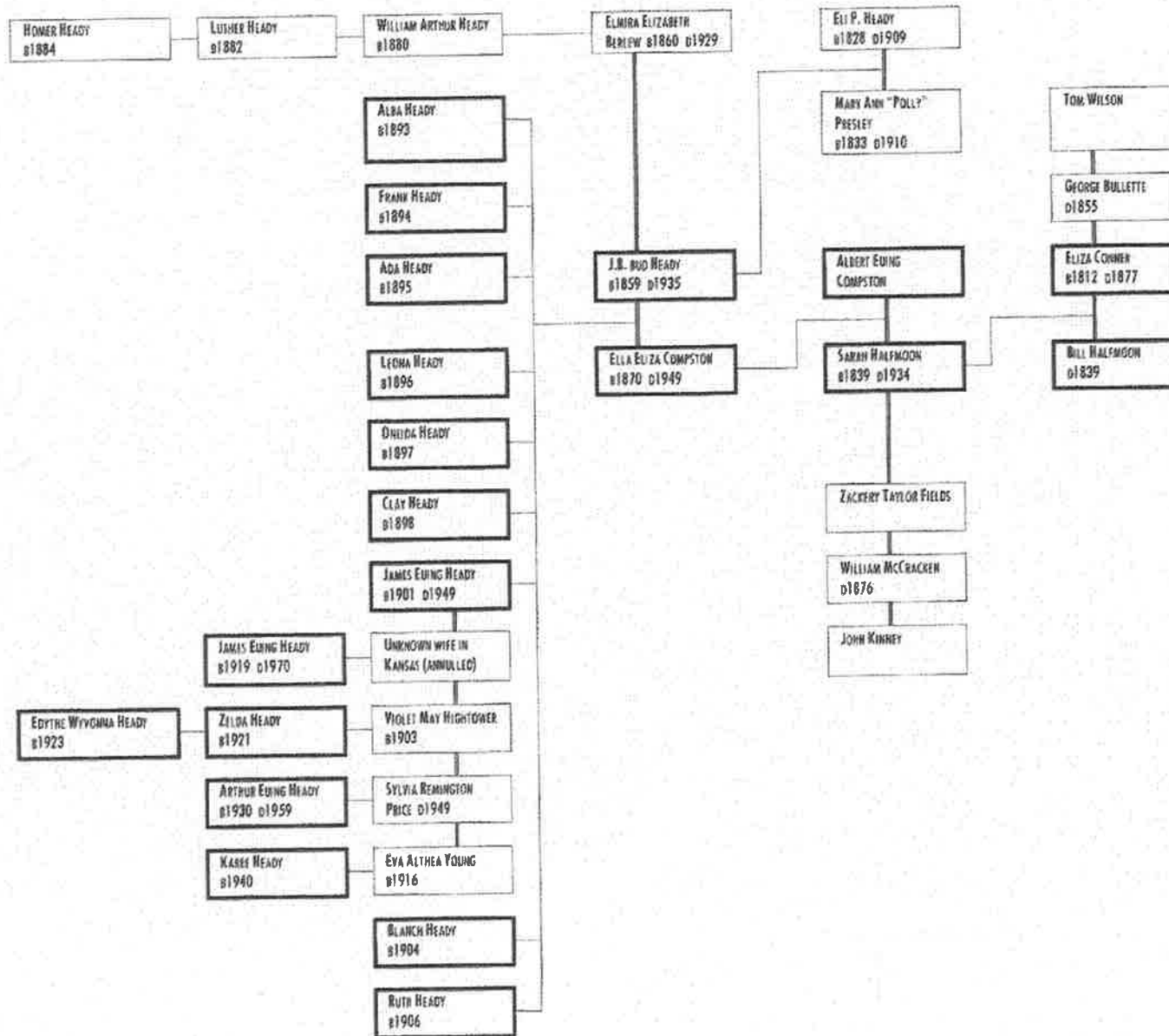
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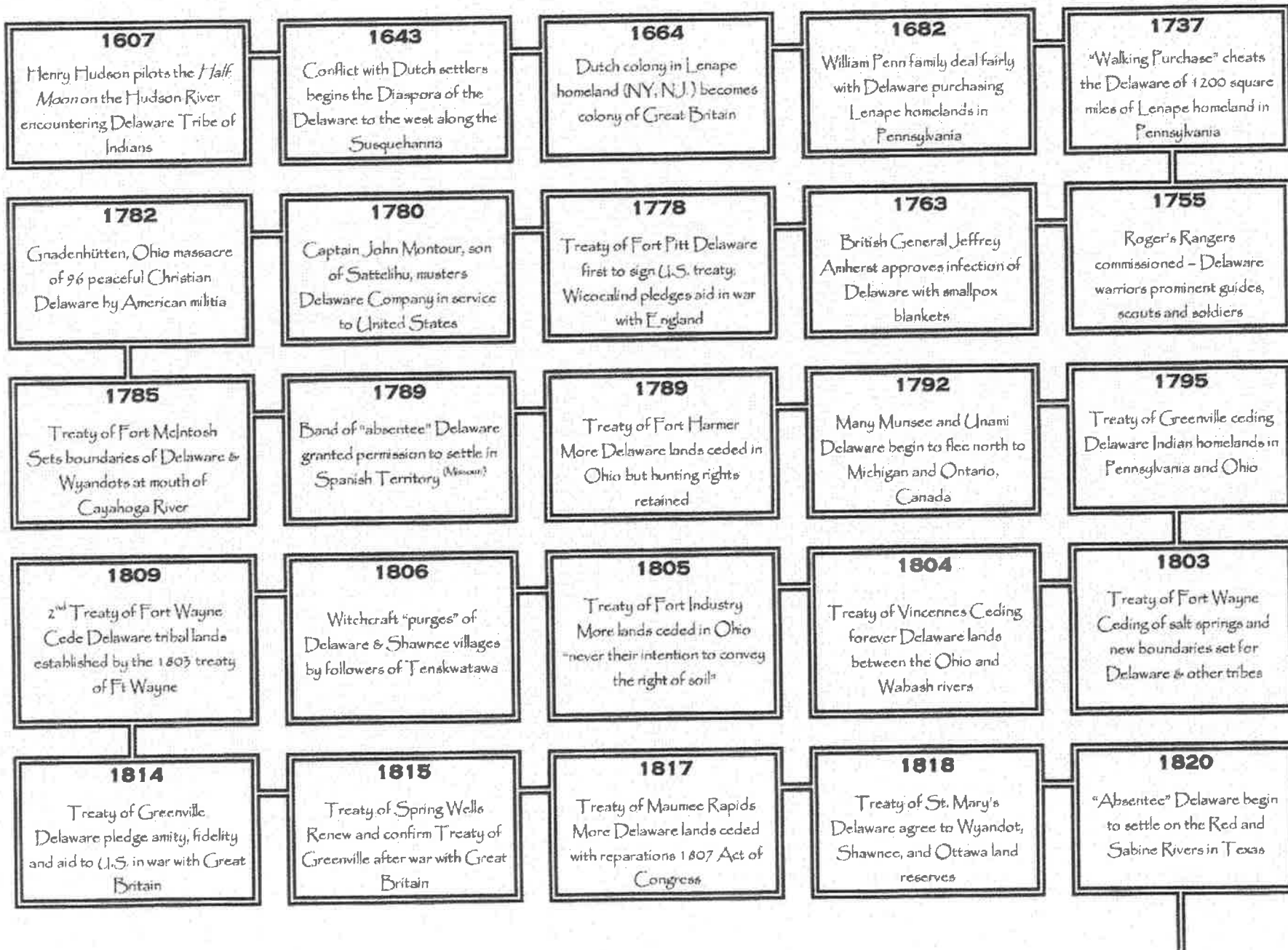
NETAWATWEES
CHIEF
NEWCOMER
d1776

UNIDENTIFIED
DELAWARE
WOMAN OF
TURTLE CLAN

HEADY FAMILY TREE — SUPPLEMENTAL 1
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HEADY FAMILY TREE -- DELAWARE HISTORY TIMELINE
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HEADY FAMILY TREE — ANECDOTAL BIOGRAPHIES
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WICOCALIND, ALSO KNOWN AS CAPTAIN WHITE EYES OR COQUEHAGECTON, WAS MY GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GREAT GRANDFATHER. HE WAS PRINCIPAL WAR CHIEF OF THE DELAWARE NATION DURING THE PERIOD OF THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR. AT A TIME WHEN MOST OF THE INDIAN NATIONS SOUGHT ADVANTAGE BY SIDING WITH THE BRITISH AND LOYALIST CAUSE, WICOCALIND SIDED WITH THE AMERICAN REBELS AND BROUGHT THE DELAWARE INTO A TRADITION OF SERVICE TO THE NEW COUNTRY. HE WAS INSTRUMENTAL IN THE EXECUTION OF THE FIRST INDIAN TREATY WITH THE UNITED STATES. THIS TREATY, SIGNED IN 1778, GAVE FREE PASSAGE TO CONTINENTAL TROOPS INTO THE NORTHWEST INDIAN TERRITORIES; GUARANTEED DELAWARE MILITARY AID AND ASSISTANCE TO THE UNITED STATES; SECURED DELAWARE INFLUENCE IN THE NEUTRALITY OF OTHER EASTERN TRIBES, AND PROMISED A SEAT IN CONGRESS TO THE INDIAN NATIONS, HEADED BY THE DELAWARE TRIBE OF INDIANS. WICOCALIND PERSONALLY RENDERED SERVICE TO GENERAL MCINTOSH AND COLONEL GIBSON, WAS A FRIEND OF GENERAL GEORGE WASHINGTON AND WAS A TRUE REVOLUTIONARY WAR HERO—RECOGNIZED AS SUCH BY THE SONS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION. SOME RECORDS INDICATE THAT HE DIED OF SMALLPOX TOWARDS THE END OF THE CONFLICT. HOWEVER, MOST TRIBAL HISTORIANS AGREE THAT HE WAS PROBABLY MURDERED SOMETIME AFTER 1778, A RESULT OF POLITICAL INTRIGUE ON THE PART OF THE AMERICAN MILITIA OR THE MACHINATIONS OF THE WOLF CLAN, WHO SIDED WITH THE BRITISH.

GELELEMEND WAS MY GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GREAT UNCLE (HIS SISTER WAS MY GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GREAT GRANDMOTHER). GELELEMEND, ALSO SPELLED KELELAMAND, WAS BORN TO THE TURKEY CLAN AND WAS THE GRANDSON OF NETAWATWEES. HE WAS A CHAMPION OF THE AMERICAN CAUSE AND A SUPPORTER OF WICOCALIND (CAPTAIN WHITE EYES) AND SUCCEEDED HIM AS PRINCIPAL CHIEF AFTER HIS MURDER IN 1778. HE UNDOUBTEDLY FIGURED LARGELY IN THE INTRIGUE BETWEEN THE BRITISH AGENTS AND THE WOLF CLAN'S DISTRUST OF THE REBELS AND THE TURKEY AND TURTLE CLAN'S SUPPORT OF THE AMERICANS. HE WAS BORN EITHER IN 1722, 1733 OR 1737. HOWEVER, ALL SOURCES AGREE THAT HE DIED IN 1811. HE ADOPTED THE NAME OF WILLIAM HENRY KILLBUCK, IN HONOR OF COLONEL WILLIAM HENRY WHO RESCUED HIM AT BRADDOCK'S DEFEAT IN 1755 DURING THE FRENCH AND INDIAN WAR. GELELEMEND WAS AMONG THOSE LISTED IN THE TREATY OF FORT MCINTOSH AS ONE "WHO TOOK UP THE HATCHET FOR THE UNITED STATES..." CAPTAIN MONTOUR'S COMPANY OF DELAWARE INDIANS IN SERVICE TO THE UNITED STATES BETWEEN 15 JUNE 1780 AND 31 OCTOBER 1781. LISTS A PRIVATE CAYLAYLAMIND WHO MAY BE THE SAME AS GELELEMEND/KELELAMAND ALTHOUGH IT SEEMS DOUBTFUL THAT A PRINCIPAL CHIEF OF OUR PEOPLE WOULD KNOWINGLY BE LISTED AS A "PRIVATE" WHEN OTHERS WERE GIVEN THE RANK OF "CAPTAIN" AND "LIEUTENANT COLONEL". IF IT WAS HE, IT WAS NO DOUBT AN EXPEDIENT WAY TO COMPENSATE INDIAN WARRIORS FOR THE SERVICES RENDERED DURING THE PEAK OF THE CONFLICT WITH GREAT BRITAIN. GELELEMEND CONVERTED TO CHRISTIANITY EARLY IN HIS LIFE BUT MAINTAINED A TRADITIONAL LENAPE LIFE UNTIL THE DEATH OF HIS GRANDFATHER—NETAWATWEES—WHO MISTRUSTED THE WHITE'S RELIGION. GELELEMEND WAS REPORTEDLY AMONG THE FEW DELAWARE WHO ESCAPED THE 1782 MASSACRE AT GNADENHÜTTEN. GELELEMEND MOVED TO PETTEQUOTTING IN 1788 AND WAS BAPTIZED BY MORAVIANS IN 1789. HE DIED IN OHIO IN 1811.

KIKTHAWENUND, OR CHIEF WILLIAM ANDERSON, WAS MY GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GREAT GRANDFATHER. HE WAS PRINCIPAL CHIEF OF THE DELAWARE NATION DURING THE PERIOD OF OUR "DIASPORA" FROM PENNSYLVANIA TO OHIO AND INDIANA, OR THE NORTHWEST TERRITORY, AND FINALLY TO THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI-MISSOURI AND KANSAS. KIKTHAWENUND WAS BORN IN THE 1740S IN ANDERSON'S FERRY (NOW MARIETTA), PENNSYLVANIA. HIS MOTHER WAS A DAUGHTER OF THE DELAWARE'S PRINCIPAL CHIEF NETAAWATWEES AND HIS FATHER WAS THE SWEDISH INDIAN TRADER, JOHN ANDERSON, OF THE SUSQUEHANNA COUNTRY. THROUGHOUT HIS LIFE, KIKTHAWENUND WENT BY BOTH HIS LENAPE NAME AND HIS FATHER'S NAME. NOT MUCH IS KNOWN ABOUT HIS EARLY LIFE, BUT HE WAS MUCH INFLUENCED BY HIS GRANDFATHER WITH WHOM HIS SPENT MUCH OF HIS TIME. TRIBAL STRIFE DURING THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR DIVIDED THE DELAWARE. KIKTHAWENUND SIDED WITH WICOCALIND, WHO WAS PRO-AMERICAN. AFTER THE WAR, INCREASING WHITE SETTLEMENT IN PENNSYLVANIA DROVE THE TRIBE WEST. THE DELAWARE STRUCK A BARGAIN WITH THE MIAMI TO SETTLE ON SOME OF THEIR TERRITORY AND KIKTHAWENUND (BY THEN THE HEAD CHIEF OF THE TURKEY CLAN OF THE UNAMI DELAWARE) AND HIS TRIBE SETTLED IN SEVERAL VILLAGES ALONG THE WHITE RIVER. KIKTHAWENUND HIMSELF SETTLED IN A SMALL VILLAGE LOCATED IN WHAT IS NOW DOWNTOWN ANDERSON, INDIANA. DURING THE UPRISING OF TECUMSEH AND HIS BROTHER THE PROPHET, HE KEPT HIS TRIBE OUT OF WAR. IN 1818, HE SIGNED THE TREATY OF ST. MARY'S FOR THE DELAWARE AND RELUCTANTLY PREPARED TO BE RELOCATED. THE TRIBE LEFT INDIANA AND HAD A TROUBLED JOURNEY TO KANSAS, WHERE THEY SETTLED BRIEFLY BEFORE THE FINAL REMOVAL TO INDIAN TERRITORY. HE SPENT MOST OF THE REST OF HIS LIFE TRYING TO NEGOTIATE A BETTER SETTLEMENT FOR OUR PEOPLE. KIKTHAWENUND HAD FOUR KNOWN SONS AND ONE DAUGHTER. HIS SONS BECAME FAMOUS SCOUTS AND GUIDES FOR WESTERN-BOUND WAGON TRAINS. HIS DAUGHTER, MEKINGEES, WAS BORN OF HIS UNION WITH HIS SECOND WIFE, AHKECHELUNGAQUA, THE DAUGHTER OF CHIEF CAPTAIN PATTERSON. MEKINGEES, ALSO KNOWN AS ELIZABETH ANDERSON, MARRIED WILLIAM CONNER, A WHITE TRADER, AND HAD SIX CHILDREN BY HIM. WHEN THE DELAWARE LEFT INDIANA, CONNER DECIDED THAT HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN SHOULD GO TO RECEIVE THEIR LAND IN THE WEST, BUT THAT HE WOULD STAY. HE RE-MARRIED (TO A WHITE WOMAN) BEFORE MEKINGEES LEFT INDIANA, BUT WAS OTHERWISE FAIR TO HER, GIVING HER HALF HIS MONEY AND A LARGE GROUP OF HORSES. HE ALSO BOUGHT THE FAMILY'S INDIANA LANDS AND GAVE THEM A FAIR PRICE FOR THEM. A MISSIONARY WHO MET KIKTHAWENUND IN 1823 DESCRIBED HIM AS "A VERY DIGNIFIED MAN IN CHARACTER AND APPEARANCE, UPWARD OF SIX FEET TALL, WELL PROPORTIONED, A MAN OF GREAT BENEVOLENCE AND POWER, OF EXCELLENT

UNDERSTANDING, BUT NOT A PUBLIC SPEAKER." HE WAS PROBABLY A SHREWD BUSINESSMAN AS WELL. WHEN THE MORAVIAN MISSIONARIES LIVING IN THE ANDERSON AREA LEFT AFTER A FIVE YEAR RESIDENCE, THE CHIEF CHARGED THEM "ONE YOUNG OX, THREE HOGS AND A TABLE MADE FROM THE WOOD OF THIS PLACE" AS RENT BEFORE HE WOULD ALLOW THEM TO GO. IN INDIANA, ROMANTIC LEGENDS ABOUND ABOUT CHIEF ANDERSON. IT IS TOLD THAT HE DIED THERE, BY RIDING HIS INDIAN PONY OFF A HIGH BLUFF INTO THE WHITE RIVER. ANOTHER STORY CREDITS HIM WITH A SECOND DAUGHTER WHO ALSO MARRIED A TRADER AND WHO STAYED IN INDIANA WHEN THE TRIBE LEFT. KIKTHAWENUND IS SAID TO HAVE RETURNED TO VISIT HER AND TO HAVE DIED DURING THE VISIT. IN THE 1890'S, WHEN THE ANDERSON HOTEL WAS BEING BUILT, A SKELETON WAS FOUND WHICH MANY LOCALS WERE CONVINCED BELONGED TO HIM. HOWEVER, TRIBAL HISTORIANS RECORD THAT HE DIED IN SEPTEMBER 1831 IN THE TRIBE'S NEW HOME IN MISSOURI.

AHKECHELUNGUNAQUA WAS MY GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GREAT GRANDMOTHER. SHE WAS OF THE TURTLE CLAN UNAMIS AND WAS SISTER TO MESHAGUOWHA-CAPTAIN WILLIAM PATTERSON. MESHAGUOWHA EVENTUALLY BECAME CHIEF OF THE CAPE GIRARDEAU DELAWARE BAND, AFTER THE DEATH OF KIKTHAWENUND, CHIEF WILLIAM ANDERSON. IT IS THROUGH AHKECHELUNGUNAQUA THAT OUR FAMILY IS RELATED TO THE PROMINENT KETCHUM FAMILY.

MEKINGEES (SOMETIMES SPELLED MEKINGES) WAS MY GREAT-GREAT-GREAT-GREAT GRANDMOTHER. HER ENGLISH NAME WAS ELIZABETH ANDERSON CONNER. HE WAS THE ONLY DAUGHTER OF KIKTHAWENUND-CHIEF ANDERSON AND HIS LAST WIFE, AHKECHELUNGUNAQUA, AND WAS BORN SOMETIME AROUND 1780. MEKINGEES GREW UP ON THE WHITE RIVER IN INDIANA AND EVENTUALLY MARRIED THE WHITE TRADER, WILLIAM CONNER, WHEN SHE WAS STILL IN HER TEENS. CONNER SETTLED IN CHIEF ANDERSON'S TOWN OPERATING A TRADING POST THERE WITH THE HELP OF MEKINGEES. THE FIRST OF THEIR SIX CHILDREN WERE BORN IN 1802. AFTER THE 1818 TREATY OF GREENVILLE, THE DELAWARE PREPARED FOR THE TRANS-MISSISSIPPI REMOVAL. MEKINGEES AND HER CHILDREN WERE AMONG THOSE TO LEAVE INDIANA. HOWEVER, HER HUSBAND HAD BECOME INVOLVED IN POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT THERE AND DECIDED TO SEND HIS INDIAN FAMILY AWAY WITHOUT HIM. HE REMARRIED A WHITE WOMAN IN 1820

ELIZA CONNER, WAS MY GREAT-GREAT-GREAT GRANDMOTHER. SHE WAS BORN IN 1818 AT HER FATHER'S TRADING POST IN INDIANA. SHE WAS ONLY TWO YEARS OLD DURING THE MIGRATION OF THE DELAWARE PEOPLE FROM INDIANA TO MISSOURI. GRANDMA ELIZA GREW UP ON THE BANKS OF BIG STRANGER CREEK. WHEN SHE WAS ABOUT TWENTY-ONE YEARS OLD, SHE MARRIED A DELAWARE BRAVE BY THE NAME OF BILL HALFMOON. IT IS UNKNOWN WHAT BECAME OF HALFMOON BUT ONE CHILD, SARAH HALFMOON, WAS BORN OF THAT UNION. GRANDMA ELIZA THEN MARRIED TOM WILSON, ANOTHER DELAWARE BRAVE. HE WAS SOON KILLED BY A BUFFALO BULL. GRANDMA ELIZA'S THIRD HUSBAND WAS PENDOXIE, OR GEORGE BULLETTE. MUCH OLDER THAN SHE, PENDOXIE WAS 1/2 DELAWARE AND 1/2 FRENCH AND TRADED ON SPAVINAW CREEK. HE HAD COMMANDED DELAWARE BRAVES IN THE BATTLE OF CLAREMORE MOUND IN 1818 AND FOUGHT IN THE MEXICAN WAR. HE RAISED GRANDMA ELIZA'S CHILDREN, SARAH HALFMOON AND LAURA WILSON, AND HE FATHERED FOUR MORE CHILDREN WITH HER. PENDOXIE DIED IN 1855. GRANDMA ELIZA DIED IN 1877.

SARAH HALFMOON, ALSO KNOWN AS SARAH BULLETTE, WAS MY GREAT-GREAT GRANDMOTHER. SHE WAS BORN ON THE DELAWARE INDIAN RESERVATION NEAR FORT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS, IN OCTOBER OF 1839 OR 1840. HER MOTHER WAS ELIZA CONNER, THE DAUGHTER OF MEKINGEES AND GRANDDAUGHTER OF AHKECHELUNGUNAQUA OF THE TURTLE CLAN, MATRILINEAL DESCENT. GRANDMA SARAH'S FATHER, BILL HALFMOON, DIED EITHER SHORTLY BEFORE OR AFTER HER BIRTH AND HER STEPFATHER WAS GEORGE BULLETTE, A MAN OF BOTH FRENCH AND LENAPE HERITAGE. DURING THE FINAL REMOVAL OF THE DELAWARE IN THE LATE 1860S, SHE MOVED WITH MEMBERS OF HER FAMILY TO LANDS ALONG THE VERDIGRIS RIVER, COOWEESCOOWEE DISTRICT, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY (NOWATA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA). GRANDMA SARAH WAS NOTED FOR HER ECCENTRICITIES, INCLUDING THE FACT THAT SHE WOULD SPEAK ONLY LENAPE OR FRENCH AND PRETENDED NOT TO UNDERSTAND ENGLISH. GRANDMA SARAH COULD NOT ABIDE FOOLS AND OFTEN ADVISED OTHERS NOT TO TRUST ANYONE WHO DIDN'T LIKE HORSES OR DOGS. GRANDMA SARAH WAS OFFICIALLY A FULL-BLOOD DELAWARE. SHE WAS MARRIED SEVERAL TIMES TO MIXED-BLOOD CHEROKEE AND DELAWARE MEN. HER HUSBANDS WERE ALBERT EUING COMPSTON (GRANDMA ELLA'S FATHER), ZACKERY TAYLOR FIELDS, WILLIAM MCCRACKEN AND JOHN KINNEY. SHE APPARENTLY ALREADY HAD TWO ILLEGITIMATE CHILDREN BY THE TIME OF HER FIRST MARRIAGE TO ALBERT COMPSTON. ACCORDING TO FAMILY TRADITION, GRANDMA SARAH WAS ARRESTED FOR INFANTICIDE. APPARENTLY, HER YOUNG DAUGHTER, ELLA ELIZA WAS ABUSED BY A STEPFATHER AND BECAME PREGNANT. OWING TO THE INDIAN TABOO AGAINST INCEST, GRANDMA SARAH KILLED THE CHILD WITH A HATPIN. A DEPUTY U.S. MARSHAL WAS DISPATCHED FROM FORT SMITH TO ARREST HER AND BRING HER TO TRIAL. THAT DEPUTY MARSHAL WAS J.B. "BUD" HEADY. GRANDMA SARAH WAS ACQUITTED OF THE CRIME BASED ON "IGNORANCE". BUD HEADY ENDED UP MARRYING ELLA ELIZA. TRADITION ALSO HOLDS THAT GRANDMA SARAH WAS A GREAT SUPPORTER OF THE DALTON BOYS, OFTEN GIVING THEM FOOD AND SHELTER WHEN THEY WERE FUGITIVES. AFTER THEIR VIOLENT DEATH ON THE STREETS OF COFFEYVILLE, KANSAS, AN ORDINANCE WAS PASSED MAKING IT A CRIME TO DECORATE THEIR GRAVES. IGNORING THE LAW, GRANDMA SARAH CONTINUED TO PLACE FLOWERS ON THE OUTLAWS' GRAVES UNTIL SHE DIED. DESPITE HER DELAWARE TRADITIONS AND UNFAVORABLE NOTORIETY, GRANDMA SARAH WAS A DEVOUT BAPTIST FOR OVER 80 YEARS. SHE DIED IN BARTLESVILLE, OKLAHOMA, ON DECEMBER 7, 1934, THE OLDEST MEMBER OF THE DELAWARE TRIBE.

JOSHUA BONAPARTE HEADY, ALSO KNOWN AS "J.B." OR "BUD" HEADY, WAS MY GREAT GRANDFATHER. HE WAS APPARENTLY BORN IN GREEN COUNTY, MISSOURI, IN 1858 OR 1859, AND LIVED IN MISSOURI AND ARKANSAS FOR MUCH OF HIS EARLY LIFE. HE WAS THE SON OF ELI P. HEADY AND MARY ANN "POLLY" PRESLEY AND WAS OF UNDOCUMENTED MIXED CHEROKEE AND ANGLO-AMERICAN HERITAGE. HIS FIRST WIFE WAS ELIZABETH BERLEW (B1860/D1929) AND HE HAD 2 OR 3 CHILDREN OF THAT UNION. GRANDPA J.B. SERVED AS A DEPUTY UNITED STATES MARSHAL FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF ARKANSAS--THE DISTRICT OF "HANGING JUDGE" ISAAC PARKER OF FORT SMITH. HE WAS AMONG THE MARSHALS THAT MAINTAINED PEACE AND ORDER IN THE LAWLESS INDIAN TERRITORY IMMEDIATELY AFTER THE CIVIL WAR. GRANDPA J.B. SWORE OATHS OF OFFICE IN 1887, 1889 AND 1895, ALL SIGNED BY JUDGE PARKER AND WAS PROBABLY AN INDIAN TERRITORY "POSSEMAN" PRIOR TO 1887. HE RODE WITH FRANK DALTON, AMONG OTHERS. SOMETIME AFTER THE MURDER CHARGES AGAINST SARAH HALFMOON WERE RESOLVED, GRANDPA J.B. MARRIED HER DAUGHTER, ELLA ELIZA COMPSTON. NINE CHILDREN WERE BORN OF THAT UNION, THE FIRST BEING ALBA HEADY (CHANCE) IN 1893. IT IS UNKNOWN UNDER WHAT CIRCUMSTANCES GRANDPA J.B. LEFT HIS FORMER WIFE AND CHILDREN. GRANDPA J.B. AND GRANDMA ELLA MAINTAINED A LARGE HOME IN WATOVA, COOWEESCOOWEE DISTRICT, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY, WHICH STILL STANDS TODAY. THERE ARE MANY STORIES ABOUT J.B.'S ADVENTURES AS A MARSHAL AND LATER AS AN OIL COMPANY AGENT. HE WASN'T BEYOND MAKING WHISKEY DURING PROHIBITION OR HIDING A FUGITIVE THAT WAS A FRIEND OF THE FAMILY. HE DIED IN NOWATA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, IN 1935.

ELLA ELIZA COMPSTON HEADY WAS MY GREAT GRANDMOTHER. SHE WAS THE ONLY CHILD OF SARAH HALFMOON'S FIRST MARRIAGE AND WAS PRESUMABLY BORN ON THE VERDIGRIS RIVER, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY, IN 1870. HER FATHER WAS ALBERT EUING (OR EWING) COMPSTON. APART FROM THE INFORMATION CITED ABOVE, I HAVE LITTLE TO ADD TO HER BIOGRAPHY. SHE WAS A VERY WARM, LOVING AND LONG-SUFFERING WOMAN, SIMPLY REFERRED TO AS "MOTHER". SHE IS ON THE DAWES CHEROKEE ROLL, NO. 31501, ALONG WITH HER CHILDREN, AND IS LISTED AS 1/2 DELAWARE BLOOD-QUANTUM. SHE HAD 9 CHILDREN WITH GRANDPA J.B. THEY ARE ALBA, FRANK (NAMED FOR FRANK DALTON), ADA, LEONA (PRINCESS WYHNEMAH, AUNT BILLY), ONEIDA, CLAY (OR HENRY CLAY), JAMES EUING (OR JUST CALLED EUING), BLANCHE AND RUTH. GRANDMA ELLA DIED IN NOWATA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA, IN 1949.

LEONA HEADY, ALSO KNOWN AS PRINCESS WYHNEMAH OR AUNT BILLY, WAS MY GREAT AUNT--MY GRANDFATHER'S SISTER. AUNT BILLY WAS BORN IN COOWEESCOOWEE DISTRICT, CHEROKEE NATION, IN 1896. SHE WAS A SCREEN ACTRESS OF SOME NOTORIETY AND PRINCESS WYHNEMAH WAS HER STAGE NAME. SHE PLAYED IN NUMEROUS B-MOVIES OF THE PERIOD AND WAS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE INDIAN SCREEN ACTORS' GUILD. SHE WAS A CLOSE FRIEND AND COLLEAGUE OF INDIAN ACTOR JAY SILVERHEELS. SHE SPENT MOST OF HER LIFE IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PURSUING HER ACTING CAREER. SHE WAS BEAUTIFUL, BAWDY AND INTEMPERATE, BUT LOVING AND SUPPORTIVE OF HER YOUNGER SIBLINGS. MY GRANDFATHER, EUING HEADY, WAS MUCH INFLUENCED BY HER AND SPENT MUCH TIME WITH HER IN CALIFORNIA. SHE DIED IN CALIFORNIA BUT IS BURIED IN NOWATA COUNTY, OKLAHOMA.

JAMES EUING HEADY WAS MY GRANDFATHER. HE WAS BORN IN COOWEESCOOWEE DISTRICT, CHEROKEE NATION, INDIAN TERRITORY, IN 1901. HE APPEARS ON THE DAWES CHEROKEE ROLL, NO. 31508, ALONG WITH ALL THE CHILDREN OF GRANDPA J.B. AND GRANDMA ELLA. HE WAS OF DARK COMPLEXION AND VERY HANDSOME. STORIES ABOUND REGARDING HIS INTemperance WITH BOTH WOMEN AND DRINK. AT ONE TIME HE WAS EXPELLED FROM DEWEY (OK) HIGH SCHOOL FOR BEING CAUGHT IN A LIAISON WITH A YOUNG TEACHER. HE WAS ALSO EXPELLED FROM HASKELL INDIAN SCHOOL FOR SIMILAR BEHAVIOR. AROUND THE TIME OF THE END OF WORLD WAR I, GRANDPA EUING ENLISTED IN THE ARMY AND WAS ATTACHED TO A CAVALRY UNIT STATIONED IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. ACCORDING TO THE ORAL HISTORY, EUING GOT HOMESICK FOR A GIRL IN KANSAS, STOLE A GOVERNMENT HORSE AND RODE IT ALL THE WAY TO KANSAS FROM CALIFORNIA. AS THE STORY GOES, HE SPENT A YEAR AT LEAVENWORTH PRISON FOR THE OFFENSE BUT WAS RETURNED TO ACTIVE DUTY AND HONORABLY DISCHARGED. GRANDPA EUING MARRIED AN UNIDENTIFIED WOMAN IN KANSAS--PROBABLY THE SAME WOMAN HE DESERTED FOR--BUT THE MARRIAGE WAS LATER ANNULLED. THERE WAS ONE CHILD OF THAT UNION. SOMETIME LATER HE MARRIED VIOLET MAY HIGHTOWER AND HAD TWO CHILDREN, ZELDA HEADY AND EDYTHE WYVONNA HEADY. HE THEN MARRIED MY GRANDMOTHER, SYLVIA REMINGTON PRICE, AND HAD ONE CHILD, MY FATHER, ARTHUR EUING HEADY. HE WAS ESTRANGED FROM GRANDMA SYLVIA BUT APPARENTLY NEVER DIVORCED HER. LATER, HE HAD A COMMON-LAW MARRIAGE WITH EVA ALTHEA YOUNG. MY AUNT KAREE HEADY HADA IS THE ONLY CHILD OF THAT UNION. GRANDPA EUING ALSO RODE THE RODEO CIRCUIT FOR A WHILE WHICH IS HOW HE MET EVA ALTHEA. GRANDPA EUING SPENT MUCH OF HIS ADULT LIFE IN AND OUT OF HOSPITALS AND SANITARIUMS BEING TREATED FOR TB. HE DIED OF THE DISEASE IN 1949 IN A VA HOSPITAL IN SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. AFTER HEARING OF GRANDPA EUING'S DEATH, MY GRANDMOTHER SYLVIA TOOK HER OWN LIFE WITH A REVOLVER.