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## Another three months have gone by . . .

Yes, and we keep getting more and more new subscribers.

No, we're not complaining.

We're extremely happy about the fact that we're now approaching eighty subscribers. This is a far cry from the ten who started with us on that first issue. Our question is, "Do you think we'll make a hundred subscribers in time for the newsletter's fifth anniversary issue?"

Well, I guess we shouldn't get too far ahead of ourselves. Let's take a look at this issue.

Glen Summitt has provided us with an excellent look at Alexander and Laura Dora Summitt. Glen provided some very interesting and priceless photographs of Alexander (Glen's great-grandfather), Charles Sr. (Glen's grandfather), and Charles Jr. (Glen's father). We'll be including more of these photographs in future issues of the newsletter.

Also in this issue, Dan Summitt has been busy. Dan has been reading books and exploring databases on line helping to find information about the Summitt(t) family. He's found some extremely

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## Alexander Commodore & Laura Dora Summitt

by

**Glen Summitt**

In late July I met with one of Alexander Commodore Summitt's two remaining daughters-in-law. Helen Summitt lives in Peabody, Massachusetts and is a native of Lynn, Massachusetts. For those who don't know, Alex was the younger son of Perlve Abernathy Summitt, the wife of Isaac L Summitt who died at the Battle of Reams Station in Virginia during the Civil War. For more information on Isaac and Perlve Summitt, see *The Summitt Family Quarterly* April 1998 issue, Volume 3, Issue 1. According to Helen, Alexander was a large landowner in Ca-



Alexander Commodore Summitt  
Photograph taken in  
North Carolina – Date Unknown

tawba County, North Carolina. Besides owning a farm, he also owned a hardware store in Catawba. There must be some type of information in old phone books about the locality and name of this store. This is definitely an area of research that needs to be examined on this branch of the family. Alexander was financially not hurting, at least up until the great depression. The family grew cotton, tobacco, vegetables and owned a number of livestock.

Helen recalled that Alex's wife, Lora Dora Bollinger, was often canning vegetables in her spare time. Helen said after becoming engaged to Alex's son, Willie Summitt, here in New England, that the two of them drove down to North Carolina so that Helen could meet Willie's parents and the rest of the family. Helen

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## Tracing Our Ancestors through Government Documents

### Part One: GLO (Government Land Office) and BLM (Bureau of Land Management) Records

By Paul M. Summitt

Back in the days when this land was new and the European monarchies were trying to get the colonies to grow, there were many levels of inducements that were offered to potential settlers. Personal land ownership was one such inducement. Many times the colonial government would grant these lands to the colonists in the name of the king. After the Revolutionary War, state governments issued the grants. After the Articles of Confederation were done away with by the ratification of the Constitution, the Federal government issued the grants.

The grant process was actually a four step process but not all of the steps were followed uniformly by the original colonies. The four steps were Entry, Warrant, Survey, and Grant (or sometimes referred to as Patent. The Entry step was the formal act of marking the proposed boundaries of the land, notifying the appropriate government agency of the desire to acquire the land, and providing a reason for why the land was wanted. The Warrant was then issued entitling the holder to have the specified and surveyed lands. The Survey, or plat, was a precise descriptive drawing of the boundaries of the land. This step was performed by a government agent and was usually the point at which the claim-holder was made liable for taxes on the property. Finally the Grant, or Patent, was made by the government to the individual and a deed was issued.

Keep in mind that in later years, the government issued numerous bounty land warrants for service in the armed forces and as rewards for other things. These warrants entitled the holder to acquire unclaimed acreage in certain states and territories.

Also, thirty of the states were settled as Public Domain States where the federal government acted through a Land Office. A similar process was followed for these states with the added requirement of proof of residence prior to grant issuance. The individual was required to live on the land and make improvements for five years or so. The date recorded at the Bureau of Land Management or other land office is usually the date that all of the requirements had been met and the deed finalized. Sometimes claims were sold or abandoned and of course there is

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interesting information in a recently published book and valuable information about what may be the family ancestors in the Wuertemberg Emigration Index.

Speaking of online information, my article on this page, *Tracing Our Ancestors through Government Documents*, is the first of a series I'm planning on how to use government documents to help find more information about the people who settled this country..

Another online information source that we want those of you who are online to know about is the discussion areas. In addition to the one we have been running at *The Summitt Family Quarterly* web site (<http://www.summittnewmedia.com/Summitt.htm>), Bill Adams has recently added an Adams and Summitt discussion area at [http://forums.delphi.com/m/main.asp?](http://forums.delphi.com/m/main.asp?sig-dir=adams13&isp=if&pic=in-BIGTRUCK1577)

sig-dir=adams13&isp=if&pic=in-BIGTRUCK1577.

If you've never used Delphi before you'll need to go through a quick registration (so you can post messages).

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# The United States of America,

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME. GREETING:

Homestead Certificate No. 13207  
 Application 23837

**Whereas,** There has been deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States a CERTIFICATE of the Register of the Land Office at Camden Arkansas

whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Act of Congress approved 20th May, 1862, "to secure Homesteads to Actual Settlers on the Public Domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of Henry J. Summitt has

been established and duly consummated in conformity to law, for the Fractional South East quarter of Section three in Township one South of Range twenty five West of the Fifth Principal Meridian in Arkansas containing one hundred and thirty three acres and thirty seven hundredths of an acre

according to the Official Plat of the Survey of the said Land, returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE by the SURVEYOR GENERAL:

**Now know ye,** That there is therefore granted by the UNITED STATES unto the said Henry J. Summitt

the tract of Land above described, TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said Henry J. Summitt and to his heirs and assigns forever.

**In testimony whereof, I, Theodore Roosevelt**

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the seal of the GENERAL LAND OFFICE to be hereunto affixed.

**Given** under my hand, at the CITY OF WASHINGTON, the fifteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and six, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and thirty first

By the President: T. Roosevelt

By H. M. McLean, Secretary.

C. H. Brush, Recorder of the General Land Office.



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## Correction:

In the July 1998 issue in the article *The Mark of a Man – Robert (Bob) Layman Summitt*, on page 5, Bob Summitt's daughter's married name was incorrectly spelled Pridgeon. The correct spelling should have been Pridgen.

The author, the editor, and the publisher regret this typographical error.

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It only takes a minute and it's free!

While on the subject of Bill Adams . . . Bill's son, Paul, has been ill recently. It's our understanding that he is doing better now and we hope that he continues to improve.

Well, that's about it for now. Still look to hear from all of you about births, deaths, marriages, etc in your particular branch of the family. We want to let each other know.

Later  
paul

Below is a photograph of Paul Moody Summitt and his grandson Jonathan Andrew Mickelis. Photograph taken Thanksgiving, 1995.



## Updated Information:

### Marcues & Mary Stine Summitt

The website, <http://www.summittnewmedia.com/Summitt.htm> has really turned out to be a valuable resource to us in regard to getting information out to family members as well as getting new, updated, and corrected information from family members around the world.

Recently, Jeff Summitt, his son Chris, and Chris' wife found the website and emailed us to provide us with corrected information concerning the photo above that was published in the April 1998 issue and on the April 1998 web page.

Jeff is the son of Clarence Summitt and grandson of Jefferson and Alice Dowd Summitt. According to the email we received, the photograph was apparently taken on a farm near Washington, Indiana. Alice Dowd Summitt lived on the farm until 1953. Clarence Summitt and his wife moved there in 1958.

In the original caption for the photograph we listed the subjects in the photo as Marcues and Mary Stine Summitt and seven of their boys. The photograph was believed to have been taken about 1907 on their farm in Daviess County, Indiana. Standing left to right: Charles; Albert; George and Hugh Sitting left to right: Jefferson; John; Marcues and Mary.

Jeff provided the following updated information: The year the photo was taken was 1902. Standing left to right are Jefferson, Albert, George, and Hugh. Sitting left to right are Charles, John, Marcues, and Mary.

Jeff also talked about having and faxed us a copy of another photograph that included about forty other people. We hope to be able to get a copy of that photograph that is of sufficient quality to include in a future issue of this newsletter. As Jeff stated in his email, "perhaps some one can figure out the names of the rest of the clan."

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## Lifting High the Cross for 200 Years

This history of St. John's Lutheran Church in Conover, North Carolina, written by Mark Smith, has recently been published. Dan Summitt spent hours pouring over this book and sent us the following excerpts:

- Elisabeth Samet (page 63)  
Confirmed 8-18-1804
- Johan Samet (page 64)  
Confirmed 8-18-1804
- Christian Sammet (page 120)  
signed a certificate in support of the Rev. David Henkel. The document's date is not clear, it is either 1819 or 1820. The disagreement resulted in the formation of the Tennessee Synod of the Lutheran Church.
- Daniel Sammet (page 105) 6-2-1819 signed a petition for the ordination of David Henkel.
- John Sammet (page 111) 1-8-1820 signed a letter of defense for D. Henkel supporting his ordination.
- Daniel Summitt (page 91) 11-6-1819 signed an ultimatum that was presented to the North Carolina Synod, if David Henkel is not ordained, Johannes Church breaks off.
- Eliza Summitt-Nancy Summitt (page 137) are two that are listed on a handwritten confirmation list of David Henkel's, probably for the year 1828.

From what I have seen of the information provided in this book, it is extremely valuable as a resource to the genealogical researcher. It's my understanding that the copies were printed for those who ordered them so we want to thank Dan for providing us the information this book provides regarding the early Summitt (t)s in North Carolina.

## Guessing at the age of an ancestor

There's a great deal of valuable information available on the internet. Recently a posting on the Missouri List brought my attention to the question of estimating the birth of an ancestor by what war they fought in. It doesn't provide us with exact dates but it does begin to get us in the right time frame to begin looking.

For instance, The Dutch Indian War took place from 1655 to 1664. If we find an ancestor who fought in this war, chances are that he was born sometime between 1600 and 1644.

The following table lists the war, the dates of that war, and the years during which someone who fought in those wars were probably born. I've found this to be extremely valuable in estimating where to look for an ancestor.

WAR Participated in:	Dates of War	Born
Dutch Indian War	1655-1664	1600-1644
Bacon's Rebellion	1676	1626-1656
Inter-Colonial Wars	1689-1763	1639-1743
Pontiac's Rebellion	1763-1766	1713-1743
Boston Massacre	1770	1720-1750
American Revolution	1775-1783	1715-1770
Indian Wars	1790-1811	1740-1791
War of 1812	1812-1815	1756-1802
Black Hawk War	1832	1762-1812
Texas War (The Alamo)	1836	1780-1820
Mexican War	1846-1848	1796-1828
Civil War	1861-1865	1806-1849
Spanish-American War	1898	1849-1880
World War I	1914-1918	1870-1900
World War II	1939-1945	1900-1930
Korean War	1950-1953	1910-1935
Vietnam War	1956-1975	1915-1957

Keep in mind that these numbers are estimates only and that there will be exceptions to these figures. This information can, however, help in estimating when an ancestor was born if we know that he fought in a given war. Another thing to keep in mind is that the above table does not take into account other wars that took place on this continent. One glowing omission is that of the Shay's Rebellion, December 1786 to January 1787. For those who aren't familiar with this rebellion, this is where the U.S. government put down a rebellion in Massachusetts by veterans of the Revolution who felt that they didn't get fair treatment after the war.



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TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

Homestead Certificate No. 2191-  
Application 15754-

Whereas there has been deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States a CERTIFICATE of the Register of the Land Office at Camden, Arkansas, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Act of Congress approved 20th May, 1862, "To secure Homesteads to actual settlers on the public domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of Jacob E. Summitt has been established and duly consummated in conformity to law for the South half of the South West quarter of Section eleven and the North half of the North West quarter of Section fourteen in Township one South of Range twenty five West of the Fifth Principal Meridian in Arkansas, containing one hundred and sixty acres -

according to the Official Plat of the Survey of the said Land returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE by the SURVEYOR GENERAL.

Now know ye, That there is therefore granted by the UNITED STATES unto the said Jacob E. Summitt the tract of Land above described: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said Jacob E. Summitt and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof I, William McKimley President of the United States of America, have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the sixteenth day of August, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-fourth

⌞ L. S. ⌟

By the President: William McKimley  
By F. M. McKean Sec'y.

C. W. Brush, Recorder of the General Land Office.

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also the issue of squatters. It can get confusing.

In certain cases where cash sales of lands were involved by the government to an individual, sometimes one individual, who could get to the Land Office, would buy land as a favor for a friend or relative who for whatever reason could not get to the land office. The sale would then be recorded in the local county recorder's office prior to the government patent being signed and issued.

You can find information about the land patents that ancestors may have received at <http://www.glorecords.blm.gov>. You won't find all states yet. We've managed to find four in Arkansas but none in Missouri. The four from Arkansas are Henry J Summit (see page 3), Jacob E. Summit (see page 6), John B. Summit (see page 13), and Joseph H. Summit (see page 12). Pay particular attention to who signed the document. In the case of Henry J. Summit (page 3), you'll notice that the signature is that of a Theodore Roosevelt. You'll find William McKinley's signature on Jacob E. Summit's document (page 6), and John B. Summit's document (page 12). Benjamin Harrison's signature is on Joseph H. Summit's land patent (page 13).

Now, are these the actual signatures of these presidents? The discussions I've seen on this topic suggest No. Most suggest that more than likely these documents were signed by someone in the Bureau of Land Management at the behest of the president.

When you find a land patent at the website, you will find the patentee name, the signature date, the document number, the accession number, and a copy of the certified document (copies of which you have seen in this issue). The patent description will also provide a legal description of the land described in

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said she had the most memorable meeting. Helen recalled vividly meeting Laura Dora for the first time in the farmhouse's kitchen and that Willie disappeared for some time at the initial meeting to visit friends. Helen recalled that as a New Englander she had the most difficult time understanding Laura Dora, apparently her southern twang was extremely strong.

Helen laughed about one story, saying that after meeting Laura Dora, that she asked Willie what was wrong with her, since she seemed to be spitting up a lot of blood while they were getting acquainted. Willie laughed hard. He said his mother liked to take apple leaves and snuff and then chew the combination. What she was spitting was not blood, but tobacco into her spittoon!

Helen, however, had the utmost respect for Laura Dora. Helen said Laura Dora was one of the most caring women she had ever met. Helen described Laura Dora as a very devoted Baptist, attending with her children at Mt. Rahama Baptist Church in Catawba. All of her children, including my grandfather Charles E. Summit Sr., were raised strong Baptists. Helen said Alex didn't attend church being a bit of a recluse, but he did help to build Mt. Rahama Baptist Church.

Once the great depression hit, Alex lost everything. Helen explained that Willie Summit talked about this and recalled how he and the family were forced to pack up all their belongings and then proceed on a difficult trek by horse and wagon to either Gaston or Garrison County. It was apparently a very grueling transfer for the family.

Apparently later in life, Alex was also a civilian guard at a North Carolina military base. He also apparently loved to fish.

Helen also said that Charles E. Summitt,



Alexander Commodore Summit  
Photograph taken in  
North Carolina – Date Unknown



Charles E. Summit, Sr.  
Photograph taken in  
Wenham, MA

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the patent. This will tell you the number of parcels, the section, township, range, Meridian, number of acres, and the counties in which the land is located. We'll go into more discussion of these aspects next issue along with where to obtain copies of maps that show this type of information.

If you find that this sort of research is of particular interest to you, you'll probably be interested in a book titled *Land & Property Research*, available from <http://shop.ancestry.com/ancestry/lanandproprel.htm>. I believe the price is around fifty dollars for this book.

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Name: Sammet, Carolina

Birth Date: 11 Apr 1839

Birth Place: Backnang

District: Backnang

Application Date: May 1863

Destination: North America

Number: 549611

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Name: Sammet, Anna

Rosine (wife)

Birth Date:

Birth Place: Loewenstein

District: Weinsberg

Application Date: Feb 1848

Destination: North America

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Sr. got in a tremendous argument with Alex during the 1920's. After the disagreement, he up and left. Helen said Alex was not the easiest man in the world to get along with.

Charles Sr. subsequently joined the Navy and met my grandmother Viola Knowlton at the port of Boston. After completing his service in the Navy, he settled on the North Shore of Boston with Viola in Wenham, Massachusetts.

Wenham is a very quintessential New England town. Here, Charles Sr. used his farming skills to work on the Greycroft Farm in the dairy part of the farm.

A few years later Willie left North Carolina and joined his brother in Wenham, where they both lived in a two-family house with their families on Friend Court in Wenham.

Willie also worked on the same farm, but worked with poultry. In Massachusetts, Willie and Helen had a number of children: Carol, Barbara, Zeke, Charles and Joseph. Charles recently died.

Joseph later received the Purple Heart after saving the life of a fellow soldier in Vietnam. Helen still has newspaper clippings framed on her living rooms wall, documenting her son's achievement. Helen pro-



Alexander and Laura's Daughters  
Floy, Cordie, Ellen, and Maudella  
Photograph taken in North Carolina



Charles E. Summit, Jr. is making the face. Charles E. Summit, Sr. is the adult male. Viola (Knowlton) Summit is on the far right of the picture. The Toddler is Ronald Summit. The boy on the far left of the picture cut off is George Summit

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Name: Sammet, August Paul  
Birth Date: 4 Jul 1843  
Birth Place: Hausen a.d.Zaber  
District: Brackenheim  
Application Date: 1860  
Destination: North America  
Number: 560455

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Name: Sammet, Carl  
Birth Date: 12 Apr 1854  
Birth Place: Reisach  
District: Weinsberg  
Application Date: Aug 1880  
Destination: North America  
Number: 534578

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Name: Sammet, Christian  
Wilhelm  
Birth Date: 9 Jun 1871  
Birth Place: Hoeslinsuelz  
District: Weinsberg  
Application Date: Aug 1880  
Destination: North America  
Number: 534578

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vided some family pictures and a copy of the original Summit Family Bible documenting all thirteen births of Alex and Laura. She also provided me with an obituary of one of Alex's daughter's, which I will post to the discussion area on the website at a later date.

Both Alex and Laura Dora are both buried at the Mt. Rahama Baptist Church, as well as a number of other of Summit ancestors.



Finally, Viola Knowlton Summit Faulkner is in Beverly Hospital, Beverly, Massachusetts with heart trouble. Doctors are thinking about a pacemaker for her. She was born May 1902 in Beverly, Massachusetts. She is the widow of Charles E. Summit, Sr. (born in Catawba County, NC), the son of Alexander Commodore Summit and Laura Dora Bollinger. She had six children in Massachusetts with Charles Sr.; Louise Wilson of Essex, MA; Priscilla Wallace of Dover, NH; George Summit or Raymond, NH; Ronald Summit of Essex, MA; the late Clayton Summit of Peabody, MA who died in January; and the late Charles Summit, Jr. of Beverly, MA who died in 1984 in Boston.

Viola lived in both Beverly or Wenham, MA her entire life. She comes from a long line of Knowltons who have lived in Ipswich, Wenham, and Beverly, MA since the 1600's. She was the oldest daughter of Gertrude Harris and Howard Knowlton. Howard was the son of Sargent Knowlton, a cabinet maker and well-known Wenham, MA individual. Sargent's father, Willis Sargent Knowlton, is listed in the book *The Cabinet Maker's of America* and owned his own cabinet-making company in Salem, MA.

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## *Descendants of Alexander Commodore Summitt*

(Note: The following information is from our files gathered over a large period of time. If you find errors in this information, please contact us via phone at (573) 654-2170, via FAX at (573) 654-2134, via email at psummitt@summittnewmedia.com, or by regular postal mail at *The Summitt Family Quarterly*, Summitt New Media, P.O. Box 635, Cardwell, MO 63829.

### *Generation No. 1*

1. ALEXANDER COMMODORE<sup>4</sup> SUMMITT (*ISAAC LANFORD*<sup>3</sup>, *JOHN*<sup>2</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>1</sup>) was born March 01, 1876 in Catawba County, North Carolina, and died August 31, 1965 in Catawba County, North Carolina. He married LAURA DORA BOLLINGER.

Children of ALEXANDER SUMMITT and LAURA BOLLINGER are:

- i. POLLY M.<sup>5</sup> SUMMITT, b. March 10, 1897, Catawba County, North Carolina; m. GUY MCGINNIS.
2. ii. CORDIA S. SUMMITT, b. August 13, 1895, Catawba County, North Carolina.
- iii. GEORGE D. SUMMITT, b. October 26, 1898, Catawba County, North Carolina; d. August 04, 1900, Catawba County, North Carolina.
3. iv. ELLEN E. SUMMITT, b. September 28, 1900, Catawba County, North Carolina.
4. v. ELBERT L. SUMMITT, b. June 21, 1902, Catawba County, North Carolina.
5. vi. WILLIAM HOKE SUMMITT, b. February 29, 1904, Catawba County, North Carolina.
6. vii. CHARLIE E. SUMMITT, b. December 01, 1905, Catawba County, North Carolina.
7. viii. FLOY B. SUMMITT, b. November 28, 1907, Catawba County, North Carolina.
8. ix. MAUDELLA ALICE SUMMITT, b. December 11, 1909, Catawba County, North Carolina.
- x. INFANT SUMMITT, b. November 15, 1911, Catawba County, North Carolina; d. November 15, 1911, Catawba County, North Carolina.
9. xi. WILLIE A. SUMMITT, b. March 19, 1913, Catawba County, North Carolina.
10. xii. BARKLEY SUMMITT, b. May 09, 1915, Catawba County, North Carolina.
- xiii. MARY M. SUMMITT, b. July 30, 1917, Rowan County, North Carolina.

### *Generation No. 2*

2. CORDIA S.<sup>5</sup> SUMMITT (*ALEXANDER COMMODORE*<sup>4</sup>, *ISAAC LANFORD*<sup>3</sup>, *JOHN*<sup>2</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>1</sup>) was born August 13, 1895 in Catawba County, North Carolina. She married (1) DOCK BRINKLEY. She married (2) JASPER WILSON.

Children of CORDIA SUMMITT and DOCK BRINKLEY are:

- i. NELLIE<sup>6</sup> BRINKLEY, m. ? GALES.
- ii. DAISY BRINKLEY, m. ? SWINK.

3. ELLEN E.<sup>5</sup> SUMMITT (*ALEXANDER COMMODORE*<sup>4</sup>, *ISAAC LANFORD*<sup>3</sup>, *JOHN*<sup>2</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>1</sup>) was born September 28, 1900 in Catawba County, North Carolina. She married FRED J. FELKER.

Children of ELLEN SUMMITT and FRED FELKER are:

- i. FRED J.<sup>6</sup> FELKER, JR.
- ii. BETTY FELKER, m. ? ERNST.
- iii. JIMMY FELKER.

4. ELBERT L.<sup>5</sup> SUMMITT (*ALEXANDER COMMODORE*<sup>4</sup>, *ISAAC LANFORD*<sup>3</sup>, *JOHN*<sup>2</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>1</sup>) was born June 21, 1902 in Catawba County, North Carolina. He married (1) FLORENCE PUNCH. He married (2) LOUISE.

Children of ELBERT SUMMITT and FLORENCE PUNCH are:

- i. J.D.<sup>6</sup> SUMMITT.
- ii. ? SUMMITT.

Children of ELBERT SUMMITT and LOUISE are:

- iii. ZELDA<sup>6</sup> SUMMITT, m. ? SMITH.
- iv. JO SUMMITT.
- v. JACK SUMMITT.
- vi. BANAR SUMMITT.
- vii. FLOYD SUMMITT.

5. WILLIAM HOKE<sup>5</sup> SUMMITT (*ALEXANDER COMMODORE*<sup>4</sup>, *ISAAC LANFORD*<sup>3</sup>, *JOHN*<sup>2</sup>, *JACOB*<sup>1</sup>) was born February 29, 1904 in Ca-

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tawba County, North Carolina. He married GRACE BROWNE.

Children of WILLIAM SUMMIT and GRACE BROWNE are:

- i. WILLIAM<sup>6</sup> SUMMIT.
- ii. ? SUMMIT.
- iii. ? SUMMIT.
- iv. ? SUMMIT.
- v. ? SUMMIT.
- vi. ? SUMMIT.
- vii. ? SUMMIT.

**6.** CHARLIE E.<sup>5</sup> SUMMIT (*ALEXANDER COMMODORE<sup>4</sup>, ISAAC LANFORD<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JACOB<sup>1</sup>*) was born December 01, 1905 in Catawba County, North Carolina. He married VIOLA KNOWLTON.

Children of CHARLIE SUMMIT and VIOLA KNOWLTON are:

- i. CLAYTON<sup>6</sup> SUMMIT, b. Massachusetts.
- ii. CHARLIE SUMMIT, b. Massachusetts.
- iii. GEORGE SUMMIT, b. Massachusetts.
- iv. RONALD SUMMIT, b. Massachusetts.
- v. LOUISE SUMMIT, b. Massachusetts; m. ? WILSON.
- vi. PRISCILLA SUMMIT, m. ? WALLACE.

**7.** FLOY B.<sup>5</sup> SUMMIT (*ALEXANDER COMMODORE<sup>4</sup>, ISAAC LANFORD<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JACOB<sup>1</sup>*) was born November 28, 1907 in Catawba County, North Carolina. She married W.C. TYREE.

Notes for FLOY B. SUMMIT:

Glen Summitt's notes suggest Floy Summitt was born Dec 28, 1907

Children of FLOY SUMMIT and W.C. TYREE are:

- i. JIMMY<sup>6</sup> TYREE.
- ii. CHUCKY TYREE.

**8.** MAUDELLA ALICE<sup>5</sup> SUMMIT (*ALEXANDER COMMODORE<sup>4</sup>, ISAAC LANFORD<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JACOB<sup>1</sup>*) was born December 11, 1909 in Catawba County, North Carolina. She married ROBERT F. SHUPING.

Children of MAUDELLA SUMMIT and ROBERT SHUPING are:

- i. LAURA S.<sup>6</sup> SHUPING, m. ? LINK.
- ii. ROBERT F. SHUPING, JR..

**9.** WILLIE A.<sup>5</sup> SUMMIT (*ALEXANDER COMMODORE<sup>4</sup>, ISAAC LANFORD<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JACOB<sup>1</sup>*) was born March 19, 1913 in Catawba County, North Carolina. He married HELEN.

Children of WILLIE SUMMIT and HELEN are:

- i. JOSEPH<sup>6</sup> SUMMIT.
- ii. CHARLIE SUMMIT.
- iii. CAROL SUMMIT.
- iv. ? SUMMIT.
- v. ? SUMMIT.

**10.** BARKLEY<sup>5</sup> SUMMIT (*ALEXANDER COMMODORE<sup>4</sup>, ISAAC LANFORD<sup>3</sup>, JOHN<sup>2</sup>, JACOB<sup>1</sup>*) was born May 09, 1915 in Catawba County, North Carolina. He married CELIA BRIGGS.

Children of BARKLEY SUMMIT and CELIA BRIGGS are:

- i. THOMAS<sup>6</sup> SUMMIT.
- ii. JAMES SUMMIT.
- iii. PATSY SUMMIT, m. ? KING.
- iv. JEANNETTE SUMMIT.



# The United States of America,

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

Homestead Certificate No. 5880

Application 10927

Whereas there has been deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States a CERTIFICATE of the Register of the Land Office at Camden

Arkansas, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Act of Congress approved 20th May, 1862, "To secure Homesteads to actual settlers on the public domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of Joseph H. Summitt has been established and duly consummated in conformity to law for the South half of the South East quarter of Section nine and the West half of the South West quarter of Section ten in Township one South of Range twenty five West of the Fifth Principal Meridian in Arkansas containing one hundred and sixty acres

according to the Official Plat of the Survey of the said Land returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE by the SURVEYOR GENERAL.

Now know ye, That there is therefore granted by the UNITED STATES unto the said Joseph H. Summitt the tract of Land above described: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said Joseph H. Summitt and to his heirs and assigns forever.

In testimony whereof I, Benjamin Harrison President of the United States of America, have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the tenth day of September, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and fiftieth

By the President: Benjamin Harrison

By M. McKean Sec'y.

Alonwill, Recorder of the General Land Office.  
ad interim



(4-772 a.)



# The United States of America,

TO ALL TO WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

Homestead Certificate No. 9998  
Application 16617

Whereas there has been deposited in the GENERAL LAND OFFICE of the United States a CERTIFICATE of the Register of the Land Office at Camden, Arkansas, whereby it appears that, pursuant to the Act of Congress approved 20th May, 1862, "To secure Homesteads to actual settlers on the public domain," and the acts supplemental thereto, the claim of John B. Summitt has been established and duly consummated in conformity to law for the South half of the South West-quarter of section three and the North half of the North West-quarter of section ten in Township one South of Range twenty-five West of the Fifth Principal Meridian in Arkansas, containing one hundred and fifty acres.

according to the Official Plat of the Survey of the said Land returned to the GENERAL LAND OFFICE by the SURVEYOR GENERAL.

Now know ye, That there is therefore granted by the UNITED STATES unto the said John B. Summitt the tract of Land above described: TO HAVE AND TO HOLD the said tract of Land, with the appurtenances thereof, unto the said John B. Summitt and to his heirs and assigns forever. ~~And there is reserved from the lands hereby granted a right of way thereon for ditches or canals constructed by the authority of the United States.~~

In testimony whereof William McKinley

President of the United States of America, have caused these letters to be made Patent, and the Seal of the General Land Office to be hereunto affixed.

Given under my hand, at the City of Washington, the Twenty-fifth day of June, in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and one, and of the Independence of the United States the one hundred and twenty-fifth

By the President: William McKinley  
By L. M. McKean Sec'y.

C. H. Bush, Recorder of the General Land Office.



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District: Weinsberg  
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Birth Date: 3 Aug 1848

Birth Place: Hoeslinsuelz

District: Weinsberg

Application Date: Aug 1880

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Birth Place: Hoeslinsuelz

District: Weinsberg

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