

Birmingham Ala.
April 11 - 1962

Dear Winfred,

We were so glad to hear from you people again, I called Lucille Burton and read your letter to her - she was happy to hear from you too -

I received 2 letters from Mrs. Jack Walker of Tullahoma Tenn.

I sent her a copy of the enclosed James Poe and Mary (Polly) Merrill's Poe bible record. Of course it wasn't her James Poe, I also sent her other Poe material and asked her to copy and return to me. I haven't even heard from her in several months.

She said she had some Poe data that she would send me - which she hasn't done. I love to exchange data with people, that is the way I build my files. I told her at the present time I could not fit her James Poe in. But if she would help me, I thought we could do it. I have data on several James Poes and the "Tenn. Poes"

I have found ⁽³⁾ 3 John Poes who served in the revolutionary war from N.C. One of these John Poes, was given land for his war service on the Cumberland river, in Davidson Co. this section later Rutherford Co. Tenn. in 1788. this is in Northern Tenn.

Descendants of this man moved on down across Tenn. to Franklin and Hamilton Cos. so that is how Mrs Walkers Poe got started,

The first Court was held in Chatta. Tenn. - was held in the home of Hasten Poe in 1821. at Ross Landing later called Chattanooga, one of the Civil War battles. Near Chatta. was fought on the farm of Larkin Poe. It is a beautiful public park today.

The Poe descendants live near Chatta. - today. They are friends of my 2 brothers who live in Chatta. I have data on these Poe families.

I'm getting a lot of experience in doing so much work in Genealogy. and working on so many families.

I believe Hasten B. Poe who settled in Tuscaloosa Co. was also a son of Maj James the revolutionary war soldier.

I don't believe your John Poe moved from Tuscaloosa Co. until he moved to Ark. He just failed to get in the Census. We find that in different Census records. I believe I saw a deed record, dated 1887, of John Poe of Tuscaloosa. One of your Poe Cousins, a Mrs. Brown, does my typing for me. She has some Tuscaloosa Co. deed now. typing them up for me. I'll check and let you know.

I wrote my friend in Washington D.C. to check the 1820, Anson Co. N.C. Census on the Poes and Shephards for me. last wk. I will let you know.

many thank for the nice things you sent me. the paper will be fine to use for my Poe, Shephard and Hall history book. The acetate covers are just what I need for newspaper clippings and pictures.

I'm corresponding with your cousin Mr. Check of Ark. City. we've been doing some research in Pickens, Greene and Sumpter Cos Ala. on his other lines

He has called me, from his home 3 times to talk to talk genealogy.

Did Mr. Chet send you a copy of the will of Maj. James Poe (revolutionary war) father Simon Poe who died in 1793 Chatham Co. N.C.? If you don't have it let me know and I'll send you a copy.

Buren has fixed me an "office" in one end of my bedroom. built shelves and a large table out of plywood. So I'll have a nice quiet place to work on Genealogy, with plenty of room.

I wanted to go to Ark. last summer and kept hoping Buren could go with me. But he had so much business he couldn't leave. he had cancer again last fall and wasn't well for a long time. But is doing fine now and working. We were so sorry about Cousin Mattie Shepherd. have T.B. I'm afraid she will never be well any more she was one of the main ones I wanted to visit.

I'm enclosing some data I found in N.C. last June. I was so busy working on the Plyler, Shepherd and Yerby lines I didn't copy ~~many~~

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Much on the Pocs. I received a bunch
of old Tuscaloosa Co. records from my
friend in Tuscaloosa Mrs. A. R. Callahan
among this is 1837 tax list.

John Poe: 200 acres land. 1 slave under 10,
2 slaves over 10, 1 wood clock. tax \$2.10

Bradley Hall 160 acres land. 4 slaves under 10.
5 slaves over 10, 1 poll tax, 1 wood clock. \$500. loan
tax \$4.01 1/2

Beat, 9. 17th Regt.

Thos. Poe. 160 acres land, 80 acres, 1 wood clock tax 99 cents

James Poe, 40 acres, 4 acres tax. 21 cents

Wyatt Poe. 1 poll tax .25 cents.

Simon Poe 1 poll tax .25 cents

Wm Poe, was listed but they failed to
list any thing with him.

Please write again soon,

Sincerely
Purley P. Sullivan

P.S. In enclosing 13 pieces of
material, please return same to me.