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EDITOR'S PAGE "CLYDE'S CORNER"

April 1969

(Delayed)

Dear Cousins-by-the-dozens:

This will be a different Quarterly in that it will be made up entirely with copies of letters received by the editor during the early beginnings of the Kimbro-Kimbrough Genealogical Association. It is felt that they might provide something that cannot be provided in any other way. There are some questions and answers for some. Someone among you might be able to help out. If you are pleased with this Quarterly it would be well to know so that other selected letters might be printed. There will be a continuation through part of the next issue and then I hope to return to the completion of some of the material dropped a few issues back. They will be referred to the No. and Vol. from which the material was temporarily suspended. The first No. of Vol. VI is already assembled and ready. All issues for 1969 will be completed before mailing so as to save on postage. It is hoped that I might be able to complete them before weather beckons on the outside. I spend many of my rainy cold days for the Association. I still have considerable number of communications with people who are members of the Association and others over the country hoping to get a little insight into the family. It is not a part of me to deny anyone. If per chance I have failed to communicate with you after receiving a letter from you I want to let you know it was not intentional. I could have put it aside temporarily. I have all communications that I have received over the years in my files, but I cannot brag about how I keep them. There are times when I have to remove

ma-  
terial to a vacant room upstairs where there are thousands of other items  
placed and it is possible that when I have to clean up the area where I  
work  
in the dining room at my wife's request I can certainly loose temporarily  
some  
communications. I have come across some that I have missed and will get  
an-  
swers soon.  
I started sometime ago to number the pages of letters I write up in the  
upper  
right-hand corner and to date I am around the 2200 page point. That is  
some  
letter writing. I once kept letters written cross-referenced to letters re-  
ceived by today I attach the letter received to the letter written. I  
feel  
that this is the most acceptable way for me.  
It is hoped that you will continue to enjoy the information provided you.  
It  
might not be regarding your immediate family but it does involve  
generally the  
Kimbrow-Kimbrough family.

Sincerely  
/s/ Clyde H. Kimbrough  
Clyde H. Kimbrough, Editor

Letter from Mr. Orla O. Kimbrough  
Gays, Illinois  
March 6, 1963

Dear Mr. Kimbrough:

Needless to say, I was somewhat surprised when I received your very  
wel-  
comed letter. The name Kimbrough in Illinois is quite rare, and in fact  
I am  
the only one in this county by that name. My parents and two sisters  
passed  
away some years ago. We have three sons, but they are away with their  
own  
family and jobs. One is in the printing and advertising business in  
Califor-  
nia. One is the city engineer for West Allis, Wisconsin, and the  
youngest in  
with Libby McNeill and Libby Canning Company in Ohio. So my wife and I  
have  
the opportunity to travel some just to see our sons and their wives and  
eight  
grandchildren.

I do not know whether I am a transplant from Tennessee, Virginia,  
or  
North Carolina. Really the only thing I ever knew was that my great

grandfather came from Kentucky. And since Kentucky was settled by people crossing over the Mountains from the east, my best guess would be that we are from Virginia stock.

I have some cousins in Arkansas, Missouri, Washington, and Indiana. Most of them I have lost track of. I visited one in Seattle this summer, but she is the only one left from my uncle's family, and was born there, and would likely not know anything about the family.

We stopped in Memphis a few years ago for dinner on our return from Florida. We got a table with a native who was an attorney. After introductions he told us that there were lots of Kimbroughs in Tennessee. He jokingly remarked that you may be a bum for all I know but you have a good name.

I am a farmer by profession, but have been the office manager in our county for more than 20 years. I have retired from farming but we still live on our 225 acre farm.

In 1918, we had a friend that moved to Florence, Alabama, and met a Kimbrough there. He had the man write my father, and they had some correspondence for a time. He told my father that he had a son who was a career man in the Navy. And strange as it may seem, I was in the Navy during World War I and met his son a few times. He inquired about the past history of my family, and I told him that they came from Kentucky so far as I knew. He told me that all he could remember was that his grandfather told him about driving to Illinois from Kentucky with a horse and cart, to visit two of his cousins. He recalled that one of the cousins was a doctor and the other one was named Goldman Kimbrough. Well, my grandfather was Goldman Kimbrough, and his brother, the Doctor, the father of Eugene Kimbrough a Danville attorney and later a circuit judge. So it seems the grandfather of the Navy man was a cousin to my grandfather.

My grandfather had a large family, but all that are left are scattered, and I rarely hear from them at all. I know this isn't as it should be but it seems we all get so obsessed in our own lives that we lose interest in anyone beyond our immediate family.

Letter from Mr. Orla O. Kimbrough, cont'd.

I know this isn't very much information for you, but you are welcome to it, and if there is anything else I can help you with please feel free to call on me.

When I retire within the next five years anyway, we will likely do more traveling. We want to spend some time in Florida during the winter. I'll keep your address and we may stop as we go through your town and meet you. It's been nice hearing from you and if you are ever in Illinois look us up, and feel free to write and I'll give you any information I have about the Kimbroughs that I haven't mentioned here. But really my connection with the family beyond my grandfather (who died before I was born) is very remote and I would be hard pressed to know where to begin.

Sincerely,  
Orla O. Kimbrough

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Three letters from Mrs. S. Price  
High Rock Farm, Route #1  
Reidsville, North Carolina  
April 9, 1963

(1)

Dear Mrs. Bryant and Mr. Kimbro:

If it is all right, I will write to you together in order to save time.

Mr. Kimbro, referring to your letter of April 2, I want to thank you for sending the typed material from the ALSTON book. I was very happy to get it. I would like to buy a copy of this book. Do you know where I can procure one?

Tell me about the Priest, C. L. Kimbro. I will be happy to do what I can to help him, but I am a farmer and July and August are my busiest times. However, you can mention my name to him, and I will try to write to him also.

On page 4 of your typed Excerpts from the ALSTONS AND ALLSTONS OF NORTH

AND SOUTH CAROLINA, Page 200, there is the statement that there are no records to show when they came and where they first settled, but they were in North Carolina in 1742 and that it is supposed they came over with Governor Gabriel Johnson in 1734. I want to talk about this first.

I have done quite a bit of research on the Kimbros in Virginia. I don't seem to be able to put my hands on my notes at the moment. However, I think the Kimbros were in Virginia at a very early date. I have one reference, 1678.

There are a great many references to the Kimbro name in ENGLISH DUPLICATES OF LOST VIRGINIA RECORDS by Louis des Cognets, Jr.

I feel with many people working on this line, perhaps it could be straightened out. I would like to state that so far I have never been able to find proof of Buckley Kimbro's marriage or his will.

Edgecombe County Deeds from Halifax County, Book 3, Page 309, November 15, 1748 - John Kimbro, son and heir at law of Buckley Kimbro, late of Edgecombe County to Nathaniel Kimbro, another of said Buckley's sons.

Now, that certainly proves that they were his sons. However I

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Letter no. 1 from Mrs. S. R. Prince, cont'd. cannot find anything to prove, as far as I am concerned, that Grizzeal, who married Colonel John Hinton, was a daughter. I am sure this is so, and I know the DAR has accepted it, but I have yet to find any proof.

They had a sister, Margaret, who is not mentioned as one of the children in this list you have. She married Richard Harris.

I have the Inventory and Sale of Buckley's estate, May 1743, but could not find a will.

Have you ever corresponded with Mrs. Ardrey of Kentucky? I did so for quite a while and could not get any real proof. Although she said it was accepted.

I will be happy to work with you two and will look forward to hearing from you. With very best wishes.

Cordially yours,

Teupio Harris Prince

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April 16, 1963

(2)

Dear Mr. Kimbrough:

Thank you for your letter of April 12. I will write about the Alston book and will let you know whether it is still available or not.

I will write to the Priest, C. L. Kimbrough. If I can be of any help to him when he gets to North Carolina, I will try to do so.

Do you have a blank you could fill out your line and send me of the Kimbroughs. I feel I may be able to help you go back to when they came to North Carolina if I could see your chart. I would appreciate having it.

Now, about buckley Kimbrough. I feel perfectly sure he came from Virginia to North Carolina and not direct to North Carolina. That is the period I would like to work on--the immigrant to Buckley.

Of course, I always hope someone will turn up positive proof that buckley was the father of Grizzeal who married John Hinton. I do know it is accepted, but I keep hoping I will see proof. Miss Mary Hilliard Hinton of Raleigh, who has joined many things on that line did not have any proof except she KNEW it; it has always been handed down. Perhaps someday that may come to light.

With very best wishes.

Cordially yours,  
Teupio Harris Prince

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July 1, 1963

(3)

Dear Mr. Clyde:

Thank you so much for your nice long letter. I would certainly love to meet with the group on August 3. I would like to know what

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Letter no. 3 from Mrs. S. R. Prince, cont'd.  
the dues would be for the organization, because I think I would like to participate.



I think I told you that I am a descendant of Col. John Hinton and Grizzeal Kimbrough, the daughter of Buckley Kimbrough. I just had a note from Mr. Howell in which he states Grizzeal was the daughter of John Kimbrough. I have written him that all the references I have show she is the daughter of Buckley. What I have been searching for is positive proof that Buckley was her father. by the time I knew Miss Mary Hilliard Hinton she had become very old, and if she knew the proof she wouldn't tell me, and it is not on her papers. However, she said it was so, and the D.A.R. accepted it. I have a couple of notes on Buckley and his inventory in Edgecombe County in 1736, but I have never been able to find a will.

Some day I will try to get my Kimbrough notes in order and write you a sensible letter.

With very best wishes, I am  
Cordially yours,  
Teupio Harris Prince

P.S. Sorry I have not sent this before now. I have recently been to the Archives in Raleigh and seen the Edgecombe County Court Minutes for 1744 that has just been given them. I was disappointed that there was no more Kimbrough information. Apparently Buckley had died before this book. (Edgecombe was formed from Bertie) notice this book is 1744. Anyway this is the notes in it on Kimbrough.

1. Ordered that Marmaduke Kimbrough be and is hereby appointed guardian of John Kimbrough an orphan of Buckley Kimbrough, deceased. He giving security in the sum of 100 pounds.

2. Thursday, Feb. 1745, Marmaduke Kimbrough Adm. of estate of Buckley Kimbrough deceased, exhibited into court an account of the debts proved against the deceased estate which the Court allowed and is ordered to be recorded.

That was all. Just two notes.

I have always been told that Buckley was the father of Grizzeal, but do not

have proof. Only what Miss Mary said. There are published statements to that. Let me hear from you all.

T. H. P.

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Data from Mr. James Kimbrough Smith, Eutaw, Ala. (now deceased)  
Copy from the Kimbrough Bible, I. Ashmead & Company, Printers, 1832,

Philadel-  
phia, Pennsylvania. Bible purchased by M. D. Kimbrough, May 22, 1849.  
Marma Duke Kimbrough and Elizabeth A. Douthit Kimbrough wre married  
December  
28, 1826.

Marma Duke Kimbrough was born August 26, 1800; died February 17, 1873.  
John Thornton and Mary S. Kimbrough were married December 21, 1842.  
James Thomas Smith and Sarah Kimbrough were married December 24, 1850.

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Data from Mr. James Kimbrough Smith, cont'd.  
William Smith Hardy and Elizabeth Davie Kimbrough were married Jan. 18,  
1852.  
William L. Toney and Martha Clarinda Kimbrough were married Nov. 11,  
1855.  
George Rufus Kimbrough and Frances Lowe were married Jan. 16, 1862.  
H. H. Kavanaugh and Anna M. M. Kimbrough were married Dec. 22, 1863.  
James Douthit Kimbrough and Martha Eloise Patton were married Jan. 28,  
1864.  
Frances Theodosia Kimbrough and John L. Jones were married . . .

#### BIRTHS

Mary Susannah Kimbrough b. Feb. 1, 1828.  
Sarah Kimbrough b. Dec. 1, 1829.  
James Douthit Kimbrough b. July 27, 1831.  
George Rufus Kimbrough b. July 18, 1833.  
Elizabeth Davie Kimbrough b. Jan. 5, 1836.  
Martha Clarinda Kimbrough b. July 8, 1838.  
Annah Maria Marcella Kimbrough b. Oct. 9, 1840.  
Frances Theodosia Kimbrough b. July 19, 1843.  
The above copy was made by Bessie K. Smith, Eutaw, Ala. . . 3-13-1963.  
The Bible is now in possession of Mr. James Kimbrough Smith, Eutaw.  
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Kimbrough in the Rev. War from North Carolina  
John Kimbrough in N. C. Colonial records  
Wear John  
Wm Nathaniel  
George Marmaduke  
(\_\_\_\_\_) Colonial Records of N. C. vol 4, p 479  
Jessie "A petition of several of the upper  
John inhabitants of Edgecombe prays that  
L. the Warehouse now appointed at John  
N. Pratt's be removed to Marmaduke Kim-  
Nat. brough near the falls on Maratuck  
R. River." 18 Feb. 1739-40  
Thomas  
Wm. Vol. 4, p. 521 Marmaduke Kimbrough a jury man  
for Bertie and Edgecombe appointed by N.C.  
House of Commons Feb. 1739-40.

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Data from Mr. James Kimbrough Smith, cont'd.  
Kimbrough marriages in Surry Co., N. Carolina  
George Kimbrough married 1786, Catherine Young.  
Orman Kimbrough married 1795, Elizabeth Davie.  
Marmaduke Kimbrough witness to the marriage of  
Margaret Grace and John Shore in 1804.

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In the name of God Amen:

I, Marma Duke Kimbrough of Rowan County in the province of North Carolina, being of health and perfect sense and memory do make and ordain this my last Will and Testament and dispose of all my real and personal estate in manner and form following, viz. Tmpl. (sic, rbk)

I give and bequeath unto my son John Kimbrough the lands whereon he now lives, called Uwarry, likewise the following negroes viz. Matt, Dick, Bob, Reuben, Dave, Absolem, Moses, Jane, Lett, Amy, and Lett's child called Ida, together with what of my estate give and bequeath unto my son Orman Kimbrough the place whereon I now live, called Shallowford together with two improvements of land adjoining the aforesaid tract to him and his heirs forever.

Item--It is my desire that the tract of land purchased by Thomas Bryon, lying in Deep Creek, likewise the tract of land purchased by Thomas Turner, near the Shallow may be sold and the money arising therefrom to be laid out in lands to the best advantage at the direction of my good friends my executors hereinafter mentioned, and the lands so purchased to be equally divided amongst the following, my beloved wife, Mary Kimbrough, my son George Kimbrough, my son

Golman Kimbrough and my daughter, Anna Kimbrough to them and their heirs forever. Item--It is my desire likewise that the following negroes towit: Dick, Sam, Sceaser, Hannah, Rachel, be equally divided amongst my beloved wife, Mary Kimbrough, my son George Kimbrough, my son Golman Kimbrough, my son Orman Kimbrough and my daughter Anna Kimbrough by my executors, whenever they shall

come of age to them and their heirs forever. Item--It is my desire likewise that all my just debts be paid out of the outstanding debts due to me and

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rest remaining together with the rest of personal estate, be equally  
divided  
amongst my beloved wife, Mary Kimbrough and her children above mentioned.  
Ob-  
serve that this now mentioned is not part of legacy to my son John  
Kimbrough,  
which is first mentioned, and I do constitute and appoint and (sic, rbk)  
my  
beloved friend Roger Turner, Junr., and Elias Turner my Executors of this  
my  
last Will and Testament, revoking all other wills by me formally (sic,  
rbk)  
made.  
In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty  
second  
day of Oct. One thousand seven hundred and sixty eight.  
Signed, Sealed and published in Mar: D Kimbrough (Seal)  
the presence of  
Elias Turner  
James Forbes  
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Letter from: John Simpson, Comanche, Texas, March 17, 1963.  
Dear Clyde,  
I've delayed answering your letter thinking I'd be able to talk to a man  
(Baxter Ray) an old timer and offspring from Flint Hill. Mr. Ray, a  
relative  
of my mother's has been ill and is recovering. I'll see him later. The  
WUC at  
DeLeon gave me your letter last week. I left DeLeon when Memo 1278 went  
into  
force.  
My mother, Annie Nabors, was born 2 miles from Alex City, went to school  
at Flinthill, married Henry Simpson 1893, left for Texas to follow the  
group  
you listed in your letter in 1894.  
Jim Ballard's wife, Aunt Sis, was my mother's aunt. Uncle Tom Nabors  
was my mother's uncle. John Lockes--I haven't found out for sure, but  
there  
was a Henry Locke that was an Alabama relative whose daughter lives here  
in  
Comanche. I've tried to call her but she and her husband are retired and  
visit a lot so they haven't answered when I called.  
The county clerk checked deeds, marriages and death records and found  
marriage li. for G. J. Kimbrough to Effie Guthrey 12/16/09. The only  
names  
spelled like these two on record. The spelling of both could have been  
changed by the children.  
There are some (Kimbroughs) maybe in Eastland County. I'll check on.  
There was a John Kimbrough from West Texas that was our football star in  
1940, at Texas A&M the year I finished.

I have a feeling that you and I could have some connection back at Flinthill as a Dan Kimbrough married Aunt Margaret.

I have a 22 page mimeographed single spaced paper written by Aunt Sarah Graves who lived in Auburn. (She has a daughter teaching at the college.)

The title is as "I Remember."

I've tried to reread it and found the Kimbrough name mentioned several times in it. Although she mentioned her aunts being at a wedding in the spring of '84 when Margaret Kimbrough, Jane Ford, Nan Eason, Harriet Lock and

Sarah Ballard were there. So they must have come to Texas after that date.

Baxter Ray is 81 years of age, drove to Alexander City this past summer to a Ray re-union. The trip was too much for him so he's been ill mostly since. His daughter told me he will be able to talk in four or five more days.

I'm sure you will find this letter rambling with little or no information, but I hope to find someone that knows something about this family. I noticed in Aunt Sally's writing, a sentence, "Cousin Argus Kimbrough taught singing schools and helped lead at afternoon and add-day singings."

Another paragraph "John (Nabors) lived and farmed with Uncle Tom Nabors de-

cided to go to Texas as it was becoming a general thing to do among our relatives. Among those who moved to Texas near that time were Uncle Alf, Un-

cle Tom, Aunt Harriet Lock and Aunt Sarah Ballard, and their families with but

few exceptions. Uncle Calvin, who married Uncle Dan Kimbrough's sister moved

to Tallassee. There had been a division in our community because of religion

or rather denominations, which may have caused the unrest and the moving. It

reminds me of the scattering of people in Babel when God confused the lan-  
guages."

I'll write again if I find a clue.

Best regards,  
Jim O. Simpson

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Letter from: Cornelia K. McDonald, 904 Noel Dr., Longview, Texas, April 22, 1963.

Dear Mr. Kimbrough,

Some time ago I was in Tyler visiting my brother, Thomas Bradley Kimbrough, and his family. He gave me a letter he had received from you concerning the genealogy of the Kimbrough family, since I had done a little

work on the line.

The story in our family is that our original ancestor who settled in America had two sons, the eldest was named Duke and the second son was De Ar-

mon. Marmaduke or Duke of Normandy was the full name of the elder son.

It is

from this line that we are descended. There is a Mr. O. L. Kimbrough living

in Longview, who is from the line of the second son. He has the same informa-

tion concerning this brief amount of information. Since that time, the eldest

son in each Kimbrough family in our line has been named Duke and in his line,

Orman.

I am assuming that you are of the Duke line since you have mentioned the name Marmaduke in our letter.

My father was Birch Albert Kimbrough, son of James Birch and Cornelia King Kimbrough, my grandfather, who was of the fifth generation from the American born, was the son from Duke Whitman and Eunice Carlock Kimbrough of

middle (possibly Dandridge, Tenn.) Tennessee. There my actual record of the

Kimbrough family ends although I have it back to the first generation of the

Carlock side of the house.

I do have some loosely connected information concerning the early members of the line but just how they fit into our immediate line, I do not know.

But in the event it will help you fit some of your lineage together, I will

try to outline it below:

Capt. Joseph Kimbrough of Louisa County, Va., died 1804.

married Elizabeth Yancey (1765-1804). dau. Unity Yancey Kimbrough 1787-1866 married Col. Edmund Pendleton 1786-1838. Son William Kimbrough

Pendleton, LL.D. 1817-1899 m. (1) 1840, Lavinia M. Campbell 1817-1846.

m. (2) 1847, to Clarinda Campbell 1822-1851. m. (3) 1855, to Catherine

Huntington King 1837-1907. Clarinda Huntington Pendleton (Mrs. Joseph

Rucker Lamar) dau. of William Kimbrough Pendleton and 3rd wife. b. Aug.

26, 1856 in Bethany, W. Va. If there were other children of Cat. Joseph

Kimbrough, I do not have that information, but I am sure they fit into

our line in some way for I remember hearing my father and his older sis-

ter speak of a Unity Yancey Kimbrough. I have thought that perhaps my

great-grandfather may have been a brother, at least he was of the same

or maybe earlier generation.

Then there was a SGT. Benjamin Kimbrough 10 CL (10th regiment, Continen-

tal Line) and a Will Kimbrough 14th CL from Hanover Co., Va. who were

Hanover

Petitioners.

The information re: Joseph Kimbrough was found on page 674 of "The Abridged Compendium of American Genealogy, The scant information about

Benja-

min & Will Kimbrough was found in "Historical Register of Virginians in

the

American Revolution.

I do not know the John B. Kimbrough you mentioned in your letter, but there is a John Kimbrough living in Haskell, Texas, who are distant cousins.

Perhaps he is a member of the family you referred to. There

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Letter from Cornelia K. McDonald, cont'd.

is also a Miss Mary Kimbrough in Denton, Texas with whom I have corresponded.

She admits that she has a great deal of information stored in her safe deposit

box in McKinney, Texas but since she is quite advanced in age, she seldom goes

back to McKinney, but has promised to send me some information at some future

date.

Do you have the family book on the Carlock family? If so, there is some information on the Kimbrough genealogy as it ties into the Carlock family.

If you wish full names and dates on my immediate family, I will be glad to work with you on this. Also, if a group should be formed to work on the

complete genealogy, I would like to be among that group.

Any information you have and would like to send me will be very much appreciated.

Sincerely,

Cornelia K. McDonald

Mrs. W. B.

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Letter and memos from: Florence K. Thomas (Mrs. R. D. Thomas), Eufaula, Ala.,

May 9, 1963.

Dear Mr. Kimbrough,

I was glad to get your letter. I have copied for you just about all of the information I have. I am afraid it will not be any service to you. I was always so fond of my father. He was a successful farmer, he lived his Christian life, he gave to the Negroes land for their Baptist Church and

school house, and helped them build it. Grandpa had already given them land

for the Methodist Church and burial ground. "Aunt Borcas", one of the old Negro women, said if Papa had lived, the Negroes in that community would never

have known any depression. Richard said that in all of his life Papa was the

best man he ever knew. He was proud of the Kimbrough name. Said he had seen

only one tramp by the Kimbrough name. That was when he was young. Now I am

78. Papa gave the tramp food and money. He told him to take the money

and  
get on the train and go as far as the money would take him, because he  
did not  
want to see a Kimbrough tramp.  
I will be glad to subscribe to your quarterly if it is only three dol-  
lars. Last year I was interested in an article in the Montgomery  
Advertiser  
written by Stuart X. Stephenson about Jesse L. Kimbro. I wrote to Mr.  
Kimbro.  
He went over to see my brother, Edgar. He was sick at that time with diabe-  
tes. He died April 4, 1963. I feel that my whole world has gone with  
him--I  
am the only one left of my family. I have three children--William  
Hamilton  
Thomas lives in Tuscaloosa, Florence (Mrs. Frank W. Riggs wife of Dr.  
Riggs)  
lives in Montgomery, Richard Erle Thomas lives in Chattanooga, Tenn.  
My husband, Richard David Thomas died Jan. 6, 1951. I have four grand  
children and five great grand children. Edgar's son, Love, lives

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Letter from Florence K. Thomas, cont'd.  
in Richland. He has four children--Gay (a girl) born June 12, 1944.  
Stephen  
Pace born August 5, 1946. John Waddy born June 22, 1948. Love (can not  
find  
his age, but 2 or 3 years younger).  
Elva, Edgar's wife, lives at the old home place. The old place, like  
most old country homes, shows age and decay. After the banks failed and  
the  
money was lost.  
We all think a lot of Sim Thomas. He is not related.  
I forgot to tell you that Papa, B. Love Kimbrough, was with Lee's Army  
of Northern Virginia and wounded in the ankle at Gettysburg 4 p.m., July  
3,  
1863.  
With all good wishes.  
Cordially,  
Florence K. Thomas  
(Mrs. R. D. Thomas)

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The Kimbrough Family  
The Kimbroughs are said to be of Scotch descent, and while there is no spe-



cific date recorded as to when they came to America, it is believed that the family accompanied Governor Gabriel Johnson when he came over in 1734, for we find them living near the head waters of the Neuse and Cape Fear Rivers in the 1740's.

B. Love Kimbrough

Descendants of this family came to sections of Georgia and Alabama. John Kim-

brough fought in the War of the Revolution from Virginia or North Carolina,

married Grace Bradley and moved to Georgia, Greene County. He had nine chil-

dren among them was Bradley Kimbrough who married Mary Gatewood Pace, born

1793, daughter of Stephen Pace, Revolutionary War soldier. His will on file

in Greene County names his nine children: Beloved Love; Stephen Pace; Wesley

G, born 1818; John W.; Asbury K.; Alexander; Isaiah; Augustus L.; and Per-

thania (died age 33) married Thomas J. Davis of Putnam County, Ga. These lived in other part of Georgia except Beloved Love and Stephen Pace.

Stephen Pace Kimbrough married Mary Ann Agatha Peek in Greene County and came

to Stewart County, Georgia in 1851, settling in that part of the county which

is called Kimbrough, now in Webster County. His brother, Beloved Love Kim-

brough (1810-1858) came, also. He was a mason, a wealthy and prominent citizen of Stewart County, representing the county in the Legislature 1842.

His large home stood on the highest point on the road from Richland to Lump-

kin. He never married, and is buried in Richland Cedarwood Cemetery, where a

handsome tombstone marks his last resting place.

The following is a record of births, deaths and marriages of the Stephen Pace

Kimbrough family as recorded in the family bible.

Stephen Pace Kimbrough, b. Jan 1, 1813; d. July 29, 1895; married Aug. 30, 1837, in Greene County to

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The Kimbrough Family, cont'd.

Mary Ann Agatha Peek born Jan. 2, 1822, d. Jan. 1, 1911.

Children:

Almira, b. Sept 24, 1838; d. Feb. 13, 1860;

married Dr. Henderson Cogburn Dec. 15, 1857.  
B. Love Kimbrough, born August 24, 1840; died March 22, 1924, married first  
Mrs. Josephine Clements Passmore. No children. Married second Havilla  
Pace,  
born June 14, 1849, died Nov. 18, 1867 (sic, rbk); one child lived;  
Gussie  
born October 13, 1870, who married first M. L. Dixon; married second E.  
J.  
Carter; two children of the second marriage reached adult life; Lora  
(Mrs. W.  
J. Phillips) and Pansy (Mrs. Walter Franks) of Richland. B. Love  
Kimbrough  
married third Annie Cordelia Saunders, born March 12, 1862; died Dec. 19,  
1937. Children of the third marriage: Florence born Nov. 1, 1884 and  
married  
Richard David Thomas of Eufaula, Ala. Three children: William Hamilton,  
Florence, Richard Erle. Edgar Love Kimbrough, born Sept. 25, 1888;  
married  
Elva Alston, Sept. 17, 1915. Children: Edgar Love, Jr., born Dec. 24,  
1916;  
Mary Florence, born Dec. 31, 1918; and Anne Agatha, born Sept. 16, 1924.  
(Edgar Love Kimbrough died April 4, 1963.) Edgar Love Kimbrough and  
family  
live at the old home, within whose walls four generations of this family  
have  
been sheltered. The old Kimbrough house is located on the road from  
Richland  
to Weston in a beautiful grove. The Kimbroughs were staunch Methodists,  
and  
in this spacious colonial home was a special room for the early circuit  
riders  
and visiting preachers. This room was aptly called "The Preacher's  
Room."  
Mary Margaret Kimbrough, born March 7, 1845, died July 6, 1925; married  
March  
3, 1864 to Dr. W. C. Paschal born Aug. 31, 1839, died Oct. 26, 1912;  
lived in  
Dawson, Ga. Calvin Alexander born Nov. 27, 1845; died 1924. Married  
Matilda  
Paschal, lived near Kimbrough, Ga.; two children, Myra and Gatewood  
Kimbrough.  
Edgar Roan, born Feb. 13, 1862, died Oct 20, 1869. Stephen Pace  
Kimbrough and  
wife are buried in the family cemetery near the home, as are some of  
their  
children and grand children. They were among the progressive and  
courageous  
citizens of Stewart County. The mother of Mary Ann Agatha Peek named  
Martha  
Little died in 1852, and was buried in the family cemetery of a neighbor  
near  
Weston, Ga. John Kimbrough, grandfather of Stephen Pace Kimbrough, died  
May

13, 1808, in Greene County, Georgia.

(Copied from History of Stewart County by Helen Eliza Terrill and Sara Robert-son Dixon, 1958.)

John Kimbrough had two sons--John and Bradley, John moved to Mississippi.  
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Letter from: Mrs. W. H. Kimbrough, 107 Bush Street, Greensboro, Ga.

Dear Mr. Kimbrough:

I am sorry I can not help you in regards to the Kimbrough's. I have been in the family 37 years. only knew my husband William Henry and his son by a former marriage W. H., Jr., who is attorney in law at Atlanta, Ga. His first wife was Mary Write Talmadge (Ex-governor's of Ga. Daughter) and

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Letter from Mrs. W. H. Kimbrough, cont'd.

sister of Herman Talmadge. They divorced and she married some lumber broker

in Ala. and he married a Mrs. Adams, now have a daughter, Mary Write Kimbrough

Sexton who lives in Miami, Fla. These older people here will not give me any

information or they do not know one. I believe you could get more information

from Kimbrough Drug Co. or John L. Kimbrough 204 Barnes St., Union Point, Ga.

They are no kin that I know of to the ones in Greensboro.

I'm Trurla Gillen Kimbrough. I'm only 62 years of age. I'm sorry I

can't help more. You could have gotten mixed up with (Will) Walter Kimbrough,

she is 95. Cousin to my husband--wish you best of luck.

Respt.

Mrs. W. H. Kimbrough

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Letter from: Mrs. A. S. Kimbrough, Rt. 1, Box 23, Pollok, Texas

Dear Mr. Kimbrough,

Thank you for your letter of April 2, 1963. Sorry I didn't have more

information on Thomas H. and still don't, but have received some on a brother

that might help.

This was copied from the Gazette State News Service, from Arkadelphia,

Ark. paper:

BENJAMIN KIMBROUGH: Clark County Resident  
Arkadelphia, August 14, 1962 - Benjamin Kimbrough, aged 93, of Hollywood,

Ark., died Monday at a Little Rock Hospital. He was born in Cossie (Coosa) County, Ala., and moved to Hollywood, Ark. in 1871, where he was in the mercantile business for many years. He was a member of the Hollywood Baptist Church. Survivors include his wife Fannie Little Kimbrough, two sons Leonard of Arlington, Texas, and Donovan K. of Fairborn, O.; two daughters Mrs. Birva Blackwell of St. Louis and Mrs. Oresta Hill of Prescott, Ark.

After reading the above, I thought that maybe Thomas H., might have been born in Coosie (Coosa) County, also. Do you know where I could write to find

out? What would be the county seat?

Also want you to know that I'm interested in a Kimbro-Kimbrough Quarterly and will help any way I can in supporting it. Please let me know more of the details.

Yours truly,  
Quincy Kimbrough

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Genealogical Data Questionnaire from Mrs. A. S. Kimbrough

Name of father in law

1. James Arthur Kimbrough Laura Adine Odum  
b. 10 Dec. 1892 wife  
p.b. Angelina County p.b. Angelina County  
m. 14 May 1911 d. 1 Oct. 1950  
d. 30 June 1959 p.d. Jacksonville, Texas

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Questionnaire cont'd.

2. William Thomas Kimbrough Martha R. Cates  
Father No. 1 Mother No. 1  
b. 14 Feb. 1865 b. 1 Mar. 1870  
p.b. \_\_\_\_\_ p.b. \_\_\_\_\_  
m. \_\_\_\_\_ d. \_\_\_\_\_  
d. 23 Sept. 1943 p.d. Angelina County.  
p.d. Jefferson County

3. Thomas H. Kimbrough \_\_\_\_\_  
Father No. 2 Mother No. 2  
b. \_\_\_\_\_ b. \_\_\_\_\_  
p.b. \_\_\_\_\_ p.b. \_\_\_\_\_  
m. \_\_\_\_\_ d. \_\_\_\_\_  
d. \_\_\_\_\_ p.d. \_\_\_\_\_

p.d. \_\_\_\_\_

(Can you fill in blanks for Mrs. A. S. Kimbrough? CHK)

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Letter from: Emma Mae Metcalf (Mrs. H. B.), 916 West Main, Durant, Okla.

Dear Mr. Kimbrough:

I noticed the correction of the name of the Secretary of the Kimbro-Kimbrough Gen. Club and became interested in the name. (Gen. Helper)

In my husband's family in which I am working on the family line, we have the following:

Joseph Simpson Metcalf born in Rutherford Co., N.C., died about 1860 in Arkan-

sas, married first:

Sophia Hinson

Children: William

Marion-a cripple-lived to be about 30 years.

Warner (our line)

married 1st: Sybil Engles

children: Jodie

Tom

Warner, Jr.

John

Henry M. (our line)

married 2nd: Emma Kimbro (Kimbrough)

children: Willie

Effie

Minnie (still living here)

2nd. Mary boles in Miss.

Children: John Riley

Martha

Mary

Josephine.

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Letter from Emma Mae Metcalf, cont'd.

The story goes that Joseph Simpson Metcalf was born in Rutherford Co., N.C. He left his first wife and three sons to fight the Indians. While he was away, his wife died. When he returned he found that his people had given away his three children. He was so angered that he gathered them,

William,  
Warner, and Marion and moved to Miss. and would not have anything more to do with his people. He later married Mary Boles in Miss.

In your family genealogy, do you have any information regarding this Emma who married into the Metcalf family? I would appreciate hearing something of that line. I am enclosing a stamped addressed envelope for convenience.

Sincerely,  
Emma Mae Metcalf

(Can anyone help Mrs. Metcalf with Emma Kimbro? CHK)

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Letter from: Mr. Warren O. Kimbrough of  
Garner, Shaw and Kimbrough  
Attorneys at Law-Skokos Building  
1322 North B. Street-Fort Smith, Ark.

Mr. F. A. Kimbrough & Mr. C. H. Kimbrough, Re: Kimbrough Gen. Assoc.

Please excuse my inadvertence in acknowledging your letters of recent months, with reference to the captioned matter, and the assurance that I, of course, am interested in doing anything that I can to be of assistance to you in this endeavor.

First, let me say that I am a native of Southwest Louisiana, born in the City of Lafayette, and the son of William Claire Kimbrough, and Juliette Oakley Kimbrough. My father was accidentally killed in 1945 in Ozark, Arkansas, my family having moved there in early 1941. My mother still resides in Ozark, and I have two brothers who are the only other children in the family, one of whom is William Bradley Kimbrough, who resides with his wife and family in Lafayette, Louisiana, and Richard Arthur Kimbrough, who resides with his wife and famioy at Arlington, Texas.

My grandfather was Thomas Benjamin Kimbrough, who was married to Katie Gertrude Harris, at Bunkie, Louisiana, a town of which I believe my grandfather was the first mayor. My grandparents had three children, among whom was

Thomas A. Kimbrough, now deceased; my father, who is now deceased, and my aunt, Gertrude Kimbrough Causey, both of whom presently reside on the family plantation known as Sorrel, just South of Jeanerette, St. Mary Parish, Louisiana. I am referring copies of your letters to my aunt, Mrs. Causey, who is interested in this program also, and I am sure will be able to enlighten you with reference to the lineage and ancestry of my grandfather. The only information which I have about it at the time is sketchy and that is that my grandfather and his family came through Tennessee. He had a brother who went to Mississippi, and I believe, a brother named John who possibly got over into Texas. I think that perhaps my aunt, and possibly

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Letter from Warren O. Kimbrough, cont'd.

my mother, may have some further information upon this, which I will endeavor to obtain and forward to you with the hope that it may fit into the overall plan.

I do not know what the possibility of my attending this reunion in August might be at this time, but would be in a position to make some definite plans about it at a later date; in the meantime, if there is anything which you might think of that I should know or you would like for me to do or to find out for you, please advise. The project is most interesting and very worthwhile and I look forward to working with you thereof.

Sincerely,  
Warren O. Kimbrough

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Letter from: William H. Kimbrough, Commissioner  
Georgia Public Service Commission  
244 Washington St., S. W.  
Atlanta, Georgia.

Dear Mr. Kimbrough:

Please excuse the delay in replying to your letter of June 18, 1963. As

all of us, I suppose are inclined to do, at times I get much interested and devote some study to my genealogy and then for a while lose interest in it. I seem more inclined to devote time to it in the winter months than in the summer.

I notice you state there will be a meeting of the Kimbrough Family in Alexander City, Alabama, on Sunday, August 1, 1963. Since the first Sunday in August is on the 4th, I wish you would advise me whether you meant the 4th of August or whether the meeting will be this last Saturday in July. I am not certain that I can attend, but would hope to do so.

Actually, there were at least four Bradley Kimbroughs in Greene and Putnam counties, Georgia, in the early 1800s. I have searched all records I can find in both counties and it is my opinion that the Bradley Kimbrough family, Putnam County, Eatonton, Georgia, may have moved onto Alabama or Mississippi around the year 1827-29. This is fairly well substantiated by many deeds until this date and none after this date in Putnam County, Georgia. If you could provide me with the name of any of the sons or daughters of the Bradley Kimbrough's to whom you refer, I might be able to help you.

There is a very clear record in Greensboro, Greene County, Georgia, in the records of wills alone, by which I can trace my direct ancestors on the Kimbrough side back to the year 1786. From there I am convinced that they came to Georgia from either North Carolina or Virginia. I have pursued the matter in North Carolina and I am rather thoroughly convinced that they came out of St. Paul's Parish, Virginia, but have not had time to do any research there. If you can give me any leads in either North Carolina or Virginia prior to the year 1786 I would greatly appreciate it.

I have what I consider to be a rather thorough record of all Kimbrough who remained in Greene County and Putnam County area beginning with the year 1786. If you can provide me with the names of whom they married or the names of their sons and daughters I believe I would be able to assist you. The Harris Co. Kimbroughs to whom you referred all came from Greene Co.



Letter from W. H. Kimbrough, cont'd.

I believe you must have already purchased the book compiled by Mrs. Williams and prepared by Dr. Thaddeous Rice. If you hear of a better history of Greene County, please advise me.

Looking forward to hearing from you as to the date of the Kimbrough meeting and best wishes and kindest regards, I remain.

Yours sincerely,  
Bill Kimbrough

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Letter from: Lawrence B. Gardiner, 1863 Cewdee Ave., Memphis, Tenn.

Mr. Kimbrough:

Thank you very much for your interesting letter about the Kimbrough family and the information it contained.

I am not a Kimbrough descendent although my family has intermarried with them since they first came to Shelby County, Tenn. about 1820, and my great aunt was Mrs. Buckley Kimbrough here. So many of my cousins are Kimbrough descendants and I was interested for that reason in determining what I could do on the line but none of the clan here are genealogists or very much interested, enough to join the Association you are forming.

Most of the Shelby County Kimbroughs are descendants I have proven are descended from Nathaniel Kimbrough of Orange and Wake County in N. C. This will 1781 Wake Co. is extracted in Olds. His wife was Mary Alston and the family has some span in the Alston History. Their daughter Charity married Lewis Moore came to Tenn. and several of their children married my great-great aunts and uncles. Since the Kimbroughs here were close kin to the Moores, I am supposing they came from one of her brothers.

I will be more than glad to work with your group and share any data I have but I am not sure I have very much to contribute.

Thank you again for your letter and I certainly wish the best of luck to the Kimbrough Family Association.

Sincerely,  
Lawrence B. Gardiner

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Letter from: Felix A. Kimbrough  
415 S. W. 33rd.  
Okla. City, Okla. 12 August 1962

Dear Mr. Kimbrough:

It was in August 1957 that I became interested in genealogy. I was in my twenties before I knew of another family by the name of Kimbrough other than my immediate brothers and sisters. Much of my Kimbrough ancestry and other ancestry has been handed to me on a silver platter. On some lines I had to dig before I came across a copy or heard of some one with certain lines. I have not always obtained a published copy but I have obtained reproductions of part I was interested in.

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Letter from Felix A. Kimbrough, cont'd.

John Brad. Kimbrough has much of what I have and I do not know how much of the material I have that he has provided you. The plan of coordinating research is good, but it does need to be organized so information will be readily and freely available. The manner in which information is accumulated and presented needs to be complete. I have many incomplete notes taken from many places. Further research needs to be done in the areas to which these notes refer. Many instruments were signed by relatives of varying degrees that did not bear the name Kimbrough. In many cases they were in-laws. These signatures are valuable clues and should be taken into the type of copy you sent me. Someone should coordinate the found material who has a means of furnishing reproduced copies to all concerned.

I believe better than 90 percent of the descendants of my grandfather Thomas Kimbrough, son of Rev. Duke Kimbrough and grandson of Bradley

Kimbrough  
of Rowan Co., N. C. were put in published form in 1956 by my sister  
Ethel, now  
deceased. I have concentrated my efforts on the early day Kimbroughs and  
have  
found material I believe has not been found by other Kimbroughs  
interested in  
genealogy. The information is in the hands of several people, including  
J.  
Brad. K. It is possible you have seen it.

I am forwarding your letter to another Kimbrough interested in  
genealogy  
who has a duplicating machine. He may or may not be interested in making  
cop-  
ies for all concerned. He and I have regularly shared information for  
about  
two years. In fact we have fairly well established the probability that  
the  
name Kimbrough is unique to the United States and Canada. We have a fair  
file  
of where the Kimbrough name is not known and had not been heard of until  
we  
made inquiry. Apparently the Canada branch of Kimbrough stems from the  
mar-  
riage that took place in East Tenn. many years ago.

Since becoming interested in genealogy, I have encouraged free flow  
of  
information to all concerned. Many want information, but give little in  
re-  
turn. About two months ago I furnished a Kimbrough descendant  
information on  
two to three hundred authenticated Kimbrough descendants and I have not  
had a  
go to ---- from them since. There has been far too many in the past that  
have  
been genealogical hoarders and their research was buried with the  
researcher.

I have a few manuscripts that I believe are correct to about 1800  
but  
from that time back there is little reliable information or legends have  
been  
depended upon. Two many researchers are of the opinion the Kimbrough  
family  
came to the colonies about 1750. They are known to have been in Maryland  
in  
1669 to 1676. They may have been in Maryland a few years before 1669.

Sincerely,  
Felix A. Kimbrough

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Letter from Felix Kimbrough, 16 Sept. 1962

Dear Mr. Kimbrough:

I am enclosing copies of some pages I have written concerning the early Kimbrough. With the exception of Jane Kimbrough I have written factually so far as records are concerned. I have speculated on Jane and Marmaduke. I have speculated in various ways on some of the early Ks on whom there are only one or two references, but there are too many loop holes in every approach.

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Letter #2 from FAK, cont'd.

Volume 2, page 140 of the Historical Collections of the Joseph Habersham Chapter of DAR has the following answer to a query: "Query re Pickett - Rob-  
inson - Raiford - Kimbrough. Pickett married Sally, daughter of James and Christianna Lineton Kimbrough Jameson. Sally K. Jameson was born Feb. 5, 1795; the Alston family is also connected with this brand (branch?, rbk). One interested can get record by addressing N. Jameson."

It is doubtful if the party who wrote the above is still alive but the information may still be in the hands of his descendants. Some one in the area of Habersham Chapter or a member of it, who is a K. descendant should follow this lead.

Someone in the area of Yanceyville or Caswell County, N. C. should search the records well that are available there, not only for Kimbrough but the associated families. A Todd Robinson was clerk of the court at Yanceyville. He later moved to Miss., Ala., or one of the other states in that area. I do not have the information at my finger tips. He was a brother in law of some of the Ks. in Yanceyville. No doubt a number of Ks. moved with him. Though it is well known that the Ks. were in Yanceyville area, I have found no one who has searched that area. If any one has the Yanceyville records they apparently intend to take it to the grave with them. My letters (many of them) may sound a little bitter to you, if so, it is only my disgust at the many attempts made to unravel the Kimbrough story that have never reached the light of day so far as others are concerned. That is why I

am at-tempting to write and put in some type of published form what I have found. It is not much but it would be a great help for some one starting cold as I did. If you can get your proposed plan functioning I will be one of the first to contribute. In fact I have already.

Apparently a John K. of the Yanceyville area moved to near or in the present area of Memphis, Tenn. at an early date. He stopped on the Obion River in West Tenn. long enough to build a grist mill and later moved to the Memphis area. An 80 year old descendant of his lives in Memphis now. They think they have their ancestry to Colonist John Jr., but they have it only to one of the numerous John Ks. born in N. C. All too many of the K. descendants who have done work on the family have been content to reach a period of about 1750 to a John K. and then think they have all of their K. ancestry. As stated in my previous letter the Colonist members of the family are known to have been in Maryland as early as 1669, and I believe earlier than that (by a few years). Most Ks. could establish their right to membership in nearly all so-called patriotic societies in the U.S. if the genealogy of the family is ever established. Even the highly restricted First Families of Virginia, through the Graves and Harris families. The Douglas ancestry and possibly the Kimbrough ancestry would make them eligible to many societies of Europe.

It has been my hope to establish who Colonist John Kimbrough was before his name became Kimbro-Kimbrough. His original name and the Douglas name would bring many into this search of our ancestry who are not presently concerned. The Kimbrough name has been buried in American history far too long. If the Kimbrough descendants do not exhume it, certainly no one else will.

I am currently looking for a K. descendant in Washington D.C. area

who will do some research in Maryland. I can tell them exactly where to search and what to search for. If you know of such a person let me know. Both amateur and professional genealogist are intrigued by the name and both throw up their hands when it comes to research on the family. With the possible exception of some of the northern states, there is scarcely a county in the U.S. that does not contain a K. descendant. The problem is to get them interested enough to do research.

It is my understanding that family genealogical societies that are properly formed are subject to income tax deductions for contributions and probably other expenses associated with the work. This needs to be investigated in your planning. Roy W. Kimbrough was a lawyer and I suggested he make the contribution of forming such an organization. Even though we exchanged a few letters he never mentioned this suggestion in his replies.

I have raved long enough. Good luck in forming a Kimbrough Genealogical Society.

Sincerely,  
Felix A. Kimbrough

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THOMAS KIMBROUGH  
of early records. (FAK)

A Thomas Kimbrough is named on the Land Processioning list submitted to the Vestry Meeting, St. Pauls Parish, 26 Feb. 1711.

(This is the earliest found record on a Thomas Kimbrough. He would of necessity have been born before 26 Feb. 1690, in order to own land in 1711. FAK)

From Tylers Quarterly, Vol. 20, p. 54.  
Spotsylvania Rec. D.B.A. p. 405, dated 24 May 1728.  
Thomas Kimbrough -- Witness to a deed. (If this is the same Thomas K., it was probably where he married. In view of subsequent movements of Thomas Kimbrough and Bradley Kimbrough in unison it is possible Bradley Kimbrough was in this same area at this time. No record of Bradley Kimbrough being in Spotsylvania County at this time, 1728, has been found but it is highly likely he was there. FAK)

Louisa County, Deed Book A, p. 295.

24 Nov. 1747 -- Thomas Kimbrough and Eleanor, his wife of Louisa County to

John Field of the same County ---- a tract of land located on Great Rocking

Creek, Louisa County, containing 120 acres conveyed by Ambrose and Joshua Smith unto John Kimbrow, August 6, 1730, and by John Kimbrow conveyed to said

Thomas Kimbrough by deed Aug 7, 1730.

Witnesses: Thomas Lipscomb and William Kimbrow.

(AT a later date we find a Robert Field is brother-in-law of William Kimbrow.

Thomas Lipscomb apparently married a Kimbrough daughter, but no proof to date.

A Robert Kimbrough, son of a William Kimbrough, later marries a Smith daughter

and moves to Tenn. and his son Joseph apparently marries into the Morgan Hazen

complex in East Tenn. FAK)

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Thomas Kimbrough of early records, cont'd.

Orange County, Deed Book 11, page 51. 4 Dec 1747. John Neal of Orange County, Va., to Thomas Kimbrow of Louisa County -- a tract of land in Orange

County containing 300 acres.

He also purchased at the same time 200 acres on Crews Mill Road, same Co. Thomas Kimbrow and Eleanor his wife sold their land in St. Thomas Parish, Or-

ange Co., Va. to John Sutton of Spottsylvania County 3 Nov 1764. The next

record we have of Thomas Kimbrough is the date 1777, when his will was pro-

probated in present county of Caswell in N. C. After sale of his land in Spottsylvania Co., he may have gone by way of Louisa Co., Va. to N. C., Louisa

Co. apparently home base.

(From: Family Histories of Caswell Co., N. C. by Elizabeth Williamson Dixon.

Gastonia, N. C.)

page 112. Kimbrough Line.

Thomas Kimbrough (Will probated 177) m. Elleanah --- (She is now known to

have  
been Eleanor Graves Kimbrough, a descendant of Capt. Thomas Graves who  
was in  
Jamestown in 1608 among the second supply to the colony. He was a member  
of  
the London Co., and a member of the first House of Burgesses of Virginia.  
He  
died about 1635. FAK)

sons daughters  
Thomas II Suckey Novel (Sarah Novelle.)  
John Mary Bryant  
William Sarah Brown  
Robert Betsy Bruce  
Graves Nancy Turner  
Frankey Cameron

Thomas Kimbrough II (d. 1803) m. 3-29-1792 to Elizabeth Graves (d. 1828).  
Children: Azariah Graves - Duke W. - Elijah - Vincent Tucker - John -  
Nancy -  
Polly.

John Kimbrough (supra) m. Mary -- (Ver.: Will Book I, p. 205,  
Yanceyville)  
Children: James m. 12-27-1789 to Nancy Turner -- Thomas (deceased) --  
John  
(dau.: Sarah Colyer - Patsy - Tabby) - William - Sarah Turner (dec.) -  
Nancy  
Graves; Frances Browning - Patsy Thomas - Tabby Snipes.

Copied from the files of the Register of Deeds, Caswell Co., N. C.

(Elizabeth Graves ancestry also goes back to Capt. Thomas Graves. FAK)

(There seems to be evidence that only a few of the members of the above  
fami-  
lies stayed in N. C. They seem to have moved to Tenn. and south. FAK)

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to be continued in next issue

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LETTERS FROM: J. BRADLEY KIMBROUGH  
Ocoee, Tennessee

Dear Mr. Kimbrough:



My father and mother was telling me about you stopping by with them for a short while yesterday.

I am very interested in the Kimbrough family and have spent lots of time in search of the family background. Felix A. Kimbrough of 415 S. W. 33rd, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, and myself have been working on the family background for the past several years.

We have spent lots of time in search of the early Kimbrough's of this country and it is my hope and I am sure of Felix's also that we will be able one day to write a book on the family of this country.

I am sending you a copy of my family line from Bradley Kimbrough and Sarah Thompson Kimbrough of Rowan County, N. C., down to the present day. I have the records on back to John Kimbrough the first of this country he was in Maryland in 1667 to 1676, in Virginia until his death after 1770 (sic, rbk) he was a man of means, lots of land, also paid the passage for over one hundred people so that they might come to this country.

Will like to know what branch of the family you are from, as I said Felix and myself have been looking and searching, and writing every Kimbrough that we found out about for the past several years we have come up with quite a lot of information on the family.

Sincerely yours,  
John Bradley Kimbrough

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From J. B. Kimbrough

Dear Mr. Kimbrough:

I was pleased to have your letter and to know that you are also interested in the Kimbrough family background. I have for the past several years done a lot of research on our family background, the more you look more interesting it becomes I think, we have a family to be proud of it is one of the older familys in America.

How far back can you trace your tree? You ask about the family of Rev. Duke Kimbrough. He was the son of Bradley Kimbrough and Sarah Tompson Kimbrough of Rowan County N. C., and Virginia, they raised six children: Jesse, Thomas, Duke, Amelia, Anna, and David, he and his wife were born Episcopalians but joined the Baptists late in life.

Jesse, Duke, and David came to what is now Jefferson County, Tennessee, just after the American Revolution.

Rev. Duke Kimbrough came to Tennessee or what is now Tenn. when about 21 years old, his birth date was Nov. 19, 1762, he settled in or near Dandridge, Tennessee, or what is now Dandridge, Tenn., married Mary Gentry, daughter of Robert Gentry who lived east on Dandridge on the French Broad River on a fine river bottom farm known as the Robert Gentry Farm. He

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Letter from J. B. Kimbrough, cont'd.  
gave to his son-in-law, Duke Kimbrough, a farm near Dandridge where he lived for some time.

Then he moved to Mossy Creek Iron Works where he had a farm where he lived a long life and was buried there, in the family graveyard.

Rev. Duke Kimbrough was preacher at the Dandridge Baptist Church for over 50 years that was sure a record within its self.

He was married three times, his first wife Mary Gentry lived to become mother of a daughter and died the daughter's name was Mary, she grew up and married William Chilton. His second wife was Susan Hunter, daughter of Washington Co., (N.C.), Tennessee she was the mother of four sons, William, Isaac, John, and Elisha, after her death he married Eunice Carlock daughter of John Christian (Hanchrist) Carlock, who lived southeast of Dandridge, Jefferson Co., (N.C.), Tennessee.

She was the mother of nine children, six sons and three daughters, Jesse (died in infancy), Bradley, Duke Whitman, Jacob, Thomas, Robert Gentry, Sarah,

Susan, and Catherine, she lived 86 years and was buried by the side of her husband, the grave stones of her and Rev. Duke can be seen in this family graveyard it is about 2 miles from Jefferson City, Tennessee, on the farm that belonged to Rev. Duke Kimbrough and family.

The birth dates of Rev. Duke Kimbrough's children by Mary Gentry, Susan Hunter, and Eunice Carlock are:  
Mary Kimbrough, b. 10-25-1873.  
William Kimbrough, b. 10-25-1786.  
Isaac Kimbrough, b. 4-26-1788.  
John Kimbrough, b. 2-3-1791.  
Elisha Kimbrough, b. 3-24-1793.  
Jesse Kimbrough, b. 6-20-1796.  
Sarah Kimbrough, b. 8-22-1797.  
Bradley Kimbrough, b. 11-3-1799.  
Duke W. Kimbrough, b. 3-1-1801.  
Jacob Carlock Kimbrough, b. 6-20-1802.  
Susan Kimbrough, b. 1-31-1804.  
Thomas Kimbrough, b. 3-2-1805.  
Robert Gentry Kimbrough, b. 4-10-1806.  
Catherine Kimbrough, b. 4-10-1808.

Isaac Kimbrough, John Kimbrough, and Elisha Kimbrough son of Rev. Duke were in the War of 1812, Jacob Carlock Kimbrough was in the Mexican War. Isaac Kimbrough, Bradley Kimbrough, and Robert Gentry Kimbrough were each Baptist preachers.

Bradley Kimbrough was also a lawyer, Robert Gentry Kimbrough was a school teacher and school superintendent also for a big part of his life.

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From J. B. Kimbrough, cont'd.

William Kimbrough's son Isaac Barton Kimbrough was the famous Doctor Isaac Barton Kimbrough, famous Baptist preacher and fiscal agent of Carson-Newman College at Jefferson City, Tennessee in his day.

As you can see by the information I have already sent you, my family is from Rev. Duke Kimbrough's son Isaac Kimbrough.

I have lots of information on the family and Felix also has a lot, he and I have been working on this thing for several years, we still like lots and appreciate anyone helping collect this information it is of interest to all to help in this thing I think.

Felix Kimbrough is a teacher in the Oklahoma City, High School he is very much interested in any information on the family of by gone times.

I am a civil engineer myself and at times do not have the time to spend on research that I would like to but that is life, I guess.

My father and mother had four boys, no girls, one brother was killed in 1950, he was not married.

One brother is with U. S. TVA in the department of power, the other brother is at Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Oak Ridge, Tennessee.

I have been working for an engineering firm out of Baton Rouge, La. for several years, we build water and sewer treatment plants and water and sewer systems. I have charge of all field construction here in Tennessee that they have. I am not at home as much as I would like to be.

My wife and I have two daughters the oldest is married and has a little boy 18 months old, the youngest daughter is only 9 years old they are quite a ways apart, they don't have too much in common with that much age difference.

Well let me know about your family line if I can help any will be glad to.

Sincerely yours,  
John B. Kimbrough

P.S. Felix Kimbrough is from Rev. Duke Kimbrough's son Thomas Kimbrough.

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LETTER FROM: MRS. CLAIRE KIMBROUGH BRYANT  
(Mrs. Percy A. Bryant)  
P. O. box 691  
Bay Minette, Alabama

Dear Mr. Kimbrough:

I received your name and address from Professor Felix A. Kimbrough of Oklahoma City, with whom I have been corresponding for some time relative to Kimbrough genealogy. He didn't tell me from which branch you descend.

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Letter from C. K. Bryant, cont'd.

My father's people were from Clarke County, Alabama, and I have traced my branch back to James Kimbrough, b. 11-13-1789, in N.C., d. 12-14-1863 in Ala., married 7-19-1819, in N. C. to Lucy Threadgill who was born 10-19-

1790/91, and died in Alabama 4-26-1853. This James was the son of a John Kimbrough but I have not been able to definitely prove which John although I have been working on it for a long time now.

I have an aunt (my nearest Kimbrough kin) who lives in Auburn and I thought you might like to contact her, although she doesn't know too much about the family. She is Mrs. J. R. Peavy (nee Berta Kimbrough of Thomasville, Ala., and later Mobile) and she is house mother at Sigma Chi Fraternity at Auburn. Her daughter, Mrs. Clarence Bazzel, lives in Tuskegee--her husband has the Pure Oil agency in that section.

I am quite interested in some of us banding together for mutual help, and shall look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,  
Claire Kimbrough Bryant

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Letter from Claire Kimbrough Bryant (to Mr. J. L. Kimbro)

Dear Mr. Kimbro:

I enjoyed hearing from you and certainly hope that you will be able to do something with the Kimbrew-Kimbro-Kimbrough lines. I have never known any of the family that used the Kimbro spelling but, of course, have heard of them. Believe there is one in Hartselle, Alabama, that uses that spelling (at least, he married a girl from there and I think they live there but that has been since I left North Alabama.

I'll also confess that I had to get out my Alabama map to find Kinston as I had never heard of it. I have never known what to call my "home town" and more or less just claim the State of Alabama. My father was from Thomasville, Clarke Co., Ala., and his family also had a home in Mobile. My mother was from Demopolis, Marengo Co. I was born in Thomassville as daddy was still studying (he specialized as an eye-ear-nose-throat but actually did general practice, except for tonsillectomies). When I was four or five, the family lived at Woodward, some ten miles from Birmingham, where daddy was company doctor for the Woodward Iron Works; then we moved to Hartselle in Morgan County. Daddy died there when I was 16, but mother remained until I had graduated from high school then she returned to her native Demopolis. I attended Alabama College for one year, then worked in Demopolis for a few years

and later worked in Montgomery, Alabama, as a civil service employee. I married there and returned to Demopolis during the war. Had one child by my first marriage. Remained in Demopolis until my second marriage fifteen years ago, and have been in Bay Minette these fifteen years.

My sister, Berta Kimbrough Johnson, is an RN She graduated from St. Vincent's School of Nursing in Birmingham. I met my husband through her as she was and still is working for him....My brother, John, has lived in Georgia most of his adult life. He was attending the University of Alabama at the time of my father's death, and would have liked to have been a doctor himself but daddy's death and "The Depression" made it impossible. He has lived in both Milledgeville and Valdosta--has been in Valdosta at

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Letter from C. K. Bryant, cont'd.

least twelve years. He loves children, but unfortunately, has had no issue. He has been a successful dealer for St. Regis Paper co., and in the paper wood business for himself, but his health failed about three or four years ago and he has been unable to get back on his feet o any great extent since that time.

I have my mother's lineage back almost to the year one--through her paternal line she goes back to the family of Alston which has been traced back to 1066 that I know of; through her maternal line she is related to the Webb and Strudwick families. I strongly believe that, due to intermarriages, the Kimbrough line will go back to the Alston family.

You will see from the enclosed family sheets that I am "stuck" on John Kimbrough who was the father of my great-great-grandfather James Kimbrough who married Lucy Threadgill. I did not put his birth date but his son James was born in 1789 and I do not know whether or not he was the oldest child. I also left his wife's name blank but there is some evidence that she was named Mary \_\_\_\_\_; also, some think her to have been Fanny Foster Alston (the Widow Amy Pickett) who married John Kimbrough, son of Nathaniel Kimbrough but I

have  
been unable to definitely prove this.

The John Kimbrough who married Amy Alston was born ca. 1769 and Amy Alston died in or about 1835 at age 60. This would have placed their ages at about 20 or 14 at the time of James Kimbrough's birth in 1789.

I do not know if you have the Alston book or not. If so, you will see that in print it only shows two children of John Kimbrough-Amy Alston; i.e., John Alston Kimbrough-Ellen Dumas and Henry T. Kimbrough. However, there have been notes added to many copies of the old edition of the book that shows five sons: Marmaduke, John Alston, Nathaniel, Henry, and James. Unfortunately, these notes do not give the source of information or proof.

North Carolina records do show "James and John, the sons of John Kimbrough" which seem to prove my ancestor James had a brother John and was the son of a John Kimbrough. You will note on the back of the family sheet I have shown where my (half) great-aunt Carree Kimbrough says her grandfather (James) had brothers named Nathaniel, John, and Henry.

I obtained an affidavit from Aunt Carree in 1959 listing the children of Marmaduke Kimbrough by his two marriages and giving the parents of Marmaduke (James and Lucy Threadgill Kimbrough). However, she has been confused on other points and I thought best not to have any additional of hers certified. She felt sure her great-grandmother was Ellen Dumas and thought her great-grandfather was Charles. Ellen Dumas married John Alston Kimbrough and this line seems to have been worked out to completion--but, as stated above, there is a possibility that my James was a brother of the John A. who married Ellen Dumas and that, in visiting their home, Aunt Carree was a little mixed up. I would like to quote you this letter from a letter received from her several years ago, for the "For what it's worth department" - "Yes, Claire, the Kimbroughs are related but Grandfather (James) went on his brother John's note, don't know for how much, but father remembered that it took 21 young negro men sold to the highest bidder to pay it. My grandfather didn't believe in selling slaves, hence the young men. The families never quite got over it.

Father and his cousins Frank and Flave were always very intimate, seemed fond of each other. Later in his life, Uncle William A. (cousin) visited us quite a bit.

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Letter from Claire K. Bryant, cont'd.

The Arlington, Pine Hill and Linden Kimbroughs are all one family with us. All I know of Uncle Henry is that on a test he was found to be the laziest man in that section of the state. Yes, they were all lazy. The families always married into the same families, hence there were Dumas, Alston, and Kimbroughs inter wed."

On a visit to y brother's in Valdosta a few years ago, I asked Aunt Carree what she had meant about Uncle Henry being so lazy. She says the men had been fox hunting and, afterwards, Uncle Henry was panting under a shade tree and that he was too lazy to draw in his tongue when the dog came up and licked him! (Do you think this could account for the "short form of Kimbro" or is this a bad joke?) If this family is the same as the John-Amy Alston, then this Henry married Jamina Dumas, twin sister of Ellen Dumas. They were separated and he died in 1859.

I am truly sorry that I didn't send Clyde Kimbrough any information of value. His line doesn't sound familiar to me. Truly, this has been a prolific family! If you can, I would appreciate you passing along to Mr. Clyde Kimbrough anything I have sent you that you think would be of interest to him. I should have made copies, for the sheets I've made up for you seem to make more sense than anything I have in my files! Don't know if I have anything else that would be of value to you--I am so interested but have so little "spare" time--- but would be glad to share what I have if it were not a duplication of your information. If you should come down this way, stop



and  
I'll be glad to show you what I have. And, should you find any definite proof of the parents of "my" James, I would certainly appreciate hearing from you.

Cordially yours,  
Claire Kimbrough Bryant

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#### CORRECTIONS

(Note: Corrections and News Items were not noted in Index due to the fact that the editor's daughter Kathy had omitted them in this issue. Ed.)  
Correction for Ancestor Table of Ira K. WHITSON, 1604 Greenberry Road, Jefferson City, Mo. 65101, on pages 22 & 23 of Vol. IV, No. 3.  
6(34) is John PEAKS not FREAKS (Also spelled FEAKE-FEAK-etc.)  
8(134) is Jeffrey ESTEY not ESTRY. (The name in records is spelled variously as ESTES, ESTE, and EASTY. Jeffrey appears most often as ESTEY while his daughter is ESTES.  
8(234) is John COPPOCK not COPPOSK.  
The blanks in these ancestral charts or tables can serve as an indication of what the compiler of them would like to know, if a note to that effect is added with the charts. (Suggestion by Mrs. WHITSON. Ed.)

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An interesting aside (to us particularly) on these ancestors of my husband is that 7(69) Elizabeth (FONES) WINTHROP is the subject of Ana SETOFF'S book, "THE WINTHROP WOMAN." Also, Downingtown, Pa. is named for 6(44) Thomas DOWNING.  
I can furnish sources for the material in these tables if anyone is interested.  
Regards Chart on Page 16, Vol. IV, No. 1.  
Parents of 13 Sarah Jane DAVIS were Willis and Isabel (MCMURTREY) DAVIS married in Tenn. about 1827, to Missouri in 1852.

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Correction sent in by Miss Edna M. WILKINSON, 2309 LaFayette Avenue, Richmond, Va. 23228.  
Vol. IV, No. 3, Page 13- Malinda Arvilla KECK (my maternal grandmother) died June 18, 1905 not 1965.

Vol. IV, No. 4, Page 16- Margaret Letitia WILKINSON (my niece) was born  
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ber 18, 1943 not the 19. Her birth occurred on her father's birthday.  
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NEWS ITEM

Paper and date not given (Probably Memphis paper.- Ed.)

F. S. KIMBROUGH (Franklin S. KIMBROUGH) IS FIRST TO ASK SEAT ON COUNCIL.

Businessman Franklin S. KIMBROUGH has announced as the first candidate  
for one

of the 13 newly created city council posts under the Program of Progress  
mayor-council for of city government

Mr. Kimbrough, 55, of 450 Alexander, will seek the office of councilman  
from

District Five, one of seven persons to be eleted by districts. The other  
six

will be eleted from the city at large.

A lifelong Memphian, Mr. Kimbrough is owner of Kimbrough Grain & Supply  
Co.,

Inc., at 4171 Highway 51 South, with several retail stores.

Mr. Kimbrough also owns Concrete Shops, Inc. It is his first attempt at  
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lic office. His grandfather, the late Albert Graham KIMBROUGH, was  
chairman

of the Shelby County Court from 1902 to 1910.

Mr. Kimbrough was graduated from Southwestern and is former president of  
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Southwestern Alumni Association. He served five years with the Army in  
World

War II, discharged as Lt. Colonel.

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