

REYNOLDS  
August 9<sup>th</sup>, 1983

Dear Robert —

How good it was to hear from you and Cora once again! Am so sorry your sister has taken your Mother's death as she has — she's only hurting herself tho'. Do hope time will heal and skill come to herself.

Thanks for telling me about the color photo of Dr. George Mosse — will order it right away now. I had tacked your letter away and forgotten about the photo for things have really been hectic around here recently — but am glad to say they are beginning to normalize somewhat now, thank goodness. Our youngest daughter, Mary Ross Louise Caldwell (Mrs. J. M. II), gave birth to her first child — a precious little son — on our daughter Mollie's birthday, July 16<sup>th</sup>. He is William Morrison Caldwell III (I call him "Bill Three"). Mary Ross gave birth without any trouble but hemorrhaged afterwards requiring a D & C and three blood transfusions so we thank the good Lord for sparing her life. The baby, too, had difficulties breathing due to getting amniotic fluid in one lung but the Lord graciously brought him thru that difficulty, also, for which we praise Him and give Him the glory. Now they both seem to be doing well — so we hope for the best for him.

Our daughter, Emily, and her husband, Gary, and their little daughter, Rachel, have been here for a visit from their home in Norfolk. It's always good to see them and to find them all looking well and happy.

Oh — Robert, I really appreciate your setting me

Straight on the Fitch line as I had several things in my various notes that conflicted and didn't make sense so I was all confused.

Don't think I'll ever get the straight of my Tripp line or the Chorvis and the Sanders - there are so many Sarah Sanders that I've been unable to determine whose daughter my Sarah is who married Robert Guerin on 12 July 1750. I can't carry my line back from Charles Chorvis b. 1753 d. 1790 who married Sarah Guerin, dau. of Sarah Sanders and Robert Guerin, in 1778/9. Anne Thillingham Hillis says Charles Chorvis was the son of Charles J. Chorvis - but I surely can't find any Charles J. Chorvis!! Robert do you know of anyone I can write who's in the know on these lines and would be willing to help me?? Am so anxious to finish them up - So Willie Tripp still alive? Could contact him for my <sup>papers?</sup> ~~papers?~~ As for the Reynolds line - I don't plan to do a word on it! It's too confusing and I don't have the time or the money to do the travelling around I believe that would require to straighten out. If I were younger and had the means I'd love to do it - This is what I have from our family's accounts: Martha Sarah Reynolds died ca. ~~7 May~~ 19 Nov; 1805 and was the daughter of William and Jane Reynolds - Jane being the daughter of Benjamin and Mary ~~Reynolds~~ Reynolds; William being the son of Richard and Mary Barnett Capers Reynolds. Martha Sarah Reynolds married Benjamin Chaplin, Jr. In a letter written by one of her grand daughters (Florence Margaret Bernard Thillingham) to one of her children, Florence Baynard says that Martha Sarah Reynolds died when Martha Sarah Chaplin was the fifth two weeks old. Martha Sarah Chaplin was the fifth daughter of Martha Sarah Reynolds and Benjamin Chaplin, Jr. Upon her mother's death Martha Sarah Chaplin was taken by her Aunt, Mrs. Caroline Reynolds, according to this account also. In Anne Thillingham Hillis' book she says Martha Sarah Chaplin was raised by her Aunt and Uncle, Benjamin Reynolds - Martha Sarah Reynolds?

our records show only 3 dears, of M.S. Reynolds Bay, Chaplin; M.S. Hillis & Cecilia.

brother, and his wife who was Sarah Chaplin. I can't place this Sarah Chaplin - and I don't know who Mrs. Caroline Reynolds is either!!

Well, I got out Joseph Heart's Reynolds Family account and according to him Sarah Chaplin was the widow <sup>Edw. Smelie</sup> and the daughter of William and Sarah Saby (widow Reynolds) Chaplin. I'd rather count on what Martha Sarah Chaplin's own daughter, Florence said - but, of course, it could be that Mrs. Caroline Reynolds took her as an infant and that Benjamin and Sarah Chaplin Reynolds took her later and raised her - but, if that is so, why didn't Florence Reynolds mention them in her account to her child?? Joseph Heart doesn't have Martha Sarah down at all - he told me she's a lost Reynolds that they can't account for!!

Under William and Jane Reynolds Reynolds the dau. of Benjamin and Mary Reynolds

- has these children: (they were married 11 Aug 1748)
- 4) Elizabeth b. 10 Aug. 1749 d. before 1784
  - 5) Benjamin b. 4 Jan 1751 m. Sarah Chaplin (w. Smelie)
  - 6) Emma ("Amy") b. 27 April 1752 d. after 1784 md. 27 June 1768 Paul Fripp
  - 7) Mary b. 11 May 1754, died young
  - 8) William b. 8 May 1756 " "
  - 9) Sarah b. 10 April 1758
  - 10) Jane b. 14 Nov. 1759
  - 11) Martha ("Patty") died after 1784 md. 24 April 1783 John Boomer who died in 1794
  - 12) Mary b. 2 April 1764

You notice there are daughters Sarah and Martha listed above.

This William Reynolds, son of Richard and Mary Barnett Copers' Reynolds was born before 1722 died 23 Nov. 1788 md. 1st 8 May 1744 Elizabeth Evans Truehart b. before 1726 d. 1747

By this first marriage William Reynolds & Elizabeth  
 had: 1) Constantia } m.d. before 1784 a Mr. Scott  
                           } b. 9 March 1745  
 2) James } d. after 1784  
 3) Jane Reynolds b. 1746-48 (?) died young

I really doubt that a lot of what Joseph Hart has  
 is correct but I'm sure he's done the best he could  
 from the available records. Should you like a copy  
 of Joseph Hart's Reynolds Family Account? Some-  
 where (?) I've read about a Reynolds book(?) written,  
 I think, by some Alabama Reynolds - Ah - I found  
 it! It's The Reynolds Family of S.C. and Alabama by  
 Mrs. M. J. Welch and Mrs. Charles F. Smith. I made note of  
 it but don't know where I found it. Surely would like  
 to see it. Searching further I found reference to it on p. 181 Vol. 74  
 #3 SC Hist. Mag. under microfilms, photocopies & typescripts - Since  
 I'm not a member I don't know how I can get copies unless  
 I go there -

In Leonardo Andrea's files he has a Reynolds file  
 (63 page file - 37 page ms. 746 Roll 38 # 954590)  
 whatever all that means! I notice he also has a Norton file -

Oh, my - I'm getting dizzy with all of this and getting  
 nowhere with it, as usual. So discouraging - but I will tell  
 you one more thing. Do you remember the letter you re-  
 ceived in 1981 from a Mrs. James E. Reynolds of Selma, Alabama?  
 Well, in searching Georgia things for my Ross compilation I found a branch  
 of S. B. Lales, including my Caroline Olivia (Jenkins) Lovell, buried at  
 St. Paul's Cemetery, Carlswille, Alabama listed in the Spring  
 1973 Ga. Hist. Mag. p. 124 the following:

- Eliz. Chaplin Reynolds 1843-1845
- Sarah A. Reynolds, wife of Wm. Reynolds, 1788-1837
- Wm. Sexby Reynolds 16 April 1836 - 20 June 1881
- Capt. Benjamin Reynolds 1806-1889

} see next  
 page - taken  
 from Joseph  
 Hart's Reynolds  
 Genealogy -

This apparently is the family her husband is descended from  
 as Hart has this about these same people apparently -

\* Benj. Reynolds, son of Wm. + Sarah Saxby (Adams) Reynolds married Hepzibah Townsend Jenkins 19 Jan 1832, dau. of Benj. Whitmarsh + Providence F. Jenkins (he was the uncle, I believe of my Caroline Olivia Jenkins Lovell) - died in Alabama. Benjamin + Hepzibah had:

Benjamin Reynolds md. Sarah Alison

Sarah Adams Reynolds d. y.

Wm. Saxby Reynolds (possibly the one buried at Carlouville)

Sarah Adams Reynolds b. 6 Oct. 1838

Julia Eliza Reynolds b. 18 Oct. 1840

Eliz. Chaplin Reynolds b. 6 Feb. 1843 (buried Carlouville)

Rosalie Reynolds b. 28 Oct. 1845 md. Benj. S. Herring

son of

Dr. Wm. Reynolds - son Benj. + Sarah Chaplin (w. Smelic) Reynolds

b. 1796 d. 1819

md. in 1803

Sarah Saxby Adams b. 1783-88 to Bernard and Eliz. Chaplin Adams died in Alabama (the one buried in Carlouville, I believe)

They had:

1) Eliz. Chaplin Reynolds b. 23 Jan 1805 d. April 1873 N.Y.C.

md. 1) Michah W. Jenkins 19 April 1821 - no issue

2) John Trenholm Robertson 5 March 1829 d. Alabama

Capt. 2) Benjamin Reynolds b. 26 March 1806 d. Alabama 4 March 1889 (buried Carlouville, Ala. - St. Paul's Cem.)

md. 19 Jan. 1832

Hepzibah Townsend Jenkins

3) Sarah Adams Reynolds b. 6 Jan 1809 d. 21 April 1894 md. 1 Dec. 1825 William Sams

4) Henrietta Catherine Reynolds b. 20 Jan. 1810 md. Wm. Benj. Townsend

5) Bernard Adams Reynolds b. 11 Feb. 1811 d. unmarried in Mobile 7 June 1878

6) Wm. Reynolds b. 16 April 1812 ; 7) States Reynolds d. y.

8) another States Reynolds b. 11 July 1814 d. 17 May 1850 Alabama

9) Elvira Stitilia Reynolds b. 3 Oct. 1815 d. in Louisiana md. Edw. D. Bailey

10) Julius Cornelius Reynolds b. 12 May 1817 md. Mary Eliz. McCord

11) Julia Emma Reynolds b. 27 Sept. 1818 md. Theodore B. Lee

This must be the source for Mrs. James E. Reynolds's data - So, this leaves unanswered who the Sarah Chaplin was who married Paul Grimball - unless she was married 3X - Grimball, Smetie + Reynolds ??

I don't have Willie Fripp's work as such - I have a copy of Ellen Chaplin's book on the Chaplin family - I believe you have the most on the Chaplins of anyone. Do wish you'd publish it. Without a doubt the Chaplins and Reynolds are the most mixed up, complicated lines I know of and I'm really not sure of anything I have on them that's not documented. I have never found any dates for either of my Benjamin Chaplins nor for Martha Sarah Reynolds except that she died two weeks after her fifth daughter's birth - Martha Sarah Chaplin b. 5 Nov. 1805.

Back to your letter - Don't know a thing about any Ropers but will make a note and keep my eyes open as I do research for Cora's Roper, DeWitt and Milam families.

Oh - forgot to answer your question re Benjamin S. Chaplin - all I've ever seen about him according to Richard Ellis in a P.S. on a letter, his cousin Emma Samy informed him to Benj. S. and his wife separated. He went West but returned one or more times to see his children. It is thought that he probably died out West but no one knows.

Wish I could really find a tremendous "goodie" for you for you've helped me so very much and so many times that I'd surely like to do something for you.

Have you finished the Gaudon account? You never did tell me if you'd like a copy of some write-ups (obituaries etc.) for Benjamin Lawton Willingham and Calder Baynard Willingham that give interesting info. on them. I surely wish I could find the parents of Joseph Willingham but no success thus far. Did you ever recover the death date for William Alexander Willingham? If so, I'd surely like to have it please since his is the only date I'm missing for a child of Thomas Henry and Phoebe Sarah Lawton Willingham. Keep me abreast of their spouses, too. I'm sure they'll be able to get dates for all of their spouses, too. I'm sure they'll be able to get dates for all of their spouses, too. Who is Sarah Pincney who

is working on this irth spec? If you'll let me know exactly what you're lacking and what you want on the Benjamin Lawton Thillingham line or possibly some of the other lines. We'll do my best to help - and will look thru all I have.

Please excuse this messy letter - don't know what my problem was 'cept I had many interruptions and also kept dragging out things to look into, etc. Hope you can read it okay.

Do hope you and Cora have had a most pleasant summer in spite of the heat! It's gone by so fast! Hilry joins me in love to you both and may God's richest blessing be yours always -

Devotedly,  
Lamille

I would like to make a couple of corrections that were wrong in the Lawton newsletter - guess you all are the official keepers of the records, aren't you?

Under marriages it should read Douglas McVea Stone  
Joan Leavis Thumble to of Chattanooga, Tenn.

Under deaths (last item) it should read  
Lila for Lila Thillingham Erminger instead of  
Lillah