

## Fifty Years of Southern Appalachian Botany — A Profile of the Southern Appalachian Botanical Club

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### HISTORICAL COMMENTS

The Southern Appalachian Botanical Club has a rich history that has been only partially documented over the years (Core 1936, 1945, 1953a, 1967, 1982). I believe that much of the historical information about the Club, its activities, and the personalities that shaped it remains to be studied and presented. This information is in the form of voluminous records and correspondence relating to the Club that is stored in the Herbarium at West Virginia University. A few years ago I started to sort through this material, spending up to a day at a time on visits to my home state of West Virginia. I soon realized that it was a hopeless task to accomplish using only occasional short trips to Morgantown. I felt like a thief in history as I discovered glimpses of personalities and fascinating bits of historical data. Because the same individuals were involved in several capacities, the history of the SABC and its people is so thoroughly intertwined with correspondence and records of the West Virginia Academy of Science, the botanical fraternity at WVU, and the WVU Biology Department that it is virtually impossible to separate material exclusive to SABC. I determined that I should best leave the files and records alone, with the hope that they will be safeguarded and eventually studied by someone with greater skill at archival research. There is a wealth of information stored at the Herbarium that is important, not only to the Southern Appalachian Botanical Club, but also to other groups.

Besides Earl Core's historical accounts of the Club, there have been many announcements, tributes and biographies published in *Castanea* that provide some perspective about the organization and its important people (Anonymous 1972, 1975, 1985a, 1985b; Bartholomew 1985; Blauch et al 1985; Brown 1985; Cooperrider 1985; Core 1981; Fairey 1983, 1985a, 1985b; Martin 1985; McNeill 1985). Numerous other obituaries and announcements not cited here provide insights about other people influential in the Club's development. Boone's (1965) definitive book on the history of West Virginia botany provides an excellent documentation of botanical work, including the Southern Appalachian Botanical Club and many of its people.

There appears to be disagreement about who first suggested the name *Castanea* for the journal. Core (1982) attributes the name to A.B. Brooks, while Boone (1965) says that John Sheldon suggested the name. In any case, *Castanea* was selected as a memorial to the dying chestnut, and the name was first applied to the Journal in April, 1937. In May, 1937, A.B. Brooks pub-

lished an article about *Castanea dentata* in the journal, and it is here reprinted as a reminder of the nearly lost species for which the Club's journal is named.

A complete list of Club officers for the entire fifty-year period, as accurately as can now be determined, is presented in Appendix I.

Numerous botanical forays, often in cooperation with other botanical groups, were conducted in the early years. These forays served to foster botanical ties and communications between individuals as well as to further botanical knowledge. Trips were taken to many diverse places such as the Blackwater Falls and Spruce Knob areas of West Virginia, the New Jersey pine barrens, the Highlands area in North Carolina, and the Mountain Lake area in Virginia. Accounts of at least some of these forays were published (Ammons 1940, Bartholomew 1939, Bell 1941, Blomquist 1940, Cain 1937, Core 1937, Gilbert 1939, Knappen 1936, Massey 1939, Small 1937). These foray accounts are worth consulting to gain some of the flavor for the important role that the SABC served and the excitement of botanical discovery. There were at least two forays as late as 1953, a joint trip with the Association of Southeastern Biologists to the North Carolina Coastal Plain (Wells 1953) and to Nuttallburg, West Virginia (Core 1953b). In 1986, during the Association of Southeastern Biologists annual meeting, the field trips commemorated the 50th Anniversary of the SABC but were also co-sponsored by two other groups (the Southeastern Section of the Botanical Society of America and the Southeastern Chapter of the Ecological Society of America).

Bartholomew (1953) provides an account of the SABC program that distributed and exchanged herbarium specimens of southeastern plants.

Probably the most significant and important developments in the history of the Club since its founding occurred during the period from 1980-1982. Changing times and circumstances dictated the need for new key people and new approaches to managing the Club and publishing its journal. The Constitution of the Club was rewritten. A new position of Secretary-Treasurer was created, combining the formerly two separate positions. President-Elect and Past-President positions were established to provide continuity in the oversight of Club affairs. The position of Managing Editor and an Editorial Committee were created. The journal was streamlined for cost-effective production. For the first time in 45 years, SABC's home was no longer in West Virginia. Its leaders were spread throughout the Southeast, with primary offices in North Carolina. The credit for recognizing the need for many of the changes and for spearheading these changes should go to James F. Matthews of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte, who was President during 1981-1982. The next President, John Fairey III of Clemson University, helped immensely in solidifying many of the changes and thus ushering in a new era for the Club. (It is most fitting that Fairey was one of Earl Core's last doctoral students.) The internal communications, the minutes of meetings, and the correspondences issued to members in the years since 1980 document the details of recent Club activity, and organized archival materials are now maintained in the Secretary-Treasurer's office.

I have not tried to give a detailed recounting of the known and available historical information. I elected to seek additional new insights by inviting

several people to author some comments about the early days of the Club. Certainly, it seemed appropriate at the conclusion of the first fifty years of the SABC to gather some historical commentary from some of the original botanists active in the Club. I studied the list of Club officers and the first published list of SABC members (Appendix II), and I looked for authors who published in the first few volumes of the journal and original members who were still members of the Club. From these sources and through judicious inquiry, I developed a pool of names of known surviving botanists who I thought might be able to provide some written reflections about the earliest years of the Club. A process involving letter-writing and phone-calling eventually resulted in five people who were able and willing to submit comments. I asked the contributors to write whatever they thought was appropriate about the botanical climate, the people, their motivations, and the early activities and interests of the botanists before and during the formative years of the SABC. Hopefully, I would get some historical perspective and flavor and some new insights not previously recorded about the people who were originally active in the Club.

The comments of the five charter members are presented in a separate article (Brooks et al 1986). All of the authors except Aaron Sharp lived and primarily worked in West Virginia. Their backgrounds reflect the varied interests and training of early SABC members, ranging from professionally active botanists (Sharp and Frank Gilbert) to amateur botanists (Weldon Boone and H.A. Davis) and an eminent professional naturalist (Maurice Brooks). All have made outstanding botanical contributions.

#### A PROFILE OF THE MEMBERSHIP

The membership of the Southern Appalachian Botanical Club has steadily grown in size over the years. The Club was conceived and organized in 1935, and there were apparently less than 100 members in the original group in 1936, the first year of publication of the Journal (statement in *An Invitation to Membership*, undated). When a list of members of the Club was published in February, 1937, there were 188 names included (Appendix II). Over one-half of the members were from West Virginia addresses (52% = 97 members). There were members from seventeen other states and one foreign country, but no state approached West Virginia's share of the membership. North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, and Virginia collectively had nearly 28% of the membership (12 to 14 members each). The District of Columbia, Maryland, New York, and Ohio comprised nearly 13% of the membership (four to seven members each). The influence of Earl Core, P.D. Strausbaugh, and Elizabeth Ann Bartholomew in West Virginia is readily apparent, because the SABC, in 1937, was truly a club of West Virginians, largely comprised of West Virginia amateur and professional botanists. Only four of the charter members of the Club (Nelle Ammons, Elizabeth Ann Bartholomew, Aaron J. Sharp, Ward M. Sharp) were still members in the 50th Anniversary year, 1985. Earl Core had passed away in December, 1984. Ward Sharp died in February 1985 and Betty Bartholomew in March 1985. A handful of other charter members are known to be still surviving, but they are no longer members of the Club.

By 1959, the membership was over 300 (statement in An Invitation to Membership, undated). In 1967, Core reported 379 individual members and 165 subscribing institutions. At the end of 1985, the official paid membership stood at 537 members, and there were 224 subscribing institutions. (In mid-1986, there are 558 members, 227 subscribing institutions, six institutions receiving complimentary copies, and 85 exchanges being handled through the West Virginia University library.)

Several years ago, as I began to work into my new duties as Secretary-Treasurer of the SABC, I decided that it would be useful to collect and maintain statistical profile information about Club members and their interests. Such information would aid in setting editorial policy and determining the appropriate content for the Club's journal, *Castanea*. The dues notice for 1983 solicited information from the then current membership. Also, all new members joining in 1983 or later have completed a membership application form that asks for information about the member. The information is kept in a computer data base.

The statistics presented in the following tables derive from an analysis of membership data current during mid-1985, the 50th year of the Club's existence. The data included some members who were subsequently dropped from the final 1985 membership roll, but they were maintained for the analyses because profile information had already been obtained for them. There are 562 individuals and 230 subscribing institutions represented in the data base.

Of the members for whom data were available, 66% were affiliated with a college or university, 14% were affiliated with some other educational or research institution, and 20% reported that they were not affiliated with any organization (Table 1). It is likely that among those for whom no data are available, most are also unaffiliated, because affiliated persons usually list an institutional address that can be ascertained. It is probably safe to say that around 60% of SABC members are affiliated with a college or university.

**Table 1. Affiliation of SABC members (1985)**

|   |     | %  |
|---|-----|----|
| College or university                     | 314 | 66 |
| Other educational or research institution | 66  | 14 |
| No institutional affiliation              | 96  | 20 |
| No data available                         | 86  | —  |
| Total                                     | 562 |    |

Members of the SABC are located in 37 states and five foreign countries (Table 2). Most are concentrated in the Southeast, but the proportional distribution among the states has changed considerably since 1937. Only 6.5% of the current members are from West Virginia, compared to 52% in 1937. North Carolina, Virginia and Tennessee now have the most members (29% of the total membership). There have been other shifts in distribution patterns among the membership since 1937, but the concentration of members is still in

the typically Appalachian southeastern states. Only a relatively few members reside outside the Appalachian region.

**Table 2. Geographical location of SABC members (1985)**

|                       |           |
|-----------------------|-----------|
| North Carolina        | 61        |
| Virginia              | 54        |
| Tennessee             | 49        |
| South Carolina        | 38        |
| West Virginia         | 36        |
| Ohio                  | 34        |
| Kentucky              | 29        |
| Georgia               | 26        |
| Maryland              | 25        |
| Pennsylvania          | 24        |
| Florida               | 24        |
| Texas                 | 17        |
| Alabama               | 15        |
| New York              | 15        |
| Louisiana             | 14        |
| Illinois              | 13        |
| District of Columbia  | 13        |
| Other states (20)     | 66        |
| Foreign countries (5) | 9         |
|                       | total 562 |

I determined the number of years that individuals have been members (Table 3). Only 2.1% of current members date from the first decade, 1936-1945. The percentage of members from each decade steadily increases through time, such that nearly 62% of the current members have joined after 1975, the last decade. These data indicate the obvious fact that survivorship decreases with age. But, I think they also indicate either or both of two other factors: a high turnover rate in the membership (compare 21.5% from 1966 to 1975 to 61.6% from 1976 to 1985) and growth in the botanical sciences with increased interest in the kind of botany that the SABC represents (previously cited data show that total membership has constantly increased).

I used the 1985 data base to determine the interest areas of Club members. The summary statistics for 420 respondents who provided their preferential interests are given in Table 4. The largest number of current members are interested in floristics and distribution (39%), followed closely by vascular plant systematics (25%) and community ecology (23%). Members interested in physiological ecology, non-vascular plant systematics and other areas comprise but 14% of the total interests expressed. Topics frequently mentioned in the *other* category include the following: botanical history, paleobotany, plant conservation, natural heritage, reproductive and



**Table 5. Interest areas of members according to affiliation. Values are percentages of members indicating, in order, primary and secondary interests, followed by percentage interested in the area as a primary or secondary interests in parentheses. Data from 420 respondents (1985)**

| Interest area                  | College or university | Other institution | No affiliation |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Floristics and distribution    | 27,47(37)             | 58,25(41)         | 56,31(44)      |
| Vascular plant systematics     | 33,21(27)             | 15,32(23)         | 16,23(19)      |
| Community ecology              | 27,15(21)             | 22,35(28)         | 17,34(25)      |
| Physiological ecology          | 3,8 (5)               | 3,4 (3)           | 2,4 (3)        |
| Non-vascular plant systematics | 6,6 (6)               | —                 | 3,3 (3)        |
| Other areas                    | 4,3 (3)               | 2,5 (3)           | 6,5 (6)        |

An examination of Table 6 reveals several trends. First, there has been apparent decline of interest in floristics and distribution, from 53% of the membership in the first decade to 38% in the fifth decade. Second, interest in vascular plant systematics has declined from 35% to 22% over the same period. Third, interest in community ecology has risen from 6% to 25% over the fifty-year period. Lastly, only the more recently joined members are interested in physiological ecology. These data do not greatly impact the current character of the Club because there are simply more members alive who have joined in recent years than in earlier years.

**Table 6. Interest areas of members determined according to year of first membership. Values are percentages, followed by actual number of members expressing primary and secondary interests in parentheses (1,2) (1985)**

| Interest area                  | 1936-45 | 1946-55 | 1956-65   | 1966-75   | 1976-85    |
|--------------------------------|---------|---------|-----------|-----------|------------|
| Floristics and distribution    | 53(5,4) | 40(6,6) | 44(23,17) | 40(32,34) | 38(96,100) |
| Vascular plant systematics     | 35(3,3) | 33(5,5) | 36(14,19) | 22(23,14) | 22(66,51)  |
| Community ecology              | 6(0,1)  | 17(3,2) | 13(6,6)   | 26(20,23) | 25(72,59)  |
| Physiological ecology          | —       | —       | —         | 4(3,3)    | 6(9,23)    |
| Non-vascular plant systematics | 6(1,0)  | 7(0,2)  | 4(3,1)    | 5(4,4)    | 4(11,11)   |
| Other interests                | —       | 3(1,0)  | 2(0,2)    | 4(4,3)    | 4(12,11)   |

When changes in affiliation through time are examined (Table 7), there is no clear indication of trends signaling significant changes in affiliation status in the membership ranks.

There were 230 subscribing institutions included in the 1985 data base. Of these, nine were charter institutions. The growth in the number of sub-

scribing institutions is demonstrated by the number at the end of each of the five decades as follows: 1945—23 subscribers, 1955—43 subscribers, 1965—77 subscribers, 1975—163 subscribers, and 1985—230 subscribers. In other words, 29% of the institutions have subscribed only during the decade since 1975, and 34% only during the preceding decade of 1966-1975. Of the total, there are 21 subscribing institutions in seven foreign countries. The domestic distribution of subscribing institutions parallels that of the individual members (Table 8).

**Table 7. Affiliation of members determined according to date of first membership. Values are percentages, followed by actual number in parentheses**

|                       | 1936-45 | 1946-55 | 1956-65 | 1966-75 | 1976-85 |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| College or university | 42(5)   | 60(15)  | 67(39)  | 52(63)  | 55(190) |
| Other institution     | 8(1)    | 16(4)   | 5(3)    | 12(14)  | 13(44)  |
| No affiliation        | 25(3)   | 8(2)    | 16(9)   | 17(21)  | 17(59)  |
| No data available     | 25(3)   | 16(4)   | 12(7)   | 19(23)  | 15(53)  |

**Table 8. Geographical location of subscribing institutions (1985)**

|                       |     |
|-----------------------|-----|
| North Carolina        | 16  |
| Virginia              | 16  |
| Georgia               | 13  |
| Kentucky              | 12  |
| Tennessee             | 11  |
| Florida               | 11  |
| Ohio                  | 10  |
| South Carolina        | 9   |
| Louisiana             | 9   |
| Illinois              | 9   |
| New York              | 7   |
| Texas                 | 7   |
| California            | 7   |
| West Virginia         | 6   |
| Maryland              | 6   |
| Alabama               | 6   |
| Other states (24)     | 54  |
| Foreign countries (7) | 21  |
| total                 | 230 |

The census of the membership in 1983 asked members to indicate whether they found Book Reviews and Notes, regular features of *Castanea*, to be useful or important. Of 304 members who responded regarding Book Reviews, 82% said they were useful and 18% said they were not. Of 259 members who responded regarding the Notes section of *Castanea*, 95% said



they were useful or important and only 5% said they were not. These data support the continued publication of Book Reviews and short Scientific Notes in *Castanea*.

### PROFILE OF THE JOURNAL

When Earl Core (1945) summarized the botanical work published in *Castanea* during its first decade, he reported that 211 papers had been published by 95 botanists to total 1,292 pages, an average of slightly over six pages per paper. By comparison, in just the last five years from 1981 to 1985, there were 207 papers (excluding News and Book Reviews) published in the journal, totaling 1,545 pages and averaging seven and one-half pages per paper. The difference between average paper length would be even greater if not for the restyling of the journal in 1983, to include a smaller typeface, thus decreasing the relative length of individual papers. So, in fifty years, there has been more than a doubling of the number of pages published in *Castanea*, though the average length of each paper has increased only moderately.

I sought another measure of the changing interests, if any, of SABC members by categorizing the types of papers published in *Castanea* over the years. For this analysis, I counted and classified all research-type articles three or more pages in length that were published in the journal during each decade. Titles in indexes and tables of contents were surveyed and in only a few cases were the full papers examined. Biographies, tributes, foray accounts, book reviews, and similar articles were not included. To adjust for the steady increase in numbers of pages published through time, I calculated the percentage of the papers published in each category. Because there are no clear lines of distinction between categories and classification of many papers was often arbitrary, the data provide an admittedly crude estimate of interests. It could also be argued that since short articles and the numerous Notes were not counted, much of the character of the journal was not included in the survey.

The data are presented in Table 9. Only two definite trends appear to be evident in the data: a steady increase in community ecology papers, from 4.9% of papers published in 1936-1945 to 20.6% in 1976-1985, and a decline in papers dealing with non-vascular plants, from 13.0% to 4.8%. All other areas seem to have fluctuated up and down but have remained nearly constant in proportion of papers published: floristics and distribution—41%, vascular plant systematics—25%, physiological ecology—5%, other areas—8%. The *other* category includes such areas as botanical history, anatomy and morphology, and development. The proportion of papers published during the period 1976-1985 parallels almost exactly the data reported in Table 4 that show interest areas polled from the current membership. The conclusion is that papers are published in *Castanea* in high positive correlation with the expressed interests of the members.

### THE CLUB—FIFTY YEARS LATER

I believe that the data presented in the preceding tables (Tables 4, 5, 6, and 9 on page 256) clearly indicate that the Southern Appalachian Botanical Club

**Table 9. Papers published in *Castanea* arranged by category in each decade. Values are percentages. Only research-type papers of three or more pages are included**

| Category  | Vols. 1-10<br>1936-45 | Vols. 11-20<br>1946-55 | Vols. 21-30<br>1956-65 | Vols. 31-40<br>1966-75 | Vols. 41-50<br>1976-85 | Mean |
|---|-----------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|------|
| Floristics<br>and<br>distribution                                 | 43.0                  | 39.4                   | 43.0                   | 39.3                   | 38.9                   | 40.7 |
| Vascular<br>plant<br>systematics                                  | 27.6                  | 24.0                   | 28.2                   | 21.3                   | 22.5                   | 24.7 |
| Community<br>ecology  | 4.9                   | 7.7                    | 5.9                    | 17.3                   | 20.6                   | 11.3 |
| Non-vascular<br>plant<br>systematics,<br>distribution,<br>ecology | 13.0                  | 9.6                    | 11.1                   | 8.8                    | 4.8                    | 9.5  |
| Physiological<br>ecology  | 2.4                   | 8.6                    | 3.7                    | 3.7                    | 8.2                    | 5.3  |
| Other   | 8.9                   | 10.6                   | 8.2                    | 9.6                    | 5.1                    | 8.5  |
| No. of<br>papers  | 123                   | 104                    | 135                    | 272                    | 316                    |      |

and *Castanea* serve a modern audience mostly interested in floristics and distribution, much as they did in the earlier years of the Club's existence. *Castanea* is one of only a very few outlets for publishing research and news about floristics and distribution of plants, particularly in the Southeast. This role of *Castanea* should not be discounted, but, rather, emphasized. The number of potential members in the non-college/university pool is vastly greater than the number of potential new members who might be drawn from colleges and universities where there is greater interest in "academic" systematics than in floristics. If SABC is to continue to grow, the new members will probably have to come from without the colleges and universities. The Club should accommodate the changing secondary interests of its members, but the journal's primary focus should remain in floristics and distribution. Attempts to remake *Castanea* into a journal emphasizing other primary content, for which several journals already exist, should be resisted. The leaders of SABC must capitalize on the identity of the Club and the role that *Castanea* fills, selling the attributes and qualities that have been and still are important, without apology to anyone.

The profile of the Southern Appalachian Botanical Club presented here portrays an evolving organization but also one that has a distinctive niche in the botanical community. *Castanea* has become a recognized and respected journal and its importance as a major publishing outlet on the botany and

ecology of the Southern Appalachian region and the southeastern United States is increasing. The single unfortunate aspect in this portrayal is the fact that SABC now exists almost exclusively for the purpose of publishing *Castanea*. Whereas, the early years of the Club saw much peripheral botanical activity involving forays, trips, meetings, specimen exchanges, and other activities that promoted botanical cooperation and understanding, except for the single annual meeting of members, there are no similar activities fifty years later. I believe there should be a modern resurrection of some of the earlier activities, particularly foray-type trips; but, even more importantly, I think the Club should begin to involve itself in conservation and plant protection projects and other public-service activities that will increase awareness of our botanical heritage and promote preservation efforts. The membership of the SABC, with its special expertise, is in a unique position to perform these services. As the Club celebrated its 50th Anniversary this past year under the able leadership of Past-President William H. Martin III, there were stirrings of interest being expressed in having the Club move in some of these new directions. I am confident that the future of the Southern Appalachian Botanical Club will combine the best of the old traditions with new approaches and endeavors to meet the challenges of the second fifty years.

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## APPENDIX I

### Southern Appalachian Botanical Club List of Officers—1936-1985

#### *PRESIDENT:*

1936 Frank A. Gilbert  
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1940 H. L. Blomquist  
1941 H. L. Blomquist  
1942 H. L. Blomquist  
1943 B. W. Wells  
1944 B. W. Wells  
1945 B. W. Wells  
1946 B. W. Wells  
1947 A. J. Sharp  
1948 A. J. Sharp  
1949 Arthur Stupka  
1950 Earl L. Core  
1951 Royal E. Shanks  
1952 William B. Fox  
1953 Wilbur H. Duncan  
1954 Carroll E. Wood, Jr.  
1955 Arthur Stupka  
1956 Edgar T. Wherry  
1957 Wilbur H. Duncan  
1958 Royal E. Shanks  
1959 R. K. Godfrey  
1960 Donovan S. Correll  
1961 Ruskin S. Freer  
1962 Mason E. Hale  
1963 H. R. Totten  
1964 Paul M. Patterson  
1965 James W. Hardin  
1966 Dorothy Crandall  
1967 Albert E. Radford  
1968 Arthur W. Cooper  
1969 Frank H. Barclay  
1970 Samuel B. Jones, Jr.  
1971 George S. Ramseur  
1972 Jesse F. Clovis  
1973 Madeline P. Burbank

1974 Edward C. Clebsch  
1975 C. Leland Rodgers  
1976 Wilbur H. Duncan  
1977 J. Dan Pittillo  
1978 Hal DeSelm  
1979 Robert H. Mohlenbrock  
1980 James F. Matthews  
1981 James F. Matthews  
1982 John E. Fairey, III  
1983 Jimmy R. Massey  
1984 Jerry M. Baskin  
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1941 Wilbert M. Frye  
1942 Wilbert M. Frye  
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1944 Frank T. McFarland  
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1948 A. B. Massey  
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1950 William B. Fox  
1951 William B. Fox  
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Brooks, Maurice—Morgantown, WV  
Brouzas, C.G.—Morgantown, WV  
Brown, Ralph M.—Blacksburg, VA  
Brown, Russell G.—College Park, MD  
Buchanan, Mrs. C. Gambrill—Morgantown, WV  
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Burton, Ralph—Morgantown, WV  
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Chapman, Daisy V.—South Charleston, WV  
Clulo, Genevieve—Morgantown, WV  
Cole, Irl—Galax, VA  
Collins, Berenice E.—Charleston, WV  
Cooke, Emmy Lou—Hampton, VA  
Cordray, Harry—Pence Springs, WV  
Core, Earl L.—Morgantown, WV  
Creasy, James L.—Summersville, WV  
Dadisman, A.J.—Morgantown, WV  
Davis, H.A.—Morgantown, WV  
Davis, T.E.R.—Greenville, TN  
Deam, Charles C.—Bluffton, IN  
Dean, H.L.—Iowa City, IA  
Dean, J.H.—Knoxville, TN  
Demoise, Charles W.—Greensburg, PA  
Dickey, S.S.—Waynesburg, PA  
Dorsey, Ervin—Weston, WV  
Epstein, Martin—Brooklyn, NY  
Farnsworth, Bonnie—Linn, WV  
Ferry, James F.—Morgantown, WV  
Flouer, George—Wheeling, WV  
Freer, Ruskin S.—Lynchburg, VA  
Frothingham, E.H.—Asheville, NC  
Frye, Wilbert M.—Hanging Rock, WV  
Garrison, Cecil A.—Hollidays Cove, WV  
Geiler, F.L.—Morgantown, WV  
Gibbons, Teresa—New Martinsville, WV  
Gilbert, Frank A.—Huntington, WV  
Gleason, H.A.—New York, NY  
Gould, Charles, Jr.—Ames, IA  
Gray, Fred W.—Philippi, WV  
Greenlee, Leslie—Charleston, WV  
Grose, E.R.—Glenville, WV  
Grumbein, Mary Lou—Baltimore, MD  
Hadden, Mildred—Charleston, WV  
Hall, Earl H.—Greensboro, NC  
Hammer, Susan—Martinsburg, WV  
Handlan, John W.—Wheeling, WV  
Harned, Joseph E.—Oakland, MD  
Harper, R.M.—University, AL  
Harris, Ray—Grantsville, WV  
Harshbarger, Jennie—Fairmont, WV  
Hatfield, William Hollis—Bristol, VA  
Haight, Oscar—Barranca Bermeji, Colombia  
Hazlett, Mary R.—Pittsburgh, PA  
Henderson, Lena B.—Lynchburg, VA  
Henry, Berch—Morgantown, WV  
Herod, Lyle E.—Alderson, WV  
Hesler, L.R.—Knoxville, TN  
Hill, Charles O.—Knoxville, TN  
Holliday, Gail—Wheeling, WV  
Hommel, J.I.—Wilkinsburg, PA  
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Irvine, C.E.—Beverly, WV  
 James, Dorcas—Fairmont, WV  
 Jennings, Dr. O.E.—Pittsburgh, PA  
 Jennison, H.M.—Knoxville, TN  
 Jones, C.R.—Morgantown, WV  
 King, Genevieve N.—Huntington, WV  
 Knappen, Mrs. T.M.—Washington, DC  
 Knight, William A.—Biltmore, NC  
 Lamb, W.H.—Manassas, VA  
 Ledbetter, Ida Belle, Boone, NC  
 Leeds, Arthur N.—Philadelphia, PA  
 Lemley, Edith—Mt. Morris, PA  
 Lewis, Ivey F.—University, VA  
 Lord, Paul—Marlinton, WV  
 Lovett, Thelma—Philadelphia, PA  
 McCoy, Thomas N.—Catlettsburg, KY  
 McGilliard, Eleanor—Chattanooga, TN  
 McInteer, B.B.—Lexington, KY  
 McKee, Elizabeth C.—Wheeling, WV  
 McNeill, E. Meade—Athens, WV  
 McNeill, Stowe P.—Princeton, WV  
 McVaugh, Rogers—Athens, GA  
 Martin, Elizabeth G.—Charleston, WV  
 Martin, Robert F.—Washington, DC  
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 Mayne, Mabel—Hundred, WV  
 Meakin, H.V.—Seebert, WV  
 Montgomery, Clyde R.—Morgantown, WV  
 Moore, Laura Brooks—Parkersburg, WV  
 Murphy, James—New York, NY  
 Neill, J.D.—Jane Lew, WV  
 Norton, J.B.S.—College Park, MD  
 O'Neill, Hugh—Washington, DC  
 Orton, C.R.—Morgantown, WV  
 Owen, Emily M.—Fairmont, WV  
 Parrack, Alison—Rowlesburg, WV  
 Pattison, John—Wheeling, WV  
 Peairs, L.M.—Morgantown, WV  
 Peattie, Donald Culross—Tryon, NC  
 Percival, W.C.—Morgantown, WV  
 Perry, George S.—Knoxville, TN  
 Pitsenberger, Isaac I.—Belington, WV  
 Plymale, Lewis—Huntington, WV  
 Poe, J. Alfred—South Charleston, WV  
 Pontius, Leslie L.—Circleville, OH  
 Price, Calvin—Marlinton, WV  
 Quinby, Griffith E.—Louisville, KY  
 Riley, Lt. Frederick F.—Huttonsville, WV  
 Roberts, C.M.—Fairmont, WV  
 Rohr, H.D.—Weston, WV  
 Roller, Rev. Ben R.—White Sulphur Springs,  
 WV  
 Romm, H.J.—Tuskegee, AL  
 Roush, Mrs. Eva M. Fling—Beverly, WV  
 Rumsey, W.E.—Morgantown, WV  
 Sanford, A.F.—Knoxville, TN  
 Schaffner, John H.—Columbus, OH  
 Schrock, Alta—Salisbury, PA  
 Shaffer, Chester M.—Glennville, WV  
 Sharp, Aaron J.—Columbus, OH  
 Sharp, Ward M.—Valentine, NE  
 Shaver, Jesse M.—Nashville, TN  
 Sheldon, John L.—Morgantown, WV  
 Smith, Reynolds B.—Morgantown, WV  
 Soupart, Sylvia—Morgantown, WV  
 Spangler, Helen—Greenville, NC  
 Spangler, R.C.—Morgantown, WV  
 Speicher, B.I.—Mill Creek, WV  
 Stevens, Edith—Farmville, VA  
 Stewart, Paul R.—Waynesburg, PA  
 Stone, Robert G.—Milton, MA  
 Strausbaugh, P.D.—Morgantown, WV  
 Strickland, Cecil—Clendenin, WV  
 Stupka, Arthur—Gatlinburg, TN  
 Sumpstine, W.J.—Bethany, WV  
 Svenson, Henry K.—Brooklyn, NY  
 Taylor, Nellie H.—Parkersburg, WV  
 Thacker, Maxine—Buckhannon, WV  
 Timmons, Daisy—Uffington, WV  
 Torrey, Raymond H.—New York, NY  
 Trudell, Harry W.—Philadelphia, PA  
 Underwood, J.K.—Knoxville, TN  
 Unger, John W.—Wallace, WV  
 Van Gilder, Elmer F.—Philippi, WV  
 Van Meter, Mary G.—Washington, DC  
 Vanscoy, Earl M.—Wheeling, WV  
 Van Tromp, H.O.—French Creek, WV  
 Van Zanden, Tom—Morgantown, WV  
 Vogenberger, R.A.—Knoxville, TN  
 Waldron, R.A.—Slippery Rock, PA  
 Walp, Russell Lee—Marietta, OH  
 Wareham, R.T.—Columbus, OH  
 Warner, Kent—Charleston, WV  
 Wells, B.W.—Raleigh, NC  
 West, Russell—Wheeling, WV  
 Westfeldt, Jenny Fleetwood—Arden, NC  
 Wherry, Edgar T.—Philadelphia, PA  
 White, Mrs. Kemble—Clarksburg, WV  
 Wilkinson, Alice I.—Wheeling, WV  
 Williams, Marvin G.—Bluefield, WV  
 Williams, Mrs. Rebecca P.—Woodstock, VA  
 Wolfe, Betty Jean—Morgantown, WV  
 Yearout, C.B.—Bramwell, WV  
 Zuccherro, P.J.—Montgomery, WV