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 R1. Box 99
 Danville, Indiana 46122

11-29-73

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MY DESCENT FROM A HENDRICKS CO. PIONEER

1. EWAN G. McCLAIN ✓ B 1-31-1912 M 6-19-1936
 (Name of Applicant)
R.R. 1 Box 99 DANVILLE INDIANA 46122 Tel. No. 745-2814
 (Street and No.) (Town) (State) (Zip)
 2. Joseph Hugh Ross B 9-5-1811 M 6-19-36 D 10-1-1840
 (Pioneer Ancestor's Name) B-birth date; M-marriage date; D-death date;
1836 Washington Township
 (SS Place)
 SS-settlement date in Hendricks Co.;

recorded on card 8/27/74

Line of Descent

1. Parents:	H <u>Glen Roy McClain</u>	B <u>4-15-1884</u>	M <u>11-29-1906</u>	D <u>3-7-1960</u>
	W <u>Hazel Ross McClain</u>	B <u>5-2-1875</u>	M <u>11-29-1906</u>	D <u>4-11-1956</u>
2. Grand Parents:	H <u>Alva G. Ross</u>	B <u>5-21-1857</u>	M <u>11-5-1879</u>	D <u>6-8-1924</u>
	W <u>Mary E Swank Ross</u>	B <u>9-19-1857</u>	M <u>11-5-1879</u>	D <u>8-11-1889</u> <i>settled 1836</i>
3. Great Grand Parents:	H <u>Joseph Hugh Ross</u>	B <u>9-5-1817</u>	M <u>10-1-1840</u>	D <u>3-26-1891</u>
	W <u>Susan Green</u>	B <u>2-4-1819</u>	M <u>10-1-1840</u>	D <u>11-16-1896</u>
4. Gr.Gr. Grand Parents:	H <u>John Ross</u>	B <u>Penn.</u>	M <u>was in war 1812</u>	D _____
	W <u>Mary Hornel</u>	B <u>Ohio</u>	M _____	D _____
5. Gr.Gr.Gr. Grand Parents:	H <u>Alexander Ross</u>	B <u>1754</u>	M _____	D <u>1809</u>
	W <u>Ann P. Phillips Ross</u>	B _____	M _____	D _____
6. Gr.Gr.Gr. Gr. Grand Parents:	H <u>Rev. George Ross</u>	B _____	M _____	D _____
	W _____	B _____	M _____	D _____
7. Gr.Gr.Gr. Gr.Gr. Grand Parents:	H <u>David Ross</u>	B <u>Came to America from Scotland</u>	M _____	D _____
	W _____	B _____	M _____	D _____

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 Verification of above may be found (check at least one); County Clerk's office; Old Bible; Church Records; Voting Records; Cemetery records; others 1878 atlas

IMPORTANT: REGARDING LAND ENTRIES

1. Do you have a patent for land issued to your ancestors in Hendricks County? Yes. _____
2. How many deeds? _____ For how many acres? _____ To whom issued? _____
3. How many of these acres have been held continuously in the family? _____
4. Indicate line of descent of ownership.

ANCESTOR - DECENDANT COMMITTEE

P. O. 154 DANVILLE, INDIANA 46122

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 (Name of Applicant)
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 (Street and No.) (Town) (State) (Zip)

2. McCLAIN, Michel Smith B 1-31-1912 M 6-19-1936
 (Pioneer Ancestor's Name) B-birth date; M-marriage date; D-death date;
OCTOBER 1830 WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP
 SS-settlement date in Hendricks Co.; (SS Place)

Line of Descent

Recorded on card 8/27/74

1. Parents:	H <u>Glen Roy McClain</u> B <u>4-15-1874</u> M <u>11-29-1906</u> D <u>3-7-1960</u> H-husband;
	W <u>Hazel Ross McClain</u> B <u>5-2-1876</u> M <u>11-29-1906</u> D <u>4-11-1956</u> W-wife
2. Grand Parents:	H <u>Bascom S. McClain</u> B <u>7-1-1840</u> M _____ D <u>11-20-1909</u>
	W <u>Rhoda Riter McClain</u> B <u>8-27-1843</u> M _____ D <u>1922</u>
3. Great Grand Parents:	H <u>Michel McClain</u> B <u>1801</u> M _____ D <u>7-1856</u>
	W <u>Jane Palmer McClain</u> B <u>1799</u> M _____ D <u>11-24-1880</u>
4. Gr.Gr. Grand Parents:	H <u>James McClain</u> B <u>came to America from Scotland</u> M _____ D _____
	W <u>Sarah Bailey Palmer McClain</u> B <u>Virginia</u> M _____ D _____
5. Gr.Gr.Gr. Grand Parents:	H _____ B _____ M _____ D _____
	W _____ B _____ M _____ D _____
6. Gr.Gr.Gr. Gr. Grand Parents:	H _____ B _____ M _____ D _____
	W _____ B _____ M _____ D _____
7. Gr.Gr.Gr. Gr.Gr. Grand Parents:	H _____ B _____ M _____ D _____
	W _____ B _____ M _____ D _____

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1878 atlas

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HUSBAND

Ernest Glen McElvain

Washington Township Hendricks County

1-31-1912

Place *Washington Township Hendricks County*

Chr. *6-19-1936* Place *Spokhony, Indiana*

Marr. *6-19-1936* Place *Spokhony, Indiana*

Died _____ Place _____

Bur. _____ Place _____

HUSBAND'S FATHER *Walter Ross McElvain* HUSBAND'S MOTHER *Stacy Ross McElvain*

HUSBAND'S OTHER WIVES _____

WIFE *Bessie Thomas McElvain* Place *Washington Township Hendricks County*

Born *7-24-1919* Place _____

Chr. _____ Place _____

Died _____ Place _____

Bur. _____ Place _____

WIFE'S FATHER *Clayde Thomas* WIFE'S MOTHER _____

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS _____

CHILDREN

SEX *M* List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth SURNAME

1 *Madeline Myelaine* WHEN BORN *20-3 1947* WHERE BORN *Indianapolis Marion Ind* DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE *Married Walter* WHEN DIED _____

2 _____ WHEN BORN _____ WHERE BORN _____ DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE _____ WHEN DIED _____

3 _____ WHEN BORN _____ WHERE BORN _____ DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE _____ WHEN DIED _____

4 _____ WHEN BORN _____ WHERE BORN _____ DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE _____ WHEN DIED _____

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13 _____ WHEN BORN _____ WHERE BORN _____ DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE _____ WHEN DIED _____

14 _____ WHEN BORN _____ WHERE BORN _____ DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE _____ WHEN DIED _____

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Ewan Glen McClain

I attended Grade School at Arvon - Washington Township

I graduated from High School at Arvon - Washington Township

I (attended-graduated from) college at Central Normal College - Danville, Va.

I took post-graduate work at Butler University

I hold degrees (AB/BS/MA/MS/PHD) B.S. + M.S.

I am a member of Arvon Methodist church

I have had offices in that church as follows _____

My principal occupation is Teacher and High School Principal at Arvon School

I usually support the (Republican-Democrat) party and have been elected to the following offices (include dates) Republican

I am a member of the following Lodges and/or Civic Organizations, and have held the following offices: Western Star Lodge No. 26, F. & A. M. Scottish Rite Valley of Indianapolis

My hobbies are Reading - Sports

I have lived in Hendricks County since Birth and own my own home yes

If farm land is owned, number of acres 90 in Washington Township

my sister + I own the 90 a. farm that was Bascom McClain for

I served in the Armed forces from 1942 to 1943 and

saw duty in United States

Decorations received _____

Please attach another page if necessary to record the above information. The questions above are only an outline to suggest to you the information to be covered that will make a more interesting biography to your grandchildren and their grandchildren.

I was educated in the Arvon Schools. I went to college and came back to Arvon to serve in that school system for 40 years. I taught in the grades then high school and was high school principal two different times. I hold the longevity record for teaching in the

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Glen + Hazel McClain

I attended Grade School at Glen + Hazel McClain both
I graduated from High School at received their education in
I (attended-graduated from) college at Washington Township schools -
I took post-graduate work at Grade school only. there was
I hold degrees (AB/BS/MA/MS/PHD) no high school at that
I am a member of time Glen went to Purdue church
I have had offices in that church as follows one year for a farm course
Course

My principal occupation is Glen - farmer - Hazel housewife

I usually support the (Republican-Democrat) party and have been elected to the following offices (include dates) Republican

I am a member of the following Lodges and/or Civic Organizations, and have held the following offices Glen Blainville Western Star Lodge
Hazel + Glen Avon Methodist Church.

My hobbies are _____

I have lived in Hendricks County since Birth since birth and own my own home yes

If farm land is owned, number of acres 90 A in Washington Township

I served in the Armed forces from None to _____ and saw duty in _____

Decorations received _____

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Glen + Hazel McClain both received their education in Washington Township schools. Glen was a well known farmer in Washington Township. Hazel McClain was one of the founders of the Washington Township Public Library. She served on the library board for many years. Hazel Hess McClain was a very public spirited person. She served in the Avon Methodist Church as teacher, treasurer etc. Member of many Washington Township women clubs.

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6840 ALLISONVILLE
INDIANAPOLIS IN
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11-29-73

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MY DESCENT FROM A HENDRICKS CO. PIONEER

1. Eleanor McClain Whitmire B 9-14-1909 M 1-29-1949
 (Name of Applicant)
6840 Allisonville Rd. Indianapolis, Tel. No. 255-6073.
 (Street and No.) (Town) (State) (Zip)
 2. Ross, Joseph Hugh B 4-15-1884 M 11-29-1906 D 3-7-1960
 (Pioneer Ancestor's Name) B-birth date; M-marriage date; D-death date; - See below
1836 Washington Twp. below
 SS-settlement date in Hendricks Co.; (SS Place)

recorded on card 8/27/74

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	W <u>Hazel Zelma Ross</u>	B <u>5-2-1885</u>	M <u>11-29-1906</u>	D <u>4-11-1956</u>	
2. Grand Parents:	H <u>Alva B. Ross</u>	B <u>5-21-1857</u>	M <u>11-5-1879</u>	D <u>6-8-1924</u>	
	W <u>Mary Emma Swank</u>	B <u>9-19-1857</u>	M <u>11-5-1879</u>	D <u>8-11-1889</u>	<i>settled in Ohio</i>
3. Great Grand Parents:	H <u>Joseph Hugh Ross</u>	B <u>9-5-1817</u>	M <u>10-1-1840</u>	D <u>3-26-1891</u>	<i>settled in Ohio 1836</i>
	W <u>Susan Green</u>	B <u>2-4-1819</u>	M <u>10-1-1840</u>	D <u>11-16-1896</u>	<i>was 1821 Penn</i>
4. Gr.Gr. Grand Parents:	H <u>John^H Ross</u>	B	M	D	
	W <u>Mary Hornel</u>	B	M	D	<i>Ohio</i>
5. Gr.Gr.Gr. Grand Parents:	H <u>Alexander Ross</u>	B	M	D	
	W <u>Ann Phillips</u>	B	M	D	
6. Gr.Gr.Gr. Gr. Grand Parents:	H <u>Rev. George Ross</u>	B	M	D	
	W	B	M	D	
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	W	B	M	D	

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2. How many deeds? _____ For how many acres? _____ To whom issued? _____
3. How many of these acres have been held continuously in the family? _____
4. Indicate line of descent of ownership.

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1. Eleanor Mc Clain Whitmire ^{B 9-14-1909} ^M
 (Name of Applicant)
6840 Allisonville Rd. Indianapolis Indiana ^{Tel. No.} 255-6073
 (Street and No.) (Town) (State) (Zip) 46220
 2. Michel Mc Clain
 (Pioneer Ancestor's Name) ^{Birth date:} Oct. 1830 ^{M-marriage date:} Washington Twp. ^{D-death date:} See below
 SS-settlement date in Hendricks Co.: _____ (SS Place)

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Line of Descent

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	W <u>Hazel Zelma Ross Mc Clain</u> B <u>5-2-1885</u> M <u>11-29-1906</u> D <u>4-11-1956</u>
2. Grand Parents:	H <u>Bascom S. Mc Clain</u> B <u>7-1-1840</u> M _____ D <u>11-20-1909</u>
	W <u>Rhoda J. Piter Mc Clain</u> B <u>8-27-1843</u> M _____ D <u>1922</u>
3. Great Grand Parents:	H <u>Michel Mc Clain</u> B <u>1801</u> M <u>Came to Indiana 1830</u> D <u>7-1856</u>
	W <u>Jane Palmer Mc Clain</u> B <u>1799</u> M _____ D <u>11-24-1880</u>
4. Gr.Gr. Grand Parents:	H <u>James Mc Clain</u> B <u>Scotland</u> M _____ D _____
	W <u>Irak Bailey Palmer Mc Clain</u> B <u>Virginia</u> M _____ D _____
5. Gr.Gr.Gr. Grand Parents:	H _____ B _____ M _____ D _____
	W _____ B _____ M _____ D _____
6. Gr.Gr.Gr. Gr. Grand Parents:	H _____ B _____ M _____ D _____
	W _____ B _____ M _____ D _____
7. Gr.Gr.Gr. Gr.Gr. Grand Parents:	H _____ B _____ M _____ D _____
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IMPORTANT: REGARDING LAND ENTRIES

1. Do you have a patent for land issued to your ancestors in Hendricks County? Yes.
2. How many deeds? 1 For how many acres? 90 To whom issued? Ewan Mc Clain
3. How many of these acres have been held continuously in the family? 90 plus and Eleanor Whitmire
4. Indicate line of descent of ownership.
1. Bascom Mc Clain
2. Glen Mc Clain

ANCESTOR - DECENDANT COMMITTEE

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3. Ewan Mc Clain & sister Eleanor Mc Clain Whitmire

HUSBAND

Born 1903 Summerville Whitman Co.
 Chr. Presb.
 Mar. Jan. 29, 1949 Marion Co.
 Died _____
 Bur. Greenfield Whitman Co.
 HUSBAND'S FATHER Walter Whitman
 HUSBAND'S MOTHER Minnie Grace Whitman
 OTHER WIVES _____

WIFE

Born Sept. 14, 1909 Summerville Whitman Co.
 Chr. _____
 Died _____
 Bur. _____
 WIFE'S FATHER _____
 WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS _____

1	SEX M F	Last each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth Given Names	CHILDREN			WHEN BORN			WHERE BORN			DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE		WHEN DIED	
			SURNAME	DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TOWN	COUNTY	STATE OR COUNTRY	TO WHOM	DAY	MONTH	YEAR		
1		<u>None</u>													
2															
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Clarence McLean Whitman

BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

I attended Grade School at Avon School
I graduated from High School at 1927 Avon HC - C.N.C.
I (attended-graduated from) college at Blakers Teachers' College and
I took post-graduate work at Butler
I hold degrees (AB/BS/MA/MS/PHD) M.S.
I am a member of Avon United Methodist church
I have had offices in that church as follows Sec. + Treas. when
I was in High School
My principal occupation is Teaching - 46 yrs. now
going on 47.
I usually support the (Republican-Democrat) party and have been elected to the
following offices (include dates) Republican

I am a member of the following Lodges and/or Civic Organizations, and have held the
following offices Have been a member of
Eastern Star also Teacher organizations
My hobbies are Reading, Cooking, Gardening + Travel
I have lived in Hendricks County since Birth till 1949 and own my own home Marion Co
If farm land is owned, number of acres 90 in Washington Township Hendricks Co.

I served in the Armed forces from _____ to _____ and
saw duty in _____
Decorations received _____

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BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

I attended Grade School at Alva A. Ross

I graduated from High School at A great lover of home,

I (attended-graduated from) college at family, relatives

I took post-graduate work at and friends.

I hold degrees (AB/BS/MA/MS/PHD) _____

I am a member of _____ church

I have had offices in that church as follows Baptist

My principal occupation is Farmer

I usually support the (Republican-Democrat) party and have been elected to the following offices (include dates) Republican

I am a member of the following Lodges and/or Civic Organizations, and have held the following offices Odd Fellows Lodge

My hobbies are Held the Ross Reunion at his home many years. He sent out printed

I have lived in Hendricks County since _____ and own my own home _____

If farm land is owned, number of acres large farm in Washington Township

I served in the Armed forces from _____ to _____ and saw duty in _____

Decorations received _____

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invitations for the reunion. He met the inter-urban street car each hour for those coming out from Indianapolis. The added attraction besides getting together each year, was the five gallon ice-cream freezer hand powered of course and delicious home made ice-cream, pies, cakes, etc.

HUSBAND

John Ross fought in war of 1812
 came from Penn

Born _____ Place _____
 Chr. _____ Place _____
 Marr. _____ Place _____
 Died _____ Place _____

WIFE
 Bur. _____ Place _____
 Chr. _____ Place _____
 Died _____ Place _____

WIFE'S FATHER _____ Place _____
WIFE'S MOTHER _____
WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS _____
WIFE'S OTHER WIVES _____

SEX M F	List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth Given Names	WHEN BORN			TOWN	WHERE BORN	COUNTY	STATE OR COUNTRY	DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE TO WHOM	WHEN DIED		
		DAY	MONTH	YEAR						DAY	MONTH	YEAR
	James Ross											
	Henry " "											
	Matilda " "											
	Alexander " "			1808								
	Walter J. " "											
	John " "											
	Ellen " "											
	Samuel " "											
	Joseph H. " "											
	William " "											
	Eliza " "											

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History of the Ross Family beginning about 1750 a.d.

Eleanor Lee was born in Virginia. Her cousin, Richard Henry Lee, was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence. It is said that she was well educated and graceful in appearance. She married Henry Harmell, of Redstone, Pa. Henry was born there but his parents had come from Holland. They had eleven children, all living to be grown and married. They are as follows: John, Henry, Sarah Swindler, Nancy Gudgel, Elizabeth Burnes, Mary Ross, Annie Norton, Rebecca Merett, Matilda Allen, Eleanor Carter, Lydia Harmell. The last married her cousin and did not change her name. Some of the children were married in Pa. Mary married John Ross. The Ross family were of Scotch Wash descent. Betsy Ross in all probability, who formed the first flag for the Union, belonged to this family. The Ross family came from Pa. near Philadelphia. *Betsy Ross' husband was our relative.*

John the son, fought in the War of 1812. Mary and John Ross had eleven children, and are as follows: James, Henry J., Matilda, Alexander, Walter T., John, Ellen, Samuel, Joseph H., William, and Eli. The first three were born in Redstone, Pa. In 1808 they came to Ohio. Mary's father, Henry Harmell, entered land three miles west of Lebanon on the east side of Dayton Pike. He was a Revolutionary War soldier and received a pension as long as he lived. His ashes and those of his beloved wife, daughter and son now rest in the little country church yard about one mile north of where they lived for so long. Mary and John rest in the church yard near Avon. Their children have all passed over.

HUSBAND Alexander Ross

I have no

Born _____ Place _____
Chr. _____ Place _____
Marr. _____ Place _____
Died _____ Place _____

Bur. _____ Place _____
HUSBAND'S FATHER Gen. George Ross → HUSBAND'S MOTHER his father David Ross came to America from Scotland

WIFE Ann Peck no maternal

Born _____ Place _____
Chr. _____ Place _____
Died _____ Place _____
Bur. _____ Place _____
WIFE'S FATHER _____ WIFE'S MOTHER _____

WIFE'S OTHER HUSBANDS _____

SEX M F	CHILDREN List each child (whether living or dead) in order of birth Given Names	WHEN BORN			WHERE BORN			DATE OF FIRST MARRIAGE		WHEN DIED	
		DAY	MONTH	YEAR	TOWN	COUNTY	STATE OR COUNTRY	TO WHOM	DAY	MONTH	YEAR
	<u>Alexander and Ann Ross, John's parents, had seven children. Alexander the father, fought in the Revolutionary War.</u>										

Seven children Alexander fought in the Revolutionary war.

Michael S. McClain was born in Virginia in 1801. He pioneered his way to Lexington, Kentucky, where he married. His wife's name was Jane Palmer. She was born in 1799. Three children were born in Kentucky, Mary Anne, James Henry, and Martha. Michael McClain came alone on horseback to Indiana to look for new land. He arrived in central Indiana and chose a site. He traded his horse, bridle and saddle for 40 acres. He returned to Kentucky on foot for his family. The baby, Martha, was born in August 1830. In the fall of 1830 the family left for Indiana. A feather bed was placed on each horse. The little girl, Anne, was 4 years old, J. Henry around 2 years. At the Ohio River the horses went across by swimming. Michael managed to get a calf across, but the family dog would not come across the river. He was left behind. The family arrived at their new home site in October 1830. It is understood the McClain family spent the first winter (part of it) with a family named Vestal, while their home (cabin) was being built. Michael died in 1856. Jane lived to be past 80 years of age. Michael and Jane McClain were the parents of nine children, five daughters and four sons. One of the sons was Bascom McClain, the father of Ethel Frazee, Glen and Hoyt McClain.

My principal occupation is _____

Following are a few of the statements from the books. Michael M. parents had a family of six sons. The father, ~~Thomas~~ *James Thomas* was descended from sterling Scotch ancestry. Michael came to Kentucky and was married. His wife, Jane Palmer, was from Lexington, Ky., and she was a Baptist. ~~There was no mention of Michael being born in Ohio, or that Jane was born in Carolina.~~ There was slight variation in the information of the books and our records. Such as, we have Michael born in 1800 (tombs), the library states 1801. Our records and the library agree that Jane was born in 1799. Another interesting way to find out information about Michael is to read about his sons. One book at the library has lengthy paragraphs about Bascom and Gilbert. Their entire Civil War records, engagements, are listed. There is also a statement that Bascom was a County Commissioner. *Also trustee of Washington Township (Ivan)* Mother has some papers of Michael M. in his hand writing, pen and ink, fingerprint (accidentally) included. He kept good records and wrote well. One paper is a hog contract, where he agrees to sell 100 hogs at a later date to a packing house on the west bank of White River near the city of Indianapolis. There is an account book with names, items sold, and amounts owed listed. Another paper states how much two men owe him, and how much he owes them, with items listed. There is one transaction in this list which names a firm, Smith & Hanna, of Indianapolis. They were some kind of merchants, but we don't know what kind. Mother also said to tell you the barn, south of the brick house, was built by Michael McClain in 1853. It is showing some age now. As a final note, Michael was a saddle maker. They had, for a long time, a side-saddle which he made for his wife, Jane. *Mother quoted here is Aunt Sade McClain wife of John McClain, mother of Ora Briner.*

Michael McClain also gave the first land in the neighborhood for the first little school house.

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|--------------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| <i>Mary Anne - all 3</i> | <i>4. John</i> | <i>7. Sally</i> |
| <i>James Henry born</i> | <i>5. Jarette</i> | <i>8. Gilbert</i> |
| <i>Martha in Ky.</i> | <i>6. Susan</i> | <i>9. Bascom</i> |

