

Descendants of Reuben Roland Paul Faus

Generation No. 1

1. Reuben Roland Paul⁵ Faus (George Weicker⁴, William Delong³, Henry (I I)², Henry I¹) was born March 04, 1904 in Range Oklahoma March 14???, and died November 17, 1981 in Spearman Tx Hansford County interred Ochiltree Cementary Nov 19. He married **Julia Rosa Hibbs** February 24, 1930 in Guymond Oklahoma, daughter of Samuel Hibbs and Lura Luke.

Notes for Reuben Roland Paul Faus:

Obituary Amarillo Daily News Thursday Nov 19 1981 of Rube Faus

Rube Faus

Spearman: ---Rube Faus 77 died yesterday.

Services will be held 2pm tomorrow in Union Church with the Rev Steve Rogers, pastor, officiating. Burial will be in Ochiltree Cemetery by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Directors.

Mr. Faus was born in Range, Ok.

He moved to Spearman in 1910

He was the owner and operator of Rube's Bootshop since 1932.

Survivors include five daughters, Rosa Steele of Vernonia Ore., Juanita Pierce of Spearman TX, Phyllis Mann and Bertha Elene Willison both of Gage Ok. and Ruby Saltness of Amarillo; a son of Harry Faus of Fountain Valley CA. a sister Ella Faus Bushman of Alex, Ark, 26 grandchildren, and 17 Great grand children.

casketbearers;

Kem Mann Ruben Mann

Tracy Mann Lynn Pierce

Mike Pierce Tylan Pierce

David Oakley John Willison

Richard Pierce Jody Willison

Pallbearers:

Sam Janzen Daniel Newman

Carl Scroggs Floyd Fike

Jana Janzen J M Randolph

Article about Rube Faus and his boot shop

Feb. 19 1950

New West Provides Wide Market for Cowboy Boots

By Margaret Kirk Amarillo News-Globe Correspondent

Spearman: Feb. 18 1950

Rube Faus traded himself into Spearman's industrial stream back in 1933. It hadn't been a very good farming year and Rube was ready to change occupations. Leon Bowling had heard about wonderful bean farming in New Mexico. He was tired of making boots.

So Rube traded Leon a 1929 Chevrolet Roadster, two cows, two hogs, five horses, a four-wheeled trailer, and two sets of harness for the Bowling Bootshop a four room affair which provided living quarters, boot and shoe machines, a supply of leather. The deal involved no cash.

Leon was to remain with Rube until Rube learned how to make boots. They had finished only two pairs when Leon had to take off, and Rube was on his own. He took the situation from there to develop a business, which serves the North Plains and many special customers.

Rube made his first pair of boots for Louis Smith, Jimmy Cator's nephew. He has on file 95 order books, which cover approximately 1600 pair, which he has made in the 17 years on the bench.

The biggest order came from a man who was 7 feet, 4 inches tall, weighed 260 pounds, and wore a size 15 shoe.

In July 1933 the price range was from \$15 to \$20. Now it's from \$47.50 to \$75. Rube's strangest order was for a pair of woman's white boots with four aces on the back and front with an inlay of hearts and diamonds around the caps and tops. They sold for \$62.50.

One day a guy swaggered in and ordered a medium, round, square, quarter box toe! Maybe so. Rube did not argue. When the customer came in for them he wanted to know where the quarter box was. Rube told him it was on the inside, and the man left completely satisfied.

Mr. and Mrs. Faus spent about 5 years in Amarillo. They had a shop on fourth Between Polk and Taylor. Mrs. Faus had become an expert top maker. She helped Rube at odd times. She also made tops for the Maddox and I gerton shops. She is

quite a designer. She turned out two pairs daily. Could do three pairs for maybe a week at a time during the rush season. Three pair in two days is considered a good average.

One day two teen-age boys came into Rube's Bootshop and stalked around a while. As they left each grabbed a boot from the window display. Rube took out after them but his 220 pounds was a handicap. The kids were flagging down the alley, each swinging a boot. The police took over.

One morning Rube put a beautiful pair of boots on top of the showcase for display. It was a busy day. When he closed that night he noticed that the worst looking broken down boots had replaced the new pair. The replacement was permanent

A pair of boots mysteriously disappeared from Rub's showcase. Everybody denied selling them. Mrs. Faus made the deduction that if they sold they would sooner or later be returned for heels. and if they were stolen they would never hear of them.

In the usual time, 3-4 months they came back for repair. The wearer had bought them _____place. He paid for them by check. He brought in the cancelled check.

Some part lost

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...Back and forth. If a pattern is altered nothing is thought of it. One rarely has a request for something absolutely different. If the boot artist makes such a creation, nobody would be caught dead liking it

A couple of Radio entertainers came to Amarillo to put on an USO show. They wanted Texas boots. The man was satisfied with a plain pair. The wife wanted a top that reflected her personality and was absolutely different to all tops ever made or ever would be.

She wanted white boots with white tops and Mrs. Faus had to _____ all day. She worked and drafted all day. And got nowhere. She went to be worrying about it.

At 2 am she woke remembering the blue birds hadn't mentioned.

They next day she told her client that bluebirds made out of suede would have that feathered look. It was a bird of an idea, satisfactory to all concerned.

Besides all the boot business, Rube takes care of half soles, and other shoe repairs. He estimates he does a yearly average of 1000 repairs.

Rube has set prices for all except "little, bitsy, teeny boots." He takes off 10 percent on such super-small sizes.

Rube Fiddles for recreation. He "doesn't know how come unless its like boot making" Maybe he inherited it. His dad was a fiddler. His Wife's Julia's grandfathers were shoemakers. So was her great, great granddad.

Rube had never even so much as sat down on a shoe bench, till he traded with Leon. Judging from the results, maybe there was a cobbler back on the Faus family tree.

Newspaper Article Perryton Herald Sunday may 11 1962

RUBE FAUS BOOT MAKER DOESN'T MAKE BOOTS NOW

By Mel Marshall

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Spearman-- When he closed the order book number 100 after checking off the completion of 5784 pair of hand -made cowboy boots, Rube Faus decided he had made all the boots a man should make in 30 years. That was six years ago, and Rube has not cut leather for a pair of boots since. He spends all his time keeping boots and shoes in good condition.

There are plenty of Ranchers and farmers on the North Plains, though; who are still wearing boots Rube made for them. "I get a pair in to fix every now and then," Rube Says.

"A Good pair of hand-made boots will last a man 20 years or more. But mostly, what I work on now is shoes and factory boots. Nothing wrong with factory boots, of course, but they don't compare with hand-made boots."

Rube Faus got into the bootmaking business 36 years ago, when a bad crop year made him decide to quite farming. He had heard that Leon Bowling wanted to quit making boots in the shop Bowling owned in Spearman, So the two men sat down to dicker out a trade.

The deal was closed with an agreement to swap. Rube gave Bowling a 1929 Chevrolet Roadster, two cows, two hogs, five horses, a couple sets of harnesses

and a trailer. Bowling turned the shop, a four-room building with living quarters included, all machinery in the shop and a stock of leather---NO Cash.

Bowling agreed to stay with Rube to teach him the trade, before taking off for New Mexico. But after working with Rube on two pair of boots, Bowling had to leave to close the deal for the bean farm he'd bought and Rube had to make it himself from then on.

He did. The day after his teacher left, a customer walked in and ordered a pair of boots. (Note from LD Pierce Rube's grandson-this customer was Jim Cator's nephew) Rube made them and they fit. So Rube didn't worry any longer about not being able to handle the job he had taken on. During the next quarter of a Century- he turned out boots of all shapes and sizes, accumulating a supply of over 500 boot-lasts which he still has, stored in the back of the shop he operates now strictly for repair work.

"Most of the last are for special customers." Rube muses. "Like the fellow who stood 7 feet tall and wore a size 15 shoe. And a lot of them are for ladies' boots, and little-bite lasts for children's feet. I used to knock 10 percent off the price for those tiny sizes"

Rube Explains: "A man who buys hand-made expects them to fit perfectly, so I built up a last using, using thin strips of leather, until I got the exact shape of his foot. That job takes a lot of time and when I 'd made a pair of special lasts I 'd just put them aside with the customers name of them, because I 'd figure he would want another pair sooner or later."

Hand made boots are made by stretching the lining and uppers over the last with special pliers, tacking the uppers and lining to the insole as the bootmaker works around the edge of the last. When the leather is stretched-the tension must be just right so the uppers will hold their shape and be neither too loose nor too tight-the edge is welted and the outer sole is sewed on.

Then the last is removed and the uppers stitched to the boot. Its is a painstaking job, because each piece of leather is slightly different, and the bootmaker works by feel and judgement.

"I got the hang of it pretty quick, I guess" Rube chuckled. "Most of my regulars would just stick their heads in the door when they'd pass the shop and just yell for me to made another pair.

"Half the time they didn't even say what color they wanted, and they knew I'd made brown. They liked brown or black or even tan, or whatever. And most of them wouldn't even try their boots on when they came to pick them up. They'd know the boot would fit."

When Rube Faus began making boots, the going price was \$15 a pair, special fancy jobs running as high as \$25. When he put aside his lasts, the minimum price was \$65 with the fancy decorated jobs running over \$100.

Rube Still recalls some of the strange orders he got for fancy boots-especially during the five years he set up shop on Fourth Street in Amarillo. He filled some orders for some wild designs-boots with all white tops, or barber-pole strips of alternate colors, or designs of playing cards around the top, and even one pair with the inserts of bluebirds made from dyed suede.

We never used to patent a design he says. " A man came in with a pair of boots he liked and I'd copy for them-just as I would expect a boot-maker somewhere else to copy of one of my designs somewhere else if a customers asked him to. Of course on the really fancy jobs, nobody who wears boots would want a pair like somebody else had."

For a hobby, Rube plays the fiddle. "Keeps my hands busy," he explains. "I guess its a little bit like working with leather. But I 'll never get back to bootmaking" he adds.

"I quit that because I could not find help, couldn't find anybody interested in doing the kind of hand work the job needs. I guess leather workers are what you would call a dying breed. There's not many of us left any more, and no young fellows coming along to take our place."

"So I 'll just stick to keeping boots and shoes in shape, and let them factories turn out the boots from now on."

Genealogy letter from Sister Mary Euphrasia (Ruth Lavinia Faus)

Sacred Heart Convent

3100 McCormick Ave

Wichita KS 7-28-1958

To Rube's Daughter Juanita Faus Pierce (my mother-LD Pierce preparer)
1958

Dear Juanita

Your letter arrived only now and I'm surely interested in the information you have sent. Just last week I sent out addenda information. As our cousins Martha Faus Parish in Ft Wayne, Indiana got in touch with Lester Faus-a son of John Faus- John Faus a son of John Faus- John Faus was a son of Oliver Faus Oliver Faus was a son of Henry Faus. Oliver had a brother Norman Faus and another one Henry Faus III . Henry Faus III is the grandfather of Lester C Faus of Los Angeles, who I met in LA in 1956. This makes 2 Lester Faus's in the Henry (II) Faus history. Laura Faus or Oram's Orchard, Alton, New Hampshire sent me the larger part of the Faus History. My aunt Minerva (Faus) Rosebush did some search work into the history in the east some years ago.

In 1953 I was confined to bed after some surgery on my knee for torn ligaments. At this time I began compiling data, but never realized what a task it would become. However, whenever I think well now so much and no more, something new shows up in the mails, this has happened 2 or 3 times since January 1958.

First it was Thomas Throne Faus and descendents of Ohio--then Lester Faus of Bluffton Indiana, which set me clear on just where Norman and Oliver Faus came in and now you add another link to the Henry Faus III descendents.

Before long we may have all 16 of Henry 16 II's children listed. Henry Faus II and Thomas Faus were brothers. Thomas Faus is my great grandfather. Thomas Ware Faus and Henry Faus his brother are my two grandfathers. All of the Henry Faus' children are deceased but 3 of Thomas Ware Faus's children are still living--mainly my father Lundy Boyd Faus (89 years)-Minerva Faus? (80) In Mcook

Nebraska, and Estelle May Faus (73) in Los Angeles CA. My father is in Santa Anna California.

I 'll enclose a copy of 1954 history plus the recent addenda but I 've only a stenciled carbon copy to send. Hope this may help you out.

I have a nephew Rev Lawrence Harrison Faus in Fort Worth TX who is pastor of a Baptist Church there. He is my youngest brother's oldest son. My brother was a victim of a car accident in 1951. My mother Mrs. LB Faus died in 1908 and is buried in Dalhart TX. L.B. junior is buried in Sunset Garden's cemetery in San Antonio TX. My other brother Clarence Faus lives in Clayton new, Mexico. I 've got a sister Mrs. A.C. Barton (Marguerite Faus) who lives in Alamogordo NM and my youngest sister Lila, Mrs. L.K. Bangerter, lives in Los Angeles. Then I have 4 half sisters all married.

Laura Faus the daughter of Theodore Smith Faus is a retired teacher and Librarian. She lives at Orams Orchard in Alton, N H. I received a card from her along with your letter. Her brothers Harold Faus of West Lynn Mass is an inventory for General Electric Co. there and has over fifty patents on his electrical inventions. Her other brother Herbert Faus has been the consulting engineer for new York Central line, but resigned last year as age is getting him down now.

About a Coat of Arms and a family crest, Perhaps Laura Faus could find out- or has Dr Neil Faus ever consulted LC Faus of Los Angeles who looks up family records as part of his work>??? Lester C Faus's address is Box 26061 Elendale Stations Los Angeles 26 Calif. I m sure Lester would be happy to hear from you, being in his own lineage of the Henry (II) Faus family. When I visited my father in 1956 he met me at the airport with my Aunt Estelle and then drove up from LA to my home in Laguna Beach, 50 miles south of Los Angeles. He has promised me that when I get all my family data down Pat

the way I want it that he will photostat it for me, but the Faus lineage is just endless. Herbert Faus met another Henry Faus at Times Sq. in Philadelphia, whom he recognized as a Faus before introductions by his features. Now they talked about lineage and this Henry Faus just from German Since WWI could trace back his ancestry over 300 years. Maybe he knows of the crest and the coat of arms. Henry S Faus's address is in the first addenda. You may have to study up my findings like a puzzle, but I hope you will find some missing links. I still have many incomplete records.

Sincerely Yours-

Sister M Euphrasia Faus

(Ruth Lavina Faus)

1958

More About Reuben Roland Paul Faus:

Fact 1: buried in Ochiltree Cemetary Perryton Tx

Notes for Julia Rosa Hibbs:

JULIA HIBBS McMANUS

I, Julia Hibbs (Faus) McManus was born September 20, 1911 in Beaver County Oklahoma. My parents were Robert and Lura Luke Hibbs. My father Rob Hibbs was born in Kansas and came to Beaver County with his parents in 1883. His father was an ox-team

freighter for the Army from Dodge City to Tascosa, Texas and Miami, Texas. Beaver Okla. was half-way. Papa first saw the Mulock State Station, northwest of Hansford where the road crossed the Palo Duro Creek, about 1886, on a freighting trip with his father. He went to work as a chore boy on a ranch in

Hansford County in 1890, they bought their supplies at Farwell east of where Gruver is now. Papa filed on land in Beaver County, Oklahoma in the early 1900's. He came back to Hansford (County) with Irv Steele and helped the Steeles locate there. Lura Luke came to Hansford County in 1906 with her parents Eathen Allen Luke and Luke. E.A. Luke was a civil engineer, he got a contract to build a bridge the first in Hansford County, on the Palo Duro Creek at Old Hansford. He later joined with Tom and Charley Crowley to form the Alamo Irrigation Ditch Company and built two dams on the Palo Duro Creek; one at Mulock and one on the Crowly Ranch (the Huff Wright Place). He also built a bridge on the J.I. Steele Ranch and many fireplaces and brick chimneys Lura Luke went to Beaver, Oklahoma to visit her brother and met and married Robert Hibbs in 1908. Rob Hibbs got a letter from J.I. Steele telling him of the Mulock place and some surrounding land that was for sale. He came to Hansford County and bought the Mulock place and four sections in Hansford and four sections of a-joining land in Ochiltree County. Our neighbors

were; Simmons, O'Loughlins, Andrews, Steeles, and the Powers to the south. Bertrands, McMurry, Newcomb, Crowleys, James, Burks, and Lukes to the north and west. My sister Ruth (Reardon) and brother Lawrence Hibbs were born at the old Mulock Place. We attended school at New Hope which was held in the church (Huff's Chapel) as the old sod at New Hope School-house was unsafe by that time. They later built a new schoolhouse on the site of the old sod Newcomb Place. I married Ruben Paul Faus in February 1930 and moved to Spearman where we raised our family except for the war years in Amarillo. They are: Rosa Amelia (Steele) 12/21/30; Harry Elmer, 9/14/32; Jaunita Lois (Pierce), 12/15/33; Bertha Ileen (Willison) 11/5/35; Ruby Joyce (Saltnes) 5/5/37; Phyllis Inez (Mann) 7/5/44. Homer McManus was born in Brownwood, Texas, grew up in Slaton, his father was an Engineer for the Santa Fe Railroad. Homer went to work for the railroad when he finished high school in 1926, he transferred to Amarillo in 1929 but left during the depression for lack of seniority. He came to work in the oilfield in 1956. Homer and I married in Perryton in 1960

and lived in South Texas some years. And have lived in Amarillo since 1977.

By Julia Hibbs McManus from: Hansford County History Vol 1 1980 page 211

Children of Reuben Faus and Julia Hibbs are:

- + 2 i. Rosa Amelia⁶ Faus, born December 02, 1930 in Dennis place spearman tx; died May 27, 1996 in Amarillo Tx Buried Ochiltree Cemetery Perryton Tx.
- + 3 ii. Harry Elmer Faus, born September 14, 1932 in Perryton Tx.
- + 4 iii. Juanita Lois Faus, born December 15, 1933; died July 28, 1995 in Amarillo Tx St Anthonys Hospice.
- + 5 iv. Bertha I Ileen Faus, born November 05, 1935 in Spearman Tx Hansford County.
- + 6 v. Ruby Joyce Faus, born May 05, 1938 in Spearman Tx Hansford County.
- + 7 vi. Phyllis I nez Faus, born July 05, 1944 in Amarillo tx nw tx hsop.

Generation No. 2

2. Rosa Amelia⁶ Faus (Reuben Roland Paul⁵, George Weicker⁴, William Delong³, Henry (I I)², Henry I¹) was born December 02, 1930 in Dennis place spearman tx, and died May 27, 1996 in Amarillo Tx Buried Ochiltree Cemetery Perryton Tx. She married **(1) James Franklin Pierce** November 28, 1948 in Spearman Tx, son of Robert Pierce and Ola. She married **(2) John Steele** January 14, 1972, son of Mary Steele.

Notes for Rosa Amelia Faus:

Obituary Rosa Faus Steele Ellis County Capital June 6 1996

Rosa Faus Steele

Rosa Faus Steele, 65, died Sunday May 26 196 in Amarillo TX.

Services were held at 2:30 p.m. Thursday, May 30 1996, Union Church of Spearman TX with the Rev. Curtis Torrance of Gage , Ok, Assisted by Rev Kenneth Smith of Amarillo, officiating. Burial was in the Ochiltree Cemetery at Perryton, TX, by Boxwell Brothers Funeral Home of Spearman TX.

Mrs. Steele was born in Hansford County, TX., and attended schools in Spearman and Amarillo. She moved with her family to Oregon in 1963. She married John Steele in 1972 at Vernonia, Or, and the couple moved to Gage Ok in 1994. Mrs. Steele was a homemaker and has worked as a computer operator for Tectronics Electronics before retiring in 1994. She was a lifelong member of the Pentecostal Holiness Church.

Mrs. Steele was preceded in death by two sons, Calvin Pierce, Richard Pierce, and an infant daughter; a sister, Juanita pierce; and her father, Ruben Pierce.

Survivors included her husband, John Steele; four sons, Frank Pierce of Vernonia, Or, Roy Pierce of Zion Il., Dave Pierce of Clatskanie, Or, and Michael Pierce of Gage Ok; a foster son, Jim Richards of Vernonia Or; three stepsons; two stepdaughters; her mother, Julia Faus McManus of Gage, OK; Three sisters, Bertha Willison, Ruby Saltness, and Phyllis Mann all of Gage OK. a brother, Harry Faus of Fountain Valley CA; 15 grandchildren, and numerous great grandchildren.

Memorial may be made to St. Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center in Amarillo TX

Notes for James Franklin Pierce:
death info provided by search co

More About James Franklin Pierce:

Fact 1: died 1990 or 1991

Children of Rosa Faus and James Pierce are:

- 8 i. Franklin Lee⁷ Pierce, born June 27, 1950. He married Mona Fields 1979 in Vernonia Or.
- 9 ii. Roy Paul Pierce, born May 31, 1951 in Dimmit Texas. He married Judy Stuart February 09, 1969.
- 10 iii. David Lloyd Pierce, born August 07, 1952. He married Shirley Tuam February 19, 1972.
- 11 iv. James Michael Pierce, born January 17, 1955. He married Julia Ann Williams.
- 12 v. Calvin Douglas Pierce, born 1957-1958 in Paris Ca; died 1979 in Vernonia Or.
- 13 vi. Richard Dean Pierce, born 1959; died May 30, 1987 in drowned lake Meredith Fritch Tx buried Ochiltree Cemetery Perryton Tx. He married (1) Bowling. He married (2) Denise LaTrell.

3. Harry Elmer⁶ Faus (Reuben Roland Paul⁵, George Weicker⁴, William Delong³, Henry (I I)², Henry I¹) was born September 14, 1932 in Perryton Tx. He married **Elizabeth Berg** December 28, 1958 in Las Vega NV Reno??, daughter of Samuel Guettenberg and Ada Kaye.

Children of Harry Faus and Elizabeth Berg are:

- 14 i. Anthony Craig⁷ Faus, born December 02, 1964 in Los Angeles Calif;
Adopted child.
- 15 ii. Mark Faus, born June 30, 1966 in Canoga park California.

4. Juanita Lois⁶ Faus (Reuben Roland Paul⁵, George Weicker⁴, William Delong³, Henry (I I)², Henry I¹) was born December 15, 1933, and died July 28, 1995 in Amarillo Tx St Anthonys Hospice. She married **James Lorenzo Pierce** July 05, 1952.

Notes for Juanita Lois Faus:

Obituary Juanita Faus Pierce from The Spearman Reporter Statesman

Aug 3 1995

Juanita Faus Pierce

SPEARMAN Juanita Faus Pierce 61, died Friday July 28, 1995.'

Services were held on Tues. August 1 at 2:00 p.m. at the Union Church with the Rev. Dan Carter officiating. Burial was at Hansford Cemetery with Boxwell Brothers handling the arrangements.

Mrs. Pierce was born in Spearman on December 15 1933, and was married to J.L. pierce on July 5 1952 in Clovis, New Mexico.

She was a rural mail carrier for 16 years, a member of the Union Church of Spearman, was on the Hansford County historical Commission, and was an EMT Ambulance Driver and a Museum Volunteer.

She is survived by her husband; two sons; L.D. Pierce of Dallas, and Tylan Pierce of Spearman.; three daughters, Jammie Pierce, Rosa Roberts of Spearman, and Karon P Hardy of Chesapeake, VA; her mother, Julia McManus of Gage Ok, one brother Harry Faus of Fountain Valley CA, and four sisters, Rosa Steele, Ruby Saltness , and Phyllis Mann of Gage Ok , and three grandchildren.

The family suggests memorials be to the Hansford Hospice or a favorite Charity.

She died in the St Anthony's Hospice and Life Enrichment Center Amarillo Texas

Casketbearers:

Monty Ferguson David Oakley

Ulysses Hardy Derek Hardy

Ray Roberts Larry McCoy

Honorary Casketbearers:

Tommy Jack Bruce Bobby Jack Pierce

Billy Miller W E Sparks

John Steele Leroy Mann

George Bushman Tracy Mann

Kim Mann Ruben Mann

David Pierce Mike Pierce

Jody Willison John Bushman

Tracy Vernon Frank Salgado

Willie Salgado

postcard from Sister Mary Euphrasia Faus (Ruth Lavinia) to my mother Juanita Faus Pierce on Oct 11 1962:

Dear Juanita Thanks for the information. With your letter in the same mail I got news of the tragic death of my brother Clarence Ray Faus who lived in Clayton NM, till 2 yrs ago when he retired and went to Albuquerque NM. After his stroke he had to have a driver and on Oct 1 his driver turned on to incoming traffic, their car collided with another sidewise, thus my brother was sensesly injured and Diec Oct 2. He was buried Oct 7. I often thought he favored your father in that Picture I have of him with his 3 brothers and His father George Weicker. George W is the very picture of my dad and the one on the lower left hand is the picture that looked so much like my youngest brother, whose son, LW Faus got the Faus-Terwilliger Data in Rapid City Iowa. Love Sister M Euphrasia. (note this postcart note is also repeated in Clarence Faus notes section)

Another (Partial) letter dated April 27 1960 Room 43 St Francis Hospital Wichita
KS

Dear Juanita Many thanks for you letter and the address also, and for Dr Neil's Letter. I made a few write in's as it was Charles Faus, my 1st cousin once removed who was shot by a burglar in hi home in Salt Lake City. He had one son, Norbert and one daughter Betty. Our cousin is trying to get Charles Faus's wifes address Her name was Bessie Taft Faus, whether she ever married again is not known. Cousin Cordelia Pullen Kendall is working on the Faus Vandercook genealogies and sending what she gets to Delbert. Will dekbert make his book up of all the Fauses?? I surely enjoyed Neils letter, and wrote to him sending a stamped envelope asking him to let Delbert know bout the family crest and Coat of Arms. Also rambled off a lot about the Oliver Faus....(.no other pages found here)

More About Juanita Lois Faus:

Fact 1: August 01, 1995, interred Hansford Cemetery

Notes for James Lorenzo Pierce:
J.L. and Juanita (Faus) Pierce

JL Pierce son of L.D. Pierce and Jimmie Scott Pierce was born in Spearman in 1925. He is a 1942 graduate of Spearman High. He spent most of his younger years working with his father on water wells and windmills. After High School he spent time in Holly, Colorado running a Pool Hall. J.L.'s mother died when he was 20, so he helped his dad raise his only sister Peggy (Ferguson).

During WW II, J.L. tried several times to join the service but was rejected because of a childhood accident that blinded him in one eye. So he was left home to take care of the girls and he did a good job. J.L. has one brother Bobby Jack Pierce of Amarillo TX, and one sister Peggy

Ferguson, of Sun City AZ.

I, Juanita, the daughter of Rube and Julia Faus was born in Spearman in 1933. I was raised in the back of Rube's Boot Shop. My dad, Rube Faus, has run Rube's Boot Shop for 47 years. For several years his family lived in the back of the "shop". One year was well remembered: it was spent in the Old Spearman Hotel. Mama (Julia Hibbs Faus) leased the hotel for one year. It was very cold and dark. We "kids" had to be quiet all the time.

I was very glad to move back home to the back of the boot shop. Daddy moved us to Amarillo in 1942. So most of my growing up years were spent in Amarillo Schools. We moved back home in 1948. No house could be found for us, so my folks bought a laundry with living quarters in one side and the laundry on the other side. I helped my mother in the Faus Laundry, until I married and left home. I have four sisters: Rosa

Steele, Vernonia Oregon (retired to Gage Ok, deceased 1996), Ruby Saltness, Lubbock TX, Bertha Willison and Phyllis Mann both of Gage, OK. I have one brother Harry Faus, of Fountain Valley, CA.

J L and I married in 1952. We spent the first two years farming and Colorado, close to Ignacio. We made \$45 over our room and board, so we haven't tried farming again. For the next couple of years, J L worked for Baker and Taylor Drilling Co. We traveled with the rig, which went to Springfield, CO, and Boise City, OK. We returned home and J L went to work for his dad LD Pierce and Pierce Water Well Service. We settled down raising a family: 3 Girls, Karon Hardy of Chesapeake VA, Jammie Pierce of Amarillo, TX, Rosa Roberts, of Chesapeake, VA; two sons: Lynn (LD) Pierce of Dallas TX, and Tylan Pierce of Spearman. We also helped raise two other boys: John Riley, and my nephew, Mike Pierce- (my sister Rosie's son).Mike lives in Gage OK and we last heard John Riley was living in the Victoria TX or Houston TX area.

J L bought the Pierce Water Well Service from his dad in 1963. His dad's health got so bad he came to live with us in 1962. We lost him to death in 1971. We all loved him very much.

J L loves hunting, fishing, and riding the dune buggy at Wyonka Park in Oklahoma (the buggy was sold in the late 1970's) and he also loves going to the mountains of Colorado and New Mexico.

I enjoy fishing and the mountains. I am a Hanford County historical Commissioner, and a volunteer ambulance driver, both which I enjoy doing very much. She also carried the US Mail for 12 years running the mail route from Spearman to Gruver and Morse, then Stinnett and Back to Spearman. She loved the prairies of our county and always talked about the birds, flowers, snow, and all things beautiful. She discovered some rare "White" bluebonnets, and the State of Texas and Texas Highways

Magazine came to collect specimens

We have four grand children: Shameka and Derek Hardy of Chesapeake VA, and Jessie and Austin Roberts, born in Spearman, and now living with Rosa their mother in Chesapeake, VA.

Editors Note from son LD Pierce: My mother Juanita Pierce died of cancer in 1995 and Jesse her granddaughter was the light of her life during her long one year decline into death from bone cancer. It was very painful and Jessie brought much joy and love into my dying mother's life. She was diagnosed of cancer as terminal in 1990, but she was a survivor, and took five years of chemotherapy to live.

She lived to see Jessie born and knew that she had another grandson on the way. She was a tough lady, and died with grace and no pain thanks to the help of the Hansford Hospice, and the St. Anthony's Hospice in Amarillo TX. I especially want to thank Erin Bergin of Hansford Hospice

for all her help and comfort during the passing of my mother.

By Juanita Pierce from Hansford County History Vol. 1 page 233 with additions and updates by son LD Pierce Dallas TX 1998

Children of Juanita Faus and James Pierce are:

16 i. Lynn Diaz⁷ Pierce, born February 26, 1954.

Notes for Lynn Diaz Pierce:

L.D. Pierce I I I

I , LD Pierce I I I (Lynn Diaz) am third generation of the pioneer settlers named Pierce who moved to Hansford County from Johnson County Tx.

My father JL Pierce, carries on the pioneer tradition of "Windmilling", taught to him by my grandfather Ld Pierce, and Ed Wilbanks, his

cousin..... My dad, JL is one of the very few practicing "Windmill Men" left. His services provide area ranchers with virtually "free energy" water, thanks to the plentiful panhandle wind.

I am very proud to have learned this lost art from childhood, and also I have personally helped my father and grandfather erect hundreds of these steel and wood towers all over the vast waterless plains; I have had to fight the strong winds while working on windmill motors many times.

My father lost his right index finger while working on a well when I was a child. When I was 11 or 12 we were working on one of HB Parks wells, near Morse, and I jumped from the 1st cross of a wooden tower right onto a large piece of wood with a railroad spike sticking up through it. It went all the way through the middle of my right foot. I never feel off a

tower, but came close several times; my dad's cousin Harver Clark did fall from a tower---right into a stock tank below that was full of mud and he was unhurt. This happened at Bernice Browns farm east of town. Boy did Harbert stink of stock tank mud on the way back to town. We made him ride in the back of the truck!

At age six, I began helping my grandpa LD, and my daddy work on windmills during the summer and on weekends. I was paid \$50 per well., I finally got a raise to a dollar a job by age ten. I loved the prairie and the countyside especially in the springtime. I enjoyed working on the many wells at Turkey Track Ranch, and the 47 windmills at Red Camp by Pampa. We worked on Vera Wroten's two section ranch and wild life refuge, keeping her wells up. I really enjoyed going there: for years she had

dug cactus from her pasture and would show me the back of her pick-up or car and it was filled with cactus and she kept a couple of quart jars she had filled with rattlers from the hundreds Rattlesnakes she had killed on her two sections. She always had "Swimming Pool" clean stock tanks and there was no cactus on her property. She was an " Original" free spirit.

Grandpa Ld, was one of eight children: Allen, Susie, Clem, Felix Diaz, George, Visa.

LD Pierce, Sr. was called "Peg Leg Pierce or Peggy" and he accidentally lost his leg while horseback riding at night in Johnson County on the way to play his fiddle at a dance; he began racing a train and collided with it. I finally sought out and found the old Pierce ranch on Goatneck on the Brazos in 1996, and there they men still living in Goatneck still

tell tales of LD Pierce Sr. One told me that day was when the men used to steal other persons fishes off the line--they would swim across to the other side of the Brazos--they would always carry a big stick--so that if they were caught they could stick the big piece of wood out of the water,

and the people would blame the theft on who else---but LD Pierce. I finally heard of Dee Peterson (one of the oldest Living Pioneers in Johnson County) who lived on the land adjoining the Pierce ranch but by the time I could call him to have him tell me more about LD and Rhoda Pierce he was dying. He knew Rhoda and Peg Leg and had grown up with them all his life till they moved to Hansford County.

I was born in 1954 and have one brother Tylan, and three sisters; Karon, Jammie, and Rosa. I graduated Spearman High in 1972 and was very active

in speech and debate all through high school under the leadership of June Heidelberg Porter. I was elected most studious of my class and also was Editor of the 1972 LYNX yearbook my senior year, under the direction of DeWayne Mitchell.

I attended Texas Tech University getting a BSBA in Business in the Fall of 1977. I served on the Business Administration Student Council from its inception until 1976. After my graduation with a degree in marketing I was a sales rep for J & G Waste Systems of Lubbock selling Dempsty dumpsters. They moved me to Dallas Tx in the fall of 1979 to start a new company. Joan Giannattasio the owners daughter is still one of my very good friends to this day and they own Anchor Waste in Houston Tx. I have been self employed owning SOS Products in Dallas Tx selling security

products to businesses, especially the eztone entry alert security door chimes. I became interested in genealogy and the internet in 1994, and have spent the three years since my mothers death researching Pierce, Faus, Hibbs, Wilbanks, Scott family histories.

by LD Pierce from Hansford County History Vol 1 page 233 updated and re-edited by myself August 1998

Article from Spearman Reporter when LD was junior At Texas Tech University

Pierce Named Tech Officer

LD Pierce, junior marketing major at Texas Tech University, recently received word from the

President of the Business Administration Student Council that he has been appointed to the post of Chairman of the Public Relations Committee. The Business Administration Student Council was created in 1971 by Dean Jack Steele of the College of Business Administration at the university. Its purpose is to improve communications and relations between students and the faculty at Tech's College of Business. The Council also administers college wide faculty evaluations to all of Tech's Business Professors. These evaluations are used in determining teacher promotions, salary, and must be submitted if the Professor is being considered for tenure. LD has been a member of the Council for 3 years, and he also chaired the faculty interview committee. He is also a

member of Alpha Kappa Psi, professional business fraternity. LD, son of Mr and Mrs JL

Pierce was named to the Dean's Honor list for the spring semester with a 3.0 average on a 4.0 scale.

- 17 ii. Karon Francis Pierce, born July 05, 1955. She married Quint Hardy.

Notes for Karon Francis Pierce:

Pierce-Hardy

Born July 7 1955, Karon Pierce is nothing special but it's interesting to note my mother Juanita Pierce was born 1933, my sister Rosa, was born 1966, and my daughter was born 1977. My son Derek was born March 16 1979, the same day as my grandpa, L.D. Pierce, who was born 1895.

I was born in Hansford Hospital, reared and educated in Spearman. Prior to graduating in 1973 I worked for Dr D.E. Hackley, D.O., as a student employee, through the Spearman Schools.

After working in Oklahoma and Arlington, I joined the U.S. Army. I Graduated from Basic Training April 1975 as an honor trainee of my platoon. I was ordered to Frankfurt, Germany, after advanced individual training. While in Germany I was promoted to Radio Teletype Teach Chief and Rank of Sergeant.

I met my husband, Ulysses Quincy Hardy, while stationed in Germany. We married in East Point, GA, when he returned from Europe. I was stationed in Atlanta, GA at the time. my daughter Shameka, was born in East Point

GA.

Quint, is the son of Albert Louise (Harris) Hardy. He attended Durham junior College, in Durham, North Carolina, before joining the service. He has one sister Jocelyn Hardy Stephens, a teacher in the Norfolk School VA

School System. She is married to Harry Stephens. We are both students at

Tidewater Community College, in Chesapeake, VA. My son, Derek Quincy, was born in Norfolk, VA.

I am very proud of my heritage. People are in awe when I tell of my Great-grandpa coming to Texas in a covered wagon, my grandpa, LD, and My

dad , JL Pierce, the windmill men, and my grandpa Rube Faus, the

bootmaker. The biggest adjustment moving East is the abundance of water and the lack of windmills.

By Karon Pierce Hardy from: Hansford County History Vol. 1 page 234 (1980)

18 iii. Jammie Francis Pierce, born 1957.

19 iv. James Tylan Pierce, born 1960.

20 v. Rosa Joyce Pierce. She married Ray Roberts.

5. Bertha Ileen⁶ Faus (Reuben Roland Paul⁵, George Weicker⁴, William Delong³, Henry (II)², Henry I¹) was born November 05, 1935 in Spearman Tx Hansford County. She married **Ralph Henri Willison** April 1961 in Tijuana Mexico.

Children of Bertha Faus and Ralph Willison are:

- 21 i. Susan Diane⁷ Willison, born September 01, 1961 in Los Angeles California. She married (1) Robert Dearing. She married (2) Jay Meierstein 1993 in Las Vegas NV.
- 22 ii. John Patrick Kelly Willison, born February 06, 1964 in Los Angeles.
- 23 iii. Jody Lee Cooper Willison, born August 18, 1965 in Los Angeles. He married Teresa Baird August 28, 1984 in Shattuck Oklahoma.

6. Ruby Joyce⁶ Faus (Reuben Roland Paul⁵, George Weicker⁴, William Delong³, Henry (II)², Henry I¹) was born May 05, 1938 in Spearman Tx Hansford County. She married **(1) Thomas Oakley**. She married **(2) Allan Williams** 1955 in Clayton NM, son of ??? Williams and Ann Debeaux.

Notes for Ruby Joyce Faus:
Ruby Faus Saltness

My Parents, Ruben Paul Faus, and Julia Rose Hibbs, were born at Range, Beaver County Oklahoma: March 15 1904, and September 20, 1911, respectively.

Daddy, Youngest son of George Faus and Sarah Davis Faus, his mother died when he was one year old and he was raised by his sisters, Effie (Cox) and Ella (Buschman). He worked at the Hansford Headlight setting type as a youth and went to Old Hansford School. Mamma, oldest child of Robert and Lura Luke Hibbs, attended New Hope and Waka Schools. They were married February 28, 1930 and six children were born to this union; Rosa 1930, Harry 1932, Jaunita 1933, Bertha 1935, Ruby 1937 and Phyllis 1944. I , Ruby Joyce, was born at the old Dennis place in Spearman. We moved to Amarillo in 1941 and I attended the first four years of school at McKinnley and Pleasant Valley. We moved back to Spearman in 1948. I left school, before graduating, for marriage and did not return until 1966 when I had the opportunity to attend secretarial school in Woodland Hills, Ca., and, receive a high school diploma at that time. I worked as Sr. Clerk-Typist for L.A. County and UCLA. My children and I moved to California

in 1965, we lived in Canoga Park for nine years and moved to Oregon in 1974 where I attended Pacific University for one semester. I am presently enrolled at PSU at Goodwell, Oklahoma and looking forward to a degree next year in Business Administration. My children are; Jo San (Williams) Metz, born September 14, 1954 at Perryton, Texas, graduated from Canoga Park High School in 1973 and is now a dental assistant. She and George Metz have one child "Little" Georgie, born January 18, 1975. Julie Anne Williams, born October 19, 1955 in Hobbs, N.M., graduated CPHS in 1974. She has two daughters, Jessica Jewlyn Williams born September 1, 1975 in Port-land, OR. and Paul Rea Williams born July 31, 1979 in Sayre, Okla. Dixie Lynn (Williams) Burch born September 30, 1959 at Odessa, Texas, graduated from Spearman High School in 1978. She and James have one daughter, Rachel Irene, born October 30, 1979 in Spearman. David Malcom Oakley, born June 21, 1962 in Perryton, is a junior in high school and works at Excel Chevrolet. Jaunita Sue Oakley, born December 5, 1964 in Canadian, is a freshman in high school and is living with her sister Julie in Sayre, Oklahoma. We moved to Spearman in

September of 1977. I have worked at the Stationmaster's House Museum since that time as director and part-time at Martin's Steak Garden. We are members of the Baptist Church.

By Ruby Faus Saltness from: History of Hansford County Vol 1 page 253

Letter to the Editor of the Amarillo Daily News

I read with interest your article (July 5 1978) on attempting to make the Panhandle a separate state. I also 'had 'read the letter from Mrs. Carol Ennis of Friona on Sunday. . These thoughts and reasoning should have justified the airing and thought of the general public no matter how unsympathetic they may be at the present time. Although the pros and cons are many and varied it is a very good concept. For instance we could name our new state Llano Estacado (the great high plains). Our border could be the Caprock Escarpment, the natural border separating the high Plains from the rolling plains of central Texas.

This is an outstanding natural borderline. Plainview or Pampa would be a good state capitol excluding Amarillo or Lubbock because they fight enough: already and either, being a capitol, would make the other jealous and the above mentioned are pretty neutral towns. I agree that we aren't adequately represented in Austin or Washington, D.C. but our towns in the Panhandle are so far apart and separated and we would still be a large state so it is reasonable to assume that with the expense of building a state capitol building and other offices that we would need, we still would not be taken care of much better than in Austin. At 'least for a long ' time; it would take years to get organized into an efficient state, we dreamers can just dream on!

Ruby Saltness Spearman TX

Children of Ruby Faus and Thomas Oakley are:

- 24 i. David Malcolm⁷ Oakley, born June 21, 1962. He married Kelly Bynum 1982 in Spearman Tx Hansford County.

Notes for David Malcolm Oakley:

DAVID OAKLEY STORY

Born in 1962 in Perryton, David Oakley and his family moved when he was 3 years old to California and to Vernonia, Oregon in 1974. They were back in Texas by the time David was in high school; he graduated from Palo Duro High School in Amarillo. Upon completion of high school, David went to work in the oil fields of Oklahoma. His mother, Ruby Saltnes, daughter of the late Rube Faus of Spearman. was raised in Spearman and Amarillo. She was, for a couple

of years, the curator for the Stationmaster's House Museum in Spearman. His grandfather Rube Faus opened a boot shop in Spearman in 1933 and for 48 years ran a shoe repair and boot making shop, 43 of those years in Spearman. His grandmother, Julia McManus lives in Amarillo. David has 4 sisters, Jo San Metz, Julie Pierce, Dixie Burch and Susie Oakley.

Kellianne Bynum was born in Pampa in 1960, daughter of Joe and Nita Bynum. She graduated from Spearman High School in 1981. Following her graduation, Kelly had the adventure of going on "wheat harvest" tour with the Melvin Swenn family. She traveled from here to Canada, and loved every

minute of the tour.

On January 16, 1982, Kellianne Bynum and David Oakley were married in Spearman.

They moved to Sayre, Oklahoma where David was employed in the oil field.

They attend the First Christian Church in Sayre. by David and Kellianne Oakley.

By David and Kellianne Oakley

from Hansford County History Vol II page 191 1983

25 ii. Juanita Sue Oakley, born December 05, 1964.

Children of Ruby Faus and Allan Williams are:

26 i. Dixie⁷ Williams, born September 30, 1959. She married James Burch November 21, 1979 in Spearman Tx Union church.

- 27 ii. Jo San Williams, born September 14, 1954 in Perryton Tx. She married Gary Carpenter.
- 28 iii. Julia Ann Williams, born October 19, 1956 in odessa Tx born Nov 1955???. She married (1) ??? Williams. She married (2) James Michael Pierce.
- 29 iv. Juanita Susan Williams, born December 05, 1964. She married Bill Hlouch.

7. Phyllis Inez⁶ Faus (Reuben Roland Paul⁵, George Weicker⁴, William Delong³, Henry (I I)², Henry I¹) was born July 05, 1944 in Amarillo tx nw tx hsop. She married **Leroy Mann** May 04, 1959 in Shattuck Oklahoma, son of Albert mann and Caroline Maynor.

Notes for Phyllis Inez Faus:
1951 Amarillo Daily News

Spearman Tots Escape Drowning

Spearman, June 20, 1951 (Special)

Phyllis Faus, 7 yrs old and Mary Lena Jones, 9, had a near escape from drowning Sunday afternoon when they stepped into a deep hole while wading in Palo Duro Creek. Phyllis the the daughter of Mr and Mrs Rube Faus, Mary Lena, is the daughter of Mr and Mrs Guy Jones. The two families , together with the WH Black Family were on a picnic at the old "Near to Nature Park" and Mrs Black had been watching the children wade in the creek. In the Short time it took her to walk up to the bank where the adults in the party were sitting the little girls almost lost their lives. Jerry Black, 10, cousin of Mary Lena, shouted the alarm after he remembered the little girls could not swim, and decided they weren't showing off. Franklin Baer, Dumas, and Steve Oates, Pampa, dived into the creek and were bring the children to shore when their parents arrived at the scene. The men, who had just completed a course in first ait, were assisted by Mrs. Oates, a

registered nurse, in administering artificial respiration. They continued to work with the children almost an hour before Mrs. Oates thought it safe to move them. Rube Faus, took the little girls to the Hansford County Hospital at Spearman where oxygen was administered to complete the first aid treatment. The attending physician said there was no doubt that correct application of artificial respiration had saved the children's lives.

Children of Phyllis Faus and Leroy Mann are:

- 30 i. Tracy⁷ Mann, born March 19, 1961 in Shattuck Oklahoma. He married Virginia Lindsey March 09, 1984 in Lipscombe Tx.
- 31 ii. Kem Mann, born November 28, 1959 in Shattuck Oklahoma. He married Dani Lee Guy 1987 in xx.
- 32 iii. Ruben Mann, born August 18, 1965 in Shattuck Oklahoma. He married Denise Sapp April 05, 1991 in Hugoton Ks.
- 33 iv. Lesta Lea Mann, born November 18, 1977 in Shattuck Oklahoma. She married Gavin Layton Stevens August 30, 1997 in Shattuck Oklahoma.

