

MESSAGE TEXT Folder: INBOX Message 1,032 of 1,033 63% NEW

X2837/1

Date: Mon, 11 Jan 1999 12:12:06 -0600

From: dswinney <dswinney@nwol.net>

To: whitlock@valleynet.bc.ca

Subject: Whitlock geneology

[The following text is in the "ISO-8859-1" character set]

[Your display is set for the "US-ASCII" character set]

[Some characters may be displayed incorrectly]

Peter:

I have a dilemma, you may have gotten an e-mail from Chuck Rockett to that end, but if you didn't, this is my problem:

My paternal grandfather was born, we think, around 1890 in the Kansas City, Missouri area. His parents and possibly a sister died after a pneumonia epidemic, or perhaps influenza. After their deaths, he went to live with an abusive uncle, hit the uncle over the head with a milking stool and ran away into the city. He said his age was around 7, and that he lived on his own until he joined the cavalry around 1905 or so. We do know that he lied about his age in order to enlist in the service, but he only guessed at his age, supposedly. The problem is that my grandfather did not have a reputation for always telling the truth, so we don't know how much was truth and how much was to make a good story. I have contacted the census bureau, and I've been told that the records for 1890 were lost due to fire, and I don't have any idea where else to look. His name was William Phillip Whitlock. Any help you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

Donna Whitlock Swinney

[END of message]

MESSAGE TEXT Folder: INBOX Message 372 of 377 67% NEW

X2837/2

Date: Fri, 29 Jan 1999 12:17:38 -0600

From: dswinney <dswinney@nwol.net>

To: whitlock@valleynet.bc.ca

Subject: Whitlock

[The following text is in the "ISO-8859-1" character set]

[Your display is set for the "US-ASCII" character set]

[Some characters may be displayed incorrectly]

Peter:

My grandfather's name was William Phillip Whitlock, probably born around 1890 in or around Kansas City, Missouri. His parents and possibly a sister died during an epidemic, probably influenza or pneumonia. Since he lied about his age to enter the military, I am uncertain about his actual age upon his death in 1959. The only other information I have is he went to live with an abusive uncle after he was orphaned, and ran away from the man at the age of 7 or 8. Unfortunately, my grandfather was given to telling 'tall tales' and stretching the truth a bit, so it is difficult to ascertain whether he really was that young. He told his children that he lived on the streets of the city until he entered the cavalry.

I don't know if this information will help you help me, but this is all I have. I do know that all the 1890 census records for that area were burned and there were no duplicates.

Thank you for your help,
Donna Whitlock Swinney
[END of message]

WW667/?