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INTRODUCTION

For more than 13 years, Jackson Brigade Quarterly (formerly Jackson Brigade Express Newsletter), has brought its readers stories about, and information on, families and individuals who can trace their ancestry to John and Elizabeth Cummins Jackson, pioneer settlers of what is now central West Virginia. As the Jackson Brigade’s only regular publication, the quarterly is essential in meeting the association’s primary purpose: “To research, preserve and exchange genealogical information about the family… and to strengthen family ties” (Constitution and Bylaws of the Jackson Brigade Corporation, Art. I, Sec. 1).

The first issue of Jackson Brigade Express Newsletter appeared in March 1992, introducing the Jackson Brigade and reviewing the organizational meeting/reunion which had been held the previous summer. Jacob Jay Jackson Jr. served as editor, and the basic editorial choices in format and content established in that first issue have been maintained to present day. Appearing on the masthead was a quote from “Stonewall” Jackson: “You may be whatever you resolve to be,” which has become the organization’s unofficial motto and continues to be featured prominently on each cover.

Linda Brake Meyers became editor of JBEN in November 1994. With this issue, the newsletter converted to a magazine format, and the publication’s style benefited from Linda’s skills with graphics and layout. Appearing on the cover of that issue was Robert B. Smith’s sketch of the Pringle Brothers and Pringle Tree, which continued to be used as the cover illustration through May 1998. Also under Linda’s editorship, the publication’s size in November 1997 became more-or-less established at 18 pages per issue. For each issue, Linda created a master copy which was sent to president Nancy A. Jackson in Clarksburg, West Virginia, for printing and mailing to the membership.

In May 1999, printing and distribution were moved from Clarksburg to Little Rock, Arkansas, my home at that time. While Linda continued to serve as editor, I assumed the duties of printing and distribution in order to lower costs and improve print quality. In August 2000, I became editor. By vote of the membership, the publication’s name was changed to Jackson Brigade Quarterly, beginning with the November 2001 issue. Printing and distribution moved with me to Blacksburg, Virginia in May 2001.

The idea of indexing JBEN and JBQ had been an occasional topic of discussion among the board members as early as 1995. An index to the first 10 volumes was created in 2002, with the intention that the publication would be annually indexed thereafter. That goal was not met; instead, volumes 11 through 13 were indexed together in 2005.

While indexing our little quarterly, I continue to be impressed by the amount of information we have published. I truly believe that Jackson Brigade Quarterly is an invaluable resource for anybody interested in our family’s history, and I hope that this index will help in making its contents more accessible and useful.

John M. Jackson
2006
USING THE INDEX

The following conventions are used for entries within the index:

- Entries appear in the following format: volume number(issue number): page numbers
- A range of inclusive pages is indicated by a hyphen (-) between the page numbers
- “Skips” are indicated by a comma (,) between page numbers
- References to multiple volumes within a single entry are separated by a semi-colon (;)
- A bold number indicates that an illustration of the subject appears on that page. Textual references to the subject may or not also be found on that page

These conventions may be seen in the illustration below:

Jackson, Lily Irene, 8(3): 5, 8-11, 13; 10(3): 14

In the example, references to Lily Irene Jackson are said to appear on pages 5, 8 though 11 and 13 in volume 8, number 3; and a photo appears on page 14 of volume 10, number 3.

Further considerations:

- The index assumes that users already know something about the name for which they are searching and attempts to correct misspellings or variants which appear in the original publication, consolidating them under a single standard entry (but only when it could be confidently concluded that these variations referred to a single individual). For example, references to “H. B. Marshall,” “H. Britton Marshall” and “Henry Britain Marshall” are all entered under “Marshall, Henry Britton” in the index. (It is still a good idea, however, to search under variant spellings.) This might cause some confusion, as the name appearing in the index might not actually appear on the referenced page. For example, the user finding an index entry for “Jackson, Thomas Jefferson,” upon going to the referenced page might see “T. J. Jackson,” “Tom Jackson,” or even “Uncle Jeff.” Again, I have made every effort to use the most generally accepted correct and complete form of a person’s name.
- Likewise, an attempt has been made to consolidate index entries for women under either their maiden or married names and to avoid using both, despite which version of the name appears in the actual article. It is best for the user to search under both names, however.
- In cases where more than one person has the same name, I have tried to distinguish among them by adding birth years or other data after names. Thus, there are entries for “Jackson, Henry J. (b.1813)” and “Jackson, Henry J. (b.1865),” etc. When more than one person shared a common name and I could not distinguish among them, the entries have been consolidated. So, while there are entries for a number of John Jacksons, separated by birth date, there is also a single catch-all entry for all those which could not be conclusively matched with others of that name.
- Article authors are included in the index.
- For the most part, historical figures (e.g., kings, presidents) are not indexed, except when their actions directly affected the Jackson-Cummins family.
- Names of families, schools, churches and cemeteries are indexed where noteworthy; otherwise, only individuals, not topical subjects, are indexed.
- In some of the early issues, the cover was not counted in pagination. These covers are designated as “C” in the index. An entry for 4(2): C is for the cover of volume 4, number 2.
- Likewise, at least one issue contains an unnumbered introductory page. Such pages have been given designations such as “i,” “ii,” etc.
- Of the thousands of entries contained in this index, there are doubtlessly a number that contain errors. I hope these will be brought to my attention if/when they are discovered.
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