

EVILSIZER EXCHANGE

Researching Evilsizer-Evelsizer-Evilsizor-Evensizer

Sept, 2001

MINOR EVILSIZER PENSION PAPERS RECEIVED

Heirs and wives verified since
"Evil In The Barn" published

Minor Evilsizer } Be it remembered that heretofore, to-wit: on
the 25 day of Dec
Esther J. Brandenburg } A. D. 1877, the following marriage license
was issued, to-wit:

The State of Indiana, Jay County, ss.

To all who shall see these Presents, Greeting:

KNOW YE, that any person Espresso by law to solemnize marriage is hereby authorized to join together as HUSBAND AND WIFE Minor Evilsizer and Esther J. Brandenburg and for so doing this shall be his sufficient authority.

In Witness Whereof, I, R. H. Hammond Clerk of

the Jay Circuit Court, hereunto subscribe my name and affix the Seal of said Court, at Portland, this 25 day of December A. D. 1877.

R. H. Hammond Clk. h.

Be it further remembered that afterwards, to-wit: on the 26 day of Dec 1877, the following certificate of marriage was filed in my office, to-wit:

State of Indiana, Jay County, ss.

This certifies that I joined in marriage, as HUSBAND AND WIFE, Minor Evilsizer and Esther J. Brandenburg on the 25 day of Dec 1877.
Jacob Embler, J. P.

Lesson Number One -

ALWAYS VERIFY YOUR SOURCES

I was having a difficult time with Minor Evilsizer. He was the son of Leonard Morris Evilsizer and Frances Dye. Leonard was a son of Henry and Betsy Idle. ALL of the marriage records found on the internet from Jay Co, Indiana say he married Esther Jane Brandenburg in Jay Co, IN on Dec 25, 1899. This posed a real problem, as Minor died in 1892. This left the 2 possibilities... #1 the date was in error or # 2 he had a namesake Minor. As I was unable to find Minor in any census other than 1880 to verify his children, I assumed he must have had a son.. After receiving his pension papers, we find his marriage occurred in 1879, which now puts all the pieces of this puzzle together.

Minor served in the 89th regiment, 9th Indiana Battery, Company E. He married four times. His first wife, Mary Elizabeth Manson he married in August of 1862 and she died four months later before she could bear him any children. She is buried in Center Cemetery in Jay County. In Feb 1867 he married Mary Abigail Zigler. Nine months later she bore him a son William Lewis Evilsizer who died in 1889 and is buried in Center Cemetery with his mother who died in Jan of 1870. In 1873 he married Mary Jane Rider by which he had two children. Addie married Joseph Wright and child A F died in 1892. We don't know what happened to Mary Jane, as her burial has not been located, but Minor again remarried to Esther Jane Barber in 1879. Esther was the daughter of George and Susannah Barber and the widow of John Brandenburg. Esther bore him five children, Albert, Thomas, Susie, Harry Edgar and a son who died age 9 months. Esther died in December of 1890. (A personal note: all of his wives died the last week of December.) When she died, he sent his children to the Indiana Orphans Home. It is not known of what happened to anyone other than Harry Edgar. Harry was released from the Orphan's Home in 1905, married a Miss Knapp and moved to San Mateo Ca, where he died in 1954. He

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LDS releases 1880 Census on CD-ROM... 50
CD Set, 50 MILLION people

Minor Evilsizer, Cont..... had a son Edgar M who died in 1965. We don't know if Edgar had any descendants. Minor died two years after his wife on DECEMBER 17, 1892 in Wayne Co, EastHaven, IN and was buried in the Mississippi River National Cemetery in Memphis, TN.

The pension papers of Minor name his heirs, Addie Wright, Albert C, Grover C T A H (Thomas A H), Francis S (Susie) and Harry E. He claim was of bunions on his feet and chronic diarrhria . Copies of these documents will be included with Ver 2.0 of the CD-Rom .

This story only goes to show..... you need to verify documents in your research. You cannot always depend on the dates you find transcribed in the court records to be 100% accurate.

CLARK CO, SPRINGFIELD DIRECTORIES

Williams Springfield City Directory 1925 Walsh Bldg, S.E.C. 3rd and Vine, Cincinnati, Ohio

Evilsizer, Alta Z (wid Simeon A) rooming house 222 1/2 W. Main
 Evilsizer, Arthur V plumber h 1379 Columbus Av (Sarah C)
 Evilsizer Chris H. foreman h 122 N. Western Av (Lola L)
 Evilsizer Christine assembler h 1201 W. Pleasant
 Evilsizer Elmer R engineer h rear 479 Clifton (Tillie)
 Evilsizer, H. V. Sanitary Plumbing; water softeners; Pumps for every purpose; farm water systems; Auto Oiled Windmills; Special Attention to repair Work, 228 W. Main. Phone Main 754. Residence 101 S. Race. (Hazel V)
 Evilsizer Harold salesman 217 W. Main. h 1201 W. Pleasant
 Evilsizer Harold R testser h 1014 W. Columbia (Bertha)
 Evilsizer Henry A laborer h 1201 W. Pleasant (Louisa M)
 Evilsizer Herbert E machinist h 116 snyder (Bessie M)
 Evilsizer Homer H. Bricklayer h 1012 W. Columbia (Harriet C)
 Evilsizer John E drill hand h 333 Fleming (Elnora A)
 Evilsizer Joseph helper h 333 Fleming
 Evilsizer Walter R plumber h 923 W Columbia (Hettie E)

William's Springfield (Clark County, Ohio) City Directory 1941 705 Reakirt Bldg., Cincinnati, Ohio: The Williams Directory Co.,

Evilsizer, Clark W machinist Bauer Bros Co r Tremont City
 Donna L stenographer r 205 Lohnes Av
 Grover R janitor Springfield Baking Co r RD 1 Mechanicsburg
 Harold laborer Internation Harvester r 335 1/2 W. Main Apt 7
 Harold R (Bertha B) plumber h 915 W. Mulberry
 Henry A h 335 1/2 W. Main Apt 7
 Herbert E (Bessie M) assembler Internation Harvester Co h 205 Lohnes
 Homer H. (Harriett C) Building contractor we S. Center h 312 W Harding Rd
 Horace V (Hazel V) warehouseman Am Radiator and Standard Sanitary Corp. h 101 1/2 S. Race
 Jack A branch manager SNInc r 101 1/2 S. Race
 John E drill operator R&M Inc r RD4 Urbana
 Lemuel r 19 N. Spring
 Lydia (wid John E) h 1034 Broadway
 Marilene L stenographer Oliver F E Co. r 915 W Mulberry
 Norman Deputy Sheriff's Office r RD 4
 Robert F (Mable W) barber 917 S. Lowry Av h 304 W Euclid Av
 Virgil E (Savannah R) assembler International Harvester Co h 153 Maple

1950- 1951-1952 Clark County Farm and Business Directory

Lehmann Building Bowling Green Ohio

Evilsizer, Clark W (Almira) Main St. Tremont City Ohio (owner) Welfare worker, State of Ohio. Dora Seitz in household
 Evilsizer, Cliff (Cleo) Main St. Tremont City Ohio. (owner) Section hand
 Eire RR

Evilsizer, John E (Evamae), Mulberry St. Tremont City, Ohio (tenant) Machinist, Steel Products Eng. Co. Darlene 10, Barbara 8, Carol 5, Sue 3, Gary 1
 Evilsizer, S.W. (Clara) Clark St. North Hampton, Ohio - listed in the household of J. M. Barger.
 Evilsizer, Arthur V (Sarah) RFD # 3 Springfield, Ohio, Derr Rd owned 7 acres. Watchman, International Harvester Co. Betty 17, Roger Payne 7
 Evilsizer, Clem, RFD #4 Springfield, Ohio Possum East Rd tenant Laborer, Good & Reese Inc.
 Evilsizer, Harry R (Pauline) RFD # 3 New Carlisle, Ohio New Carlisle Pike, Owner Employee, Wright Patterson Field, Larry 3, Ronald 1
 Evilsizer, Ivan M (Dorothy) RFD # 3 Springfield Ohio
 Moorefield-Catawba Rd Tenant. Press Helper International Harvester Co
 Evilsizer, Mable, RFD # 3 Springfield, Ohio River Road. Owns 1 acre
 Evilsizer, Norman E (Mary) RFD # 4 Springfield, Ohio Petre Rd. Tenant Traffic Mgr. Mitchell Engineering Co, Gail 9, Gary 7, Judy 6
 Evilsizer, Roland (margaret) RFD # 2 South Charleston, Ohio, Battin Howell Twp, Rd Owner. Farm Laborer, Frank Braun.

NEW LEAVES TO OUR TREE



Katherine Renee Laurent

DOB 5/31/2001
 WT 11b 14 oz
 POB Milwaukee, Wisconsin
 Parents- John "Jack" Laurent and Wendy (Thornton) Laurent
 GP- Kenneth & Wilma (Evelsizer) Thornton
 GGP- Carl and Mary (Hexamer) Evelsizer
 GGGP- Henry and Miranda (Saylor) Evelsizer

Hagen William Rushing

DOB 11-7-2000
 POB- Rogers, AR
 Parents-Erin and Shelli (Barr) Rushing
 GP- Michael and DeeAnn (Evilsizer) Barr
 GGP- Charles and Minnie (Smith) Evilsizer
 GGP- Clarence and Ora Belle (Martin) Evilsizer

JACOB Michael Evelsizer

DOB-July 8, 2001, 2:31 A M, Akron, OH-8lb13oz
 Parents Matthew Evelsizer and Kalisa Semelsberger
 GP-Michael (dec'd) and Rosemary (Keefer) Evelsizer
 GGP-John Emerson and Pauline (Daily) Evelsizer
 Descendants John Evilsizer and Mary Peters



MEN IN THE MILITARY

The Ralph in the documents herein say he was 24 years and 7 months in Sept of 1923 making him born February of 1899. He lied about his age to the military, which was common. The Indiana newspaper said he was age 18 at the time of his arrest. Census records verify his age. Ralph is the son of Jesse Orville and Loretta Mae (Scott) Evilsizer. Jesse was the son of Joseph and Hannah (Zerkle) Evilsizer from Champaign Co, OH. Jesse moved to Indiana and changed the spelling from OR back to ER.

Hartford City News-Thursday, August 23, 1923
Youth Arrested in Desertion

Ralph Evilsizer, 18, son of Mr and Mrs Jesse Evilsizer was arrested Wednesday afternoon about 4:30 P.M. by Marshall J B Orndorff on charges of being a deserter from the United States Army. Information that young Evilsizer was a deserter was received by the officer at 4 P.M. in a telegram from Ft Sill Oklahoma. A half hour later he was found working for B Hayden and taken into custody. He was taken to Ft Benjamin Harrison Thursday and turned over to military authorities. Young Evilsizer was a private in battery D, 1st FA and enlisted October 19, 1922, deserting his post on May 4, 1923. He arrived in this city last Sunday. He told officer Orndorff that he had been since May making his way back to Hartford City.

Oct 22, 1923 Military Justice CM No 158038
Memorandum for the Adjutant General

1 The record of trial in the case of Ralph Evilsizer, formerly Private, Battery D, First Field Artillery, shows that he was convicted of desertion, and sentenced to dishonorable discharge, suspended, total forfeitures, and confinement for one year at the U S Disciplinary Barracks, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, effective September 21, 1923.

The evidence of record discloses that Evilsizer went absent without leave from his organization at Ft Sill, Oklahoma, on May 4, 1923, and remained absent without authority until he was confined at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, on August 23, 1923.

Evilsizer declined to testify or make any statement, and no evidence was introduced in his behalf. Evidence of two previous convictions, was by summary court-martial for misappropriating one pair of shoes and the other by special court-martial for absence without leave, was submitted. The charge sheet shows that Evilsizer enlisted October 19, 1922, at the age of 23 years and eight months, with no prior service.

2. The record of trial discloses no mitigating circumstances or grounds for clemency not summarized above.

For the Judge Advocate General

J H Stansfield

Major, Judge Advocate

Chief of Clemency Section

Headquarters Fifth Corps Area, Ft Haynes, Columbus, Ohio,
October 8, 1923
General Court Martial Order No 115

Before a general court-martial which convened at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, pursuant to paragraph 3, Special Orders No 212, September 11, 1923. Headquarters Fifth Corps Area, was arraigned and tried:

Private Ralph Evilsizer, 6633191, Battery D, 1st field Artillery

CHARGE: Violation of the 58th Article of War
Specification: In that Private Ralph Evilsizer, Battery D, First Field Artillery, did at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, on or about the 4 day of May, 1923, desert the service of the United States, and did remain absent in desertion until he was apprehended at Hartford City, Indiana, on or about the 22nd day of August, 1923.

PLEAS: To the specification and charge: "Not Guilty"

FINDINGS: Of the specification and charge: "Guilty"

SENTENCE: To be dishonorably discharged the service of the United States, to forfeit all pay and allowances due or to become due, and to be confined at hard labor, at such place as the reviewing authority may direct, for a period of one year.

The sentence was adjudged on September 21, 1923

The sentence is approved and will be duly executed, but the execution of that portion thereof adjudging dishonorable discharge appended until the soldier's release from confinement. The United States Disciplinary Barracks, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, is designated as the place of confinement but pending further orders this soldier will be held at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana. (J A 201)

CM NO 158038-Memorandum for File, October 20, 1923

The competent evidence of record in this case shows that this accused went absent without leave from his organization on May 4, 1923, at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, and was returned to military control at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana, on August 23, 1923. The deposition of J B Orendorff, Hartford City, Indiana, police officer, in the town in which accused was alleged to have been apprehended, not sworn to before a person competent to administer oath (Exhibit B) was introduced. There is no evidence of apprehension, as alleged, assuming therefore, that the accused surrendered, the sentence adjudged in this case is not excessive in that the absence of this accused for a period more than 60 days, terminated by surrender, is punishable by dishonorable discharge, total forfeitures, and confinement at hard labor for one year.

W J Bacon, Capt. JA

CHARGE SHEET

Fort Sill Oklahoma, August 28, 1923

Evilsizer, Ralph, 6633191, Pvt, Battery D, 1st F A

Date of current enlistment: October 19, 1922

Age at enlistment, 23 years, 8 months

Term of current enlistment: Three years

Rate of Pay: \$30.00 per month

Allotments to dependents: None

Government Insurance Deduction: None

Prior Service: None

Ralph Evilsizer, Cont.....

Hartford City News, Saturday, Dec 30, 1967
 Funeral services for Ralph Evilsizer, 63, 53 W Broadway, Shelbyville, who died at the William S Major Hospital in Shelbyville Saturday morning, will be held at the Keplinger Funeral Home Tuesday at 2 P.M. Mr Evilsizer moved from Hartford City to Shelbyville three years ago. While he lived in Hartford City, he was employed at the St Joe paper Company. He was born in Blackford County to Jesse and Loretta Evilsizer on Feb 7, 1904. Officiating at the funeral service will be the Rev Robert Neel and burial will be in IOOF Cemetery. Friends may call at the Keplinger funeral home after 2 P.M. Monday to pay their respects. Surviving Mr Evilsizer are two daughters, Mrs Ronald (Patricia) Glesner, Shelbyville; and Mrs Francis Murray, city; one son, Ralph Jr, Muncie; one sister, Mrs Cecil (Della) Kirkwood, city; one half brother, Kenneth Scott, Upland, six grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.



**OVER 200 YEARS OF
 OBITUARIES**

New descendant of Squire Evilsizer
 found recently

Springfield (O.) Daily News on Monday, May 27, 1968
 Page 8. Mrs. Nora ODELL BRINSLEY, 82, of 833 N. Fountain av., a lifelong Springfield resident, died at 8 a.m. Sunday in Community Hospital following six days of illness. Mrs. BRINSLEY was the last charter member of Fourth Lutheran Church. Born May 24, 1886, she was the daughter of John and Idabell BISSETT FLARIDA. Survivors include two sons, John ODELL of Springfield and Philip ODELL of Grove City; three grandchildren, James and Kathy ODELL, both of Springfield, and Fred ODELL of Grove City; one step-daughter, Mrs. James MCMULTY of Springfield, and three step-sons, Chester BRINSLEY of Pittsburgh, Pa., and William and Frank BRINSLEY, both of Springfield. Funeral services will be conducted at 3 p.m. Tuesday in the Richards Memorial Home by the Rev. Robert Paul Hetico, pastor of Fourth Lutheran Church. Burial will be in Ferncliff Cemetery.

Ida Belle Bissett was a daughter of Jeremiah Bissett and Rebecca Evilsizer. Rebecca was a d/o Squire and Christina Comer Evilsizer. Rebecca married Joseph Jeremiah Bissett jan 16, 1862 in Miami Co, Oh. Sometime between 1864-1865 she married Joshua B Zerkle. They were found in the 1870 Champaign County, OH Census. Her children, Joseph and Ida Belle Bissett were living with them.

March, 1921, Newspaper unknown, somewhere in Lincoln Co, Colorado
 Killed By UP Train At Boyero
 Railroad Tragedy Snuffed Life of J H Evilsizer, Prominent Lincoln County Rancher-Shock To The Community.

John Harrison Evilsizer, a prominent stockman, who resided in the Rush Creek Community, was killed last Saturday morning at the Boyero Crossing by Union Pacific..... Mr Evilsizer was making a trip to Boyero in his car and while crossing the railroad was struck by the train and sustained fatal injuries. On account of the view of the approaching train being obstructed by box cars at the stockyards to the east of the crossing, Mr Evilsizer, not noticing the passenger, drove up on to the tracks. Eyewitnesses to the terrible tragedy were Alfred Fryer and Jim Sweeney, The train was traveling at a rate of 45 miles an hour and it is presumed that Mr Evilsizer, seeing the approaching train and fearing that he would not make it across started to get out of the car when the crash came. The machine was smashed to winding and scattered along the road for several hundred feet. Mr Evilsizer was catapulted from the machine and hurled about fifteen feet in the air and thrown about 100 feet to the right of way close to the railroad station. The train was in charge of Engineer Clem Meyers and Fireman H Abernathy, who noticed the car on the track about 100 feet east of the crossing. Although running at a rate up to 45 miles an hour, engineer Meyers halted the train within its length, the last coach being on the crossing when it came to a standstill. The body of the unfortunate man was picked up and ugly gashes about the head...and thought there was little hope. He was placed aboard the train and accompanied by David Hammond and Harry Davis and was brought to Hugo. About four miles out of Boyero, Mr Evilsizer expired without regaining consciousness. ON the arrival of the train at the Hugo station the body was removed and taken in charge by the May Mortuary. Coroner Dr Lloyd summoned a jury who examined the body and an inquest was held Monday morning at the courthouse. A half dozen witnesses testified at the inquest, including Engineer Meyers and Fireman Abernathy, eye witnesses and several others. The men in charge of the train testified that the car was standing still on the track when the accident occurred although eye witnesses who were close by, state the car was moving at the time. The evidence brought out the fact that the crossing at this point is in very poor condition and it is not kept up. Going on to the main line from the south there are two tracks to cross over, the house track and the side track and both crossings are very rough. To the east a stock yard and the fact that there were several box cars standing on the siding, obstructs the view of a west-bound train. The jury composed of County Clerk Fred C Kenoga (former county coroner) as foreman and Messrs T G Watson, I R Swennes, A H Reid, Hank Hanson and W K Fortune after hearing the testimony of the several witnesses returned the following verdict: That John Harrison Evilsizer, came to his death by being struck by the U P Train No 119 on the public crossing in the town of Boyero, on Saturday, March 19, 1921. "We further find that from the evidence submitted in the testimony that had this crossing been properly maintained by the railroad company this accident might have been avoided."

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John Harrison Evilsizer was born at Millville, MO on January 11, 1861. He spent his boyhood with his parents and was married to Estelle Cummings in Ray County Mo in 1881, where he resided until 1885, then moving to Severy, Greenwood County Kansas. In 1889 he went to Oklahoma and attended the opening of the first land script. While there he was appointed a United States Marshall. In 1890 he moved with his family to Kansas City, Mo where he engaged in the moving and transfer business. IN 1902 he moved to Johnson City Kansas where he resided for eight years. In 1910 he came to Colorado and on February of that year filed on the north half of section 12, township 15, range 54 at the United States Land Office in Hugo. Several months later he established residence on the place and has lived there until his death. He acquired a couple of sections of land and carried on stock raising and hog raising business for a number of years along with his sons, Roy and Victor. The cattle and hogs shipped by the Evilsizers to the Denver and Kansas City markets have at times topped the markets of the day. In June 1914 Mr Evilsizer was married to Ivy Chloe Page, to which union one child was born, William Home. The other surviving children are Mrs Edgar Burke of Kansas City MO, Thomas Sinclair, engaged in the auto truck business at Kansas City; and Roy and Vic of Rush Creek who are stock farmers. Besides the widow, two sisters also survive, Mrs Henry Turner and Mrs Richard Gibson. Mr Evilsizer took a great interest in horses and in his days owned some speedster. During his residence in Kansas he took pride in being the possessor of the Kansas Champion. After coming to Lincoln County he identified himself with the fair meetings and his robust figure, conspicuous at the annual meetings will be missed. Mr Evilsizer was superintendent of the racing program and always took keen interest in this matter. In politics he was a staunch Republican but never aspired to office although he served as Justice of the Peace in his district for a number of years. The board of county commissioners at a recent session named him as road overseer of his district and on the morning of the tragedy which snuffed out his life, he was on the road to Boyero to get a slip for road work. The sickening news of the death of Mr Evilsizer cast a gloom over the entire community. He was devoted to his family, loyal and enthusiastic about every cause which he believed in and was a fluent and inspiring conversationalist. He will be greatly missed in the community life of this section where his presence was an inspiration to many and the sorrow of the sudden and unexpected calling away is universal among our people. Mr Evilsizer was a good honest and industrious man, friendly and accommodating to his neighbors and kind and considerate. The writer was acquainted with Mr Evilsizer for several years and he was always right in anything for the public good. He loved his home and was a model husband as affectionate and tender father to his children, and he leaves an honored name as a heritage to them.. The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved widow, the four children, two sisters and the other relatives in their time of sorrow. "Death thou art infinite, tis life is little" The funeral services were conducted at the Methodist church yesterday afternoon at two o'clock and were in charge of Rev J H Sutton, of the Latter Day Saints, assisted by Rev M B Beattloe, pastor of the Methodist church. Rev Sutton who was intimately acquainted with Mr Evilsizer delivered the funeral sermon and paid a fitting tribute to the deceased. His discourse was taken from ten verses of the fifth chapter of Pauls second epistle to the

Corinthians. A song was rendered by Mssrs Claud Wilson and Alva Bacher. Mrs A H Reid and Miss Olga Larson. Many beautiful wreaths and flowers adorned the casket. The active pallbearers were Clinton Zimmerman, Mike Monahan, W I Cooper, William F Hoppen, Sol Smith and Clayton Gross and the honorary members Ed Wooldridge, Bert Cook, Harry Hayward, C M Miles, Charles Emerson and P O Hedlund. Burial followed in the Evergreen cemetery directed by the May Mortuary. Words fail to express the mourning of the community in the loss of Mr Evilsizer, one of Lincoln County's most prominent citizens and in the grief that has suddenly befallen the stricken family, we with the multitude convey to them our most heartfelt sympathies.

Tombstone Arizona Saga Continued,,

1880 Census reveals new relatives and location of brothers Alvin and Lawson Evilsizer.

I recently received the 55 CD set offered from the LDS of the entire US Census for 1880. COMPLETE Census records for the entire families.

Susan Mahill (Machill) who married Jefferson T Evilsizer had a brother Greene B. Greene went to California sometime before 1855 because the census shows his oldest daughter was born in California. Alvin, the owner of the Galeyville Saloon was found living with Greene in the 1880 Census in San Luis Obispo, California. Greene's occupation was a minor, but Alvin was listed as a farmer. His relationship to Greene was his nephew. He was born in MO, father in Indiana, and mother in Kentucky.

Meanwhile, up in northern California in Butte, was Alvin's brother Lawson. Lawson was listed as a laborer working on the farm of Henry Brines.

We know some time shortly after this census was taken, the brothers met and traveled together to Tombstone Territory.

NEW COUSIN

William Smedley Evilsizer (s/o Levi Hennings and Francis (Burton) Evilsizer) married **Lucy Cockbill** in 1937 Barton Co, Lamar, MO. We recently have learned about Lucy thanks to Nancy Swenson. Nancy Swenson is the granddaughter of Lucy's sister Georgia Marilla Cockbill. Lucy and George were the children of George Cockbill b 9/8/1856 in England died 1/14/1913 and his wife Ursula Marilla Leary b 9/14/1858 in WV, died 4/16/1937. Other siblings of Lucy and Georgia were James T and Sadie. Nancy can be reached at NKSwenson@aol.com



EVILSIZER'S IN THE LAW

On November 19, 1883, **Jefferson Thomas Evilsizer** was called to his door and shot down by a midnight assassin. Jefferson married **Elizabeth Miller** 2/15/1877 in Ray Co, Missouri. Elizabeth was apparently murdered July 10, 1891. Jefferson was the son of Sinclair and Perlina (Walters) Evilsizer.

From the Richmond, Mo Conservator - Thursday July 23, 1891
A Mysterious Death

A postal card from Judge W D Fortune at Tinney's Grove informs us that the dead body of Elizabeth Evilsizer, widow of the late Jeff Evilsizer who was murdered some years since, was found at her residence on Sunday. Remains were in an advanced state of decomposition showing the death had occurred some time ago. No particulars were obtainable and nothing could be learned to throw light upon the matter. Was it a murder or had death come from natural causes which are not yet answered. The deceased lived on Mud Creek.

From the Richmond, Mo Conservator - Thursday August 31, 1891

A Grave Charge

Mrs. Elizabeth Graham arrested for the murder of Mrs. Evilsizer. On Sunday, July 10, the dead body of Mrs. Eliz Evilsizer, a widow who lived alone on her farm about five miles west of Tinney's Grove, was found in her home in a badly decomposed condition. Her throat was cut from ear to ear, and the body was in such a bad condition that it had to be rolled in a quilt and placed in the coffin, without being washed. That she had been murdered there could be no doubt, but the author of the awful crime was unknown. The nephew of the dead woman, S H Miller was in Oklahoma at the time of her death, and was subsequently notified. He arrived in this County a few days after her burial and at once began a search for the assassin of his kinswoman. Last Saturday, he swore out a warrant against Mrs. Sarah Graham, a neighbor of Mrs. Evilsizer, charging her with the crime of murder in the first degree. Sheriff Perdue went up last Saturday and served the warrant and brought the prisoner to this city. On Sunday he took her to Carrollton and lodged her in jail. We do not know what the evidence is against Mrs. Graham, but have heard in a circumstantial way that it is very strong. On Wednesday evening before the body of Mrs. Evilsizer was found, Mrs. Graham was seen going toward the Evilsizer farm, and late the same night she was overtaken by a farmer on a wagon and taken to Braymer, where she spent the night at a hotel. Her clothes were wet and bedraggled as though she had been trying to wash them or had walked through the grass and weeds. When Mrs. Evilsizer's house was searched after the finding of her body, the table was found set with three plates as though she was expecting company. In the kitchen, the coffee pot and other cooking vessels were found on the stove and

thirteen slices of meat were laying on the table and other things went to show she was preparing a meal other than for herself. It is said that the two women were not on the best of terms, and that the trouble between them dates back to the time when they were neighbors in Pennsylvania. Mrs. Graham has retained as her attorney, Messrs Garner and Scott and J W Shotwell

The Chief- Cowgill, MO- July 24, 1891

During the later part of last week, passers by saw no one going about the house, which was shut up closely. On Sunday morning, George Rogers, Billy Malone, Isaac Hatfield and others went to the house to investigate and upon entering the west room were horrified to find the decaying corpse of Mrs. E who had evidently been dead several days. The body lay on the floor, knees being drawn up, one arm extended and the other across the breast. The face was black and swollen beyond recognition, and the odor arising from the remains, together with their putrid condition made it impossible to detect any violence. The outer doors were closed and not locked and the windows of the room were darkened by papers pinned up on the inside and the outer blinds being closed. Nothing about the house seemed disturbed, \$10 in money being found upstairs besides several thousand dollars worth of notes and mortgages.

MISSING



CHILDREN

We will soon have additional info on these, as I have sent for the SS-Apps. The fee for this for many years was \$7. Now they are "riding the genealogy wave" and increased the fee to \$27. So I sent for these on the date of the deadline.

ALICE EVILSIZER b 6/26/1913 pr ? Died Iowa 6/1979 Lynn Co, Cedar Rapids.

Jeanette EVILSIZER b 3/3/1899 in Missouri d 7/13/1989 in Missouri.

Mae Evilsizer b 10/18/1895 Nevada, died 6/1982, Churchill Co, Nevada. (I suspect this might be Minnie Mae Blackstone wife of Joseph Lewis Evilsizer, from the Ebenezer Thompson Evilsizer line) They migrated to CA sometime after 1921 when daughter Carol was born)

1965 Springfield City Directory.....
 Evilsizer, Ronald L (Zella) Machinist R & M R RD 4 Urbana O
 Evilsizer, Zella (Mrs) Waitress Vic Cassano & Mom Donisi
 Pizza R Terre Haute, O
 Evilsizer, Norman F (Geraldine), Traffic Manager- Frederick B
 Stevens, Inc, 2208 Seminole Ave.

FOUND...Next Issue...George Ebelsizer born Indiana and moved to Minnesota.



WELCOME NEW COUSINS

Deborah Jean Baertschi

- 1 John Evilsizer
- . +Mary Peters
- 2 Jonathan Evilsizer
- +Sarah Sheely
- 3 Samuel Hunt Evilsizer
- +Mary Jane Harshey
- 4 Frank Evilsizer
- +Rebecca Rosa Hunt
- 5 William Hoyt "Willie" Evilsizer
- +Maude Haddox Mace
- 6 Donnell Roy Evilsizer
- +Joyce Thompson
- 7 Deborah Jean Evilsizer

Deborah married Carl Baertschi and can be reached at baertschi@earthlink.net

Deborah's brother David passed away last year.:

DAVID WAYNE EVILSIZER -Charleston Daily Mail
 David Wayne Evilsizer, 51, of Dunbar died May 22,2000, in General Division, CAMC, after a short illness. He was employee of Myers Transfer, attended First Baptist Church of Tyler Mountain, was a veteran of the Vietnam War and recipient of the Bronze star. Surviving: daughters, Jacqueline Evilsizer of Austin, Texas, Natasha Evilsizer of Cross Lanes, Kimberly Evilsizer of Sissonville; mother, Joyce Thompson Evilsizer of South Charleston; sisters, Suzanne Moss of Charleston, Debora Baertschi of Houston; one grandson. Service will be 2 p.m. Thursday at Bartlett-Burdette-Cox Funeral Home, Charleston, with the Rev. Robert Wilmoth officiating. Burial will be in Cunningham Memorial Par, St Albans, with military rites by VFW Post 4768, Alum Creek. Friends may call from 6 to 9 p.m. today at the funeral home.

He received a bronze star when his jeep hit a land mine and he pulled some of the people with him to safety in the Vietnam war. He was stationed in Pleiku for two years.

Marylyn Fry Waxman

- 1 Henry Evilsizer, Sr.
- . +Elizabeth "Betsy" Idle
- 2 Jacob Evilsizer b:
- +Hannah Franklin
- 3 Jannetta "Nettie" Evilsizer
- +Elijah Bolen
- 4 Emma Jane Bolen
- +James Melvin Fry
- 5 William Francis Fry
- +Wanetta Funrock
- 6 James Fry
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Jeff Evilsizer is SLEUTHING in Washington Co, ILL and in Lincoln Co, Missouri. It seems a recent contact from the ROUNTREE family is saying that Linville's daughter Polly B did not marry our Elliott Evilsizer., of course we know better LOL. We have turned up some interesting facts, so I will keep you all informed. Jeff, we wish you luck.

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