**Webbs in History:**

**William Henry Webb**

William Henry Webb, by many called “America’s first naval architect,” was born June 19, 1816 in New York City. His ancestors were among the first settlers of the New Haven Colony. Isaac Webb, his father, was born in Stamford, Connecticut in 1794, and had moved to New York City with his father, Wilsey Webb. Wilsey had been employed as a carpenter in the shipyards, and at the young age of 16, Isaac Webb had convinced his father’s employer, the noted shipbuilder, Henry Eckford, to allow him to apprentice under him. This set the stage for Isaac Webb to become one of the premier shipbuilders of his time.

William Henry Webb grew up on the docks, surrounded by his father’s trade. He knew early on that he wanted to follow his father into the shipbuilding business and even made his first boat when he was just 12 years old. But William did not have a strong constitution, and his parents were concerned for his health, so they discouraged him, preferring that he choose a profession that did not...
Later, when people asked William what his secret of success was, he would reply “attention to detail.” But others would count his natural abilities as a mathematician and his ability to combine this with the “Art” of shipbuilding that made him the master of his trade.

In the initial years of his taking over the business, he mostly produced ferries, sloops and schooners. In 1843, he bought out his father’s partner, John Allen, and renamed the business “William H. Webb.” By 1849 the business had reached a great level of success and was in the forefront of cutting edge ship design. The Gold Rush had brought with it an increased demand for new ships to take supplies and men to the West. Speed in ships became of utmost importance and his clipper ship “Comet” was produced during this time period. It was in 1853 that the Comet beat the famous clipper ship the “Flying Dutchman” in a race around the Horn to San Francisco. The Comet ranged between 103 to 128 days from NY to SF, depending on conditions. William H. Webb’s steamship “California” was the first to enter the Golden Gate and it was his company that built the first steamers for the Pacific Mail Steamship Co.

William H. Webb was known to have built 133 vessels between 1840 and 1865. Eventually he was to design and build the world’s longest ironclad wooden-hulled ship, the USS Dunderberg.

When the Civil War came to a close, the ship building business experienced a huge drop in orders. The government had sold most of its ships at extremely low prices and this depressed the ship building business and brought the New York shipbuilding business to near ruin. He also was well aware that the shipbuilding trade was moving more and more toward ships built from iron rather than wood. William H. Webb, being the savvy businessman he was, closed his business in 1869.

His huge success had created a fortune and gave him the luxury of putting his energy into philanthropic pursuits. One of these was The Webb Academy and Home for Shipbuilders, now known as “Webb Institute”, where he gave young men who showed high promise, but who were without financial means, the opportunity to learn the art of shipbuilding. He also was a member of the Anti-corruption council and is given credit for obtaining a safe water delivery system for New York that is still used today. Three times he was asked to become Mayor of New York, which he turned down all three times.

William H. Webb married Henrietta Amelia Hidden and they had two children, William E. Webb and Marshall Webb. Like his father, he died suddenly at his home on 5th Ave in New York City, on Oct 30, 1899.

Sources:


WEBB Records Repository:

Alabama

1860 Census, Alabama -
Calhoun, Chambers, Cherokee, Clarke & Coosa

Calhoun Co.

Andrew Webb, age 49, b. SC
m. Malinda, age 48, b. SC
Also in household: Rosanna, age 19; Enoch, age 18; Lena A., age 16; William, age 14; Tilda, age 12; James, age 10; Margaret, age 6; Brylie, age 3.
Neighbors: Thomas Goin, age 28, b. SC, m. Elizabeth, age 28, b. SC; James Lindsay, age 45, b. SC, m. Elizabeth, age 41, b. SC. [Many neighbors around Andrew and Malinda Webb were from South Carolina.]

John Webb, age 20, b. GA
m. Susan M., age 27, b. GA
Also in household: Mary L., age 7; Thomas A., age 4; James W. age 2.
Neighbors: James A. Nunnelly, age 50, b. GA, m. Margaret, age 50, b. GA, and a Mary Webb, age 28, b. GA, in Nunnelly household; Wm K. Kilgore, age 45, b. GA, m. Margaret, age 40, b. SC.

Mary Webb, age 60, b. SC, in the household of G. L. Rone? age 31, b. GA, m. Princes C., age 28, b. SC. There was also a Mary Webb, age 21 b. TN in the household. [Both of these Mary Webbs lived just several households from Nathaniel and Rachel Webb, below.]

Nathaniel Webb, age 57, b. SC
m. Rachel A., age 33, b. NC
Also in household: Martha, age 23; Julia, age 21; James Bently, age 10; Thos. J. Bently, age 9; Wm M. Bently, age 10; Mary Ann Bently, age 2.
Neighbors: James A. Thomas, age 33, b. NC, m. Nancy E., age 26, b. GA; G. J. Hughes, age 45, b. SC, m. Sarah C., age 33, b. SC.

Sarah Webb, age 20, b. TN, in the household of John A. Cantrell, age 29, b. GA, and his wife Elizabeth, age 26, b. NC, and their three children, Jesse, John and Mary J. Cantrell.

Washington Webb, age 30, b. GA
m. Elizabeth, age 30, b. GA
Also in household: Green, age 10; John, age 25.
Neighbors: John Hany, age 18, b. SC, m. Lucy, age 22, b. SC; Green Griffin, age 46, b. SC, m. Tabitha, age 42, b. SC.

Chambers Co.

Abner Webb, age 54, b. GA
m. Nancy, age 52, b. GA
Also in household: William, age 25, b. GA.
Neighbors: Joseph C. Webb, age 27, b. GA, m. Martha A., age 20, b. AL; Alice E. Selman, age 30, b. GA.
Fortunatus Webb, age 25, b. GA, cabinetmaker, in the household of James L. Huchison, cabinetmaker, b. GA.

Henry Webb, age 19, b. AL, clerk, guest at hotel.

John B. Webb, age 53, GA, Carpenter
m. Nancy, age 43, b. GA
Also in household: Melissa, age 27; Mary E., age 19; Lucinda, age 17; John, age 16; P___ne, age 15; Bluford, age 12; Sarah C., age 8; Emma, age 5.
Neighbors: Bradberry Teel, age 23, b. GA, m. Susanna, age 23, b. GA; Benjamin Godwin, age 35, b. GA, m. Sarah P., age 31, b. GA.

Joseph C. Webb, age 27, b. GA
m. Martha A., age 20, b. AL
Also in household: H. J., age 2.
Neighbors: Elisha Ford, age 62, b. GA, m. Matilda, age 48, b. GA; Abner Webb, age 45, b. GA, m. Nancy, age 52, b. GA.

Walton Webb, age 51, b. GA
m. Susan T., age 50, b. GA
Also in household: Jeptha T., age 30; Joseph, age 24; William, age 18; Luther, age 17; Lucinda, age 15; Alexandra, age 13; Lucy, age 11; Benjamin F., age 10; Americus, age 4; Lucy J., age 15.
Neighbors: Vastine Carver, age 37, b. GA, m. Frances, age 34, b. GA; Bryant McCollough, age 60, b. GA, m. Anne, age 50 b. NC.

Washington Webb, age 22, b. AL
m. Mary, age 21, b. AL
Also in household: Emma W., age 6 months.
Neighbors: Alexander McLondon, age 46, b. SC, m. Martha A., age 27, b. GA; George Swan, age 63, b. GA.

Cherokee Co.

Aaron Webb, age 52, b. GA, mechanic
m. Louisa M., age 42, b. SC
Also in household: Mary Jane, age 21; Nathan, age 18; James, age 16; Martha, age 8; John, age 6; Abba F., age 3; James Greg, age 30 b. NH; William Elliott, age 21, b. KY; Henry T. Owen, age 20, b. SC.
Neighbors: John James, age 41, b. SC, m. Eliza J., age 36, b. SC; A. Hawkins b. 50, b. SC, m. Sarah, age 54, b. SC.

David C. Webb, age 45, b. GA
m. Ann, age 44, b. GA
Also in household: Martha A. age 23; Lany A., age 20; Alexander C., age 18; Jonathan B., age 16; Georgia A., age 14; David, age 11; Sallie J., age 5; Edward J., age 3.
Neighbors: John S. Moragne, age 40, b. SC, m. Sarah J., age 30, b. SC; Robert Henson, age 36, b. NC, m. Eliza A., age 33, b. AL.

Ira Webb, age 49, b. TN
m. Sarah, age 44, b. TN
Also in household: Jesse, age 19; Martha, age 15; Wm, age 9; Emeline, age 7; Ira, age 4; Robert, age 9 months; Marcus Dean, age 16, b. GA.
Neighbors: Wm Griffith, age 44, b. TN, m. Eleanor, age 30, b. GA; Sparcon Brown? age 50, b. SC, m. Marnia?, age 35, b. SC.
James Webb, age 53, b. TN
m. Priscilla, age 55, b. TN
Also in household: Matilda, age 21; George G., age 20; James P., age 19; Andrew P., age 18; Elizabeth C., age 16; Martha E., 14; Mary H., age 10; Samuel C., age 8; Sarah Y., age 6; Nancy R., age 3.
Neighbors: Catharine Stallings, age 50, b. NC; James Grogan, age 50, b. NC, m. Rebecca, age 46, b. SC.

James A. Webb, age 31, b. TN
m. Rosa M., age 26, b. TN
Also in household: Wm B., age 13; Hugh H., age 11; Joseph M., age 6; Pernethia J., age 4; John W., age 9 months.
Neighbors: W. P. Clayten, age 28, b. AL m. Rachel, age 23, b. TN; Wm Mitchell, age 25, b. TN, m. Millie P., age 23, b. AL.

Jessee Webb, age 40, b. TN
m. Malinda P., age 29, b. TN
Also in household: Joseph Y., age 10; Nancy, age 7; Elizabeth C., age 5; George C., age 3.
Neighbors: Stephen Hurley, age 53, b. SC, m. Elizabeth, age 53, b. SC; Nellie Hill, age 25, b. TN [Joseph Webb age 35 b. TN m. Nancy were very close neighbors to Jesse and Malinda Webb.]

John Webb, age 35, b. TN
m. Susan L., age 31, b. TN
Also in household: Margaret L., age 19; James B., age 9.
Neighbors: James Grogan, age 50, b. NC, m. Rebecca, age 46, b. SC; Robert Rowlings, age 57, b. TN, m. Mary, age 56, b. TN. [John Webb m. Susan was a very close neighbor to James Webb m. Priscilla, above.]

John Webb, age 20, b. TN, in the household of Enoch Rinehart, age 40, b. NC, m. Virginia, age 40, b. NC.

John R. Webb, age 26, b. TN
m. Martha, age 24, b. AL
Also in household: Sarah F., age 7.
Neighbors. Joseph Sanders, age 26, b. GA; Charlotte Gilman?, age 60, b. GA.

Joseph Webb, age 35, b. TN
m. Nancy, age 30, b. TN
Also in household: Mary R., age 5; Margret C., age 2; Wesley, age 15; Jane, age 13; Thomas P., age 18.
Neighbors: Nellie Hill, age 25 b. TN; John Senter, age 47, b. KY, m. Teressa P., age 30, b. TN. [Joseph Webb m. Nancy lived just several households away from Jessee Webb m. Malinda.]

Thomas Webb, age 23, b. TN
m. Mary A., age 20, b. AL
Also in household: Margaret L., age 2 months.
Neighbors: James Watsons, age 46, b. NC, m. Permelia, age 38, b. AL; Edmund Hurley, age 37, b. SC m. Elvader, age 34, b. TN.

Wm Webb, age 36, b. TN, Miller
m. Martha P., age 23, b. AL
Also in household: Thomas P., age 11; Nancy A., age 9; James A., age 7; W. B., age 4, Martha E., age 3 months.
Neighbors: James P. Smith, age 39, Clergy, b. TN, m. Elizabeth A., age 22, b. AL; Thomas Blackwell, age 46, b. NC, m. Caroline, age 46, b. SC.
Clarke Co.

Bryant Webb, age 23, b. AL in household of Doctor Webb, age 54, b. SC.

Doctor Webb, age 54, b. SC
m. Martha, age 44, b. NC
Also in household: Hayden, age 16; Pinkney, age 12; Samuel, age 6; Bryant, age 23, b. Clarke Co., AL.
Neighbors: William H. Jordan; Sarah Webb, age 75, b. VA.

Harvey Webb, age 21, b. AL in household of Sarah Webb, age 75, b. VA.

James Webb, age 24, b. SC farm laborer in household of Richmond L. Davidson, age 24 b. Clarke Co., AL, m. Jane E., age 22, b. Wilcox Co. AL. [James was living close to Jane Webb, age 64, b. SC, midwife.]

Jane Webb, age 64, b. SC, midwife
Neighbors: Samuel H. Barnwell, age 25, b. Marengo Co. AL; Mary Ford, age 23, b. Clarke Co. AL.

Jane Webb, age 63, b. SC, midwife
[Appears to be same Jane Webb, age 64, midwife, listed in same census and was twice enumerated.]
Neighbors: Mary C. Ford, age 23, b. Clarke Co. AL; David Byrd, age 49, b. Madison Co. AL, m. Margaret, age 33, b. Clarke Co. AL.

John Webb, age 47, b. SC
m. Eliza, age 30, b. Jefferson Co. AL
Also in household: Simpson H., age 2, b. Clarke Co. AL
Neighbors: Gabriel W. Law, age 24, b. Marengo Co. AL; Calvin J. Wiggins, age 40, b. NC, m. Martha, age 26, b. Clarke Co. AL.

John W. Webb, age 21, b. NC, day laborer in the household of Elijah S. Holton, age 76, b. NC, m. Sarah, age 69, b. GA. [Lived several households from Doctor Webb.]

Samuel Webb, b. 50, b. NC
m. Elizabeth, age 44, b. NC
Also in household: Adeline, age 16; William B., age 14; Alexander S., age 12; Benjamin J., age 10 months.
Neighbors: Anna Pickens, age 28, b. NC; Murdoch McMillan, age 23, b. Marengo Co. AL
[Samuel Webb lived several households from Whitfield Webb.]

Sarah Webb, age 75, b. VA
Also in household: Harvey Webb, age 21, b. Clarke Co. AL
Neighbors: Doctor Webb, age 54, SC, m. Martha, age 44, b. NC; Benjamin A. Taylor, age 52, b. SC, m. Nancy, b. Dallas Co. AL.

Wesley Webb, age 31, b. SC
m. Mary, age 30, b. Henry Co. AL
Also in household: James W., age 3; Perlona, age 6 months.
Neighbors: John F. Moulton, age 37, b. GA, m. Susan A., age 33, b. GA; Sophia Roberdo, age 42, b. Clarke Co. AL.

Whitfield Webb, age 39, b. Clarke Co. AL
m. Louisa, age 39, b. Clarke Co. AL
Also in household: Sarah J., age 17; Laura L., age 12; Martha A., age 10; Amelia, age 7; Nancy, age 5; William H. age 15; John C., age 1.
Neighbors: William Mobley, age 27, b. Marengo Co. AL, m. Susan J., age 26, b. Clarke Co. AL; Daniel Noble, age 60, b. VA, m. Rebecca, age 63, b. SC.
Coosa Co.

A. P. Webb, age 40, b. GA
m. Ann E., b. NC
Also in household: Lucinda A., age 11; Georgiana E., age 9; Mary J., age 3; Luther C., age 1.
Neighbors: Elizabeth Abernathy, age 34, b. AL; C. C. Tha___?, age 40, b. GA, m. Elizabeth F., age 27, b. SC.

Charles H. Webb, age 58, b. GA
m. Malinda, age 57, b. GA
Also in household: Thomas L., age 28; Martha L., age 24; Charles D., age 22; William M., age 18; Caroline, age 15;
Francis Holinwinder, age 18, school teacher, b. NC.
Neighbors: John E. Warlick, age 39, b. NC, m. Mary W., age 34, b. GA; Harrison B. Young, age 31, b. GA, m. Sarah A., age 20, b. AL.

Jas L. Webb, age 40, b. GA
m. Sarah, age 35, b. GA
Also in household: Elizabeth, age 16; Eliza, age 15; Martha, age 13; George, age 10; Andrew, age 8; Louisa, age 7;
Mary, age 5; James, age 3; Nancy, age 8 months.
Neighbors: A. J. Deloach, age 41, b. SC m. N. E. age 36, b. GA; John W. Bullard, age 38, b. AL m. M. age 35, b. AL

Samuel Webb, age 45, b. GA
m. Eliza, age 40, b. GA
Also in household: F. M, age 20; W. H., age 18; E. J. age 4; S. A., age 11; J. W., age 22.
Neighbors: Henry Macon, age 69, b. NC, m. Pernelia, age 55, b. SC; Peter Singleton, age 28, b. GA, m. M. age 25, b. GA

Alaska

1900 Alaska Census

Northern District

C Webb


George Webb, Koorak River, settled in Alaska, July 1897, out of district at time of census.

W Webb

W H Webb, age 34, b. July, 1865 IN, father b. KY, mother b. IN. Arrived in Alaska in July 1897. Residence: Tacoma WA; was boarding with S. Small, age 38 from Seattle, WA.

Southern District

C L Webb
Fred Webb, passenger, left Seattle, May 24, arrived Nome, June 14.

G T Webb, passenger from St. Dora, left St. Michaels June 29, arrived Nome June 30

Mattie Webb, age 28, b. 1871 TN, Singer, member of “Simons Theatrical Co.” Came to Alaska in April 1900 from Nashville; father b. TN, mother b. TN


Florida

Florida's Early Newspapers:
1839 The Star, Tallahassee, J. B. Webb, Publisher
1840 Florida Journal, Apalachicola, J. B. Webb, Publisher

[Source: Florida Old and New, Frederick W. Dau, 1934]

Osprey, Manatee Co., Florida

In 1867 Judge John G. Webb moved from Utica, New York to Florida and was the first white man to settle in the area that he would later name Osprey after the birds that made their home there. In 1872, Judge Webb began to offer accommodations for visitors to the area and he established The Webb Hotel. It was the first winter resort in Manatee Co.

Judge John G. Webb’s cousin was Silas A. Webb of Oswego, New York.


Illinois

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History of Lake Co.

business, Waukegan, 1891-1901 Knight Templar in Masonry; married October 14, 1865, to Jeannette S. Minto, who died February 18, 1890; children are Nelle J., wife of Robert S. Smart, Elgin, Ill.; David T.; Frank A.; Maggie M. wife of Lewis Yager, Waukegan; Edward C., Waukegan; married to Mrs. Nancy Taylor, December 2, 1897.”

“David Thomas Webb, Waukegan, Ill., Secretary of the Waukegan, Fox Lake & Western Electric Railway Company. Born in Warren Township, July 18, 1868, son of Chase E. and Jeannette [Minto] Webb; at the age of twenty-one years he was made Deputy Sheriff under his father, serving until December, 1890, when he engaged with this father in the coal and ice business, continuing until August 1900; served as Deputy under Sheriff George Brown, four years; member of the Republican county central committee, F. & A. M. and M. W. A.; an incorporator of the E., F. L. & W. R. R., of which he has since been Secretary; married May 21, 1891, to Ida Miltimore; they have a daughter, Lucile.”

“Ira R. Webb, Retired Farmer, Antioch Township. Born in Warren, Herkimer County. New York, June 2, 1823. He was educated in the public schools of Herkimer County, and removed to Antioch Township in 1845, where he engaged in farming. Politically Mr. Webb is a Republican, and has been identified with the party for a great many years; has served as School Trustee for thirty years. Township Treasurer four years, and Collector three terms. In 1844 he was married to Miss Jane Potter of Warren, New York.”

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White Co., Illinois

“Webb, Edwin B., early lawyer and politician, was born about 1802, came to the vicinity of Carmi, White County, Ill, about 1828 to 1830, and, still later, studied law at Transylvania University. He held the office of Prosecuting Attorney of White County, and in 1834, was elected to the lower branch of the General Assembly, serving, by successive re-elections, until 1842, and in the senate, from 1842 to ‘46. During his service in the House he was a colleague and political and personal friend of Abraham Lincoln. He opposed the internal improvement scheme of 1837, predicting many of the disasters which were actually realized a few years later. He was a candidate for Presidential Elector on the Whig ticket, in 1844 and ‘48, and, in 1852, received the nomination for Governor as the opponent of Joel A. Matteson, two years later, being an unsuccessful candidate for Justice of the Supreme Court in opposition to Judge W. B. Scales. While practicing law at Carmi, he was also a partner of his brother in the mercantile business. Died, Oct. 14, 1858, in the 56th year of his age.”

Town of America, Illinois

“Webb, Henry Livingston, soldier and pioneer [an elder brother of James Watson Webb, a noted New York journalist], was born at Claverack, N. Y., Feb. 6, 1795; served as a soldier in the War of 1812, came to Southern Illinois in 1817, and became one of the founders of the town of America near the mouth of the Ohio; was Representative in the fourth and Eleventh General Assemblies, a Major in the Black Hawk War and Captain of volunteers and, afterwards, Colonel of regulars, in the Mexican War. In 1860 he went to Texas and served, for a time, in a semi-military capacity under the Confederate Government; returned to Illinois in 1869, and died, at Makanda, Oct. 5, 1876.”

**Illinois Election Returns, 1818-1848, 1923**


Representative, 23rd Congress, first district, 1832, 23rd Congresss, first district, 1834 [special election], 27th Congress, first district, 1841. Senator, Union Co., etc., 1846.

Lazarus Webb, Representative, Franklin Co., 1820, 1824, 1826.
Effingham Co., Illinois

Rentfro Cemetery [Old]
George Webb, d. 1858
John Webb, d. 1860

Jerome Webb, foreman, Kepley Springs Farm.

Fred Webb m. Mary Sutton, resided in Effingham, grandson John Webb.

[Source: Effingham County, Illinois, past and present, John W. Hardy, 1968]

Illinois Burials

West Twin Grove Cemetery

Infant Webb, d. 1879
Cora Bell Webb, d. April 18, 1886, age 89 years
Warren Webb, 1859-1933
Lillian D. Webb, 1870
Milton S. Webb, b. May 25, 1834, d. April 4, 1890
Mary E. Johnson Webb, wife of Warren, d. May 4, 1883, aged 27 years, 7 months, 27 days
Stella E. Webb, d. May 16, 1888, age 1 month, 15 days
Willie C. Webb, d. Feb 26, 1888, ages 3 years, 3 days
Mary Florence Webb, b. Nov 13, 1876, d. Dec 25, 1904
Ella F. Webb, wife of Charles Roth, b. June 3, 1865, d. Dec 4, 1916
Stephen S. Webb, d. Sept 19, 1854, aged 1 year, 5 months, 6 days
Elmira Webb, daughter of M., d. July 20, 1860, aged 3 yrs. 4 months, 5 days
Matilda Webb, wife of William, d. March 18, 1863 [broken]
Hilda Webb, wife of William [broken]


History of Henry Co., Illinois

Henry L. Kiner, 1910

“...He was mustered into Company B, Forty second Regiment, Illinois Volunteer Infantry at Camp Douglas, Chicago, on July 28, 1861, Colonel Wm A. Webb commanding.”

Annawan, Illinois:
“[Here] follows a list of those who came in 1853 and 1854:...J. C. Webb,...”

“J.C. Webb too up the west half of the northeast quarter of section 22. He built the house and made all the improvements on that farm, from 1852 to the present time, 1909. He moved to Geneseo about sixteen years ago, a retired farmer, and he died there, and was buried there in the Oakwood cemetery.”
Thomas P. & Margaret Fink Webb Family, Lake Co. Illinois

“David T. Webb, owner of the Lake County Fuel & Supply Company at Waukegan,.....

Mr. Webb is a member of one of the oldest of the pioneer families of Lake County and was born in the Gages Lake community of Warren Township, July 18, 1868. His paternal grandparents were Thomas P. and Margaret [Fink] Webb, who came from the vicinity of Ithaca, New York, to Lake County, Illinois, in 1846, settling near Gages Lake in Antioch Township. He took up land from the Government, and five of his brothers likewise took up land in the same vicinity. Theses brothers were George, Albert, Charles, Christopher and Ira......Thomas Webb was a millwright by trade..... [Thomas Webb’s] son, Chase Webb, was born in New York State in 1843 and was three years old when brought to Illinois.....Chase E. Webb died in August, 1916. His wife was Jeanette Minto who was born at Loon Lake in Antioch Township, Lake County in 1845.....She was a daughter of David and Jane [Johnson] Minto, both of whom were natives of Scotland.

Mr. [David T.] Webb married at Waukegan, May 21, 1891, Miss Ida Miltimore, of Waukegan...Her people were likewise early settlers of Lake County. Her parents, James H. and Caroline [Peck] Miltimore, were born in New York State and were children when the Miltimore and Peck families came to Illinois and settled at Miltimore Lake in Lake County. Mr. and Mrs. Webb had three children, two dying in infancy. Their daughter, Lucille J., graduated from the Waukegan High School in 1912...."

[Source: History of Illinois and Her People, George Washington Smith, 1927]

History of Jefferson County, Illinois, 1883

"....Next, Thomas Tunstall came, in 1821, and bought the “Kirby Tavern,” as it was afterward called, and put up a log storehouse, where Herdman lives. Thomas came first, then the old people and his brothers. William Tunstall, the father, had his second wife, the first having died childless. They were familiarly called “the old Colonel” and “Aunt Sally.” Aunt Sally was a Mrs. Whorl, of the Todd family; and as we are told, was an aunt to Mrs. Lincoln. Tom’s name was Thomas Todd. They were all Kentuckians. The old lady died in 1825, and the old Colonel went back to Kentucky, where he died a few years later. The Colonel drank, and was found dead in bed one morning. Their children were Thomas T., Edmund, George and Jane Webb....."

Indiana

Some Early Webbs in Fountain Co., Indiana Cemeteries

Anna Webb, d. July 17, 1880, aged 68 years, 6 months, 2 days, Riverside Cemetery
Elizabeth H. Webb, 1838-1909, Riverside Cemetery
Elizabeth Webb, wife of Peter, d. Jan 20, 1882, aged 87 years, 4 months, 14 days, Newtown Cemetery
Frederick L. Webb, b. 1865, d. 1916, Riverside Cemetery
James Webb, son of P. & E. d. Oct 25, 1838, aged 1 year, 4 months, 29 days, Newtown Cemetery
Jesse T. Webb, d. Jan 31, 1880, aged 69 years, 4 months, 21 days, Riverside Cemetery
Rev. Peter Webb, d. Sept 12, 1864, aged 75 years, 9 months, 20 days. 50 years ordained Minister Baptist Church, Newtown Cemetery

[Source: Fountain County, Indiana, cemetery inscriptions, 1965]
History of Posey County, Indiana
David Welch, 1913

“In 1890 Dr. [Edwin] Rinear married Queen Mabel Webb, daughter of Benjamin F. Webb, of Warren, Ind.”

William H. Webb -
“William H. Webb, a farmer of Smith Township, Posey county, was born in Franklin county, Illinois, September 30, 1869, son of S. M. and Louisa [Britton] Webb. S. M. Webb was a son of Louis and Harriet Webb, and Louisa Britton Webb was the daughter of William Britton. The whole family are natives of Illinois, where S. M. Webb was a farmer and stock raiser… On March 5, 1893, occurred the marriage of William H. Webb to Miss Alice Dunn, daughter of William ans Susan [Gill] Dunn, natives of Tennessee…. Mr. and Mrs Webb have three children: Estella, born February 27, 1895,…Normalee, born in September, 1897…. and Donald, born September 13, 1900…."

Biographical Memoirs of Hancock County, Indiana, 1902

James F. Webb -
“…James F. Webb is a native son of the Hoosier state, having been born in Franklin county, February 7, 1856. His parents were Jacob H. and Lydia [Price] Webb, the former of Preble county, Ohio, and the latter of Maryland. The paternal grandfather was Tyner Webb, also a native of Ohio. Jacob H. Webb was reared in the Buckeye state, was a shoemaker by trade and also followed farming to some extent. He moved to Franklin county, Indiana in 1836 where he worked at his trade and also owned town property. He came to Maxwell, Hancock county, in 1880 and his death occurred there in 1888. His wife died some ten years later. Both were members of the Methodist church. Their children, six in number, were s follows: Minerva became the wife of John Baker; Lyman is deceased; Oscar is a farmer and cattle raiser at Protection, Kansas; James F. is the subject; Emmons lives in Maxwell and Edgar at Indianapolis.

James F. Webb lived at home until his eleventh year and afterward worked at different occupations. In 1870 he came to Buck Creek township, Hancock county, and there followed farming …

Mr. Webb has been twice married. His first wife was Miss Cassie Merchant, of Center township, this county, the daughter of John P. and Melinda Merchant. They had one child, a son, Oscar, a farmer of near Endon. Mrs. Webb died May 6, 1877 and for his second wife Mr. Webb chose Miss Julia A. Shipley, their marriage being consummated February 7, 1878. She is a native of Center township and the daughter of Thomas and Sarah [Pratt] Shipley, early pioneers of Hancock county, coming from Preble county, Ohio. The children of this second union were as follows: Charlie is at home; Rosa became the wife of B. Whitworth, of Henry county, Indiana, and they have one daughter, Nora; Willie, Albert, Ethel, Lydia and Nellie, at home….."

Chadwick’s History of Shelby County, Indiana
Edward H. Chadwick, 1909

“Dr. Albert G. Webb, who was a son-in-law of Major John Hendricks, began to practice of medicine in Shelbyville, along about 1840. He was well educated and a successful physician. He was active yet a young man his useful career was cut short by his death from cholera, in 1850. The death of such a popular physician from that dreaded disease was so much of a shock to the then little city of Shelbyville that on the following day many of the inhabitants left the city to remain away until the danger was passed.”
James Davis Webb -
“The founder of the family of this name in Shelby county was a Pennsylvanian, domesticated awhile in Kentucky, but with the restlessness of the time he migrated again to Indiana and located in Shelby county on the old Ephriam Tucker farm on Sugar creek, near Second Mount Pleasant church. But the migratory spirit still stirred within him and his next move was to Ozark, Missouri. There he was stricken with a fatal sickness and three of his sons walked to Ozark in the dead of winter, riding horseback the last day to be present at his bedside. The old pioneer ordered them to bury him in the mountains, and after the melancholy duty had been performed they started back to Indiana in a wagon drawn by oxen, bringing their mother with them. All this occurred in about 1835 and the mother, after residing with her children for twelve years, closed her earthly career in 1855. John G. Webb, one of her sons, married Manda Clark and later moved to Franklin, Indiana where he went into the dry goods business, but later became a blacksmith and still later ran a grist mill at Columbus. He died at Indianapolis in April, 1888, having survived his wife forty years. Her death occurring in 1848.

James D. Webb, son of John G., was born in Hendricks township, Shelby county, Indiana, October 22, 1843…… On July 16, 1866, he married Sarah F., daughter of Ephriam and Susan [Davidson] Tucker, well known for many years as progressive farmers of Shelby county. Though they have no children of their own, Mr. and Mrs. Webb have two New York orphans and two half-brothers, all of whom are grown up, entered business and are doing well….”

Louis E. Webb -
“The printing fraternity has no finer representative or more competent workman than Louis E. Webb, who has mastered his trade by going through every step from office boy to sole proprietor…. He is a son of Robert L. and Caroline [Mason] Webb, well known citizens of Shelbyville for many years natives of Fayette county. Robert L. was pushed out on the world in boyhood and compelled to weed his own row with little help from others. He was in the livery and hotel business at various points, met with the usual successes and reverses of those hazardous callings and died in 1905 at Terre Haute, where he had lived for some years. His wife preceded him to the grave, having died in 1904. They have five children, Mollie, the eldest daughter, married Charles A. Ross……Catherine,…. married John Edward Beggs….Stella L. … Ross, the fourth child, died in infancy.

Louis E. Webb, the surviving son, was born in Brownsville, Indiana, November 11, 1866…. Eventually he went to Detroit and spent three years as a printer… February 11, 1891, Mr. Webb married Elizabeth, daughter of Richard D. and Teresa A. Flaitz… Mr. and Mrs. Webb had only one child who died in infancy.

Iowa

A Biographical Record of Boone County, Iowa
John M. Brainard, 1902

Jason E. Webb -
“Jason E. Webb, who is now enjoying a well earned rest from labor, making his home with his son Q. O. Webb, is a native of Ohio, his birth having occurred in Mahoning county October 9, 1824. His father, James Webb, was a native of Maryland, born near Baltimore and there he was reared, removing to Ohio when a young man. He became one of the first settlers of Mahoning county and in the midst of the forest he hewed out a home… He married Keziah Bowman, who was born in Redstone, Pennsylvania… he reared his family and lived to an advanced age, passing away in July, 1863, when he had attained the ripe old age of eighty-four years. He served his country as a soldier in the war of 1812 and was ever a loyal citizen.

Jason E. Webb…. spent his boyhood days…. Farming in Mahoning county, Ohio, for a number of years…. he enlisted on the 31st of October, 1861, as a member of Company K, Fifth Ohio Calvary…. He went to the west,
spending some time in Montana, Kansas and Nebraska, where he followed various pursuits, engaging in any kind of labor that would yield to him an honest living. Prior to the war Mr. Webb had married. In Mahoning county, Ohio, in 1844, he was joined in wedlock to Miss Rebecca Cook, and unto them were born seven children, three of whom are living: Q. O....Louisa, the wife of Owen Elliott....Ellen, the wife of J. S. Elliott. The mother of these children died in 1865, and, as before stated, Mr. Webb then went to the west. In 1869 he and his son, Q. O. Webb came to Iowa, settling in Boone county. Here he first purchased eighty acres of land which was yet in it s primitive condition...

He married Miss Mace, a daughter of Jacob Mace, one of Iowa’s early settlers, who came to this state from West Virginia, in 1856. Four children have been born of this union: Ada, the wife of Manning McGregor, ... Bertha, the wife of Albert Howe... Blanch and Mabel, who are yet under the parental roof.”

History of Page County, Iowa
W. L. Kershaw, 1909

Washington Township – Early Settlements
“...The first settlement was made in 1856 by B.C. Freeman, of Missouri, J. B. Van Sandt, of Philadelphia, and Alexander Van Sandt. Shortly afterward came Messrs. Mawhinney, J. S. Johnson, the Webb family, Charles Wilkinson, Mullen and a few others who “staked out” claims and at once began to build homes for themselves.”

Living on Section 26: Edgar and Leonard Webb.

History of Sac County, Iowa
William H. Hart, 1914

“Adelbert E. Webb, of Douglas township, Sac county, Iowa, was born November 9, 1861, in Lenawee county, Michigan, and was the son of J.B. and Ellen Webb, who were natives of New York. The Webb family came to Lenawee county, Michigan, early in its history and remained there until 1873. They then moved to Jasper county, Iowa, and eight years later located in Cedar township, this county. J. B. Webb was born in 1830 and died in 1906 in this county. His wife was born in 1836 and died in 1910. They reared a family of two children, Mrs. Carrie Hamilton of Lytton, Iowa, and Adelbert E., who history is here portrayed.

...In addition to his one hundred sixty acres in Douglas township, he has one hundred and sixty acres in Minnesota.

...Mr. Webb was married December 4, 1889 to Barbara A. Carter, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Carter. Mr. and Mrs. Webb have one daughter, Mary Jeanette who is still with her parents...”

History of Story County, Iowa
W. O. Payne, 1911

Words of A. K. Webb, of Wagner, Oklahoma in June of 1910:
“My parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Webb, came from the state of Indiana to Iowa in the spring of 1848 and settled at Trullinger’s Grove in Polk county, three miles north of where Mitchellville is now located...In the spring of 1852, we moved from Polk County to Story County and settled on the old home farm near Iowa Center, a town which was subsequently surveyed and platted by Jeremiah Cory, Jr., in 1853 or 4....”

Miss Mary Ellen Webb -
“...In 1865 [James W. Dunahoo] was united in marriage to Miss Mary Ellen Webb. Her parents were Virginians by birth but came to Iowa from Indiana, settling first in Polk county, where they lived for two years, and then locating in
Story county. Two children were born of their marriage: Elmer Clayton, who is a farmer of Indian Creek township, and Major R., who is also a farmer and lives on the old Dunahoo homestead, which he now owns. The family circle was broken when Mrs. Dunahoo passed way in 1901.

List of Ex-Soldiers, Sailors and Marines Living in Iowa, 1886

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Minnesota

Goodhue County, Minnesota, past and present
Joseph Woods Hancock, 1893

Roscoe
"Oliver Webb, a lineal descendant of the pilgrim fathers, came in 1856 and settled here, and is still a resident, over eighty years of age."

"The first Sunday school was organized in 1858, and Loren Webb, son of Oliver Webb, was the first superintendent."

History of the Minnesota Valley, including the Explorers and pioneers of Minnesota
Edward D. Neill, Charles S. Bryant, 1882

Judson, Le Sueur County

"The population is almost entirely Welch."

"The first white settlers of the town were Calvin Webb and family and John Johnson. They came in the fall of 1854. Mrs. Webb was the first white woman in the town."

Village of Lake Crystal

"The first death was that of Calvin Webb; he died at the house of Mr. Robinson in April, 1857. He had a farm on the opposite side of Lake Crystal, in the town of Judson, and was brought over by his family on account of the Indian scare, caused by the “Inkpadutah war.”"
Blue Earth County

"William Webb, Jr., born in 1844, is a native of Delaware. In April 1857 he came to Minnesota with his father’s family and settled on section 4, Sterling, his present home. He enlisted in Company H, Second Minnesota in February 1864 and in July 1865 was mustered out. Mr. Webb has been a member of the state legislature and has held the town offices of clerk, treasurer, justice of the peace and supervisor. In 1867 he married Emma Sanborn who was born in 1848 in Iowa. Their children are Henry P., Albert and Rachel."

Gales, Redwood County

"Eli Webb is a native of Franklin county, Illinois. From November, 1861, until February, 1864, he served in company D, 60th Illinois infantry; re-enlisted in the same, was promoted to first Lieutenant, and August 9, 1865, was honorably discharged. In 1874 he came to Gales, Minnesota, and now owns 240 acres. Mr. Webb is town clerk, and in 1880 was census enumerator. He was united in marriage with L. A. Payne in 1866; she died April 11, 1874. Wilson is her only living child. Sarah Gwin became his wife November 2, 1878, and has one child: Henry."

Lac Qui Parle County

"The next settlers were David P. Lister, E. B. Andrews, John Nash, Sr., David Webb, S. J. Ferguson and Frank Stay, who located in the towns of Cerro Gerdo, Camp Release and Lac qui Parle…..

Cerro Gordo, when first set apart by the Redwood county commissioners in 1871 included what is now Lac qui Parle….The first settler in the town was D. Webb, who came in the spring of 1869 and located in section 36, and now lives in Baxter…. James, a son of Mr. D. Webb, was the first child born in the town."

1860 Blue Earth County, MN Census

Township of Mapleton

William Webb, age 44 b. DE
Also in household: Hannah, age 25; Henry, age 17; William, age 15; Charles, age 4; Asa, age 2; Pennack, age 2 months.
Neighbors: Barney Simmons, age 42, b. Vermont, m. Esther, age 36, b. Vermont; John Reed, age 28, b. New Hampshire, m. Rachael, age 22, b. IN

Pen pictures of St. Paul, Minnesota, and biographical sketches of old settlers: from the earliest settlement of the city, up to and including the year 1857
Thomas McLean Newson, 1886

"Isaac W. Webb was born in Ohio in 1831; came to St. Paul in 1854; kept books for Stephen Long in the old American House; was in the transportation business for a time; hauled the first steam engine to the Red River of the North; opened a livery stable near Rice Park in this city; ran a farm and sold wood; and finally drifted out on to the frontier, where he now is. Mr. Webb has been a very active man, and at one time had a good deal of property, but the fluctuations in Western life did not let him pass, and so like many other old settlers he has had to endure the fate of the early pioneers. He is a man of great energy and ought to be worth $1,000, 000."
Mississippi

**Marriages in Marion Co., Mississippi**

- John H. Webb & Elizabeth Hammond, Isaac Brakefield, April 3, 1830
- Thos. J. Edmondson & Mary S. Webb, A. J. Blackburn MG, April 25, 1848
- James Sones and Courtney A. Webb, Lemuel Lewis, Oct 20, 1857

[Source: Marriage records, Marion County, Mississippi, 1812-1860, Marie Luter Upton, 1958]

**Amite County, Mississippi Territory, 1810 Census**

- Kinchin Webb
  - 1 free white male over 21
  - 1 free white male under 21
  - 1 white female over 21
  - 2 white females under 21
  - 5 total free white inhabitants

[Source: The Journal of Mississippi History, 1948]

**Amite County Mississippi Inhabitants, 1816 Census**

- Kinchin Webb
- Jesse Webb

[Source: Statistical register of the state of Mississippi, Volume 4, Dunbar Rowland, 1917]

**Kinchen Webb - Passport through Creek Nation**

- Executive Department, Thursday 16th March 1809
- Ordered
- That a Passport through the Creek Nation be prepared for Charles Rhodes and Kinchen Webb with their families which was presented and signed.

[Source: Passports of southeastern pioneers, 1770-1823…, Potter, 1982]

**Amite Co., Mississippi Wills**

- Will Book 1
- Charles Rhodes, January 16, 1837

[Source: Mississippi Court Records, 1799-1835, J. Estelle Steward King, 1936]
Montana

Webb Men in Montana

Hon. Jonathan E. Webb of Choteau, Montana
b. August 15, 1864, Staceyville, Iowa
Son of Stephen M. Webb, native of New York, moved to Iowa in early 1860's near Staceyville. Stephen M. Webb then moved to Dover, Bureau Co., IL where he resided until his death in 1904, at the age of 74 years [2nd source says he died at age 63]. Mother was Margaret McFarland, b. Ohio and came with her parents to Mower Co. MN where she met and married Stephen M. Webb. She died in October of 1911 in Dover, IL at the age of 71. Jonathan Webb came to Montana in 1888.

[Source: A History of Montana, Helen Fitzgerald Sanders, 1913]

William H. Webb, of Teton Co., Montana,
b. Feb, 1, 1869, Bureau Co., IL
William's father was born in New York and was taken to Illinois by his parents, Gilbert and Julia [Ingals] Webb. Stephen Webb spent a part of his early life in Marshalltown and Osage, Iowa. Stephen Webb was married in Osage, IA. He and his wife had eleven children, six sons and five daughters. William H. Webb came to Montana in 1890. On March 2nd, 1910, he married Permelia Stewart. They had two children: Marion and Stephen E. Webb.

[Source: Montana, its story and biography, L. E. Munson, 1921]

1870 Montana Census

Gallatin Co.
Lester Webb, age 26, farmer, b. OH, in household of Perry Dickenson.

Jefferson Co.
James W. Webb, age 26, miner, b. NY, in household in A. L. Parker.

Lewis & Clark Co.
James Webb, age 27, carriage shop worker, b. IN, in household of George Payne.

Madison Co.

Nebraska

Webbs of Custer County, Nebraska

Theron E. Webb – owned drug store

Nolan Webb – juror, murder trial, 1888

Eugene M. Webb, b. Dec 18\textsuperscript{th}, 1859, Buffalo Co. WI, son of Alfred P. & Ellen [Olds] Webb. Alfred P. Webb was a native of NY. Eugene M. Webb was a newspaper publisher and elected to the state legislature. He married Lily May Freiday on August 3\textsuperscript{rd}, 1884 in Butler Co., NE. They had three children: Eugene M. Webb Jr. who married Grace Province. They had two sons and three daughters; Alfred Vernon Webb, married Gertrude Ashley; and Thomas M. Webb, the youngest son.

[Source: History of Custer County, Nebraska, W. L. Gaston, 1919]

Rev. J. N. Webb of Seward Co., Nebraska

Baptist Minister, J. N. Webb, was born in Jefferson Co., NY in 1811. He began preaching in 1832.

[Source: History of Seward County, Nebraska, W. W. Cox, 1888]

Oregon


[Source: Portrait and biographical record of Portland and vicinity, Oregon, 1903]

James Webb, of Union Co., Oregon

James Webb was the son of John and Arminda [McKinnis] Webb, in Wapello County, Iowa, on January 2, 1874. His father, John Webb, died in the same year he was born and his mother soon followed, having died in 1877, leaving James an orphan. He was raised in the home of his uncle, L. E. Wilkinson in Iowa. In 1890, James Webb went to Union Co., Oregon with his great uncle, George Wilkinson. James Webb married Nora Wilkinson in August of 1897, the daughter of Andrew and Mary Virginia Wilkinson.

Note: According to the censuses of Union Co. OR, James and Nora Webb’s marriage did not produce any children.

[Source: An Illustrated history of Union and Wallowa Counties, Kip, Kelly & Farrar, 1902]
Utah

Utah Since Statehood
Noble Warrum, 1919

“In Salt Lake Temple, on the 24th of March, 1897, Mr. Southwick was married to Miss Rachel Ann Webb, a daughter of John Stokes and Hannah [Grace] Webb. Her parents were married in England a short time before sailing on the ship Mansfield for America. The vessel weighed anchor on the 8th of April, 1854. At Salt Lake her father worked for Brigham Young for a year and in the fall of 1855 arrived in Lehi, where he became a successful farmer.”

Thomas and George Webb of Lehi, Utah

“No history of Lehi would be complete without mention of Thomas Webb…. vice president and half owner of the Peoples Bank… Mr. Webb was born in Studham, England, April 20, 1858, a son of George and Sarah [Thorne] Webb. His father was also a native of Studham, Bedfordshire, England, born May 6, 1839, and was a son of William and Emma [Stokes] Webb…. In 1861 he was converted to the Mormon church and for three years prior to coming to America he labored in the Norwich conference of England. On the 3d of June, 1864, in company with his father’s family, he left his native country and sailed on the ship Hudson across the Atlantic to the United States. Traveling westward, he journeyed with ox team across the plains and while en route to Salt Lake City his wife died. For a few days George Webb remained in the capital city and then continued his journey to Lehi where he became a most prominent and influential resident….. In 1883 Mr. [Thomas] Webb was united in marriage to Miss Mary Evans, a daughter of Abel Evans, a pioneer of Lehi, who came to Utah from South Wales in 1852…. To Mr. and Mrs Webb were born three children: George…. Effie May, the wife of Raymond Roberts…. Dora, the wife of Val Zimmerman.

West Virginia

Webb Land Grants in West Virginia

**Cabell Co.**

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