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Louisville, Ky.
July 7, 1966

Dear Mrs. Gardner,

I recieved your lovely letter, and fascinating records/articles, and thank you, so very much. This data you have sent me, has opened up new leads. I was not the least bit concerned, about your "delay" in answering my letter, ^(I know you would write) really. The young lady who acknowledged my letter was very, very nice and explained the reason for the delay. I do hope you enjoyed your holiday. I am very interested in the Webb family and "hope" to write a supplement to what has already been recorded on the Webb family. You have opened

a new door for me and I shall keep you informed as new information and inquiries pour in each day, and as I progress.

"I have sent the 'heads of family' you sent me, to Mr. Walter E. Webb in Celina, Tennessee. He is searching for a Daniel Webb, also, but I haven't heard from him as of today. He is a very fine gentleman. I have in my files, a notation on, a E. J. Webb. As soon as I locate it I will compare this E. J. Webb, to the one referred to, in the article by Mr. Griffin. If it is convenient, the names of the thirteen issues, may identify James Webb, to a line of Webb's I can't tie

together.

William Presley Davis, Stovall, N.C., has been very kind and helpful, also. His mother was Camilla Webb Davis. She did a large part of uncovering/connecting a lot of Webb history. As of now, I haven't located the counties of my William Webb and his wife, Dorothea Winborne, where they were born/married. I've been told the Winborne's from Northampton Co., N.C., are extinct. Your statement about the general history of the Webb family (I should say, Mr. Melton's statement (Attachment 8), settled in Pa., Va., then N.C., makes a firm step toward our lineage. It would be a fine thing to have any brothers/sisters of Daniel's; James M., (etc.) I could only guess, that Daniel Webb is of the Webb/Boone lineage, or very possible, that he is the son or

is the recurrence of Daniel Webb
and George Webb. As years and
generations moved on, the pride
of ~~carrying~~^{carrying} family names dwindled.
So, I have some very interesting
hours of research ahead of me,
locating any brothers/sisters of
your Daniel Webb. I would
(venture) to guess, Daniel was born
Circa 1760 \pm 62/63 (more/less) He could
very well have had one of the Boone's
for a Mother. I am waiting for
the Webb/Boone folder from
Missouri, now. Daniel maybe
recorded in this bundle of papers
I've sent for.

Miss Pansy Webb, from
Washington, D.C., said her father
said he had visited the Webb's
in Essey Co. Virginia several
years before he passed, and that
"it wasn't impossible", to

connect the Essex Co. Va. line with his Webb/Boone line. He didn't explain, unfortunately, at that time, or Miss Webb couldn't recall his saying, how/why he made the remark, only that, "it wasn't impossible". I would love to know some of the Counties, some of your Webb Ancestors lived in, (in Virginia,) if known.

I truly enjoyed the photocopies of the old homestead. There must be a lot of nostalgic thoughts and memories for the old homeplace, thru the years. I hope to visit (someday) the historical sites and places in North Carolina where Webb's have lived, and the "Webb House" in Wethersfield, Conn., that was Samuel Blacherly Webb's and where General Washington stayed many times, during the Revolution.

Right now, I am unable to go as I would like to, but I hope some day to be able to visit these old places. I had a bout with meningitis and I tire easily. Sometimes I work 8-10 hours on my records. The biggest drawback is getting to a reference room that has sufficient/authentic data, as I've combed our sources here in town. I have no complaints and rather enjoy my "labor of love." The Webbs are all fine people.

I might add, John Webb and Mary Boone were Quakers. They are buried about 9 miles outside of (Reading) Pa., in unmarked graves, according to Quaker Records. After a short time the Webbs were all Baptists. William Webb's son, Elisha Webb, who was born in 1811, in V.C., was a Baptist Minister. According to records I have on the Winborns,

Dorothea Webb's (Elisha's Mother)
brother, William Winborne,
 was the author/designer
 of the large "Stars and Bars."
 As far as I know, all the Webb
 men were well educated
 and owned large amounts of
 land. So far, I haven't located
 any land grants, and understand
 that they bought all their land.
 Of course, William Webb, my grand-
 father, was all but wiped out,
 of his holdings, because of the
 Civil War. He was up in age then,
 but he had lost most of his
 land and all that was retained,
 was what he had given to
 his children. According to records,
all his land in N.C. was lost.

I am wondering if Mr.
 Anson Melton, Research Editor
 is still active.

I must close for now
 and if/when it is convenient,
 I should like very much to
 have the children - brothers/
 sisters of Daniel, James Webb, etc.

as I am very interested in your ancestors). You need not feel you have to, only if it is convenient and just the names alone, would be most helpful. Presently, detail such as dates, are not as important as names. Feel free to pass my name and interests on to others you feel might be as interested in recording and preserving Webb history, as I, or passing on to me anyone that you feel I may add to my records. I shall be glad to contact them. Any data I have is available to anyone seeking Webb and Allied statistics, just for the asking. Will keep you informed, as things of interest/importance develop. All for now, and thanks again.

Warmest regards,
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(Mrs. Charles R. Fitzner)

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P.S. I have several old / rare (one)
 Webb family history books,
 except one, "Webb and Allied
 families" by Colonel George
 Creighton Webb. I also
 have one Chart (name for name)
 back to 1623, a sketch
 on Richard Webb and family
 back to 1599 and notes on
 the Webb's (Anglo-Saxon's) back
 to 1044. So, if I can't
 progress on my research, then
 I have enough data to go
 through and help others
 who need a helping hand.
 I had no idea there was
 as many interested in the
 Webb family. Searching for
 family history / genealogy is
 like a disease, once it gets
 in your bloodstream, the
 only way it will come out
 is in print. (Will be glad to answer
 any question, if I can,
 - Rheta - for you, too!)