



THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, NO. 7612
David Young 2^{1/2} acres – White County

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

KNOW YE, that by virtue of Certificate No. 982 dated the 17th day of April 1812 Paid by the Register of West Tennessee to William P. Anderson and entered on the 6th day of May 1812 by No. 8090.

THERE IS GRANTED BY THE SAID STATE OF TENNESSEE UNTO David Young assignee of the said William P. Anderson

A CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, CONTAINING two and a half acres by Survey bearing date the 21 day of July 1813 lying in White County in the first District on the Falling Water of Caney Fork and bounded as follows to wit Beginning at a white oak standing about five poles below said Youngs lower salt peter cave formally worked by him, running thence North twenty one poles to a post on the side of a cliff, thence west nineteen poles to a post and black gum, chestnut and poplar pointers, thence South cropping a hollow twenty one poles by two hickories, thence East nineteen poles to the Beginning – Including said Young cave.

WITH THE HEREDITAMENTS, AND APPURTENCANCES. TO HAVE AND TO HOLD THE SAID TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND, WITH ITS APPURTENANCES TO THE SAID David Young **AND his HEIRS FOREVER. IN WITNESS WHEREOF,** Willie Blount **GOVERNOR OF STATE OF TENNESSEE, HATH HEREUNTO SET HIS HAND, AND CAUSED THE GREAT SEAL OF THE STATE TO BE AFFIXED, AT NASHVILLE, ON THE Nineteenth DAY OF August IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTEEN, AND OF THE INDEPENDENCE OF THE UNITED STATES, THE FORTIETH.**

BY THE GOVERNOR,

Willie Blount



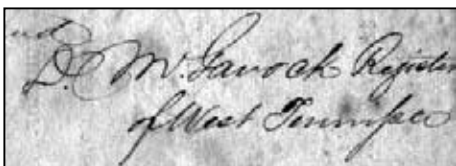
SECRETARY, **W.G. Blunt**



David Young is entitled to the within mentioned tract of land.
Recorded in the Registers office of West Tennessee September 13th 1815.

REGISTER,

D.M. Gavock



Grant Recorded:

Book 27 – Pg. 227 – No. 8090
RG 50 Series 2 – Land Book 27 – Reel 7
1st Surveyor's District Entries – Jackson Co. Folks

Past Governors of Tennessee

William Blount



William Blount, 1790-1795, Democrat (territorial governor). Born in North Carolina in 1749, Blount served in the Continental Congress 1783-1784 and 1786-1787. In 1790, President Washington appointed him governor of the newly formed Territory South of the River Ohio, formerly part of North Carolina. While governor, Blount was also Indian affairs superintendent and negotiated, among others, the Treaty of the Holston with the Cherokees. His new government faced formidable problems, intensified by conflicts created by European/Indian contact. In 1795, Blount called a constitutional convention to organize the state, and Tennessee entered the Union the next year. Blount represented the new state in the U.S. Senate, and after expulsion from that body on a conspiracy charge, served in the state Senate. He died in 1800.

Willie Blount



Willie Blount, 1809-1815, Democrat, Born in North Carolina in 1768, Willie Blount was the half-brother of territorial governor William Blount. He studied at Princeton and Columbia colleges and became a lawyer in North Carolina. In 1790, he moved to the Southwest Territory, serving as William Blount's private secretary. In 1796 he was elected judge in the new state, and in 1807 was elected to the legislature. He ran for governor and was elected in 1809. When war was declared on Britain in 1812, Blount supported General Andrew Jackson with funds and troops. Blount served three terms. In 1827, he ran for governor again, but was defeated by Sam Houston. He served as a member of the state's Constitutional Convention of 1834 and died in 1835.

Book 27 – Pg. 523 – No. 9362 - RG 50 Series 2 – Land Book 27 – Reel 7
1st Surveyor's District Entries – Jackson Co. Folks
Reads: **David Young** ... 2 acs ... White Co., ... on Falling Water between said Young's salt petre cave and James Vance's cave to include a fall in said branch where Young gets water for the use of his cave.
3 November 1812.

While going through some old papers belonging to my Grandparents Virgil Timothy & Audra Camilla (Anderson) Denny I found a land grant for 2 ½ acres in the first district, White Co., TN. The assignee was William P. Anderson. The grant states: THERE IS GRANTED BY THE SAID STATE OF TENNESSEE UNTO David Young assignee of the said William P. Anderson. I researched the grant and believe it to be that of David Adolphous Young, signed by Willie Blount, Governor of the State of Tennessee.

**See Grant – David Young.*

I was told by my father, Tim Denny's 1st cousin that this grand/deed is to a small parcel of land which my grandparents, Virgil Timothy Denny & Audra Camilla Anderson Denny owned and was a part of their farm at Buffalo Valley, TN in Putnam Co., TN.

Then I read the excellent stories contributed by Thelma C. Johnson in the Volume XXV, No. 1, Spring 2000 issue of the UCGA. She mentioned the Mormon influence in Putnam Co., TN, the family of William F. Young and a story on John Doyle Lee. In some old store journals from the 1830's in Buffalo Valley area there was an obvious Mormon influence as stores were selling copies of "The Times and Seasons" a Mormon paper.

I read several interesting books by Juanita Brooks, on the Mormons and about John Doyle Lee called: The Mountain Meadows Massacre; John Doyle Lee - Zealot, Pioneer Builder, Scapegoat; and a book about Emma Lee one of the wives of John Doyle Lee. These books mention David Young & his family. John Doyle Lee was a Mormon preacher who came through middle, Tennessee. On a baptismal day held April 12, 1842, John Doyle Lee baptized 23 persons, among whom were Mary Vance "Polly" & Lavina Young, both of whom later would become his wives, along with their parents and brother David. The books tell of the lives of Mary Vance "Polly" & Lavina Young and their Mormon ways during hard times and the deaths of their parents and brother David.

I (Audrey June (Denny) Lambert) fit in to all of this by being a descendant of Capt. William Jared & Elizabeth Raulston and their son Joseph Jared who married his second wife Rachel Rhea Ray after Dorcas Bryne died. Joseph Jared being the brother of Moses Jared who married Malinda Byrne. Moses & Malinda's daughter Rhoda B. Jared marrying Adolphia Young. Adolphia being the son of John Young who was the brother of Mark & David Young. Mark Young having marrying Ruth Raulston who was the sister of Elizabeth Raulston who married Capt. William Jared. David Young who married Elizabeth Vance whose daughters Mary Vance "Polly" Young & Lavina Young married John Doyle Lee. What started my search on this line of the family was the discovery of the land grant to David Young by the assignee of the said William P. Anderson. I am researching the connection of William P. Anderson at this time.

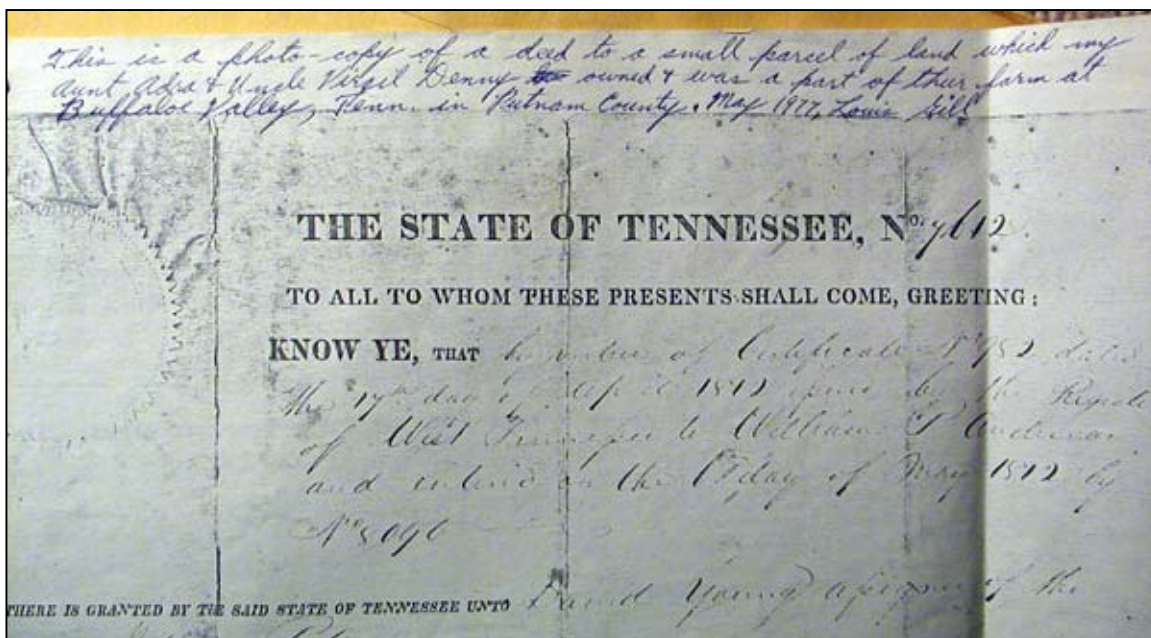
Some theories William P. Anderson had acquired a NC warrant for land in Tennessee. He probably purchased it from some individual and it appears obvious that Anderson then sold the right of the 2 1/2 acres to David Young. William P. Anderson was dealing in selling the land rights.

The grant was for 2 1/2 acres, since this was for such a small tract of land the reasoning would be that it was located on valuable land. Land near a river that could be used to run a mill or near a river that a ferry crossing could be set up was valuable land. The grant does state that it was lying in White County in the first District on the Falling Water of Caney Fork. Maybe it was in such a area that a ferry could be set up. The best bet would be that it was valuable land because of the saltpeter cave located on the property, saltpeter was valuable for making gunpowder. Ordinary saltpeter, (potassium nitrate) occurs as crusts on the surface of the Earth, on walls and rocks, and in caves. In former times, the demand for saltpeter as an ingredient of gunpowder led to the formation of saltpeter plantations, or nitriaries, which were common in France, Germany, and other countries; the natural conditions were simulated by exposing heaps of decaying organic matter mixed with alkalis (lime, etc.) to atmospheric action.

In the 1860 Census, Putnam Co., TN, there was a person named William Anderson 23 b. TN – md Catherine 22 – b. TN, with a daughter Rebecca 7 months living in the Falling Water area. Could this be the William P. Anderson assignee of the Grant? Still looking!

Any feedback is welcomed. Audrey J. (Denny) Lambert, 39721 Timberlane, St. Hts., MI 48310-2464 – e-mail me at: mhlambert@yahoo.com
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Notes of Louis H. Gill: 1st cousin of Tim Denny, s/o Virgil & Audra Denny.



This is a photo-copy of a deed to a small parcel of land which my Aunt Audra & Uncle Virgil Denny owned and was a part of their farm at Buffalo Valley, TN in Putnam Co., TN. May 1977, Louis Gill.

After further study I did find a reference to the David Young family. This deed was stated as being the property of Virgil Denny of Buffalo Valley, TN.

Heirs of Mark Young, Doc. to Deed Distributive, shares.

Clks. 50

State Tax: 26

Recorded on page 147, Book Putnam Co., Tennessee, R. Moore Clerk.

Clerk fee and Tax 76

Reg. fee 1.621/2

Made to S. Anderson, State of Tennessee, Putnam County

To Moses Jared Esq. You are here by authorized and empowered to the examination of Leaner McKee, Polly Ballard and Ruth Helems the fenal (sic) covet privately and apart from her husband relation to her free execution of the within or annexed deed and the same so taken certify under your hand and witness.

Russell Moore, Clerk of the County Court, Putnam County at office the 15th day of April A.D. 1857.

Russell Moore, Clerk

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