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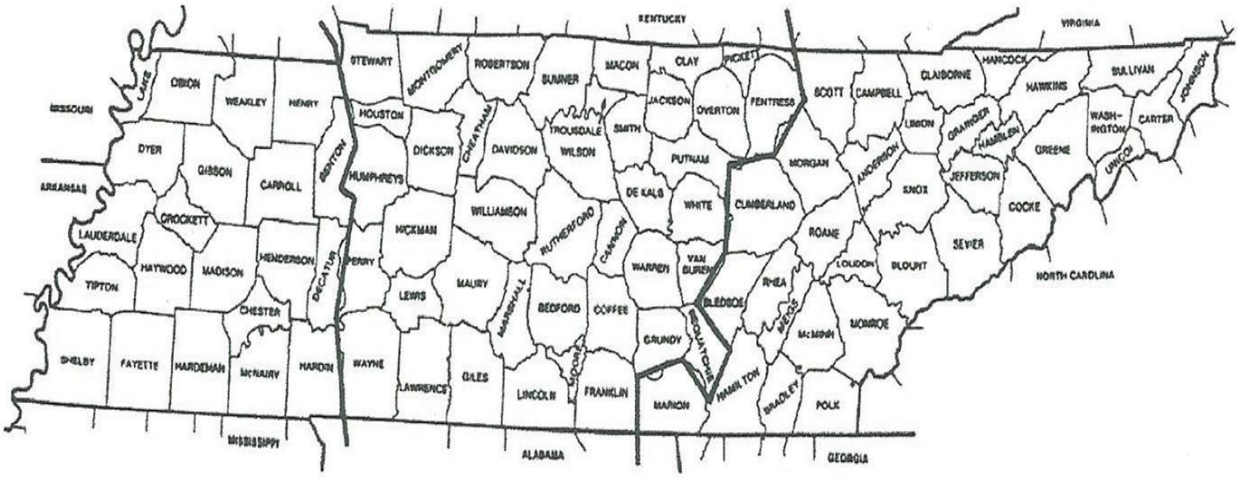
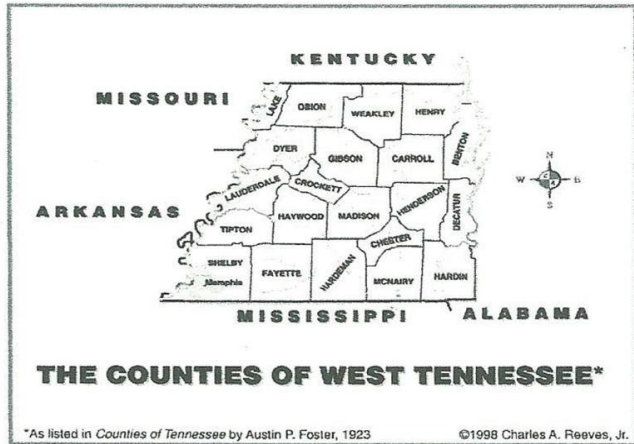
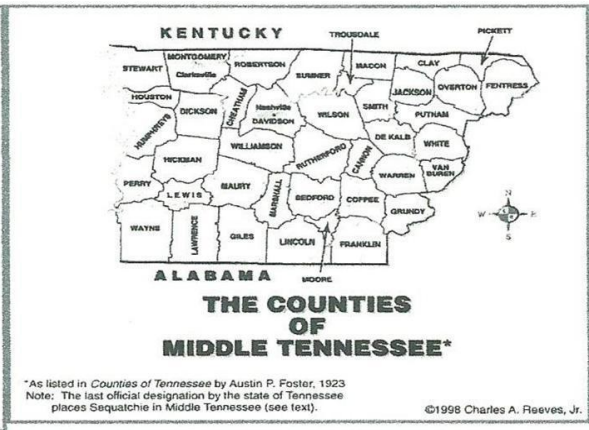
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	Johnson	*	Sevier	*	Hamblen	**	Loudon		Fentress
	Unicoi		Jefferson		Hancock	*	McMinn		Morgan
*	Washington			*	Hawkins	*	Monroe		Pickett
					Union				Scott
								*	Roane
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	Meigs		Grundy	*	Franklin		Robertson		Jackson
*	Polk	*	Putnam		Lincoln	**	Sumner	*	Macon
	Rhea		Sequatchie		Marion				Overton
			Van Buren		Moore				Smith
			Warren						Trousdale
			White					***	Wilson
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	Cannon	**	Hardin		Decatur		Henry/Paris		Crockett
*	Marshall		Lawrence		Dickson		Houston		Dyer
*	Maury	*	McNairy	*	Henderson		Humphreys		Gibson
*	Rutherford		Lewis		Hickman		Lake		Haywood
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GRAND DIVISIONS MAP



THREE GRAND DIVISIONS COUNTIES

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Obion	Stewart	Bedford	Scott	Unicoi
Weakley	Montgomery	Franklin	Morgan	Carter
Henry	Robertson	Grundy	Cumberland	Johnson
Dyer	Sumner	Warren	Bledsoe	
Gibson	Macon	Van Buren	Hamilton	
Carroll	Clay	White	Campbell	
Benton	Houston	Putman	Anderson	
Lauderdale	Dickson	Cannon	Roane	
Crockett	Cheatham	DeKalb	Rhea	
Tipton	Davidson	Coffee	Meigs	
Haywood	Wilson	Sequatchie	Bradley	
Madison	Smith	Moore	Polk	
Henderson	Trousdale		McMinn	
Decatur	Jackson		Monroe	
Shelby	Overton		Loudon	
Fayette	Pickett		Blount	
Hardeman	Fentress		Knox	
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Lake	Hickman		Union	
	Perry		Grainger	
	Lewis		Hamblen	
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	Giles		Hawkins	
	Maury		Sullivan	
	Marshall		Greene	
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THE REPUBLICAN PHILOSOPHY

We believe that:

- The right of the individual to achieve the best that is within him, as long as he respects the rights of others, is the source of our Nation's strength.
- Government exists to protect the freedom of opportunity in which each individual's creative ability can flourish.
- Government activities should be limited to those things that people cannot do at all, or can-not do so well for themselves.
- The most effective government is government close to the people.
- That both government and society should assist those who cannot provide for themselves, but that every effort should be made to help them become self-supporting, productive citizens with pride in their independence.
- Equal rights, equal justice and equal opportunity belong to all, regardless of race, creed, age, sex, and national origin.
- The preservation of our Nation and the security of our citizens depend upon the Constitution, the laws and the courts, and that respect for them is the responsibility of every individual.
- Government is accountable for maintaining sound money and a responsible economy. Individual rights, liberties, and properties are continually eroded when citizens are op-pressed by excessive taxation, inflation, government waste and over regulation.
- Government is responsible for national defense and that only a strong America can remain a free America.
- It is absolutely essential to maintain a strong national defense posture in order that we may, at all times, negotiate from a position of strength, not weakness, in our continuing efforts toward world peace and friendship.

These concepts are the foundation of our national strength and that the Republican Party, which is committed to their preservation, is the party of today and the party for the future.

THE NINETEENTH AMENDMENT

On June 4, 1919, the 66th U.S. Congress passed the 19th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States. To complete the adoption of the amendment (which would give women the right to vote), three-fourths of the states had to ratify the amendment.

In Tennessee, Governor A. H. Roberts convened the General Assembly on August 9, 1920. Among those in the legislative body was Harry T. Burn (R) of McMinn County, the youngest member of the House. He was not pledged to either side of the issue.

Ratification was a hard-fought battle in Tennessee. Suffragists and Antis had been in Nashville all summer preparing for the fight. Both sides made the Hermitage Hotel their headquarters during this time.

On August 19, 1920, the amendment came up for a vote amid yellow roses worn by the suffragists and red roses worn by the Antis. A motion was made to table the amendment. If that motion passed, the 19th Amendment would be dead in Tennessee. The motion was defeated by a tie vote.

A vote on the original motion, the ratification of the 19th Amendment, was called for. The ratificationists knew they had 48 votes, one short of a majority of 49. As the roll was called, Harry T. Burn was the member of the General Assembly who cast the much-needed 49th vote. The motion passed 49 to 47.

Why had Harry T. Burn voted to ratify the 19th Amendment? This is how Mr. Burns explained his vote to his colleagues on the House floor the day after the vote, "I know that a mother's advice is always safest for her boy to follow, and my mother wanted me to vote for ratification."

Mrs. J. L. Burns of Niota, Tennessee, had written the following letter to her son and he had it in his pocket on August 19, 1920.

Dear Son:

Hurrah and vote for suffrage! Don't keep them in doubt! I notice some of the speeches against. They were bitter. I have been watching to see how you stood, but have not noticed anything yet. Don't forget to be a good boy and help Mrs. Catt (Carrie Chapman Catt) put the "rat" in ratification.

Your mother

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TENNESSEE FEDERATION OF REPUBLICAN WOMEN

OUR HISTORY

Republican Women's Clubs have existed for over 100 years. The oldest Club on record was founded in Salt Lake City in the late 1800's. Miss Marion E. Martin, the oldest Assistant Chairman of the Republican National Committee, held an organizational meeting in Chicago in 1937, which led to the founding of the National Federation of Republican Women during a conference held at the Palmer House in Chicago on September 23-24, 1938.

The organization originally was known as the National Federation of Women's Republican Clubs of America. The name was changed in January 1953 to the National Federation of Republican Women (NFRW). The seal of the NFRW is the American Eagle, king of birds, holding a quill pen and standing guard over our most treasured tool of democracy - the ballot box. The seal was adopted at the Biennial Convention in 1944. Before the ratification of the 19th Amendment, Mrs. Tom J. Davis of Chattanooga organized Republican Women in her district to work for Republican candidates. The founder and first president of the Tennessee Federation was Mrs. Alice Elder (1955-62). Lillie Helton, charter member of Hamblen County Republican Women, remembers traveling to Mrs. Eider's home on Elders Mountain in Chattanooga and working with a group of women as they organized clubs in the third district and also other districts across the state before Tennessee became affiliated with the National Federation.

Women from Tennessee who served on the Republican National Committee were: (Mrs. Mary G. Howard served as an associate member of the RNC.)

Mrs. Mary Giles Howard	1924-1929
Mrs. Beulah Overall Hughes	1928-1932
Mrs. Ruby Roach McLane	1942-1953
Mrs. Lupton Patton	1955-1960
Mrs. Irene B. Parker	1960-1964
Mrs. Louise G. Reece	1964-1967
Mrs. Peggy Spurrier	1967-1976
Mrs. Jeanne Geraghty	1976-1984
Mrs. Maida Pearson	1987-1994

Mrs. Alice Algood	1994-1997
Mrs. Lilian Coker	1997-2000
Mrs. Stephanie Chivers	2000-2008
Mrs. Peggy Lambert	2008-2016
Mrs. Beth Campbell	2016 –

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PAST PRESIDENTS

1955-1962	Alice Elder (Mrs. Garrison)	Chattanooga
1963-1966	Julia Bales Calloway	Morristown
1967-1969	Ann Tuck (Mrs. James R.)	Nashville
1970-1973	Ruth Tobias (Mrs. Melvin)	Signal Mountain
1974-1077	Dorothy Clawson (Mrs. John)	Morristown
1978-1981	Eleanor Rooks (Mrs. Ned)	Brownsville
1982-1983	Frances Turner (Mrs. Tom)	Murfreesboro
1983	Louise Chamberlain (Mrs. Buford)	Greeneville
1984-1987	Reba Brown (Mrs. Hebert)	Chattanooga
1988-1991	Ellida Fri (Mrs. Jim)	Memphis
1992-1993	Marcy Hale	Brentwood
1994-1997	Barbara McAndrew (Mrs. V. J.)	Dandridge
1998-1999	Shirley Curry	Waynesboro
1999-2001	Claire Bawcom (Mrs. Richard)	Franklin
2001-2003	Betty Cannon (Mrs. Jim)	Nashville
2004-2005	Annette Pannell (Mrs. Winston E.)	Kingsport
2006-2009	Shirley Ward (Mrs. Doug)	Covington
2010-2011	Susan Witcher (Mrs. Ken)	Red Boiling Springs
2012-2013	B. Claire Crouch	Cosby
2014-2017	Linda D. Buckles (Mrs. John W. Jr.)	Kingsport
2018-2021	Barbara Trautman (Mrs. Bob Jr.)	Germantown
2022-2023	Linda Kollmann (Mrs. George)	Nashville

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