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Don't Forget Your 2006 Membership Dues!!

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Editor's Letter

December 15, 2005

Dear Friends of Genealogy:

This issue concludes seventeen years of quarterly Journals for Friends of Genealogy, Inc. Beginning in 2006 we will publish two Journals of 100 pages each. The Journal will now be published semiannually.

We strive to include lots of good family articles and data we hope may further your research. Also news and notes on meetings and a workshop here and there. For those of you too far away to attend a meeting, you miss the better part, but we love having you as a member to receive the Journal.

To all our members, please share with us your research. We will help you write an article about your family should you desire. If you have any comments or suggestions on content for the Journal, please share this also. We cannot make 2006 the most productive year yet in your research without a bit of help from you.

Please note the membership form contained in this issue. The payment of dues is our only source of income for printing and mailing the Journal. Our dues for 2006 are payable in January. When completing this form, please take time to let us know what surnames you are researching, the geographic area and time frame for your research. It is our goal to include a database of these surnames on our web site, and if we have an updated entry from you this will help.

Have a very merry Christmas. Have a happy and prosperous New Year. Be safe. Be kind. Keep in touch.

And good luck on your research.

Sincerely,

Danielle Neal

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Friends of Genealogy, Inc. meets on the third Saturday each month.

January 21, 2006 Theophile Scott	February 18, 2006 Courtship & Marriage Customs	March 18, 2006 Words that Connect You with Your Ancestors
April 15, 2006	May 20, 2006	June 17, 2006
July 15, 2006	August 19, 2006	September 16, 2006
October 21, 2006	November 18, 2006	December 16, 2006

Unless otherwise noted all meetings are held at 1:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room, Shreve Memorial Library, Broadmoor Branch, 1212 Captain Shreve Drive, Shreveport, LA 71105 on the first Saturday of each month. However, times, locations, and topics are subject to change. Check local newspapers prior to each meeting, or call Brenda Randall at 318-752-5792 for up-to-date program information. (E-mail: custerbren@aol.com)

Please let us know if you have any suggestions for a meeting program.

Monthly Board Meetings are generally held the Monday evening prior to the regular Saturday meeting at 5:30 p.m. Our Board Meetings are open and all members are encouraged to attend at least one meeting during the year. Please attend and present your thoughts and ideas. Contact Danielle Neal at 318-425-7069 or any Board Member for the time and location of any meeting you wish to attend.

Visit our web site at www.rootsweb.com/~flfg/. Here, too, we invite your comments and suggestions. Help us structure our organization to be of the utmost benefit to you and your research.

Bethany, Founding Fathers and Frontier Families

By William F. Offer

(Continued from Vol. XVII No. 3)

William Tiller is listed as one of the first settlers in the Bethany area. William Tiller was born March 19, 1813 in Culpepper County, Virginia. The Tiller family soon migrated to Kentucky. William Tiller at age twenty-two and his brother George Tiller left their Kentucky home to travel westward. William Tiller was a skilled woodworker and George was a carpenter. The two Tiller brothers met Laura Elizabeth Richardson, at thirteen years of age, and his sister, eleven-year-old M.E. Richardson in Louisiana. The two brothers married the two sisters. On February 12, 1835, William Tiller married thirteen year old Laura Richardson.²⁷ William and George had apparently met the two sisters while they were traveling west, possibly this meeting took place in Shreveport.

In the autumn of 1837, after the crops were made, William Tiller settled near Bethany. Laura at fifteen years old was now pregnant and remained behind, possibly in Shreveport. William found a suitable homesite near the headwaters of the east fork of the Socagee Creek.²⁸ William built a log cabin and went back to Shreveport to get Laura who had given birth to a daughter, Laura Elvira, on November 4, 1837. William's younger brother, George, eventually settled with his wife in Hooks, Texas. George W. Tiller died in Bowie County after a short illness in August 1849 leaving his wife and four sons.²⁹ George W. Tiller's descendants are still found in Bowie County today.

William and Laura's next few years were spent in a typical backwoods pioneer life. On February 28, 1841, William and Laura had a son, William Henry Cornelius Tiller. Seven months later on September 7, 1841, Laura died at the age of twenty. A few days later, William traveled to Marshall, Texas, the seat of Judicial Panola County, where on the second Tuesday in September 1841 he appeared in court to receive the headright land grant to which he was entitled as an immigrant.³⁰ William Tiller received 1,280 which lay in two parcels each—640-acre sections. William raised his two children while farming his land. By 1842, William was the owner of 640 acres and one slave.³¹ He sold the northern half of his 1,200-acre headright grant to James Swanson on March 8, 1843.

By 1843 William no longer owned his slave.³² William at the age of thirty-one married a second time to twenty-three year old Elizabeth "Betsie" Martha Woodley. Betsie was the daughter of William and Telitha Woodley who had a farm west of Elysian Fields. The wedding took place at the Woodley's home on September 30, 1844, as there were no churches in the Bethany area.³³ William was given two slaves as a wedding present by his father-in-law.³⁴ William and Betsie and the two children lived in the log cabin William had built himself.

In 1845 William and Betsie had a son, John Wesley Tiller and another son, George Carter Tiller, was born on November 1, 1847.³⁵ Toward the end of the decade, William and Betsie decided to sell their land and small cabin and move four miles south. William had sold his 640 acres for \$3 an acre and purchased a 200-acre tract of land. William had used the money from the sale of his land to place a down payment on the farmland, which was less than a third the size of his headright. The main attraction of the new site was a strong fresh water spring. The spring provided much needed water to the Tiller family year around. The home William built remained

until 1960. While at the new house, William and Betsie had a third son, Albert Carroll in December 1849.³⁶

Sadly William and Betsie lost two sons. John Wesley died at two years old in 1852 and Albert Carroll died at four years old in 1854. The decade prior to the Civil War saw William Tiller achieve the economic success that had earlier eluded him. While he never became wealthy, William attained a solid middle-class standing. In part this was due to Betsie's inheritance, but for the most part it was achieved through hard work.³⁷ By 1860 William's cotton plantation produced twenty-five bales annually and the value of his livestock had more than tripled in ten years. William was able to obtain a final clear title to his farm on February 1861, the eve of the Civil War. William now owned two slaves, possibly the same two since 1846.³⁸

At the beginning of the Civil War, William Tiller was forty-eight years old and too old to serve in the Confederate Army.³⁹ However, son Cornelius who had just turned twenty in 1861 joined the Confederate Army. Cornelius saw considerable battle action. Son George volunteered at the close of the war.⁴⁰ Both Cornelius and George returned safely from the war. On November 23, 1865 Cornelius married Catherine Oden, who was the daughter of the next door neighbors.

Cornelius and several fellow CSA veterans began a guerrilla resistance to the local Reconstruction government and carpet-baggers in Harrison and Panola Counties. After killing several men they became fugitives from the law.⁴¹ Cornelius designed a special hiding place in the chimney which allowed him to elude capture when his parents' house was searched. Cornelius was never captured though several of his companions were apprehended and hanged.⁴²

After the Civil War, William continued to be plagued with grief and sadness. On October 14, 1866, his fourteen-year-old daughter, Josephine Isabella, died.⁴³ By the mid 1870's, William contracted tuberculosis and died on June 14, 1876.⁴⁴ Betsie Tiller followed her husband in death on September 15, 1878.⁴⁵

Cornelius and Catherine Tiller had eight children.⁴⁶ In May of 1866 the Court in Harrison County ordered all of Cornelius Tiller's land sold at public auction since he was a fugitive from justice.⁴⁷ Cornelius died penniless on May 18, 1898.

George Tiller who had only been thirteen years old at the beginning of the Civil War remained at home to help his father with the farm work.⁴⁸ However, young George dreamed of joining the Confederate Army. At the age of seventeen he joined a group of volunteers of Company D of Willis' Regiment, Texas Cavalry, but the war ended soon after.⁴⁹ George had never taken an active part in Cornelius' guerrilla harassment of the local Reconstruction government.⁵⁰

On November 14, 1868 at the age of twenty-one, George married Martha Elizabeth Crenshaw.⁵¹ In 1876 after William's death, both George and Cornelius Tiller went to court to claim their father's land.⁵² In the fall of 1882 the District Court of Panola County ruled that William Tiller's land be sold at public auction and the proceeds be divided among the various heirs.⁵³ Isaac H. Crenshaw, Jr. purchased the property for \$468. Records indicate that Isaac H. Crenshaw was the husband of George's sister.⁵⁴ George and Mattie had three children. In the 1890's Mattie Tiller developed a liver ailment called "Black Jaundice" which caused her death at the age of forty-five on October 28, 1895.⁵⁵

In 1897 George married Ida Murray of Fair Play, Texas. Ida was twenty-five years old and George was fifty.⁵⁶ Ida and George had two children. In 1914 George was elected postmaster of Carthage, Texas. He remained the postmaster for four years and retired on September 30, 1918 at the age of seventy.⁵⁷ George lived to see the introduction of electricity and gas into his father's log cabin. On February 19, 1930, George C. Tiller died of blood poisoning at the age of eighty-two in the same log cabin his father had built.⁵⁸ He was survived by his wife, nine children, and nearly forty grandchildren.⁵⁹

Ida Tiller lived until 1948 and died of burns which were inflicted when a gas heater ignited her clothing. The last surviving child of George and Mattie Tiller, Albert, died in 1966, and both of the children of George and Ida passed away in 1974.⁶⁰

Bethany planter Thomas G. Davenport who was born in South Carolina made several important contributions to Bethany beginning in 1848. In July 1848 Davenport was elected as Chief Justice of the Carthage County seat. Davenport was Chief Justice from 1848 to 1850. He was the first to hold court in Carthage, Texas on September 12, 1848. In 1848 Davenport became the first postmaster for Bethany.

On January 8, 1861 Bethany planter T. G. Davenport would represent Panola County during the Succession Convention in Austin, Texas. Davenport was one of 557 men to vote to secede from the Union.⁶¹ Many of these men who were from Bethany either enlisted with the "Caddo Grays" under the command of Captain William Flournoy of Greenwood, Louisiana or Captain William D. Craig of Carthage, Texas.⁶²

Bethany was spared some of the growing pains of Reconstruction after the Civil War. Louisiana had become an unbearable place to live and the Colfax riot had been the final straw. Several people in Caddo, Bossier, and Desoto Parishes opted for relief from the burden of Reconstruction by proposing to secede from Louisiana and unite with the less ravaged State of Texas. For the three northwest Louisiana parishes, the move was an escape of the nightmare of Reconstruction. A resolution requesting such annexation was introduced at the Texas democratic Convention in September 1873, and was endorsed as part of its platform. The Radical Republican government of Louisiana did not accede. However, popular support for it and any influence that the three parishes might have had on the people and government of Texas was marred by the eruption and persistence of the yellow fever epidemic which struck Shreveport at the same time the petition and resolution were introduced.⁶³

At some period after Reconstruction, James Monroe Alexander built the Alexander Company in Bethany. The Alexander Company was later renamed the Licksillet Old Time Store. The store was built on the Louisiana and Texas State line. One half of the store was in Louisiana and the other half in Texas. The Licksillet at one time was both a saloon and dance hall. Like many border towns, Bethany often had rough characters.⁶⁴

A story told by George Tiller, son of William Tiller, reflects that he had gone to Bethany to purchase farm supplies when he was approached by an armed, drunken man. The drunk placed an apple on top of his own head and asked George Tiller to shoot it off. George declined to play William Tell, because he feared that he would either kill the man accidentally or that the drunk would demand a turnabout deal. Another man in the crowd accepted the invitation and promptly shot the drunk dead with a bullet right in the forehead.⁶⁵

Bethany has produced some notable physicians. The first, Dr. Thena Robertson was the first woman to graduate from Baylor Medical School and the first woman to practice medicine in the Bethany area. She practiced medicine for many years and was well into her eightieth year when she retired. At first she would arrive to attend to her patients by horseback and later in a Model T. Ford. Dr. Robertson's office and residence is still presently located on Highway 79 in Bethany, Louisiana.

The second notable physician was Dr. Thomas Edgar Schumpert, who was born October 18, 1861 on his parents' 1,600 acre plantation in Bethany. He was the only child of Mary Holt Schumpert and Dr. John Ira Schumpert, who was then a surgeon with the Trans-Mississippi Department of the Confederate Army.⁶⁶

Dr. John Schumpert attended college at Lexington, South Carolina and then spent three years at the Physicians & Surgeons School in New York City where he graduated in 1859. After completing medical school at the age of twenty-seven, Dr. Schumpert moved to Bethany to begin his practice.⁶⁷ Dr. John I. Schumpert and wife, Mary Holt Schumpert, had only one child, Thomas Edgar Schumpert.

Thomas Edgar Schumpert received his early education on his parents' Bethany plantation, but he later attended high school at the Thatcher Institute, a private military school in Shreveport. He attended the Louisiana State University and then the Medical College of the University of Louisville from which he graduated in 1884.⁶⁸

In 1892 Schumpert's private practice in his home led to the development of his clinic. By 1897 he expanded Schumpert Clinic to become Shreveport Sanitarium. Dr. Schumpert was also a member of the Shreveport Board of health and traveled nationally on the lecture circuit, helping to organize and expand the medical society. In 1905 Dr. Schumpert became the City Health Officer for Shreveport. That same year he became the owner of the city's first automobile, an electric car.

In 1907 his outside activities coupled with stress and declining health led Dr. Schumpert, a devout Catholic, to invite the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word from Houston to assume control of his hospital. On May 16, 1908 at the age of forty-six, Dr. Schumpert succumbed to typhoid in his own hospital. Although Dr. Schumpert had later in life professed to be a devout Catholic, both of his parents were Lutheran. Dr. Schumpert had been raised in the Lutheran Church as a child.⁶⁹

Dr. Richard Louis Hensley is the third notable medical person from Bethany. Dr. Hensley was born June 13, 1854 in Bethany. Dr. Hensley's father, Henry Hensley was a private in Miller's Company, 28th Texas Cavalry. Dr. Hensley and his wife, Belle Wier, lived in Bethany their entire lives. Dr. Hensley worked as a dentist in Carthage and was a notable violinist. Dr. Hensley won several prizes playing the violin at Old Fiddler's Contest. Dr. Hensley and Belle raised five children in the Bethany area. Belle Hensley died on March 12, 1915 at the age of sixty-two. Dr. Hensley lived to be eighty-one years old and died on May 8, 1935.⁷⁰

Although Thomas Boren was not born in Bethany, he had spent the majority of his life in Bethany. Thomas Boren grew up on a farm and was educated in a community school. He then attended Looney's Institute at Gilmer, Texas. He was then appointed deputy sheriff when he was twenty and became deputy-postmaster where he served three years. Mr. Boren studied law

with Civil War hero, A. W. Deberry, for whom the town of Deberry, Texas is named. Mr. Boren was admitted to the bar in 1875. He was first elected as the justice of the Peace and then in 1878 he was elected County Judge.⁷¹

In 1893, Judge Boren was elected Texas Eighth District Senator, representing Harrison, Panola, Rusk and Shelby Counties. He served two terms and participated in the 23rd, 24th, and 25th Legislatures during the Administration of Governor Hogg and into that of Governor Culberson. Judge Boren returned to Bethany and ran for office in 1924 as a Judge in Panola County. Judge Boren died in Bethany in 1935 at the age of eighty-six.⁷²

In conclusion, Bethany has developed considerably since William Miller carved out an opening in the piney forest of Bethany and built a log cabin. To this day many of his descendants still live in and around the area. Bethany, like many small towns in America, never fully developed but then it never totally died out either. It remains to this day a small bedroom community, as it has been since the turn of the century. Bethany has had its share of interesting characters who helped make up the rich history of this small town shared by two states.

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Tidbits from the Shreveport Times – 1890's

By Jane Newberry

The Shreveport Times

December 6, 1892

Voices of the Past

Yesterday afternoon as some workmen were engaged in excavating a cellar in the rear of Judge Boarman's house on Fannin Street and adjoining the alley which runs through the block, they came upon the buried remains of two men.

The coffins had decayed and little was left but the bones. The presence of the remains is explained by the fact that the first graveyard of Shreveport was located in that neighborhood.

How many years have elapsed since the old graveyard was located there we have no means of knowing. We were told by a gentleman last night that its use as a graveyard must have been discontinued about 40 years ago. Twenty-five to thirty years ago an old brick house stood upon that elevation which was the home of the Widow Ryerson whose husband had been a member of the old firm of Ryerson & Gregard, a well known business firm in the early history of Shreveport.

The house seemed to be an old structure then and it was not built until after most of the bodies had been removed by living friends from the old graveyard and its use as a burial place discontinued.

Numbers of neglected graves, however, escaped attention and their occupants rested in peace until street and other excavations exposed their remains in these later days. It is probable that many more rest beneath the sod in that neighborhood yet.

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Query

For several years I have been trying to prove a relationship between my grandfather, Elijah McMillen (spelling can be McMillan, McMillian or perhaps even McMillen) and one Absalom McMillin who was born in SC in 1876. The only records I have been able to find are:

- 1. Federal census which say Elijah was born in TN or AL ca 1816**
- 2. Elijah's marriage record that states that he married in the home of Absalom McMillin in DeSoto Parish, LA 21 Oct 1840**
- 3. Deeds which show Elijah purchased property in TX**

I haven't determined relationship of Absalom, father or uncle. He is listed on the 1840 census of Caddo Parish and on 1850 DeSoto Parish. Is it possible he could have been living in the same place? Are there any newspaper records that might give info about either Absalom or Elijah? Please respond to: Jane McMillin Bubier, 2664 Ogleton Road, Annapolis, MD 21403 e-mail: <drane@comcast.net>

**"Soldiers Never Die Until They Are Forgotten....
Tomb Guards Never Forget"**

Contributed by Shirley Stertz Hawn

Across the Potomac from our nation's capitol lies Arlington National Cemetery. When a burial is necessary, the coffin is draped with our flag...a lone bugle sounds Taps...the traditional three volleys are fired, and another hero is laid to rest.

The greatest admirals and generals, and the humblest soldiers and sailors are laid to rest here with equal honor....for in death....all men are equal.

In front of a white marble amphitheater is the tomb of the unknown soldier. This shrine is the symbol of our respect for thousands of unknown soldiers who have given their lives for our freedom.

The land for Arlington Cemetery and home to our honored war dead once belonged to Mary Custis and Robert E. Lee. It might have remained a private estate had Lee accepted the offer to command the army being formed to stop southern states from seceding.

Lee, however, couldn't forsake his Virginia heritage, and he and Mary left Arlington House in April 1861. The estate was taken by the federal government when Lee's wife didn't appear in person to pay \$92.07 in taxes.

Although the Union Army quickly moved in to make it their headquarters, they didn't officially take over the property until 1862, and it wasn't designated as a military cemetery until June 16, 1864.

The first soldier buried there was Private William Christman of the 67th Pennsylvania Infantry. Soon there were interments of casualties from the battles of Bristol Station, Bull Run and Chantilly, in addition to the wounded who died in area hospitals.

Burial continued throughout the war and included servicemen from numerous battles. Over five hundred southern soldiers are buried there. However, most of the Confederate soldiers died in Washington after war.

The Lee family continued to petition the government for the return of their family estate. Finally, the Supreme Court handed down a decision which charged the federal government with trespassing on private property. This caused concern that graves would have to be transferred to a new site.

However, in 1883, General Lee's son accepted payment from the government, and Arlington Nation Cemetery, as we now know it, was established. Well, not exactly as we know it now. It hasn't always had the prestige it enjoys today. When it was established, those buried there were mostly soldiers whose families couldn't afford to bring them home, unknown soldiers, and open fields with rows of dilapidated graves.

The cemetery now covers six hundred acres, and has over 150,000 American veterans, two presidents, generals, astronauts, entertainers and sports figures buried there.

The tomb of the Unknown Soldier is guarded day and night by soldiers who are hand picked and rigorously trained. They come from every walk of life and every state in the union. They refer to themselves as SENTINELS.

There has been a sentinel on duty in front of the Tomb every minute of every day since 1937. The guard is changed every thirty minutes during the summer, and every hour in the winter. When the cemetery is closed, the guard changes every two hours.

It takes 21 steps for the guard to walk across the front of the Tomb. This alludes to the highest honor given any military or foreign dignitary, the "21 gun salute." The sentinel always carries his rifle on the shoulder a way from the tomb.

There are quarters under the steps of the amphitheater at the cemetery where the sentinels stay during their 24 hour shifts. After they serve two years, Sentinels are given a wreath pin signifying they served as guard of the tomb. There are only 525 presently worn. They have a "Society of the Honor Guard Tomb of the Unknown Soldier," and they have a Sentinel's Creed.

They are dedicated men and women who truly care. It is said, "Soldiers never died until they are forgotten" - Tomb Guards never forget. They pledge to protect and honor the memory of all who are laid to rest at this monument to our unknown heroes....those men and women who have given their lives for our country.

And we must remember....It is the soldier, not the reporter, who has given us freedom of the press. It is the soldier, not the poet, who has given us freedom of speech....and it is the soldier, who salutes the flag, who serves beneath the flag and whose coffin is draped by the flag.

Since the American Revolution, over one million men and women have died, serving our country.

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Thoughts for Christmas

*There is no key to happiness. The door is always open.
Laugh every day, it's like inner jogging.
Blessed are the flexible for they shall not be bent out of shape.
When you get tangled up in your problems, God wants you to be
Still so He can untangle the knot.
Faith is the ability to not panic.
A grudge is a heavy thing to carry.
The most important things in your house are the people.
As a child of God, prayer is kind of like calling home everyday.
Merry Christmas to each and every one.*

WWI Draft Registration Card Index Bossier Parish, LA

There were three draft registrations for World War I in which more than 24 million men born between September 13, 1873 and September 12, 1900 registered. Only a small percentage of those registering actually were inducted into service. Not all who served in our military branches participated in this registration, but the compilation of such a large number of male citizens and alien-born men is a useful source of information. This is a particularly good source for tracing African American men.

A typical WWI draft registration card possibly may include the registrant's full name and signature, home address, age, date of birth, citizenship status, occupation, employer's name and address, race, dependents or nearest relative, and physical description. Cards for registrants born between June 6, 1886 and August 24, 1897 may also include birthplace, previous military service, and marital status.

Registration	Date	Men Eligible
First	June 5, 1917	Born between 6/6/1886 and 6/5/1896
Second	June 5, 1918	Born between 6/6/1896 and 6/5/1897
Supplemental	August 24, 1918	Born between 6/6/1897 and 8/24/1897
Third	September 12, 1918	Born between 8/24/1897 and 9/12/1900 Also between 9/13/1873 and 9/12/1887

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Last Name	First/Middle Name	Residence	Date of Birth
JOHNSON	E. B.	Shreveport	Dec 1881
JOHNSON	Charlie	Shreveport	1890
JOHNSON	Clarence Alvin	Plain Dealing	31 August 1896
JOHNSON	Eber Leon	Plain Dealing	3 Feb 1892
JOHNSON	Ed	Benton	Don't Know
JOHNSON	Ed	McDade	21 Dec 1878
JOHNSON	Eddie	Benton	27 Oct 1896
JOHNSON	Bennie	Shreveport	1894
JOHNSON	Anderson	Shreveport	27 August 1900
JOHNSON	Albert	Shreveport	16 Dec 1885
JOHNSON	Blanchard	Shreveport	Sept 1897
JOHNSON	Avant David	Haughton	29 Dec 1899
JOHNSON	Alvin	Haughton	7 Dec 1898
JOHNSON	Alex	Benton	10 August 1900
JOHNSON	Ab	Atkins	1 Oct 1885
JOHNSON	Dalphus D.	Haughton	18 Jan 1893
JOHNSON	Alfred	Curtis	26 August 1891
JOHNSON	Bill	Benton	28 July 1892

Last Name	First/Middle Name	Residence	Date of Birth
JOHNSON	Jessie	Bodcau	18 July 1894
JOHNSON	J. H.	Haughton	14 Jan 1889
JOHNSON	Jean	Taylorstown	1 Feb 1876
JOHNSON	Jimmie	Koran	1893 sic
JOHNSON	Jim	Bolinger	March 1900
JOHNSON	Joe	Shreveport	12 May
JOHNSON	Frank	Allendale	25 July 1883
JOHNSON	Gale	Haughton	1 Dec 1881
JOHNSON	George	Shreveport	1881 sic
JOHNSON	George	McDade	20 Feb 1880
JOHNSON	George	Shreveport	1900
JOHNSON	George Marshall	Benton	8 August 1879
JOHNSON	Gilbert	Benton	5 April 1893
JOHNSON	H. N.	Shreveport	19 Jan 1898
JOHNSON	Harrie Please	Cotton Valley	23 Oct 1883
JOHNSON	Harvey Louis	Plain Dealing	24 Feb 1896
JOHNSON	Henry	Roick Mount	1 March 1900
JOHNSON	Henry	Koran	1896
JOHNSON	Herbert Holland	Haughton	27 July 1898
JOHNSON	Isaac	Shreveport	26 Dec 1891
JOHNSON	Isaac Walter	Taylorstown	8 March 1884
JOHNSON	Sam	Cotton Valley	2 March 1883
JOHNSON	Jack	Shreveport	1891 sic
JOHNSON	James Henry	Plain Dealing	6 Feb 1880
JOHNSON	John	???	1894
JOHNSON	Jesse	Plain Dealing	26 August 1897
JOHNSON	Joe	Cotton Valley	17 Dec 1880
JOHNSON	John	Haughton	17 Jan 1880
JOHNSON	John	Sligo	21 April 1894
JOHNSON	Lane	Haughton	8 July 1891
JOHNSON	Lawson	Plain Dealing	18 April 1876
JOHNSON	Lee	Shreveport	6 July 1880
JOHNSON	Leonard	Pine Bluff, AR	9 March 1882
JOHNSON	Leroy	Benton	4 August 1890
JOHNSON	Lonnie Rubin	Plain Dealing	22 April 1898
JOHNSON	Lucian ???	Plain Dealing	2 October 1899
JOHNSON	Lucius	Cotton Valley	7 Dec 1879
JOHNSON	Luke	Curtis	25 Nov 1890
JOHNSON	Mack	Shreveport	1892
JOHNSON	Mahiney ???	Plain Dealing	29 June 1886
JOHNSON	Milton Raymond	Plain Dealing	7 Dec 1873
JOHNSON	Mose	McDade	18 August 1882
JOHNSON	Mose	Allendale	3 October 1896
JOHNSON	Nathan	Shreveport	10 June 1876
JOHNSON	Nathaniel	Plain Dealing	21 April 1900
JOHNSON	Nick	Bossier	1896 sic
JOHNSON	Nolan	Elm Grove	24 Dec 1896
JOHNSON	Ollie	Allendale	1880
JOHNSON	Please ???	Benton	14 October 1878
JOHNSON	Pomp???	McDade	20 Sept 1881
JOHNSON, JR	Primus	Curtis	26 August 1892

Last Name	First/Middle Name	Residence	Date of Birth
JOHNSON	Rafe	Allendale	1897
JOHNSON	R????	Benton	6 Sept 1899
JOHNSON	Robert	Benton	3 May 1889
JOHNSON	Robert James	Plain Dealing	15 Jan 1878
JOHNSON	Robert Lee	Curtis	8 Feb 1893
JOHNSON	Robert Sturgeon	Plain Dealing	16 April 1890
JOHNSON	Samuel L.	Shreveport	20 July 1888
JOHNSON	Snider	H????	15 March 1897
JOHNSON, JR	Spencer	Sligo	23 March 1896
JOHNSON	Stafford	Shreveport	1876
JOHNSON	T???	Benton	23 Jan 1884
JOHNSON	Thomas	Bodcau	31 July 1900
JOHNSON	Thomas Franklin	Plain Dealing	17 April 1888
JOHNSON	Tyre O.	Haughton	8 June 1896
JOHNSON	Walker	Haughton	16 Nov 1899
JOHNSON	Walter	Shreveport	1893
JOHNSON	Will	Sligo	29 August 1890
JOHNSON	Washington	Haughton	14 April 1883
JOHNSON	Wesley Timothy	Shreveport	30 Oct 1899
KAMP	Joseph	Atkins	19 Jun 1887
KATIFF	David	Atkins	8 Feb. 1898
KEEL	Earnes Jesse	Benton	20 Sept 1894
KEITH	Cullen Bryant	Benton	21 Dec 1892
KEITH	George	Atkins	22 Dec 1885
KEITH	James Benjamin	Plain Dealing	20 Nov 1883
KEITH	John D	Plain Dealing	6 Jan 1892
KEITH	John Henry	Plain Dealing	10 Oct 1898
KEITH	Willie Lee	Benton	12 Jan 1887
KELLUM	Arthur Lee	Ninock	4 Apr 1892
KELLUM	Francis Ford	Ninock	15 Mar 1894
KELLUM	Mathew Mack	Ninock	25 May 1890
KELLY	Adolphus	Plain Dealing	14 Feb 1876
KELLY	Cornelius	Sligo	25 Aug 1876
KELLY	Nolan Morris	Bodcaw	16 Mar 1889
KELLY	Rodgers	Allendale	5 Jan 1899
KELLY	Rufus Owen	Rocky Mt.	29 Apr 1877
KELLY	Wes	Benton	1 May 1883
KENNEDY	Giles	Alden Bridge	25 Aug 1878
KENNEDY	Henry	Curtis	don't know?
KENNEDY	James	Bossier	1 Feb 1890
KENNEDY	James	Curtis	11 Feb 1877
KENNEDY	Judge Lee	Curtis	16 Jan 1876
KENNEDY	Richard	Benton	22 Oct 1898
KENNEDY	Willie	Rocky Mt.	1891
KENNEN	George	Allendale	2 Nov 1884
KENNER	Cap	Allendale	No date
KENNER	Wesley	McDade	9 June 1883
KINNINGTON	John Corbitt	Bossier City	13 Sept 1894
KENNON	Amos	Atkins	1 Apr 1881
KENNON	Lincoln	Elm Grove	4 Nov 1892
KEITH	Charley Bronson	Plain Dealing	19 Aug 1889
KECUM	L. C.	Plain Dealing	4 Dec 1892
KIDD	Milton Bailey	Plain Dealing	30 Dec 1888

Last Name	First/Middle Name	Residence	Date of Birth
KIDD	Paul	Benton	12 Apr 1873
KIDD	William	Benton	No date
KILGORE	James Furlough	Plain Dealing	6 Jun 1875
KILGORE	Raiford	Plain Dealing	25 Jan 1894
KILGORE	Pat Oliver	Plain Dealing	30 Nov 1897
KIMBELL	Henry Walter	Plain Dealing	18 May 1885
KIMBELL	Jack	Ninock	18-Apr-1900
KIMBELL	Lum	Elm Grove	18 Feb 1894
KIMBELL	Spencer	Ninock	10 Aug 1894
KIMBELL	Tom	Ninock	15 Feb 1887
KIMBELL	Willie	Sligo	2 Sept 1894
KINCY	John Thomas	Bodcaw	26 Aug 1897
KING	Charles	Shreveport	2 June 1886
KING	Charlie Andrew	Allendale	25 July 1892
KING	Eugene	Shreveport	5 July 1899
KING	Fred	Allendale	28 Dec 1894
KING	Isaac	Atkins	26 Aug 1894
KING	Johnie	Shreveport	15 Oct 1892
KING	Lee	Shreveport	1 Jan 1890
KING	Lee	Haughton	14 Oct 1881
KING	Len	Shreveport	1 Aug 1898
KING	Robert	Benton	4 July 1887
KING	Rufus Alonza	Plain Dealing	3 Mar 1897
KINGSLEY	Sherman	Curtis	3 Oct 1888
KINGSLEY	Wash	Benton	33 Years old
KINGSLEY	Wash	Taylorstown	1 Dec 1885 (33)
KINTY	Louis	Plain Dealing	16 May 1882
KIRK	Autyne	Sligo	6 Mar 1893
KIRK	Will	Bolinger	1880
KIRKLEN	James Robert	Plain Dealing	4 Feb 1878
KIRLIN	Casper W.	Plain Dealing	18 Jun 1890
KNIGHT	James Adison	Plain Dealing	1 May 1879
KNOLES	Jim	Elm Grove	18 May 1872
KUSWOG	Nauly	Elm Grove	1896
KNOX	Claude	Elm Grove	2 Nov 1891
KYLE	John	Atkins	2 Feb 1876
LAMBERT	J. Tolbert	Shreveport	25 Dec 1884
LAMBERT	Frank	Bossier City	1895
LANE	Eddie	Taylorstown	15 Sep 1884
LANE	Jim	Taylorstown	10 Jan 1897
LANE	Moot	Taylorstown	02 Jun 1892
LANE	Perkin	Taylorstown	25 Jul 1890
LANE	Sam	Taylorstown	10 Jan 1899
LAWRY	Matthew	Cotton Valley	24 Dec 1889
LANFORD	Waymon	Haughton	09 Sep 1896
LANGSTON	Len	Allendale	27 May 1894
LANGSTON	Walton Hirst	Bossier City	20 Aug 1879
LATCHER	Nelson Meek	Bossier City	20 Jan 1890
LATCHER	Willie Alonzo	Taylorstown	03 Feb 1887
LATIUNOR	Freeman	Benton	23 Aug (28)
LATON	Sam	Plain Dealing	Mar 1883
LATTERS	John Alexander	Curtis	05 Jan 1899
LAW	Alison	Taylorstown	15 Jun 1892

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LAW	George	Plain Dealing	28 May 1894
LAW	Jim	Atkins	01 May 1896
LAW	Willie	McDade	13 May 1884
LAWRENCE	Floyd	Shreveport	01 May 1898
LAWRENCE	Jim	Kenack	1892
LAWRENCE	Ragfired	Kenack	1892
LAWRENCE	Thomas Humphrey	Haughton	05 Oct 1882
LAWSON	Alex	Shreveport	18 Oct 1896
LAWSON	Cleve	Benton	14 Jul 1897
LAWSON	James	Plain Dealing	16 Feb 1891
LAWSON	Thomas Walter	Benton	25 Mar 1888
LAY	Fred	Plain Dealing	No date
LEAR	John	Taylorstown	15 Jan 1895
LEDBETTER	Fred Almer	Haughton	21 Dec 1880
LEE	Burt	Shreveport	10 Mar 1883
LEE	Lane	Haughton	01 Jan 1890
LEE	Eli	Haughton	11 May 1895
LEE	George	Taylorstown	12 Jun 1874
LEE	George	Benton	19 May 1873
LEE	Green	Haughton	13 Nov 1877
LEE	Henry	Haughton	10 Feb 1883
LEE	Ruodolph	Haughton	30 Aug 1898
LEE	Israel	Haughton	11 Mar 1898
LEE	Jake	Haughton	1879
LEE	Jake	Haughton	15 Feb 1897
LEE	Joe	Benton	16 May 1879
LEE	John Commie	Bluff	08 Sep 1891
LEE	Melvin	Haughton	10 Feb 1884
LEE	Robert	Cotton Valley	23 Jul 1897
LEE	Robert Harwell	Benton	31 Aug 1890
LEE	Sam Fritz	Haughton	02 Jan 1900
LEE	Tom Jr.	Haughton	26 Nov 1888
LEE	Walter	Plain Dealing	01 Mar 1887
LEE	Wilmer	Plain Dealing	19 Apr 1890
LEIGHTON	Howard	Plain Dealing	25 Aug 1888
LEIGHTON	Izer	Plain Dealing	15 Oct 1892
LEIGHTON	Jim	Plain Dealing	01 Apr 1894
LIGHTON,	Larry	Plain Dealing	26 (no other data)
LIGHTON,	Perry	Plain Dealing	Jun 1893
LIGHTON,	Warren	Plain Dealing	1895
LIGHTON,	Zuglin	Plain Dealing	1887
LEMETTE	Sam	Shreveport	04 Dec 1883
LEMONS	Alonzo	Haughton	22 Feb 1899
LEMONS	Mack Neal	Benton	10 Oct 1888
LEMONS	Willie	Curtis	09 Aug 1879
LENARD	Fred Ware/Robert	Sligo	15 Mar 1891
LENCKE	Henry	Plain Dealing	18 Feb 1886
Le NORE	Minton	Benton	13 Nov 1891
LEONARD	Louis	Atkins	20 Mar 1882
LISTER	Andrew	McDade	10 Apr 1898
LISTER	Clint	Bolinger	17 Nov 1884
LISTER	Philip	Taylorstown	07 Oct 1894
LEVY	Sidney	Benton	07 Feb 1895

Last Name	First/Middle Name	Residence	Date of Birth
LEWIS	Arther	Benton	1900
LEWIS	Ben	Benton	18 Jun 1889
LEWIS	Bennie	Ivan	01 May 1891
LEWIS	General	Ivan	03 Jan 1888
LEWIS	Isiah	Kenack	04 Jul 1876
LEWIS	James	Koran	20 Aug 1879
LEWIS	Jerry	Plain Dealing	18 Jun 1884
LEWIS	Jim	Benton	16 Mar 1892
LEWIS	Jim	Benton	11 Dec 1889
LEWIS	Jim	Benton	15 Jun 1877
LEWIS	Joe	Taylortown	15 Feb 1898
LEWIS	John	Benton	1889
LEWIS	Johny	Benton	Feb 1878
LEWIS	Martin	Shreveport	14 Aug 1897
LEWIS	Richard	Cotton Valley	09 Feb 1876
LEWIS	Sam	Kenack	1886
LEWIS	Stanley Tot	Bossier City	06 Mar 1884
LEWIS	Thomas	Bolinger	04 Jul 1893
LEWIS	Walter	Benton	10 Jun 1876
LEWIS	William Edward	Benton	08 Feb 1890
LEWISTON	Austin	ElmGrove	1898
LIAS	Amos	Curtis	10 May 1893
LIAS	Joe Jr.	Curtis	06 Feb 1889
LILLY	Harrison	Benton	09 Dec 1889
LINCOLN	Hardy	colfax	18 Oct 2893
LINDLEY	Dan	Benton	07 Aug 1887
LINNEAR	Charlie	Kenack	16 Sep 1875
LINSON	Henry	McDade	10 Feb 1898
LIRESON	Judge	McDade	03 Aug 1897
LOCKEY	Jesse Edward	Benton	04 Oct 1893
LOFORE	Eugene	Plain Dealing	15 Dec 1892
LOFORE	Tensley	Plain Dealing	02 Oct 1896
LOFTIN	William Ivy	Kenack	12 Mar 1882
LOGAN	Frank	topeka, KS	16 Dec 1885
LOGAN	James W.	Spring Hill	11 Nov 1887
LOGAN	John	Bossier City	07 Sep 1889
LOGER	Lawrence	Shreveport	12 Oct 1893
LOGAN	Whit Vance	Benton	10 Apr 1897
LOMBARDINO	Pete	Bossier City	16 Jan 1898
LONDON	John	Shreveport	09 May 1880
LONG Jr.	Alex	Plain Dealing	16 Dec 1876
LONG	Cliff	Plain Dealing	09 Aug 1893
LONG	Ezra	Plain Dealing	03 Jan 1884
LONG	Lee	Plain Dealing	17 Aug 1882
LOPER	Charles Madison	Taylortown	25 Sep 1887
LOTT	Abraham	McDade	02 May 1882
LOTT	Charlie Jr.	McDade	07 Mar 1884
LOTT	Douglas	Atkins	11 Jun 1882
LOTT	George Dewey	Plain Dealing	12 Jan 1897
LOTT	Joe	ElmGrove	28 Jan 1896
LOTT	Lulia Wheeler	Plain Dealing	01 Dec 1889
LOTT	Percy V.	Plain Dealing	28 Jul 1881
LOTT	Robert	Atkins	02 Oct 884

Last Name	First/Middle Name	Residence	Date of Birth
LOTT	Sheppard	McDade	09 Jul 1896
LOUIS	Harmon	Princeton	15 Jun 1888
LOUIS	James	McDade	22 Jun 1875
LOUIS	Leon	Atkins	12 Nov 1885
LOVE	Huey	Atkins	17 Feb 1892
LOVE	John Fletcher	Koran	12 Nov 1889
LOVE	Richard	Benton	22 (no other data)
LOVE	Walter	Shreveport	01 Jul 1897
LOVELADY	W. D.	Plain Dealing	19 Jul 1900
LOVELESS	Willie	Allendale	19 (no other data)
LOVETT	Sam	Allendale	1888
LOW	Henry	Atkins	01 Apr 1882
LOWE	Clyde Madison	Plain Dealing	22 Nov 1893
LOWE	Joseph Lester	Plain Dealing	04 Feb 1900
LOWE	Simon	Bossier City	14 Feb 1879
LYUS		Shreveport	39 (no other data)
LOWRY	Add	Benton	10 Apr 1899
LOWRY	Caonidore	Curtis	15 May 1893
LOWRY	Jimmy	Cotton Valley	10 Oct 1898
LOWRY	Scott	Taylorstown	18 Jan 1899
LOYD	Chester	Haughton	27 Jul 1881
LOYE	Edgar	Haughton	20 Aug 1893
LUCAS	Adam	McDade	15 Feb 1899
LUCAS	Joe	McDade	05 Jul 1900
LUDD	Alonzo	Curtis	18 Apr 1899
LUDD	Amos	Taylorstown	16 Apr 1870
LUDD	Arthur	Sligo	28 Jun 1892
LUDD	Henry	Curtis	12 Apr 1884
LUDD	James	Curtis	1892
LUDD	Leon	Sligo	11 Oct 1889
LUDD	Lynn	Sligo	1896
LUDD	John	Curtis	1881
LUDD	Willie Washington	Sligo	29 Sep 1893
LUDD	Wyatt	Curtis	07 Nov 1892
LUKE	Sam	Kenack	14 Jul 1897
LUNDAY	Andee B.	Plain Dealing	09 Feb 1889
LUNDAY	Lous Howard	Rocky Mound	20 Jun 1883
LUSH	Thomas	Plain Dealing	02 Aug 1873
LYLER	Carter	Benton	20 Jul 1896
LYLER	H. F.	Benton	19 Dec 1898
LYLES	Joe	Benton	30 Aug 1897
LYLES	Willie W.	Plain Dealing	04 Jul 1896
LYLES	Zeyler	Plain Dealing	09 Aug 1889
LYNN	Amos	Plain Dealing	03 Aug 1877
LYNN	Elma	Plain Dealing	30 Jan 1894
LYNN	Elton Thompson	Plain Dealing	25 Jan 1899
LYNN	Walter	Plain Dealing	27 Apr 1890
LYON	George Curtis	Plain Dealing	13 Oct 1879
LYON	James Floyd	Plain Dealing	25 Dec 1885
LYLTON	Willie Olin	Taylorstown	06 Sep 1882

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BAYLESS CEMETERY

Located at the junction of Nixon Street and Moncrief Lane in Greenwood, Louisiana. This is in Section 36 Township 16 Range 17W (GPS322615.6N-935829.5). This cemetery has recently been cleaned up and the markers of James and Francis BAYLESS were uncovered. They are both sunken several inches below the ground around them. There are several apparent unmarked graves in the cemetery. This survey was made 03 Dec 2005 by John C. Head.



BAYLESS, James K. (Age 40 yrs)
[marker broken]

18 Oct 1852



James Bayless marker



Francis Bayless marker

BAYLESS, Francis M. 20 Oct 1822 28 Feb 1853
 [marker sunken several inches into ground]

YOUNG, Charles Glidden 08 May 1848 21 Jul 1849
 (s/o C. J. & M. L. Young) [marker broken]

HARPER, Berryman T. 30 Apr 1832 06 Apr 1851



Berryman Harper marker



Lucy Harper marker

HARPER, Lucy T. 29 Sep 1829 02 Jul 1849
 [marker broken]

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 HARPER, Berryman T. 28 m clerk AL

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BAYLESS, Jas R.	37	m	merchant	\$11,810	VA
I. M.	28	f	wife		AL
Mary E.	9	f			"
W. H.	8	m			LA
Jas B.	5	m			"
I. W.	3	m			"
John	9m	m			"

**Obituaries and Deaths From Northwest Louisiana Newspapers
Contributed by Wanda Volentine Head**

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Johnson, Wm R.

1867/03/06 - Died at his residence, on the 11th of February, Mr. Wm. R. Johnson, aged thirty-eight years, three months and two days. The subject of this notice has for years been a citizen of Caddo Parish, La. (Long article, mentions death of his daughter.) [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, March 6, 1867]

Johnson, Lena A.

1867/03/06 - Died in Caddo Parish, La. on the 31st of January, 1867, Lena A. Johnson, only child of W. H. (should this be R.?) and G. A. Johnson, aged five years, eleven months and seven days. [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, March 6, 1867]

Tumlin, William

1867/03/06 - Homicide at Jefferson: The Commercial Bulletin of the 1st has the following: A difficulty occurred on Wednesday evening last, at the City Restaurant and Saloon, between the proprietor, George M. Ives (later article says Reeves) and Mr. Summers, of the Lake Saloon, in which Mr. William Tumlin, a prominent citizen of Jefferson, was immediately killed, and Mr. Summers severely wounded. The accounts of the terrible affair are so conflicting that we forbear to make any comments, until a judicial investigation is had. At the hour we go to press (Thursday noon) Mr. Ives is under arrest. [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, March 6, 1867]

Sheppard, H.

1867/03/06. - \$300 Reward, Stop the Murderer: On the 27th of February, 1867, H. C. McCutcheon killed H. Sheppard at Mrs. Cain's plantation, opposite Shreveport, and the above reward will be paid for his arrest. He is 5 feet, 10 inches high, of ruddy complexion, blue eyes, white hands, wore light brown whiskers and weighs about 190 pounds. His countenance has a sullen aspect and his accent's slightly brogue (Irish). He formerly resided at Indianapolis, Ind. The reward will be paid on the delivery of said McCutcheon to the civil authorities of Bossier or Caddo. For particulars apply at this office. George Herthington. [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, March 6, 1867]

Tumlin, Wm

1867/03/13 - The Late Homicide at Jefferson: The Jimplecute of the 8th has the following in relation to the late unfortunate affair at Jefferson: The case of the State vs. Geo. M. Reeves, for killing Wm. Tumlin and wounding M. Summers, on the 27th ult., was disposed of in the Criminal Court on Wednesday last, by Mr. Reeves giving bonds of \$15,000 in the first and \$5,000 in the second case, for his appearance on the first Monday in April. The State is represented by E. G. Benners, Esq., City Attorney, assisted by D. B. Culberson and Wm. E. Penn. Messrs Wm. B. Ochiltree, Wm. Steadman, B. W. Gray and T. J. Rogers, are employed by the defendant. [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, March 13, 1867]

Wheeler, Widow

1867/03/20 - Murder in Van Zandt County, Texas: We have heard the recital of a most shocking and inhuman crime, committed in Van Zandt County, a few days ago. The house of the Widow Wheeler (as we understand the name) was visited at night by some persons, who after robbing her of what money she had, and pillaging the house, murdered the old lady, and then burned the house down over her. Two children are supposed to have been burned also, as the cannot be accounted for. A part of the Widow's remains were found among the ruins of the building, and there were evidences showing that trunks had been open near the fire-place, probably before the murder was committed or the house fired. One man, on suspicion of having been connected with this foul deed, by certain money found in his possession, was arrested and has been lodged in jail here for safe keeping. That is, we think, the most revolting crime that has blackened the records of our State in a long time, and we fervently hope that justice may speedily overtake all who were concerned in it. (Tyler Observer, March 6) [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, March 20, 1867]

Egan, Wm

1867/04/10 - An Unfortunate Affair: Last Thursday night, Mr. Wm. Egan met his death in a difficulty with his stepfather, Jerry O'Brien, at the domicile of Mr. Landreaux, in this city. Mr. O'Brien and his wife, on their way home from church, stopped at Mr. Landreaux's residence, where they met Egan. Some angry words passed between them, which culminated in blows, wrestling, cutting, and the immediate death of Egan. The evidence of the witnesses before the coroner at the inquest did not show that either of them had a knife, but the dead body of Egan before them, stabbed in the neck and head, made it evident to them that a knife had been use. Mr. O'Brien was immediately arrested and confined in the parish jail to await his tail. [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, April 10, 1867]

Bauman, Elizabeth (Mrs.)

1867/04/10 - Died at the residence of her son, Alfred Bauman, in Van Zandt County, Texas, on the 8th of March ult., Mrs. Elizabeth Bauman, consort of Adam Bauman, deceased, late of this city, in the 68th year of her age. [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, April 10, 1867]

Preaux, R. J.

1867/04/10 - Sudden Death: One of the most sudden deaths it has been our lot to record for a long time occurred yesterday evening. Hon. R. J. Preaux, one of the members of the Legislature from the Second District of this city, and who was Chairman of the House Committee on Enrollments, yesterday evening, about 5 o'clock while laboriously discharging his duty in examining enrolled bills was suddenly taken ill, complained of a pain in the region of the heart, and in a few seconds was a dead man. He died of disease of the heart. Mr. Preaux was the son of the distinguished lawyer and civilian of that name, at one time a member of the bar of this city. He was about thirty years of age, a gentleman of modest merit and a good citizen. He was a faithful and efficient member of the Legislature

and was chairman of one of the most important committees of that body. He leaves behind him a good name and the affectionate remembrance of many friends. (New Orleans Crescent) [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, April 10, 1867]

Beason, Thomas C.

1867/04/17 - Died in this city on the 14th inst., after a short illness, Thomas C. Beason, an old citizen of this place. The subject was better known in this community as "Blackhawk." He was a hardworking, honest man, and commanded the respect of a large number of acquaintances. Peace to his ashes. [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, April 17, 1867]

Shidet, John

1867/04/24 - Died at this city, on the morning of the 22d inst., John Shidet, aged 39 years. [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, April 24, 1867]

Wiggins, Joel C.

1867/04/24 - Died in New Orleans, on the 15th inst., at 2 o'clock p.m., Joel C. Wiggins, aged 56 years, a native of Green County, Ga., resident in that city for sixteen years. Mr. Wiggins was for many years a worthy citizen of this place, before removing to New Orleans. [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, April 24, 1867]

Henry, James C.

1867/04/24 - Information Wanted: The mother of James C. Henry is desirous of finding out his grave. He was a member of Company G, Consolidated Crescent Regiment and was killed at the Battle of Mansfield April 8, 1864. Anyone who can point out the spot where he lies will confer a favor upon his mother by leaving word at this office. [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, April 24, 1867]

Swayze, Daniel W.

1867/05/01 - Death by Drowning: We regret to learn that Mr. Daniel W. Swayze, of Concordia Parish, La., a near relative of Mr. J. K. Sharp of the same parish was drowned on the 4th inst., near McGill's plantation on old river, this side of Fort Adams. Mr. Swayze was in a skiff with one or two others, engaged in hunting deer. Suddenly rising to shoot, the skiff was upset and Mr. Swayze drowned. His body had not been recovered at last account. (Natchez Courier) [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, May 1, 1867]

Mouton, Alfred

1867/05/01 - General A. Mouton: Major J. S. Mouton, accompanied by his brother, Sidney Mouton, passed through Natchitoches a short time since on their way to Mansfield, being entrusted with the mournful mission of transferring the remains of Gen. Alfred Mouton from their temporary burial place at Mansfield to the family cemetery at Vermillionville, La. (Lengthy article) (Natchitoches Times) [The Southwestern, May 1, 1867]

Calvert, Edward T.

1867/05/01 - Lamentable Occurrence: We regret to hear that Mr. Edward T. Calvert was accidentally drowned at his place near Bela's Landing, just above Waterproof, on Friday noon last. In company with six Negroes, he was going in a flat across a pond made by an inner guard levee to the main levee, so that the party could be taken off by a steamer. A Negro boy on board got scared and carried out that the flat was sinking, which made all the Negroes rush to one side and end, and the flat capsized. Mr. Calvert had on a heavy overcoat and a pair of cavalry boots. It is supposed he seized with cramp, for he immediately sunk, although within six feet of the levee. His body was not recovered until the next day. It was brought to this city on Sunday, and buried yesterday morning, from the residence of his brother-in-law, Mr. Wm. Mallery. We understand that three of the Negroes were drowned at the same time with Mr. Calvert. (Natchez Courier) [The Southwestern, May 1, 1867]

Turner, Mary M. (Mrs.)

1867/05/01 - Obituary: Departed this life the 23d of March, at the residence of W. E. Wamsley, her uncle, in this parish, Mrs. Mary M. Turner, wife of Robert H. Turner, aged eighteen years, two months, and twenty-six days. She joined the Methodist Episcopal Church South at an early age. (Long article) [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, May 1, 1867]

Harrison, Samuel R.

1867/05/15 - The Suicide of Major Samuel R. Harrison: The citizens of this place, says the Iberville South of the 27th ult., were much surprised and pained on Sunday morning last to hear of the death of this gentleman. He arrived the evening previous from his plantation on Fardoche, per steamer Rose, and was seen on Sunday morning about our streets attending to the wants and necessities of a lot of stock and several freedman he was moving out of the overflow to another plantation near Laurel Hill, in the parish of West Feliciana, and although in great trouble continued quietly to attend to the duty devolving upon him, up to about 9 o'clock, when he retired to his room at the Marix Hotel, and shortly after was found dead on the floor, with a bullet hole through his head, from temple to temple, and a revolver lying near. Upon a table was found the following note, written pencil: "Plaquemine, La., April 21, 1867. I am about to terminate my existence. I am a Master Mason of Asylum Lodge 63, Woodville, Miss. I wish the Masons of Plaquemine to put away my body at this place. I do not wish it sent to my family. God forgive my sins, for they are many. My troubles are too great, I can bear them no long. The watch belongs to my wife; please send it to her. Samuel P. Harrison. The pistol belongs to Mr. Levy, at the corner. I regret to leave my darling wife, but God the good, the merciful, will protect and watch over my darling. Jennie pray for me, you are good and will be heard. S.R.H." Major Harrison was a fine looking man, about forty-five years of age, served with honor in the late war, and had been married but a few months. His remains were buried here by the Masonic fraternity as requested. [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, May 15, 1867]

Lane, John

1867/05/22 - Distressing Case of Suicide: About nine o'clock a.m., yesterday, John Lane, the keeper of "The Storm" coffee house, No. 61 Front Street, between Lafayette and Poydras

Streets, committed suicide by shooting himself in the head with a Colt's revolver. He had been for some time previous to the first of the month deeply addicted to drink, but during the last week had abstained entirely. This change of habit brought on mental aberration and from several parties who had recently conversed with Mr. Lane, we learn that his manner and conduct had been far from rational. He had also recently bought a Bible and a Prayer book, and passed considerable time in reading and praying. Sunday night last he was out all night, but Monday evening returned home about nine o'clock, and yesterday rose, took his breakfast and went to market as usual. About nine o'clock, while his wife and sister-in-law were engaged in washing in the back yard, they saw him come out of the room by the back door, and go up to the second story by a back stairway. Noticing subsequently that he did not return, his wife went up to remind him that ten o'clock, the hour for the lunch to be spread, was approaching, when the horrible spectacle of her husband dead upon the floor of the front bedroom met her eyes. The pistol which he had always kept locked up in a bureau drawer, was clasped tight in his right hand, pointing towards him with his fingers on the trigger. The ball had entered his right cheek, and life was extinct. Coroner Burthe was summoned and was holding an inquest when our reporter left. Deceased was a native of Nova Scotia, and was about 50 years of age. He had resided for many years in this city, and was generally liked as a generous and worthy man. He leaves no children. (New Orleans Crescent) [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, May 22, 1867]

Oldham, Arthur Tabor

1867/05/29 - Died in this city, on the night of the 23d inst., Arthur Tabor, infant son of J. Pope and Julia Oldham. (New Orleans papers please copy) [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, May 29, 1867]

Duty, Elizabeth J.

1867/05/29 - Died March 22, 1867, Miss Elizabeth J. Duty, oldest daughter of K. B. Duty, at Lewisville, Lafayette County, Arkansas. (Clarksville, Sherman and Waco, Texas papers please copy) [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, May 29, 1867]

Grappe, Dezera Lattier

1867/06/05 - Died on Friday, May 24, at her father's residence, of congestive chills, Mrs. Dezera Grappe, aged 29 years, consort of Benjamin Grappe and daughter of Francois Lattier. (Natchitoches Times, please copy) [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 5, 1867]

Stauffer, C. W.

1867/06/12 - A Desperate Affray: A most serious and heart-rending difficulty occurred in our streets on the evening of the 3d inst. between Mr. C. W. Stauffer, late a Register of Voters in the city of New Orleans, during the year 1864, but more recently carrying on business here as a merchant, and Judge R. B. Jones, late of the Supreme Bench, and John and Dr. Jones, his brothers. During the affray, in which all the parties were engaged, Mr. Stauffer was instantly killed. The Judge and Dr. Jones were confined in jail to await an examination, which took place on the 4th inst. John Jones escaped. It was a sad and

sorrowful scene, and our peaceful community was paralyzed from the shock. It is said that business matters were the cause. We do not know the origin of the difficulty, but anxiously await such proceedings as will justify us in giving our readers a correct version, as to how the melancholy affair originated. The warnings of carrying fire arms are very conspicuously set forth in this sorrowful affair. An unsuccessful attempt was made last night to rescue the prisoners from jail, in which the Sheriff, Mr. J. C. Hughes, we learn, was wounded in the discharge of his duty. During the night, loaded fire arms were repeatedly discharged, but from what cause we know not. (Natchitoches Times) [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 12, 1867]

Harrison, Frances B. (Mrs.)

1867/06/12 - Died at Lebanon, Tennessee, on the 14th March last, Mrs. Frances B. Harrison, for many years a citizen of this parish. [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 12, 1867]

Bateman, Traber

1867/06/12 - Obituary: Died in New Orleans, on Saturday, May 18, Traber, aged 14 years, youngest son of the late Mary Jane Langdon and Capt. W. D. Bateman. One short week ago he was with us, but fell disease claimed him as his own and after lingering a few days, sudden death bore him to the presence of his Maker. (Long article) [The Southwestern, June 12, 1867]

Stephens, Wm

1867/06/19 - Homicide at Mt. Pleasant: We have again to chronicle another one of those desperate affairs so often occurring of late. Mr. Wm. Stephens of Mt. Pleasant, well known to most of our citizens, was shot and instantly killed on Saturday last, by C. I. Trippe of that place. We know nothing of the particulars as yet. Mr. Stephens was a gentleman well liked by all who knew him, and he had many warm friends in this city. He was here only a few days ago. When, Oh! When will the carnival of crime cease that is now raging like destruction through our land! (Jimplecute, June 11) [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 19, 1867]

Stauffer, Cyrus W.

1867/06/26 - The Natchitoches Murder, Thousand Dollars Reward: A reward of \$1000 has been offered by Gov. Sanders for the arrest of John T. Jones, charged for, on the 3d instant, killing Cyrus W. Stauffer, at Natchitoches, La. Mr. Stauffer was Register of Voters in New Orleans before the military bill went into operation. A quarrel about private matters sprung up between deceased and Judge R. B. Jones and Dr. Jones, during which John T. Jones, a third brother, came up and killed Stauffer with a double-barreled shotgun. Dr. Jones and Judge Jones were arrested, but John T. Jones escaped. The sheriff of the parish, in attempting to arrest the guilty parties, was shot and seriously wounded by someone of the three brothers. It is expected that Dr. Jones and Judge Jones will be sent to New Orleans to be tried before a military commission. [The Southwestern, Shreveport, Louisiana, June 26, 1867]

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234	Gray Press	Homer, LA Dec 7, 1917	162 Dep Driv to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Mar 1, 1918
235	Gray, Aylmer	Homer, LA Sep 27, 1918	Co G 6 Pion Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 26, 1918
236	Green, Fred	Homer, La Sep 27, 1918	Co H G Pion Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 3, 1919
237	Green, Grover	Homer, LA Aug 22, 1918	162 Dep Brig to Sep 20, 1918; Co K 816 Pion Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Aug 11, 1919
238	Green, Jud	Homer, LA 11/13/1917	162 Dep Brig to Discharge	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 4, 1918 SCD
239	Green, Lee	Homer, LA Aug 22, 1918	162 Dep Brig to Sep 23, 1918; Co B 324 Serv Bn to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Aug 4, 1919
240	Green, Mose	Homer, LA Jun 5, 1918	Co C Tr Bn Camp Funston, KS to Mar 28, 1918; Hoboken Cas Co 364 to Apr 1, 1919; 14 Co 4 Bn 155 Dep Brig to Apr 7, 1919; 2 Cas Co Rct and Casual Camp to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Apr 14, 1919
241	Green, Richard	Homer, LA Apr 29, 1918	162 Dep Brig to July 13, 1918; Co C 533 Engrs (271 Engrs serv Co) to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jul 8, 1919
242	Green, Roy	Claiborne Parish, LA Jul 16, 1918	161 Dep Brig to Oct 31, 1918; Co D 3-6 Labor Bn to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 13, 1919
243	Greer, Arthur W	Homer, La Dec 6, 1917	CCas Co 3 Cp Pike, AR to Jan 19, 1918; Co B 512 Engrs to Jan 26, 1918; co A 512 Engrs to Feb 16, 1918; Co K 348 Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Mar 19, 1918
244	Greer, Barnie	Homer, LA Jul 14, 1918	Co D Tulane Univ Tng Det Camp Martin, New Orleans, LA to Sep 13, 1918; CAC Ft Screven, GA to Sept 24, 1918; C Def of Ft Moultrie, SC to Sep 30, 1918; Btry D G TM bn to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Mar 17, 1919
245	Greer, Joe P.	Homer, LA May 4, 1918	156 Dep Brig to Sep 7, 1918; Truck Co C 8 Corps Arty Park to Disch	Corp Sept 16, 1918; Cop Sept 21, 1918	Hon Disc Dec 31, 1918
246	Grigsby, Clinton	Homer, LA Oct 31, 1917	13 Co Tng Bn 162 Dep Brig to Dec 9, 1917; Co F 367 Inf to May 1, 1918; Co A 336 Leb Bn to Jun 3, 1918; Co B 336 Lab Bn to 857 Trans C to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Aug 8, 1919
247	Hall, Ed	Claiborne Co, LA Sep 1, 1918	51 Co 13 Tng Bn 161 Dep Brig to Nov 15, 1918; Co C 4 Dev Bn Cp Grant, IL to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 4, 1918 SCD
248	Hall, Henry	Claiborne Co., LA Sep 1, 1918	161 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 9, 1919
249	Hall, Thomas J.	Homer, LA Jun 26, 1918	806 Pion Inf to Jul 27, 1918; Aug Aut Repl Draft Camp Funston, KS to Sep 24, 1918; 3 Dep Serv Co ASC to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Aug 2, 1919
250	Ham, Leon	Homer, LA June 19, 1918	164 Dep Brig to Aug 20, 1918; Co C 415 Res Labor Bn to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Oct 22, 1918
251	Ham, Nles (typed as written)	Homer, LA Oct 30, 1917	13 Co 4 Tng Bn 162 Dep Grib to Dec 9, 1917; Co L 367 Inf to June 9, 1918; Co L Dev Bn 152 Dep Brig to Dec 14, 1918; Co D Dev Bn 2 Cp Beauregard, LA to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 11, 1919
252	Hamil, Uno w (unknown?)	Claiborne, LA Sep 10, 1918	PMG Det State of La., to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 10, 1919
253	Hamilton, Ernest	Homer, LA Apr 29, 1918	162 Dep Brig to June 21, 1918; Co C 325 Serv Bn QMC to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jul 26, 1919
254	Hamilton, Richard	Homer, LA Nov 13, 1917	Co A 508 Engrs to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jun 18, 1919
255	Hamilton, Rogers W.	Homer, LA Sep 27, 1918	158 Dep Brig to Nov 3, 1918; Co H 6 Pion Inf to Dec 21, 1918; 158 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Mar 22, 1919
256	Hampton, Jimmie	Homer, LA Jun 19, 1918	Co A 325 Serv Bn QMC to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jul 10, 1919

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257	Hanson, Henry	Magnolia Columbia Co., AR Sep 25, 1918	162 Dep Brig to Dec 24, 1918; Co C 409 Res Labor Bn to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jul 5, 1919
258	Hanson, Jessie	Magnolia AR Jun 20, 1918	Co D 334 Lab Bn to Jul 5, 1918; MD 334 Labor Bn to Disch	Corp Oct 9, 1918; Sgt Nov 26, 1918	Hon Disc Aug 1, 1919
259	Hardin, Hugh	Homer, LA Sep 19, 1917	Mq Co 347 Inf to Nov 9, 1917; Co a 156 Inf to May 10, 1918; Co I 162 Inf to Jul 6, 1918; Co C 160 Inf to Disch	Pvt 1cl Sep 9, 1918	Hon Disc Aug 17, 1919
260	Hardy, Arthur	Homer, LA Dec 7, 1917	co B 512 Engrs to Disch	ck	Hon Disc Jun 28, 1919
261	Harkins, John W.	Homer, LA Apr 2, 1918	162 Dep Brig to Aug 13, 1918; Camp Pike Ar Aug Aut Repl Draft to ___ Hq Co 161 Inf to Sep 20, 1918; Co B 116 Field Sig Bn to Jan 23, 1919; American Regularing Station Traves Germany to Mch 23, 1919; 57 Serv Co Sig C to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jun 24, 1919
262	Harmon, Harvery S	NG Homer, LA Jun 5, 1916	Co A 1 Inf Le NG to ___ Co a 156 Inf to Aug 8, 1918; Co G 156 Inf to Oct 16, 1918; Co A 125 Inf to Disch	Pvt 1cl May 1, 1917	Hon Disc May 26, 1919
263	Harp, Thomas S.	NG Homer, LA Apr 6, 1917	Co A 1 Inf La Ng (Co A 156 Inf) to Sep 20, 1918; Co C 356 Inf to Disch	Corp Jul 5, 1918; Pvt Sep 14, 1918	Hon Disc May 6, 1919
264	Harper, Santa Anne	Claiborne co., La Sep 1, 1918	Co D 812 Pion Inf to Oct 10, 1918; 161 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 30, 1918
265	Harris, Drayton	Minden, LA May 1, 1918	Hq Aviation Cp Waco, TX to Jun 4, 1918; 22 Const Co USA Ballon Sch Lee Hall, VA to Jan 10, 1919; Co M 12 Bn Rct Tng Cent Cp Mac Arthur, TX to Disch	Corp Jan 1, 1919	Hon Disc Jan 20, 1919
266	Harris, Henry	Claiborne Co., LA Sep 24, 1918	161 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 27, 1919
267	Harris, John Albert	Homer, LA Apr 29, 1918	162 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 17, 1918
268	Harris, Lent	Homer, LA Oct 30, 1917	13 Co 4 Tng Bn 162 Dep Brig to Dec 9, 1917; co I 367 Inf to May 22, 1918; 14 Co 152 Dep Brig to Jun 18, 1918; Co E Dev Bn #2 Camp Upton NY to Sep 3, 1918; 33 Co 152 Dep Brig to Sep 11, 1918; Co E Dev Bn #2 Camp upton, NY to Sep 13, 1918; 33 Co 152 Dep Brig to Oct 18, 1918;	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 15, 1918
269	Harris, Matthew	Claiborne Parish, LA Sep 1, 1918	161 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 31, 1918
270	Harris, Robert	Homer, LA Jun 19, 1918	164 Dep Bng to Aug 20, 1918; Co C 415 Res Lab Bn to Apr 6, 1919; Co D 415 Res Lab Bn QMC to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc May 14, 1919
271	Harris, Will Adwidious	Homer, LA Jun 19, 1918	164 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 3, 1918
272	Harrison, Ellie	Homer, LA 11/13/1917	Camp Pike Inf Repl & Tng Camp to Mch 20/1918; QMC to Discharge	Pvt	Hon Disc July 18, 1919
273	Hartsell, Shack B	Batesville, AR Oct 23, 1918	Student Army Tng C Ark College Batesville, AR to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 20, 1918
274	Harvey, Haywood	Homer, LA AApr 29, 1918	162 Dep Bng to Jun 21, 1918; Co C 335 Labor Bn to Disch	Sgt Jul 1, 1918	Hon Disc Jul 26, 1919
275	Harvey, Quinton C	App't 2 Lt Inf Aug 26, 1918 fr NG	162 Dep Brig to Disch	2nd Lt Inf	Hon Disc Dec 26, 1918
276	Hatter, Jessie	Magnolia, AR Jul 16, 1918	162 Dep Brig to Sep 24, 1918; Hq Co 814 Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 19, 1919
277	Hayes, Jett	Homer, LA Jun 19, 1918	164 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 10, 1919
278	Heard, Albert A	Homer, LA Jul 2, 1918	Co A 806 Pion Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Apr 10, 1919
279	Heard, Anderson	Homer, LA Jun 19, 1918	164 Dep Brig to Aug 20, 1918; Co C 415 Reserve Labor Bn QMC to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 15, 1919
280	Heard, Jimmie	Homer, LA Jun 25, 1918	Co B 152 Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Feb 28, 1919

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281	Heard, Wiley	Homer, LA Jul 1, 1918	Co E 43 Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 2, 1919
282	Henderson, Elijah	Homer, LA Jun 19, 1918	Co B 806 Pion Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc May 17, 1919
283	Henderson, Elijah	Homer, LA Sep 27, 1918	Co H 6 Pion Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 3, 1919
284	Henderson, Herman	Claiborne Co., LA Sep 24, 1918	161 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Feb 18, 1919
285	Henderson, Willie	Claiborne Co., La Jul 16, 1918	161 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 3, 1919
286	Henry, Eddie D	Homer, LA Jun 19, 1918	164 Dep Brig to Jul 10, 1918; Co C 805 Pion Inf to Disch	Corp Sep 1, 1918	Hon Disc Jul 12, 1919
287	Henry, George	Homer, LA 11/13/1917	162 Dep Brig to Jan 18/1918; Co A 508 Engrs to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc June 18, 1919
288	Henry, James	Claiborne Co., LA Aug 22, 1918	162 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 11, 1918 SCD
289	Henton, James	El Dorado, AR Sep 25, 1918	162 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 12, 1918
290	Hewitt, Alvey	Athens, LA Oct 7, 1917	Co B 508 Engrs to Disch	Pvt 1cl Jan 15, 1918	Hon Disc Jun 18, 1919
291	Hickman, Webster	Homer, LA Apr 26, 1918	32 Co 8 Tng Bn Camp Pike to Jun 7, 1919; Btry A 18 Bn FA Repl Dep to Jul 17, 1918; Co K 53 Pion Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc May 21, 1919
292	Hickman, William M	Magnolia AR Dep 19, 1918	Student Army Tng C Tulane Univ New Orleans, LA to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 9, 1918
293	Hightower, Drew	Homer, LA Sep 5, 1918	MD Base Hosp Camp Beauregard, LA to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Mar 15, 1919
294	Hill, Early	Homer, LA Jul 29, 1918	Co C 419 Res Labor Bn to Sep 18, 1918; Co C 328 Labor Bn to Oct 11, 1918; Co C 355 Labor Bn to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Apr 23, 1919
295	Hillard, A L.	Homer, LA Dec 7, 1917	162 Dep Brig to Jan 1, 1918; Co B 512 Engrs (Serv Bn) to Disch	Pvt 1cl Jul 15, 1918	Hon Disc Jun 28, 1919
296	Hilyer, James, T	Coss Co., AL May 28, 1918	Co B 156 Inf to Nov 8, 1918; Co I 161 Inf co D 103 Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Apr 21, 1919
297	Hogue, Lamar L	Homer, LA Jun 25, 1918	159 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 6, 1918
298	Hollyfield, Willie	Claiborne La June 19, 1918	164 Dep Brig (CO1) to Aug 16, 1918; Co A 415 Res Labor Bn to Disch	Corp Sep 23, 1918	Hon Disc Jan 15, 1919
299	Hopkins, Alex	Farmerville, LA Mar 30, 1918	Co D 524 Engrs to Disch	Corp Jun 22, 1918; Pvt 1cl Jan 19, 1919	Hon Disc Jul 17, 1919
300	Horton, William H.	RA Jackson Bks La Aug 4, 1917	Aviation Sec Sig C Ft Leavenworth, KA to Sep 14, 1917; 143 Aer Sq to Sep 26, 1917; 95 aer Sq to oct 11, 1917; 464 Aer Sq to Mar 25, 1918; QMC to Disch	Pvt 1cl Jul 16, 1918; Sgt Mar 28, 1919	Hon Disc Jul 19, 1919
301	Houston, Monroe D	Homer, LA Dec 7, 1917	162 Dep Brig to Jan 1, 1918; Co B 1x 512 Engrs to Apr 1, 1918; Btry B 349 FA to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Mar 20, 1919
302	Howard, Coke	Homer, LA Sep 1, 1918	161 Dep Brig to Sep 17, 1918; Co D 812 Pion Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 9, 1919
303	Howard, Fletcher	Homer, La Apr 29, 1918	162 Dep Brig to Jun 29, 1918; Co C 334 Labor Bn QMC to Disch	Sgt Sep 5, 1918	Hon Disc Aug 1, 1919
304	Howell, Samuel E	RA Jefferson Bks Mo Sep 4, 1914	Co L 31 Inf to Jun 23, 1919; Co K 31 Inf to Disch	Pvt 1cl Feb 7, 1917; Corp Jun 16, 1917; Sgt Oct 5, 1918; Pvt May 26, 1919; Pvt 1cl Aug 22, 1919	Hon Disc Sep 5, 1919 for re-enlistment
305	Hudson, Thurman D	Homer, LA Jun 25, 1918	Co E 114 AM Tn to Disch	Pvt 1cl Jul 31, 1918	Hon Disc Jan 13, 1919
306	Humphries, Dayton	Homer, LA Jun 19, 1918	Co A 415 Res Labor Bn QMC to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Mar 18, 1919
307	Hunley, albert	Homer, La 11/13/1917	162 Dep Brig to Jan 18, 1918; Co A 508 Engrs to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc June 18, 1919

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308	Hunter, Allen	Homer, LA Nov 13, 1917	162 Dep Brig to Jan 18, 1918; Co A 508 Engrs to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jun 18, 1919
309	Hunter, Ed	Homer, LA Oct 30, 1917	162 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 4, 1917
310	Hunter, Ivory	Homer, LA Dec 7, 1917	162 Dep Brig to Mar 21, 1918; Co C 309 Labor Bn to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jul 10, 1919
311	Hunter, Robert	Homer, LA Jun 19, 1918	164 Dep Brig to Aug 20, 1918; 415 Reserve Labor Bn to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 14, 1918
312	Hunter, Sol	Claiborne La Jul 16, 1918	161 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 4, 1919
313	Jackson, Edward	Homer, LA Oct 30, 1917	13 Co 4 Tr Bn 162 DB Camp Pike to Dec 9, 1917; Co F 367 Inf to May 1, 1918; Co K Prov Bn Stev Lab to May 10, 1918; Co A 336 Lab Bn Cp #1 to Jul 1, 1918; 815 Co TC to Jul 7, 1919; C O U S C BS #1 to Sep 19; Gen Hosp 6 Ft McPherson, GA to Disch	Pvt 1cl Jun 25, 1919	Hon Disc Dec 18, 1919
314	Jackson, Jim	Homer, LA Oct 7, 1917	162 Dep Brig to Oct 24, 1917; Co B 508 Engrs to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jun 18, 1919
315	Jackson, Willie	Libson, La Sep 1, 1918	161 Dep Brig to Sep 17, 1918; Co M 812 Pion Inf to Sep 24, 1918; Co C Dev #7 Camp Grant, IL to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 4, 1919
316	James, Robert	LB 2 Muskogee, OK Sep 26, 1918	Co F 65 Pion Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 19, 1918
317	Jenkins, Walter L	Homer, La Sep 6, 1917	Co A 347 Inf to Nov 9, 1918; QMC to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Aug 5, 1919
318	Johnson, Andrew R	Charlottesville, VA Oct 10, 1918	Student Army Tng Corp Univ of VA to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 14, 1918
319	Johnson, Lacey	Hamburg Ar Jul 17, 1918	162 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 18, 1918 SCD
320	Johnson, Lee	Homer, LA Jun 19, 1918	164 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Nov 30, 1918
321	Johnson, Lee	Homer, LA Jul 26, 1918	Co C 419 Reserve Labor Bn to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Mar 18, 1919
322	Johnson, Mack	Homer, LA Jun 19, 1918	164 Dep Brig to Jul 17, 1918; Co A 325 Serv Bn to Disch	Pvt 1cl Oct 15, 1918; Pvt Jan 27, 1919	Hon Disc Jul 10, 1919
323	Johnson, Modest David	Union co., AR Sep 1, 1918	Co M 812 Pion Inf to Nov 19, 1918; Co B 416 Serv Bn QMC to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jun 1, 1919
324	Johnson, Sam	Homer, LA Nov 13, 1917	162 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 15, 1918 SCD
325	Johnson, Sterling B	Homer, LA May 27, 1918	Co D 156 Inf to ____; Co I 356 Inf to ____; Cas Det #2 Demob Gp Camp Shelby, MS to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jun 12, 1919
326	Johnson, Wesley	Homer, LA Jun 19, 1918	164 Dep Brig to Jul 28, 1918; Camp Funston Aug Auto Repl Draft to Sep 25, 1918; Dep Serv Co #10 army Service C to Disch	Pvt 1cl Oct 1, 1918	Hon Disc Aug 27, 1919
327	Johnson, William Nash	App't 2 Lt A.S. Jul 19, 1918 Fr ERC	2nd A.S.C. to Disch	2nd Lt A.S.	Hon Disc Feb 12, 1919
328	Johnson, Willie	Homer, LA Apr 29, 1918	162 Dep Brig to Jun 31, 1918; Co A 335 Serv Bn to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Aug 1, 1919
329	Johnson, Willie C.	Parish of Claiborne, LA Oct 30, 1917	Co H 367 Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Mar 1, 1918
330	Joiner, Vane	NG Homer, LA Apr 9, 1917	Co A 1 Regt Inf La Ng to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Apr 27, 1917 SCD
331	Jones, Elbert	Moultrie, GA Mar 29, 1918	157 Dep Brig to Apr 29, 1918; Co A 516 Engrs to Jun 19, 1918; 157 Dep Brig to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 7, 1918
332	Jones, Tom	Homer, LA Oct 30, 1917	Co I 367 Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc May 18, 1918 SCD
333	Jones, Will	De Ridder, La Aug 31, 1918	Unsagd 419 Res Labor Bn to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Mar 17, 1919
334	Keith, Jarvisfield Carter	Homer, LA Aug 14, 1918	Air Serv Penn Field TX to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 20, 1919

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335	Kelly, Willie R	NG Homer, LA Feb 4, 1916	Co A 1 Inf La NG to Oct 31, 1917; Co G 156 Inf to Oct 12, 1918; Army Candidates School Lavalbounne France to Dec 4, 1918; Provisional Mp Bn 83 Div to Disch	Sgt Sept 13, 1919	Hon Disc Mar 18, 1919
336	Kendrick Barnie	Lb Homer, LA Mar 9, 1918	162 Dep Brig to Apr 29, 1918; 157 Dep Brig to May 22, 1918; Co M 113 Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jun 4, 1919
337	Kendrick, Aubie Davis	2 Lt Vet Corp Jun 21, 1918 ORC	AUX Rmt Dep 317 to Disch	2nd Lt Vet Corps	Hon Disc Feb 7, 1919
338	Kendrick, Herman Lawrence	App't 2 Lt QMC Sep 5, 1918 Fr USA	Conser & Reclam. Div QMC to Disch	2nd Lt QMC	Hon Disc Jan 4, 1919
339	Kendrick, Ira Eugene	Homer, LA May 27, 1918	Co D 156 Inf to Feb 18, 1919; Co H 165 Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc May 25, 1919
340	Kendrick, Lee Roy	Claiborne Co., La Sep 1, 1918	161 Dep Brig to Sep 17, 1918; Co M 812 Pion Inf to Oct 26, 1918; Co D 433 Res Labor Bn to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Apr 5, 1919
341	Kerlin, Orie Milton	Apt 2 Lt Inf aug 26, 1918 Fr USA	3 Grp Replacement Trn Center to Disch	2nd Lt Inf	Hon Disc Dec 9, 1918
342	Kidd, Lonnie	Claiborne Co., La Sep 1, 1918	Co M 812 Pioneer Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 21, 1918
343	Kilgore, Leonard Lewis	App't 2nd Lt Inf NG Jun 5, 1918	Co F 156 Inf to ____; 355 Inf to Disch	2nd Lt Inf NC	Hon Disc May 22, 1919
344	Killen, Henry Leon	App't 2 Lt Inf Aug 26, 1918 Fr USA	3 Repl & Tng Regt to ____; 342 Tank C. to Disch	2nd Lt Inf	Hon Disc Dec 27, 1918
345	Kilpatrick, Irwin L	Homer, LA Sep 5, 1918	Med Dep Base Hosp Camp Beauregard LA to Oct 25, 1918; Base Hosp #71 to Feb 21, 1919; Base Hosp #208 to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jul 11, 1919
346	Kimbell, Jack	Homer, LA Sep 5, 1918	MD Camp Beauregard LA to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Feb 12, 1919
347	Kimble, Horace	Claiborne, LA Sep 1, 1918	Co D 416 Reserve Labor Bn to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Apr 7, 1919
348	Kimble, Iris	Homer, LA Oct 7, 1917	314 Labor Co QMC to ____ Co D 307 Serv Bn QMC to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jun 12, 1919
349	Kinard, Charley F	Claiborne Parish, Homer, La May 28, 1918	Hq Co 156 Inf to Oct 18, 1918; Co A 125 Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc May 9, 1919
350	Kinder, Clyde M	HG Homer, LA Feb 6, 1916	Co A 1 Inf La Ng (Co A 156 Inf) to Disch	Sgt Mar 16, 1916; 1st Sgt Aug 15, 1917	Hon Disc Jan 23, 1919
351	Kinsey, Jessie	Homer, LA Jun 26, 1918	MG Co 806 Inf to Aug 10, 1918; Co B 806 Pion Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jul 12, 1919
352	Kinsey, Monroe F	Homer, LA Sep 27, 1918	158 Dep Brig to nov 3, 1918; Co H 6 pion Inf to Dec 5, 1918; 418 Service Bn to Disch	Pvt 1cl Jun 5, 1919; Corp Aug 1, 1919	Hon Disc Sep 13, 1919
353	Kirkpatrick, Obed C.	Homer, Claiborne Par La., Jul 23, 1918	Co A 20 MG Bn to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Jan 26, 1919
354	Land, Tom	Shreveport, LA Aug 22, 1918	162 Dep Brig to Sep 24, 1918; Co H 2 Bn 814 Pion Inf to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Aug 9, 1919
355	Langston, Joseph K	Baton Rouge, LA Sep 25, 1918	Student Army Tng C La St Univ to Disch	Pvt	Hon Disc Dec 7, 1918
356	Lay, Chris A	NG Homer, LA Feb 5, 1916	Co G 156 Inf to Nov 6, 1918; Co L 161 Inf to Nov 16, 1918; Co D 110 Inf to Disch	Corp Jan 18, 1918; Sgt Jun 8, 1918	Hon Disc May 28, 1919
357	Lay, Larkin Adolphus	App't 2 Lt Inf Aug 26, 1918	83 Inf to Disch	2nd Lt Inf	Hon Disc Feb 4, 1919

Harrison Family History

By Danielle Harrison Neal

Our earliest ancestor to whom we can verify our lineage is Daniel Harrison, born c. 1808 in Fairfield County, SC, died 1875 in Lincoln County, AR. He married Edessa G. ? and apparently migrated from SC to AR about 1872.

However, based on research so far, I feel I can make a few reasonable assumptions regarding lineage although these cannot be documented yet. Often one begins with a theory, and in the process of proving or disproving it, the facts are uncovered. The following is my theory.

I believe our Daniel Harrison (1808-1876) to have been the son of Daniel Harrison who was born about 1770 and died 1808. He married Hannah Robertson (or Robinson).

Note: I would be more specific on Hannah's maiden name if 18th and 19th Century clerks of court had been more specific. The surname Robertson will be spelled Robertson, Robinson and then Robison all within the same handwritten document with an abandon that would drive today's freshman English teacher bananas. They were just casual about how to spell words, even proper names.

Daniel Harrison/Hannah Robertson are found in the 1800 SC Census, Fairfield Col, Page 221, with the following household:

- 1 male under 10 years
- 1 male 26-45
- 2 females under 10 years
- 1 female 26-45

Based on this I estimate that they married about 1794, with children born in 1795, 97 and 99 and I estimate that in this census he is age 30, Hannah is age 28.

The probate on this Daniel Harrison (1770-1808) is found in Fairfield Col, SC records, Apt. 10, File 223 (Book C, p. 387), dated 3 Feb 1808. There are several documents in this file. The document naming Hannah administratrix of his estate shows that the clerk wrote her name as Hannah Robertson, scratched through the Robertson, then wrote Harrison. At the signature line, he did it again, wrote Hannah Robertson and she made her mark between these two names. We know she had not remarried a Robertson because she appears in later censuses and deed records as Hannah Harrison.

Daniel Harrison died in 1808 without a will, about age 38. An inventory was made of his estate by John Harrison, Thomas Farel and William Harrison. As the children were all minors and Hannah was competent enough evidently to serve as administratrix of the estate, there was no move to appoint a guardian for the minor children. There was no mention at all in the record of the minor children.

The initial document in the record was addressed to John Harrison, William Hamilton, William Harrison, Thomas Farrel and Samuel Harrison, all of whom we may assume were family members of some degree.

Sale of the goods and chattels of the estate was held 8 July 1808, with Hannah purchasing the majority of the household accouterments. This was the usual practice for the widow of the deceased if the head of the house died intestate (without a will).

In 1810 we find Hannah Harrison's household in Fairfield Col, SC, page 203:

2 males under 10
1 male 10-16
2 females under 2
2 females 10-16
1 female 26-45

I estimate Hannah Harrison to have been 38 at this census. She has had 2 boys and 2 girls since the previous census. The last child had to have been born in 1808 since her husband died late 1807 or early in 1808. She lives between a Mary Harrison who is over 45 and the James Martin, Jr. family.

Let us consider for a moment the system used for naming children. Usually the first two boys in a family were named for the husband and wife's fathers; later boys were named for the husband or wife's brothers. Likewise, usually the first two girls were named for the husband and wife's mothers and then their sisters. As a rule, a son was not given his father's name until several of the above possibilities had been exhausted. This system proves a great boon to genealogists in that it enables us to form good theories of kinship based on the given names appearing generation after generation in a family line.

I believe our Daniel Harrison (1808-1875) was one of the boys born to Hannah in the 1800-1810 decade, and, being the fourth son, was named for his father; perhaps even after his father's death.

Hannah Harrison lived to a ripe old age. She appears in the 1860 Census, Fairfield Co., SC, Page 224, household 416/416, age 88, living alone, with real estate valued at \$200 and personal property of \$50.

Other valuable clues as to family relationships may be found in land records. We have the following transactions for Hannah Harrison in Fairfield Co., SC:

Book RR, Page 327, Hannah Harrison sells to Daniel Harrison a parcel of her plantation, 73 acres situated on Jackson's Creek, adjoined on the NW by David Millings land; on the SW by Hannah Harrison; on the SE by Hannah Harrison; and on the NE by J. W. Martin. Dated 25 July 1849 and witnessed by James Robertson and John McNaull.

Book UU, Page 59, Hannah Harrison sells to her granddaughter, Mary Ann Lewis, wife of Richard Lewis, 5 acres. Dated January 1854 and witnessed by B. H. Robertson and Daniel Harrison

As of this writing I do not know who this granddaughter, Mary Ann Lewis, is the daughter of. She is born in 1820, according to her stated age in the 1860 Census, so she is too old to be a daughter of Daniel Harrison. She must be the daughter of one of his elder brothers or sisters. Also, as of this writing, I have no speculation on other siblings of Daniel Harrison (1808-1875).

I do have a theory on the parents of Daniel Harrison (1770-1808). I believe his parents to have been Joshua Harrison/Mary ? Two probate records exist on this couple. They are both in Fairfield Co., SC.

In Apt. 18, File 216 (Book 5, Page 72) is the probate on Joshua Harrison. He left a will dated 14 Jul 1803 that names the following children:

George Benjamin Harrison
Francis Harrison
Samuel Harrison
Daughter Molly Harrison, wife of Thomas Farrele
Thomas Elzy Harrison
John Harrison
William Harrison
Joshua Harrison
Daniel Harrison

The bulk of his estate is left to the first four named. The latter five got \$1 each, with William also receiving his razor hone and Joshua receiving all his wearing apparel.

Joshua Harrison (will of 14 Jul 1803) appoints his wife, Mary Harrison, sons John and Francis Harrison and William Robertson, Esquire, to be his executors.

David Hamilton, William Hamilton and Robert Hamilton witnessed the will. The will was probated 10 Oct. 1805. The estate was appraised by John McCreight, Stephen Ayers, and Thomas Farel. John Harrison as executor was granted permission to sell the personal property of Joshua Harrison, deceased.

The will also mentions the George Harrison plantation and land in the state of Virginia in what is commonly called Lord Fairfax's office. From this clue we know that the Harrison family originated in Virginia.

The second probate on the couple Joshua Harrison/Mary ? is that of the widow, Mary Harrison, whole will is found in Apt. 19, File 243 (Book 8, Page 22). Her will, dated 1816, mentions only these children:

Joshua Harrison
Samuel Harrison
Mary Farrel

There is a stipulation that Samuel Harrison "is to return for his feather bed and clothing, \$10 cash and two bee hives," otherwise these items are to be left to her grandson, Samuel Farrel, son of Thomas and Mary Farrel.

Why are the other children not mentioned? I believe three of those not mentioned have predeceased their mother. There is Daniel Harrison (1770-1808) who died shortly after his father and also there are probate records on a William Harrison in August 1815 and a John Harrison in Aug 1815.

I believe it is this elderly widow, Mary Harrison, who lives next door to Hannah Harrison in the 1810 Census. I need the proof of land location to strengthen this theory.

As to a date for the migration from Virginia to SC, there is no Joshua Harrison in the 1790 SC Census, so I believe the move took place between 1790-1800.

Let us return to an examination of Daniel Harrison (1808-1875) and Edessa G. ? Their household is shown in the 1830 Census, Fairfield Co., SC, page 381, where they live between Robert Hamilton and Robert Martin. The household consists of:

1 male under 5
1 male 20-30
1 female under 5
1 female 20-30

I estimate this couple was married about 1827 and their children would be an infant and a 2-year-old. Daniel Harrison (1808-1875) married uncommonly young for that day and the children shown in this 1830 census are not members of their 1850 household.

We may be certain, since names are given, that we have located Daniel Harrison/Edessa G ? in 1850, Fairfield Co., SC, page 218, household 275/275:

Daniel Harrison	42 M W	Planter	b. Fairfield Co.
Edy	44 F W		b. Fairfield Co.
Mary	15 F W		b. Fairfield Co.
Martha	13 F W		b. Fairfield Co.
Thomas	12 M W		b. Fairfield Co.
Daniel	9 M W		b. Fairfield Co.
Nancy	6 F W		b. Fairfield Co.
John	4 M W		b. Fairfield Co.

This family is found again in Fairfield Co., SC in 1860, page 224, household 423/423:

Daniel Harrison	50 M W	Wagon Maker	SC
Eddy G.	56 F W		SC
Nancy	17 F W	Attends School	SC
Daniel	21 M W	Laborer	SC
John	14 M W	Attends School	SC

Apparently the elder two girls, Mary and Martha are married by this time. Other records indicate that Thomas Harrison married about the end of the Civil War, but he is proving difficult to locate in this 1860 census. Martha Catherine Harrison married William T. Hamilton. Daniel Harrison marries Harriet E. Martin; Nancy Harrison marries John J. Martin; and John D. Harrison married a Mary Rebecca ?.

Daniel Harrison is shown purchasing land on Jackson's Creek from Hannah Harrison 25 July 1849 (Deed Bk. RR, P. 327). Other transactions show him selling 10 acres on Jackson's Creek to Samuel M. Reed (Deed Bk. TT, p. 418). And in Deed Book AD, p. 622, Daniel and Edy Harrison sell to Elizabeth P. Brown their ¼ interest in 181 acres on Jackson's Creek and Mill Creek "being recently owned by Elizabeth P. Ferrell and bounded by lands of James Macfie and

Thomas Sloan.” This deed is dated 23 Nov 1872. On this deed Daniel and Edy Harrison are stated to be residents of Lincoln Co., AR.

I have located a probate record for Daniel Harrison in Lincoln Co., AR, in Probate Book A, pp. 200-201, dated 26 Jan 1875. It shows John D. Harrison posts bond for letters of administration with J. M. Cunningham and W. D. Kirsh as sureties. Eady Harrison, his widow, survives him. No children are mentioned. The property involved is the NE ¼ of the NW ¼ Sec. 17, Twp. 10 S, Range 7 W, 100 acres valued at \$250.

To date I have been unable to discover the place where either Daniel or Edessa G. Harrison are buried.

In the 1880 census Edessa G. Harrison is found in the household of William T. Hamilton/ Martha Catherine Harrison, Lincoln Co., AR, Enumeration District 181, Sheet 19, Line 18:

Hamilton, William T.	Head	W M	45	Farmer	b. SC
Martha C.	Wife	W F	42		b. SC
Danuel	Son	W M	17		b. SC
Robert	Son	W M	13		b. SC
Clark	Son	W M	12		b. SC
Willie	Son	W M	9		b. SC
Harrison, Edessa	m/l	W F	76		b. SC

And right next door we find:

Martin, John J.	Head	W M	36	Farmer	b. SC
Nancy	Wife	W F	35	Housekeeper	b. SC
Anna J.	Dau	W F	13		b. SC
Martha	Dau	W F	12		b. SC
Mary	Dau	W F	7		b. AR
Pearl	Dau	W F	3		b. AR
Hestella	Dau	W F	5		b. AR

The census taker makes note that the elderly Edessa is paralyzed and has not done any work as a housekeeper in at least 12 months. Neither Edessa Harrison nor her daughter, Martha Hamilton, survives until the 1900 census; Nancy Martin lives until 1920.

Based on the birthplaces of the children in these two family groups, a migration date of 1872 appears likely. I would bet that all three families, the Hamiltons, the Harrisons and the Martins moved in a group from Fairfield Co., SC. There are other family names in Lincoln Co. that are typical of Fairfield Co., SC also: Kirsh, Ratteree and Robertson.

Let us now take a look at the children of Daniel Harrison/Edessa G. ? They are:

1. Mary Harrison, b. c. 1833 – we do not know who she married.
2. Martha Harrison, b. 28 Nov 1834, d 14 Apr 1899, Married William T. Hamilton, b. 9 Oct 1834, d. 16 Jan 1910. They are buried at Mt. Home Cemetery, Lincoln Co., AR
3. Thomas F. Harrison, b. Oct 1835, d. 1916. He is buried at Mt. Home Cemetery, Lincoln Co., AR. He was married three times.

4. Daniel B. Harrison, b. c. 1835, d. c. 1872. He married Harriet E. Martin. I believe he is buried in Fairfield Co., SC. Harriet E. Martin remarried and is buried at Mt. Zion Presbyterian Cemetery, Lincoln Co., AR
5. Nancy Harrison, b. 27 Feb 1844, d. 13 Jan 1920. She married John J. Martin. She is buried at Mt. Home Cemetery, Lincoln Co., AR.
6. John D. Harrison, b. 14 May 1846, d. 23 Nov. 1910. He married Mary Rebecca ?, b. 8 July 1841, d. 2 Dec 1919. They are buried at Mt. Zion Presbyterian Cemetery, Lincoln Co., AR.

William Thomas Hamilton and Martha Catherine Harrison had four children:

1. Daniel Hamilton, b. 1863
2. Robert Hamilton, b. 10 June 1866, d. 19 Dec 1926
3. David Clark Hamilton, b. 1869, d. 1939
4. William Mack Hamilton, b. 22 Nov 1871, d. 5 Jan 1950

Thomas F. Harrison, third child of Daniel Harrison/Edessa G. ? was b. 1835 and was about 26 when the Civil War began. He and his younger brothers, Daniel Harrison and John D. Harrison, enlisted in Co. F, 12th Regiment of SC Infantry.

Daniel B. Harrison enlisted in the Confederate Army September 5, 1861, at Alston, SC. His elder brother and younger brother, Thomas F. Harrison and John D. Harrison, respectively, enlisted in Co. F, 12 Regiment of the SC Infantry also on March 27, 1862 at Alston, SC. The three brothers fought in the Battle of Gaines Mill, VA (First Cold Harbor) on June 27, 1862, where Daniel B. Harrison was wounded.

Daniel B. and John D. Harrison were both listed as sick at Gordonsville as of June 20, 1863, so I rather suspect they missed the Battle of Gettysburg. Thomas F. Harrison's record shows that he was wounded in the Battle of Gettysburg on 1 July 1863, detailed as a nurse at the field hospital, and taken prisoner on 3 July 1863. Thomas F. Harrison was on a list of wounded Confederates sent off the afternoon of July 19, 1863 to Fort McHenry, MD. He next appears on a roll of prisoners received at Fort Delaware, DE during August 1863 from Fort McHenry.

Daniel B. and John D. Harrison fought on and were captured at the Battle of Spotsylvania Courthouse, VA on 12 May 1864. They were taken to Belle Plain, VA and subsequently shipped to the POW prison at Fort Delaware where Thomas F. Harrison was already incarcerated.

All three were released in 1865 at the war's end. All prisoners had to sign an oath of allegiance to the United States. Daniel B. and John D. Harrison did so by making their mark. Daniel B. Harrison's Confederate record was one of the first items I obtained when I began working on genealogy, and for 10 years I thought my great-grandfather could neither read nor write. Fairfield County's rich probate records showed me otherwise. This POW was either so bitter he feigned ignorance rather than sign his name to such a document or perhaps he was so ill he could not write legibly.

The final release describes them as follows: Thomas F. Harrison, 6'1", complexion light, hair dark, eyes hazel. Daniel B. Harrison, 6' 1", complexion dark, hair light, eyes grey. John D. Harrison, 5', 9", complexion light, hair dark, eyes hazel.

Following the war, Thomas F. Harrison operated a cotton gin. The probate record of James Wilson (Apt. 23, File 226, Fairfield Co., SC) shows his widow, Mary J. Wilson, paying Thomas F. Harrison for ginning cotton. It must have been a fairly successful business transaction for on 29 Jan 1866 she is signing her name, Mary J. Harrison. (This is Thomas F. Harrison's wife #1). Please make a mental note that this James and Mary J. Wilson had two children.

Next we have a probate record on a Nancy Wilson (widow of John Wilson whose probate record is found in Apt 75, File 75). Mrs. Nancy Wilson died leaving a will dated June 1867 (Apt. 28, File 334) in which she names two children, David Wilson and Elizabeth Harrison. (This is Thomas F. Harrison's wife #2.)

Now don't get worried, he was not a bigamist, just must have been hard on wives.

Then on 18 Dec 1868, (Apt. 29, File 343) there is further probate on James Wilson's estate in which Thomas F. Harrison petitions for guardianship over John C. Wilson, minor and orphan child of James Wilson, deceased. The petition states that John C. Wilson, an infant of eleven years of age, is the nephew and stepson of the petitioner; and he is entitled to a distributive share of the estate of James Wilson, his deceased father, which estate is now in the hands of David H. Wilson, administrator. The petition further states that said minor has neither father nor mother living and has no person authorized in law to take charge and manage his estate.

Now if you want to pursue a little brain teaser, just sit down with a pencil and paper and try to figure out how a child can be both a nephew and stepson of Thomas F. Harrison's. Sound like incest? Why do you worry so about Thomas F. Harrison's morals? There is a complicated explanation for all of this. It only took me three years to figure it all out.

Thomas F. Harrison married first a widow, Mary J. Wilson, widow of James Wilson, and she had two children, one of whom was this little John C. Wilson. Then Mary J. died. Next Thomas F. Harrison married Elizabeth Wilson, sister of the deceased James Wilson. Hence he married the child's mother (and the boy became his stepson) and next he married the child's paternal aunt (and the boy became his nephew). Clear?

I hope so, because Thomas F. Harrison marries again. At least he gets out of the Wilson family the third time and marries Martha S. Levining. They are found in the 1870 census, Fairfield Co., SC, Township 12, Household 7/7:

Levining, Rosanna	F W	55	Planter	\$100 real estate
Harris, Thomas F.	M W	34	Farmer	\$1,000 real estate
Martha S.	F W	34	Housekeeper	
William	M W	3		
Robert L.	M W	1		
Wilson, Calvin J.	M W	11		

Sometimes the census enumerator listed the Harrisons as *Harris* just to keep me on my toes.

Thomas F. Harrison and Martha S. Levining have two children, Robert L. Harrison and Mary Ann Harrison. This family also migrates to Lincoln Co., AR. In 1894 there is a deed executed in Fairfield Co., SC Deed Book AN, Page 614, which states:

“Mary A. Harrison sells to James G. Weldon 135 acres bounded north and east by land of estate of Thomas Jordan deceased and A. J. Hamilton on south (now belonging to Mrs. Eliza J. Hamilton) . . . conveyed to T. F. Harrison 31 Aug 1871 and conveyed by T. F. Harrison to Martha L. Harrison by deed dated 6 Sep 1879 and also the small tract of land conveyed by Moses Robinson in trust for the use and benefit of Rosanna Levining and her heirs by deed dated 22 Mar 1852. This tract being inherited by Mary Ann Harrison, sole surviving child of her mother, Martha L. Harrison, William E. Harrison being a half-brother. Martha L. Harrison, nee Levining, was the daughter of Rosanna Levining.”

This deed was dated 10 Dec 1894 from Lincoln Co., AR and witnessed by Vennie Martin and James F. Stephenson.

It is obvious that William E. Harrison is the son of one of the Wilson wives. I don't know which one. The deed dated 6 Sep 1879 where Thomas F. Harrison gave his wife, Martha S., this land, gave the date of their marriage as 27 Nov 1867. Thus, little Robert L. Harrison in 1870 was Martha S. Levining Harrison's son, but he dies prior to the execution of the 1894 deed.

Mary Ann Harrison, daughter of Thomas F. Harrison, marries Edgar A. Bush 12 Aug 1896 in Lincoln Co., AR the 1910 census, E.D. 86, Sheet 127, Line 121, Lincoln Co., AR, gives the following children for this couple:

Bush, Edger	Head	W M	34	b. AR
Mal	Wife	W F	36	b. SC
Ernest	Son	W M	12	b. AR
Isa	Dau	W F	10	b. AR
Kenneth	Son	W M	4	b. AR
Harrison, Thomas	F/L	W M	72	b. SC

William E. Harrison, son of Thomas F. Harrison, is shown in the 1900 census, Lincoln Co., AR, E.D. 117, Sheet 18, Household 373/375. They state they have been married 8 years, they have had two children, both are dead.

Next we come to my ancestor, Daniel B. Harrison, b c. 1841, d c. 1872. He married Harriet E. Martin, b 14 Jun 1852; d 5 Oct 1890. Daniel B. Harrison is active in the probate of the estate of Martha Sarah Robinson Martin, widow, who died intestate 22 Dec 1868 (apt. 29, File 346). He was either married to her daughter, Harriet E. Martin, or they were courting seriously, for he bought just about all of the household furnishings at the sale of her estate. And shortly thereafter he petitioned the court for guardianship of Robert C. Martin, minor and orphan of Martha S. Martin. Robert C. Martin is 13 years old. William T. Hamilton is the administrator of the estate. Accountings to the court run through 1 Jan 1872, at which time Robert c. Martin got \$118.89.

Daniel B. Harrison and Harriet E. Martin appear once in the 1870 census, Fairfield Co., SC, Township 12, Household 5/5:

Harris, Daniel	W M	30	\$1,000 real estate	\$150 personal property
Harriet	W F	17		
Martin, Robert	W M	14		

Daniel B. Harrison/Harriet E. Martin had only one child that we know of, my grandfather, Charles Edwin Harrison, b. 16 Nov 1871. Harriet, anticipating a large family, named him for her

father, Charles Martin. Daniel b. Harrison died approximately 1872 and is buried somewhere in Fairfield Co., SC.

Harriet E. Martin Harrison remarried about 1876 to her cousin, Charles Edward Wilson, and they had four children. The household is found in the 1880 Census, Fairfield Co., SC, ED 79, page 38, 373/373:

Wilson, Charles E.	Head	M W 26	Farmer	b. SC	father b. SC	mother b. SC
Hattie E.	Wife	F W 25	Kp Hs	SC	SC	SC
Harrison, Charles	Sson	M W 9	At Sch	SC	SC	SC
Mattie A.	Dau	F W 3		SC	SC	SC
Margaret	Dau	F W 1		SC	SC	SC

Mattie and Margaret are daughters of Charles E. Wilson.

Harriet and Charles Wilson migrated to Lincoln Co., AR about 1885. Harriet died there 5 October 1890 and is buried in Mt. Zion Presbyterian Cemetery. Mr. Charles Wilson and the surviving five children went back to Fairfield Co., SC. My grandfather, Charles Edwin Harrison, migrated from SC to Texas as a young man seeking his fortune.

Robert C. Martin, younger brother of Harriet E. Martin, migrated to Arkansas about 1885 also. He married Vernice Brown in Drew Co., AR 8 Feb 1888. They are found in the 1900 Census, Lincoln Co., AR, ED 117, Sheet 2, Line 71:

Martin, Robert C.	44	W M	b. Dec 1856	SC
Vennie	33	W F	b. May 1867	MS
Harriet E.	12	W F	b. Dec 1888	AR
Robert C.	9	W M	b. Jun 1881	AR
Martha N.	7	W F	b. Apr 1893	AR
Charles	5	W M	b. Aug 1895	AR

This family later moves to Pine Bluff and Uncle Rob is living there when he gives a Bible to my father for Christmas in 1915.

Nancy E. Harrison, fifth child of Daniel Harrison/Edessa G. was born 27 Feb 1844 in SC and d. 13 Jan 1920 in Lincoln Co., AR. She married John J. Martin in SC and they, too, migrated to Lincoln Co., AR about 1872. In addition to her appearance in the 1880 census next door to the William T. Hamilton family, she also appears in the 1910 census, ED 127, Sheet 6, Line 48 with her daughter, Mary L. Martin, who has married David L. Bennett:

Bennett, David L.	W M 45	b. AR
Mary L.	W F 36	b. AR
Eugene	W M 16	b. AR
Earle	W M 14	b. AR
Idell	W F 11	b. AR
David L.	W M 8	b. AR
Joe	W M 4	b. AR
Sister	W F 10/12	b. AR
Martin, Nancy E.	W F 66	b. SC

John D. Harrison, sixth child of Daniel Harrison/Edessa G. was b. 14 May 1846 and d. 23 Nov 1910. He married Mary Rebecca ? b. 8 Jul 1841, d. 2 Dec 1919. They are both buried at Mt. Zion Presbyterian Cemetery, Lincoln Co., AR. I have the following children for this couple:

1. James J. Harrison b. 23 Dec 1866; d. 30 Oct 1939; married Ora Phelps
2. Lyla Harrison, b. c. 1869
3. Jane Harrison, b. c. 1871; married 7 Jan 1892 to W. L. Boyd
4. Margaret B. Harrison, b. Apr 1874; married 25 Nov 1906 to Lee B. Saint
5. William Harrison, b. c. 1875
6. Martha Harrison, b. C. 1877; married 30 Dec 1897 to C. V. Assmann
7. Jacob Harrison, b. 31 Dec 1878
8. John Harrison, b. 31 Dec 1878, d. 6 Nov 1911
9. Lottie W. Harrison, b. Jul 1881
10. McGuffie Harrison, b. 16 Jan 1883, d. 19 May 1912
11. Maxey Harrison, b. 16 Jan 1883, d. 17 Oct 1883

I was extremely fortunate to locate descendants of Charles Wilson/Harriet Martin in Columbia, SC in 1986 through correspondence my grandmother had with a previous generation.

Then in 1988 I sent a 3 X 5-index card with a query on it to the Clerk of Court in Lincoln Co., AR. Someone kindly posted it on the Home Demonstration bulletin board where a Harrison descendant read it, wondered who in the world I could be, and finally, when curiosity overtook her, called me.

Thank goodness for the Internet! Today such measures are not necessary.

Sources:

Census records as noted.

Compiled Confederate Service Records, Co. F and Co. H, 12th SC Infantry for Daniel B. Harrison, John D. Harrison and Thomas F. Harrison.

Lincoln County, Arkansas Cemetery Records by Lincoln County Extension Homemakers Council.



Daniel B. Harrison



Harriet E. Martin

Salem Cemetery is located on Louisiana Highway #9 at Athens, Claiborne Parish, Louisiana. This is in Section 6 Township 19 Range 6W (GPS 323933N-930133W). This cemetery and the Presbyterian Church was established on land donated by Judge J. L. KILGORE around 1858, before the town of Athens was moved to its present location. Many of the earlier settlers of the area are buried here. It is being well maintained and is still active. This survey was made in Feb, Jun and Dec 2004 by John and Wanda Head



VOLENTINE, *Wilson McCajah	28 Mar 1921	18 Dec 2002
(US Army WW II){md 26 Dec 1941}(dau: Brenda)		
*Dimple MALLOY (Mother)	23 Jun 1920	
 GREER, *Drew E.	21 Nov 1899	21 Feb 1965
*Fonte Belle H.	13 Mar 1900	30 Jun 1980
 HARRIS [plot marker] [WOW]		
BARKSDALE, #*Rev. William E.	31 Jan 1876	13 Mar 1956
*Bruna HARRIS	30 Aug 1884	10 Mar 1976
HARRIS, #*Lena May	17 Aug 1890	02 Feb 1980
*Augusta Long	05 Aug 1893	01 Jan 1997
HARRIS, #Elizabeth DANCE (Mama)	28 Sep 1857	11 May 1937
#Jonathan Fontyroy	29 Aug 1854	27 Jul 1915
 CUSTER, E. R. [Mason]	27 Aug 1852	19 Aug 1914
CUSTER, Sarah M. KING	1853	08 Jun 1947
 CUSTER, Riley Oscar	08 Jan 1879	12 Oct 1933
 DOBBS, Milton Dewey	26 Nov 1902	14 Jan 1905
(s/o L. L. & A. N. Dobbs)		

CUSTER, Nan McWILLIAMS	1882	1950
CUSTER, Percy Oscar	02 Jul 1905	30 Jan 1968
GANDY, Conway	16 Sep 1888	01 Oct 1954
GANDY, Pearl W.	08 Apr 1898	04 Jun 1986
GANDY, John E. "Elisha"	04 Apr 1852	24 Jan 1943
GANDY, Mary M. "Josh"	06 Jul 1863	10 Dec 1939
GANDY, *W. H. (Father)	26 Jul 1828	11 Jul 1905
*Edith L. (Mother)	26 Jul 1830	26 Oct 1905



W. H. & Edith Gandy marker

WALKER, E. B. (M.D.) [Mason]	21 Mar 1868	03 Oct 1924
BARNES, *Rodney William	06 Jun 1900	19 Dec 1974
*Dorothy HIGHTOWER	06 Nov 1911	14 Aug 1992
BARNES, *J. Will	1870	1941
*Nora M.	1869	1956
WALKER, *Green W.	1828	20 Aug 1907
*Josephine Louisa	08 Mar 1839	27 Aug 1903
CARR, Mary BERRY	08 Feb 1844	26 Aug 1900

CARR, J. H. [Mason]	11 Jun 1838	31 Dec 1919
CARR, Nora Linn (d/o J. H. & M. M. Carr)	08 Aug 1881	16 Feb 1900
BARNES, Marjorie	04 Jan 1907	15 Oct 1929
BARNES, Willie Ruth (d/o J. W. & Nora Barnes)	29 Mar 1909	26 Feb 1910
[marker eroded - illegible]		
BARNES, Reginald Homer (d/o J. W. & Nora Barnes)	26 Sep 1893	15 Jul 1900
McCLEISH, Infant (s/o Dolph & Ruth McCleish)	23 Feb 1905	23 Feb 1905
DAWKINS, Inf d/o D. W. & K. M. Dawkins		18 Jun 1921
DAWKINS, D. W. "Jack" [Mason]	1887	1932
McCLEISH, Kathleen [ES]	18 Feb 1888	11 Mar 1969
McCLEISH, *Ruth WESTON [WOW] *Udolpho	21 Dec 1885 29 Jun 1872	07 Jan 1938 05 Feb 1951
McCLEISH, *Dolph Weston {md 12 Jan 1929}	29 Oct 1906	21 Aug 1989
*Esther HORTON	11 Jun 1908	20 Mar 1995
ATKINS, Aub L. Jr. (Killed in Owen Stanley Mts. New Guinea)	17 May 1921	05 Dec 1942
SMITH, Carolyn A.	25 Dec 1941	23 Sep 1988
ATKINS, *Mary McCLEISH {md 21 Jun 1914}	11 Feb 1895	06 Aug 1966
*Aub L.	23 Apr 1892	15 Jun 1983
ATKINS, *Reginald "Buster" {md 24 Oct 1938}	13 Dec 1916	16 Jun 1993
*Voncille Y.		[no dates]
WILSON, *Elton Travis Sr. (Pvt US Army WW II) {md 31 Dec 1921} (Ch: Elton T. Jr., Edward E., Patti Ann)	12 Oct 1899	29 Dec 1981
*Annie E. EARLE	09 Dec 1901	10 Sep 1967
PATE, Head Randolph	07 Mar 1869	08 Mar 1941

PATE, Marie GRAVES	1883	1940
PATE, Lilla CLAMPITT	04 May 1872	20 Aug 1916
PATE, Royce Randolph	28 Feb 1896	11 Jul 1898
PATE, Ollie C.	17 Aug 1900	15 Jun 1902
CLAMPITT, Little Jewel (d/o F. A. & S. A. Clampitt)	18 Aug 1884	13 Aug 1889
WESTON, A. Howard	1897	1940
McCLEISH, *John	18 Sep 1830	10 Dec 1895
*Verlinda A.	02 Mar 1841	28 Jan 1910



John & Verlinda McCleish marker

BARNES, Infant (s/o J. W. & Nora Barnes) [marker hard to read]	31 Dec 1898	10 Jan 1899
GANDY, *Columbus A.	28 Dec 1853	20 Feb 1924
*Laura	06 Jul 1859	07 May 1956
GANDY, Katie Lee (d/o G. A. & L. B. Gandy)	07 Jan 1891	14 Aug 1901

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Down Memory Lane Monterey, Texas/Louisiana

By Margaret Pace Weaver Bateman

Let's move on to another historical era that centered around Caddo Lake, the East Texas Badlands. It was a strip of land 100 miles wide and 200 miles long. This territory was also called the Redlands because of all the bloodshed in it.

In what was then the disputed land or No-Man's Land of Texas, was a town called Monterey. Official land maps for both Cass and Marion Counties show Monterey located in Marion County between the Louisiana line and Jeems Bayou (near what is now Vivian, LA). Monterey was pulled between the French in Louisiana and the Spanish in Mexico, then between the Republic of Texas and the United States, later between the Regulators and the Moderators.

Prior to the settlement of the boundary location, no government could claim or enforce jurisdiction over the area around Caddo Lake. People guilty of all sorts of crimes fled to the shores of the Lake and the so-called neutral ground to escape the law.

If you have the opportunity to read *GONE BEYOND THE LAW*, by J. Eugene Matlock, please read it. It's out of print and hard to find. Although it is fiction, the story is faithful to historical facts and is accurate in its detailed presentation of the "Redlands." I rely on my books and articles for history of Caddo Lake and was amazed that Monterey was mentioned in so many books. Mr. Fred Dahmer's book, *CADDO WAS*, had a chapter named *Beyond the Law*; Jaques D. Bagur's *CYPRESS BAYOU AND THE LAKES* mentioned Monterey several times; *CADDO LAKE MYSTERIOUS SWAMPLAND*, by Mildred Mays McClung, has a chapter, *The East Texas Badlands*; *TEXAS FORGOTTEN PORTS*, by Keith Guthrie, has a chapter call Monterey, and in 1936, Mr. Horace Daniel Boon of Linden, Texas, wrote a long pamphlet called *MONTEREY?*, that is good reading.

Mr. Boon had always heard of Monterey but since there was no sign of a town where it was supposed to be, just a flat weed covered field, a cemetery with several graves and a brick wall, he set out to prove that the town had existed and prove it. He did!

Mr. Boon's booklet can be found in the local libraries. Check it out - it's good. He worked on Monterey's history for years and came up with some interesting and rare old maps, which are included in the booklet. It also has a map-pan of the town of Monterey showing the public square, the streets, the block numbers and even the steamboat landing. It is recorded that steamboats called regularly at Port Monterey in the 1830s and 1840s.

The books I listed give vivid details of Monterey's past. During the early years of the Badlands history, Jean Lafitte, the pirate, James and Rezin Bowie and many other dealers of contraband slaves frequented there. Outlaws, renegades, thieves (both of land and property), cutthroats, swindlers and racketeers flocked to the Redlands, for they were outside the bounds of any nation and no law could touch them. Monterey, located near Jeems Bayou just above Bonham's Port, was the only town in a 100mile radius. It was the buzzard roost of the Badlands and noted for its racetracks, rooster fights, saloons, gambling places and brothels. It boasted an average of one violent death a day! It was the last stop civilization along the Old Spanish Trail which led from Washington D. C. to Mexico City. As there was no law and order, Monterey filled with refugees from the "Old States" of Georgia,

Alabama, Tennessee, the Carolinas and others. Of course there were some good people who just wanted to start a new life.

"What was your name before you came to Texas?" was no way to start a conversation in Monterey. In the olden days it was a good way to end up dead. Historian Boon suggests that few records, such as census records of Monterey, exist for the simple reason that most of the people did not want to be counted.

An incident recorded in Mr. Boon's booklet tells of one Bill Rieves, a gambler and drunkard who entered a horse in a race. The race track was circular shaped with a tower in the center. Anyone who had horses entered could climb into this tower to get a better view of their horses. Before the race Rieves informed his Negro jockey that he must win because everything Rieves had was wagered on the race, that if he won, he would have plenty of money for the rest of his life but if the race was lost he would be left with nothing. He told the jockey if he lost the race he would kill him. As the race got underway, the horse owners were in the tower, drunk, leaning over the rail to urge their horses on. As the race was finished, Rieves horse came in half his length ahead of the other horses. As the horse finished the race, he staggered against one of the tower posts, shaking it, and Rieves fell and broke his neck.

(There are many other incidents, but I can't report them as it would make my article too long.)

Mr. Boon also learned from the Post Office Department Library that on August 15, 1851 a Post Office was established at Port Monterey, Texas with N. Gupton as postmaster. It was discontinued January 23, 1867. The Post Office Department reported that "Monterey" was the most frequently used name but "Point Monterey" was the post office designation of the town. The Lakes were used to by-pass the log jam on Red River, during which time Jefferson received most of the trade and Shreveport suffered. Monterey, being on the route to Jefferson, prospered. A post office was re-established on August 1, 1878, with S. B. Williams as postmaster. He was succeeded by Robert H. Harrell who continued until the office was discontinued June 30, 1900. The mail was then sent to Vivian, Louisiana which was only five miles and had developed rapidly since the railroad's completion five years earlier.

Mercantile businesses operate in Monterey prior to and during the Civil War, according to Mr. Boon, where a mercantile business and saloon in a two story building near the boat landing run by Norphlet Gupton who was also the post master; W. E. (Billy) Browning operated a store between 1870 and 1876. Mr. Browning also operated a sawmill, grist mill, cotton gin and a large cotton warehouse. (It is definitely known that Matt Ward, who lived a short distance from Monterey, was connected to Browning's firm to the amount of seven million dollars, learned from Matt Ward's will in Cass County records in Linden, Texas); Jim Noel operated a store in Monterey prior to 1870 and Charlie Hitchcock (Hatchkan) was connected with that business from 1877 to 1879. Monterey is referred to as "formerly Williams Bluff." R. H. (Bob) Harrell purchased the S. L. Williams store in 1879 and was the last store operated in the old town of Monterey.

All of us in Oil City are familiar with the name NOEL. They owned so much land here in our town as well as a vast amount of land in Caddo Parish. One of the families had a store in Mooringsport back in the steamboat days. A Mr. James Noel taught school at Oil City High School in 1939-1940. He taught me English and Literature. He was the same James Noel who had is private library in the old train depot on Market Street as you go into Shreveport on Hwy 1. He donated his rare and irreplaceable collection to LSU Shreveport,

Noel Memorial Library Archives. He died from a fire at his home. A number of years before he died he came by my home and visited with me. I told him how interested I was in Caddo Lake History and he invited me to come down to his library so he could show me his Caddo Lake collection. Of course I fooled around and never did go and I absolutely drool when I look at copies of some of his priceless maps that are pictured in Bagur's CYPRESS BAYOU AND THE LAKES.

I want to add the names of members of the Masonic Lodge at Monterey. (As you know, I like to list old timers names and connect them with present day residents). Mr. Boon wrote to the Grand Lodge of Texas and received the following information: Clinton Lodge No. 42, A. F. & A. M. was organized in 1848. During the same year the name was changed to Van Zant Lodge. (Van Zant was the law partner of Robert Potter of Potter's Point whose life story we'll get to later). The meeting place was changed to Williams Bluff (Monterey), Cass County, Texas. The Lodge remained in existence until 1855 at which time it demised.

Members were: Chas. Ames (Harriet Potter married him after Robert Potter's death), J. Y. Blackburn, J. H. Cole, W. H. Crow, G. W. Fortune, Jos. W. Green, McNary Harris (who was the first Lodge Tyler), B. F. Hill, A. P. Jones, John A. Lester, W. Meredith, J. M. McReynolds, Sam Perkins, G. J. Pyland, Thos. Ritchie, John W. Scott, E. P. Smith, Amasa White, W. F. Arrington, R. H. Browning, B. F. Cooke, R. V. B. Eddins, B. Foster, N. Gupton, J. R. K. Harrison, J. R. Hill, John T. Ketchings, Jas. C. Love, W. H. Moore, S. F. Newby, S. G. Peters, AT. Rhea, W. H. Robinson, B. F. Smoot, C. J. Willard, John Barlow, W. D. Browning, Wiley Coor, Jesse Fitzgerald, R. C. Graham, Jas. E. Harrell, Wm. W. Head, R. E. Hines, David Lee, Robert Lowe, M. S. Mullins, J. L. Nuget, David Pinkerton, J. C. Rhea, J. H. Rodgers, Jas. Rodgers and John Viermand.

The border dispute was settled in 1849 and a survey line ran through Caddo Lake. Texas had become one of the United States.

Monterey's high point was probably reached when steamboats were able to penetrate Caddo Lake and Jeems Bayou. After the raft was removed from Red River and steamboats stopped running in these regions, Monterey and other interior landings died on the vine and residents moved on to greener fields.

I'm grateful to all the authors who have provided us with history that might have been lost without their recording it.

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