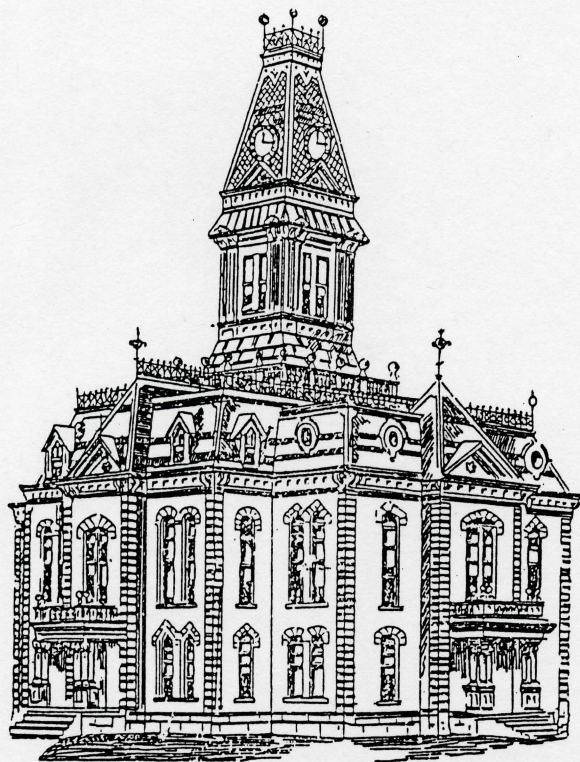


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Theo DURRANT died on the gallows at San Quentin, California for the murder of Blanche LAMONT.

Ten-year-old Jennie DAVIS, daughter of James S. DAVIS is missing and nearly 2, 000 people have searched for her. [Waxahachie]

BORN: Girl to Mr. & Mrs. MATEJOWSKY on January 1.

BORN: Boy to Mr. & Mrs. John SMITH on Thursday the 6<sup>th</sup>.

#### **JANUARY 21, 1898**

Ida WAGNER, 4-year-old daughter of Walter WAGNER of Lyons died.

Miss Edna HINES [16y] died at her parents, Mr. & Mrs. James HINES home at Yellow Prairie. She was buried in the Methodist Cemetery. She was ill three weeks.

Mrs. Dr. John HILL [38] of Second Creek, died last Sunday of an illness. She leaves a husband and three children, aged 12 –19. The children were by her first husband, Ad HARRIS. He was the brother of T. W. HARRIS and Judd HARRIS. She was buried in Old Caldwell Cemetery.

#### **JANUARY 28, 1898**

Herman G. HINTZ, a Texas cowboy, shot and killed his brother-in-law, Otto DIEHL, in Brooklyn, NY. He felt he was mistreating his sister.

Ada BANKS [c] murdered her mulatto infant, in San Antonio.

#### **FEBRUARY 4, 1898**

G. E. MITCHELL of Clay Station killed himself last Sunday with an overdose of morphine.

T. C. LAWRENCE's baby died. [Hix Community]

Frank BOREN's baby died. [Hix]

F. McDANIEL, son-in-law of J. M. HENSLEY of Yellow Prairie was killed in a train accident on the Mexican Central Railroad.

Mr. & Mrs. RUNNEL's child was buried last week. [Hix]

Mrs. Theodocia CURRY [90] died at Bonham.

Capt. W. I. ROGERS, a Naval Veteran of the Confederacy died at Galveston.

William F. PARKS, of Gowan City, Pennsylvania who died, was buried with his arm and leg that had been removed and buried previously. \*\* Long article.

Horace HART, a boy died in a team accident at Waverly, Texas.

BORN: Girl to Mr. & Mrs. Vic BUNATA on last Wednesday.

#### **FEBRUARY 11, 1898**

Will COURTNEY murdered Jake MARTIN. He left a wife and six small children. [Lyons]

Dr. HERVEY's very fine horse died, the cause unknown.

BORN: Boy to Mr. & Mrs. H. S. MOORE on last Friday. [Feb 4]

BORN: First girl to Mr. & Mrs. Allen OLDHAM of Hookville. (Note: This was the first girl, not necessarily the first child.)

#### **FEBRUARY 18, 1898**

R. C. HOLT, of Yellow Prairie celebrated his 74<sup>th</sup> birthday Sunday.

Mr. Jacob FUCHS, living near Tunis lost his wife. She was a most estimable lady and Mr. FUCHS has our



### JULY 20, 1906

A very disastrous wreck occurred on the Beaumont branch of the Santa Fe, 2 miles south of Plantersville last Monday. Two trains ran together at full speed, killing fireman GRIFFIN, of Conroe instantly and fatally scalding engineer Charles SECHRIST.

Rev. W. E. JAMES died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. COFFIELD in Bowie on the 17<sup>th</sup> instant. He was well known in Burleson County. He was 75 and a native of Wales, where he grew to manhood and married his wife who died only a few months ago. Immediately after their marriage, they sailed for United States, residing in northwest states of the Union for many years and about 1877, removed to Texas and settled near Rockdale. He was called to pastorate of First Baptist Church in Caldwell from 1878 to 1883 and other times as well. He raised a large family, 5 sons and 3 daughters. His sons are, Wade JAMES, Dr. A. JAMES, Judson JAMES, T. O. JAMES and Weyland JAMES, the latter 3 being engaged in stock raising. His oldest daughter married C. H. COFFIELD, the 2<sup>nd</sup> daughter, Clolista JAMES married E. L. OUSLEY and died several years ago. The youngest daughter, Miss Bertha Maye JAMES is unmarried. [see June 29 issue]

Mrs. Alma REEVES LANGHAM died at home of her father, William REEVES July 12. She was born in Caldwell July, 1883, joined the Baptist church, 1895. In 1904 she married C. K. LANGHAM and since her marriage lived most of her life in Lampasas. She leaves an infant 10 days old, her husband, father, mother and brothers.

Molly Goodwin HOUSTON, age 10m, died at home of her uncle, Judge R. J. ALEXANDER last Saturday after illness of 2-3 weeks. She was buried in Masonic Cemetery. The little one's father, N. M. HOUSTON, of Shreveport, Louisiana arrived in time for the funeral.

### JULY 27, 1906

William BROWN, a Negro was accidentally killed in the tie yard last Friday.[Somerville] He was carrying some ties and somehow he was caught between the trams [trains] and crushed.

BORN: Boy to Mr. & Mrs. Joseph SEFCIK on July 11.

### AUGUST 3, 1906

Tommy FORD [14y] died at home of his mother July 30, after a short illness with typhoid. Mr. & Mrs. William STACY of Temple came down to attend the funeral. [Somerville]

### AUGUST 17, 1906

Mrs. Elveria STAMPS is reported in critical condition at home of Mrs. A. C. MURRAY, her daughter.

L. H. KILPATRICK left Tuesday for his old home in Kingston, North Carolina to attend the bedside of his father, who has been critical for some time.

### AUGUST 24, 1906

James A. HILL, age 63y 2m 19d, died suddenly August 19. He had been a sufferer with rheumatism for several years and had not been in good health lately. He was born in Indiana and came to Burleson County when he was 14 years old. He was a good man, a kind neighbor and had esteem and respect of everyone. He was a Confederate soldier serving most creditably throughout the whole war. He leaves a wife and 2 sons, Hugh HILL and Bennie HILL, of Caldwell and 2 daughters, Mrs. TEAGUE, of Giddings and one brother, Dr. J. T. HILL, of Caldwell. Funeral was at Old Cemetery Monday afternoon.

Fred GARVIN, well known engineer on this division of Santa Fe, dropped dead at the Harvey House in Somerville Monday night while drinking a cup of coffee. Remains were carried to Temple for interment Tuesday.

Sheriff HENSLEE received the reward for Negro Will DAVIS, who was killed in the attempt to capture him.

BORN: Boy to Mr. & Mrs. CARLISLE on August 22. [Somerville]

BORN: Girl to Mr. & Mrs. FERNWOOD, of Hart, Louisiana on August 20. [Hoskins Springs]

### AUGUST 31, 1906

Last Friday, August 21 at 5, S. B. McCOWEN, age 77y 8m 29d died at the home of his son, John McCOWEN, of this city. He had been sick 2to 3 months. Mr. McCOWEN was born in Arkansas, but moved to Texas with his parents in 1840, settling in Red River County. He was married in Brenham, Texas in 1853, to Miss



Eliza FERRELL and they came to Burleson County in 1857, since which time he has been a resident. He leaves 7 children living, having been the father of 13, who are John McCOWEN, Miss Mary McCOWEN, Mrs. Ellen WALLACE, Mrs. Emma HADDOX, Mrs. Kate ARMENDT, Mrs. Annie HENSLEE and W. E. McCOWEN. He was a member of the Methodist church and was buried at Masonic Cemetery.

BORN: Boy to Mr. & Mrs. S. J. ROUSSEAU on August 26. [Somerville]

BORN: Boy to Mr. & Mrs. William LANDOLT on August 27. [Somerville]

#### SEPTEMBER 7, 1906

\*\*NOTE: Advertisement in paper ~ "Notice this paper and plant are for sale. R. Lee JOINER, manager."

Mr. & Mrs. J. J. HOLICK went to Sunnyside last week to attend the funeral of Mr. HOLICK's sister-in-law. Mrs. HOLICK remained there this week.

Mrs. N. E. STAMPS died at home of her daughter, Mrs. A. C. MURRAY last Friday morning at the age of 81y 5m 11 d. She suffered a stroke of paralysis about 7 years ago and had been in bad health ever since. She had been confined to bed 10 days. She was born in Meridian, Mississippi, where she was married, came to Burleson County in 1868, having lived here since that time. She leaves 3 daughters, Mrs. A. C. MURRAY, Miss Nora STAMPS, of Caldwell, Mrs. Frank CHRIESMAN, who lives in west Texas, two sons, Will STAMPS and Jeff STAMPS, who also live in that section of the state, one brother, W. M. HESLEP, of Caldwell and one sister, Mrs. D. W. BUCKHOLTS, of Buckholts. She was a member of the Baptist church and was buried at Masonic Cemetery.

\*\*NOTE: Buster BROWN and his dog, Tige to appear in the Cobb store advertisements.

#### SEPTEMBER 14, 1906

BORN: Boy to Mr. & Mrs. Pat WALLACE on September 10. [Somerville]

Mrs. Jane LONG, an elderly lady died at home of her sister, Mrs. ROWE last Saturday morning. The remains were buried at Somerville Cemetery that afternoon. [Somerville]

#### SEPTEMBER 21, 1906

Clarence Wesley BURNS, son of Mr. & Mrs. J. W. BURNS died of congestion at their home in Hookerville, September 13 at the age of 3y 1m 21d. He was the eldest child and was devoted to his little sister. He was buried at Liberty Cemetery.

Mrs. Georgia Anna LAMKIN, 58y 4m 1d, died at her home in Caldwell after an illness extending over 3 months and was confined to her bed 7 weeks. It was some type of tubercular trouble. Mrs. Lampkin was one of the members of famous BROADDUS Colony, which came to Burleson County in 1854, being the granddaughter of Judge Andrew BROADDUS and was born in Caroline County, Virginia. She had lived in Burleson for over half her life and was well known and loved by all with whom she was associated. She leaves one son, Homer and 4 daughters, Mrs. E. P. HUTCHINGS of Marlin, Mrs. Mamie WELBORNE, Mrs. R. Lee JOINER and Miss Lottie LAMKIN of Caldwell. She was a member of Baptist church. Funeral arrangements had not been made at press time.

Judge Alexander William McIVER, 70y 22d, died at his home in Caldwell Monday, September 19. He was slightly ill with bilious trouble, but was not considered serious until Wednesday. The body has been embalmed to await the arrival of his daughter from Louisville, Kentucky. He was born near Jonesboro, North Carolina, where he attained his majority. He spent a short time in Alabama and then came to Georgetown, Texas, where he taught school and afterward taught in what is now Lee County. In 1858 he married Miss Mary Eliza WILSON, the children of this marriage being, J. A. McIVER of Lee County, Mrs. Emma WOODY of Louisville, Kentucky. He then taught school in Dewitt County and law school at Brenham, Texas where he secured his license and joined the Confederate army, serving throughout the war. In 1886, he and family settled in Caldwell, where he was elected County Judge and served until reconstruction era put him out of office. He has been engaged in act of practicing law here since. He married the second time in July 1882 to Miss Julia E. HARRIS, who survives him with one daughter, Miss Julia McIVER. He was a member of Board of Trustees of Baylor College at Belton for many years. He was also a member of Board of Managers of the Confederate Home [Austin]. He was a Baptist.

Mrs. Martha HOLLOWAY MASON LONGWELL was born in Culpeper Co., Virginia on December 17, 1822



Order of the State of Texas. There are 71 lodges in the state and Caldwell was host to a 3-day convention.

Last Friday, the 5-year-old boy of Robert LAWRENCE [c] was accidentally shot and killed on their place at Cedar Creek. A seven-year-old shot him.

#### JULY 5, 1907

C. J. HENDERSON, brakeman on the Beaumont division of Santa Fe, was horribly mangled and killed by a switch engine late Tuesday afternoon. He had just been given the day off to go to his home in Palestine and he and another man were scuffling, when he fell on track in front of an engine, the wheels cutting him in two. The remains were carried to the young man's home under the auspices of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Fireman.

John W. WOOD died at Haskell, Texas, June 30. He was born in Barber County, Alabama on December 23, 1859, came to Texas in 1875 and settled in Burleson County where he was raised. He suffered with consumption. He leaves one brother, M. W. WOOD, of near Caldwell, 3 sisters, Mrs. P. G. JOHNSTON, of Chriesman, Mrs. B. F. CROUCH, of Marlin, Mrs. F. BOWEN, of San Antonio. Remains were laid to rest in cemetery at Haskell.

F. M. MUNDINE died at his residence in Lexington, Lee County last Friday evening at age of about 70. He was stricken with paralysis several years ago and he had another stroke again last Monday while at Austin and from this stroke he died. He has been a prominent personage in Burleson and Lee Counties for the past 50 years. He was always an active man in political affairs and at one session of the legislature, several years ago, he was representative from this and Lee County.

BORN: Girl to Mr. & Mrs. E. F. MUELLER on Monday night.

BORN: Boy to Mr. & Mrs. John ST. WRBA last Tuesday night.

#### JULY 12, 1907

After short illness with acute bronchitis, Mrs. Earlie HILL, wife of Dr. J. T. HILL died at their home on Second Creek Tuesday night. Her remains were tenderly laid to rest at Masonic Cemetery. She was born in 1871 in Gonzales County and therefore was in her 36<sup>th</sup> year. She resided in Burleson County for many years and leaves her husband and 2 children, the youngest, a baby only a few days old. She was a member of the Christian church.

Will Chiles WOMBLE drowned at Port Arthur late Sunday afternoon. His brother, Drew who was here from Dayton, Ohio left on the 1<sup>st</sup> train to bring remains home. He was engaged in the photograph business at Port Arthur since last February and died there from heart failure July 7. At the time of death he was bathing in water about 4 feet deep with two ladies, Mrs. Henry MOORE and her sister, Caryl AUBREY, of Cameron, Texas, daughters of Capt. T. J. AUBREY, formerly of this county. Mr. WOMBLE was playing and joking in the water with the younger sister, when he did not come up. Two physicians said death was due to his heart, because he had no water in his lungs. He was born Dec. 10, 1874 and was buried at Old Cemetery. His brothers, Judson WOMBLE and Drew WOMBLE and Mrs. MOORE accompanied the body here.

BORN: Boy to Mr. & Mrs. Charlie JANCNIK on Thursday morning.

BORN: A beautiful black-haired girl to H. L. BROADDUS on last Saturday morning.

NOTE: The record of vital statistics in county clerk office for month of June shows 19 births and 3 deaths.

#### JULY 19, 1907

Miss Ethel Blanche HENDERSON [16] died at her home in Volney last Sun. evening and was laid to rest in Providence Cemetery Mon. She leaves a mother, father, 4 sisters and 2 brothers to mourn her death.

BORN: Girl to Mr. & Mrs. Rudolf PRASAK, last Saturday.

BORN: L. SEIGLE received message from St. Louis Wednesday to the effect that a fine baby boy was added to his family Wednesday morning.

#### JULY 26, 1907

Mrs. Laura HUNT and daughter, Gladys HUNT went to Temple last Friday to attend funeral of Mrs. HUNT's father, D. J. PARKS, who died there Friday morning at the age of 96.

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BORN: 13 lb boy to Mr. & Mrs. H. MOSES last Friday. [Gus]

**AUGUST 2, 1907**

J. C. THOMAS died at his home here Saturday morning of dropsy. He was born in Georgia about 64 years ago moved to this county about 35 years ago. He leaves a wife, 6 sons and 4 daughters, besides other relatives to mourn his death. Burial was in Providence Cemetery. [Volney]

**AUGUST 9, 1907**

BORN: Girl to Mr. & Mrs. J. W. SMITH Sunday morning.

**AUGUST 16, 1907**

The most shocking tragedy ever enacted on Edward's Prairie occurred near home of Frank MAREK Wednesday before noon, when his daughter, Rosie MAREK blew the top of her head off with a single barreled shotgun. She was only 17 and was the oldest daughter. Her parents, sister and several brothers survive her. Earlier she had been helping her mother with the washing. No real motive was known, except perhaps a love affair. She was laid to rest at family burying grounds at New Tabor.

Mrs. Mary BRAVENEC died at her home 3 miles north of town Tuesday afternoon in the 69 year of her age. She left two grown children, her husband dying about 22 years ago. She was buried in the family burying grounds at New Tabor.

Winston JOHNSTON [c] killed his wife several weeks ago and is in the county jail.

BORN: Girl to Mr. & Mrs. William POEHL last Friday.

BORN: Girl to Mr. & Mrs. J. A. BARNETT at Somerville last Friday.

**AUGUST 23, 1907**

Nick WILLIAMS [c] died from damp air in a well Tuesday at A. POLLOCK's place near Cook's Point. Mr. POLLOCK tried to get him out, but he was so overcome, he could not hold on.

Remains of Charlie SCHLECK were brought here from Austin yesterday and interred in Old Cemetery. He was 45. His mind was affected and he had been judged insane and sent to asylum at Austin where he remained until his death Wednesday. A wife and several children survive him

**AUGUST 30, 1907**

Mrs. Louisa SCHRADER died at her home in New York last week in her 74<sup>th</sup> year of her age. She leaves 4 children, Mrs. Minnie HARTH, Mrs. Jennie OSBURG and Frank SCHRADER, all of New York and Frank SCHRADER, of this place. [Two Franks?]

BORN: Boy to Mr. & Mrs. H. C. McGOWEN on August 28.

**SEPTEMBER 6, 1907**

C. P. HILL died at his home on Second Creek late Tuesday afternoon, after a lingering illness. He was 40 and the son of Dr. J. T. HILL, of that community. He leaves a wife and 4 children to mourn. He was a member of Baptist church and a member of Lyons Camp of Woodmen of the World. He was buried at Masonic Cemetery.

**SEPTEMBER 13, 1907**

Rev. W. E. McCLENNAN died at home of his son-in-law, John R. LYON at Lyons last Friday morning in 61<sup>st</sup> year of his age. Several weeks ago he received a fall while working on a house and never fully recovered from it. He was a native of Alabama, an active member of Methodist church and had been married twice. The first time to Miss MAYFIELD and to them were born several children of whom 3 now survive, Mrs. J. R. LYON and Will McCLENNAN, of Lyons and Mrs. G. D. WILLIAMS, of Caldwell. Several years after demise of 1<sup>st</sup> wife, he married Miss Imogene ROBERTS, who died about 3 years ago. No children were born to this marriage. He was a prominent Mason, founded Lee Scott Lodge, of Lyons and was Master of this lodge at time of his death. The remains were shipped to Round Rock and laid to rest with Masonic honors.

BORN: Boy to Mr. & Mrs. Roger GROCE on September 8. [Volney]

**SEPTEMBER 27, 1907** \*\*Newspaper is now under new management.

Little Lillie GRAY, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. J. E. GRAY died at their home at Somerville at the age of 7 months



BORN: Girl to Mr. & Mrs. John MAZACH on Saturday.

BORN: Girl to Mr. & Mrs. A. G. KLAGMAN, near Deanville on Friday.

### DECEMBER 1, 1911

**\*\*NOTE**: Woodmen of the World monument for W. L. WARD to be erected at Providence.

Dee EARTHMAN died at family home in Conroe last Saturday at age of 30 and was laid to rest in cemetery here the next day. He was single and a brother to Mrs. H. C. CLARK of this place.

M. S. HEWITT, of Georgetown came down Thursday to attend funeral and burial of A. E. McARTHUR.

James Calvin HALE died at his home on Tuesday morning and was buried in Masonic Cemetery with Masonic honors. He was born at Bolivar, Polk County, Missouri, November 4, 1836 and there was raised and spent early life. In 1853, he moved to Texas where he met and won his life's companion, Miss Eliza SMITH, they being married in 1845. Soon after they moved to Gay Hill in Washington County. When the Civil War broke out, Mr. HALE joined the volunteers and served as soldier for awhile, then joined the Cavalry in which he served till close of war. After the hostilities ended he and his family moved to Deanville and farmed until about 1886, when they moved to Caldwell. Early in life, he joined the Baptist church. Since 1886 he had been manager of Hale's platform and is known to all farmers in the county. He leaves a wife and grown children, Mrs. M. E. CAPPS, of San Bernadino, California, Mrs. Cyrus HOPE, of Ft Stockton, Texas, J. C. HALE, of Houston and 17 grandchildren and 5 great grandchildren.

### DECEMBER 22, 1911

Mrs. A. B. BRADBERRY died at her home in Hookerville community Sunday afternoon at the age of 64. Remains were buried at Black Jack. She was a member of Baptist church. Her husband survives her.

### DECEMBER 29, 1911

#### BURLESON COUNTY LEDGER

The issues of the new paper have the date on the front page and do not have any dates or page numbers on the following pages. This makes it very difficult to tell when the event has happened, especially if the pages are loose, mixed up or torn, as are the issues of 1912, and if there is not a reference to a date somewhere on the page. Several articles, perhaps obituaries have been cut out of paper. Please take all of this into consideration when reading the items. **Some dates can not be verified in 1912 issues.** There were very few births listed in this year's paper.

### JANUARY 5, 1912

Deputy Sheriff E. A. ELLIS returned Tuesday evening from Somerville where he had been called to investigate the finding of a dead infant. On Monday night the car sweeper found a female infant, neatly wrapped in a Beaumont Enterprise of the issue December 31, 1911 and packed in a cheroot box, which was under the seat of the car. This train from Beaumont arrived in Somerville at 11:45 p.m. and it was 3 o'clock when the car sweeper found the box. Deputies ELLIS and Sledge HOUSTON buried the little body Wednesday and are working at this end of the line to find guilty parties, while officers at Beaumont are working at their end of the road. Officers say they have good clues to work on.

Dr. J. T. HILL died at his home on Second Creek Tue. evening at the age of 67y 6m 26d. Remains were buried at Masonic Cemetery. He was born in IL, but came to TX with parents when quite small and for many years had made his home where he died. For past 45 years he had been a faithful and consistent member of Baptist church. The following children survive Ed, John and Tony HILL and Misses Elna HILL and Ruth HILL.

Henry SMITH, a colored man living between Cooks Point and old river was found Sunday frozen to death. He lived right near there and was found not a great way from his home.

All parties holding claims against the estate of Mrs. A. E. McARTHUR, deceased will prove up their claims according to law and file them.

The old gray horse belonging to Mrs. Sudie HUDSON died Saturday morning at age of about 35 years.

BORN: Boy to Mr. & Mrs. J. H. CASSELS on Sunday morning.



Jack SPATT, little infant died Sunday and was buried at Chriesman Cemetery on Monday.

#### JUNE 4, 1915

Hon. J. R. HESLEP, of this city who died in Austin Sanitarium Tuesday arrived here on the Tango. [train] Burial was at the Maçonic Cemetery under the auspices of Knights of Pythias and Woodmen of the World. One of the largest corteges in attendance at funeral and burial that has been seen at a funeral here. Born February 4, 1867, reared and educated here, admitted to the bar, May 24, 1892, elected City Attorney soon after. Some time later was elected to legislature where he served two terms. He was a Methodist. On December 12, 1894 he married Miss Adline KNOX of Navasota, who survives him, along with two daughters; Misses Queen HESLEP and Bessie HESLEP.

Joe BEHNE, age 14, blue eyes, light hair, small for age, upper teeth large, lower small, had on striped overalls and new black buttoned shoes. Supposed to have been drowned on night of April 20, 1915. Will pay \$100 reward for his body, dead or alive. Albert BEHNE, Rosebud, Texas.

BORN: Two-headed calf born in Somerville. It died and was embalmed by undertaker SCHILLER, so it could be displayed.

#### JUNE 11, 1915

Mrs. Anna GOLD CHALOUPEK, wife of Joe CHALOUPEK were shipped from San Antonio Friday and buried at New Tabor Cemetery Saturday. She had been in bad health for some time and this brought on insanity. She was sent to asylum for the insane and had not been there very long when she hanged herself with a window curtain. She was a good and industrious woman before her affliction. Her husband and several children survive.

"Aunt Francis" CARPENTER, a good old colored woman about 72 years old died at her home in Freedman town Tuesday night.

Aunt Joanna CONWAY [c] died a few days since and was buried at Brewers Hill Cemetery Friday.

#### JUNE 18, 1915

The seven-month-old daughter of F. B. LAMBRECHT died at their home Sat. and was buried at Birch Sunday.

Ed F. WILLIAMS died at home of his father, William WILLIAMS near Hix Friday from typhoid. Remains were buried at Hix. He was 27 and unmarried.

#### JUNE 25, 1915

Tom HALL's wife, [c] who lived on Cedar Creek died Saturday and was buried at Brewer's Hill Cemetery.

Kastus KOLJSENEKVIC, who lives about 8 miles from here in the Prairiedale section, came in and surrendered to Sheriff ELLIS for choking his wife to death. When they got there, they discovered she had been found by a neighbor and was alive, but in a precarious condition.

Rev. E. A. GIBBS, [c] pastor of the Pleasant Valley Methodist Church of this place died Monday and his remains were buried Tuesday in Rowland graveyard.

Card of thanks placed by Mrs. W. N. HESLEP, that mentions the death of a daughter 4 years 6 months ago and 6 weeks later her daughter-in-law's death and now 3 yrs 6 months later another daughter has died.

#### JULY 2, 1915

Mrs. Celeste DAVIDSON died at her home June 25, 1915 at the age of 48y 10m 24d from lingering illness pellagra. Her maiden name was Cleste TESTARD. She was a native of Brenham and was married to Dr. A. H. DAVIDSON, who passed into the great beyond several years ago. Survived by one son, Addie DAVIDSON. She was a Baptist and was a woman of sterling worth. Burial was in Old Cemetery.

After short illness of acute indigestion, Mrs. Henry GILLEY died Wednesday at the residence of her son-in-law, John CARROLL, Jr. at the age of 67. She was buried at Porter's Chapel Cemetery. Survived by her husband and children: Bud GILLEY of Oklahoma, Cliff GILLEY of Temple, Horace GILLEY of Cameron, Mrs. John CARROLL, Jr. of this place, Mrs. Frank ALLEN of Brenham, Mrs. Led HUDDLESTON of this county and Mrs. Lee GARRETT of Temple.



Mrs. Daisy CLANTON, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. W. M. PENNINGTON, of Liberty neighborhood died May 31, at age of 38. She leaves husband and 5 children. She was member of Methodist church and was buried at Liberty Cemetery.

#### JUNE 16, 1919

At Seattle, Washington, 16 year old Fremont BOYER wrote how it felt, as he lay dying after taking poison. He had been caught in act of forging an absence excuse to his teacher at school.

F. A. DEUTSCH, son of Johnnie DEUTSCH, who was killed in action in France October 9, was awarded French War Cross for bravery in action.

**\*\*NOTE:** John G. RANKIN of Brenham assisted in organizing, in the 1870's, the Tom GREEN's Brigade Association. He is the secretary.

H. C. WALKER, scales salesman was found guilty of the murder of H. OTTERSKY and given death penalty. [Houston]

Boiler explosion kills one and injures several others. Mrs. WALLACE, who lived with her family in a tent 200 yards from boiler was killed instantly from fragments. [Wichita Falls]

Major T. B. McCOWEN, district surgeon was found dead from apparent heart failure in his military headquarters office today. [El Paso]

#### JUNE 20, 1919

Memorial write up about Sovereign Adolph WITTE.

#### JUNE 27, 1919

John Fenlon McIVER, city attorney, age 60 passed away at his home in west Caldwell after a weeks illness with influenza followed by a stoke of paralysis which affected both arms. He was a member of Presbyterian church and was buried at Masonic Cemetery. He was a native of North Carolina, came to Texas 25 years ago. Leaves wife and 5 children, Luther McIVER, of Washington, D. C., Alex McIVER of Somerville, Misses Lucille McIVER and Annie Lou McIVER and Warren McIVER, of this city.

**BORN:** Boy to Mr. & Mrs. Walter DRGAC on June 19.

#### JULY 4, 1919

An unknown darkey was killed by a train Sunday. He was buried at Rowland graveyard.

Many friends of Miss Fannie BOWERS, formerly of this city and sister of Mrs. J. R. SIMPSON will regret to learn of her death which occurred in San Antonio last Sunday where she had been for treatment of pelegra for past two months. She was 32 and a member of Methodist church.

Bologna, June 29. Trial of Alfred COCCHI, charged with murder of Ruth CRUGER in New York in 1917, has been interrupted for indefinite period to enable court to examine papers in the trial of COCCHI's wife.

#### JULY 11, 1919

A baby girl, a few hours old was found in a suitcase on front porch of a resident on Gould Ave. in Ft. Worth, when the woman went outside to get morning paper. Suitcase had holes cut for ventilation. The child was given into safe keeping of the Northside Emergency Club.

#### JULY 18, 1919

T. Glenn HESLEP died at home of his father-in-law, Brook SMITH at Brownwood. He had been in failing health for some time and was headed to California for his health. He was buried at Brownwood beside his wife who died a few years since. He is survived by his mother, two brothers, Ed HESLEP and Norman HESLEP and three sisters, Misses, Zelda HESLEP and Blanche HESLEP and Mrs. D. L. COBB.

Mrs. M. J. PHILP of this city has been notified of death of her mother, Mrs. C. GLADWELL, which occurred at Chippewa Falls, WI, June 29 at ripe old age of 97y 7m 7d. She was born and raised in Kent, England, coming to U.S. in 1849. Grandma GLADWELL as we knew her, spent several winters here with her daughter. She was member of Methodist church. Survived by two children, Mrs. PHILP, of this city and Leonard GLADWELL,



John SPECKMAN, Henry SPECKMAN, and Will SPECKMAN. He was buried at Chriesman Cemetery.

Mary TRENA, an aged native resident of the county, died the middle of last week and was buried last Thursday. She was born in Mound Prairie community 78 years ago.

#### **JANUARY 11, 1929**

Monday, the grim reaper claimed the life of Mrs. Julia HARRIS McIVER, one of, if not the oldest resident of this city. She died at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Rev. and Mrs. Carroll WOOD in Monticello, Arkansas, where she had gone before Christmas to visit, as was her custom. She was born in Georgia in 1842 and was 86y and 6m at the time of her death. She was the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Jesse HARRIS, pioneer citizens of this county. She came to Texas with her parents in the early days, soon after the state was organized, living first in Washington County. She was a graduate of old Baylor College, formerly located at Independence. She was a teacher. She married the late Judge A. W. McIVER, who died 23 years ago. She was a Baptist. Burial was at Masonic Cemetery. Surviving is one daughter, one stepdaughter, Mrs. Emma WOODY of Louisville, Kentucky, two brothers; J. T. HARRIS and W. J. HARRIS of Caldwell.

On the last day of the year, death suddenly claimed the life of Peter MIKESKA, one of the oldest pioneer citizens of this community. He was born in Zadverice, Czecho-Slovakia in 1855. He lost his mother when he was an infant and his father when he was nine. At age 12 he was sent to America by his sister's husband to make it his home. At age 20 he married Miss Anna SUPAK of Wesley, Washington County. He was taken to Beeville for interment.

Mrs. Annie PIWETZ, wife of late Jacob PIWETZ and a resident of this county for more than 40 years died Saturday morning in the Cameron hospital where she had been carried for an operation for appendicitis. Burial was at Masonic Cemetery. She was 68 and born in Fayetteville, her maiden name was DONATH and she was the sister to Ad DONATH. Her husband died 5 years ago. She is survived by several children.

Mrs. Annabell ROBERTS, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. J. H. "Bud" CLINTON, formerly residents of this city and county, died last week at Lubbock. She is survived by husband, Roscoe ROBERTS and two children and two brothers and four sisters.

#### **JANUARY 18, 1929**

Saturday, Ernest ISBELL, [20] son of Mr. & Mrs. G. W. ISBELL of Second Creek died at family home from pneumonia. Burial was at Masonic Cemetery.

Mrs. Mary SEFCIK, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Joe HEJL and the wife of Henry SEFCIK of Cooks Point died suddenly. Henry was the son of Mr. & Mrs. George SEFCIK. They had only been married a few months.

After a lingering illness Mr. Ernest HILDERBRANDT died at his home last Wed. and his remains were interred Thurs. He was born and reared in Mound Prairie community and is survived by his wife and four children.

#### **JANUARY 25, 1929**

Gus BREWER of West Columbia died last week. He was born and reared here. He leaves a wife, four children, several sisters and a brother.

Mrs. Earl HOUSTON, wife of J. E. HOUSTON, a Tunis merchant, died following a brief illness. She was the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. J. K. LITTLE of Providence community. She was 40 and had been married about 10 years. She leaves husband, 2 children, parents, and 3 brothers. Burial was at Providence Cemetery.

Mrs. TUMA age 42, wife of J. A. TUMA died. She leaves husband and 6 children.

Mr. S. B. GLENN, of the Merle community died at home of his daughter, Mrs. Jack NIX of Lyons last Thursday. He was buried in Old Roberts Cemetery beside his wife who died several years ago. One son and one daughter survive. [another article states the Lone Oak Cemetery]

**BORN:** Boy to Mr. & Mrs. Johnnie BROADDUS.

#### **FEBRUARY 1, 1929**

News reached here announcing death of J. G. DALRYMPLE, which occurred last week near Jonesboro, North Carolina at the home of relatives. He was unmarried and 75 to 80 years old. He was county surveyor