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officiating. (S.S. Gazette)

**CARROLL, MOODY** - Little boy of **Mr. T.W. Carroll** passed away Sept. 9, 1913. (S.S. Gazette, Wood Springs column)

**ESTES, ROBERT** - Died suddenly at his home five miles from this city Sept. 20, 1913. He was in his usual health, though had been complaining of his head for several days. He was in town Sat. evening, and on reaching home that night told his wife to get him a tablet, and after taking it he immediately died. He was laid to rest in the Pleasant Grove cemetery, Rev. E.D. Gaddy officiating. He was a member of the I.O.O.F. Lodge - Bright Star Lodge No. 1. (S.S. Gazette, Fri., Sept. 26, 1913)

**TATE, PAULINE, MISS** - A shocking tragedy was enacted at Greenville on Thurs. night of last week when Miss Tate, a talented performer of the Hagenbeck-Wallace show, fell between the cars of moving train and received injuries from which she died an hour later. One limb was cut nearly from her body and the other broken in several places. One arm was about severed from the body and her scalp was torn from the head and her body was mangled in a frightful manner. The accident occurred in the presence of a large crowd which had gathered watching the loading of the animals, vehicles and the show people, but all were powerless to render assistance. Miss Tate was conscious when taken from the perilous position and remained so until within ten minutes of her death. She said her home was at Brazil, Ind., to which place messages of her death were sent. She was 21 years of age and had been with the show a little more than three months. (Cumby Rustler, Fri., Sept. 26, 1913)

**GARRETT, infant** - Of **Mr. & Mrs. Bud Garrett**, who lives at Miller Grove, died Wed. night. (Cumby Rustler, Fri., Oct. 3, 1913)

**BARBER, A.M., MRS.** - Died at her home in Greenville last Thur. and was buried there. She was a sister of **Sid E. Harper**, a sister-in-law of **Mrs. I.T. Harper**, and mother of **Mrs. Ovie Moore** who lives near Martin Springs. (S.S. Gazette, Fri., Oct. 10, 1913)

**HILL, JOHN MARTIN** - Husband of **Mrs. Beulah Hill** of the Sherley community, passed away Sept. 26, 1913. Mr. Hill leaves a wife and two children. Burial in the Sherley cemetery. (S.S. Gazette)

**GARDNER, CLARENCE** - Died Sat. morning at the home of **Mrs. Jim Smith**. He had been sick about four weeks, suffering from typhoid fever. The remains were embalmed by Cumby Mercantile & Lumber Co.'s embalmer and shipped to Leon, Kansas, for burial. (Cumby Rustler, Fri., Oct. 24, 1913)

**NEWMAN, family** - (Not a obit) **J.D. Newman** has in his possession an old family Bible that has been in the family for 99 years. The book was printed in 1814 and the first entry in the family record reads as follows: **John Newman**, born March 25, 1805. The last entry being: **Francis Newman** died Dec. 20, 1841. (From Hunt County Gazette, reprinted in Sulphur Springs Gazette Oct. 31, 1913)

**DODSON, THELMA** - Little Thelma Dodson died Oct. 19, 1913, and was buried in the Caney cemetery. (S.S. Gazette)

**NEWBERRY, baby** - One of the twin babies of **Mr. & Mrs. L.C. Newberry** died last Friday night and was buried in the Connor cemetery. (S.S. Gazette, Fri., 31, 1913, Flora column dated Oct. 26th)

**MOSELEY, MATTIE, MRS.** - Wife of **Henry L. Moseley** died Oct. 23, 1913. She had been a Sunday School teacher for 18 years. She belonged to the Paint Rock Baptist church. Burial in the Greenview cemetery, services conducted by Bro. Paul Ray. (S.S. Gazette)

**RAINWATER, T.** - An old time and highly esteemed former citizen of Sulphur Springs, died at his home in Mexia on Monday night. He lived here for a number of years and was in the photographer's business. His remains were brought here and services were held at the Methodist church, Rev. J.B. Gober officiating. (S.S. Gazette, Fri., Nov. 7, 1913)

**FLEWHARTY, T.J., SR.** - Died at his home in this city Nov. 3, 1913, from an acute attack of Bright's disease in his 73 year. He was a pioneer of Hopkins County, coming here from Tennessee at the age of eight years, and has lived in the county 65 years. Member of the Christian church. Burial services held at Pleasant Grove cemetery, (north of Sulphur Springs), Eld. M.M. Smith officiating. (S.S. Gazette)

**HODGE, JOHN A.** - In the death of John A. Hodge Sat. afternoon, Greenville and Hunt Counties lost one of the strongest assets and most popular man the two units ever had. He was member of the Knights of Pythias Lodge. (S.S. Gazette, Fri., Nov. 7, 1913)

**MARTIN, JIM, MRS.** - **Mrs. Will Wallace** returned from Childress, Texas, Sun. night where she had been to attend the funeral of her sister, Mrs. Jim Martin. She was one of our old neighbors years ago, and was known to us as **Miss Arvilla**. (S.S. Gazette, Fri., Nov. 7, 1913, Nelta column dated Nov. 2nd)

**McMANUS, J.H., MR.** - On December 31, 1938, the death angel quietly entered the home of Mrs. J.H. McManus of Mahoney and called her companion to that heavenly home. Mr. McManus was born Jan. 12, 1864, in Indiana, moving to Mississippi when a child, where he grew to young manhood. On Dec. 12, 1891, he was united in marriage to **Nancy Emma Dennis** of Atlas, Texas. To this union five children were born, four daughters, who survive, one son dying in infancy. (Daily News-Telegram)

**MOORE, J.D., MRS.** - Mr. & Mrs. J.L. Markham left Sunday for Waco in response to a message announcing the death of her mother, **Mrs. J.D. Moore**, highly esteemed good woman, who was well known in Sulphur Springs, where she had visited a number of times. Surviving are one son, **J.D. Moore Jr.** of Waco; two daughters, **Mrs. Bertha Anderson** of Waco and **Mrs. J.L. Markham** of Sulphur Springs. Her husband, well known Baptist minister, died a number of years ago. (Daily News-Telegram, Mon., Ap. 18, 1938)

**MOSS, TOM** - Died March 11, 1938, at the age of 58 years. He is survived by his wife, **Lora Moss**, and three children: **Avery, Rowena and Roy**, and a nephew, **Elbert Smith**, whom he had raised. Services have not been announced but probably will be held at Tira. (Daily News-Telegram)

**ORREN, D.E.** - Many Saltillo friends and relatives were made sad by the sudden passing away of D.E. Orren at his home in Commerce last Tuesday evening. He and Mrs. Orren had visited her aged parents, **Mr. & Mrs. D.W. Hamilton**, here only a few hours before. The funeral was held at Commerce. (Daily News-Telegram, April, 1938)

**POSEY, CHARLEY** - News has been received of the death of Charley Posey, who lived at Stratford, Oklahoma. Mr. Posey was born and reared in Hopkins County, and has many relatives and friends here, his mother, **Mrs. Will Posey**, and a sister, **Mrs. Ray Midgett**, live at Dike, and a brother, **Terry Posey**, lives at Cooper. He leaves a wife and several children, who still live at Stratford, Okla. His mother has been in feeble health for several weeks, and for that reason, they were not able to attend the funeral. (Daily News-Telegram, Wed., Ap. 13, 1938)

**PUCKETT, TOM** - Of Pickton, was found dead Thursday afternoon, April 14, 1938. Just such sad hours do come, but so sad when this young man wanted to lay down all responsibilities of life, tired of living in this world of sin. Tom joined the Baptist Church several years ago. He was married to **Miss Lorene Holcomb**, Dec. 24, 1931, and to this union were born two sons. Mr. Puckett was born at Sandifer June 26, 1905, and lived his life here. Survivors include his wife and two small children and four sisters, **Mrs. Carl Hendrix, Mrs. Arnold Seymore, Mrs. Chas. Grimes, and Mrs. Wallace Liles**. Funeral services will take place at First Baptist Church at Como with interment in the Como cemetery. Day & Day in charge of funeral arrangements. (Daily News-Telegram)

**RAINWATER, H.K., MRS.** - Age 50, resided near Yantis, died at the family home early Wednesday morning. Final rites will be conducted at Myrtle Springs, where interment will follow. (Daily News-Telegram, Wed., Mar. 9, 1938)

**RAY, JNO. D.** - Age 75, one of the most widely known and esteemed citizens of Sulphur Springs, died at his home on College street Monday night. He had been in failing health for about three years, and had retired from business here in February, 1935, after becoming ill. He was in the hardware business in Sulphur Springs for slightly over 35 years. He established the Jno D. Ray Hardware store in 1899. Before going in business for himself, he had worked a number of years with the Sulphur Springs Leather Manufacturing Company, having been employed by this concern in 1883. Jno. D. Ray was born on March 18, 1863, in Tompkinsville, Kentucky. He came to Texas in 1882 and settled in Hopkins County. He was married to **Miss Mary Beale** on March 10, 1886. To this happy union two children were born, both of whom survive. The survivors include his wife, two daughters, **Misses Frances and Louise Ray**, and one foster daughter, **Miss Frances Louise Rogers**, all of Sulphur Springs. **Mrs. W.D. Beale**, a sister, also survives. Final rites will be conducted at the family residence on College street with the Rev. Clark H. Russell, the Methodist Church pastor, in charge, assisted by the Rev. G.A. Lehnhoff, presiding elder. Interment in the City cemetery. (Daily News-Telegram, Tues. May 24, 1938)

**REEDER, OLETA** - On Feb. 18, 1938, the death angel entered the home of **Mr. & Mrs. Roy Reeder** and claimed for its victim their loving daughter, Oleta. She was fifteen years of age. She was born two miles south of Nelta, Texas, where she lived the most of her life. She had attended school at Sulphur Springs until mid-term and had started at Dike when she took sick. For thirty-five long days all was done that loving hands could do to save her. She is survived by five sisters, **Mrs. Ralph Allen, Mrs. Dow Spencer, Patsy Joe, Maurice, Lequita Joyce;** and three brothers, **W.E., R.L., and Harold**. She was laid in the Nelta Cemetery. (Daily News-Telegram)

**ROACH, BEDFORD** - Of Mt. Pleasant, a former citizen of Hopkins County, died Wednesday afternoon in a Texarkana hospital, following a serious operation last week. Survivors include his wife and several children. Mr. Roach was a son-in-law of **J.C. Smith** of Sulphur Springs, and a brother-in-law of **Mrs. L.M. Campbell** and **Mrs. Arthur Baxley** of Hopkins County. Funeral services and burial are to be held at Mt. Pleasant. (Daily News-Telegram, Thurs., June 23, 1938)