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HAROLD LESLIE LEMBURG

[Editor's Note: We dedicate this issue to the late-lamented Harold Lemburg, long-time treasurer of AGS and everybody's friend. We are grateful to Mary Katherine for giving us this interesting synopsis of his life. She did not mention that they had four granddaughters and two grandsons whose ages range from 9 to 17 years as of this date.]

Harold Leslie Lemburg was born in Mason, Texas, September 26, 1904, and died in Salt Lake City, Utah, October 16, 1980. His parents were Frederick William Lemburg and Sophie Tennessee Leslie.

His grandfather, John Christian Lemburg, was an organizer and first President of the German American National Bank which later became the Mason National Bank. As a young boy Harold became the bank's janitor. He said his duties were "sweeping the bank, bringing in the wood every evening, and washing windows and cleaning spittoons every Saturday - all of this for \$5.00 a month." One day he found a ten-dollar bill in some trash on the floor and gave it to his father who worked there as an officer. The next day one of the men told Mr. Lemburg, "Your boy, Harold, is dishonest," because he had placed a ten-dollar bill on the floor and now it was gone. Mr. Lemburg replied, "No, he isn't; he turned it in to me, but I have placed it in the bank for him."

Once Harold and his father and some other men were fishing on the river when he noticed some driftwood going by. He called to his father that they'd better leave, for a rise was coming. They followed his advice and went immediately to higher ground. Soon a large wall of water came roaring down which would certainly have enveloped the fishing party.

Another time, Harold and a friend decided to ride their bicycles out to the Llano River. After awhile the friend wisely turned around and went back, but Harold rode all the way to the river. Long after dark he returned home, tired and hungry, and was surprised that his anxious parents were angry with him.

At school Harold started out with 100 in deportment showing on the blackboard, but at the end of the term he had had so many points taken off that he had a zero! His disappointed mother had a conference with the teacher, her cousin Miss Mackie Leslie. He spent many summer vacations at Aunt Mary (Leslie) Ellis and Uncle Louie Ellis' ranch near Menard. They said he made an excellent ranch hand. As a boy growing up in Mason, every day was a wonderful adventure to Harold, and he said that he always hated for the day to end because each day was the best day yet.

In 1919 the family moved from Mason to a home on Main Avenue in San Antonio. Harold was enrolled in High School, but attendance became a problem to him and the school, for a professional baseball team was wintering in San Antonio, and Harold enjoyed watching them practice. As a result, his family placed him as a boarding student in West Texas Military Academy, an Episcopal school which now lists General MacArthur as one of its prominent alumni. The school is now Texas Military Institute. Harold had many interesting experiences

here. He must have received a good education because later, on entering the University of Chicago, he received advanced credit in several subjects. His father's business in San Antonio was not successful, and his mother's cousin, Judge Jess E. Leslie, persuaded him to move to McAllen, Texas, to join the staff of a bank which he soon headed. Harold also worked in the bank. He had the talent of always being able to find a job whenever he wanted one, even during the depression. We met in Edinburg in January 1935.

On April 14, 1935, we married. Our four children were: Mary Virginia born November 4, 1936; James Leslie born November 4, 1938; Ann Katherine born September 30, 1940, and William Decherd born January 27, 1944. They were very cute children and we of course believed there had never been such remarkable children.

In 1936 Harold became Assistant Secretary-Treasurer of the Winter Garden Production Credit Association in Crystal City, Texas. Our first three children were born there. Mary Virginia, who had beautiful golden curls, was selected as crown-bearer for the Queen of the Spinach Festival in 1940 and 1941. At this time Crystal City was an attractive little place with a statue of Pop-eye in the center park-way. We spent many happy days visiting Aunt Mary and Uncle Louis Ellis who were ranching nearby at Cline, Texas.

While we were living in Crystal City Sheriff "Cap" Anglin, Harold and several others went to Mexico to hunt. Late in the afternoon Harold's Mexican guide took him too close to the village of the Yaqui Indians. This was a very serious mistake. They were taken before the chief, who appeared to be very old. Harold gave him a package of cigarettes as a gesture of good will, hopefully. The Chief pointed to a young girl of about 16 and said she was his wife. They were kept overnight, but the next morning Harold was taken back toward the hunting camp and was met by the other concerned hunters. Not many people were captured by Indians in the 1930s. Harold said that the Mexican guide was not turned loose at the same time and he never knew what finally happened to him.

During World War II Harold was a Volunteer Officer Candidate at Fort Benning, Georgia, but due to an injury and later a bad case of flu, he was hospitalized twice and discharged. He was disappointed to have to leave the service, but he was lucky, really--as so many of his class lost their lives in North Africa.

We moved to Austin where Harold started working as an Assistant State Auditor. He liked this work because it involved going into many departments, such as the State Health Department, the Land Office, the Highway Department and the Department of Public Safety. He became a supervisor of these audits. He liked to work so much that even after retiring he did part-time work because he loved punching the old adding machine. He had a coffee mug which read: "Old book-keepers never die, they just become unbalanced."

Harold liked people of all ages and they liked him. He had a good memory for names and faces. He had a generous nature and liked to help people. He knew the numbers of his Social Security card, driver's license, and most of his credit cards. When cashing checks at department stores he liked to call out his credit card number, instead of showing his card.

Genealogical research really began in 1975 for Harold. His aunt, Mrs. Charley Shannon (née Gladys Leslie), of Big Bend National Park sent letters she had received from Leslie cousins in Missouri and Illinois. We went to a workshop and joined the Austin Genealogical Society. In the State Library, Genealogy Section, he found the number of the pension application of his great-great-grandfather, Thomas Leslie, and sent to Washington for a copy. This was an account in Thomas' own words of his service in the Revolution, giving his birth date, April 15, 1760, in County Antrim, Ireland.

We went to Abbeville, South Carolina and met the James L. Leslies who live on land granted to the Leslies in 1767 by George III. We visited Long Cane Cemetery, in use today, originally started by the Leslie brothers. John Leslie and Thomas Leslie (Harold's great-great-great-grandfather) have large field stone markers. The oldest marked graves: "J.L. 1776" and "T.L. 1778." We met the James C. Leslies of Athens, Tennessee, who showed us Leslie graves in Sink (Presbyterian) Cemetery near the extinct town of Jalapa, Tenn. Harold's great-grandfather, James Leslie, had a nice monument here, and as Harold bent down to read the inscription he held on to a small tree growing there. Unfortunately, there was a large hornets' nest on the tree and two of them popped him on the head, causing momentary pain and surprise. At Maryville, Tenn., he found a marriage bond, dated 1796, of his great-great-great-grandmother, Ann (McClellan) Wallace and Captain William Lowry. His great-great-great-grandfather, John Wallace, had died after a skirmish in Sevier's Etowah Campaign in 1793. We met the John Lesleys of Tampa, Florida, who had been to Scotland and met some of the prominent Leslies there. We went to Montana and met Toppy and Mariellen Lee, who were Leslie descendants, and of course we made several trips to Mason to talk to relatives there.

At LDS Hospital in Salt Lake City, Utah, Harold celebrated his last birthday, with cards, flowers, presents and telephone calls, a tray for me and a small cake. He had always wanted to know more about the Lemburgs and had written to a descendant in Neumunster, Schleswig-Holstein and to the Lutheran Church. We learned that there are many records of Lemburgs there, but we do not know their connection with our family, yet.

He asked me to go to the Mormon Library and find out when the Lemburgs left Holstein for America. I found the following on microfilm of the Hamburg Ships Passenger Lists:

Sept. 1, 1855

Name	Age	Occupation	Home	Ship
Lemburg, D.H.	30	Shoemaker	Bordesholm,	<u>Emma</u>
			Schleswig	<u>Lincoln</u>
Catharina	31			
Emma	3			
Mine	10 mos.			
Lemburg, Christian	18	Cabinetmaker	Bordesholm	" "
[John C., Harold's grandfather]				

TEXAS VOLUNTEER UNITS IN THE MEXICAN WAR 1846-1848

Part 9

This continuing feature is a compilation of data found in the National Archives Microfilm Publications Microcopy No. 278. For an explanation, see pp. 113-114 of AGS Quarterly XIX:4.

Thinking that readers would be interested in knowing how many of these soldiers remained in Texas after the war, we have looked them up on the 1850 census. First we examine the Accelerated Index to the 1850 Census of Texas for a name that closely resembles that of a soldier. When there are several, we look on the microfilm at one in the county where he enlisted, if we have his age to check against. If the microfilm is illegible, we consult Mrs. V. K. Carpenter's printed 1850 census of Texas.

Therefore, in the list which follows, an asterisk precedes each name which bears a reasonable resemblance to one that appears in the 1850 census. With the more common names there is, of course, less assurance of identity. REMEMBER: These are just possibilities--we do not guarantee that the man on the census was the soldier. But by showing all the details given in the census, we hope to enable the readers to locate their ancestors. Many may be found in the Handbook of Texas, especially Volume III, the new supplement.

1st MOUNTED VOLUNTEERS (12 Months) "HAYS' TEXAS CAVALRY"

Company Letters, Captains, Places of Recruitment or Muster

A - Lane, Walter P.	- San Antonio; Austin
B - Taylor, Robert H.	- Fannin Co. (Bonham); San Antonio
C - Adams, George W.	- Limestone Co. (Groesbeck); Navarro Co.
D - Highsmith, Samuel	- Austin; Enchanted Rock (Gillespie Co.)
E - Truit, Alfred M.	- Cartwright Mill, Shelby Co. (succeeded by Chaucer Ashton, then Alxr. E. Handley)
F - Roberts, Jacob	- La Grange, Fayette Co.; Austin; San Antonio
G - Armstrong, Gabriel M.	- Washington Co. (Brenham); Austin (succeeded by Alfred Evans)
H - Gillet, James S.	- Austin; San Lucas Springs (succeeded by Hiram Warfield)
I - Ferguson, Isaac	- Rusk Co. (Henderson); Austin (actual age 70; died 1 Jan 1848; succeeded by E.M. Daggett)
K - Kinsey, Stephen	- Dallas & Fannin Cos; Camp Washington (MX?) (succeeded by Preston Witt)

NAME	RANK	COMPANY of Capt.	ENROLLED AT (or) ON MUSTER-IN ROLL AT	REMARKS
Sampson, James--see Simpson, James.				
Sanders, J.D./Joseph	Pvt	Armstrong	Enlisted 1 Sep 1847	Died 30 Sep '47
Sapp, Orlando	Pvt	Armstrong	Washington Co	Age 20.
*Sargeant/Sargent, O.F.	Pvt	Roberts	La Grange	Age 19.
Schackhart, A.--see Shackhart, Adolph.				
Schaffner, Michael	Pvt-	Armstrong	Camargo MX	Age 22.
	Bugler			
Schlayman, Fedr.--see Schloyman, Frederick.				
/Schleyman,				
*Schloyman, Frederick	Pvt	Armstrong	Washington Co	Age 26. Left sick in Jalapa MX.
Schmidt, G.--see Smith, Godfrey.				
*Scott, Felix	Pvt	Handley	Shelbyville TX	Age 22.
*Scott, William	Pvt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville TX	Age 28. Left sick in 3 locations.
*Screech, Nathan	Pvt	Kinsey	Dallas	Age 18.
Screech, William	Bugler	Kinsey	Dallas	Age 23.
*Self, George	Pvt	Highsmith	Austin TX	Age 39.
*Self/Selfe, W./William	Chief	Field & Staff	Camargo MX	Appointed chief bugler 1 Sep 1847.
	Bugler			
Sellars/Sellers, Isaac	Pvt	Roberts	La Grange	Age 26. Died 12 Feb 1848.
*Sellers, John	Pvt	Roberts	La Grange	Age 40.
Servis, Adam	Pvt	Kinsey	San Angel MX	Age 34.
*Sessum, Jacob	3 Cpl	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville TX	Age 24. Died 1 Jan 1848.
*Shackhart, Adolph	Pvt	Roberts	La Grange	Age 28. Died 6 March 1848.
Shaffner/Shafner, Michael--sees Schaffner, Michael.				
*Shaban, William P.	Pvt	Kinsey	Dallas	Age 21. Died 9 Dec 1847.
*Sharrold, Joseph	Pvt	Roberts	La Grange	Age 18.
Shelly, Hiram	Pvt	Kinsey	Austin TX	Age 21.
*Shenault [Chenault?], William	Pvt	Kinsey	Dallas TX	Age 20.
Sherold, Jacob	Pvt	Roberts	Camargo MX	Enrolled 1st of September 1847.
Sherold, Joseph--see Sharrold, Joseph.				

Shields, James M.	Pvt	Ferguson	Rusk Co	Age 25.	Died
				at Jalapa MX.	
Shilling, George Wm.	Pvt	Highsmith	Austin TX	Age 32.	
Ship, Thomas G.	Pvt	Highsmith	Austin TX	Age 18.	
*Short, Thomas	Pvt	Roberts	Austin TX	Age 18.	
*Shortrope, Adolphus	Pvt	Highsmith	Austin TX	Age 24.	
Shults, Joseph	2 Cpl-	Armstrong	Washington Co	Age 18/19.	
	Pvt				
Shults, Robert	1 Sgt-	Armstrong	Austin TX	Age 22.	Died
	Pvt			in October 1847.	
Simco, David	Pvt-	Armstrong	San Antonio	Age 40.	
	2 Sgt				
*Simpson, James	Pvt	Highsmith	Austin TX	Age 23.	
Sisk, Alfred	Pvt	Handley	Shelbyville	Age 26.	Died
				30 Jan 1848.	
Slaven, Charles L.	Pvt	Ferguson	Austin TX	Age 29.	
Slifer, Levi J.	Pvt	Roberts	Camargo MX	Enrolled 1st	
				of September 1847.	
*Smith, Ben P.	2 Lt	Roberts	La Grange	Age 25.	Died
				29 Jan 1848.	
Smith, George	Pvt	Kinsey	Camp Washington, Mexico	Age 35.	
*Smith, George W.	4 Sgt-	Kinsey	Bonham TX	Age 41.	
	Sgt		[Fannin Co]		
*Smith, Godfrey	Pvt	Roberts	La Grange	Age 32.	
Smith, John	Pvt	Kinsey	Camp Washington, Mexico	Age 31.	
*Smith/Smyth, Logan L.	4 Sgt	Ferguson	Rusk Co	Age 25.	
*Smith, Reuben	Pvt	Highsmith	Austin TX	Age 21.	
Smith, Robert	Pvt	Truit/	Shelbyville	Age 21.	Died
		Handley		Jalapa 30 Jan 1848.	
*Smith, William H.	Pvt	Handley	Shelbyville	Age 28.	
Smyth, Logan L.--see Smith, Logan L.					
Spangle, John	Bugler-	Highsmith	Austin TX	Age 34.	
	Pvt				
Spangler, John--see above.					
Staekman, Hardy F.--see Stockman, Hardy P. or F.					
Stamp, Andrew--see Stump, Andrew.					
*Stamper, S.P.	Pvt	Highsmith	Austin TX	Age 21.	
*Stanfield, Irvin/Erwin	Pvt	Truit/	Shelbyville	Age 21.	
		Handley			

NAME	RANK	COMPANY of Capt.	ENROLLED AT (or) ON MUSTER-IN ROLL AT	REMARKS
*Stark/Starks, John	Pvt	Armstrong	Washington Co	Age 34 [first card]; 24 [last card].
Steen, Richard	Pvt	Kinsey	Bonham TX	Age 22. Died 16 Jan 1848.
Stenault, William--see Shenault.				
*Stephenson, J.C.	Pvt- 2 Sgt	Roberts	La Grange	Age 23.
Stephenson, William	Pvt	Kinsey	Cp. Washington, Vera Cruz MX	Age 37.
Steuks, Nathaniel M.--cards filed with Stukes.				
*Stevens, Edward A.	2 Sgt	Highsmith	Austin TX	Age 20.
Stevenson, Hamilton	Pvt	Truit/ Handley/ Johnson	Shelbyville	\$150 horse. Transferred to Capt. Johnson's Co. 31 Jly 1847.
Stevenson, J.C.--see Stephenson.				
*Stevenson, William	Pvt	Truit/ Handley/ Johnson	Shelbyville	\$100 horse.
Stevenson, ---	Pvt	Co K --Cards filed with Stephenson, William.		
*Stockman/Staekman, Hardy P. or F.	Pvt	Ferguson	Rusk Co	Age 25.
Stockman, Reason P.	Pvt	Ferguson	Rusk Co	Age 22. Died 7 Jan 1848.
*Stone, James	Pvt	Ferguson	Rusk Co	Age 20. Died 7 Jan 1848 [sic].
Story, Ephram	Pvt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	Age 20. Died 25 Jan 1848.
Straw, J.--see Strow, J. or John.				
Streich/Strich, T.H./ Theodore H.	Pvt	Roberts	La Grange	Age 18.
*Strickland/Stricklin, Amos	1 Lt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	Age 43.
Stritch/Strilch, T.H.--See Streich, Theodore H.				
*Strother, C.J.	Pvt	Highsmith	Austin TX	Age 40.
*Strow/Straw, J./John	Pvt	Roberts	La Grange	Age 34.
Struch, T.H.--Streich, Theodore H.				
Struck, Thomas H.--cards filed with Streich, Theordore H.				
Struhan, A.--card missing; found at end of roll.				

Struhan, A. [card 858]	Pvt	Roberts	La Grange	Age 27. Died 29 Feb 1848.
Stuhahn/Stuharn, A.--see Struhan, A.				
*Stukes/Stuks, Nathaniel M.	Pvt	Reed/ Handley	San Antonio	Age 26. Capt. Jas. B. Reed's co. was organized 20 Mch 1847. Age 22. Age 26.
*Stump/Stamp, Andrew	Pvt	Handley	Camargo MX	
Sturdevant, H.M.	Pvt	Roberts	La Grange	
Sturhan/Sturharn, A.--see Struhan.				
Sutton, Charles F.	Pvt	Armstrong	Washington Co	Age 18. Died 25 Feb 1848.
*Sutton, Jesse	Pvt- 2 Cpl	Armstrong	Washington Co	Age 36.
Sutton, John	Pvt- 2 Cpl	Armstrong	Washington Co	Age 29.
Swenson, William	Pvt	Kinsey	Jalapa MX	Age 18.
Swift, Job F.	Pvt	Kinsey	Buckner TX	Age 27.
Swope, Greenberry M./ or George W.	Pvt	Handley	Shelbyville	Age 30.
*Tacker, ---	Asst Surgeon	[No other information given]		
Tanner/Turner, H.T./ Harris T.	Pvt	Armstrong	San Antonio	Age 22. Died 12 Jan 1848.
*Taylor, George N.	Pvt	Highsmith	Austin TX	Age 25.
Taylor, Hugh A.	Pvt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	Age 26.
Taylor, James	Pvt	Roberts	Enlisted 1 Sept 1847.	
Taylor, John	Pvt	Highsmith	Austin TX	Age 21.
Temple, William B.	Pvt	Armstrong	Washington Co	Age 33. Died 12 Jan 1848.
Terpen, William--see Turpen.				
*Terry, John/John L.	2 Lt	Kinsey	Bonham	\$150 horse.
*Thomas, Alexander	Pvt	Kinsey	Dallas	Age 22.
*Thomas, James	1 Cpl- Pvt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	Age 22. Died 8 Dec 1847.
Important: Furnished substitute, discharged 11 Aug 1847. Death believed that of substitute, whose name is unknown.				
Thomas, Jefferson	Pvt	Ferguson	Rusk Co	Age 21. Died 17 Jan 1848.
Thomas, John	Pvt	Kinsey	Dallas	Age 18. Died 30 March 1848.
Thomas, Robert	Pvt	Ferguson	Rusk Co	Died 4 Jan 1848.

NAME	RANK	COMPANY of Capt.	ENROLLED AT (or) ON MUSTER-IN ROLL AT	REMARKS
*Thomas, William J.	Pvt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	\$145 horse.
Thompson, Ansel/ Ansil C.	3 Cpl- Pvt	Armstrong	Washington Co	Age 20.
Tidwell, Peter	Pvt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	Age 28. Died 4 Aug 1847.
*Todd, James/James R.	Pvt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	\$140 horse.
Todd, John	Pvt	Handley	Talahasse, Fla. Shelbyville, Tx.	Transferred from Florida Vols.
*Todd, William	Pvt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	Age 23.
Torpen, William--see Turpen.				
*Truit, Alfred M.	Capt- Major	Handley	Shelbyville	Elected major 26 Oct 1847.
Truit, Andrew J.	Pvt- 3 Sgt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	Age 27.
Truit, Joshua H.	Pvt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	Age 20.
Truit, Leander	Bugler- 1st Bglr	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	Age 23.
*Truit, Minter	Pvt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	Age 22.
Tucker, David M.	Pvt	Kinsey	Buckner TX	Age 18.
Tucker, Dickerson	Pvt	Handley	Mexico City	Age 27.
*Tucker, Henry	Pvt- 3 Cpl	Ferguson	Rusk Co	Age 22.
Tucker, James	Pvt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	Age 22.
Tucker, Micagah	Pvt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	Age 20.
Tucker, Thomas F.	Pvt- 2 Lt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	Age 28.
*Turner, Charles	2 Lt	Ferguson	Rusk Co	Age 25.
[Includes photo & handwritten letter requesting discharge]				
Turpen, William	Pvt	Truit/ Handley	Shelbyville	Age 38.
Tyson, ---	Pvt	Roberts	Enlisted 1 Sept 1847. [no more]	

Sequence of Data from 1850 Census of Texas: NAME; COUNTY & ORIGINAL PAGE NO.; NUMBER OF FAMILY VISITED; AGE; f or m (if sex is not obvious from name); OCCUPATION; VALUE OF REAL PROPERTY; PLACE OF BIRTH; OTHER INFORMATION. Having found page on the census in Accelerated Index, the numbering of the visitations leads one to the entry in Mrs. Carpenter's transcription, to which I am indebted in some instances (where microfilm is illegible), but which often may be interpreted differently.

SERGEANT, Oscar, Lavaca 307 #20 23m Farmer AL. [lived alone]
 SCHIOMAN, Frederick, Austin 109 #170 78m Waggoner Germany [father of Fdk. Schloyman?]
 SCOTT, F.B., Harrison 062 #184 27m Farmer NC; F.L. 18f AL. or
 SCOTT, F.M., Harrison 073 #341 21m Farmer \$1750 MS; A.E. 19f MS; T.P. 15f MS; M.E. 12f MS; M. 10f MS.
 SCOTT, John, Shelby 026 #360 53m Farmer \$300 VA; Nancy 45f SC; William 26m Farmer \$100 AL; Maliny 16f, John J. 12m, Thos. 5m & James M. 5m, all AL. or
 SCOTT, William, San Augustine 332 #23 28m Farmer \$320 MO; Nancy 20f TX; Elizabeth 1/12 TX.
 SCOTT, William, Liberty 351 #249 27m Ferryman b. at sea; Margaret 25f Germany; William 2m TX; Margaret 1f TX.
 MINTER, Green M., Dallas 099 #408 46m Farmer \$620 VA; Jane 44f TN; Caroline 17f TN; Joseph SCREECH 14m TX [younger brother of Nathan & Wm? Scruck in Index]
 SCREWS, Nathan, Rusk 272 #526 55m Farmer \$800 TN; Matilda R. 31f NC; Henry Elbert 15m AL; Mary M. 11f, Christopher C. 1m, Lavina Jane 4f & John Wesley 2m, all TX; James NOWLIN 72m VA. [Screws misspelling by enumerator? father of veteran?]
 CRAFT, John S., Travis 138 #74 41m Farmer \$10,000 TN; Abigail 36f TN; 5 children, first b. TN, 4 b. TX; George SELF 41m Laborer SC; Wiley D. FORT 30m Laborer SC.
 DUNNIGAN, Charles G., Limestone 361 2nd Pct. #86 24m Farmer \$400 MS; Gracy 21f & John W. 3m, both MS; Lucy E. 1f TX; William MIERS 26m Farmer MS; Wm. SELF 18 Farmer TN.
 SELF, William, Limestone 363 Pct. #127 50m Farmer \$220 NC [father of vet?]; Mary 47f NC; Tilferd 25m, John 22m, & David 20m, all AL.
 HARPER, Thos., Fayette 213 #360 27m Farmer TN; Lucinda 24f AR; Stephen SELLERS 10m and William D. 5m, both TX [sons of John?]; Frances HARPER 1/12f TX.
 SESSUMS, Redden [father of Jacob? Very dim on census] Shelby 035 #455 50m Farmer \$1000 NC; Marget 48f GA; Emily 26f, Pernecia 22f, Wilson R. 17m, Elizabeth 15f, all MS; Jarop? 13m SC; Robt MOBLEY/SHAPLEY? 25m School Teacher AL.
 SESSUMS, Wm. B. [brother of vet?], Shelby 035 #454 24m Farmer MS; Mary 16f LA; James GATES? 25m LA.
 SHUKHART, Frederick [father of Adolph Shackhart?], Victoria 241 #183 48m Farmer Germany; Polly 18f, Charles 17m & William 16m, all Germany.
 LOEFFLER, George, Harris 003 Houston #49 21m Merchant Germany; John DIEFENBACK 22m Merchant Germany; John SHUCKART [father of Adolph?] 74m Farmer Germany.

SHAHAN, David [father of Wm. P.?], Dallas 099 #412 45m Farmer \$2640 VA; Elizabeth 30f GA; Thomas J. 12m MO; John H. 10m MO; Geo. W. 5m TX; Sarah J. ANDERSON 11f AR.
 SHARRALD, B. [mother of Joseph?], Fayette 199 #160 42f Farming \$2200 Switzerland; Eliza 22f Germany; Caroline 4f TX; Hansy 3m TX; Caroline KORN 3f Germany; Agust SHER-RALD 1m TX; Margret COOCK 50f Germany.
 CHENAULT, William, Dallas 086 #214 22m Farmer \$200 VA; Ruth A. 20f TN.
 SHORT, Thomas, Walker 276 #380 20m AL (doing 2 years for larceny in State Penitentiary at Huntsville; warden was James Gillaspie who had raised a company of volunteers in Walker Co for 1st Regt TX Mtd Rifles, per Handbook of Texas and AGS Quarterly Vol. XX No. 1. This inmate of course may not be the veteran of that war.)
 SCHACHRUPP, A. [corrupted by Anglos to Shortrope?], Grimes 368 #87 24m Labourer \$75 Germany; H. 23f and E. 52f, also Germany.
 SIMPSON, Thomas, Travis 138 #85 44m Farmer TN; Nancy 40f TN [possibly parents of James].
 WALLACE, Mary A., Travis 138 #86 28f \$12,000 Ireland; John 10m, William 6m & Elizabeth 2f, all TX; James SIMPSON 25m Laborer TN.
 SMITH, Ben P. [according to pp. 99-100 of Barton's Texas Volunteers in the Mexican War] on 10 May 1847 was enrolled in Jacob Roberts' company at La Grange. They marched to Austin expecting to be ordered to ranging duty on the frontier, but were assigned to Colonel Hays's regiment ... a sad quirk of fate.
 SMITH, Geo. W., Fannin 153 #125 55m Farmer \$400 TN; Elizabeth 47f NC; Jane M. CANTRILL 23f AL; Jas. R. 5m MO; Geo. W. 4m TX; M.E. 9/12f TX.
 SMITH, Godfrey G., Hunt 195 #66 27m [32 on service record] Farmer \$500 MO; Elizabeth 30f KY; William 7m IL; John 6m, David 5m, Lewis 3m & Leander 3/12m, all TX.
 SMITH, Logan L./S., Shelby 05 #55 27m Farmer TN; Mariah 21f IN; Marthy 3 & Alfred 1 TX.
 SMITH, Reuben, Caldwell 463 #72 23m Farmer MS; Lavinia 18f IL.
 SMITH, Wm. S., Shelby 005 #62 29m Grocer \$430 TX; Ann 24f NC; Antone [?] 11m TN; William R. 5m TX; Nancy A. 2f TX; Matthew MOORE 24m TN.
 STAMPER, William I. and Martin (possibly brothers of S.P.) were officers in a company that was organized at Austin for protection against Indians between the Brazos and Trinity rivers (p. 105 of Barton's Texas Volunteers in the Mexican War).
 STANFIELD--see STRICKLAND below.
 STARK, J.T., San Augustine 347 #230 28m Farmer \$550 OH; Martha 19f OH; Eugenia 1f TX.
 STEVENSON, J.C., Hays 119 San Marcos #17 24m Farmer \$5600 KY; Mary Jane 23f TN; Edward BARTON 7m TX; Ann B. 5f TX.
 KUYKENDAL, Granville, Bastrop 156 #97 40m Farmer KY; C. 40f VA; E. STEPHENS 22m Farm Hand VA; N. KUYKENDAL 12f AR; S. STEPHENS 12f VA; M. 10f, C. 6f, M. 2f, Martha 4/12--all four Kuykendals, born in Texas.
 KUYKENDALL, Joseph, Fort Bend 232 TX Judicial District #132 59m Farmer \$15,000 KY; Eliza Jane 23f KY; Robert H. 12m & Wiley M. 10m TX; Wm. STEVENSON 20m Overseer KY.
 STOCKMAN, Henry, Rusk 293 #805 58m Farmer \$4000 LA [father of Hardy and Reason?]; Dorcas 57f GA; Hiram H. 16m TX.

- STONE, James, Rusk 253 #256 60m Farmer \$800 SC [father of soldier?]; Elizabeth 50f SC; Green B. 21m, Redman 18m & Matilda 16f AR; John 11m & Larkin 9m MO; William 17m & Elizabeth 15f AR.
- STONE, James [cousin?], Rusk 269 #480 27m Farmer \$800 KY; Jane 26f AL; David C. 3m & Albert 1m TX.
- STRICKLAND, David, Shelby 032 #455 20m Farmer TX; Marthy D. 19f TN; Jesse W. 10/12m TX; Amos [son of soldier?] 22m TX; James 15m & Rachel 15f TX; Elizabeth STANFIELD [sister of Irvin/Erwin?] 12f birthplace not given.
- STRICKLAND, O. or V.J. [brother of Amos?], Shelby 011 #141 39m Farmer \$1450 MS; Harriette 36f IL; Mary 16f & Marthy 13f LA; Margret 11f, Matildy 8f, Moses 6m & Sary 1f TX; Johanna TOLBERT 54f IL; Henry RETT 26 Blacksmith \$640 IN. ... Amos Strickland was elected lieutenant in Truit's company on 12 May 1847 at Cartwright Mill in Shelby County (p. 99 of Barton's Texas Volunteers in the Mexican War).
- STROTHER, Christopher J., Bastrop 184 #312 45m NC; Mary 37f \$2320 KY; David LITTON 16m, Mahala 14f, Francis M. 10m & Mary A. 6f, all TX.
- STRAW, Leonard, Shelby 031 #436 59m Farmer \$6000 VA; Elizabeth 49f SC; William 9m & John B. 7m TX; Thos. BUCKNER 23m House Carpenter MO; Francis 14f MO; J.J. STRAW 35m Farmer \$208 VA; J.M. HOOPER 30m Farmer TN; Susana 21f MO; Marthy 2f TX; Margret E. 2f TX; G.W. BIGGERS 16m Farmer \$200 AR.
- STUKES, Nathaniel, Victoria 243 #220 22m Farmer \$1600 AL; Rebeca M. 22f MO; Alory E. 1f TX; John W. NELSON 9m TX.
- STUMP, John S., Gonzales 329 #71 57m VA [father of Andrew?]--lived alone.
- SUTTON, Jesse, Denton 109 #61 37m Farmer \$160 IL; Mary 27f KY; J. 7f & E. 6f IL; James K. 4m & Rebecca 1f TX; Robt. W. WOODRUFF 29m Farmer TN.
- TACKER, H. [only Tacker in Index to 1850 census], Harrison 107 #833 26m Overseer SC. ... On 6 Jly 1847, John C. Hays was elected colonel of 1st Regiment, Texas Mounted Volunteers (12 months), and --- Tacker assistant surgeon under Dr. A.B. Parker (p. 100 of Barton's Texas Volunteers in the Mexican War).
- MOORE, Andrew O., Travis 152 #287 56m School Teacher \$200 TN; Elizabeth 52f NC; Archibald 23m, Mary 16f, Andrew 18m Clerk, all AL; Geo. F. LAMBKINS 21m Painter VA; Jeremiah [illegible]; George TAYLOR 26m Carpenter GA.
- TERRY, John L., was one of 95 men mustered in Kinsey's company at Austin on 3 Jly 1847. They were recruited from North Texas (Dallas & Fannin counties), wrote Henry Barton.
- THOMAS, Alex A., Dallas 080 #110 25m Farmer \$1000 TN; Mary E. 21f TN.
- THOMAS, James H., Shelby 020 #276 33m Farmer \$1000 SC [cousin of soldier? Or was age on service record that of substitute, and this the soldier?]; Caroline 27f LA; John 8m, James 5m, Anderson 3m & William 7/12, all TX; Heseekiah 82m NC.
- THOMAS, William, Shelby 022 #385 32m Farmer \$500 SC?; Margret 28f, Ellen 8f, Hampton 5m, W.T. 2m & Alonzo 5/12m, all TX.
- TODD, Wm., Shelby 007 #86 57m Farmer \$4163 NC [father of James?]; Mary 55f NC; Thos 20m & John 18m GA; Amandy 13f TX; Saml HEATH 12m TX; Marthy 9f TX.

- HANKS, James, Shelby 006 #68 41m Farmer \$2000 SC; Jonathan 19m \$200 AL; Amandy C. 15f AL; Chrisper 9m, Thos. A. 7m & Jane 5f, all TX; William TODD Jr [?] 26m Farmer GA; Sary E. 16f AL; Wm. J. 1m TX.
- TRUIT, Alford M., Shelby 026 #361 32m Farmer [?] \$1500 NC; Susan E. 28f GA; James W. 4m, John H. 3m & Sary 1/12f TX; Mary GOODBREAD 12f TX; Levy M. TRUIT 23m Farmer \$300 NC; Wm. WATSON/TATUM ? 38m School Teacher NC. ... Capt. Alfred M. Truit's first company was organized at Shelbyville 21 May 1846, same time as Capt. Middleton T. Johnson's; assumed nicknames "Moderators" and "Regulators." Truit's company had only 55 men until augmented at Point Isabel. On 12 May 1847, at Cartwright Mill, Shelby Co, a 96-man company was organized & elected A.M. Truit captain. Nine of these men deserted on 21 Sep 1847, the day the troops moved to Ranchito, 20 miles below Matamoros. They took government property; \$30 reward offered for return of each man. On 13 Oct 1847 Truit & Adjutant John S. Ford Selected 119 men from Companies E, I and K and rode to a hacienda (suspected headquarters of guerrillas) 30 miles away. They discovered arms & U.S. property; burned hacienda & returned to camp, after several skirmishes. Two weeks later, Truit was elected major in place of Mike Chevallie (Barton's Texas Volunteers in the Mexican War).
- STRICKLAND, Rachel, Shelby 026 #370 43f \$3000 MO; Dicy C. 13f, Helen M. 11f, Malindy 8f, David 6m & Soosan 3f, all TX; Mary TRUIT 22f & Leander 2m TX; Minter TRUIT 22m NC; Margaret 18f & James M. 4/12m TX.
- TUCKER, Henry, Rusk 273 #539 30m Farmer \$400 NC; Sarah 28f NC; Geo. W. HARNAGE 35m Farmer \$1000 GA; Nancy 30f TN; John 3m AR.
- TURNER, Charles, Shelby 004 #51 27m Merchant \$2800 MS; Amandy 18f AL; Wm. C. 4m TX; Ephraim 1m TX; Elliott LONGACRE 32m Overseer \$132 TN. ... Lt. Turner resigned 1 Oct (accepted on 17th as of the 31st) with three other officers--probably because of the difficulties at Ranchito & Brazos Santiago, though bad health given as reason.
- TYSON, John R., Anderson 040 #259 31m Teamster GA; Rachel 32f AL; Louisa C. 11f, Paulina E. 10f & Wm. T. 7m, all AL; Indiana C. 3f MS.
- HALL, H.Y., Harrison 063 #209 42m Farmer \$3600 SC; M.I. 33f VA; 5 children b. AL--initials only; N. COWAN 67f SC; A. TISON 23m Overseer KY; G. HAVENHILL 28m Teacher KY.
- TYSON, Mary W., Bowie 353 8th Judicial District #109 36f \$2140 GA; Joseph 21m Farmer GA; William 13m Farmer GA; Joseph D. MERCER ? 50m Farmer SC.

To Put It Delicately--Are you a member in good standing? It has been the policy of Austin Genealogical Society to send the March quarterly to all who were on our mailing list for the previous quarterly. But if you have not renewed your membership by 10 May, we cannot count you when we order the June quarterlies printed, so even if you pay your dues later, there may not be a June issue left over for you. Publishing costs have skyrocketed so high that we cannot afford to order many extra copies.

MUSTER ROLL OF 1835
TAMPICO EXPEDITION

MEMORIALS

of

GEORGE FISHER,

Late Secretary to the Expedition

of

Gen. JOSÉ ANTONIO MEXÍA,

Against Tampico, in November,

1835.

Presented to the 4th & 5th Congresses

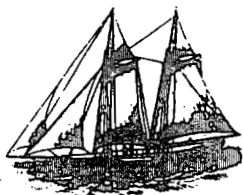
of the

Republic of Texas,

PRAYING FOR RELIEF

In Favor of the Members

of the Said Expedition.



HOUSTON:
Printed at the Telegraph Office
1840

The above wording of the title page (more attractive in different sizes of type) of a book to be found in Texas State Archives (976.4f / F533) gives the background for the muster roll below.

The background of the expedition is considerably more complicated. Condensed from The Handbook of Texas (Vol. II, pp. 182-83, 704-05), it is lightly sketched as follows:

José Antonio Mexía [Meh hee a], born 1800-05 in Jalapa, Mexico or in Cuba, in 1827 affiliated with the Federalist party in Mexico, became a brigadier general "in the armies of the Mexican Federation," and in 1832 led an expedition from Tampico to subdue Centralist forces in Matamoros. The two purposes of this expedition were to prevent absolutism in Mexico and to keep Texas in the Mexican union. Antonio López de Santa Anna then professed the same objectives, but, after being elected president of Mexico as a liberal in 1833, he quickly became a dictator.

Zacatecas, Coahuila and Texas refused to accept Centralism, holding to the Constitution of 1824. General Mexía and George Fisher (b. 1795 in Hungary; father's surname Ribar translated as Fisher; d. 1873 in San Francisco), who also had been banished from Mexico for his political views, in October 1835 started a movement in New Orleans to raise funds to launch an expedition against Tampico with the intent of stirring up an insurrection in eastern Mexico. This plan was approved by some Texas leaders, but Stephen F. Austin and others advocated attacking Matamoros rather than Tampico.

Mexía and his 150 "efficient emigrants" [The U.S. could not countenance the recruitment of professed belligerents] left New Orleans 6 Nov 1835 aboard the schooner Mary Jane; a week later she ran aground off the bar of Tampico. This disaster (which made their ammunition wet and useless), the premature uprising of the liberals in the garrison at Tampico, and the arrival of fresh Centralist troops combined to foil Mexía's attack on the garrison. He stayed 12 days in the fort, but, having no money to buy supplies, realized it was futile to remain. The general persuaded the captain of the American schooner Halcyon to trust him for the \$2000 charter fee and withdrew across the Gulf of Mexico to the mouth of the Brazos River, which they reached on the 3rd of December.

Many of the men who reached the present Brazoria County area of Texas joined the Regular Army of Texas and received bounty warrants (and some, donation certificates) for that service, as can be seen in T. L. Miller's Bounty and Donation Land Grants of Texas. Examination of that book reveals that George Fisher did not know, when he compiled the muster roll post facto, that some men whom he labeled "Discharged at Columbia" [or Brazoria or Velasco] also gave their services - some, their lives - for the cause of Texas independence. Judging from the service reflected in their bounty warrants, a great many of the men who had been recruited at New Orleans were eager to redeem the failure of the Tampico Expedition by joining the Matamoros Expedition for which James W. Fannin and others were recruiting volunteers early in January 1836. But the second expedition also came to naught, and those men met their death with Colonel Fannin at or near Goliad --, or under James Grant at Agua Dulce Creek, or Francis W. Johnson at San Patricio.

If a name (or a likely approximation) on the muster roll below appears in Miller's record of land grants, selected parts of the data therein has been inserted in brackets in the roll. Clues to the length of the man's life can sometimes be found in the book.

But this memorial (petition) asked the Congress of Texas for "benefits and emoluments in regard to pay, bounty, and premium lands" for all those who had risked life and fortune on the Tampico Expedition "on an equal footing" with other volunteers in the war for Texas independence, not just Regular Army soldiers.

There are 116 names on the muster roll, and about ten others are mentioned elsewhere in the memorial: Maj. Charles Edward Hawkins, Capt. Frederick Hoppe, Capt. --- Plunkert, John Hall (captain of Marine Corps), 2nd Lt. Leon Boyer, Dr. C.P. Heermans (surgeon), Wm. M. Brigham (surgeon's mate), plus of course General Mexía and George Fisher.

General Mexía had been forced to leave behind 31 of his men who had been taken prisoner at Tampico; of these, three died of wounds and the others, tried by court martial, were shot on the 14th of December. Nine had been killed in battle. Varying statements regarding casualties include: 8 or 9 killed in battle, 31 captured (3 died in hospital, 28 were shot), 10 "Dismissed from service as useless," 15 "Discharged from Marine Corps," 20 deserted, "Total missing: 61." [Does not tally]

At the end of the muster roll (which has been rearranged alphabetically, except officers at the head of the list) appears the following paragraph:

"NOTE.--The above Muster Roll although imperfect, is the best I could compile from the data in my possession, the original having been lost at Tampico, and at Quintana in December, 1835, it was impossible to form a new one complete, owing to the sick and distressed state of the troops and their partial dispersion.

"Those marked thus * were taken prisoners at Tampico, the day after the Battle, tried by a Court Martial and shot on the 14th December, 1835, at 8 o'clock, A.M., except three marked thus + who died in the Hospital. Those marked thus # were killed in the Battle.

Houston, October 22, 1839.

GEO. FISHER."

MUSTER ROLL

Gen. Mexía's Expedition, against Tampico, in November, 1835.

Capt. John M. Allen, Joined Regular Army of Texas. [later abbreviated R.A.T.] [Received Bounty Warrant in 1838 for service 18 Dec 1835 to 2 Dec 1836. Recd Donation Certificate in 1838 for being in battle of San Jacinto.] (In memorial called "Captain of a Company of Grenadiers".)

Capt. G. Diederick, do. do. do. do. [means ditto] [Heirs of George Dedrick recd Bty Wnt in 1858, by special act of Legislature---service not stated. Also, in 1860 they recd Bty Wnt for 960 acres for his "having fallen with Fannin." Heirs of George Dedrick recd a Special Act Don Cert in 1858, marked "Goliad" in records of Court of Claims. ... See also Bty Wnt and Don Cert issued to heirs of George M. Deadrick in 1861.] (In memorial, called "Geo. Diederick, captain of a Company of Sharp Shooters.")

Capt. F. Lambert, Resigned at Velasco. (In memorial, called "captain of a Company of Liberty.")

Lieut. F.W. Thornton, Joined R.A.T. [Recd Bty Wnt in 1837 for service 21 Dec 1835 to 20 Oct 1836.]

Lieut. P. Girod, Resigned at Velasco.

Lieut. --- Adam, Resigned at Velasco.

Orderly Serg't, E.D. Davis, Joined R.A.T. [no Bty Wnt found]

Orderly Serg't Henry Ruffier, Resigned at Velasco.

Aubry, Adrien, Discharged at Velasco. (Memorial: surgeon's mate.)
Baily, Wm., Joined R.A.T.
Barclay, James, Discharged at Columbia.
*Barclay, W.C., Taken at Tampico.
Baumgartner, I., Discharged at Brazoria.
*Bellepont, L.M., Taken in battle at Tampico.
Bingess, Warren, Discharged at Brazoria.
Black, J.R., Discharged at Columbia.
+Blood, Harris, Leg broken in the battle and made prisoner.
Boyce, J.S., Left sick at Columbia.
#Bragalino, ---, Killed in battle at Tampico.
Brigham, N.W., Discharged at Brazoria. [M.W. Brigham recd Bty Wnt in 1838 for service 16 Mch to 16 June 1836--could be same man]
Bromley, V., Discharged at Columbia. [William Bromley recd Bty Wnt in 1837 for service 3 Apr 1836 to 3 Feb 1837. V. might be typographical error in printed muster roll.]
Brown, G.W., Discharged at Brazoria.
Bruant, Auguste, Discharged at Columbia.
Brush, Elias, Left sick in Columbia. [An E. Brush recd Bty Wnt in 1838 for service 9 Oct 1835 to 30 Sep 1836. Could not be Elias, if he was recruited in New Orleans in Oct 1835.]
Buckley, Daniel, Joined R.A.T. [Heirs of a Daniel Buckley recd a Bty Wnt in 1838 for his service 13 Jan to 27 Mch 1836 when he was killed with Col. Fannin. In 1846 they recd Don Cert for his being in battle of Coletto on 19 Mch 1836 (when Fannin and his men were captured & subsequently massacred).]
Carter, R.P.B., Discharged at Columbia.
Clark, T., Discharged at Velasco.
*Clements, A., Taken in battle at Tampico.
Coghan, G.W., Joined R.A.T.
Conway, M., Joined R.A.T.
Cooper, J.H., Discharged at Brazoria.
Cooper, M., Discharged at Brazoria.
*Cramp, J., Taken in battle at Tampico.
Crittenden, R., Discharged at Velasco. [A Robert Crittenden recd Bty Wnt in 1838 for service 16 Mch to 16 June 1836.]
Curry, H., Joined R.A.T. [Hugh Curry recd Bty Wnt in 1842 for service from "---until 18 May 1836 & having been honorably discharged for disability."]
*Debois, F., Taken at Tampico.
*Demeussent, Louis, Taken at Tampico.
Disney, R., Joined R.A.T. [Heirs of Richard Disney in 1846 recd Bty Wnt for "his having been killed in the massacre of Col. Fannin's Command, 27 March 1836." His Don Cert was for "Having been engaged in the battle of Coletto March 19, 1836."]
*Donnelly, Daniel, Taken at Tampico.
#Duncan, R.P., Killed in battle at Tampico.
Edder, A., Wounded in Tampico,--Joined R.A.T.
Eddle, J.B., Left sick at Columbia.
Edwards, S.M., Left sick at Columbia. [Probably the Samuel M. Edwards whose heirs recd Bty Wnt in 1850 for his service 2 Nov (questionable) 1835 to 27 Mch 1836 when he was massacred]

- with Fannin. In 1850 a duplicate of an 1839 Don Cert (for having been killed at Goliad) was issued to his heirs.] English, R., Discharged at Columbia. [Heirs of Robert English in 1859 recd Bty Wnt for his having fallen with Fannin. Same year, Don Cert for same; no survey found for either grant.] Farish, P., Discharged at Brazoria.
- *Farrell, James, Taken at Tampico.
Fintch, J.A., Discharged at Velasco. [No likely Fintch or Finch found, but warrants to J. (2) Fitch and Jabes Fitch are possibilities. One J. Fitch also recd Don Cert.]
- *Flemming, J., Taken at Tampico.
Gallagher, M.B., Discharged at Columbia. [If this was a misprint for M.D., it might refer to Dominic, whose heirs in 1851 recd Bty Wnt for his having "fallen with Fannin" and a Don Cert for same.]
- Gazzo, J. Lereche, Discharged at Columbia.
Ginnell, E.G., Discharged at Columbia. [Faint possibility: E.W. Gemmel, p. 288 of Miller's Bounty and Donation book.]
- *Gist, Mordecai, Taken at Tampico.
Gleeson, J., Joined R.A.T.
Goslin, J., Discharged at Columbia.
- *Gross, C., Taken in battle at Tampico.
Guerra, Luis, "Joined R.A.T. (Fannin's Command)." [But no land grant shown in Miller's book.] (In memorial, called "Captain of Artillery Company".)
- #Guyoit, P., Killed in battle at Tampico.
Hatfield, W.R., Joined R.A.T. [Heirs of William Hatfield in 1859 recd Bty Wnt for his having "fallen with Fannin," but no record of a survey found. Same applies to his Don Cert.]
- *Helm, Andrew, Taken at Tampico.
*Holt, Daniel, Taken at Tampico.
#Howard, M.C., Killed in battle at Tampico.
#Hurwick, J., Killed in battle at Tampico.
*Irish, John, Taken at Tampico.
*Iselin, Geo. I., Taken at Tampico.
*Ives, John M., Taken at Tampico.
*Jacob, L., Taken at Tampico.
Jones, E.A., Discharged at Velasco.
Kingsburry, D.M., Left sick at Columbia.
- *Leeds, Isaac F., Taken at Tampico.
Lewis, Edward, Discharged at Velasco.
#Lewis, J.F., Killed in battle at Tampico.
#Lindner, J., Killed in battle at Tampico.
*Long, David, Taken at Tampico.
*Mackey, Wm. H., Taken at Tampico.
Marks, S.T., Left sick at Columbia.
- *Marrier, T.W., Taken at Tampico.
Maybee, Jacob, Discharged at Columbia. [Jacob Mayhee recd Bty Wnt in 1873 by special act of Legislature--service not given. Perhaps it was issued to his heirs because he "fell with Fannin" as many others on this muster roll did. However, it should be for more than 320 acres if he was killed.]
- McConnell, R., Discharged at Columbia.

+McConnick, James, Taken at Tampico.

McGee, R.N., Discharged at Columbia. [If he raced to San Antonio, he may have participated in the Siege of Bexar 5-10 Dec 1835.

A Ralph McGee in 1846 recd a Bty Wnt for such service.]

McKaskill, R., Joined R.A.T. [Conceivably Robert D. McCaskey who recd Bty Wnt in 1838 for service 18 Dec 1835-26 June 1837.]

#McManus, J.L., Killed in battle at Tampico.

Miller, A., Joined R.A.T. [Heirs of Andrew J. Miller in 1855 recd Bty Wnt for "his having been killed with Grant & Johnson." In 1853 they had recd Don Cert for his "participating in the battle under Grant & Johnson." James Grant & Col. F.W. Johnson, in early January 1836, organized a Matamoros Expedition, but their forces were so depleted by desertions to Sam Houston's army that they established headquarters at San Patricio. Attacks by Gen. José Urrea on 27 Feb and 2 Mch killed almost all the men. ... A. Miller & Andrew J. could be the same man, since so many from the Tampico Expedition seemed eager to join another foray into Mexico.]

Miller, C.W., Joined R.A.T. [Charles W. Miller in 1837 recd Bty Wnt for service 24 Nov 1836 to 6 Nov 1837--possibly same man.]

Miller, E., Left sick at Columbia. [E.C. and Edward Miller received bounty warrants--neither sounds likely.]

*Morris, Wm. H., Taken at Tampico.

*Morrison, Jacob, Taken at Tampico.

*Mount, Edward, Taken at Tampico.

Mumblin, J., Joined R.A.T.

Murray, J.H., Discharged at Columbia.

Obenlindner, C., Left sick at Columbia. [Oberlinder? Oberlander?]

Perkins, W.R.B., Died at Velasco. [May be related to Austin Perkins, whose heirs recd Bty Wnt in 1839 for his service 23 Dec 1835 to 27 Mch 1836 and having fallen with Fannin; also Don Cert for same.]

Phillips, Eli, Discharged at Columbia. [Eli Phillips in 1837 recd Bty Wnt for service 13 Feb 1836 to 24 Oct 1837. Also, in 1853 he recd one for frontier service 4 Sep 1838 to 2 Mch 1840.]

Pierce, S., Discharged at Columbia. [Silas C. Pierce in 1837 received Bty Wnt for service 20 Feb to 6 Nov 1837--possible.]

#Planchard, S., Killed in battle at Tampico. [Blanchard?]

Polk, H., Discharged at Brazoria.

Roach, P., Joined R.A.T. [Could this be Peter Rouche who in 1860 recd duplicate Bty Wnt for 1280 acres? Service not shown.]

*Rogers, T.H., Taken at Tampico.

Rossier, Adolphe, Discharged at Columbia. [Kin to J.P. Rozier?]

Russell, James, Discharged at Columbia.

Saiet, A., Discharged at Columbia.

*Sausseur, Auguste, Taken at Tampico.

Schultz, L., Left sick at Columbia.

Shaw, B.F., Discharged at Columbia.

Somehallo/Somchallos, F., Left sick at Columbia.

Sovereign, Joseph, Joined the Navy of Texas. [Recd Bty Wnt in 1838 for service 16 Mch to 16 June 1836. Also Don Cert for being in battle of San Jacinto.]

Stewart, C., Joined R.A.T. [Charles Stewart in 1838 recd Bty Wnt for service 12 Feb 1836 to 17 June 1837.]
Stewart, C.B., Joined R.A.T. [No Bty Wnt found. Could not be Charles Bellinger Stewart because on 18 Nov 1835 he was secretary & enrollment clerk at meeting of General Council.]
*Stewart, J.K., Taken at Tampico.
Strode, J., Discharged at Velasco. [John Strode in 1838 recd Bty Wnt for service 16 Mch to 16 June 1836.]
Swell, B., Discharged at Columbia. [I suspect this was Sewell, Sewell, or Seawall, but no Bty Wnt found for any such name.]
*Wagner, H., Taken at Tampico.
Watson, Joseph, Joined R.A.T.
Welsch, James, Discharged at Columbia. [James Welch in 1838 recd Bty Wnt for service 21 Jan 1837 to 21 Jan 1838. A James Welch in 1850 recd Bty Wnt for service 17 Mch to 17 Dec 1836. In 1838 James Welch recd Don Cert for battle of San Jacinto.]
*Whitaker, T.C., Taken at Tampico.
Zimmermann, W., Discharged at Velasco.

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## ANCESTOR LISTINGS DEADLINE

Only 47 days until your Ancestor Listings are due at 2202 West 10th Street, Austin TX 78703! [From our February meeting date, that is] For new members of AGS, let me elucidate:

Each paid-up member is entitled to submit two 8½ x 11" pages for our June quarterly (four pages total for \$9 memberships). These may be Family Group Sheets, Pedigree Charts, Lineage Charts, Ahnentafels, a series of queries, a mini-history of your family, a quotation [just so it is not under copyright--YOU are responsible for ascertaining that], or whatever you think will aid you in your genealogical quest. You may wish to embellish your pages with simple line drawings [Test them out on a Xerox machine first], but photographs will not reproduce satisfactorily. You may want to examine past June issues of our quarterly (in the library) to help you decide what form you wish to submit.

A member is allowed two facing pages of LEGIBLE, camera-ready material--it should be neat, but it must be black and clear, with enough margin for hole-punching. Your name and address must appear on at least one of the pages. Please proofread your material so we won't end up with a man's death date two years before he was born! Your editor cannot check all these entries or type them over if they are illegible; that is the members' responsibility.

If your address is not entirely correct on the mailing label of your AGS Quarterly, please notify Barbara Goudreau. She will advise the treasurer, and the two of them will furnish a corrected list to the editor, so we can have an up-to-date roster of members in the June issue.

MAY TENTH IS THE DATE -- DON'T PROCRASTINATE --

PUBLISH YOUR ANCESTORS!



MUSTER ROLLS OF MINUTE MEN  
FOUND IN BEXAR CO COURTHOUSE

Volunteers Enrolled for Defense of Frontier Before Civil War

Mrs. W. H. Ligon (to whom we are indebted for transcribing all those Mexican War veterans' service records) has contributed the following two muster rolls of ranging companies raised in April 1860. They were found in the pages of an 1860 book of Election Returns and Pre-emption Claims (for land) by Mr. Lupe Gonzales, head of the Archives Division at Bexar County Courthouse in San Antonio. Mr. Gonzales attributes the find to serendipity, for he was just trying to get acquainted with all the holdings when he discovered these interesting rolls. There is no logical reason for muster rolls to be in that book. We thank Mr. Gonzales for permitting us to print these records. They may include the very man you've been seeking!

According to The Handbook of Texas (articles "Minutemen," "Secession in Texas," and "Texas Rangers"), the Congress of the Republic of Texas on 3 Feb 1841 authorized the formation of companies of volunteer Minutemen [sometimes called ranging companies, later Texas Rangers] "to give protection from Indian attacks on the central and southern frontier."

When Texas joined the Union, U.S. troops were sent to perform that task, but many Texans were not satisfied with the mild policy or inefficiency of such troops, so small companies of Texans, authorized by the Governor, were strategically deployed on occasion.

On 7 Feb 1861, the Texas Legislature passed a law permitting every frontier county to raise one or more companies of minutemen for frontier protection. By the time Texas had ratified the constitution of the Confederacy in March 1861, "State troops had already demanded the surrender of United States posts in Texas," an action that these men may well have participated in.

None of these men "made it" into the pages of the Handbook, and very likely most were too young to be heads of households on the 1850 census, but no doubt many made their mark as rangers and/or as soldiers in the Confederate States Army later.

Each muster roll occupies facing pages in the ledger, and follows the same format:

BROWN

Muster Roll of Lieutenant James H. Brown's Company of Minute men for the County of Bexar, mustered into the service of the State of Texas by Jno. H. Duncan, Chief Justice, under the orders of His Excellency Genl Sam Houston, Governor on the 5th day of April A.D. 1860, at San Antonio Texas



| <u>No.</u> | <u>Names</u>                 | <u>Rank</u> |
|------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| 1          | James H. Brown               | Lieut       |
| 1          | Wm. S. Davidson              | 1. Seargt.  |
| 2          | Benj F. Smith                | 2. Seargt   |
| 1          | Francis W. Trimble           | 1. Corpol   |
| 2          | Jacob <u>Brisinger</u>       | 2. Corpol   |
| 1          | Adams David G                | Private     |
| 2          | Adams Jno. A.                | "           |
| 3          | Andrews/Andress?<br>Benjamin | "           |
| 4          | Etter Jacob                  | "           |
| 5          | Bippert Jno                  | "           |
| 6          | Lytle Samuel                 | "           |
| 7          | Lytle Charles D              | "           |
| 8          | M'Daniel Thomas              | "           |
| 9          | Henson I. M.                 | "           |
| 10         | Trowalder Nicholas           | "           |

State of Texas     )  
County of Bexar    }     I, Jno H Duncan, Chief Justice of Bexar County,  
do hereby certify that the foregoing Muster Roll  
of a detachment of Minute Men, for frontier protection in and for the  
County of Bexar, was duly organized and mustered into the Service of  
the State of Texas under the orders of his Excellency, the Governor of  
the State, with the following officers, viz James H. Brown, Lieut; Wm  
S. Davidson 1st Sergeant; Benj F. Smith, 2nd Sergeant; Francis W.  
Trimble, 1st Corporal; Jacob Brisinger, 2nd Corporal. And the privates  
whose names are contained in the foregoing List. And I do further cer-  
tify that the said James H. Brown hath given the bond, and taken the  
oath prescribed and required by law, and that said bond and oath and  
the certificate thereof in due form of law, have been filed in the of-  
fice of the clerk of the County Court of Bexar County, State of Texas,  
And I do further certify that the said James H. Brown was duly elected  
Lieutenant, the said William S. Davidson 1. Sergeant, the said Benj F.  
Smith 2. Sergeant, the said Francis W. Trimble 1. Corporal, and the  
said Jacob Brisinger 2. Corporal of said Company.

Given under my hand & seal of the County Court of said County of  
Bexar, in duplicate, this 5th day of April A.D. 1860.

Jno H. Duncan  
Chief Justice, Bexar County, Texas

RAGSDALE

Muster Roll of Lieutenant Dan H. Ragsdale's Company of Minute Men, mustered into the Service of the State of Texas for the protection of the County of Frio, by Jno. H. Duncan Chief Justice of Bexar County under the order of his Excellency Sam Houston Governor of the State of Texas April 28th A.D. 1860.

| <u>No.</u> | <u>Names</u>        | <u>Rank</u> |
|------------|---------------------|-------------|
| 1          | Dan H. Ragsdale     | Lieut       |
| 1          | George W. Noel      | 1 Seargt    |
| 2          | Winfield S. Garner  | 2 Seargt    |
| 1          | Francis M. Miller   | 1 Corpol    |
| 2          | John B. Tubbs       | 2 Corpol    |
| 1          | James A. Fridenburg | Private     |
| 2          | John R. Vinton      | "           |
| 3          | James Daulson       | "           |
| 4          | John Hohn           | "           |
| 5          | John Kinnick        | "           |
| 6          | William T. Rodgers  | "           |
| 7          | Andrew Caughfield   | "           |
| 8          | Thomas B. Hobbs     | "           |
| 9          | Martin V. Miller    | "           |
| 10         | Frederick Ellis     | "           |

The certificate reads very much like the preceding one, with the exception of certain phrases: "Minute Men raised for the protection of the County of Frio against Indian Depredations"; "men duly chosen and elected"; and "said Ragsdale hath duly qualified by giving the Bond and taking the oath required". The first five names are repeated only once, all spelled as above.

MINI-WORKSHOP FOR BEGINNERS

Under the capable direction of Mrs. John M. Pinckney Jr., Austin Genealogical Society will offer a mini-workshop for beginners again this year. This free, public service session will outline basic steps that budding genealogists should take, and our own members will field questions from the floor.

The fourth-floor auditorium of Central Library, 800 Guadalupe, is the place; Saturday, 25 July is the day; nine to three are the hours; and Welcome is the password.

## "HORSE MARINES II":

## VOLUNTEERS IN 1861

One band of Texas civilians who volunteered for active duty against U.S. troops in Texas at the outbreak of the Civil War was proud to be dubbed "Horse Marines." That title had been coined by Col. Edward J. Wilson of Kentucky in June 1836 when he described the exploits of a troop of mounted rangers who had, by strategy and boldness, captured three schooners just off the Texas coast. The vessels, laden with supplies for the Mexican Army (which many feared was preparing to re-invade Texas), were considered prizes of war [The Handbook of Texas, Vol. I, p. 839, article "Horse Marines"].

On 3 June 1861 Dr. David Franklin Brown [note 1 following the quotation] wrote to his father from Prairie Lea, Caldwell Co, TX, reporting:

"I was down at Mr Harwoods [2] at Gonsales [3] about Six weeks ago, when Col. Van Dorn [4] commander of the Confederate troops in Texas came through on his way to St. Antonia [5] He called for all the men that could [to] meet him in three or four days at Victoria in order to take and disarm 500 U.S.A. troops that were at Indianola [6] trying to get a passage out of Texas to join the United States army. So without coming home, I joined a company there, was elected Surgeon and started off but wrote up home for all to come that could get there by the 25th April. We made a forced march to Victoria, got aboard of the steam cars to Lavaca [7], then we took schooners and went to Powderhorn [6]--then 600 of us took 3 steam boats and piled up cotton bales to shoot from and surrounded the 3 schooners that the United States troops were in, by nine that night an even 100 miles from where we were the night before.

"They refused to surrender to us for a day or two until they were fairly convinced that resistance would be fatal to them, as they were crowded up in small ships and had no cannon or nothing to protect them from our fire. We kept the steam up for a part of two days and nights, and would have had cannon by suspending the attack a few hours--they all had two minnie [Minie] rifles apiece and a good many six shooters--they surrendered all and swore to not take arms against the Confederate army.

"Van Dorn then marched immediately to fort Clark [8] above St Antonio and took 500 more of them. But by the time we got back to Victoria there were at least 3000 more [Confederate] troops out, and Van Dorn discharged us and would only take those that lived out west with him to take the other U.S.A. forces. He calls us that was with him on the bay Horse Marines [9]. ... "

Dr. Brown had come to Texas too late to fight in her revolution against Mexico, but he did "come out" for the Plum Creek Fight in 1840: he joined the volunteer army organized by Gen. Felix Huston, Col. Edward Burleson, Capt. Matthew Caldwell and others. They, with Texas Rangers under Ben McCulloch, decisively defeated the Comanches who had sacked Linnville in Calhoun County.

## NOTES

1. David Franklin Brown (b. 1801 TN; d. 1869 TX; m. Jane Frances McNeal) moved to Texas in 1837. He was the great-great-grandfather of your editor.

2. Thomas Moore Harwood (b. 1827 VA; d. 1900 TX; m. Cordelia, second daughter of Dr. Brown) came to Texas in 1850.

3. Gonzales, Texas.

4. Earl Van Dorn (b. 1820 MS; d. 1863 TN) was a nephew of Andrew Jackson. He served in the Mexican War, the Seminole War, and (under Col. Robert E. Lee) in the 1856 Campaign against the Comanches in Texas. In the spring of 1861 Van Dorn was put in command of Confederate troops in the Trans-Mississippi Department; later, after defeats at Pea Ridge AR, Corinth MS and Franklin TN, he was relieved of his command.

5. Many Tennessee tongues had trouble with Spanish names!

6. Victoria is in South Texas; Indianola was in Calhoun Co, on Matagorda Bay. Originally called Powderhorn, then Karlshaven (by German immigrants in the 1840s), in the 1850s the town was a strong rival of Galveston as a port and "was the military depot through which U.S. Army posts in Texas were supplied" [Handbook]. Tropical hurricanes and tidal waves in 1875 and 1886 made Indianola a ghost town. (Name given by wife of John Henry Brown, historian)

7. Lavaca is now Port Lavaca, county seat of Calhoun Co.

8. Fort Clark in Kinney Co is immediately south of its supply village, Brackettville. The set for John Wayne's movie "The Alamo" was constructed there, and is now a tourist attraction. ... "Above St Antonio" - It is well over 100 miles west and slightly south of San Antonio. ... "500 more of them" = U.S. troops.

9. Van Dorn apparently had been around Texans enough to know how much they revered the folk heroes of the Texas Revolution and enjoyed departing from the conventions, regulations, and formalities of military tradition.



Free Parking During Meetings

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Thanks to the efforts of our energetic new president, Jerry Goudreau, AGS members and guests now have more space to park after 5:30 p.m. on meeting nights. From Guadalupe, opposite the new library building, turn into the alley and then immediately left into the parking area of the restored Hirschfeld House. We appreciate this privilege which was graciously granted to us by the A&M agency that has offices there.

MEEK BOYD MOONEY AND HIS FELLOW REBS  
IN COMPANY K, 5TH TENNESSEE VOLUNTEERS

AGS member Ellen Seals (Mrs. James D. of Cedar Park) has kindly sent us a muster roll which was printed in 1921 in Songs and Poems by Meek B. Mooney. Accompanying the muster roll was the following background information:

About two miles east of Clifton [Bosque Co], Texas, in a beautiful curve of the Bosque River, the many-acred Mooney Farm was located. Dudley Mooney and Georgia Farmer still own the parts given them by their father Sam Mooney, who celebrated his 100th birthday on 18 June 1980, in Clifton.

The Mooney family burial plot is in a small old cemetery about half a mile from the farm. On one tombstone, a Confederate marker, is engraved "M. B. Mooney, Tenn. Inf. - C. S. A. Oct 28 1840---Mar 13 1929." The next stone reads "Nancy A. Mooney, wife of Meek Boyd Mooney, Feb 28 1858--June 2 1893."

M. B. Mooney's wife was Nancy Emeritus Heskett, whose mother was Mittie Fox. His father was Samuel Mooney; his mother, Mollie Payne.

"Confederate States of America. C.S.A. was composed of eleven states: Texas, Tennessee, Arkansas, Louisiana, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, North Carolina, Mississippi, and Virginia. Two other states were neutral and helped the eleven, so to honor them the flag had 13 stars instead of 11.

"It was organized in 1861 with Jefferson Davis of Mississippi as president and Alexander Hamilton Stephens of Georgia as vice-president. War began with the attack on Fort Sumter April 12, 1861.

"M. B. Mooney, about 21 at the time and married, joined the Tennessee Infantry. He was wounded in battle and lay around camp for a while until his commanding officer sent him home to get well. That took so long that he was able to make a crop before he returned to his company. He remained with his troops until the war was over.

"The United Confederate Veterans wore blue and gray lapel buttons copied from the flag they used in 1863."

[The muster roll begins with five officers, then seven names that are presumed to have been the non-commissioned officers, then all names starting with A--the privates? From there on, the alphabetizing is so erratic that the editor has taken the liberty of rearranging the names for the readers' convenience.]

Roll of Company K, 5th Regiment, Tennessee Volunteers

H. W. Ballard, Captain  
J. T. Kendall, Adjt.  
G. C. Street, 1st Lt.  
Robt. Brisendine, 2nd Lt.  
W. E. Harris, 3rd Lt.  
J. M. V. Elliott  
E. H. Reynolds  
Wm. McClure  
J. W. Pillow  
W. B. Duff  
Philip Kennedy  
John S. Reynolds

Aaron, John H.  
Adams, Henry  
Adams, James  
Alexander, Meredith  
Atchison, E. R.  
Atchison, J. J.  
Austin, J. A.  
Ballard, Link  
Beckworth, A. D.  
Bradley, Dr. C. E.  
Brisendine, Thomas  
Browning, W. T.  
Bruce, Carroll  
Bumpass, Ed. R.  
Burnley, John  
Bustle, Lewis  
Cherry, Cal W.  
Cherry, L.  
Coffman, John M.  
Cook, W. B.  
Cox, Jake  
Dick, Joe  
Diterling, R. W.  
Dixon, Richard  
Drowns, S. R.  
Drowns, V. V.  
Dublin, Jack  
Duggar, A. H.  
Dunlap, H. M.  
Dunlap, Isaac  
Dunnaway, J. E.  
Dunning, J. E.  
Edwards, Alvin  
Ellis, A.  
Forrest, W. S.  
Foy, R. H.  
Frields, Jarrett

Fuller, D. G.  
Fuller, John  
Gordon, W. D.  
Haggard, F. H. V.  
Haggard, J. D.  
Harris, Rbt.  
Hendricks, W. D.  
Henry, M. J.  
Holland, M.  
Hooks, George  
Hope, J. K.  
Howard, J. W.  
Hudgens, Abe  
Kennerley, J. G. L.  
Kisterson, J. P.  
Kyle, E. G.  
Kyle, Joe T.  
Laurie, Wise  
McClure, Elijah  
McCullen, Aleck  
McEwen, W. A.  
McGuire, F. M.  
Middleton, Thomas  
Miller, S. A.  
Mooney, A. W.  
Mooney, M. B.  
Morris, T. G.  
Morrison, W. C.  
Murrell, H. M.  
Murrell, J. L.  
Murrell, J. P.  
Murrell, R. W.  
Newport, R. H.  
Newton, B. F.  
Overly, R. W.  
Parker, J. F.  
Perry, H. L.  
Pillow, Alonzo  
Powell, J. A.  
Prince, C. B.  
Rathbone, J. M.  
Ridgeway, Sam T.  
Robinson, G. W.  
Rogers, J. E.  
Rogers, R. C.  
Scott, Z.  
Sinsel, Mart  
Steele, Alonzo  
Storey, W. H.  
Tibbs, H. M.

Tyler, H. M.  
Vest, J. W.  
Walker, C. P.  
Waller, J. W.  
Wheeler, J. T.  
Wiggins, J. C.  
Willis, Dave

Willis, E. E.  
Willis, W. M.  
Wilson, J. A.  
Wilson, J. D.  
Wilson, J. G.  
Wilson, J. West  
Wilson, M. I.  
Young, J. B.

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ASSISTANCE TO PUBLICATION  
PROJECT OF STATE ARCHIVES  
WILL BENEFIT GENEALOGISTS

The Texas State Archives is planning to prepare and publish an index to the two extant volumes of Registers of Elected and Appointed Officials for the Republic era, and to place copies in the Genealogy Section of the Library. Thus, patrons of the Library will be able to study the index even on Saturdays, when the Archives are closed. This policy will be expanded to include other valuable reference books, if the pilot program is successful.

The index is expected to be 175-80 pages, and copies will be available for purchase only slightly above cost. Although the actual printing costs will be assumed by the Library's print shop, there are no funds presently available to cover the estimated cost of materials, some \$775.

Therefore, the State Archives would welcome monetary gifts for this purpose, and all contributions will be acknowledged in the Preface to the printed volume.

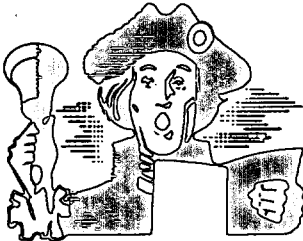
Obviously, this project is very appropriate for a memorial donation; in fact, our Society's memorial to our esteemed treasurer, the late Harold L. Lemburg, is being so designated, at the request of his widow. Individual donors at any time can stipulate that a gift be used for the purchase of books or the preparation of a publication.

Other interesting holdings in the Archives will be published as funds become available by contribution or the sale of this volume. This particular index will be arranged by Name, Office Held, County, Date Elected, Date Commissioned, and Vol./Page. In addition, there is to be a sort by counties.

Those who wish to participate in the publication of the Election Register Index are asked to send contributions to Texas State Archives, Box 12927, Capitol Station, Austin TX 78711, and designate them "For the preparation of genealogical material."

## AGS

## WORKSHOP ANNOUNCEMENT



OYEZ! OYEZ! OYEZ! AGS Workshop will be in session on Saturday the 22nd of August 1981 A.D., with the Honorable Richard S. Lackey presiding. Also appearing on the bench will be Ms. Lanell Aston, both handing down judgments on cases in re Land Records, Migration into the South, et cetera.

Workshop Chairmen Named. Miss Jane Baker, general chairman of the annual AGS Workshop, has efficiently organized plans for producing the best one yet! The out-of-town speaker, Richard Lackey, is a well-known lecturer, a teacher at University of Southern Mississippi, and the author of Cite Your Sources. Considered a leading authority on genealogical resources in Alabama and Mississippi, he will talk on Migration Paths and Patterns into the South, Records Relating to Land Ownership, Indian Records, etc.

Lanell Aston, popular spokesman for the General Land Office in Austin, will address the audience on the subject of Texas Land Records, how they differ from those in states where public lands are Federally patented, and how to find early Texans' land grants.

Jane Baker has enlisted the following key persons to assure the success of the 1981 Workshop: Assistant Chairman, Mary Frances Kiefer; New Book Sales, Marjorie Muegge; Genealogical Forms, Marilyn C. Smiland; Free Materials, Julia Vinson & Laura Fox; AGS Quarterly Sales, Helen H. Rugeley; New Membership, Barbara Goudreau; Hospitality, Billy and Betty Kaiser; Door Prizes, Andrea B. Nagel; Publicity, Dr. Johnnie Reeves; Registration, LaVerne Danos and Mary Katherine Lemburg.

Tentative Details of Workshop. The Workshop will be held at Quality Inn South, which has accommodated us so satisfactorily the past few years. However, they are unable to set the price for a luncheon (because of inflation), so it has been decided not to include that in the registration fee. Later announcements will give names and addresses of five or six eating places that are conveniently located near the Inn.

If those who plan to stay overnight will make reservations at Quality Inn South (2200 South Interregional, Austin TX 78704), it will help offset the cost of the meeting rooms. (512 444-0561)

The pre-registration fee (to be sent to AGS at Box 774, Austin TX 78767) has been set at \$13.50; at the door it is \$15.



## Book Review

EARLY SETTLERS OF LAFAYETTE CO., MISSISSIPPI by John Cooper Hathorn. 1980, iv + 146 pp., surname index, soft-bound, \$13 from the publishers, Skipwith Historical and Genealogical Society, Inc., c/o Mrs. Theron Bratton, Route 1, Box 76-J, Oxford MS 38655.

In 1938, the author submitted this work to the faculty of the University of Mississippi for his master's thesis, and later gave permission for the Skipwith Historical and Genealogical Society to publish it...a boon to historians and genealogists.

Subtitled "A Period Study of Lafayette County from 1836 - 1860 with Emphasis on Population Groups," it is a well-documented study on different phases of county history: Early Land Sales; County Organization; Early Towns and Communities; Slaveholders, Non-Slaveholders, and Slaves; Land Ownership and Agricultural Production; Trade and Industry; Schools and Churches; and a general discussion of Lafayette County, with two appendices and a bibliography. Four simple maps of sections of the county are a helpful addition, as are the bibliographic references to county records and Mississippi histories.

The chapter devoted to general discussion contains the most interesting (to this reviewer) genealogical information, scanty though it is: Names of some Chickasaw Indians, some Scotsmen who married into their tribe, and some of their offspring. References to the Chickasaw Cession and the removal of the Indians to make way for the white immigrants, to the "free negroes" and to mulattoes will be of special interest to those who are researching ethnic groups.

Many early settlers and their places of origin (mainly the eastern United States) are named; the first officers of Lafayette County, some interesting court records (inventories, taxpayers lists, notes due the county, marks and brands, slave rental, etc.) and a newspaper survey are given.

The appendices contain statistics from the 1850 and 1860 agricultural censuses, giving valuable insights into the quantity of land and farm implements each man acquired in ten years, as well as his production of cotton and corn. Thus one can tell if his ancestor's fortune increased or declined.

As with most county histories, readers looking only for detailed information on the lineal descent of their own ancestors will be disappointed. But this book gives an over-all picture of conditions in Lafayette County in its earliest years, and many lists of names of the pioneers in various categories, with an occasional extra bit of valuable data.

On the whole, the typing is neat and accurate, but the omission of "no" on page 38 reverses the meaning of the sentence ("Unfortunately statistics are available"). And it is reasonable to assume that the man who accompanied Gen. James Wilkinson and Benjamin Hawkins (on page 1) was not Dickins but Andrew Pickens who had also been appointed by Congress to treat with the Southern Indians (Pickett's History of Alabama, p. 369).

The Skipwith Society has also published such records of Lafayette County as the marriage bonds, cemetery records (two volumes), and will abstracts. Late in 1981 they expect to produce Family Ties, a collection of Bible records. We are grateful to them for sending our Society this review copy of Early Settlers, which has been placed in the Genealogy Section of Texas State Library.

--M. M. B.



#### OBITUARIES FEATURE STARTS IN SEPTEMBER

Sometimes finding an obituary in an old newspaper gives a researcher clues that can be found nowhere else, but many present-day newspapers limit death notices to a couple of lines. This deplorable fact was pointed out to your editor by Mrs. J.B. Golden, who has so generously furnished interesting items from the Texas State Archives over the years.

In order to partially replace the old-time informative obituary, we are planning to print some (if they are submitted by our members) on the last page(s) of AGS Quarterly, beginning with the September issue. This position will give our members more time to prepare them: the deadline for such write-ups to reach the editor's home (2202 W. 10, Austin TX 78703) will be the 25th of February, May, August and October [sic...no longer November].

Because of space limitations, we will have to eliminate complimentary adjectives - much as we all love to see our ancestors highly praised! But we can take it for granted that most mothers loved their children, most fathers supported them kindly, and most business men were successful and honest (at least, the eulogies never mentioned it if they were bums, crooks or wife-beaters).

All current members of AGS may send in obituaries of their spouses, parents, siblings, and children 21 or over - those who died younger than that will not concern future genealogists very much. There is no time limit; you may go back as far as you like in your direct line for a subject.

GUIDELINES (which may be changed as experience dictates) for the preparation of obituaries:

1. They must be typed on one side of 8½ x 11" paper - or clearly printed on ruled notebook paper. I do not want to mis-spell any names as I edit and retype them. They should give as much as you know about:
2. Full name of subject; date and place of birth; date and place of death and burial.
3. Names of parents [John and Mary (Brown) Smith] and places of their birth or emigration.
4. Date and place of subject's marriage(s).
5. Same data as #2 for subject's spouse. State whether she/he pre-deceased subject, if death date unknown.
6. Occupation or profession and where he pursued it.
7. Religious affiliation; organizations he/she was active in.
8. Military experience.
9. Survivors (maiden and married names, relationships, home towns of subject's children, grandchildren, parents, siblings).
10. If subject had no direct descendants, give near relatives such as siblings, nieces and nephews, step-children, etc.

Special honors bestowed on the subject may be mentioned as space permits. Find a nice old clipping or a mug book for suggestions about contents of your "reproduction" obituary.



#### HAYS COUNTY CHURCH NEWS

In April 1852 Nancy (White) Brown of Hays County, Texas, wrote to her father-in-law, a Cumberland Presbyterian minister in Maury County, Tennessee. Her letter covered news of the family, crops, and the state of religion in the community:

"I have not had much opportunity to attend church since coming here for many reasons or hinderances the Methodist is the only denomination that has started preaching in St Marcos I learned yesterday Mr Herrin with another brother will preach and organize a church

of your order there next sabeth with they say eight or ten members I am pleased to heare it I esteem Mr Herrin as a minister and friend he is from Carrol [Nancy had moved from Carroll Co, MS.] there is no church of our order nearer than Lockhart".

On 1 Feb 1855 she wrote:

"our country has been greatly blessed last season more came in the Churches than before mostly Methodist but some were added to all the Campbellites have made considerable stir I do not like the doctrine it is not enough to the hart but I hope some is made better they baptized twenty od in a few weeks".

About two months later Nancy reported that the crops were being stripped by insects ("We feel as if we are working for the locus or grass hoppers"), and added:

"I was in hopes Mr Herrin would do greate good here in building churches of your denomination but I heare he has turned his attention to speculation to the neglect of Ministerial dutys I liked him as a friend and Minister and wish it may not be so. ... I received the welcom news that Corda [Cordelia Brown who later married Thomas Moore Harwood of Gonzales] had made a profession of religion." [An article about the 100th anniversary of First Presbyterian Church of San Marcos states that she, Florence Rogan and Lizzie Garth were the first converts. (San Antonio Express of 14 Oct 1953)]

"the Burleson family ofered the San Marco water power and forty acres of land for sale last week it went to five thousand and was bid in some think not intendedly but wishing to run it up. ... General [Edward] Burlesons children has all united with the Campbellites he was an immersed Methodist."

#### STRUCK ANOTHER MATCH?

In a letter dated 12 February 1840, Dr. David Franklin Brown of Bastrop noted an occurrence that he felt would please his preacher father back in Tennessee: "Moses F. Roberts on his way home from Congress [Republic of Texas, convening at Austin] joined Parson Hany's church [John Haynie, Methodist] as a seeker on last Sunday he has lost his wife & says he don't expect to see any more satisfaction, only with religion."

The Handbook of Texas states that Moses Fisk Roberts (born in 1803, Davidson Co, TN) came to Texas in 1836, served in the Texas Army, then represented Shelby Co in the 4th, 5th, and 6th Congresses. Pension records indicate he was living there in 1878. It adds, "Adolphus Sterne's diary records Roberts' marriage on December 11, 1841," a rather misleading statement, for Sterne summarized events occurring after 11 Dec 1841 and before 6 Jan 1842 in one paragraph. In the midst of that, apropos of nothing, appears "Moses F. Roberts of Shelbyville got married, Congress very Busy-- ..."

There is no mention of the name of either wife. Can our readers shed more light?

## HAPPY HUNTING GROUND

Send queries to Mrs. H. H. Rugeley, 2202 W. 10, Austin TX 78703. Include at least one date, place & first name with each one. Use names or abbreviations of months; proofread your copy. Queries are free.

COX\_DEWBERRY\_MATTHEWS\_WALKER. Wish to correspond with anyone searching for Samuel Claud Walker (b. ca 1828 TN) who m. Milley Matthews (b. ca 1831 MO). Seven known children; John Dudley, Matthew (a minister; lived sometime in OK), Ellen (m. ---Dewberry), Agnes, Carroll, Pinkney (lived sometime in Graford, Palo Pinto Co, TX), and William Thomas. Last-named (b. ca 1849, Moniteau Co, MO) m. Eliza P. Cox in Collin Co, TX. They lived in Parker Co, TX in 1875; at Jacksboro, Jack Co, TX in 1880, and had children: Harland (b. ca 1873), William Dudley (b. 1875, Weatherford TX), and Ara (b. ca 1878). ... Did Samuel Claud Walker move to Texas and marry an Indian lady?--Mrs. H. L. Walker, 57 Ocean View Drive, Pittsburg CA 94565.

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BOATRIGHT\_JONES\_McCUTCHEON\_WILLIAMS. Seeking information on two Jones brothers born in Georgia: Robert (ca 1821) and John Pettis (ca 1823). Both later lived in Alabama, then came to Texas ca 1851. Was A. C. Jones (b. ca 1816 GA) a brother? All lived in eastern Travis Co, TX. There, on 14 Jan 1857, John Pettis Jones m. Mary Jane McCutcheon. [Ed. Note: Officiant was Newel T. Strayhorn, Cumberland Presbyterian minister, per Price's Travis Co Marriage Records.] One daughter, Alice Jones, m. Jack G. Williams 10 Mch 1878 [married by Elder J. M. or J. W. Wallace--same source]. One of the Williams daughters married a Boatright and lived in Austin TX.--Howard W. Martin, 2120 Grant, El Paso TX 79930.

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BOST\_MORGAN\_STROUD. Looking for the parents of my grandfather, Abner Wiley Stroud who was born 20 May 1869, Austin TX, and died 14 Jly 1954 at Pryor OK (buried in Liberty Springs Cemetery, Clinton AR). When Abner Wiley was about 10 his parents died; he, brother George and sister Cynthia were taken to Van Buren Co, AR.

Their father Will Stroud (b. ca 1842 in NC) m. Esther Bost. He died of a leg infection from a Civil War injury, and she died in or near Austin about the same time. Believe Will's parents were James and Ancy (Morgan) Stroud. Wish to know when these Strouds lived in Austin, when they died, and where buried. Also desire Will's Civil War service record. Correspondence invited.--Mrs. Edna Hillis, 11705 Benedetta Dr, Bridgeton MO 63044.

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ARMSTRONG\_DAVIS\_STRONG. John Martin Davis (b. 2 May 1820) m. Ann Strong (b. 9 Feb 1829 LA?). Would like to have more data on their children, born Amite Co, LA: (1) Rachel Orange b. 4 Sep 1847; (2) Sarah Elizabeth b. --- Feb 1849; (3) Elias b. 28 Mch 1850; (4) Mary

Emily b. 19 Jan 1852; (5) Anieas (b. Sep 1853; m. Wm. J. Armstrong); (6) Joseph Martin b. 15 Jly 1855; (7) John Iverson b. 9 Jan 1858; (8) Elbert Harmonson b. 4 May 1860; (9) Jesse E. b. 26 Sep 1860 [?]; (10) Elnore June b. 13 Mch 1862; (11) Adaline b. 5 Jan 1865; (12) Garland b. same; (13) Jerucia Ann b. 22 Mch 1868; (14) Champion Bailey b. 21 Jan 1870.--Mrs. Marie Pierce, Box 765, Ringling OK 73456.

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BEAL\_CARDWELL\_CRAIG\_DORTON\_EVERHART\_HENRY\_NEWTON\_PAINTER/PAYNTER\_RIGGINS\_ROSE\_VAUGHAN VAUGHN. Seeking parentage of James Henry b. 23 Sep 1822, Jackson Co, AL; d. 4 June 1910, Springdale AR. His uncle was Isaac Henry of Franklin Co, TN. James m. (1) Mary Jane Beal in 1848, Washington Co, AR. Their children: Roxanna Elizabeth (b. 1850; d. 1901; m. (1) Anderson W. Vaughan; m. (2) P. T. Rose); John Levi (b. 1852; m. Nancy Riggins in 1876. John & Nancy both buried at Maryneal, Nolan Co, TX, but believe they died in another state); Albert Berry (1855-1877); "Ellie" Elmina Rebecca (b. 1855; m. Kenneth Newton); "Callie Lee" Lenah Caldonia (m. Wm. Harvey Everhart, Grayson Co, TX); Theodosia Ann (b. 1859); "Arri" Arizona Tabitha (b. 1862; m. James L. Cardwell); Isadora (1865-1867); "Lee" Edward Lee (b. 1878. Lee was by second wife Eliza Ruth Beal, widow of Edward Dorton & ---Craig).

Also need parentage of Sarah Elizabeth Painter, mother of Mary Jane and Eliza Ruth. She was born ca 1805 in VA or TN. Was Levi Painter of Hawkins Co, TN, her father? Was James Madison Painter of same & Washington Co, AR, her brother? Correspondence with descendants most welcome.--Mrs. W. C. Houston, Box 548, Smithville TX 78957.

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ALBRIGHT\_BROWN\_CALHOUN\_CARTER\_CHASTAIN\_MARTIN\_STEPHENS\_THORN\_WATSON\_WELDON\_WILLIAMS. Seeking parents of David Brown, b. ca 1795 in --- County, NC; d. August 1858, Poinsett Co, AR. Also of his first wife (m. ca 1828?) Rhoda Chastain, b. ca 1807, Pendleton Co, SC; d. ca 1850, --- GA. David m. (2) Catherine Martin (?) on 14 Apr 1854, Murray Co, GA.

Children of David and Rhoda (Chastain) BROWN;

1. William (b. ca 1829, Haywood Co, NC; d. ca 1869) m. Susan ---.
2. Mary Ann/Polly (b. ca 1831, Haywood) m. 18 Feb 1858, Jeremiah Calhoun.
3. Abraham (b. 6 Oct 1832, Haywood; d. March 1899) m. 16 Mch 1865 or 1866, Sarah F. Thorn; m. 20 Sep 1894, Dilla M. Albright.
4. Martha Jane (b. ca 1835, GA) m. 22 Mch 1857, Isaac L. Carter; m. ca 1865, George C. Weldon.
5. Nancy E. (b. ca 1837, GA) m. ca 1857 William C. Stephens.
6. Robert (b. ca 1840, GA) went to Mississippi Co, AR.
7. David (b. ca 1842, GA) m. ca 1873, Charlotte ---.
8. Samuel H. (b. ca 1844, GA).
9. Jason H. (b. ca 1846, GA).
10. Rhoda F. (b. ca 1849, GA) m. (1) --- Williams; m. (2) Andrew

Watson. ... Correspondence invited.--Mr. Donald G. Brown, 2053 Berdan Avenue, Toledo OH 43613.

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CHAPMAN\_PRIMROSE. On 1850 census of Galveston Co, TX, was M[ordecai] Primrose, 34, Merchant, born NY. His wife Elizabeth (surname?) was 28, b. IN. They had four children born in Texas: Ann E., 11; Isabel[la], 9; Nancy, 7; and William, 4. Isabella (b. 8 Feb 1841, Galveston; d. 20 Feb 1878, Texarkana TX) m. 24 Nov 1859 in Jasper Co, TX, William Hamilton Chapman (b. 25 Dec 1833, St. Tammany Psh, LA; d. 1901--when & where?). Need his antecedents; also more data re Mordecai & Elizabeth (---) Primrose. Correspondence invited.--Charles L. Vance, Rt 2 Box 341-A Frisco TX 75034.

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