

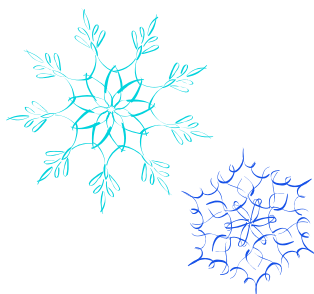
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Muskogee County Genealogical & Historical Society

Our Purpose:

The MCGHS was formed in 1983 for the purpose of promoting the general study of genealogy through workshops, seminars, and monthly programs; and to discover and preserve any material that may establish or illustrate the history of Indian Territory and Muskogee County and its families.

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MCGHS meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of each month (except July and August) at 6:00 PM at the Muskogee Public Library, 801 West Okmulgee, Muskogee, OK. The Board of Directors meetings are held the third Tuesday at 5:30 PM at the library. All members are invited to attend the Board meetings.

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Membership in MCGHS is open to anyone promoting the purpose of the Society. Individual or family membership is \$21 per year and includes the Quarterly publication. An \$11 per year membership is available for those that do not wish to receive the Quarterly.

To defray the cost of postage, we ask that members pick up their Quarterly at the March, June, September and December meetings whenever possible.

Members may also choose to have an electronic version (.pdf) sent to them via email.

Would you like to be a contributor? Go to page 38 to see the instructions on how to submit an article

Publications & Research Requests

BOOKS

MCGHS publishes books of genealogical interest focused on Muskogee County and Muskogee Indian Territory. A current price list of our publications is provided on our website at <http://www.rootsweb.com/~okmuscg/index.htm> or write or email us for a list.

QUARTERLY

The MCGHS Quarterly is published four times a year: March, June, September, and December. Back issues of the Quarterly are available for \$5 each plus \$1.50 for postage.

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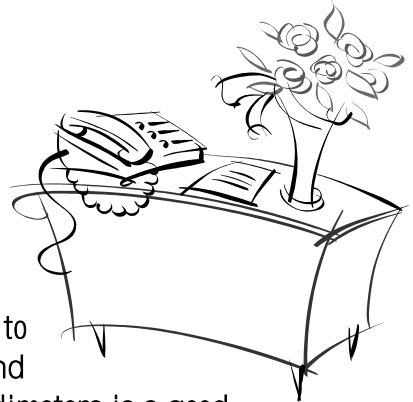
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29 Jan 2008

Letter from the Editor,



I hope each member had a great holiday and is looking forward to an exciting new year for the Muskogee County Genealogical and Historical Society. The recent election of an excellent board of directors is a good start for us. They are already making plans to present the membership, as well as the community, with a better sense of what is available in the areas of information and education in the field of genealogy research.

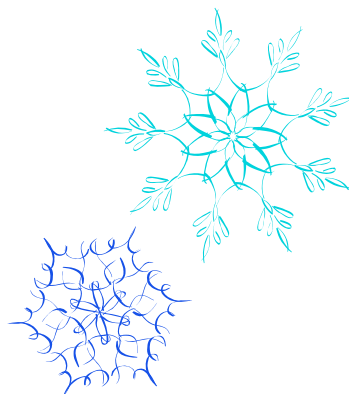
In addition to the board, several other members continue to contribute informative and interesting articles for each publication of this quarterly. A lot of time and effort has led to much of the data which has been included. Every effort has been made to include each item received, however with the limited space, with my apologies, some very good articles will be included in a future issue.

This is not to say we ever have too many articles, or too much information. In fact, we encourage each of you to send interesting facts, stories, trivia, interviews and pictures. The more contributors we have, the more variety in the publications.

We would like to welcome all of our new members. As a reminder, all members, both new and renewing are eligible to submit one family tree to be published in the quarterly each year. You never know when or how this information might help someone in their ancestry search.

Our society has developed into a fine organization, readily recognized by our own community, surrounding areas and many of our other sister states. It is with this spirit of achievement and cooperation that I only see good things as we look forward to continued growth and knowledge.

Nancy Lasater, Editor



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Nothing brings a smile to a researcher's face like finding an index. Muskogee researchers will have more to smile about now, thanks to the devotion of a society member. Volunteer Sherry Jackson completed her work "Divorce Index from the U.S. Superior Court Records for Muskogee County" after over six months of immersing herself in Microfilm 1963605-1963665, covering the years from statehood until the middle 1920s.

It will be available online through the Muskogee County Genealogy Society and is also being bound in book form for the Genealogy and Local History Department at Muskogee Public Library.

To complete the Excel document, Sherry read through each document to find every name mentioned.

These include not only the plaintiff and defendant, but she also found the other names mentioned. These include the children, other family members, witnesses, and may even include the names of other parties listed in an extra marital affair. The only names not listed were the judge, sheriff and other officials.

"Some of these were pretty juicy," being held during a time period when a cause had to be presented for a divorce to be granted. The majority of these included spousal abuse, followed by abandonment and adultery.

The information often included marriage date and place, the places the couple lived during their marriage, and the children's birthdates or ages and birth places. "Finding a person listed in there records puts you at a certain time, which can lead to other information. That's why I listed witnesses," says Sherry.

While almost all the index is for divorces, there is one which deals with a "breach of contract" which involved a child born to the couple. Breaking the engagement after the woman became pregnant, the man married another woman. After she won, he filed an appeal, complaining that she had brought the baby, which closely resembled him, to court and the jurors had played with the child while the judge and lawyers were in session, thus giving her an unfair advantage.

Sherry has been interested in her family history since she asked her grandmother questions as a young girl. When she graduated from high school, she went to visit a cousin who had the family Bible. She still has a page of that Bible. Her interest grew in 1993 when an uncle decided to retire and waned to research their family tree. When he approached her, she had more information than he did. They started working together and she has been working earnestly since that time.

Her skills were perfect for the project. She took typing in high school, reaching a skill level of 75-80 words per minute. However, like most of us, she says, "If I ever typed numbers, I slowed down." That was before she went to work at a bank and all she typed were numbers. Her last position outside the family business was as administrative assistant to the president of BOK at Sand Springs. She's kept her typing skills up and put them to constant use on the index project.

They continue to get lots of use as she has begun a new project: putting the library's Muskogee Phoenix obituary files into an Excel document so they can be accessed online on the Muskogee Genealogy Society's website.

Since Sherry has only lived in Muskogee for six years and her family background is elsewhere, her research won't benefit from the project. But hundreds of other researchers will be aided by her selfless donation of time and skills in creating this index.

Researching in the Muskogee area is greatly enhanced through the devotion of time, skills, and eyesight by dedicated individuals who have created indexes for newspapers, obituaries, biographies and other materials.

Interview and Picture by Nancy Calhoun

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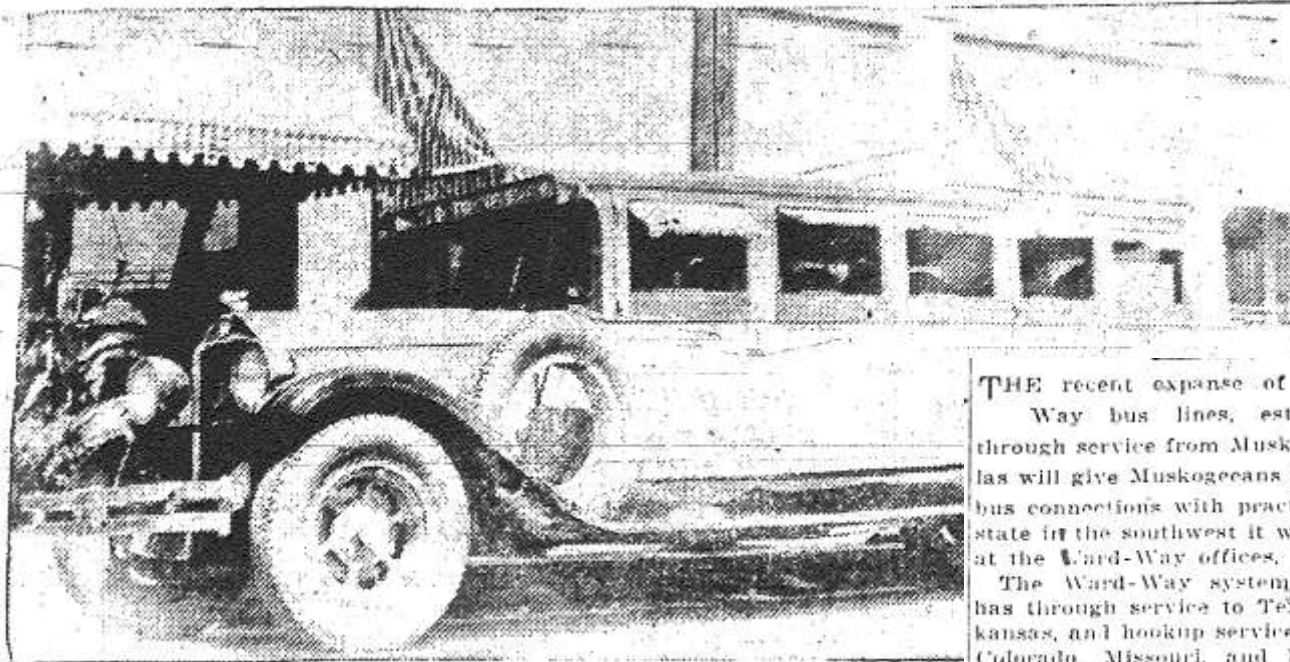
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**Stand: Little Booster Cigar Store
222 West Broadway**

Phoenix 16 May 1909, Submitted by Barbara Downs

WARD-WAY SERVICE EXTENDED TO TEXAS



Submitted by Joyce Street

One of the new busses

THE recent expanse of the Ward-Way bus lines, establishing a through service from Muskogee to Dallas will give Muskogeeans direct motor bus connections with practically every state in the southwest it was indicated at the Ward-Way offices.

The Ward-Way system at present has through service to Texas and Arkansas, and hookup service to Arizona, Colorado, Missouri, and Kansas. At present only one bus is operated each way between Dallas and Muskogee, one leaving at 2 o'clock in the afternoon and arriving at Dallas at 11:30 at night. Another bus leaves Dallas at 8 o'clock in the morning and arrives at Muskogee at 5:15 in the afternoon. Within the next two weeks the company expects to put two more busses into operation.

The two busses now in operation to Dallas are the latest type Buick passenger cars, with high back reclining chairs, accommodating twelve passengers. A hookup system at Dallas which will enable passengers to make a through ride to the Pacific coast will be added soon it was indicated.



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PARTY LINES

JOYCE's News on the STREET

Excerpts from early Muskogee newspapers.

Muskogee Daily Phoenix
26 Dec 1925
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Poverty

In 1890, let us say, you were poor. The underclothes you had on were made of flour sacks—or, if you possessed those baggy, fleeced-lined things, they were large enough to allow for several years of growth, **and they were patched on the knees and elsewhere. The pants you had on were made of dad's old ones,** and they were patched also. Your coat was frayed at the end of the sleeves and needed clipping at intervals.

When you needed a haircut dad did it on Sunday morning, using the back of the comb at intervals to punish you for not sitting still.

You took a bath in the kitchen, using the wash basin and a rag; you slept in your underclothes; you wore woolen stockings contributed by grandma, and these were knotty with darns.

For dinner every day—not lunch—you had a stew of beef and potatoes and onions, and on baking days you came in from play to get the heel of the outside loaf and fill it with butter that would melt and make a feast fit for a king.

Dad had great trouble keeping you in shoes, and he always groaned when you told him how many school books you would need.

Mother made over last winter's hat, and kept on remaking dresses until the goods wore out. She wore cotton stockings and did her own washing, and was thrilled beyond words when dad hired a horse and buggy to take her somewhere on Sunday.

Ah, well; the poor are with us always: They wear silk stockings now, and perhaps have a descript flivver. Certainly they have better furniture and more comforts and conveniences than the well-to-do had in **1890. But they feel poor, and they resent the fact that they can't go to Florida this winter. You see, the girls are in college and need a little spending money, and there are the payments on the walnut set in the dining room and the radio set and mother's fur coat. It takes a lot to live these days, and one must watch the pennies.**

Boynton Index
25 Dec 1925
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What a Despised Nickel Will Do on Most Farms

For five cents, a nickel, a gas engine will separate 8,000 pounds of milk at the proper speed to get the most cream. It will pump 6,000 gallons of water, guaranteeing to man and beast this most necessary life **-maintaining fluid while protecting the health of the household. That nickel's worth of gas will shell 50** bushels of corn for cattle, chickens and lambs; it will grind 12 bushels of fee, cut 2 tons of ensilage, saw 2 cords of wood, churn 400 pounds of butter, bale a ton of hay, clean 60 bushels of wheat for seed, light up the farm for four hours, do 2 weekly washings for the family, or grind mower knives for the season.

Women Vote

Minnie Larkin Schumacher, society editor of Eufaula Indian Journal, has the following to say about women voting.

Should women vote? Why of course, if they wish to, we would not deny them anything they wish, but does the refined, home loving woman wish to vote? When we think of women suffragists, honestly, candidly, we usually associate them with wrinkles and squeaky voices, with spinster and women unhappily wedded. That woman who would be the first to the cradle and last to the grave, whose mission it is to influence every man to be brave and strong, not by casting to vote in the ballot box with him, but by her woman ness at all times, does not wish to vote. She hasn't time to think out great political questions, she is busy wearing noble, manly sons for that purpose, and her gentle manner and womanly graces combined with her purity and goodness will tend to make a nation great and strong far more than putting herself on man's equal and voting and leaving home ties neglected. The true womanly woman is always "the power behind the throne". In battle, Hobson does not give man the credit of victory but says it is in variably "The woman behind the man behind the gun". Her mission it is and it always has been, to make home life, impossible without associating her charms with it. She needs a master, must feel a security in man rather than lowering her womanly dignity by taking his place. If she is in earnest about this voting and really wishes to equalize herself with man let her "hustle" for bread while her husband rocks the baby.

Muskogee Daily Phoenix

25 October 1901

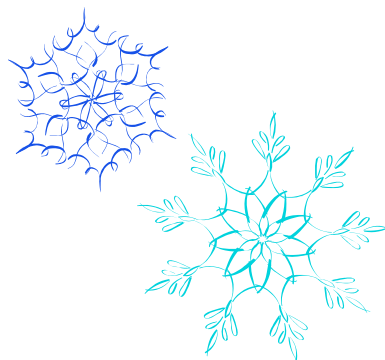
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Ancestors For Millionaires.

Those person who are looking for "noble ancestors" and can afford to pay for them can easily be accommodated. There are genealogists who, if given money enough, will promptly supply a customer with the stateliest of family trees. William Waldorf Astor had dealings with one of them, who forged a pedigree showing that the Astor family did not begin with obscure German peasants, but with the noble D'Astorgas. John D. Rockefeller's first American ancestor was a German, who settled in Pennsylvania. A New York genealogist alleges that he has found in Languedoc, in southeastern France, the "ancestral castle" of the Rockefellers, whose name was originally Roquefeuille, which is a high sounding name, reminding one of Roquefort cheese. The coat of arms which, it is alleged, Mr. Rockefeller has a right to use has a gold rock on a field of red and a hunter's horn on a silver field.

Doubtless Mr. Rockefeller has too much sense to take any stock in this alleged pedigree and too little vanity to use a coat of arms that does not belong to him. If, however, he feels that it is necessary to have something emblazoned on his note paper, book plates or carriages, an oil refinery in full blast, with a tankship in distance sailing the blue green waters of the ocean, would be much more appropriate and descriptive than a gold rock on a red field.

Submitted by Joyce Street



Rabbit Hill and Ignorant Ridge

Many physical features in Muskogee County have unique names. The following descriptions are from George and Linda Miller of Webbers Falls.

Rabbit Hill is in Vann Township, Range 20E, 12N, Section 16/27

Here is how to reach Rabbit Hill. Go east out of Warner on Highway 64 to NS437. From that intersection, it is the big hill on the south side of the highway with a large tower on top.

Ignorant Ridge is in Vann Township, Range 20E, 11N, Sections 4/10/16

The ridge runs a good way. To reach Ignorant Ridge, turn south at intersection of U.S. Highway 64 and NS437. You will see the ridge on your left.

Submitted by Wally Waits



People in this Picture (submitted by Wally Waits)

Name	Age	DOB
Pleasant Henry Miller	40	Aug 30, 1869
Beulah Mary Miller	1	Oct 19, 1909
Addie Bell Miller	35	Nov 12, 1874
Henry Hunter	1	Oct 1, 1909
Effie Miller	16	Sep 19, 1893
Louisa Miller	13	Oct 16, 1896
John T Miller	9	Mar 8, 1900
Belmont Miller	7	Mar 21, 1902
Sarah Annie Miller	3	Apr 4, 1907
Ollie Bell Miller	4	Aug 3, 1905

THE CITY OF MUSKOGEE A Riverboat's Story

The City of Muskogee was built and brought to Muskogee to prove that the Arkansas River was navigable above Fort Smith, and show that lower freight rates could be obtained by shipping via water. The main purpose of obtaining the boat was to promote Muskogee so that Fort Smith, then the official head of navigation on the Arkansas, wouldn't be the sole beneficiary of the growth that came with trade on the river. To this end the citizens of Muskogee organized the Muskogee Commercial Club.

D. N. Fink, Asa Ramsey, Ernest Cook, Connell Rogers, C. W. Turner, Ed Halsell, P. B. Bostic and others were the core of the organization. They raised the \$15,000 needed to have the steamer built and bring her by way of the Ohio, Mississippi and Arkansas Rivers to Muskogee. The riverboat was commissioned in February, 1908, and built by the Howard Shipyard in Jeffersonville, Indiana. At that time, Howard had a reputation for building the finest steamboats and their quality was in high demand.

The City of Muskogee was launched at the Howard yards in June, 1908. On July 1, a delegation of Muskogee



Courtesy: "Muskogee, Statehood to Pearl Harbour", C. W. "Dub" West, 1976, Page 168
and

Muskogee Daily & Weekly Phoenix, Sep 18, 1924 states this photo was taken in Memphis, TN July 12, 1908.

businessmen composed of D. N. Fink, Asa Ramsey and Ernest Cook arrived at Jeffersonville. The following day, July 2, Connell Rogers, Ed Halsell, P. B. Bostic, Al Bedford, Clark Tisdell, C. W. Turner, Cris Bradley and others, arrived to join them for the trip to Oklahoma. Banners were strung along her sides proclaiming the fact that Muskogee was the heart of the Indian country and that she was in the greatest oil and gas fields in the world. Her first cargo was barbed wire, smooth wire and nails consigned to the Turner Hardware Company in Muskogee.



Left: P. B. Bostic; Center: C. W. Turner; Right: A. C. Trumbo

The Muskogee delegation proceeded down the rivers with much pomp and fanfare. At every stop along the way local citizens would cheer and local boards of trade and chambers of commerce would entertain the passengers and crew. They visited Cincinnati, OH, Louisville, KY, Owensboro, KY, Cairo, IL, Memphis, TN, Pine Bluff, Little Rock and Fort Smith, AR. At Fort Smith there was a parade, a grand banquet, and many speeches promoting the friendship between the two cities and the great strides made in opening the Arkansas River to navigation. When the steamer was ready to leave Fort Smith it was found that the Poteau River

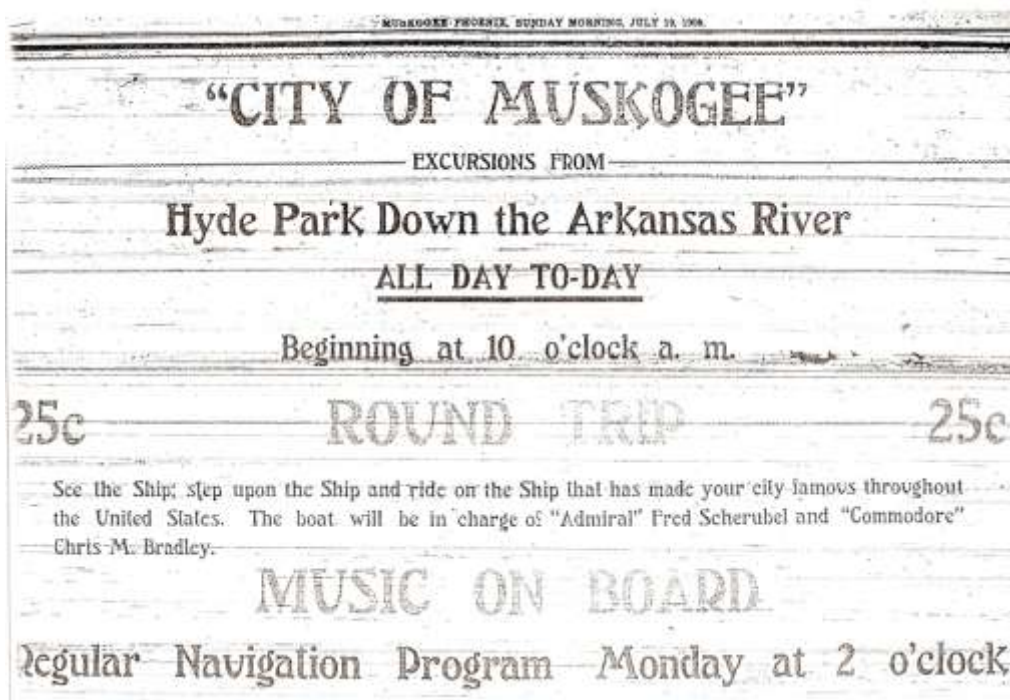
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For one day, Sunday, July 19, 1908, the City of Muskogee was made available for excursions from Hyde Park down the Arkansas River. Everyone was invited and the cost was 25 cents (with a coupon published in the Sunday newspaper) for a round trip. The boat was in charge of "Admiral" Fred Scherubel and "Commodore" Chris M. Bradley, along with their mascot, a billy goat named Senator. On Monday afternoon at 2:00 a big celebration was planned and more than 5,000 Muskogee citizens and hundreds of visitors would attend.

The following year, after two or three trips down the river to Fort Smith and other points, the steamer was sold to Dr. Leo Bennett and John R. Dudding. She plied the Grand and Arkansas rivers as an excursion steamer. The Harmon Sand Company later bought the boat and converted her to a sand pumper in the Grand River. That lasted for about a year before she was converted again to an excursion boat. She was sold again to men who used her for freight and passenger service on the White River, and then to be used on the Mississippi as a freight and passenger boat. Her owners in Louisiana in 1922 renamed her the Lorraine K.

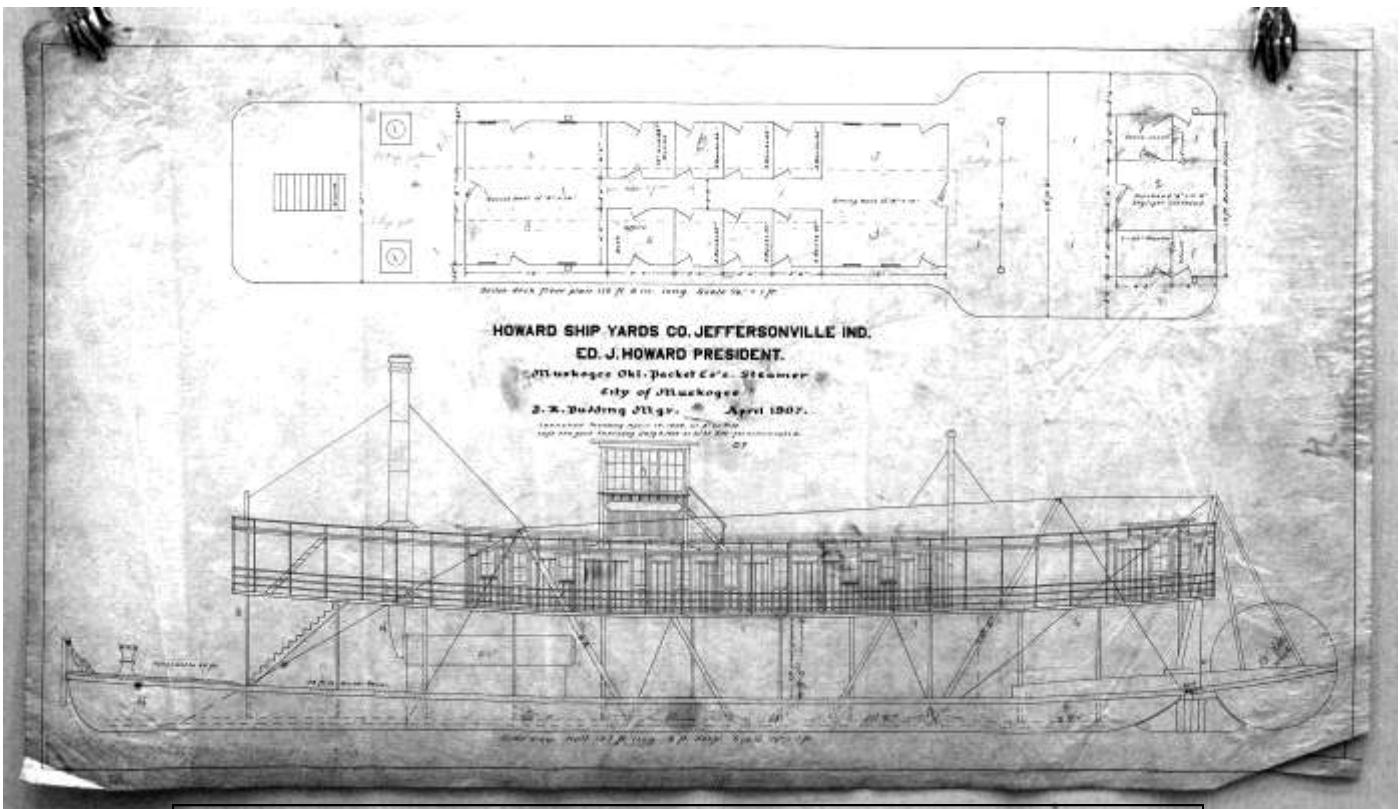
Her final owners were the Bradford Transportation Company of New Orleans who named her the Ouachita. She served between New Orleans and Monroe on the Ouachita River in the cotton, cattle and general freight business. On September 27, 1924, after 16 years on the river, she caught fire on the way from Monroe to New Orleans. She was rushed to the bank but burned with her entire cargo. The crew barely had time to escape. During her lifetime The City of Muskogee had proved that the Arkansas was navigable for both business and pleasure and had played a very large part in the growth and development of Muskogee and the surrounding areas.

Special thanks are due the following for their assistance in providing material for this article: The Howard Steamboat Museum, Jeffersonville, Indiana, and The Lilly Library, University of Indiana, Bloomington, Indiana.





The City of Muskogee under construction.
 Courtesy: Howard Steamboat Museum, Jim Howard Collection, Jefferson, IN



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Capt. Ed. J. Howard.

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Dear Sir

I written you some time ago In regard to Specification on the plans you
drawed for me. while I was in your City We are waiting on you hope you will send
us Specification as soon as possible We want you to furnish every thing complete
except the running out fit. Hope to here from you soon.

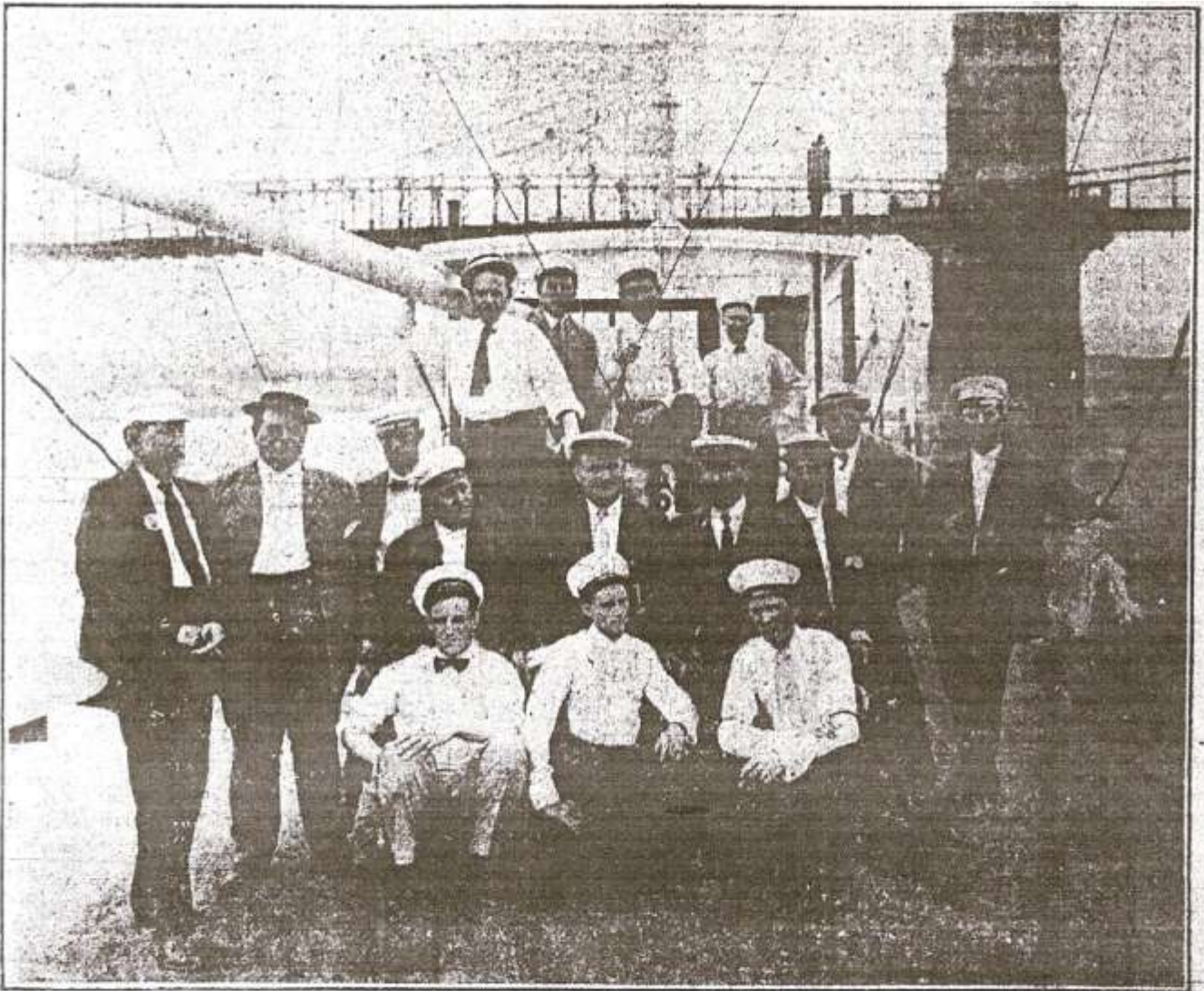
Yours. Resp.

J R Dudding mng of M.O.P.Co

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THE CREW OF BOOSTERS

Taken on board the "City of Muskogee" as she lapped the waves in the harbor of Cincinnati, Ohio. Muskogee has never before been advertised as on this trip where thousands of easterners have welcomed Admiral Fink and his worthy crew of booster navigators.

The City of Muskogee Crew of Boosters
 Courtesy: Muskogee Times Democrat, Thursday, July 9, 1908, Page 1



INDIAN PIONEER PAPERS
Arthur C. Trumbo - Informant
Volume 71 Page 2
Jas. S. Buchanan, Interviewer
April 9, 1937



A, C, Trumbo came to Muskogee, July 18, 1901, on the Katy Flyer from Chicago. He came from Northwestern Ohio after teaching a country school and the Columbus Grove High School, covering a period of about seven years, and attending what was then known as the Ada Normal school, Ada, Ohio, and the Tri-State Normal College at Angola, Indiana. He entered the sophomore year of Wooster University, Wooster, Ohio, and later went to California where he graduated at the Leland Stanford University in 1894, and following that he graduated at the Northwestern University Law School in Chicago. He obtained the degree of A. B. at Stanford and LL.B at Northwestern University. He practiced law from 1896 until he came to Indian Territory five years later

The one thing above everything else that impressed Mr. Trumbo with the location of his future home at Muskogee was the possibility of river navigation on the Arkansas River, which to his mind meant lower freight rates, and a more logical wholesale and manufacturing district than any other part of the Southwest. He became interested in real estate and later on opened a bank at the southwest corner of 2nd street and Okmulgee Avenue; know as

the "Bank of Muskogee". This bank in 1908 immediately following statehood was reorganized as the "Muskogee National Bank". While Mr. Trumbo was known as a banker for about 20 years, his principal interest was always in the development of Muskogee, and what he called the "unearned Increment", that he had been taught in the course of "Political Economy" taken at Stanford University, which always came with the growth and development of any new community. He was one of the Charter members of the Muskogee Commercial Club, and gave a great deal of this time for several years in the early building of Muskogee as a commercial center, and became the 3rd President of the Muskogee Commercial Club in 1905. At this time the freight rate on hardware and building material from points in Indiana, Ohio and Pennsylvania to Muskogee was 58 ½ cents per hundred pounds, and in order to reduce the transportation rate of such things as a new country needed h and four other men who looked at thins the same way paid \$3,000.00 for a little steamboat called the "Mary D", that was then operating from Ft. Smith to Webbers Falls, under the management of one, Capt. R. C. Blakely. The Captain moved his residence from Ft. Smith to Muskogee, and on October 29, 1905, the Kokomo Steel & Wire company, at Kokomo, Indiana loaded 50 rolls of woven wire fence weighing 7,050 pounds, and 230 kegs of wire nails weighing 24,380 pounds, on the L. E. & W. Railroad which was shipped to the Western Sales Company, Muskogee, I. T. via L. E. & W. C. & A. and Kansas City Southern Railways to Redland, I. T. Said cargo to be taken at that point to the "Mary D" to Muskogee. The name of the local company formed in Muskogee for the purpose of owning the boat and handling the freight was known as the "Arkansas Navigation Company". The freight charges on this shipment of wire fence and wire nails was prepaid, and the rate was reduced from 58 ½ cents to 40 cents as exhibited on the original bill of lading, the Photostat of which has been kept for 32 years in a scrap book in Mr. Trumbo's library. When the shipment of freight arrived in Muskogee in the early part of November, 1905, the Muskogee Commercial Club, later known as the "Chamber of Commerce" had a very enthusiastic celebration of the event, on the top floor of the first five story building that had been built at that time in what is now know as Muskogee on the northwest corner of 3rd and Broadway. At this meeting one of the kegs of nails was on exhibition and each member of the booster club wore a badge on which appeared "Muskogee Nails water rates".

After the Mary D plied up and down the Arkansas for a few years, Mr. Trumbo and John R. Dudding, went to Jeffersonville, Indiana, and ordered a larger boat to cost \$10,000.00, built by the Howard Shipyards Company. This new boat was known as the "City of Muskogee". It was 125 feet in length, 2 feet in width and 3 ½ feet in depth, equipped with 10-inch cylinders, and a couple electric light plants and many other improvements which made it a boat of superior class. It was run to Muskogee from Jeffer-

sonville, Indiana on its own steam and on schedule time. When it arrived at Cincinnati the Board of Trade adjourned to hear speeches and help celebrate. The boat brought to Muskogee a cargo of freight from Cincinnati to the Turner Hardware Company, one of the pioneer organizations of the new state, **owned at that time by C. W. Turner. It is interesting to read the “River Time Table” for the Mary D** which is as follows:

Leaves -- East Bound

Muskogee, Monday----- 9 A.M.
 Webbers Falls----- 2 P. M.
 Tamaha, Tuesday-----8 A. M.
 Sailor Flag -----8:30A. M.
 Blaine Flag----- 9 A. M.
 Fort Smith, Tuesday-----12 noon
 Tamaha, Monday -----afternoon

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Leaves—West Bound

Fort Smith, Wednesday-----12 noon
 Redland, Wednesday-----4 P. M.
 Blaine, Thursday-----9 A. M.
 Sailor, Thursday-----9:30A.M.
 Tamaha, Friday-----4 A. M.
 Webbers Falls, Friday-----8 A.M.
 Muskogee, Friday-----4P. M.
 Tamaha, Thursday-----evening

B. C. Blakely

Among those who took a great interest in early day navigation were: Robt. L. Owen, who became one of the first United States Senators in Oklahoma; Chas. N. Haskell, who became first governor of Oklahoma; S. M. Rutherford, former U. S. Marshall for I. T.; Chas. T. Madison, organizer of the first Oil Refinery in Muskogee; H. M. Chestnut, manager of the Chestnut-Gibbons Wholesale Grocery Co.; W. N. Patterson of the Patterson Mercantile Co.; Leo Bennett, U. S. Marshall; Jay T. Garfield Buell who later became a millionaire oil producer; John R. Thomas, Federal Judge; Grant Foreman; Historian; Connell Rogers, first Treasurer Muskogee county; W. C. Jackson, first County Judge Muskogee county; N. A. Gibson, attorney at law; John R. Dudding; T. H. Martin, mayor; Wm. Eicholtz, Benjamin Cunliff, John D. Benedict, Superintendent of schools in the Creek Nation; P. W. Samuels, banker; Wyeth Jordan, real estate dealer; A. W. Patterson, Banker; J. B. Furry, attorney at law; Franklin Garland, brother to Hamlin Garland, the noted author; Dr. Claude Thompson, N. F. Hancock, druggist; Tim Wood, pioneer real estate man, Chris Bradley, now a prominent lawyer in San Francisco; T. L. Pegrem, merchant; S. M. Hilligoss, insurance man; C. L. Jackson, general attorney for the M. K. & T. railroad in Oklahoma; R. T. Colter, now an oil man in Los Angeles; Franklin Miller; D. H. Middleton; A. Z. English; Dr. F. B. Fite; Col. Ira L. Reeves, who was president of the Muskogee Arkansas River Navigation Co.; Walter F. Head, County Clerk Muskogee County; W. H. Harrower, county commissioner Muskogee county; P. B. Hopkins, 2nd. President Commercial Club, and Thomas P. Smith, 1st President Commercial Club

At this time the railroads of the country recognized what was known as “potential navigation” which meant if any community could show by actual demonstration that freight could be hauled to their city by boat that it was not necessary to continuously operate the boat, but after the demonstration had once been made then that city would be entitled to the same freight rates by railroad as by water. Oklahoma City and some other points did not think Potential Navigation was a good thing for them, so they used their efforts and influence with the Interstate Commerce Commission to cut out Potential Navigation. **In a few years when it became difficult to keep the “City of Muskogee” in constant operation on account** of insufficient volume of freight, the railroads discontinued giving Muskogee the advantage in freight rates that had been demonstrated in their favor.

Several concerns such as the Atlas Supply Company, Muskogee Iron Works, Muskogee Tool Company, Hale Halsell Wholesale Grocery Co., and many other smaller institutions had located in Muskogee on account of the favorable freight rates. The greater number of these are still in Muskogee, but not all of them. Mr. Trumbo has always been intensely interested in the subject of freight rates for Eastern Oklahoma, and bringing what he called Tide water on the Atlantic Ocean and the Gulf of Mexico, into the **state of Oklahoma, 100 miles west of it's eastern boundary, and while he held Muskogee closer to his** heart than any other point in the state because of his interest in Muskogee, yet he always believed that it would be a very great benefit to Tulsa, Oklahoma City, and all other trade centers in Oklahoma, for the reason that if Muskogee would have a water rate the same as St. Louis, New Orleans, Chicago, and

other water rate pints that every part of Oklahoma would get a corresponding benefit in proportion to their proximity to the head of navigation. It has always been recognized by the War Department that Ft. Gibson where the Grand, Verdigris and Arkansas rivers meet is head of navigation. In 1870 Capt. S. T. Abert, U. S. Government engineer, reported to the 41st Congress that the Verdigris river could be navigable for 10 miles from its junction with the Arkansas and that the Arkansas River was navigable up to the junction of the three rivers. Capt. Abert also reported at the same time that 20 steamboats averaging 300 tons burden were in 1870 plying the river between Ft. Gibson, Ft. Smith, Little Rock, New Orleans, Memphis and Cincinnati. Lieutenant Col. Amos Stikney, November 23, 1900, in reporting to the 56th Congress said that **Ft. Gibson on the Grand River two miles above it's mouth has always been considered the head of navigation.**

These reports are from the War Department and government engineers and Mr. Trumbo is as confident today as he was when he landed in Muskogee in 1901, that some day the Arkansas river will be available to Oklahoma as a state for better freight rates than exist today, and that when the natural selfish spirit that prevails in the new state in pioneer days has disappeared and when the entire state of Oklahoma works together as a unit for the good of the whole state, that the Arkansas river will be utilized for what it was intended to be just the same as the Mississippi, Ohio and Missouri rivers, and that there is no reason why the great Southwest and this part of the United States should be discriminated against in favor of other parts of the U. S. Mr. Trumbo believes that the great reason for growth in population of Los Angeles during the last 15 years has been largely on account of the Panama Canal which enables freight to be carried from the Atlantic Coast to the Pacific Coast at a lower cost than from New York City to Muskogee which is very unfair to the good people in the Mid-west. There is no reason why the cities on the Atlantic, Pacific and Gulf Coasts and the cities on the Great Lakes should have any advantages over the cities in Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas Northern Texas and Colorado. Navigation either by locks and dams or any other feasible system with barges and diesel engines will extend its benefits to Wichita, Kansas, Denver, Colorado, Wichita Falls, Texas and possibly pints in New Mexico. While Mr. Trumbo has always believed that the Arkansas river was a great asset to Oklahoma as a state and to Muskogee in particular, he was instrumental while President of the Commercial Club in locating the Midland Valley railroad shops in Muskogee. At this time Muskogee did not have a very large degree of prosperity, and in fact, the people all felt hard up. They had come through the boom days and things were a little dull but he devised a plan without getting a bonus from anybody that was strictly original in his mind, which was to get the shops and make them pay for themselves. He bought 120 acres of land from Mrs. W. F. Crabtree for \$15,000, the money to be paid when the land had been cut up into town lots and sold. He then gave the Midland Valley Railroad Company the opportunity to select the number of acres they needed for the shops and then arranged with a surveyor, Mr. Kello, to make a blueprint of the property to be known as the Midland Valley Addition, and for this service to be given a deed to one lot. The 120 acres after the Midland Valley shops got what they wanted was cut into 504 lots, and each lot was valued at \$100.00. A proclamation was issued by Mr. Trumbo as President of the Muskogee Commercial Club as follows:

"In order to close the contract today with the Midland Valley Railroad Company to secure the shops and operating headquarters of the Company for Muskogee, it will be necessary to raise \$30,000 and this must be raised by 3:00 O'clock. I, therefore, respectfully request that each business man close his place of business at 10:00 O'clock this morning and put his shoulder to the wheel. The banks will be open with one man present to receive the funds. In my judgment this is the most important event in the history of the town and we must make good.

The enthusiastic spirit of the new city of Muskogee was at fever heat and all the stores closed, and everybody went to work to sell the 504 lots at \$100 each, and in order to give everyone a fair deal each lot was given a number and placed in a box and each purchaser drew by lot his number, and in that way no one had any advantage over the other. Some of the lots were worth \$200 and others not worth quite \$100, but the **"unearned increment" which means the growth of the community increasing the value** of everything in the community gave each purchaser the value of his money, and some an immediate profit. These lots were not all sold for cash, but a note was taken and before anyone could draw his lot he had to pay 40 per cent, and if he did not pay any more than the said amount of money it went into a common fund and the lot was resold to someone else, but in nearly every case each subscriber paid his

full \$100 and took the lot he drew. The obligation to pay which might be called a combination contract and promissory note was accepted by all the local banks in proportion to their size and volume of business, and each one issued a certificate of deposit payable 60, 90, 120 days after date without interest, and \$15,000 worth of these certificates were handed over to Mrs. Crabtree for her 120 acres of land and \$15,000 worth of the certificates were handed over to J. W. McCloud, attorney for the Midland Valley railroad, and the shops were immediately located and built. The difference between the \$40,000 and \$50,000 was the margin of safety and the title to the 504 lots rested in Mr. Trumbo and he gave a deed to each lot when paid for and turned the money over to the banks in payment of their certificates issued. The directors of the Commercial club at this time who assisted in the Midland Valley project were, in addition to Mr. Trumbo, who was President were W. N. Patterson, Vice-President; R. P. Harrison, Vice-President; Wm J. Cook, Treasurer; S. M. Rutherford; C. W. Turner; F. B. Fite, N. F. Hancock, J. C. Welch; A. A. Kinney and Theo. W. Gulick, Secretary.

While Mr. Trumbo also organized a company of \$60,000 to build the Convention Hall in order to entertain the Trans-Mississippi Commercial Congress, at that time a very noted organization, for the up-building of the West and the meeting held in Muskogee in November 1907, to celebrate the coming of statehood, and while he has done a few other things to help the town he has always regarded the getting of the Midland Valley shops as the best thing he ever did for Muskogee because it was done without any cash on hand. It was strictly a credit proposition with everybody having faith and confidence in the other fellow. To show that the Midland Valley officials were loyal and honest, just ten years after the shops were built in Muskogee, they were destroyed by fire and even though Tulsa offered to rebuild the shops and pay the railroad company a handsome bonus to move their shops to Tulsa, Mr. Lefeber called to his office Mr. Trumbo and Joe McCusker a member of the City Council and assured them that the shops would be rebuilt in Muskogee, and the Midland Valley would keep faith with the people who originally paid the bonus to get the shops in Muskogee.

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A. A. Kinney



These are pictures of a few of those mentioned in this article listed from bottom left clockwise:

Theodore W. Gulick; D. H. Middleton; A. W. Patterson; Ira L. Reeves; A. A. Kinney; Clarence W. Turner



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Miss Indian Territory: more than a beautiful face

Who was the “. . . bewildering handsome matron . . .” from Muskogee who portrayed Miss Indian Territory in the ceremony symbolizing the marriage of the two territories on Oklahoma’s Statehood Day in 1907? Little was said about the woman in local news stories of the day, except that she was Mrs. Leo Bennett from Muskogee and her husband was a Federal Marshal.

The only mention of her at the event in the local newspaper appeared on an inside page. “Mrs. Leo Bennett of Muskogee, whose brunette beauty was the admiration of crowds at the inauguration of Gov. Haskell, was also one of the most striking looking women at the inaugural ball. Mrs. Bennett is of Cherokee blood.”

Other state reports at the time described her as “. . . a bewildering handsome matron, whose Creek (actually Cherokee) lineage is evidenced in a dark complexion, heightened by the bloom of perfect health. As she came slowly forward to the front of the platform the crowd gallantly shouted an acknowledgement. With a huge chrysanthemum the young woman shaded her eyes as she looked out over the crowd. She smiled and bowed again and again as the applause continued.” “Mrs. Bennett is a beautiful woman and shows attractively the racial characteristics of her people.”



She did not wear a traditional Indian dress as depicted in some later artwork of the statehood ceremony on the steps of Guthrie’s Carnegie Library. She was dressed in the style of the day with a hat and flowing gown of white serge. Photographs in the Oklahoma Historical Society collection show her in a vehicle with other ladies from Muskogee, including Mrs. Haskell.

Like most women of the day, she was defined by her spouse. Those who have struggled with researching a female ancestor know that it is usually necessary to follow the male with whom she is most closely associated, whether it be a spouse or her father. It is no different with Mrs. Leo Bennett.

She was born Anna C. Trainor (sometimes spelled Trainer) in Tahlequah. Her parents were Thomas T. and Lucy C. Williams Trainor. Her maternal grandparents had come over the Trail of Tears. They were born in Mississippi and Oklahoma respectively. Her mother served as a courier who carried messages for Confederate officers during the Civil War.

December 15, 1872, seems the most probable date of her birth, although sources vary. It is reported as December 15 except once, but years include 1871, 1872, 1873 and 1874, with 1872 being the most often listed year. She was 19 when she married Stidham on December 30, 1891. If her birthday was December 15, then she was born in 1872. She was 27 on June 11, 1900, according to the 1900 Federal Census. Her age was 28 on Feb. 9, 1901, when her Dawes Enrollment Card was completed. These also subtract to the year 1872. According to the 1920 Federal Census, she would have been born in 1874. Other contradictions arise from the obituary in the Muskogee Phoenix which gives her birth date as December 15, 1874; from the funeral home record which

states she was born November 18, 1872; and from the actual tombstone in Greenhill Cemetery which has the date December 15, 1871. In the final source, a 1939 issue of *The Chronicles of Oklahoma*, Carolyn Foreman lists her date of birth as December 15, 1872.

According to the Dawes Enrollment Card, she was 1/16 Cherokee. But the 1900 Census lists her as being one-half Cherokee. It also lists her daughters as being half Cherokee when their father was non-Indian.

She attended school in Tahlequah and the Cherokee Female Seminary. She was also a student at Harrell Institute in Muskogee.

On December 30, 1891, she married Albert P. Stidham, according to her Dawes papers. This marriage lasted for two years and they were the parents of a son, Clifford Stidham, born in 1892. She then taught school before her marriage to Dr. Leo E. Bennett on April 16, 1895, at the residence of Mr. Buck Rogers in Muskogee. Her Dawes interview says they were married in 1896, but Cherokee marriage records and other sources indicate the year was 1895.

Born in Wyandotte, Kansas on November 27, 1857, Bennett was both the son of a well known Arkansas physician and was also educated to become one. He practiced at Eufaula before purchasing *The Indian Journal*. After it burned in Muskogee, the name was changed to *The Muskogee Phoenix*, symbolizing its rise from the ashes. He later served as Indian Agent.

He was the father of three children: Gertrude, Lonie, and Leo E. Bennett Jr. Their mother, Lona Stidham, had died in 1894. In reporting her death, the Muldrow Register stated, "She was an estimable Christian lady and much respected." It was said that she was considered one of the best educated women in the state, having received her degree from Northfield Seminary in Northfield, Massachusetts. She was the daughter of George W. Stidham, one of the most prominent men in the Creek Nation. Anna's first husband was the brother of Dr. Bennett's first wife.

Anna and Leo Bennett became the parents of Anna Lee and Martha McKinley, born in 1896 and 1898, respectively. She would also rear a sister, Nevermore Trainor, a brother, the son of a cousin, and also cared for several grandchildren in later years.

In 1906 and 1907, the couple resided at 115 South Fourth in Muskogee and he was a U.S. Marshal, according to the 1906 and 1907 Muskogee City Directories. They also resided at the same address in 1908 and 1909, but had moved to 601 N. 13th by 1910. Bennett's occupation changed more frequently. Having previously served as Indian Agent, he is listed as U.S. Marshall in 1907. In 1908 no occupation is listed. But he was listed as city commissioner public works in 1909, president of Alamo Bank in 1910, state capital commissioner in 1911, vice president of Union State Bank in 1912, grand secretary of the Royal Arch Masons in 1913, and as a merchant in 1914. In 1915, he was president of the Muskogee Crystal Ice Company which was located at 305 No. Main. No occupation is listed in 1916, although the couple still resided at 601 N. 13th.

Carolyn Foreman reported that "Dr. and Mrs. Bennett made several trips to Washington when they were entertained in the White House by President and Mrs. McKinley who greatly admired Mrs. Bennett because of her beauty, amiable disposition and charm of manner."

Health problems had limited Leo Bennett's activities before his death on May 28, 1917, in Mineral Wells, Texas, where the couple had traveled to seek help. News articles in *The Muskogee Phoenix* reported that hundreds came to pay their respects.

Anna is listed as the widow of Leo E. and resided at 601 N. 13th, according to the 1917 Muskogee City Direc-

tory. She married Warren R. Butz in 1919. According to the 1920 U.S. Census, the household also included son Albert C. Stidham and wife Helen N., daughter Martha Mc. Bennett; and probably a granddaughter.

They resided at 530 N. 12th in 1921 and 1922 and he was serving as chief deputy of the U.S. District Court Clerk. He is listed as “civil deputy sheriff in 1925 and as a deputy sheriff in 1927 and 1928. He was born in Vermilion County, Illinois, on August 1, 1872, and came to Muskogee in 1905. He also had a railroad career, worked in the Muskogee office of the superintendent of Indian schools for the Five Civilized Tribes, and was commissioner of public safety for the city around 1918.

Anna would again portray Miss Indian Territory at other events, including the 25th anniversary of statehood when the ceremony was reenacted before “a modern historical society building” in Oklahoma City. A photograph of the dark haired beauty in the dress she wore for the original occasion was printed with her obituary. Her obituary reports that the dress was “A favorite costume, Mrs. Matheson wore it at many later pioneer celebrations in which she took active part.” The Oklahoma Historical Society owns another photograph taken at about the same time, perhaps wearing her ball gown. This is the photograph that appears with this story.




Butz died May 17, 1931. She married Mark Matheson, a childhood acquaintance, in 1935. He died the following year. After 1930 Anna disappears from the Muskogee City Directory until 1937 when she is listed as Mrs. Anna C. Matheson, residing at 805 W. Broadway. The cross reference reveals this to be the address of the YWCA. Her occupation is librarian at the Christian Science Reading Room.

Her death was sudden on August 19, 1939, in her home at 217 So. 11. She had worked at the library. No one was aware of her illness until she returned home that evening and she died early the next morning at her home, according to the newspaper report. The funeral home record lists the cause of death as “presumed to be arteriosclerosis [sic] and heart disease” and notes that there was “no doctor – Christian Science”.

The funeral service was at First Presbyterian Church. She was buried at Greenhill Cemetery in Muskogee under the name Anna C. Bennett Butz. Two of her husbands, Bennett and Butz, and her sister, Nevermore Prentice, were also buried in Section 70.

Carolyn Foreman wrote, “A devoted wife and home-maker, Mrs. Matheson also possessed great executive ability. The orphan children she cared for and her war work testify to her humanitarian interests. In addition to her beauty she had unusual charm and she was never heard to make critical or unkind remarks of other people. She met life with a smile in spite of troubles that would have overcome most persons.”

Article Submitted Nancy Calhoun



SECOND ANNUAL ARBOR DAY AWARD

The Board of Directors of your Society would like to build on the tradition began last year with our first annual Arbor Day Award honoring Deone Penquite. This award honors past members of the Society for their contributions to genealogical and historical research in Muskogee County. Once again we have selected the Arboretum at Honor Heights Park as the site for this award. Please join us by contributing toward the dedication of another tree this year. Details concerning the 2008 Honoree will be forthcoming. Thank you for your support

Rotary Club to Honor Muskogee's Oldest Mother With Ceremonial

Special Program Will Be Presented at Luncheon Next Thursday; Souvenirs for All

THE oldest mother in Muskogee will be honored by members of the Muskogee Rotary club Thursday noon, when they entertain all mothers and mothers-in-law of members of the club.

"All mothers and mothers-in-law of members of the club are being invited to attend this luncheon," W. E. Roberts, president, said yesterday. "To each of them, we will give a souvenir of the occasion, but we are reserving the loveliest present of all for the oldest mother in Muskogee. She does not need to be the mother of a Rotarian, and she does not need to attend the luncheon if she is not able to, though, of course, we would enjoy having her there."

The name, address and age of any mother in Muskogee who is considered eligible for this honor should be sent to Mr. Roberts, at the Roberts Mattress company, Fifth street and Elgin avenue, before Thursday.

The speaker of the day will be a mother of one of the members, who will be announced later, Mr. Roberts said.



Mrs. Harriett Blakemore Grubbs, 430 South Twelfth street, who may qualify as the oldest mother in Muskogee. She will be 100 years old next September.

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 Byas Bros.
 Syer, John T.
 Evans, Blacksmithing Shop
 Himmels, F. P.
 Meeks, L. L. c
 Moran, John
 Shunkey, E. E.
 Waid, James A., c
 Williams Bros, c
 Zufall, Otto J.

BOOKS, STATIONERY
 Brett, S. B
 Chicago Bookstore
 Cobb, H. C. & Co.
 Cumberlandge & English
 Estes, Edward A.
 Jones, R. M. & Co.

BOOT, SHOES
 Adams, J. W.,c
 Chandler Mercantile Co.
 Elliott Bros., c
 The Fair
 Graham-Sykes & Co.
 Grubbs & Gilbert

BOTTLING WORKS
 Muskogee Bottling Works
 Muskogee Fruit Co.

BRICK MAKERS
 Muskogee Vitrified Brick
 Co.

BIRDS, FLOWERS
 Kessel, Mrs. M. E.

BROKERS
 Colter, R. T. Co.
 Miller, G. W. & CO.
 Muskogee Brokerage Co.

BROOM MAKERS
 Edwards, R. R.

CANNING
 Muskogee Canning Co.

CARPETS, RUGS
 Muskogee Furniture Co.
 Scofield, R. H.
 Shaw Furniture Co.
 Smith-Torrans F., Co.
 Street Und. & Fur. Co.

CASKET MAKERS
 Jackson, W. A., c

**CHEMICAL SPECIAL-
 TIES**
 Andrews Chemical Co.

**CIGARS, TOBACCO,
 ETC.**
 Adams, Milo E., Cigar Co.
 Brown & Caraway
 Cobb, H. C. & Co.
 Cumberlandge & English
 DeVinna, John F.
 Estes, E. A.
 Forster, F. W.
 Hirah & Hill
 Hughes & Simmons, c
 Jones, Ernest
 Mitchell Drug Co
Mittong's Pharmacy
 Muskogee Drug Co.
 New State Pharmcy
 Novice Cigar Co.
 Scott, L. E. Cig. Co
 Turf Exchange
 Veale, H. A.
 Warriner, J. O.
 White, Neil P.
 Whitlow – Williams
 (whols.)
 Woods, F. M.

COLLECTIONS
 Muskogee Mercantile Asso-
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COMMISSIONS
 Hill, J. C. Com. Co.

CIVIL ENGINEERS
 Donald, John A.
 Earl, M. A. & Co.
 Hagerty, Charles E.
 Kello, R. H.
 Payne, J. T.

CLOTHING
 Chandler Mec. Co
 Douglas, John R.
 Elliott Bros., c
 Koslosky, Ike
 McClure, E. W.
 Meyerson & Son
 New York Clothing Co.
 O. R. Clothing Co.
 Patterson Merc. Co.
 Phoenix Clothing Co.
 Tevis, W. W.
 Tyson Mercantile CO.
 Welch, J. C. & Co.

CONFECTIONERY
 Harchas, M. D.
 Mill Street Confec. Store
 Palmer, T. G.
 Spiridulias Bros
 Saur, John
 Todd & Murry
 White, Neil P.
**Uncle Joes's Cig. & Con-
 fec.**

COAL, WOOD, FEED
 Acree Feed & Coal Co.
 Beckett & Jenings
 City Coal, Wood & Fuel Co.
 Diamond Coal CO.
 Gaither Coal Co.
 Massey, John, c
 Muskogee Feed & Coal CO.
People's Ice & Fuel CO.
 Pickens Coal Co.
 Southside Coal Yard
 Swift, Frank T.

COMPRESS
 Gulf Compress Co.

CONTRACTING
 Bleeker, E. Frank
 (Plasterer)
 Bruce, A. M.
 Burchart, John
 Culp, H. P.
 Sickman, Joseph A. (build)
 Deaner, P. M. (cem)
 Ellis John
 Ely, Henry W.
 Fike, R. H. (pav.)
 Fishero, Sam (plaster)
 Flaherty, Thos. (stone,
 brick)
 Grimstead, Chas. E.
 Fryer, George (build)

Grunwalt & Thomas (build)
 Haynes, J.A. (brick)
 Harrington, D. A. (carp.)
 Helm, J. W. (build)
 Hendricson, Wm. (cem)
 Herber, W. F. (br)
 Hill, J. C.
 Hoffman, W. L. (build)
 Hoover, Martin
 House, W. D. (pav)
 Howe, S. A. (build)
 Independent Construction
 Co.
 Indianola Contract Co.
 Inglish, Robert
 Jewett, R. D. (cem)
 Joy, Frank D.
 Jourdan, J. C. (carp)
 Kenefick Co., Wm. (r. r.)
 King, R. F.
 Lincincome, Silas L. (carp)
 Longston, W. J. (brick)
 Lyon, T. W.
 McAlpin, Ed (cem)
 McCutcheon, C.
 Maehl, John J.
 Mangold, E. M. (carp)
 Marshall, J. S. (build)
 Milligan, Chas. E. (build)
 Milligan, John
 Moore, J. H. (pav)
 Mooreland, J. A. (carp)
 Norton, R. A. (stone)
 Parks, John S.
 Perdue, Augustus C., c
 Phelps, Charles J. (carp)
 Plank, A. F. (cem)
 Powell, Elmer E. (carp)
 Pray, R. T.
 Raybourn, DeWitt C. (cem)
 Reber, E. C. (carp)
 Riggins, Emmett (build)
 Rooney, J. J. (build)
 Sanders, James C.
 Scranton, Albert M. (cem)
 Schilt, Arthur (cem)
 Schneider Btros.
 Sisney, Charles (Br. St.)
 Smith, George
 Stebbins, R. H. (r. r.)
 Stewart, E. E. (bld)
 Stewart, B. F. (bld)
 Thomas, T. P. (bld)
 Tulk, J. C. (grading)
 Vogel & Hosmer (bld)
 Wheeler Bros.
 Wideman, C. N. (grading)
 Zackary, D. L.

<p>COTTON SEED OIL MILLS Muskogee Cotton Oil Co.</p> <p>DANCING ACADEMY Gibson's Dancing Academy</p> <p>DENTISTS Banks, L. M., c Bryant, A. W. Bonnell, A. E. Copus, J. A. Fisher, Fred E. Griswold, A. E. Jacobs, W. T. Keim, C. P. Knebel, G. L. Lindsay, J. T. Overmeyer, E. E. Ryan, E. P. R. Sadler, G. H. Segur, Frank D. Stickel, F. A. Jr. Tarvin, M. E.</p> <p>DRESSMAKERS Argaubright, Mrs. Lora Andrews, Mrs. W. C. Ireland, Mrs. M. A. Morris, Mrs. Anna Roe, Mrs. Sallie Schankle, Mrs. Ruth Whitney, Mrs. Luvenie Wolfenberger, Miss Mary</p> <p>DRUG STORES Brown & Caraway Cobb, H. C. & Co. Crystal Drug Co. Cumberledge & English Estes, Edward A. Hughes & Simmons, c Jones, Ernest Mitchell, C. B. Drug Co. Mittong's Pharmacy Morhart Drug CO. Muskogee Drug CO. New State Pharmacy Scott Drug CO. Suddeth, W M. E. c Veale, Horace A. Whitlow-Williams (whols) Woods. F. M.</p> <p>DRY GOODS Adams, J. W. c Boston Store Chandler Merc. Co.</p>	<p>The Fair Fore Dry Goods Co. Freyer & Goldberg Graham-Sykes & Co. Muskogee Steam Dye Works The Leader, Koslosk Patterson Mec. Co. Pegram Dry Goods Co. Tyson Mercantile Co.</p> <p>DYEING, CLEANING Alamo Cleaning Shop Broadway Cleaning & Dye House Clement, E. W., c Muskogee Steam Dye Works Okmulgee Cleaning & Dye Works Parisian Dye Works</p> <p>ELECTRIC LIGHT – POWER Muskogee Ice & Power Co.</p> <p>ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING Anderson, Clifford Bellis, A. B. Johnson, R. J.</p> <p>EXPERT ACCOUNTANTS Bixby, George Parker, George H.</p> <p>EXPRESS American Express Wells & Fargo Express Co. Pacific Express Co.</p> <p>FLORISTS Muskogee Carnation Co.</p> <p>FEED, GRAIN Dismukes, Boude Gaither Coal Co. State Grain Co. Wright, Thomas M.</p> <p>FISH, OYSTERS Muskogee Fish & Oyster Co.</p> <p>FOUNDERS, MACHINISTS Midland Machine Works</p>	<p>Muskogee Machine & Boiler Works FRUITS Muskogee Fruit Co.</p> <p>FURNITURE Ark. Sec. Hand Store Bracken, E. L. Creek Furniture Co., c Kirkpatrick, R. C. Muskogee Furniture Co. Scofield, R. H. Scott & Browning, c Shaw Furniture Co. Smith-Torrans F. Co. Street Fur. & Und. Co.</p> <p>GASOLINE LIGHTING Huff, J. L.</p> <p>GAS, NATURAL Caney River Gas Co. Muskogee Gas Co.</p> <p>GAS, PETROLEUM, ETC Kelly Petroleum Gas Generator Co.</p> <p>GENERAL MERCHANDISE Adams, J. W., c Chandlelr Mercantile Co. Scott & Browing, c U. S. Bargain Store U. S. Merchandise Co. Patterson Mer. Co. Roessler-Freeman Shoe Co. Tyson Mercantile Co. Welch J. C., Co</p> <p>GLASS, CHINA Durfey Hardware Co Goble, M. & Co. Maddin-Merchant Hdw. CO. Scofield, R. H. Smith-Torrans, F., Co.</p> <p>GROCERIES Ball, G. I. Brian, R. R., c Bright Star Grocery Busy Bee Grocery Butler, Maxey Byrd, C. C. Callahan Grocery Chandler Merc. CO Chestnut-Gibbons Gro. Co.</p>	<p>Columbia Grocery Creek Mercantile Co., c Dayton Grocery (Wineblood) Dodson, Sterling (Red Front) Doyle, John Drummond, Roland H. Ellis & Son, c Estes Groc. And Racket Store Everybody's Groc. & Market Fue, J. B., c Fue, L. F., c Gaines, G. S. Green Front Grocery Green, H. R., c Hunt Grocery Irving Street Gro. (Murphy) Johnson, C., c Johnson, John W. Kankakee Groc. Lightner Bros., c Little Rock Grocery Love, John W., c McCormick, W. B. Matney & McConnell Missouri Grocery Minners, Sidney., c Model Grocery (Throckmorton) Muskogee Wholesale Groc. Co. Nelson, Robert Lee, c New States Grocery Ohio Grocery O. K. Grocery Palace Grocery Param, Douglas, c Patterson Merc. CO. Perkins, E. D> Phoenix Grocery CO. Pure Food Grocery Rector Groc. & Wag. Yard, c Reed & Teague, c Silver Moon Groc. Sims, Daniel J., c Sippes, J. W., c Smith, Claud D. Smith J. M. Smith, James H., c South End Groc. (Rushing), c Spiller, Henry, c Swain, E. R., c</p>
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Terry, Frank M.
Taylor & Hunter, c
Texas Meat Mkt.
Third Street Groc.
Thompson, Will E., c Dean
Add.
Vallley Grocery, (G.
Heights)
Walker, J. W. & Co. c
Wicks, Sam G.
White Front Groc.
Whittaker, Ben. (Empor.
Mkt)
Williams F. R., c
Wilson Ewell, c 1102 Mill
Wilson, Martha, c
(Reevesville)

GUN & LOCKSMITH

Coffee, George M.
Crouch, C. W.
Davis, Jesse W.
Remington, G. H.

HARDWARE

Durfey Hardware Co.
Eastside Hardware Co.
Huber Hardware Co.
Maddin-Merchant Hardw.
CO.
Matney & McConnell
Shirar, P. S.
Turner Hardware Co.
Western Sales Co. (whol)

HARNESS, SADDLERY

Brewer, W. D.
Hammer & Co.
Huber Hardware Co.
Maddin merchant Hdw. Co.
Meredith, D. Q.
Norris, W. L. Carriage &
Harness Co.
Turner Hardware Co.

HIDES, FURS

Hirschman, F. W.
Sondeimer, Joseph
HOTEL, BOARDING
ROOMS
Alta Vista Apts.
Alpine Rooming House
Arcade Hotel
Ball, J. S. (b)
Belt M. L. (b)
Boston Hotel
Brown Palace Hotel
Cardinal Hotel

Central Rooming House
Edmondson House
Eldorado hotel
Elliott house
Frisco Lodging House
Grenell, Mrs. Ida (r.)
Gunter Apartments.
Haltom, Miss M. L.
Hewitt, W. V., c
Hotel Evans
Hotel Hoffman
Jones, Benjamin, Marshall,
c
Kentucky Home hotel
Maddin building (r)
M, K. & T. Hotel
Muskogee Hotel
New Commercial hotel
Norman hotel
Oxford Hotel & Café
Pacific hotel
Parkerson, Mrs. I. V. (b)
Rainey, B. F., c
Southern Hotel
Stafford, C., c (hotel)
Tennessees Rooming House
Trigg hotel, c
Turner Hotel
Vendome Annex (r)
Vendome Hotel
Wilkins, J. S. (b)

HORSES AND MULES

Muskogee Horse & Mule
Live Stock Commis-
sion Co.
Muskogee Horse & Mule
Market

HOSPITALS

Martha Robb Hospital

HOUSE FURNISHINGS

Smith-Torrans F. Co.
Street Furniture Co.
Muskogee Furniture Co.

ICE CREAM

Imperial Ice Cream Co.
Muskogee Ice Cream Co.
Olympia Ice Cream Co.

ICE MAKERS, DEAL- ERS

Muskogee Crystal Ice Co.
Muskogee Ice & Power Co.
People's Ice & Fuel Co.
Swift, Frank T.

INSURANCE

American Nat. Ins. CO.
Anderson & Anderson
Baker, James A.
Bank of Commerce
Bostic, P. B.
Bryson, W. M.
Cooper, Carl H.
Eerle, Charles H.
Emmert Bros.
Franklin, E. J.
Guaranty Life Inc Co.
Hadley, T. J.
Hagerty, J. B.
Hall, John P.
Hilligoss, S. M.
Jackson, U. L.
Kirkland, I. B.
Merchants & Planters Ins.
Co.
Muskogee Title & Trust Co.
Nelson, Andrew S.
New York Life Ins. Co.
Pray, John C.
Settle, W. W.
Showalter, H. P.
Skelton, E. E.
Stone & Leftwich
Sybert, C. H.
Tingle Stonewall

JOB CARPENTER

Hoffman, D. L.
Jordan, J. C.

JEWELERS

Givens, R. A.
Lansford, W.C. & Co.
Miesch, M.
Roberts, H. E.
Silber, Sam
Thompson, H. W.
Warren, James O.
LAMPS, OIL
Muskogee Lamp & Oil Co.

LADIES TAILORS, FUR- NISH.

Caudle, Miss E.
Robinson, The Misses
Rois Ladies Furnishings
Spanier, B
Ulman & Cook
Walker, Mrs. B.

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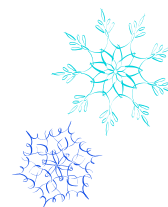
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Muskogee Steam Laundry
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Silver Towel Laundry
Turner Hotel Laundry
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Wong Gee
LIVERY
Blue Front Livery (Sholl.)
Creek Livery Stable
(Ragsdale c)
Evans, A.
Everett, J. W.
Kentucky Livery
(Slaughter)
Nelson Brothers.
Main st. Sale and Hack &
Bus Line (Ward)
Wall Street Stables.
(Hamble)

LOANS, REAL ESTATE

Allen, Joseph N.
Anderson & Anderson
Cooper, Carl H.
Coss Virgil R.
Deming Investment Co.
Davis F. M. & Co.
Gum Bros.
Holmes & Hibbard
Iowa Land & Trust
Jackson, U. L.
Kee, J. H.
Lynde-Darby-Bowman Co.
Nulk, J. C.
Ohio Real Estate & L. Co.
Pearson & Taft (Alex.
Smart)
Swanson & Hopping
Showalter, H. P.
U. S. Loan & Trust Co.

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One Woman to Another

From the
Muskogee Phoenix
Submitted by
Joyce Street

Long time ago we had some neighbors whose name was Houligan. The Houligans kept cows and sold milk and the milk was peddled from door to door in the little town by one Cecelia Houligan. Cecelia was ten or twelve years of age, fiery red of hair with copper colored freckles marring the milky whiteness of her skin and with keen blue eyes that were far too wise for her years. Cecelia went barefoot in summer and the mud between her toes was a perpetual decoration. She was always ragged and dirty and rude and what was more she did not care in the least that she was ragged and dirty and rude.

The Houligans were a by word in the town. They had a three room shack and Saturday evenings the head of the family invariably came home drunk and broke up the dishes.

Cecelia finished the eighth grade in the public schools. Then she went to the city. We heard vaguely that she had gone to work in a department store. The Houligans moved away and the family was lost to the town, a loss over which no one greatly grieved.

One morning last week someone introduced Mrs. Pettyjohn. At sight of her memory tugged at the lock of some long shut little door in my mind and I knew vaguely that I had seen her somewhere at some time.

"Who is Mrs. Pettyjohn?" I asked puzzled.

It was a wonderful story that I heard. "Mrs. Pettyjohn had just come to Muskogee. She belongs to such an aristocratic family. Her father had been so wealthy. But the family had met with reverses. The luxury to which Mrs. Pettyjohn had been accustomed as a child was lost to them now. But they were such a fine old family. Why her grandfather was an Irish lord or earl or duke or whatever they are in Ireland and her father had been very wealthy. Why, didn't you live in Blankville once upon a time? That is where Mrs. Pettyjohn lived as a child. Her people were the social leaders of the town. Surely you remember them."

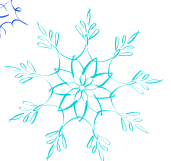
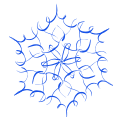
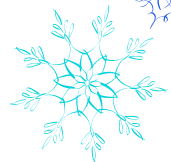
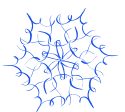
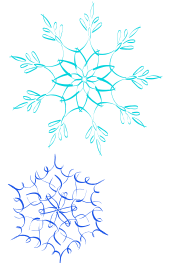
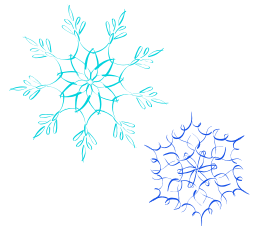
And all at once I remembered the red headed little Irish Houligan with the mud between her bare toes and the Saturday night orgies of which we heard rumors; how Houligan used to throw the dishes out of the kitchen door and sally forth with the red tablecloth waving over his arm like a red battle flag.

Mrs. Pettyjohn was Cecelia Houligan.

Did I demolish that fancy of a fine old family, of an Irish title and social leadership? Not I. What would be the use?

Cecelia Houligan Pettyjohn is just as Irish in my presence as she is in the presence of other and deluded women who believe the fairy tales she tells. But deep in her heart she knows that I remember her and that I know just how tawdry and silly her make-believe is.

Women who could point with pride to a fine ancestry who come of the really good families are usually content to know themselves that they are of good blood. They do not go about the world publishing the fact to every stranger they meet. And so when you meet a woman who straightway begins to boast of her lineage, of her wealth and position and family tree in nine cases out of every ten you can safely put it down that the boast is not founded on fact, that she is a parvenue striving by her own boasting to make good her deficiencies in family and culture.



Mr. DeJarnette, of Chetopa, was at this place last week.

James Harlan, the Inspector General was in town Monday.

Groceries of every kind at Patterson & Co's.

Several car loads of rock passed north Monday to fill in the washout near Choteau.

J. M. Perryman came up from Eufaula last week to attend to business at this place.

I. D. Highleyman, our former fellow citizen spent two or three hours in town on Friday last.

R. L. Owen, President of our Fair, came in from Tahlequah, Monday, and took the train for Vinita.

Chas. Laflore, of Limestone Gap, came in Tuesday to see our new steam press in active operation.

Bad weather is the cause of a great deal of sickness through the country and the doctors are kept busy.

The pay car struck the boys at this place Monday, and they are ready to square up their board bills.

The first number of *The Branding Iron*, our new Atoka paper, will be issued on the coming Saturday.

Patterson & Co., have now a full line of agricultural implements, from a spade to a plow. Get their prices.

E. Watson has under contract a dwelling house to be built here for a Texas party who will locate her.

Eleven soldiers came on from Ft. Leavenworth, Sunday morning, and set out on a muddy march for Ft. Gibson.

G. W. Harkins, of Tishomingo, and Frank Colbert, of Colbert Station, returned from Washington Thursday last.

Geo. Roberts, convicted of the murder of Ben Porter, has been turned loose until the settlement of the Chief Muddie.

Over a hundred head of blood stock passed down the road Saturday together with two cars of fine stallions bound for Fort Worth, Texas.

Mr. Green, telegraph line repairer has put up a neat house opposite J. Brasels place on the east side of the track which will be occupied by his mother.

A telegraph line now connects the residences of J. Q. Tufts and T. C. Sanson and Messrs. Tom Sanson and Jno. Tufts are learning the mysteries of telegraphing.

Dan Groman returned Sunday from a lengthy stay in Texas, not quite long enough to grow a cow boy but long enough to get inside of a Sunday suit of clothes.

The body of an unknown white man was found last week on Deep Fork, southwest of Eufaula, but we have not been enabled to learn the particulars in regard to his death.

Now is the time to send in your orders or come to the Muskogee nursery if you want any of those fine fruit trees. They will be closed out during the open weather in February and March.

Mr. S. M. Gregg, our foreman for the past six months has been transferred to our new paper, *The Branding Iron*, at Atoka, where he will manage the mechanical department of that paper.

Mr. A. W. Robb has received the cheering intelligence that Miss Jessie's eyes are so much better that she and Mrs. Robb will start from Steubenville for their home today, and the Doctor has no doubt as to the permanent recovery of her eyesight.

J. O. Callahan, son of S. B. Callahan, Spiechee's private [sic] secretary is having a neat house built on the east side of the track near Capt. Sixkiller and will make his home in Muskogee. E. Watson is doing the carpenter work and is making a good job of it.

There is no question but the Muskogee Nursery has the best lot of two year old apple trees, for sale this February and March, at \$15 per 100 ever in the Territory. And those who miss the chance will not likely meet with another such again soon.

Capt. Sixkiller, who was on the water bound train at Choteau, says the last of their provisions were eaten the morning of the day the train succeeded in getting through, and if the water had not subsided when they did or if there had been a heavy train some suffering would have resulted.

The snow of last week made excellent sleighing for a few days and two temporized "cutters" were out with their silvery bells that gave folks visions of old northern homes and made them sigh for the pleasures of a

northern winter. Unlucky was the young man and few the smiles bestowed on him who did not have a sleigh.

The cold weather has caused many cattle to die, and they leave nothing to show for their existence except their hides. Don't you do anything of the kind without first going to John Brasel and getting a first class picture of yourself, one that, although you elope with the hired girl, your wife cannot help admiring when she sees it. He take them.

The custom of sending valentines was not as generally observed in Muskogee as usual, though several mad men we noticed on Thursday. The cold damp weather must have had some effect on the consuming passion of the young folks and chilled their budding love, or they must still be "short" after the purchase of Christmas and New year cards.

Tom Adams is putting up a two story 24x40 building on the east side of the track near Maj. Foreman's mill that will be one of the largest buildings in town. It is to be used as a lodging house and will contain 16 good size rooms. Carpenter Madden is doing the work. House after house is going up in Muskogee and most of them are of the better class.

Vinita wants a new public school house and has held a meeting to take steps toward getting one. Committees were appointed for the purpose of raising funds by subscription and other means and to get plans and specifications. The building proposed will be about 20x60 feet, two stories, the upper to be used as a hall, and will add another fine building to the number already built at that place.

A party of Muskogee music loving young folks composed of Mr. A. B. Cass, Ed Tufts the Misses. Emily and Annie Tufts and Mrs. Clarence Turner, left for St. Louis, Sunday morning to hear Etelka Gerster in "La Sounambula," on Monday. They will also hear Patti and the famous tragedienne, Lawrence Barrett, before they return. It was a jolly party and no doubt they will thoroughly enjoy the trip.

Rev. Mr. Smith, of Eufaula, was a caller and gave us a few points about Eufaula. G. W. Stedham will turn his attention to farming on a large scale and will have in 100 acres of cotton this year. Luke McIntosh is thinking of building at that place. J. W. Bamgarner has purchased W. W. Waggoner's mill, across the Canadian and will move it to Broken. The creeks and both rivers have fallen to their usual heights.

The Journal proprietors return thanks for invitations to be present at a brand ball, given Friday the 22d of February, Washington's birthday, at Reynold's Hall, Vinita. Cabin Creek Post, A. R. have the affair in charge and no doubt will be a brilliant success and all will enjoy a first class hop. The Journal men would surely be on hand were it not for the fact that business calls them to the south the latter part of the week.

The many friends of Mr. J. S. Atkinson in the Territory, will regret to learn that partial paralysis of his lower limbs has compelled him to go to Hot Springs, Ark., for treatment. His malady is not regarded as serious as yet, but it causes him considerable annoyance. He was in the immediate vicinity during the street fight there recently in which three men were killed and a number wounded and he says in a letter that it was a reminder of old times in the Territory.

Deputy Marshal Tom Wright, of Texas, arrested John Means on Friday last, for the murder of Henry Seringer, sheriff of Pickens county, Chickasaw Nation, about two months ago. He also arrested a gang of cattle and horse thieves who have been working the Territory in the Red River regions, and all have been sent to Sherman, Texas, for a hearing before U. S. Commissioner Ricketts. The names of the gang are J. M. Ryan, Tom Marshall, Wm. Roberts and Geo. Hogan.

L. E. Gore returned from Hot Springs, Saturday, for a few days stay when he returns to that place. Mr. Gore is interested in several gold and silver mines recently discovered in Montgomery about 15 miles west of that place which he thinks are destined to make considerable stir in the mining world. Ore is being mined daily, worth from \$30 to \$160 per ton and a ten Stamp mill is working day and night reducing it. We hope Mr. Gore is in luck and that he comes out with a fortune.

Capt. F. B. Severs returned Saturday from points in Missouri, where he had been getting blooded stock for his range. He brought back with him 30 yearling Durham bulls and 30 two year olds, two car loads in all which were started Monday for his ranch about 34 miles northwest of this place. They cost in the neighborhood of \$4,000 and are about the finest large lot ever brought to the Territory. Capt. Severs has practically demonstrated that it does pay to put in fine stock in this country even if there is great mortality among them and all of our stock men will find that it pays to follow his example.

The Concert.

Notwithstanding the mud the church was well filled on Saturday evening, the occasion being Rev. M. Stoddard's benefit concert, and a very pleasant evenings enjoyment was meted out to all. The choruses, "Hail us, ye Free," "and the Glory of the Lord," "Strike the Cymbol," "Gloria," "To god in heaven" and "Star of Descending Night," though all were difficult and some heavy music, were very correctly rendered indeed and show the excellent training of Prof. Waugh. The Quartettes "When the sea gives up her dead," and "Very bad cold" were well received and the enjoyment of the former was heightened by the alarm clock turning itself loose in the most affected part. Alarm clocks should be tied up with strings on such occasions. The singing accompaniment to Miss Sansons, Solo, "Beautiful Winding river" was very effective and was greatly liked, as was her "Bird of the Greenwood," while both Bruce Yates "Ehren on the Rhine" and Prof. Waughs "Pensive Old Piano," so pleased the audience that they had to respond to a recall, the Prof. singing "There's many a shlip, [sic]" a comic Irish song. The recitations, "Curfew must not ring to-night," "Tenement House" and the "Trial of Constance de Beverly," especially the latter were given with more than average ability. The scene from Betsy Bobbet was perfect, Jno. Tufts making a modest old farmer, Miss Eva Tufts taking her part of Josiah Allen's wife as natural as life and Miss Sanson making an ethereal Betsy Bobbet that most any man would not mind being "clingin." The pantomime, "Womans Rights," gave us a glimpse of what we are to expect when that woman's millennium arises. The young men were darning stockings, washing dishes and clothes and one was putting some kind of white stuff on his face while the young ladies were getting ready for hunting, smoking and reading, talking politics and sawing wood, though the poor wood sawyer stood a good chance of freezing if she had to depend on her own exertions to keep the fire going.

Take it all in all it was one of the best concerts ever given here and shows a degree of talent hardly expected in an interior Territory town. Fifty seven dollars were realized after all expenses were paid which was forwarded to Mr. Stoddard at Colorado Springs, Col., on Monday.

Submitted by Wally Waits

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WHALE MEAT ON SALE IN MUSKOGEE MARKET

Whale meat made its debut in Muskogee yesterday.

It was received here yesterday morning in a shipment of fish by William H. Schirek, proprietor of a local meat market.

The meat sold yesterday for 30 cents a pound.

The whale steak was shipped to Muskogee from the Atlantic coast, and it will probably be kept on sale in Muskogee.

Submitted by Karen Wagner

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NEW MEMBERS

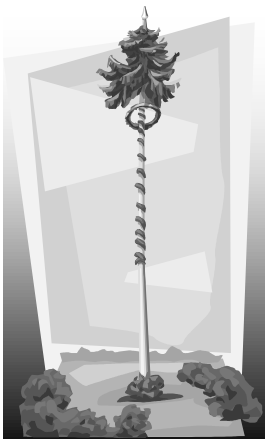
Mary Ruth Six - November
Dona Clark - November
George E. Fletcher - January
Elizabeth Griffin - January

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Barbara Downs - December
Nancy Lasater - December
Ann Gardner - January
Wally Waits - January
Joyce Street - January
Stacy Blundell - January
Rosa Lee James - January

ANCESTRAL CHARTS

Mary Ruth Six (Page 32)



No matter how many limbs are on your family tree, we are united in our search to grow more.

Pedigree Chart

Chart no. 1

8 Tee-lan-de-skee Six

B:
P:
M:
P:
D:
P:

4 Groundhog Six

B: 1893
P: Eucha, Indian Territory
M:
P:
D: 1934
P: Twin Oaks, Oklahoma USA

2 Hudson Six

B: 21 Jul 1922
P: Eucha, Oklahoma USA
M: 21 Aug 1946
P: Rose, Mayes County, Oklahoma USA
D: 27 May 1998
P: Martinez, California USA (VA Facility)

9 Jinnie Summerfield

B:
P:
D:
P:

10 Samuel Dry

B: 1872
P: Kansas, Indian Territory
M: 1893
P: Twin Oaks, Indian Territory
D: 1916
P: Twin Oaks, Oklahoma USA

5 Mary Dry

B: Abt 1897
P: Kansas, Indian Territory
D: 1928
P: Twin Oaks, Oklahoma USA

11 Charlotte Chu-le-o-wah

B: 1878
P: Saline District, Indian Territory
D: 1949
P: Twin Oaks, Oklahoma USA

1 Mary Ruth Six

B: 24 Oct 1948
P: Tahlequah, Oklahoma USA
M: 21 Jun 1998
P: Stateline, Nevada USA
D:
P:

12 George Washington Culp

B: 21 Mar 1827
P: Elmira, New York USA
M: 26 Nov 1865
P: Clark County, Missouri
D: 13 Sep 1913
P: Sand Springs, Oklahoma USA

Jerry Bert Votendahl

(Spouse of no. 1)

6 Harry I. Culp

B: 30 Jun 1878
P: Schell City, Vernon Co. Missouri
M: 21 May 1925
P: Checotah, McIntosh Co. USA
D: 1948
P: Delaware County Oklahoma

13 Melissa Jane McKeehan

B: 5 May 1844
P: Primrose, Iowa
D: 27 Aug 1910
P:

3 Ora Harriet Culp

B: 13 Nov 1926
P: Checotah, Oklahoma USA
D: 23 Nov 1995
P: Rio Linda, California USA

14 Frederick Sykes

B: Apr 1878
P: Muskogee, Indian Territory
M:
P:
D: Abt 1935
P: Verdigris, Oklahoma USA

7 Bertha Odell Sykes

B: 1900
P: Texanna, Indian Territory
D: 1942
P: Delaware County Oklahoma

15 Ruth Keener McNulty

B: 1867
P: Lee's Creek, Indian Territory
D: Abt 1936
P: Muskogee, Oklahoma USA

Prepared by

Mary Ruth Six

MR

Telephone

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