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LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

At our May meeting we had the program "Share Your Books". This has become an annual event inasmuch as the members have responded with enthusiasm. It gives members the opportunity to mull over books that are not in our library and ask questions of the owner of the book(s) about further data in the area of interest.

In June Heritage Quest of Orting, Washington, held their Road Show. We had 80 in attendance and the Muskogee Public Library extended their coverage to allow the program to continue until 10:00 p.m. For that, we were very grateful. From various comments made during the break and following the program, it was well received and new, informative tips were learned for genealogical research.

Meetings never are held during July and August. However, a number of members have been busy assisting in several projects. We were very pleased with the response to our questionnaire at the last meeting asking in what areas individuals would be willing to assist as well as suggesting topics they would like to have discussed at our meetings. It is hoped that those of you who were not in attendance at the last meeting will complete the questionnaire.

Participation is the key to our having a strong and viable society. With the response that we have had, it is anticipated that we will have a successful year.

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SEQUOYAH*

"Sequoyah was most probably born about 1770. He was born in the Old Cherokee country, within one of the present states of North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia or Alabama; but the exact location of his birth place is not known...His mother spoke Cherokee only and the son never learned any of the English language.

"His father is reputed to have been a Suabian peddler from the now extinct town of New Ebenezer, Georgia, which had been founded as a refuge for the persecuted Moravians of Germany. His name as it was recalled many years afterwards, so as to bestow the patronymic on his illustrious son, sounded something like Gist...Sequoyah was born after his father had deserted his mother...

"Sequoyah's first wife was Sallie of the Bird clan and his second wife was U-ti-yu of the Blind Savannah clan.

"His four children by his first wife were:

"Teeseey Guess, who married U-ti-yu and Rebecca Bowl. He was born in 1789 and died on September 17th, 1867. His second wife, Rebecca Bowl, was the daughter of Bowl, who was the leader of the band of Cherokees that emigrated from Mussel Shoals on Tennessee River, to the St. Francis River country (now southeast Missouri) in 1794; moved to Petit Jean Creek on the south side of Arkansas River in the winter of 1811-1812, finally removed to Texas in 1822 and became the leader of the Texas Cherokees. While resisting expulsion from Texas - Bowl who was then eighty-three years of age, was killed on July 16th, 1839, by Captain Robert Smith of the Texas volunteers.

"Sequoyah's second child by Sallie was George Guess, who lived to be grown but died without descent. Richard or Chusaleta, the fourth child and third son, also lived to be grown and died without descent.

"Sequoyah's third child by Sallie was his daughter Polly, who married Flying and Thomas Brewer. She only had one child Annie, who married Joseph Griffin and was the mother of Ti-du-gi-yo-sti.

"Sequoyah had three children by his second wife, U-ti-yu, the eldest of whom was A-yo-gu Guess, who married George Starr, who was born on December 25th, 1873, and died without issue in 1899.

"Sequoyah's second child by U-ti-yu was Oo-loo-tsa, a daughter, who left no descent.

*Extracted from Early History of the Cherokees by Emmet Starr, publ. 1917. (Original book in the possession of Virginia Perry.)

"Sequoyah's third child by his second wife was Gu-u-ne-ki, who married Tsu-du-li-tee-hee or Sixkiller and had one daughter Araminta Sixkiller.

"Sequoyah's eldest son, Teesey, had three children by his first wife and three by his second wife. His oldest child by his first wife, U-ti-yu, was George Guess, who married a Girty and they were the parents of two children, the elder of whom was Mary Guess, who married George Mitchell and Andrew Russell, and by the latter was the mother of one child only, George W. Russell, who was born on July 18th, 1880, and married Minnie Holston.

"Teesey Guess's second and third children by his wife wife was respectively Richard and Joseph Guess, both of whom lived to be grown but died without issue.

"Teesey Guess's children by Rebecca, his second wife, was first, Sallie, who married William Fields, whose Cherokee name was Tu-noo-ie. They had one daughter, Susie Fields, who married Levi Toney and they were the parents of, consecutively: Calvin Hanks Toney, Cicero Davis Toney, Margaret Toney and the twins Catherine and Sallie Toney.

"Teesey's Guess's second child by Rebecca was a son, Joseph Guess, who lived to be grown but died without issue.

"Teesey Guess's third child by Rebecca was Catherine Guess. She was born in 1851 and married on March 11th, 1867, Joseph Downing, who was three years her senior. He died on March 20th, 1897. They were the parents of five children, as follows:

"Nannie Downing, born February 1st, 1878; married January 21st, 1898, Richard H. Bowl.

"Lucile Downing born July 28th, 1881.

"Edward Downing born March 22nd, 1883.

"Sequoyah Downing was born December 16th, 1887.

"Maud Downing born February 13th, 1890.

"I have given the foregoing detailed statement of the descent from Sequoyah for the reason that he has already become to a degree a mythical personage and claims of descent from him has been for years and is at this time most ridiculous assumptions.

"In an article in the September, 1870, number of Harper's Monthly Magazine on page 547 Colonel William A. Phillips, late commander of the "Third Indian Home Guards", a federal regiment composed principally of Cherokees, asserted that one of the sons of Sequoyah "served as a private soldier in the Union army in the late war." This was an error as all of the descendants of Sequoyah that were old enough to be in the army were in the Confederate service. His son, Teesey, was third sergeant of Captain John Porum Davis's company of Cherokee Mounted Volunteers.

"These claims of descent from Sequoyah remind me of an old White man that I knew a few years ago who always stoutly insisted that Pocahontas, of John Smith fame, was his great grandfather...

"The statement of Sequoyah's descent as I give it is from the account of Mrs. Catherine Downing, the daughter of Teesee Guess and the granddaughter of Sequoyah. Mrs. Downing, who is still alive, is a very intelligent woman...

"The verbose and fanciful volume on Sequoyah by George E. Foster was prepared after a hurried trip to the Indian Territory in the early eighties of the nineteenth century, some forty years after the death of Sequoyah, and reference to foreign bibliographic material.

"It is regrettable that such works have of necessity been the sole reference of Sequoyah, when Worm's account in the Cherokee Advocate, together with the contemporaneous accounts of Boudinot, bear on their faces the imprint of reliability.

"Not being certain of the death of Sequoyah, the Cherokee National Council enacted:

'An Act for the benefit of George Guess. Be it enacted by the National Council, That in lieu of the sum allowed to George Guess, in consideration of his invention of the Cherokee Alphabet, passed December 10th, 1841* and which is hereby repealed, the sum of three hundred dollars be paid to the said George Guess out of the National Treasury annually during his natural life.

'Sec. 2d. Be it further enacted, That in case of the death of George Guess, that the same shall be paid to his wife, Mrs. Sally Guess, annually, during her natural life. Tahlequah, Dec. 29th, 1843. Approved - John Ross'*

*The act of December 10th, 1841, here referred to cannot be found.

*Laws of the Cherokee Nation, 1852, page 104"



From: McKenney-Hall
Portrait Gallery

Painter: Charles Bird King
1828

(abridged at bottom of page)
Sequoyah

U. S. DEPUTY MARSHALLS*

Indian Territory
North Judicial District

Adams, David -	Mar-Jun 30 Aug-Sep 1895 July _____ Jan-June 1896
Adams, John L.	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Adaius, D.	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Adarriet(?), D.	Apr-May 1895 July 1895
Anderson, James W.	Apr-May 1895 Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Armstrong, Silas	Apr (n.d.)
Avery, George	Aug 6-7, 1895 posseman
Baker, Allen	Oct 1-Dec. 31 1894
Barling, Robert	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Benge, R. L.	Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Berryhill, Dick	Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Berryhill, Pleason	Aug 6-9 1895 posseman
Bick, Gabe L.	Apr-May 1895
Blackard, W. D.	Jul 1-Dec 31, 1890
Bond, S. W.	Jul 1- Dec 31, 1894 Aug 20 1895 posseman
Bradley, Turner	Aug 6-9 1895 posseman
Brown, John L.	Jul-Sep 1895 Jan-Jun 1896
Brown, M. H.	Oct 1-Dec 31 1894 Aug 6-8 1895 posseman
Burchfield, B. C.	May 1895 Jul 1-Oct 1895 Jul 1-Dec 31 1894 Jan-Jul 1896
Burk, W. H.	Dec 10 1895 Feb 28 1896 posseman
Burns, S. F.	Mar 13-14 1896 posseman
Bushyhead, D. W.	Aug-Sept (n.d.) office deputy
Cansdell, J. A.	Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Carver, Thomas	Apr 2-10 1896 Jan 19-20, 27 30 Mar 12, ^{1896 posseman} 17 19-22, 24-30
Casaver, Joe	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Clifford, N. M.	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Cobb, Bert	Apr 4-5- 1896 posseman
Cocke, H. R.	Apr-May 1895 Aug 1895
Coffey, D. H.	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Cole, J. R.	Apr-Jun 1895 Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Colter, James	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Congdon, George S.	Apr-May Jul-Aug Nov 1895-June 1896
Cordry, Thomas	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894 Dec 1-3 1895 posseman
Cox, Burrel	Apr-Sept 1895 Jan-Jun 1896
Cravens, R. K.	Jun Nov 1895 May 1896
Crittenden, E. C.	Oct 1-Dec 31, 1894
Cunningham, A. B.	Jul 1-Dec 31, 1894
Cunningham, J. T.	Jul 1-Sep 30, 1894
Dameron, J. L.	Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Davis, John T. (B)	Apr-May 1895
Davis, John T. (W)	Apr-May 1895
Dobson, Orlando	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Downie, J. K. "Kessey"	Jan-Jun 1896
Downing, Dick	Jul 1-Dec 31, 1894
Downing, Richard	Mar 3-4 6-9 1896 posseman
Drew, Jason	Oct 1-Dec 31, 1894

*National Archives Fiscal Records (no genealogical data contained in records)

Ellis, Mitchell	Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Flinchum, James	Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Flynn, Mike	June 1893-June 1894 (Fiscal 1899) May, Oct 1-Dec 31, 1894
Fortner, William R.	Apr-May 1895
Frazier, E. K.	Jul 1-Dec 31, 1894
Frye, Charles O.	Apr-May and Jul-Sep 1895 & Dec, Jan 1896
Gibson, James W.	Oct-Dec 31, 1894
Grayson, Thomas	Oct 1-Dec 31, 1894
Green, Barney	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Hall, John H.	Aug-Oct 8, 1895
Hannah, A. G.	Mar 13-14 1896 posseman
Harris, S. O.	Jul 1-Sep 30 1894
Harrison, William T.	Nov 27-28 1895 Jan 26-30 1896 posseman
Hatfield, James	Jul 1-Sep 30, 1894
Hogan, L. E.	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Hosey, Issac	Jul 1-Dec 31, 1894
Johnson, George	Aug 12-15 1895 posseman
Johnstone, Sidney	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Jones, Frank	Jul 18-25 1895 posseman
Jones, J. P.	Aug 6-8 1895 posseman
Jones, W. F.	May 9-10 1896 Apr 10-14, 16-21 May 4-8 June 6, 12, 16
Knight, Joseph	Aug 19-23 1895 Jan 28-29 Mar 13-14 1896 posseman
Lacy, Joseph L.	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Ledbetter, J. L.	Jul-Sep Dec 1895 Jan Mar-Jun 1896
Levering, George	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Lewis, A. M.	Jan 3-4 Apr 21-22 1896 posseman
Lewis, Hackless	Dec 16-17 1895 posseman
Lewis, Thomas J.	Dec 6 1895 posseman
Lindsay, E. F.	Aug 12-Sep 12 1895
Locke, W. R.	Apr-May Sep Dec 1895-Jul 1896
Lowe, Bert	Aug 12-22 1895 posseman
Lubbes, W. A. "Gus"	Mar 1-June 30, 1895 Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Lucas, Frank	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Lumpkin, Charles	Jul 17-27 1894 posseman
Manning, Johnson	Apr 1895
Marlow, Alva	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Marrs, A. J.	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Marshall, J. F.	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Marshall, Robert	Jul 1-Sep 30, 1894
McCaughan, John	Apr-Sep 1895 Jan-June (n.d.)
McDaniel, John W.	Apr-May 1895 Jul 1-Sep 30, 1894
McDonald, A. A.	Jun Nov 1895 Apr-May 1896
McGill, John B.	Jul 1-Sep 30, 1894
Miller, A. J.	Oct 1-Dec 31, 1894
Mitchell, L. E.	Jul 1-Sep 30, 1894
Moody, A. L.	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Moore, Mack R.	Apr-May 1895 Jul-Sept Dec 1895-June 1896
Muskrat, Joe	Mar 13-16 1896 posseman

Newsome, William	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Nix, William M.	Jul 1-Sep 30, 1894
O'Brian, John S.	Jul-Aug 1895 Dec 1895-Jun 1896
Oliver, William	Jul 1-Sep 30 1894
Owens, Thomas	Jun 7-8 1895
Palmer, Lee	Feb 25-Mar 4, 1896
Parks, S. P.	Jul 1-Dec 31, 1894
Parris, E. P.	Jul 2 1895 posseman
Patrick, G. W.	Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Pierce, Ed	Feb 26 1896 posseman
Pope, Jack	Aug 15-19 1894
Pulse, M. A.	Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Richards, W. B.	Feb 27 1896 posseman
Ridenhour, Sam	Jun 1893-Jun 1894 Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Rider, Charles	Jul 1-Sep 30, 1894
Roberson, Ben	Apr 12-18 1896 posseman
Rogers, Courrell	Mar 1-Jun 30 1895
Rogers, Levi	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Rudisill, R. L.	Aug 12-Oct 8 1895
Rutherford, R. B. Jr.	Jun-Jul Sept 1895 Mar May-Jun 1896
Sanders, Lewis	Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Selvidge, William H.	Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Simpson, L. S.	Jul 1-Sep 30 1894
Simpson, W. C.	Jul 1-Sep 30 1894
Springer, William M.	Nov 1895
Stephens, Hiram	Aug-Sep 1895; May 9-10 1896 posseman
Stewart, J. T.	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894 /Deputy (cause unknown)
Stowe, L. L.	Oct 1-Dec 31 1894 Jul 27 1895 Died while serving as a/
Stringfield, J. K.P.	Apr-May 1895
Stufflebeau, E. T.	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Tanner, Frank	May 15-18 Jun 9-10 1896 posseman
Taylor, W. N.	Aug-Sep 1895
Teel, G. W.	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894; May 10 1896 posseman
Teepie, Isaac	Aug 5-23 1895 posseman
Telequah	Aug-Sept (n.d.)
Tolbert, John	Apr 13-14 16-19 Jun 11-21 1896 posseman
Tolbert, Padeu	Apr-May 1895 July-Sept Dec 1895-Jun 1896
Trammell	Jun 1893-Jun 1894 (Fiscal 1894) (Spring)
Turnbo, L. E. "Kirk"	Jul 1-Sep 30 1894
Tyson, G. G.	Apr-May 1895 Jul 1-Dec 31 1894 /Aug 12-19 1895 /one) Jul 1-Dec 31 1894; Posseman Jul 20 24-25 1895/
Walker, James N.	Apr-May 1895 Aug Sep 1895 (acted as deputy not actually/
Walker, John	Jun 11-21 1896 posseman
Webb, D. M.	Jun 11-21 1896 posseman
West, John C.	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894
Wetunka	Aug-Sept (n.d.)
White, G. S.	Jun 4-6 22-23 1896 posseman
White, Joe N.	Jul 1-Dec 31 1894 Special Deputy
Wilkerson, George E.	Oct 1-Dec 31 1894
Williams, James W.	Jul 1-Sep 30 1894
Williams, Remo	Jul 16 1895 posseman

Williamson, E. N.	Jul-Aug 1895	Oct 1895-Jun 1896;	May 8-20 1895	posseman
Wilson, Zeke P.	Aug 1 1895	Feb 20-22 1986		posseman
Wilson, Thomas	Jul-Aug 1895	Oct 1895-Jun 1896;	May 8-20 1895	posseman
Wish, John C.	Sep 1895			
Wright, William	Jul 1-Sep 30	1894		
Wyckoff, S. T.	Jul 1-Dec 31	1894		
Wyly, Robert Lee	Apr-May 1895	July-Sep Dec 1895-June 1896;	Jun 20 1895/	posseman



First railroad bridge across the Arkansas River,
 at the Three Forks (Muskogee, Creek Nation), I. T.,
 completed December, 1871

Intermarried-Whites in the Cherokee Nation
by A. H. Murchison, Muskogee

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GOINGSNAKE DISTRICT

Name	Race	Date License	Remarks
Wm. Quarles	White	Aug. 5, 1871	Sarah Morris
Wm. Crowder	"	July 5, 1869	Polly Foreman
John Rogers	"	Mar. 17, 1880	Sally Garrett
R. C. Fuller	"	Sept, 15, 1880	T. M. Steel
J. W. Thomas	"	Oct. 22, 1880	M. J. Ward
___ Hosey	"	Apr. 10, 1881	
R. S. Steward	"	Nov. 7, 1880	
George Craig	"	Mar. 26, 1880	
B. G. Hollan	"	Jan. 23, 1881	
Wm. H. Snow	"	Feb. 23, 1881	Snow is a resident of Cooweeshoo and have been informed he had abandoned his wife but don't know for certain
G. W. Talbert	"	Nov. 22, 1876	
A. J. Kiser	"	Oct. 9, 1881	
J. N. Bee	"	Feb. 25, 1882	
James McHenry	"	July 29, 1882	
Tom Kirk	Col.	Apr. 17, 1882	
Wm. Whitenhunt	White	Nov. 4, 1881	
J. H. Scott	"	July 24, 1882	
Charles Knoblet	"	Oct. 25, 1882	
A. F. Harless	"	Dec. 1, 1882	
Mathew Cordry	"	Dec. 16, 1882	
William Knoblet	"	June 8, 1883	
J. A. Moreland	"	Feb. 5, 1883	
W. S. Smith	"	July 12, 1883	
Wm. Rider	"	Aug. 10, 1883	
J. T. Murphy	"	Aug. 12, 1883	
William Hern	"	Nov. 22, 1883	
J. M. Garrett	"	Oct. 9, 1883	
A. E. Holland	"	Feb. 9, 1884	
John W. Howeston	"	Apr. 11, 1884	
George W. Talbert	"	Oct. 22, 1884	

J. L. Washington	"	Aug. 12, 1885
W. J. T. Smith	"	Aug. 14, 1885
R. J. McCoy	"	Jan. 25, 1885
Charles Pack	"	Jan. 27, 1885
N. L. Martin	"	Jan. 30, 1885
Lee Spears	"	Dec. 1, 1885
Joseph Hins	"	Dec. 17, 1884
Tillman Chance	"	Jan. 22, 1887
W. H. Thomason	"	Jan. 7, 1887
William Grigsby	"	Dec. 11, 1886
R. Green	"	Aug. 25, 1887
Hugh Willis	"	July 27, 1887
J. H. Abbott	"	Sept. 1, 1874
Jessie Roberts	"	Dec. 21, 1874
William Silcott	"	July 17, 1875
William T. Thomas	"	Dec. 23, 1875
John Scott	"	Mar. 10, 1875
Elijah Stephens	"	Nov. 2, 1874
H. N. Adington	"	Sept. 1, 1874
Walter Evens	"	Mar. 18, 1876
W. A. Bell	"	Jan. 17, 1876
L. W. Drake	"	Mar. 24, 1877
James Sloane	"	Mar. 28, 1878
David Newton	"	Feb. 15, 1879
Thomas A. William	"	Sept. 12, 1877
John Rowes	"	Jan. 5, 1878
Joseph Thompson	"	Dec. 30, 1878
Napolien Hannah	"	Mar. 26, 1879
H. L. Winton	"	Mar. 24, 1879
W. L. Morris	"	Feb. 12, 1879
Mike Mullar	"	Oct. 7, 1878
Robert Garrett	"	Oct. 29, 1879
J. W. Ellis	"	July 5, 1879
Ashly Norton	"	May 6, 1878
W. M. Taylor	"	Mar. 22, 1879
Thomas J. Burk	"	Mar. 22, 1879
James Barnet	"	July 30, 1879

J. W. Thomas	"	Jan. 8, 1880	
B. M. Parnell	"	Jan. 10, 1880	
Lum Reeves	"	Jan. 15, 1886	
Isaac Morris	_____		Don't find any record of marriage license of Isaac, but he is a Cherokee and had proven their rights the year 1870 from Georgia.
John R. Russell	-----		Same remark as Isaac Morris.
John Wilkin	-----		Has never complied with the intermarriage law governing intermarriage with white men and foreigners.
<u> </u> Lindy	-----		Lindy never has complied with the intermarriage law the same as Wilkin
Wm. Ward	-----		Ward and Blackwood had made applications to A. H. Beck who is acting Dept. Clerk for me, for license. Their intention was to get them about the last of July so they could vote at the last general election, but, their hasn't been any report made to this office whether they got them or not. I left blanks with the Dept. Clerk to be filled out.
J. W. Blackwood	-----		
Lou Holt	-----		Lou Holt was Married before the war. All records made at that time were destroyed.

TAHLEQUAH DISTRICT

Name	Race	Date License	Remarks
William Hampton	WHITE	Apr. 6, 1870	
William George	"	May 29, 1870	
Daniel Moore	"	July 2, 1870	
Rev. L. Dobson	"	Sept. 12, 1866	
Frank Howard	"	Oct. 7, 1870	at Philadelphia. Re-married after he returned to the nation.

Charles Willey	"	Nov 11, 1870
John F. Lyons	"	Nov 12, 1870
Manuel Taylor	Col.	Dec 6, 1870

The case referred to the Supreme Court of commission. The Court decided that colored persons married under the above license are not Cherokee Citizens.

John B. Edwards	White	Jan 5, 1871
William Jackson	"	Feb 25, 1871
H. G. Wood	"	Mar 17, 1871
B. M. Mitchell	"	Nov 6, 1871
John Griggs	"	Nov 6, 1871
A. P. Goodykoontz	"	Oct 17, 1871
Dr. Augustus A. Sheets	"	Nov 9, 1871
John D. Kelly	"	Nov 10, 1871
D. M. Allen	"	Nov 30, 1871
Dr. W. A. Reese	"	Oct 9, 1871
L. P. Isabel	"	Dec 19, 1871
John P. Drake	"	Dec 15, 1871
John W. Johnson	"	Jan 3, 1872
J. M. Smith	"	Nov 30, 1869

Reported M. O. Ghormley & had him tried and convicted at Ft. Smith.

M. A. Wallace	"	Jan 31, 1872
M. A. Phillips	"	(no date)
James W. McSpadden	"	April 17, 1872
Dr. W. C. Cobb	"	July 12, 1872
Geo A. Crane	"	Oct 18, 1872
J. B. Newton	"	Nov 2, 1872
John D. Smith	"	Dec 23, 1872
A. H. Norwood	"	Dec 2, 1872
W. M. Nix	"	Oct 29, 1872
James W. Scott	"	Jan 8, 1873
J. O. Roland	"	Apr 14, 1873
John Johnson	"	Jan 27, 1873
Anderson Bean	"	Apr 23, 1873
Wash Smith	"	Apr 20, 1873

Simeon Garrett	White	Jan. 27, 1873
Wm. Green	"	May 24, 1873
Junius Dennis	Col	Aug 1, 1873
Wilson Taylor	White	May 24, 1873
Henderson Irons	"	Apr 27, 1873
Lewis Carter	Col.	(no date)
Geo. Mitchell	White	Sept 13, 1873
Asa Guinn	"	Sept 23, 1873
Louvinus Pierre	"	Feb 7, 1874
Jeremiah O'Leary	"	Dec 23, 1873
George Miller	"	Apr 11, 1874
John T. McSpadden	"	July 25, 1873
Joseph Hendricks	"	Aug 17, 1874
William Milton	"	Mar 27, 1875
David Tipton	"	Mar 27, 1875
S. S. Boyles	"	Mar 29, 1875
Charles Kolpin	"	Mar 30, 1875
C. E. Johnson	"	July 4, 1875
Elijah Meadows	Col.	(no date)
G. W. McFarlin	White	Dec 22, 1876
Robert I. Black	"	Feb 8, 1877
J. H. Harrison	"	Mar 14, 1877
W. P. McClellan	"	Nov 30, 1879
W. F. Rasmus	"	Sept 4, 1877
S. W. Richie	"	Nov 19, 1877
M. J. Reagan	"	Nov 27, 1877

Decided against by
the Court of Commis-
sion that his wife
was not a Cherokee

Martin Hallen	"	Feb 4, 1878
Lafayette Guinn	"	Apr 8, 1878
F. A. Meek	"	Aug 8, 1878
Dr. L. M. Cravens	"	Nov 7, 1878
Clinton Scales	"	Dec 22, 1878
Jeremiah Springsted	Col.	Dec 29, 1878
Joshua Anderson	White	Jan 5, 1879
Peter McCallister	"	Feb 8, 1879
Russell Peak	"	Mar 25, 1879

Joseph Glad	White	May 29, 1879	
Emanuel Spencer	Col.	July 28, 1879	
Jackson Kelly	White	Sept 26, 1879	
Rufus Green Goodwin	"	Mar 7, 1879	
Elijah Creach	"	May 18, 1880	
James H. Cobb	"	Sept 16, 1880	
Jefferson Tiner	"	Dec 12, 1880	
Charles Hart	"	Mar 10, 1881	
James Norton	"	Nov 13, 1880	
Lewis Payne	"	May 14, 1881	
Dr. Frank Corbin	"	Nov 18, 1881	
D. N. Leerskov	"	Dec 26, 1881	
John Guinn	"	Mar 7, 1882	
James Higginbotham	"	Aug 10, 1882	
George Beavers	"	Jan 25, 1883	
W. A. Westover	"	Feb 12, 1883	
Jack Luther	Col.	May 3, 1883	
J. L. Smith	White	Apr 28, 1883	Remarried
John H. Phillips	"	Sept 12, 1883	
J. B. Post	"	July 31, 1881	
Alexander West	"	Nov 11, 1881	
J. J. Hallman	"	Dec 16, 1883	
Jacob C. Johnson	"	Dec 16, 1883	
Dennis W. Smith	"	Dec 25, 1883	
Isaac Wilson	"	Nov 29, 1883	
Benton Brown	"	Dec 26, 1883	
W. R. Fortner	"	Feb 6, 1884	
Rollea C. Edgerton	"	Mar 20, 1884	
D. B. Blake	"	July 5, 1884	
B. H. Stone	"	July 18, 1884	
H. L. Chubbuck	"	Aug 15, 1884	
Frank M. Rucker	"	Sept 14, 1884	
J. M. Rollins	"	Oct 25, 1884	
William Brown	"	Jan 27, 1885	
William Hinton	"	Mar 15, 1885	
James E. Bell	"	Feb 17, 1885	
Jerry Watts	"	Dec 29, 1884	
Charles Hedrick	"	Aug 14, 1886	

Marion A. Miller	"	Oct 28, 1886	
W. T. Richards	"	Jan 3, 1887	
John Smith	"	Apr 30, 1887	
A. J. Hooper	"	June 7, 1887	
A. G. Robinson	"	July 28, 1887	
Thomas Ivey	"	Feb 16, 1868	
J. B. Antoine	"	Feb 26, 1868	
James Mehlin	"	Feb 25, 1868	Remarried
Wm. K. Hawkins	"	Feb 17, 1868	
John Adkisson	"	June 12, 1868	
Murdock McLead	"	Feb 8, 1869	
Thomas W. Lindsey	"	Aug 14, 1869	
R. W. Sevier	"	Mar 18, 1869	
Henry Johnson	Col.	Mar 17, 1869	
Henry Bird	Col.	Mar 27, 1869	
Wm. Madden	Col.	Aug 14, 1869	

SALINE DISTRICT

Name	Race	Date License	Remarks
William P. Gray	White	Apr 12, 1869	
Joseph Ballard	"	July 5, 1868	
Aron W. Madill	"	Feb 11, 1869	
Hueston Smith	"	Apr 1, 1868	
Lenard Bowles	Col.	Apr 2, 1868	
Edward Byrd	White	Dec 10, 1868	
Peter Van Norman	"	July 9, 1869	
Thomas P. Rodman	"	Oct 2, 1869	
M. H. McCullough	"	Oct 1, 1868	
Joseph Riley	"	Mar 20, 1870	
Edward Crutchfield	Cher.	Sept 23, 1869	
M. W. Couch	White	Dec 19, 1869	
Wm. N. West	Cher.	Sept 5, 1880	
Martin E. Payn	White	Aug 13, 1872	
Joseph H. Graves	"	Jan 19, 1873	
James Shadle	"	June 9, 1873	
George H. Lewis	"	Dec 9, 1873	
George Armstrong	"	Mar 21, 1873	
Robbert Wingfield	"	Mar 27, 1873	

Harris A. Loflin	"	July 14, 1874
John W. Hildbran	"	Sept 5, 1874
John Kantrell	"	Nov 19, 1874
George Giboney	"	Dec 12, 1874
John W. Brock	"	Jan 13, 1875
Frank Skinner	"	Nov 27, 1875
Henry M. Harrison	"	Oct 3, 1875
George W. Talbert	"	July 22, 1876
William Arledge	"	Jan 31 1878
J. M. Burns	"	July 5, 1878
J. N. Kepthart	"	Aug 17, 1878
Alford Campbell	"	Dec 20, 1878
Johnson Vann	Col.	Feb 11, 1879
Daniel B. Coal	White	Mar 15, 1879
Wm. R. Fair	"	June 24, 1879
Henry E. Sitzler	"	Oct 11, 1879
John W. Elliott	"	Sept 24, 1879
Thos J. C. Thompson	"	June 29, 1880
J. T. Davis	"	Aug 28, 1880
George H. Warren	"	Sept 2, 1880
George W. Taylor	"	Oct 2, 1880
J. W. Dobson	"	Aug 5, 1882
John M. Cole	"	Jan 20, 1884
W. T. Jones	"	Aug 24, 1884
Sam Gaylord	"	Feb 12, 1885
John F. Warren	"	July 24, 1885
John Walburn	"	Oct 27, 1885
Joseph F. Baker	"	Jan 13, 1886
Jesse King	"	Feb 27, 1886
J. P. Beldare	"	Apr 29, 1887
Lewis Far	"	May 17, 1887

SEQUOYAH DISTRICT

Name	Race	Date License	Remarks
Joseph H. Alexander	White	Feb 4, 1869	
Dr. Bell	"	Feb 13, 1881	
Jacob E. Barrow	"	Dec 9, 1875	
Jasper Chaney	"	Dec 7, 1887	Deserted his wife.

V. O. Crawford	"	Dec 27, 1879	
J. D. Cheek	"	Nov 13, 1885	
W. B. Cornelius	"	Jan 26, 1886	
Charles H. Evrett	"	June 20, 1876	
Joseph C. Grady	"	Oct 23, 1875	
Jerry Harris June	"	June 13, 1876	
David Gauff	"	Feb 3, 1884	
Nathan Melton	"	Mar 2, 1880	
George King	Creole	Nov 2, 1883	I recon.
Elish Mashus	White	Aug 29, 1879	
Wm. H. Turner	"	Nov 3, 1883	
B. McCalahan	"	Sept 14, 1879	
B. L. Summerhill	"	Sept 19, 1877	
Charles Norris	"	Mar 2, 1880	
John W. Harris	"	Aug 6, 1879	
A. C. Lessler	"	Oct 2, 1880	
Hugh Simpson	"	June 12, 1880	
H. E. Hope	"	Sept 3, 1881	
Wyatt McClane	Col.	Nov 1, 1881	
J. W. Statler	White	Jan 3, 1882	
Alex Dunn	"	Oct 26, 1881	
W. C. Nelson	"	June 17, 1883	
Irvan Marshall	"	June 1, 1883	
James A. Stipes	"	Mar 27, 1884	
John Stokes	"	Sept 11, 1878	
Geo. W. Gant	"	Nov 14, 1880	
Anson Wiltshire	"	Oct 10, 1883	
Wm. Oliver	"	Jan 16, 1884	
F. M. Davis	"	Aug 4, 1885	
Joseph Martindale	"	Dec 2, 1886	
R. E. Lee	"	Dec 2, 1886	
J. T. Steward	"	Jan 15, 1887	
Toodle John	"	May 2, 1887	
Joseph Peters	"	Aug 3, 1887	
Ben A. Jackson	"	Aug 22, 1887	
Thomas Thomas	"	Feb 18, 1876	
Harrison Lumham	"	Apr 16, 1887	

E. E. Kumpe	"	Mar __, 1878
Wm. L. Eaton	"	Aug 19, 1887
Charles Trammell	"	June 11, 1887

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G.A.R.: The Grand Army of the Republic was a society of men who had fought for the North in the Civil War. The organization was founded by Benjamin F. Stephenson on April 6, 1866, at Decatur, Ill. The society was founded to strength fellowship among men who fought to preserve the Union, to honor those killed in the war, to provide care of their dependents, and to uphold the Constitution. Membership was open to honorably discharged soldiers, sailors or marines of the Union forces who served between April 12, 1861, and April 9, 1865. Its last member died in 1955 and the organization was discontinued in 1956. The G.A.R. initiated the celebration of Memorial Day in the North by a general order issued by John A. Logan.

--Source Unknown

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Why Spinster?

An unmarried woman was called a spinster because women were once prohibited from marrying until they had spun a full set of bed furnishings. And so, until marriage, they spent much time at the spinning wheel and were called 'spinsters.'

--Jackson County Il. Hist. Soc.

MUSKOGEE TIMES-DEMOCRAT
Muskegee, Oklahoma, Saturday, April 29, 1916

BANDITS DIE AT HANDS OF POSSE

**With the Same Riot Guns Dave C. Smith Took from Muskogee County
When He Broke Jail a Year Ago, the Brothers Fired on Barger and
His Men—Possemen Not Injured—Bandits Possessed Safe-Blowing
Paraphernalia When Killed**

After trailing Joe and Dave Smith, Fugitives from justice, for slightly over one year, Officers shot and killed the two lawless brothers in the rocky hills eight miles northeast of Gore, Okla., today. When they discovered that they were trapped, the two men opened fire on the officers with rifles stolen from the county jail in Muskogee when Dave Smith and two other criminals broke jail April 12, 1915. The fighting lasted only a few minutes. Dave Smith was shot twice. One bullet penetrated his heart and he dropped from his horse, dead. Joe Smith received a bullet through the breast. He continued a running fight, although both he and his mount had received bullet wounds. Officers exchanged shots with the fleeing fugitive and not until the frightened horse had carried its rider a quarter of a mile away did Joe Smith fall to the road, dead, with a bullet in his brain.

Sheriff **John S. Barger** headed the posse of officers that left Muskogee last night at 7 o'clock. With Barger were Deputies **Warren Butz** and **B.G. Hughes** of Muskogee, Deputy **Henry Reese** of Fort Gibson, **W.E. Hufford** of Muskogee and **R.Vick** of Parsons, Kan. special officers of the M., K. and T. railway, and Town Marshal **Marlow** of Braggs. They were armed with high-powered rifles, shotguns and six-shooters.

The officers left Gore shortly after 10 o'clock last night on foot. They walked eight miles northeast until they were within three-quarters of a mile of the home of Al Byran, a farmer. The country in this vicinity (not legible) and prepared for a long wait.

Morning dawned and the officers did not stir from their hiding places. They had no food and although their bodies were cramped and chilled from their positions on the damp ground, they received no orders from Sheriff Barger to move. Eyes were trained on the farm house of Al Bryan. Not a living form was in sight around the cabin home.

At 11 o'clock today three men walked out of the Bryan house. They were the Smith brothers and Bryan. All saddled horses and started down the road which would lead them past the hiding places of Sheriff Barger and his men.

Not a word was spoken among the officers as the mounted trio covered the three-quarters of a mile. Fifteen times they had made the trip to this vicinity in efforts to entrap the fugitives in the past and they were prepared. They knew what was to be done when their efforts to capture the outlaws faced success.

Bryan and the Smith boys advanced. Bryan riding fifty feet in the lead. He was even to the hiding place of the officers when a voice came out of the bushes at the roadside--"Throw up your hands."

Up went Bryan's hands. Simultaneously the two Smiths grabbed at the high-powered rifles at their side. They were also armed with six-shooters.

The officers opened fire. Spurring their horses onward, the bandits returned the fire, but the plunging sorrels made their aim bad.

Officers armed with shotguns poured the small shot into the horses and their riders. A bullet from a high-powered rifle tore through the head of one of the horses directly behind the ear. The steed plunged.

Joe Smith was in the lead and closely followed by his brother. A bullet struck the latter in the side. He turned to his horse and jabbed the steed savagely with his spurs. As the animal leaped forward, a rifle bullet entered his side. At almost the same moment a bullet overtook Dave Smith, crashing through his skull. Horse and rider fell.

Joe Smith saw his brother fall. Emptying his six-shooter into the bushes at the roadside from which the deadly fire of the officers came, he sped away. He traveled about one-fourth of a mile when his limp body slid from the saddle.

Dave and Joe Smith, sons of Famous Smith, noted bandit of territorial days, were game to the last and when the officers reached the bodies lying in the road, life was extinct. Famous Smith is said to have killed more men than many of the more widely known outlaws of the old days. The same blood ran in Dave and Joe Smith. They shot to kill.

Dave Smith and his brother have been mentioned in connection with train robberies and holdups. On their dead bodies was found paraphernalia used by bank blowers.

Dave Smith and Cole Shoemake, both under eight-year sentences, and H.C. Burnett, under sentence of two years, broke out of the county jail here slightly over one year ago. They were being held in the county jail pending their removal to the state penitentiary at McAlester. They had planned to make the jail break a general delivery. Will Holloday, deserter from the Tenth negro cavalry of the United States army and under conviction on the charge of highway robbery, was the only prisoner to follow their lead.

Dave Smith was the leader in the escape. As Guard R.A. Payne unlocked the cell in which Smith, Shoemake and Burnett were imprisoned one of the prisoners hit him a crashing blow on the head. Payne was intending to lead the men to the large runaround in the jail.

The Men grabbed the guard's keys and made their way into the front office of the jail. Burnett cracked Jailer Cottingham over the head with an iron bar. Dave Smith grabbed Payne's revolver from the desk. Shoemake grabbed a Winchester and covered Jailer Cottingham. Smith rushed to the gun cabinet and battered in the door. Three high-powered rifles and three hundred rounds of ammunition were taken. The three men rushed from the jail and leaped into an automobile which happened to be standing in front

of the jail.

Cole Shoemake was shot in the right foot by a posse of officers in pursuit of the jailbreakers. He went to the home of Will Barnett, a farmer living near Warner, and telephoned his uncle, Dick Shoemake, that he was ready to surrender. Burnett was later captured. Both Shoemake and Burnett are now in the state penitentiary.

The search for Dave Smith continued. Friends endeavored to persuade him to give himself up. At one time he was in communication, indirectly, with Sheriff Barger. He wanted to compromise. No agreement was reached and the search continued.

Sheriff Barger has been hot on the trail of Dave Smith for several months. It was known that he had been joined by his brother, Joe, wanted in McIntosh county. A dozen times he has headed a posse of officers into the country where they attempted to trap the outlaws. Each time they were out-witted or had been given a "bum steer." Time after time, Muskogee county officers secretly crossed the county line into Sequoyah county while trailing the bandits.

Sheriff Barger will probably arrive in Muskogee tonight with the bodies of the two men. The sheriff's office here was in communication with one of the deputies who had walked into Gore in advance. He stated that the remaining officers would be delayed in bringing the bodies in to town until afternoon. It is understood that Bryan is in no way implicated with the Smiths in their many escapades and will not be held by Sheriff Barger.

The two Smith boys were between 24 and 30 years of age and single. Dave Smith had been implicated in several robberies and was convicted on the charge of burglarizing the Martin drug store in Porum, being sentenced to eight years in the state penitentiary.

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The subjects of this article, Joe and Dave Smith, were the sons of Famous Smith.

Famous Smith married Maud Vann, daughter of David Vann and Nancy Mackey. David Vann was a son of "Rich Joe" Vann and wife, Polly Black. Other children of Famous Smith were Eliza, Nan, Frank and Cherry.

The story on the following pages concern Famous Smith.

The above information was taken from an affidavit of George Vann (son of David Vann). The affidavit was attached to Guion Miller application #8756, completed by Robert P. Vann, December 17, 1906.

TIMES-DEMOCRAT-MUSKOGEE

FAMOUS WASN'T O'NERY - JUST WOULDN'T BE RUN-OVER; EARLY DAY KILLER'S LIFE

"Famous was no bad man as the old-timers knew bad men. He wasn't ornery: he was just a fighter," said William H. Barker, one of the Cherokee old-timers. The Times-Democrat was asking him about the old days generally, and particularly about Famous Smith, the father of Dave and Joe Smith, the young outlaws who were killed Friday by Sheriff Barger and posse.

A grim coincidence was recalled by Mr. Barker. He said that one of the killings attributed to Famous Smith was commonly said among the Cherokees at that time to have been done by John Brown, sheriff of one of the Cherokee districts. Brown had deputized Smith and they caught a man at Creek cove.

"This Creek-cove was just half a mile from where Famous Smith's boys were killed," said Mr. Barker. "I have never known whether Smith or Brown did the killing of the bad man in a fight there.

Race Rider

"Famous was a race rider," said Barker. "I think that accounts for some of his wild ways. He rode races until he got too heavy. I have ridden against him right here in Muskogee. We used to have races where Spaulding park now is.

"Smith married a sister of Bob Vann, a deputy sheriff. Mrs. Smith was a rather blond Cherokee and Smith showed his Indian Blood pretty strongly. He was born near Webbers Falls, about 1850, and he was always regarded as a pretty good citizen. He would shoot and shoot to kill, but he was never 'ornery'. I remember once there was a fellow named Foreman who was some bully. He had bluffed the boys a whole lot and one night at a dance he tried it on Famous. Famous wouldn't stand for it, boy as he was, and that bad man made tracks getting away from there.

First Killing.

"The first time I ever heard of Smith killing anybody was a fellow named Gentry, near Webbers Falls, in 1883 I think he scouted for about six years after that. He went to Panola county, Texas, and later over the Mexican line, and he and Alf Cunningham and Dick Scott and some more fellows went to Arizona once. I had been in Texas for several years and Smith asked me about the country. Afterward he had somebody write back here and his friends sent him his saddle and bridle and other traps.

"He got tired of scouting and was ready to give up. He was at his home near Webbers Falls when the deputies went after him. Of course in those days deputies had to make a show and it was always given out that they caught somebody. They may not have had a fight with Smith. Anyway, they took him to Fort Smith. There was a question of the jurisdiction of the court, it being claimed that Gentry was not a Cherokee but a Creek. I hustled up some affidavits.

Sentenced to be Hung.

"The court at Fort Smith sentenced Smith to be hanged. He stayed in jail there quite a while and finally he got sick. It

was said he had consumption and they turned him loose and he came home. He stayed around for several years. The government told him the officers would send for him when they wanted him, but they never did send.

"I think Smith died at Webbers Falls about three years ago."

In a Killing Here

"Smith was in the killing that Dick Vann pulled off here in 1886. H.B. Spaulding was the first man to reach Son Sixkiller after he was shot by Dick Vann. Vann, Cunningham and others scouted for several years.

"Famous really pulled off another killing that several other fellows claimed credit for. He was in a party that framed up to catch a horse thief and all-around outlaw named Felix Griffin. It was framed up by a lumberman named Smith that Griffin was to steal one of Vann's horses. Dick Scott was to fire a shotgun when it was time to act. The fellows let Griffin get into the stable to get the horse and Dick fired in the air. At the same time Griffin fell dead right in the stable. It was Smith who killed him. This lumberman, Smith and one of the Dalton gang, who was a deputy sheriff, had a fight not long after that and they killed each other.

Leading Horses.

"When Famous went to Texas I went down to the Canadian river and brought his horse and Frank Smith's horse back. Let me tell you that was no nice job. A man leading a horse or two around in those days was not a pleasant object and he was liable to fall over dead. I was pretty careful and got through, but I did not feel real happy."

Barker, who was born just across the Arkansas river from the city and who is now one of the city jailers was an officer in the Cherokee regime, being a member of council at one time and a deputy sheriff at other times. He knew many of the men who made bloody history in the old days, and he was a playful boy around Muskogee when there wasn't any Muskogee.

The family of Famous SMITH is found on the 1900 census of the Cherokee Indian Nation, Township 12N, Range 10E, Indian Population, now in Muskogee County. Family # 18 as follows:

Smith, Famous, husband 47 years old. Male b. Indian Territory
Maud, wife, 22 years old, female b. Ky (W)
Joseph, son, 24 years old, Male, b. Indian Territory
Eliza, daughter, 18 years old, female b. Indian Territory
Nannie, daughter, 16 years old, female b. Indian Territory
Frank, son, 13 years old, male b. Indian Territory
David, son, 11 years old, male b. Indian Territory
Cherrie, daughter, 8 years old, female b. Indian Territory

HISTORICAL REVIEW OF "PORUM"

Initial Genesis of "Porum" started with establishment of "Porum Gap" - which was located two miles west of the present town. The second attempt was at a point just over two miles east of the present town, and this was Starvilla. After the Railroad came into this area, the town moved over closer to it and the present location was settled. It was called by its present name Porum.

This name has been the subject of much inquiry, and it was the name proposed by Sam T. Davis, after completion of the Midland Valley Railroad through this location.

Its generic significance is "opportunity" and is fitting for the bounteous condition nature has bestowed upon the country surrounding the town.

The name is derived from the name of a gifted friend of Davis, a Cherokee, known in his tribal relations as "OO-LA-SODA", in English - Porum, anglicized for convenience in his representative capacity, He was known in Washington D.C., as Porum Davis. OO-LA-SODA died sometime in the winter of 1866-67, and we celebrate his remembrance now, as the century mark passes this town and its origin.

INCORPORATION DATE

In 1905 the incorporation procedure was completed in the United States Court at Muskogee, and on the first day of May the first election was held, and on the ninth of that same month, the first meeting of the "First Town Council" was held.

It was called to order in the second story of the, then, "Shoemake Building" and the newly elected officers were sworn in over a desk improvised of rough oak boards and held up by cement barrels, while the recorder wrote down the proceedings on the smooth end of a dry goods box. The Shoemake building stands today. Much controversy was witnessed during these birth years. Finally, in May 1908, the city threw off the mantle of "Municipal Government" under that old federal regime, and took up governmental Duties under the new state government. February 7, 1911 - the Revel Building burned with all the city records of incorporation. A few ordinance books in the hands of local citizens remained. Some records of transactions were saved by Mr. Miks, but the clerk's books were destroyed.

In September of 1908, the board of Trustees authorized the town attorney to revise the ordinances and publish them. The signature noted on this is Steve C. Cavender - 1909.

This review was copied verbatim from "Excerpts from Thesis of Mrs. Evelyn (Mrs. J.L.) Moore, Jr., teacher at Porum. The thesis was done at Northeastern State College, Tahlequah, OK. Its title is "Community Project of Porum".

The following was copied as written from the front blank page of Ten Dialogues on the Effects of Ardent Spirits, published by the American Tract Society, 150 Nassau Street, New York. n.d. (In possession of Mrs. Hazel Vann, Muskogee, Ok.)

Lucy Robeson

R. M. Fields was born Aug. 3rd, 1855

Nancy Perdew wife of John Robinson was Born - May the 16th, 1848
and Married to John Robinson July the 7th 1867

Samuel Robinson Was borned Oct. the 10th, 1872

Dora Roberson was born Nov. 24th, 1874

Charles Robeson born Dec. 2, 1878

Eliza Roberson Apr. 8, 18

John Robeson Oct. 13, 1885

Margarette Robertson Born Aug. 6th, 1883

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The Cherokee Nation - Canadian District

24th day of April 1877

J. W. Crittenden granted Letters of Guardianship on the Estate of minors, viz. George, aged 15 years, Abraham 12 years, and Andrew aged 10 years, children of Thos. Crittenden late of said Dist., Deceased.

29 day of April, 1880

John C. Brown appointed Guardian for the minor Bathsheba Brown

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ATTENTION: If you have Bible records, baptismal certificates, marriage licenses, obituaries, newspaper clippings with genealogical information, etc., of the Muskogee area prior to 1930, please send a copy to us along with the name and address of the person who has possession of the items. We will publish them in the Quarterly. There may be distant relatives looking for those very documents.

20th Century U.S. Military Records

By Myra Vanderpool Gormley
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Sometimes we are so eager to find "old" records that we do skimpy research on the generations closest to us. Clues to untangling your pedigree may be buried in the military records of your father and grandfathers and their brothers.

Three major military conflicts have occurred in the first half of this century in which your ancestors may have participated. These include the Philippine Insurrection (1899-1902), World War I (1914-1918) and World War II (1939-1945). With this issue, we will focus on the Philippine records.

There is an alphabetical list of the names of the volunteer soldiers who served. This index gives name of soldier, rank and unit or units in which served. Contrary to procedures for previous wars the unit designations do not include the name of a state or territory in the official name. As a result unit designations will not provide you with a clue to the residence of a soldier.

These records are on microfilm available through National Archives (film group M972, Rolls 1-24) or order through LDS (Mormon) Branch Genealogical Libraries -- LDS film numbers begin with 1,002,559 (A-Baz through 1,002,582 (Wi-Z).

Once you find the soldier's name in this index, order copies of his actual service record from National Archives on the famous NATF Form 80. [Ed. note: the Muskogee Co. Gene. Soc. has some of these forms available]

Veterans of this war did not receive pension benefits until 1922. These pension records are interfiled with claims based on military service since 1861, and the index to these records are on microfilm and available through the LDS libraries as well as the National Archives.

If the index card refers to "miscellaneous personal papers" it means no compiled service records exist for the person. The pension records of the Philippine Insurrection have not been microfilmed. To obtain a copy of these records write to the National Archives. In some cases, the pension record may be in the custody of the Veterans Administration -- the National Archives staff will inform you if this is the case with the record you desire.

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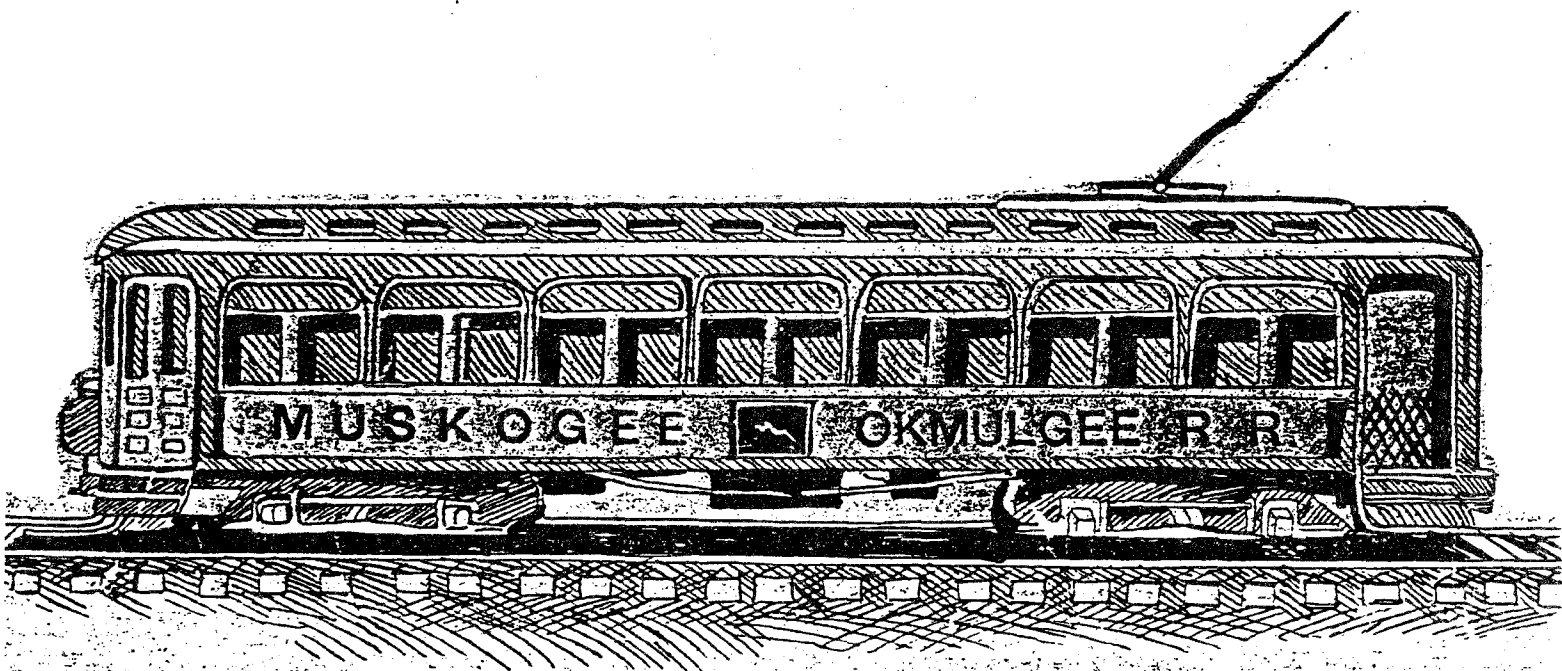
In the Muskogee Public Library, Verticle Files, Grant Foreman Room, a large envelope is marked: Letter sent to Viola Warren, Gen'l Del. Muskogee, from V.A., Kansas, May 7, 1935: William, Henry C. C-1 503 034. Died Saturday May 4, 1935 - a brother. In the envelope were two newspaper articles, but no date nor name of newspaper.

"Home From the Philippines" R.E. Williams has Seen Three Years Service in the Islands - R.E. Williams who is strictly a Territory boy, and a brother of Charley William of this city, has returned from the Philippines after three years of service in the regular army. Mr. Williams was born in Fort Gibson, reared in Tahlequah, and his parents now reside in Wagoner.

Mr. Williams enlisted in Company L Eighteenth Infantry regulars at Fort Worth, TX in '99 and was honorably discharged on the 29th of March, 1902. Nearly all of that time he has spent in the islands. Mr. Williams saw some hard fighting. He has had enough of the Philippines and does not expect to ever return. He was sick a great deal and came near dying while there. He says there is money to be made there, but it takes capital to get started. Most of the men in his regiment came home as soon as they were discharged. Mr. Williams goes to Wagoner this afternoon to visit his parents and will probably go into business there."

The other article stated:

Henry C. Williams who enlisted in Company A, 23rd regiment from the Indian Territory arrived in Wagoner yesterday morning after three years service in the Philippines. His brother, R.E. Williams arrived home a few days ago. The boys are visiting their father, Robert Williams, and their sister, Mrs.W.T. Canup. Besides the experience of three years army service Henry has made a trip around the world. Since enlisting, the boys have endured many hardships and passed through dangerous scenes. The friends of the boys are glad to see them safely at home again.



An Extension of the Muskogee Street Railroad Will Soon be Made to Okmulgee - 1909

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