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Our Society celebrated its second anniversary in August. We are very proud to say that we have a copy machine, and its paid for. We have added to our library and have a lease with Goodland Presbyterian Children's home. We have a microfiche reader and AGLL membership. Many non-members from out of state have taken an interest and have sent copies of publications from their societies. We are changing our meeting Day, but not the time or place. No more Thursdays, now its the third Saturday in each month We sure hope that everyone who wanted the change now come to the meetings. The second Cemetery book is done, and we have enumerated over 40 cemeteries in the County. Member David Dearinger has done a superb-job and spent many a lonely night with funeral home records. We will have an index of all burials in the County available in our Library, also Thanks to David. If we haven't published the Cemetery you are looking for, call or Fax David. This is the last issue in which excerpts of the Goodland Book will appear, if you want more, the book is available for Sale from, again David Dearinger at Goodland 405-326-7568. We are sending post cards to members in Oklahoma reminding them about the change in meeting day on a one time basis. If your out of State, your on your own. Happy Turkey Day, Merry Christmas, & Happy New Year. May God bless your Holiday Season one and all. Our next newsletter is in 1997. Newly elected (for the second time) President, Lila Douglas Swink, DAR.

#### Choctaw County Genealogical Society

The Choctaw County Genealogy Society, HC 79 Box 70/P.O. Box 1056, Hugo, OK 74743 was formed in July of 1995. The Choctaw County Court House has *no records* prior to statehood in 1907. Some pre-statehood records are available in the Pushmataha County Court House in Antlers. Birth and Death Certificates in Oklahoma are available from; The Oklahoma State Department of Health, Vital Statistics, P O Box 53551, OK City, OK 73152 for \$10.00. The Choctaw County Library has County Newspapers on Microfilm dating back to 1907. The Oklahoma Historical Society will search for \$12.00 for a person in their archives. OHS, 2100 N. Lincoln Blvd., OK City, OK 73105-4997. Member Jaynie Knight, P. O. Box 114, Sawyer, OK 74756, will do research in the County for \$5.00 per hr. For further information regrding the C.C.G.S. FAX 405-326-7569, http://www2.lstarnet.com/davelee or davelee@1starnet.com.

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CHEYENNE-ARAPAHO BOARDING SCHOOL	1926-29
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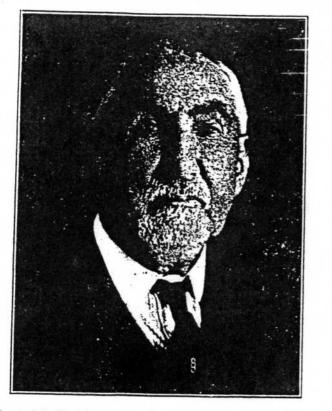
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Capt. W. S. Ray.



Capt. W. S. Wray was born in Orange County, North Calolina, in 1844, and while a boy his family moved to Tennessee and settled near the old Shiloh Church, afterwards made famous by the battle of Shiloh, fought between the armies of the Civil War. Capt. Ray left McNairy County, Tenn., with the first Confederate company organized there, while he was not yet 17. His command was the 15th Tennessee Regiment, Infantry. His first service was in Tennessee, Missouri and Kentucky, engaged in the battles of Belmont and Shiloh. Later, he was placed under

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Capt. Smith as a scout, and served with that officer in West Tennessee for more than a year, and while in this service was in the battles of Okolona, Paducah and Fort Pillow. In 1864 Capt Ray was transferred, with others, to Johnson's army which was then near Dalton, Ga., and had part in all the battles of the Georgia campaign from Dalton to Lovejoy Station. After Hood's return from Tennessee, he rejoined the 16th Tennessee Cavalry, where he served until he was parolled at Corinth, May 15th, 1865. In 1908, he moved to Idabel, this county, and lived here until his death in October, 1920. Capt. Ray was a man whom to know was to love, and the State and county lost a good citizen and a Christian gentleman, at his death. His descendants are today among the best citizens of McCurtain County.

#### Dr. J. D. Bledsoe.

Dr. J. D. Bledsoe, Idabel, born in Carroll County, May 31st, 1838, educated in the common schools and had one year in college. He enlisted in the Confederate army in Anderson County, Tenn., in June, 1861, Company G, 55th Tennessee Regiment, under command of Gen. Joseph E. Johnson, and served during the war east of the Mississippi River. At the battle of Atlanta, he was wounded in the right hand, resulting in the loss of the thumb and index finger. Was taken as a prisoner at Tiptonville. He was discharged at Nashville in 1865. Dr. Bledsoe is still active but his eyesight has failed to such an extent that he cannot read very well even with a reading glass. He has not practiced his profession since coming to Oklahoma in 1907.

#### J. C. Hutcheson.

J. C. Hutcheson, of Haworth, was born in Mississippi in 1842, enlisted in the Confederate service at Clarksville, Texas, in 1862, in Company F, Whitfield's Regiment,

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and served in the army of Tennessee. He was at home on furlough when reace was declared in 1865, and never received a formal discharge. However, he is pensioned by the State Government of Texas, as that State has been his residence for more than a half century. He spends much of his time with his children in this State, among whom is Pat Hutcheson of Haworth. The old fellow doesn't get about very lively, but he is jolly and companionable.



W. S. Brookes, of Valliant, Okla., an old Confederate solider and a member of the First Arkansas Cavalry, enlisted in the Confederate service in 1864, when a mere boy. When Gen. Lee surrendered in 1865, he went to

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Helena and surrendered with his batallion. Mr. Brookes is the father of our fellow-townsman, F. M. Brookes, who for many years was the efficient court clerk of McCurtain County. He is a well-preserved man and is now in splendid health, active and takes great interest in current events. He is loud in his praises of Oklahoma for her generous support of the old heroes of the Southland, and compliments the author of this work for his interest and efforts in trying to preserve the salient features of the country's history. Mr. Brookes was born in Yallabusha County, Miss., in 1847, and is now in his 77th year.

#### Claiborn M. Woods.

Claiborn M. Woods was born September 18th, 1841, in Sabine Parish, La., enlisted in the Confederate service at Mansfield, La., with Company B, April 1st, 1862, Col. Landry's Regiment, Allen Thomas' Brigade, Buckner's Division. Was discharged at Natchitoches, La., in 1865. Mr. Woods carries his four score of years easily, and doesn't fail to speak his appreciation of his adopted State's care for the old soldiers of the South.

#### M. D. Waddle.

M. D. Waddle, born in Cobb County, Georgia, in October, 1840, raised on a farm, and at the age of 21 volunteered for service in the Confederate army in Calhoun County, Alabama, in 1861, by enlisting in Company I, 25th Alabama Infantry, Withers Division. He was in the Army of Tennessee under Hood, and was in the battle of Shiloh. Mr. Waddle is in his 83rd year, and having had a leg broken when a boy, he limps a little and carries a cane, but he is still active and alert. Like many others of his old comrades, he lives with his children, some of whom are in Texas, but he claims Oklahoma as his home.

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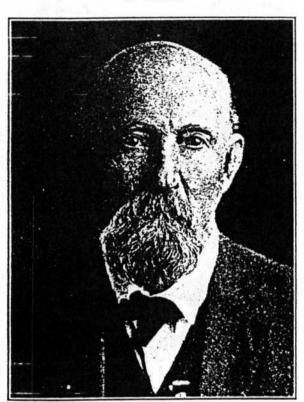
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C. Reed, was born August 14th, 1844, near Columbia, Ga. Was a member of Terrell's Artillery, an independent company, subject to the orders of Gen. Lee. Captain of his company was Edgar G. Dawren, of Sparta, Ga. He enlisted in Columbia, Ga., at the age of 17, April 26th, 1862, and surrendered at Greensboro, N. C., April 26th, 1865, thus giving three years of boyhood to his country and the cause that he believed was right.

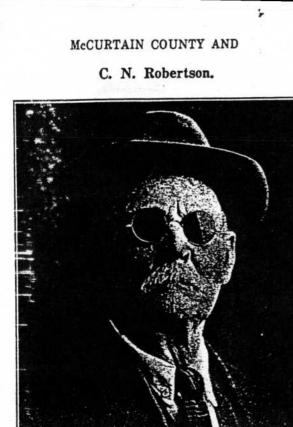
Notwithstanding his 78 years, Mr. Reed is still active and spends his time with his children who delight in catering to his comfort and enjoyment in life. He makes his home with his daughter, Mrs. James H. Crook of Idabel, and is a member of Ben McCullough Camp, U. C. V., No. 1748.



W. G. Fail, born in Alabama in 1839. Had one year at the University of Alabama and three years at the University of Virginia, which at that time was a military institution, and considered the best school in the United States, except West Point. He enlisted in infantry in 1861, but later joined Company D, Cavalry, Hagan's Regiment, under Joe Wheeler's command.

Mr. Fail has devoted practically all of his time to the school room since the end of his army service, and now, with his children and his good wife, is enjoying the fruits of a well-spent life—a ripe old age and a clear conscience.

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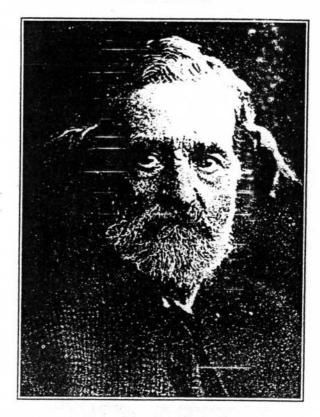
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C. N. Robertson was born in Wade County, North Carolina. August 13th, 1845, raised on a farm till he was 18 years old and then entered the Confederate army, enlisting at Camden, Ark., in the artillery service, in May, 1862, Blocker's Battalion, Trans-Mississippi Department. After a three years' term of service, he was discharged in Louisiand in May, 1865. Mr. Robertson lives in Idabel but spends much of his time among his different children in Oklahoma and Texas. He is a member of Ben Mc-Cullough Camp, Idabel, Okla., and for his age is very active and alert.

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B. R. Jacobs.



B. R. Jacobs was born in Pike County, Ark., in 1840, raised on a farm and has followed that occupation all of his long and interesting life. He came to McCurtain County in 1898 and settled upon Lukfata Creek where he lived for several years, then moved over on Mountain Fork River near Hochatown. He is the father of eleven children—8 boys and 3 girls—only 5 of whom are living. His services as a Confederate soldier were confined to the campaigns west of the Mississippi and included the battles of Elkhorn, Wilson's Creek, or as otherwise known, Oak Hill, and other battles. He was discharged at Washington, Ark., in April, 1865. Notwithstanding his 83 years of life Mr. Jacobs is still active and frequently walks 20 and 30 The following notices are on microfilm at the Choctaw County Library They appeared in the Hugo Husonian Newspaper on dates noted.

Death

Feb 27, 1908: Died Friday (the Friday before date): Joel Spring.

Toursday , August 6 1908: Mabel Spring, wife of the late Joel Spring. Buried Spring Chapel Cemetery

August 2, 1908: Died at Sulphur, OK. D. B. Davenport

3 Sept. 1908: Died the Friday before at Ft. Smith, Ar. Tim Graham, J. W. Thomas, George Ballard.

3 Sept 1908: Died the Saturday before: Thomas Goad, Fort Towson.

Between 29 Oct and 12 November 1908: Stewart Marean, 10 years old. Son of J. B. Marean.

Thursday, 12 Nov 1908: Died the Saturday before--Charles Griffin, negro of Grant.

November 28, 1908: Died, last Thursday J. H. Roark, about 50.

Thursday,31 December 1908: Died at Choate Springs, H. C. Bashum, Tuesday.

Thursday,31 December 1908: Died Monday Flora J. Hunn.

Thursday 13 May 1909: A. W. (Hon) Holden--on Friday

Thursday 13 May 1909. Died, Monday--Sam Fulson, negro.

Thursday 20 May 1911: Reverend William Madison Akins.

22 June 1911 Died Monday--Infant son of M and M. John Steeple

22 June 1911: Stranger found drowned at Spencerville.

29 June 1911: Kate Johnson, wife of Hoyt Johnson died at Paris,TX

Thursday 6 July 1911m., W. H. Harris

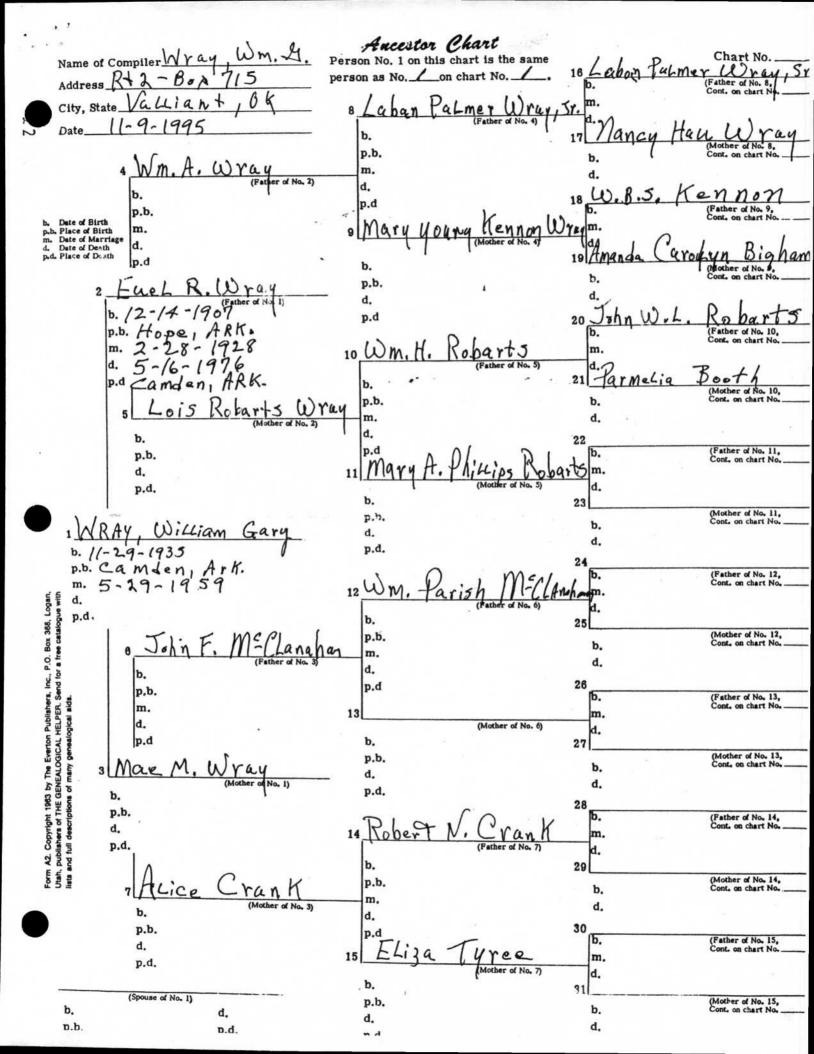
July 13, 1911 : Thursday, Henry Jones killed Saturday in Crowder Prairie. July 20, 1911: Captain Joseph W. Everidge of Grant died in Hot Springs July 20, 1911: died Saturday July 15, 1911 John L. Pounds August 8, 1911: Mrs. M.E. Curtis of Overton, Texas died Monday August 2, 1911 : Robert Sherlock died at Sawyer August 17,1911 : Died between Thursday -Tuesday \_ \_ Wallace of Ft. Towson August 17,1911 : Jack Johnson drowned between Sunday-Thursday August 11, 1911 : R.L. Kirkbride , former resident of Hugo, in Pueblo, Mexico August 24, 1911: John Scheffen from Springfield, Missouri, died near Garfield , Ark. between Monday-Thursday August 24, 1911 : Dr. J.E. Cofer died in Paris on Tuesday August 31, 1911: John McAfee, Negro of Grant died on Friday August 31, 1911: Austin, 10 month old son of Mr. & Mrs. A.M. Meril died Friday September 14, 1911: Ethel B. Richardson died on Monday September 14, 1911: Mrs. M.D. Milsap of Greenville died in Hugo September 11, 1911: Infnant son of Mr. & Mrs. W. I. Tucker on Friday September 11, 1911 : 16 year old son of Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Mc Conn. died Sundau September 11, 1911: Ora Short, now in Ardmore, died Sunday afternoon September 28, 1911: Veva Chandler, 13-month old daughter of Mr. & Mrs. George Chandler died on Friday November 30, 1911: Frank Marks died between Monday -Thursday November 30, 1911: 7 year old daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Jack Bayse of Boswell, died -

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Ancestors of Elizabeth Pearl Ward

