



## Robert M. Price Family



Robert M. Price Family  
Hugo, Indian Territory, 1902

Wife, Fannie D. (Dennis) Price (28 Nov 1869 - 13 Feb 1912)  
Daughters, Beulah V. (1891- ), Florence (1893-1982), Mary H. (1898- ), Lenna Lee (1901-1982)

contributed by Curtis Price

We were recently sent a family photograph of the Robert M. Price family by Curtis Price.

Robert M. Price was the first contractor in Hugo, coming here from Bonham, Texas.

He first married Fannie D. Dennis and had four daughters. Beulah V., Claire Florence, Mary H., and Lenna Lee.

Fannie died of tuberculosis in 1912 and was buried in Springs Chapel cemetery.

Robert then married Mrs. Mattie (Eddleman) Cloyd, who is buried at Mt. Olivet.



Fannie D. Price  
Springs Chapel Cemetery

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**This weekend's forecast shows 0% chance of cooking or cleaning with a good chance of sitting in my pajamas chasing ancestors.**

## Chahta Anumpa (Choctaw Language)

### Choctaw Language Rules

#### Rule 6

Double yy is written iy after o and a.

yaiya = cry

baiyi = white oak

hoiyokli = to finally catch

haiyip = pond

oiya = climb

kaiya = to full

#### Rule 7

Usually owa and owi were written oa and oi; also iya and iyo were written ia and io.

nukwiya = bashful

taloa = to sing

kiyo = not

kania = to leave or be lost

nukoa = mad

fiopa = to breathe

nia = fat

fowi = bee

lua = burn

kowi = lion

ia = to go

Click on any of the Choctaw words in red above to hear an audio clip from [ChoctawSchool.com](http://ChoctawSchool.com)  
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# Upcoming Events



## Research Library

The Choctaw County Genealogical Society maintains a Research Library in the Heritage Room of the Donald W. Reynolds Library at 703 E. Jackson Street, Hugo, Oklahoma. The Heritage Room is available during library hours. We do ask that you sign in at the library front desk as well as sign our guestbook located on the Society desk. No food or drink is allowed.

Children under the age of 12 who enter the Heritage room must be under constant supervision of an adult. Children are not allowed to handle any genealogical materials or equipment in the Heritage room. Children are required to be respectful of other researchers by not being loud or otherwise disruptive. Any child being loud, using Heritage room research materials or equipment, or disruptive in any way will be asked to leave the Heritage room.

## April (Tek I Hvshi - Month of the Women)

- 4th - CCGS Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 22nd - Earth Day
- 29th - Arbor Day

## May (Bihi Hvshi - Mulberry Month)

- 2nd - CCGS Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 8th - Mother's Day
- 21st - Armed Forces Day
- 30th - Memorial Day

## June (Bissa Hvshi - Blackberry Month)

- 6th - CCGS Meeting, 6:30 p.m.
- 19th - Father's Day
- 20th - Summer Begins

## July (Kvfi Hvshi - Sassafrass Month)

- 4th - Independence Day
- 11th - CCGS Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

Library Hours	
Monday, Tuesday & Thursday	9am - 7pm
Wednesday & Friday	9am - 6pm
Saturday	9am - 2pm
Sunday	Closed



## Veteran Spotlight



**Charles Alford Miles**

**PFC U.S. Army Korea - Killed in Action**

Charles Alford Miles was born June 1, 1931 to Isiah & Lillian Miles and was raised in the Boswell area.

Private First Class Miles was a member of the 2nd Replacement Company, 2nd Infantry Division. He was killed in action while fighting the enemy in South Korea on September 20, 1950. Private First Class Miles was awarded the Purple Heart, the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Korean Service Medal, the National Defense Service Medal and the Korean War Service Medal.

Charles is buried in the Mayhew Cemetery near Boswell, Oklahoma.

Service Info Source: Korean War Veterans Honor Roll

## J. B. Jeter Family

### Parents of J. B. Jeter

James & Selena Jeter

### Parents of Sarah Evelyn Oakes

Thomas Wilson Oakes & Harriett Newall Everidge

### **Joshua B. Jeter**

B. 7 Aug 1852 , Montgomery, Alabama

D. 8 Aug 1927, Atlas, Choctaw, Oklahoma

### **Sarah Evelyn Oakes**

B. 5 Jun 1861, Goodwater, Choctaw Nation, I. T.

D. 14 Mar 1947, Stamford, Texas

Married

Nov 1877 Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory

Both Buried

Soper Cemetery, Soper, Choctaw, Oklahoma

### **Children:**

#### **Gertrude Jeter**

B. Abt. 1878 Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory

D. 27 Aug 1907 Paris, Lamar, Texas

Buried: Orchard of Childhood Home

Choctaw County, Oklahoma

Spouse: Rev. G. A. Lovett

#### **Fannie Belle Jeter**

B. 12 Feb 1886 Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory

D. 7 Dec 1895 Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory

Buried: Oakes Cemetery,

Frogville, Choctaw, Oklahoma

#### **Hattie Jeter**

B. 11 Jun 1880 Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory

D. 4 Mar 1976

Buried: IOOF Cemetery

Norman, Cleveland, Oklahoma

Spouse: John F. Larecy

#### **William Whitney Jeter**

B. 19 Jul 1888 Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory

D. 5 Nov 1944 San Juan, Hidalgo, Texas

Buried: Shannon Rose Hill Memorial Park

Fort Worth, Tarrant, Texas

Spouse: Katherine Suggs

#### **Samuel Tilden Jeter**

B. 20 Feb 1882 Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory

D. 22 Dec 1885 Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory

Buried: Oakes Cemetery,

Frogville, Choctaw, Oklahoma

#### **Bonnie B. Jeter**

B. 11 Aug 1890 Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory

D. 3 Jul 1891 Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory

Buried: Oakes Cemetery

Frogville, Choctaw, Oklahoma

#### **James Thomas Jeter**

B. 2 Jan 1885 Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory

D. 11 Oct 1912 Kerrville, Kerr, Texas

Buried: Manor Cemetery

Manor, Travis, Texas

Spouse: Jesse

#### **Olive Mae Jeter**

B. 6 Oct 1895 Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory

D. 21 Oct 1976

Buried: Highland Cemetery

Stamford, Haskell, Texas

Spouse: (1) J. T. Coleman

(2) Grover Barton

Note: Joshua B. Jeter's middle name has been documented as Blasengame and Billings.

### Joshua Billings Jeter

[Choctaw]



J. B. Jeter

This gentleman was born at Wetumka, Alabama in August, 1852 and was educated at Central Institute, Alabama, and Shilo Academy, near Paris, Tex. He came to Kiamichi county, Choctaw Nation, in 1872, and there commenced teaching public school, which profession he followed until 1884. In that year he was elected district trustee of Third district, and held the office for two years. In 1886, when Thompson McKinney was a candidate for principal chief, J. B. Jeter was elected to the senate from Kiamichi county. He was the second white citizen who had ever been elected to the Choctaw legislature; but no sooner had he taken his seat among the law-makers than they forced him to retire, appointing John Martin, from the same county, in his place. Mr. Jeter had voted the wrong ticket that year. Two years later he might have taken his seat without a majority opposition.

The subject of this sketch obtained his citizenship through marriage with Sarah E. Oakes, second daughter of J. W. Oakes.\* The issue of their marriage is six children — Gertrude E., Harriet S., James T., Francis B., William W., and Bonnie B.

Mr. Jeter owns one hundred acres in farm, fifty head of cattle, one hundred and fifty hogs, and an interest in three undeveloped coal claims. He is a young man in excellent education, intelligent, bright, and of good moral character, a Mason and a member of the Presbyterian church. He was appointed coal weigher for the Nation on the Choctaw Coal and Railway Co.

\* Sarah E. Oakes was the daughter of T. W. Oakes, not J. W. Oakes.

Source: H. F. O'Beirne, *Leaders and Leading Men of the Indian Territory with Interesting Biographical Sketches, Vol. I, Choctaws and Chickasaws*; (1891) PDF download, *Internet Archive* (<https://archive.org/> : downloaded 25 Oct 2015)

# Featured Family

TRIBAL ENROLLMENT: Kiamitia COUNTY: \_\_\_\_\_  
 DISTRICT OFFICER: Wilson D. J.

## Choctaw Nation Choctaw Roll

(Not Including Freedmen)

CARD No. \_\_\_\_\_  
FIELD No. 1492

Date of Enrollment	No.	NAME	Relation to Person First Named	AGE	SEX	BLOOD	TRIBAL ENROLLMENT			TRIBAL ENROLLMENT OF PARENTS					
							Year	County	No.	Name of Father	Year	County	Name of Mother	Year	County
1896	1	Jeter, Joshua B.	son	47	M	1/2	1896	Kiamitia	1492	James Jeter	Dead	Mar. 1877	Silena Jeter	Dead	Mar. 1877
1896	2	Sarah E.	Wife	38	F	1/2	1896	"	7080	Thomas W. Oakes	"	"	Harriet Oakes	1896	Kiamitia
1896	3	Leptude	Daughter	21	"	1/2	1896	"	7081	No. 1			No. 2		
1896	4	Hattie	"	19	"	1/2	1896	"	7082	No. 1			No. 2		
1896	5	James J.	son	15	M	1/2	1896	"	7083	No. 1			No. 2		
1896	6	William W.	"	11	"	1/2	1896	"	7084	No. 1			No. 2		
1896	7	Oliver M.	Daughter	4	F	1/2	1896	"	7085	No. 1			No. 2		
<b>ENROLLMENT</b> <small>OF THE CHOCTAW NATION</small> <small>APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY</small> <small>OF THE INTERIOR</small> Dec. 17, 1902.							No. 1 on 1896 roll as Joshua B. Jeter No. 5 " 1896 " " Thomas Oakes No. 6 " 1896 " " William "								
<b>ENROLLMENT</b> <small>OF THE CHOCTAW NATION</small> <small>APPROVED BY THE SECRETARY</small> <small>OF THE INTERIOR</small> Sep. 17, 1903.							No. 7 " 1896 " " Oliver M. "								
							See statement of No. 1 regarding his marriage hereto attached								
							No. 1 was admitted as an intermarried citizen in 1896 by Bureau Commission Choctaw based on appeal which was made on 70 (Sep. 26 '96) Card No. 153.								
							Date of Application for Enrollment: 8/9/99								

Pictured above:  
 J. B. Jeter Household  
 Dawes Application No.  
 1492 (Fold3.com)

Pictured left:  
 J. B. Jeter & Sarah Oakes  
 Marriage Reference  
 Dawes Packet No. 1492,  
 p. 8 (Fol3.com)

Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes,  
 Goodland, Indian Territory.

In the matter of the enrollment of J. B. Jeter as an  
 intermarried citizen of the Choctaw Nation; being sworn and exam-  
 ined by Commissioner McKennon, he testifies as follows:

Q Your name is J. B. Jeter? A Yes sir.  
 Q You were married to Sarah Oakes? A Yes sir.  
 Q About November 13th, 1877? A Right about that time, yessir.  
 Q Your original license, you say, and certificate of marriage  
 were burned, when? A Third day of October, 1896, I believe  
 it was, when Spencer Academy was burned.  
 Q Were you then at Spencer Academy? A Yes sir, I was then  
 acting Superintendent.

Department of the Interior,  
 Commission to the Five Civilized Tribes.

I hereby certify, upon my official oath as  
 stenographer to above named Commission, that this  
 transcript is a true, full and correct translation of  
 my stenographic notes.  
*M. D. Green*



# Featured Family

TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS  
STANDARD CERTIFICATE OF DEATH

52311

1. PLACE OF DEATH  
STATE OF Texas  
COUNTY OF Hidalgo  
CITY OR  
PRESET NO. San Juan GIVE STREET AND NUMBER OR NAME OF INSTITUTION

2. FULL NAME OF DECEASED William Whitney Jeter

LENGTH OF RESIDENCE WHERE DEATH OCCURRED 2 YEARS 5 MONTHS      DAYS. (SOCIAL SECURITY NO. 461-09-8392)

RESIDENCE OF DECEASED STREET 9th & Lincoln CITY San Juan COUNTY Hidalgo STATE     

PERSONAL AND STATISTICAL PARTICULARS		MEDICAL PARTICULARS	
3. SEX <u>M</u>	4. COLOR OR RACE <u>W</u>	17. DATE OF DEATH <u>November 5, 1944</u>	18. I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I ATTENDED THE DECEASED FROM <u>Nov-5-1944</u> TO <u>    </u> 194 <u>4</u>
5. SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED OR DIVORCED (WRITE THE WORD) <u>Married</u>	6. DATE OF BIRTH <u>July 19, 1888</u>	I LAST SAW <u>her</u> ALIVE ON <u>Nov-5-</u> 194 <u>4</u>	THE DEATH OCCURRED ON THE DATE STATED ABOVE AT <u>12:30A</u> M.
7. AGE <u>56</u> YEARS <u>3</u> MONTHS <u>16</u> DAYS IF LESS THAN 1 DAY HOURS <u>    </u> MIN <u>    </u>	8A. TRADE, PROFESSION OR KIND OF WORK DONE <u>Insurance</u>	THE PRIMARY CAUSE OF DEATH WAS: <u>Coronary Occlusion</u> <u>1hr.</u>	
8B. INDUSTRY OR BUSINESS IN WHICH ENGAGED <u>    </u>	9. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) <u>Oklahoma</u>	CONTRIBUTORY CAUSES WERE <u>    </u>	
10. NAME <u>J. B. Jeter</u>	11. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) <u>Alabama</u>	IF NOT DUE TO DISEASE, SPECIFY WHETHER: ACCIDENT, SUICIDE, OR HOMICIDE	
12. MAIDEN NAME <u>Sarah Oakes</u>	13. BIRTHPLACE (STATE OR COUNTRY) <u>Oklahoma</u>	DATE OF OCCURRENCE	
14. SIGNATURE <u>Mrs. W. W. Jeter</u>	ADDRESS <u>San Juan</u> TEXAS	PLACE OF OCCURRENCE	
15. PLACE OF BURIAL OR REMOVAL <u>Ft. Worth</u> TEXAS	DATE <u>November 6, 1944</u>	MANNER OR MEANS IF RELATED TO OCCUPATION OF DECEASED, SPECIFY <u>no.</u>	
16. SIGNATURE <u>Donald Jeter</u>	ADDRESS <u>Donna,</u> TEXAS	SIGNATURE <u>R. W. Pence</u> M.D.	
20. FILE NUMBER <u>1037</u>	FILE DATE <u>Nov 6</u> 194 <u>4</u>	SIGNATURE OF LOCAL REGISTRAR <u>R. E. Savage</u>	
		POSTOFFICE ADDRESS <u>San Juan</u> TEXAS	

NOTE THE INFORMATION CALLED FOR ON THE REVERSE SIDE

## William Whitney Jeter - Death Certificate

Source: Texas Death Certificates, 1903-1982 (Ancestry.com)



## Featured Family

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### **Girtrude Lovett**

A Good Woman Gone

Mrs. Lovett Dies At The Akin Hospital in Paris Tuesday

The Soper Herald August 29, 1907 – transcribed by Ron Henson

Mrs. Girtrude [sic] Lovett, (nee Jeter) who had been confined to her bed since the 8th of June, died Tuesday afternoon at the Akin Hospital.

She left her home in Boswell in June and came to the home of her parents where a loving mother and father could take better care of her, but she gradually grew worse until it was decided to take her to the hospital and and [sic] have an operation preformed. She was carried to Paris Sunday morning and seemed to stand the trip very well and on Monday she was greatly improved. Tuesday at noon a telephone message was received here stating that she was not expected to live. Whitney Jeter left immediately, but she died before he arrived. She bore her afflictions patiently and heroically, and was cheerful and hopeful to the end.

She was the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.B. Jeter, and [print faded and unreadable] ... member of the Methodist church and was a great worker and of great assistance to Bro. Lovett in his work of saving souls for Christ.

She was married to Rev. G.A. Lovett September the 5th, 1905 at the age of 27 years. Her married life was a brief, but a happy one.

During her long illness Bro. Lovett waited upon her lovingly and faithfully and all that medical skill could do was done to save save [sic] this good woman, but to no avail.

The remains were shipped to Hugo Tuesday night and at her request she was laid to rest in the orchard at her old home where she spent her childhood days in the presence of a large concourse of sorrowing relatives and friends. Funeral services conducted by Rev. E.C. Wallace of Grant.

The Herald and its many readers extend condolence to the bereaved husband who is left [unreadable] in this world without a companion and the poor broken hearted father, mother and children.

### **Tuberculosis Claims Choctaw Citizen**

Tom Jeter Answers Summons After A Year's Fight Against The Great White Plague

Former Choctaw County Official Succumbs to Consumption While Residing at Kerrville

The Hugo Husonian, Thursday, October 17, 1912 - transcribed by April Makerney

Thomas Jeter, for the majority of his life a resident of what is now Choctaw county, died at Kerrville, Texas, Friday evening, after an illness of almost a year.

Deceased was 29 years of age, and was the father of a child but five years of age. The wife, little daughter and a brother, Will Jeter, were with the afflicted man when tuberculosis claimed him.

Thomas Jeter was the son of Mrs. J. B. Jeter, who resides three miles north of Forney. He was one among the best known young men of Choctaw county. While Robert Connell was sheriff the deceased acted as undersheriff and while serving in that capacity was stricken with the malady which has just claimed his life.

Almost all of the older residents of Choctaw county knew Tom Jeter and respected his sturdy citizenship. He was a man among men, and his untimely end, while expected for weeks, is a source of sorrow to all who knew him. He was a brother of Mrs. John Larecy of this city.

Funeral services will be held at Maynor, Texas, the home of Mrs. Jeter's people, Sunday afternoon, where the last rights of Christian burial will be held.

This featured family was submitted by April Makerney

If you'd like to see your family featured in a future issue, contact April Makerney at [choctawcountyyokgensoc@live.com](mailto:choctawcountyyokgensoc@live.com).

## Featured Family



**Bonnie B. Jeter**  
Oakes Cemetery  
Frogville, Choctaw, Oklahoma



**Fannie Belle Jeter**  
Oakes Cemetery  
Frogville, Choctaw, Oklahoma



**William Whitney Jeter**  
Shannon Rose Hill Memorial Park  
Fort Worth, Tarrant, Texas



## Featured Family



**Samuel Tilden Jeter**  
Oakes Cemetery  
Frogville, Choctaw, Oklahoma



**James Thomas Jeter**  
Manor Cemetery  
Manor, Travis, Texas

**Olive Mae (Jeter) Barton**  
Highland Cemetery  
Stamford, Haskell, Texas





## Featured Family

### **Joshua B. Jeter**

The Southeast Oklahoman August 11, 1927  
transcribed by Ron Henson

Death Claims Old Resident  
Funeral of Joshua B. Jeter Conducted at Soper Tuesday

Funeral services were conducted at the Methodist church at Soper Tuesday afternoon for Joshua B. Jeter, 74 years old, who died at his home near Atlas Monday morning. He had been ill for some time. The burial ceremony at the Soper cemetery was conducted by the Soper Masonic lodge.

Coming to the Indian Territory as a school teacher more than half a century ago, Mr. Jeter was prominent in the affairs of the Choctaw Nation and after statehood in the affairs of Choctaw county until recent years, when ill health forced him to forego active work. After statehood Mr. Jeter was named chairman of the first democratic central committee of Choctaw county. He was a candidate for state senator in 1908, losing to W.P. Stewart. For the last few years he and his wife have resided at their farm home near Atlas school.

Besides his wife, who before her marriage was Miss Sarah Oakes, Mr. Jeter is survived by five children, Mrs. J.F. Larecy, W.W. Jeter, of Ardmore, Ross Johnnie Jeter, of Chickasha; Mrs. May Coleman, who resides in Texas, and a daughter whose name was not learned. Two other children, Mrs. G.A. Lovett and Tom Jeter, died a number of years ago.

### **Joshua B. Jeter**

Death Claims Joshua B. Jeter  
The Soper Democrat August 11, 1927 - transcribed by Ron Henson

Last Monday morning at 4:30 o'clock, death claimed one of Soper's most respected citizens, J.B. Jeter, at his home near Atlas. Cause of death was given as hardening of the arteries, of which he had been a sufferer for more than a year.

Funeral services were held at the Methodist church Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Bert Jones, Presbyterian minister of Hugo, followed by Masonic services at the grave side. Burial was in Soper cemetery. Robert E. Lee, of Idabel, who was raised by the Jeter family, conducted the Masonic service.

Joshua Blasengame Jeter was born in Montgomery, Alabama, August 7th, 1852, being 75 years and 1 day old. He emigrated to Shiloh, near Paris, Texas, when a lad 18 years old, coming to what is now Choctaw County a short time later. He was district superintendent of Indian schools for six years, and head of Spencer Academy for four years. He was married to Miss Sarah Oakes, who survives him. To the union eight children were born, three dying in early childhood; Mrs. G.A. Lovett, who died in 1907; J.T. Jeter, who died in 1912. Those surviving are Mrs. J.F. Larecy, of Hugo; W.W. Jeter, of Ft. Worth, and Mrs. J.T. Coleman, of Brownwood, Texas. They with their families were here at his bedside and funeral.

In the death of Mr. Jeter one of the most active men in the early history of the county passed away. He was very active in the tribal affairs of the Choctaws and after statehood was one of the outstanding democrats of the county. He was selected as first chairman of the democratic central committee which conducted the first primary election after Oklahoma was made a state. He made the race for State Senator in 1908 but was defeated, and in 1914 made an unsuccessful race for county commissioner. He spent the last years on his farm near Atlas.

Mr. Jeter was a devout member of the Methodist Church, and of the Masonic fraternity. He was a member of old Doaksville Lodge No. 2 at Doaksville, near Ft. Towson, for many years, transferring to the Soper when it was organized in 1907. For his many services performed to humanity he was made an honorary member of the fraternity several years ago.

## Featured Family

### Sarah E. Jeter

Mrs. J.B. Jeter Buried Saturday  
The Soper Democrat – March 20, 1947  
Transcribed by Ron Henson

Many relatives and friends gathered at the Soper Cemetery Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock to pay homage to Mrs. J.B. Jeter, aged 85 years, pioneer Choctaw County woman, who death occurred at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Grover Barton, At Stamford, Texas, Friday, March 14th. Services were conducted by Rev. W.E. McCartney, Methodist pastor, assisted by Rev. Walter Ferguson, of Hugo.

Mrs. Sarah E. Jeter was born at Goodwater, Indian Territory, on June 5, 1861, and was a daughter of a pioneer family, the T.W. Oakes'. She was the last of a family of eleven children, one of whom was the late Judge Thos. E. Oakes, of Atlas. She was married to the late J.B. Jeter, who was head of Spencer Academy for a number of years. To the union eight children were born, two of whom survive. Mrs. J.F. Larecy, of Norman, Okla. And Mrs. Barton, Stamford, Texas. Mrs. Jeter preceded her in death on August 8, 1927. Prior to his death they made their home on a farm northeast of Soper.



Joshua B. & Sarah E. (Oakes) Jeter  
Soper Cemetery  
Soper, Choctaw, Oklahoma

## Biographical Sketches

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### Joel H. Nail (Choctaw)

One of the prosperous stockmen of the Choctaw Nation, was born in 1850, being the son of Jonathan Nail, who came to Doaksville in 1833. Joel went to college at Lebanon, Tennessee, where in 1860 he fell in love with Nettie Merrett, daughter of William Merrett, and married her.

Mr. Nail, after several changes of fortune, finally settled on his present estate in Blue county, in 1882, where he has four hundred acres under cultivation, three thousand head of stock, and three thousand acres of pasture, besides building property in Caddo and the Nails Hotel, of which he is a present the proprietor.

He is also an enthusiastic lover of racing, and has always kept the best race stock in the district.

### Mrs. Annie Smallwood (Choctaw)

Born in 1833 in De Sota county, Mississippi. This lady is the daughter of a white man named Moore, her mother being a full blood Choctaw. At an early age she left the old state and settled in Kiamichi county. While young she married John Smallwood, a man of much political prominence in his Nation, having been a member of the Council for many years. John Smallwood was a brother to ex-Chief Smallwood, who was chief administrator from 1888 until 1890. By this union Mrs. Smallwood had four children — Ben, Susan, John and Dick. Ben and John are both dead, while Dick, the youngest son, is National coal weigher at Coalgate. Susan has been married for many years to John A. Dillon, of Atoka, with whom the subject of this sketch has resided for sixteen years past. Mrs. Smallwood is possessed of property in the city as well as a small stock of cattle. Although in her fifty-seventh year, she is still full of life and energy, devoting much of her time to her little grandchildren, to whom she is greatly attached. Few of Mrs. Smallwood's neighbors have not received proofs of her benevolence and kindly nature in times of trouble and sickness. She is highly connected both on her father and mother's side; her nephew, William Byrd, being Governor of the Chickasaw Nation, while her brother-in-law is ex-Principal Chief of Choctaws.

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# Biographical Sketches

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## Thomas E. Oakes (Choctaw)

The subject of this sketch was born at Goodwater, C. N., in 1846, where he also received his education. In 1869, one year after leaving school, he married Miss Emily Duncan, daughter of Rev. H. A. Duncan, of Tahlequah, Cherokee Nation. His first wife dying in child birth Mr. Oakes married Miss Margaret Ervin, in 1871, in Towson county, by whom he has five children. Mrs. Oakes is a sister of Columbus C. Ervin, of Doaksville, a very popular citizen.

The first public office held by Thos. E. Oakes was that of supreme clerk, which he filled for six years. In 1882 he was elected county judge, occupying the bench until his election to the House of Representatives in 1884. In 1885 he became county judge and served two years. In 1888 he was appointed district collector of the third district, a position he now holds.

Thomas E. became a member of the Masonic order in 1883 - Doaksville lodge No. 2, and was made worshipful master in 1885. He is the owner of two farms containing three hundred acres and fifty acres under cultivation, and a small herd of cattle.

## Samuel L. Oakes (Choctaw)

Judge Oakes is one of the sons of Thos. W. Oakes. He was born at Goodwater, Choctaw Nation, in December, 1853, and was sent to the neighborhood schools until 1870, after which he was placed at Shilo, west of Paris, Texas, until 1872. He returned to his home that year and there remained for two years, after which he resumed his studies at Shilo until 1875. In 1885 he was appointed clerk of the supreme court, serving creditably and without intermission until August, 1890, when he was elected county judge of Kiamichi county by a good majority over Nolan Hensen, John Fowler and A. T. Stephens. Mr. Oakes is a descendant from the Hyah-pah-tuk-kalo clan through his mother, Harriett Everidge. His father, Thos. W. Oakes, was a white man from North Carolina. The subject of this sketch has a farm of one hundred and sixty-six acres under cultivation and a nice herd of cattle and horses.

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# Choctaw County Recollections

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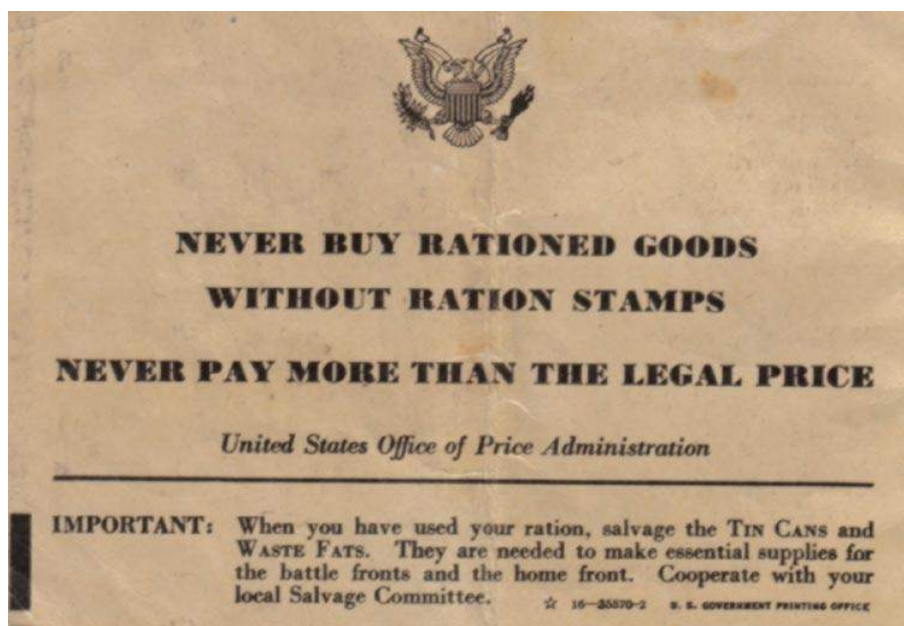
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# Choctaw County Recollections

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## THE FIRST STATE BANK OF FORT TOWSON

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FORT TOWSON, OKLA.

July 8, 1914.

To Whom It May Concern:-

This will serve to introduce Dr. Wm. Hightower, who has been a resident of this place for the past four years.

Dr. Hightower has been engaged principally in the moving show business and in the manufacture of his line of medicines, in which capacities he has made good. We have had the pleasure of knowing him intimately since he came to this place, and we can conscientiously state, that Dr. Hightower stands good for his contracts, and will carry them through.

Dr. Hightower is a live-wire and will push to a success enterprises seemingly impossible to others. He is careful and conservative, and always looks well before making the leap.

<sup>may</sup> We commend Dr. Hightower to those with whom he happen to meet as an upright and honorable gentleman.

Yours very truly,



President.



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## Gunfight at Grant

### **BYSTANDER SHOT IN GRANT BATTLE**

BRACKEENS AND KEEL PUT UP A ONE-RING SHOW ON STREETS OF GRANT

Wilkie Collins Was on Street at Time and Managed to Stop a Bullet Without Injury

The Hugo Husonian March 14, 1912 - transcribed by Ron Henson

A pistol duel on the streets of Grant at 4 o'clock Friday afternoon, was the cause of excitement, and the innocent bystander, as usual, was the victim, a stray bullet striking Wilkie Collins in the leg, but inflicting no damage of consequence.

The battle royal was between Lon Keel, commanding himself, and W.D. Brackeen and son, Clarence, the latter claiming one thing started the battle, while Keel is just as positive that the Brackeens were the aggressors.

The shrevalty troops gathered in the offenders and trotted them to this city appearing before Justice Schooler at 9 o'clock Friday night, where arrangements were made for bond, each being required to furnish \$1,000 bond for appearance at the examining trial Tuesday. Each of the men gave the approved bonds and secured release from custody.

How many shots were fired is unknown, but one of the bullets struck an iron sign, glanced against a brick wall and from there deflected to the ground, Wilkie Collins leg being between the wall and aground and the recipient of the leaden missile.

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## Oliver Stanley Killed Near Frogville

### **NEGRO KILLED NEAR FROGVILLE**

DANCE DOWN ON RED RIVER RESULTED IN KILLING OF OLIVER STANLY

Sheriffs Office Sends Deputy To Get Slayers Who Did Wholesale Business Thursday Night

The Hugo Husonian February 8, 1912 - transcribed by Ron Henson

Frogville furnished a murder for Thursday night, and Oliver Stanley, negro, died, with one other Senegambian fatally wounded and another scrimmaged over with a knife and gun, but making a miraculous escape.

The trouble occurred at a negro dance in the thickly settled negro country near Frogville.

This morning the sheriff received word that a negro had been killed in a fight, and Deputy Sheriff P.C. Anderson was sent from Fort Towson, the nearest point, to ascertain what had transpired. At two o'clock this afternoon Anderson sent a message stating that a battle had been fought between negroes at Frogville, and that the first mentioned results were the certain facts.

How the trouble came about was not ascertainable this afternoon, as Frogville is located on the Red river border of the Texas frontier, and where those engaged in the affray could go with out much danger of being at once apprehended.

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## Hurst & Messer Arrested

### **HURST AND MESSER WERE ARRESTED AND FINED**

The Hugo Husonian February 8, 1912 - transcribed by Ron Henson

Chief Lee and men made a raid on the grocery store being operated by John Hurst on Dewey avenue, late Wednesday afternoon, arresting the proprietor and J.B. Messer, taking them to Justice McQueen's city court on the charge of having liquor and disposing of same article.

In a trial in the justice court both men were convicted on two counts each, total fine assessed against each defendant being 60 days in jail and \$100 in cash and the costs.

Officers took considerable of the "Joy and sorrow" out of the place, which they had been watching for several hours before making the raid.

Both defendants assert that they will appeal their case to the county court and fight the prosecution to the court of last resort.

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### **Second Quarter 2016**

#### **Cemetery Gatherings**

**Postponed Until**

**Further Notice**

All cemetery gatherings are weather permitting. Cancellation notices will be emailed (to members).

If we finish the designated cemeteries and there is enough time left in the day, we may go to Mt. Olivet cemetery.



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