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CCGS Librarian Cindy Burkhalter accepting memorial plaque presented by Brenda Webb from the Class of 1956 honoring Joe Wilkins as Class President in 1954, 1955 & 1956.



Don Covington installing the memorial rock plaque presented by the Class of 1956 honoring Joe Wilkins as Class President in 1954, 1955 & 1956.

Joe Howard Wilkins (1938-2014) was honored twice during this year's Homecoming festivities for his accomplishments as HHS Class President three years running!

Joe was an avid genealogist and historian and was a huge supporter of Choctaw County.

Come by the CCGS Research Library to view the vast Joe Wilkins collection.

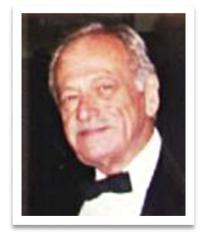


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Chahta Anumpa (Choctaw Language)

Choctaw Language Rules

Nasalization

The nasal consonants m and n change into a consonant we will call nasalization in certain positions in a word. They usually change at the end of a word, and they always change when followed by a different consonant. Nasalization is heard in the vowel which precedes the m and n. That vowel becomes nasalized. There are 3 rules for written nasal vowels.

Rule 9

Before p and b, nasalization is written as m.

 omba
 - rain
 lumbo
 - round

 anumpa
 - word/language
 ampo
 - plate/dish

 Click on any of the Choctaw words in red above to hear an audio clip
from ChoctawSchool.com
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ancestor's obituary in an old newspaper and all it says is "Died last week."

CHOCTAW COUNTY GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY

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

August (Takkon Hvshi - Peach Month)

1st - CCGS Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

September (Hoponi Hvshi - Cooking Month)

5th - Labor Day

12th - CCGS Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

18th - Cemetery Workday 9:00 a.m. Ft. Towson Cemetery

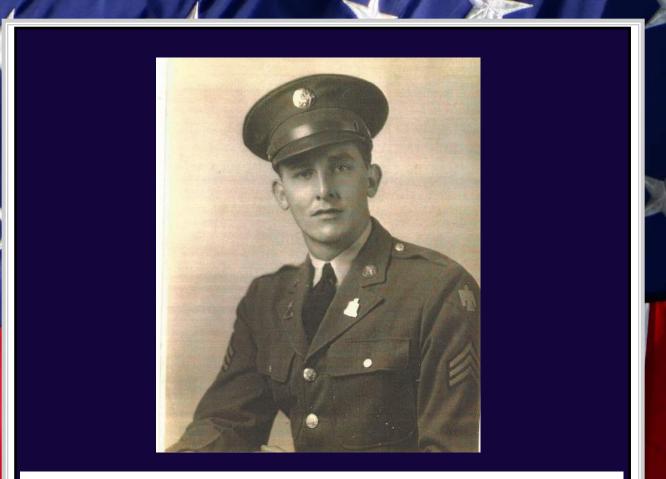
October (Hohchvffo Ishitini Hvshi - Little Famine Month)

3rd - CCGS Meeting, 6:30 p.m.

- 9th Cemetery Workday 9:00 a.m. Ft. Towson Cemetery
- 10th Columbus Day
- 31st Halloween



Veteran Spotlight



Lucian France Wilkins

1917-1943 (KIA) WWII

Reburial of 2nd Lt. Lucian Wilkins, killed in Italy, Dec. 30, 1943, will be made in Mount Olivet Cemetery after service Sunday at 2 p.m. at Coffey Funeral Home. Company F., 180th Infantry, local National Guard unit will have charge of the grave.

Lieutenant Wilkins was born near Frogville, Nov. 29, 1917. After graduating from Hugo High School, he attended Murray State School of Agriculture. He was a member of the National Guard unit here which went overseas with the 45th Division in June 1943. Survivors are his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. F. [sic: George Ellis Wilkins] Wilkins and one brother, Lloyd Wilkins, Hugo.

Silver Star Recipient--General Orders--45th Infantry Division, G.O. No. 163 (1944)

*Note: Although the news article refers to Lucian's parents as Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins, Lucian's biological mother, Minnie, had died when he was approximately 6 years old, and he was raised for the most part by his Aunt Addie Wilkins Schroeder.

Featured Family

Wilkins Family

Parents of George Ellis Wilkins

Albert Allen Andrew Jackson & Mary Ann (Chase) Wilkins

George Ellis Wilkins

B. 2 Dec 1884, Boonsville, , Mississippi

D. 23 Dec 1965, Vinita, Craig, Oklahoma

Buried: Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Hugo, Choctaw, Oklahoma

Parents of Minnie Wood John W. & Sissy (Anukwiatubbee) Wood

Minnie Wood

B. 20 Dec 1896, Choctaw Nation, Indian Territory D. 13 Jul 1921, Everidge, Choctaw, Oklahoma Burial: Unknown Cemetery, Choctaw Co., Oklahoma

Married 1 Jan 1914, Shoals, Choctaw, Oklahoma

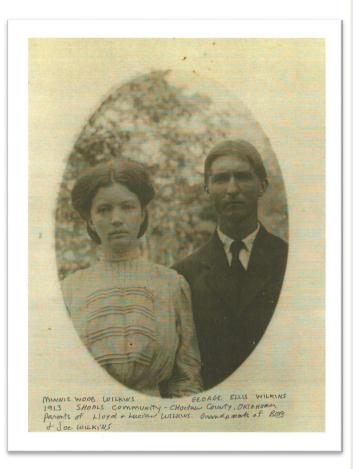
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Lucian France Wilkins

B. 29 Nov 1917, Frogville, Choctaw, Oklahoma D. 30 Dec 1943, Italy (KIA) Buried: Mt. Olivet Cemetery Hugo, Choctaw, Oklahoma Spouse: Never married

Lucian France Wilkins



George Ellis & Minnie (Wood) Wilkins

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MARRIAGE LICENSE AND CERTIFICATE. Woods inne County, Okla. CHOCTAW Marriage Clerk County

Marriage Record

George Ellis Wilkins & Minnie Wood

1 Jan 1914 at Shoals, Choctaw, Oklahoma

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CHOCTAW GOLORNAL OKLAHGMA In County Court. THE MARRIAGE CEREMONY-GREETING: PERSON AUTHORIZED TO PERFORM anthorized to join in marriage 927 And of this License you will make due return to my iny office within thirty days from this date. in said County, Witness my hand and official seal, at⊆ cember. A. D. 19 13 County Judge. Clerk County Court. . County, State of Oklahoma. do hereby ant ons named in and authorized by this License to be married, on A. D. 19 1.4. al shalls in State of Oklahoma, in the presence of line this Returned and

This featured family was compiled from the Joe Wilkins Collection (grandson of George & Minnie Wilkins) If you'd like to see your family featured in a future issue, contact April Makerney at <u>choctawcountyokgensoc@live.com</u>.

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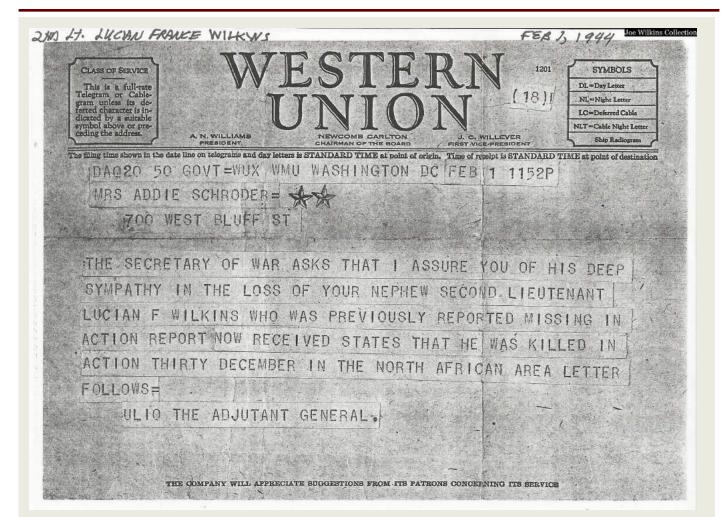
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Hugo Man Missing In Italian Battle

HUGO, Feb. 2.—(Special.)—Ellis. Wilkins of Hugo has received word from the war department that his son, Lieut. Lucien Wilkins, 27, was missing in action in Italy.

Early this week, in a letter to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Berryhill, also of Hugo, Lieut. Ralph Berryhill, a long-time school friend of Lieut. Wilkins, wrote "I don't have anything to write you—Lucien is dead." No details were given.

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Lucian France Wilkins



Lloyd Wilkins, a friend, Lucian Wilkins - Hugo, Oklahoma, 1920s



Lucian Wilkins with his nephews, Joe Wilkins (left) and Bob Wilkins (right) - 1940



Lucian Wilkins & Walter Pedigo



Lucian Wilkins, Mary Ann (Case) Wilkins & Lloyd Wilkins

Schroeder House 700 W. Bluff, Hugo

Charles J. Maurer

Among the earliest white settlers in the Choctaw Nation were Charles J. Maurer and his father, both of whom were native born Alsatians from the Rhine district. Charlie was but four years old in 1850 when he arrived in Red River county, I. T., settling close to Pine Creek church, north of Clarksville. His father pursued his trade of wagon making at Doaksville, and in 1860 moved his shop to Boggy, at that period the most important trading post in the Indian Territory, being the center of commerce for the native and white settlers living within two hundred miles west, and the same distance north and south. Young Maurer when only sixteen years of age assisted in J. P. Kingsberry's mercantile house, and in 1868 became a citizen through his marriage with Mary Freeney, sister to Clay Freeney, of Blue county, an extensive stockman. By this union Mr. Maurer has two children — Leonidas, aged sixteen years, and Cecil, thirteen. After an experience of some years in the establishment of G. B. Hester in 1884, he opened business in his own name at Boggy, and has ever since been steadily accumulating. He has three farms containing over one thousand acres under fence, three hundred and fifty of which are in cultivation. Besides this he is the owner of some 700 head of cattle and other stock. Mr. Maurer has never interfered in political or public matters, and is much respected by the Indian people.

Thomas J. Manning, M. D.

Thomas Jefferson Manning was born in Walker county, Georgia, in 1832; graduated at Nashville, Tenn.; commenced the practice of his profession at Doaksville, Choctaw Nation, in 1856, while General Cooper was Indian agent. After that he moved to Boggy Depot, where he practiced for a short time till his marriage to Matilda La Flore, daughter of Forbes La Flore; after which he abandoned his profession for that of farming and stock raising. In these pursuits Dr. Manning has been quite prosperous, having acquired one thousand head of cattle, four hundred head of stock and a farm of five hundred acres under cultivation, employing annually thirty hands. In the second year of the war he joined Sim Folsom's battalion in the capacity of staff surgeon; served at Newtonia, and soon after retired from the service. Mr. Manning has six children — Angie, Forbes, Tommie, Charlie, Cornelia and Arthur, the oldest being twenty-two and the youngest eight years old.

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Benjamin Dillard

Benjamin was born at Carleton, Mississippi, in 1857, being the son of Hamp Dillard by his wife, Elizabeth La Flore. At three years of age he emigrated to Doaksville with his brothers, Hamp and George, and started to school at Skullyville at thirteen years. On the third day of his arrival, however, he fought with the teacher, and to escape his father's anger not only fled from home, but from the neighborhood, taking shelter at the residence of his uncle, Forbes La Flore, for whom he worked for some years. In 1878 he married Nancy Love, niece to Justice Overton Love. In 1882 he composed one of a posse of men employed by Sam Paul to assist in guarding a prisoner named John Harkins, who, while endeavoring to make his escape received a death shot at the hands of Paul. Paul was arrested and Ben Dillard fled from the locality, and spent some four years on the scout, after which he have himself up and was cleared. The only public office Mr. Dillard ever held was that of National jailor, which appointment he filled during the second Overton administration. He has a farm of seventyfive acres, and is an enthusiastic follower of the Paul or progressive party.

J. McKinney Cobb

This gentleman was born near Doaksville in 1846, being a son of James Cobb. His education was completed at Spencer Academy. In 1871 he married Jane Chigley, sister of Hon. Nelson Chigley. Owing to an unfortunate affair, which ended fatally for an acquaintance of his, Mr. Cobb left the Choctaw Nation in 1870 and settled on the Washita near Dougherty, where he now resides. The event referred to was the death of Jobe Wilson, after a "ball play" eight miles west of Boggy Depot, on the night of June 2, 1877, Mr. Cobb being obliged to shoot him in self-defense. The case was tried by Justice Vinson at the Push-ma-ta-ha court grounds in August, 1886, and dismissed.

Mr. Cobb served actively in the Choctaw brigade throughout the war. In 1869 he was elected Sheriff of Kiamichi county, Choctaw Nation, and in the following year, on his removal to the Chickasaw country, he was elected a member of the House of Representatives, which office he held three years. In 1889 he became Permit Collector, and still holds this position.

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The Storm

The Fort Towson Enterprise - October 10, 1919 - transcribed by Ron Henson

One of the worst storms that ever visited this section struck south of town Wednesday night between 8 and 9 o'clock, doing untold damage to crops, buildings, stock, etc. The main span of the big bridge at Huskey was blown in the river, and the store of W.M. Bearden was demolished. Several at this place was hurt, but not seriously. Lee Hankins was bruised considerably about the head – Will Bearden was not at home, which perhaps was most fortunate.

We understand Arthur City was completely destroyed by the storm. Out of about twenty houses in the town 16 were utterly demolished. Among which was a 2 story hotel, in which the proprietress, Mrs. Everidge was killed. Considerable damage was done below Swink, at Valliant and Bismark.

We could not get particulars of the storm which passed north of town but understand it was most severe all along the county line.

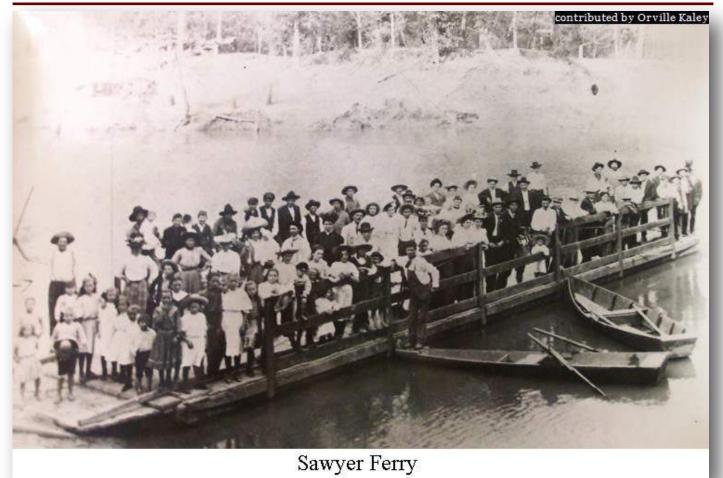


Blankenship Hotel burns

Old Land Mark Gone

The Fort Towson Enterprise September 1, 1911 - transcribed by Ron Henson

The Blankenship hotel, one of the first houses built in the town, was destroyed last Sunday night by fire. The fire boys responded as soon as the alarm was given, but the flames had gained such headway it was impossible to save the building, although the fire was entirely put out before the front porch and wall was burned. A good portion of the furniture was saved, but was badly damaged. We understand there was \$750.00 insurance on the house and contents, which would be about half its worth. If it had been possible to have gotten the hose attached a few minutes earlier the main part of the building could have been saved. But taking everything into consideration, we think the fire boys did mighty well.



RESULTS IN BABY CONTEST

The Choctaw Herald October 23, 1919 - transcribed by Ron Henson

The following are the results in the baby contest at the fair Saturday night. Out of a possible 800 points, for perfect, the following scores were made:

Boys - 6 to 18 Months Comer Martin Williams, 1st, 791 Roy Harmon, Jr., 2nd, 790 Girls - 6 to 18 Months Margaret E. Caldwell, 1st, 775 Aline Louise Hall, 2nd, 772 Boys - 18 to 36 Months Jack Boyd Woodson, 1st, 775 Goerge Allen Shelton, 2nd, 772 Girls - 18 to 36 Months Flora Earwood, 1st, 795 Lennette Amis, 2nd, 793

In the sweepstakes, Flora Earwood won over all entries, boys and girls all ages.

Old Goodland Closes Friday

Hugo Husonian 5/30/1912

Federal Supervisor Brown will be Present And Participate in Closing Exercises. Interesting Program Will Be Given By Pupils In Evening Commencing at Seven O'Clock

The closing exercises of the Historic Old Goodland Schools will occur at the school building four miles southwest of this city Friday May 31st.

Professor Bacon has arranged a splendid closing program for the finish of the term. The usual exercises of the school will be held from nine until twelve o'clock, and the inspection of the garden and farms will be made by Federal supervisor John B. Brown. One prize will be awarded for the best corn but first, second and third will be awarded for garden products. The competitive military drill will commence at 3:00 P.M. and close at four o'clock, but one prize to be awarded in this.

The evening program will open at 7 o'clock in the evening, a national song by the school being the opening event. John B. Brown will deliver the address along educational lines, followed by Bailey Spring, secretary of the board of directors.

The school children's part of the evening program is as follows:

"Larboard Watch" by the Glee club. "Indian Trails" by Johnson Bobb "Our Hired Girl" by Sylvester Johnson. "Po Little Mamb" by Male Quartet. "Our National Flag" by Ed Brashears. "Little Tonkin Girl" by Little Folks. "Hiawatha's Childhood" by Grace Thompson. "The Unknown Speaker" by Simon Austin. "How Can I Leave Thee" by Male Quartet. Bow and Arrow Drill by the girls. Choctaw song by the school.

An address by Superintendent Silas L. Bacon will be one of the features of the evening program, the speaker to outline the work that has been accomplished at the historic school and a part of the influence it has had in the development of this section of Oklahoma.

The closing exercises of the Old Goodland will mark the finish of one of the most successful terms ever held there, and those who are in position to know declare that the school was never on as high a plane in the educational field as now, the new departments having added to the field of usefulness and given to the pupils who attend not only an opportunity to learn in the field of knowledge of books, but it gives practical teaching in the way to handle agriculture in the most profitable manner.

Furniture Store New Owner

A.M. Hughes is Owner Hugo Furniture Co.

The Hugo Daily News December 11, 1939 - transcribed by Ron Henson

The Rodgers-Wade Furniture Company has this day sold to A.M. Hughes a complete stock of new furniture, according to Harry Ordway, of the Rodgers-Wade Furniture company. Mr. Hughes has leased the building formerly occupied by the Hugo Furniture Company. The Rodgers-Wade Furniture Company is with-drawing from the retail business in this city.

Mr. Hughes states that his store is now open for business with the same personnel maintained by the Hugo Furniture store. He welcomes customers who may come either to look at his merchandise or to buy. He further adds that he will be glad to sell furniture for cash if you have it or credit if you want it.

Mr. Hughes' new store will be known as the Hugo Furniture Company, Unine.



Spencerville Sporting Club 1944 Bernice Floyd, Alvin Brents, Coletta Jo Floyd Lawless, Loyal Oean Buchanan, Fred Earl Young, and J.T. Earthman Photo in possession of: Thelma Brents family Photo donated by: JoLynn Self

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Obituaries

E.A. Carter

Fort Towson Enterprise - April 26, 1912 - transcribed by Ron Henson

E.A. Carter who has been sick so long passed over the river last night to the great beyond. He was a pioneer citizen and a good man. We extend our heart felt sympathy to the bereaved family.

E.A. Carter Passes Away

Fort Towson Enterprise - May 3, 1912 - transcribed by Ron Henson

Eleazer Ashney Carter was born in Ouachita county, Arkansas in 1874; died in Fort Towson, April 26, 1912. He removed from Nevada county, Arkansas, to Fort Towson in 1903, where he began his business career as a general merchant. He rapidly rose in respect and influence in his community, and had the honor of serving his town in the capacity of mayor three terms. He was prominent in Masonic circles, of which fraternity he had been a member several years.

During the summer and fall of 1911 his health began to deteriorate and after a lingering illness, evidences of consumption appeared. His friends persuaded him to go to San Angelo, Texas, where, it was hoped, he would greatly restore his health; but he returned, unimproved, in a short time to Fort Towson where he lived placidly the meager days left to him.

Unknown child

Negro Child Died Friday Night

The Hugo Husonian February 6, 1913 – transcribed by Ron Henson

The fifteenth small pox death occurred Friday night, a small negro child being the victim. It is the fourteenth death in city and creosote settlement, one death occurring at Grant.

Forest Fields

The Hugo Husonian February 6, 1913 – transcribed by Ron Henson

Forest Fields 17 years of age, who resided in the Second ward, died Thursday night of small pox. Death occurred the third day after the disease broke out on its victim, the case being of the most severe in that section of the city.

R. J. Bramley

The Hugo Husonian February 6, 1913 – transcribed by Ron Henson

R. J. Bramley, 34 years of age, also died Thursday evening with the malady. Mr. Bramley's house caught on fire Thursday morning, and the excitement and exposure added to his long illness hastened his death. Mr. Bramley was employed at the Pat Devenport eating house on West Jackson before he was stricken by the scourge, and was quite well known.

Elvin Dwain (Ed) Manning

contributed by The Hugo Daily News

Elvin Dwain (Ed) Manning, known to many as Mr. Ed and by his family as Paka, passed away on December 07, 2005 at 5:32 in the morning. He died with his family at his side at his home in rural Rockwall County, Texas. He was 74 years old. Born July 26, 1931 in Blair, Oklahoma to John William and Ida Mae (Young) Manning. Dad lived variously in Blair, Granite and Hugo, Oklahoma, near Hood River, Oregon, Austin and the DFW area in Texas. Ed was preceded in death by his parents, his brother Travis Warren Manning, his sister-in-law Bobby Jean Manning, his sisters Freda Joy Manning and Wanda June Tabor and grandchildren Jennifer Michelle Beazley and Ezekiel Dustin Manning. He is survived by his brother Nolan Howell Manning, his brother-in-law and best friend Roy Lee Tabor, his sons Evan Dale Manning and Eric Dawson Manning; his daughters Gena Marie Graf and Laura Michelle Braun and husband Tom, 5 grandchildren, T. J. Graf, Harvey Bautista, Kathy Lynn Graf, Anson I Manning, Michelle Marie Mole Manning and Eric Daniel Manning; 3 stepdaughters, Traci Tipton, Jeri Miller, Catherine Rollins, and 2 stepsons, Michael and Darrin Attebery. Diagnosed with cancer in 1999 he fought it, using every means available, and with the help of some very fine doctors for 6 years. Thanks to the professionals at Texas Hematology and Oncology and M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston with giving us many extra years with our father. Dad was very active in politics. Including his time in the United States Navy from 1949 to 1953, Dad spent right at 50 years in the service of our country's military, working for various defense contractors. These include: Collins Radio, Texas Instruments, LTV, Lockheed Martin, UTL and Boeing Defense. A lifelong Democrat, Dad served for a time as the Democratic Chairperson of Rockwall County and when too weak to fulfill that role he served as an election judge and took on other responsibilities in Rockwall County politics. His favorite place to meet friends was at the Southern Junction Steak House in Rockwall County. He was considered the unofficial "Mayor" and served as the Membership Committee Chairman. His many good friends at the Junction christened him "Mr. Ed". We all will miss him dearly. Services for Dad will be held at the Dallas-Fort Worth National Cemetery on Tuesday, December the 13th at 3:00. Please arrive promptly at 2:45. Address: 2000 Mountain Creek Parkway, Dallas, Texas 75211. Phone: 214.467.3374. In lieu of flowers or cards please make donations in Dad's name to the M. D. Anderson Cancer Center in Houston, Texas.

Amandy V. Maguffee

Mrs. A.V. Maguffee Dies in Ft. Towson The Husonian Democrat November 25, 1948 – transcribed by Ron Henson

Funeral services for Mrs. Amandy V. Maguffee of Ft. Towson were held at Albion, Texas, this afternoon at 2 o'clock with interment in the Albion Cemetery. Coffey Funeral Home was in charge of all arrangements.

Mrs. Maguffee died at the home of her daughter Mrs. James Maddox, Ft. Towson, early Sunday [portion missing] Mrs. Maguffee was active in First Christian Church work and community affairs.

She is survived by two sons: F.B. Magguffee [sic], Texas and A.C. Maguffee Texas; and three daughters: Mrs. C.R. Robbins, Texas; Mrs. J.S. Akin, Texas, and Mrs. James Maddox, Ft. Towson. She is also survived by thirteen grandchildren and four great grandchildren.

The News joins with her many friends in expressing condolence to the relatives of the deceased.

Billy & Marjorie Waits

Funeral For Waits Children Held Monday Afternoon The Hugo Daily News November 3, 1942 - transcribed by Ron Henson

Funeral services for the two children of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Waits was held Monday afternoon with Barrett Fellows officiating and the Snow Funeral home in charge of arrangements. The children, Billy aged 3 and Marjorie aged twenty-two days were burned to death when the family home was destroyed early Monday morning.

Roxy Vestal

Death at Fort Towson The Hugo Husonian March 12, 1914 – transcribed by Ron Henson

Mrs. Roxy Vestal died at her home in Fort Towson Wednesday night, after a long illness. The remains were sent to the old family home at Waldo, Columbia county, Arkansas, for interment. Mrs. Waldo was 52 years of age. She has a son at Fort Towson engaged in business, and leaves a large number of friends who held her in high esteem.

Juanita Winship

Little Girl Died With Hydrophobia Juanita Winship Bitten By A Dog Five Weeks Ago Died Monday Morning Mrs. Frank Riggs Bitten by Dog and Sent to Austin to Take Pasteur Treatment The Hugo Husonian February 5, 1914 – transcribed by Ron Henson

Special to The Husonian

SOPER, Feb. 2 – Little Juanita Winship, who was bitten by a mad dog five weeks ago, died at one o'clock this morning.

Mrs. Frank Riggs was also bitten some days ago and has been taken to Austin, Texas, for treatment. Another person is reported to have been bitten by a mad dog but his name was not learned, and the report is not verified this afternoon.

Marion Bright

Marion Bright Died of Injuries Received in Biardstown Gin The Hugo Husonian November 12, 1913 – transcribed by Ron Henson

Marion Bright an employee at the gin in Birdstown [sic], Texas, was caught and cut to pieces in the gin machinery Friday afternoon, and died of the injuries received shortly before noon this morning. He was a brother of Henry Bright, a well known Choctaw county citizen who resides at Grant.

Publications Announcement

CCGS has made the decision to discontinue the sale of all current publications. Instead the information in these publications will be contributed to the Choctaw County OKGenWeb site (OKCHOCTA) to be published online providing everyone free access.

OKCHOCTA is currently working on a brand new mobile friendly website. The information in our publications will be added to the new website currently planned to launch this fall.

Cemetery Project

Third Quarter 2016

July - none scheduled

August - none scheduled

September - Ft. Towson Cemetery

Those that would like to join us during our cemetery gatherings can meet us at the Hugo library parking lot at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome to join us and you do not have to be a member of the Society to help. For more information email us at choctawcountyokgensoc@live.com or visit the project page on our website.

All cemetery gatherings are weather permitting. Cancellation notices will be emailed (to members) and posted in our Facebook group.

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

CCGS Restructured

As many of you may already know, CCGS has had some recent bumps in the road pertaining to the governing body. We have had to do some managerial restructuring of the Society to ensure these bumps are a one time only event, but rest assured CCGS is still here and going strong.

We have restructured from an Officer hierarchy to an Executive Board, where Society decisions can no longer be placed in the hands of only one or two people.

The new Executive Board consists of five members and all decisions will now be discussed and voted on as a group and presented to the membership for final approval.

We are excited about our future and look forward to continue to provide you with information about Choctaw County!

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