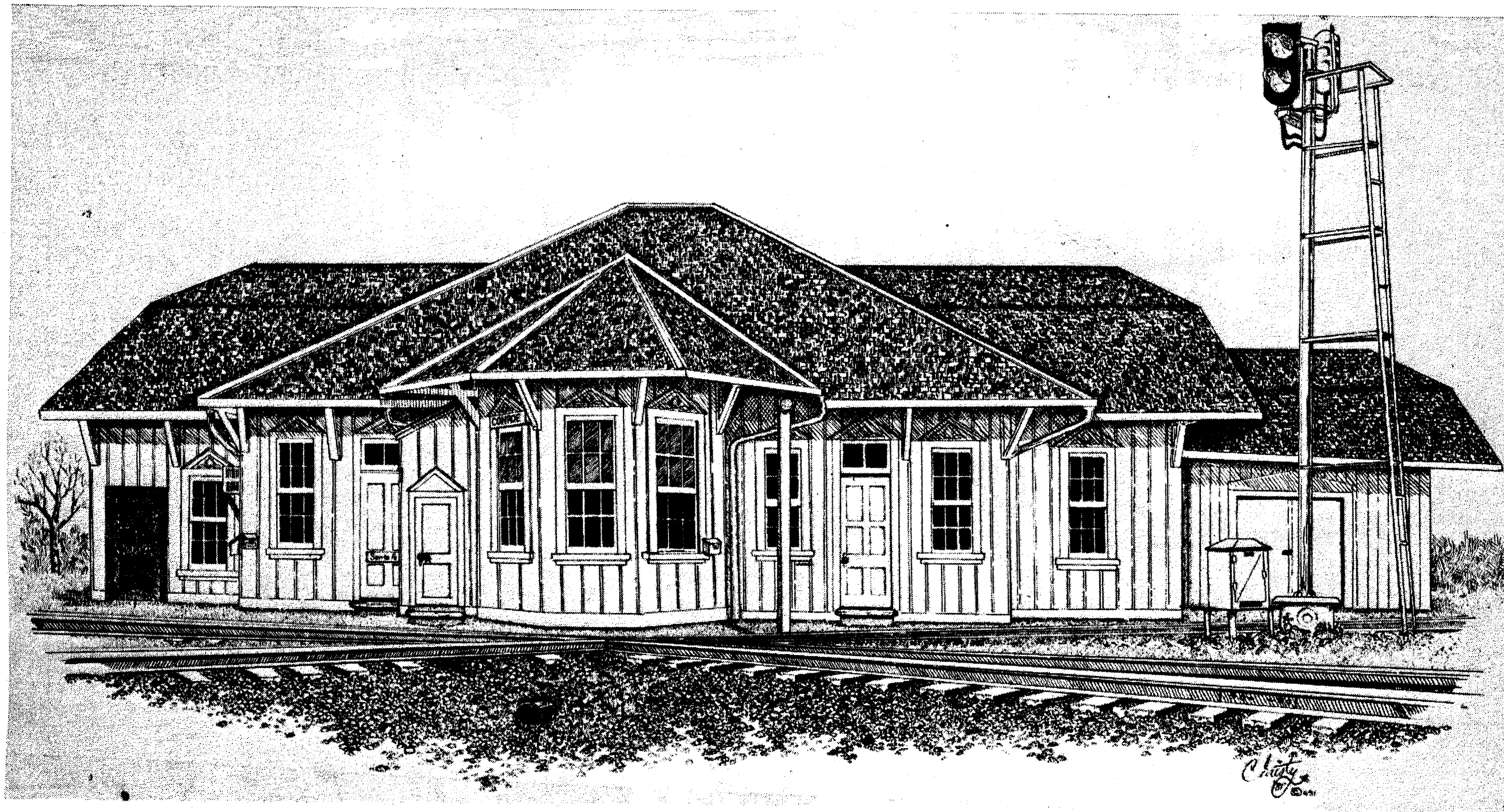


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Conroe Train Station

Illinois. This was done in compliance with a Mexican law that would not allow a Protestant church to be organized in Texas. The church was established around 1840 near Elkhart, Texas, and is believed to be one of the oldest Protestant churches in Texas. It is still in existence today.

Of Samuel Little's 10 children, the only one we know is Hiram Little, born April 9, 1809, in Illinois. Hiram Little married Mary Polly Lindley in 1832. Mary Polly Lindley was born November 26, 1813, in Illinois. Mary Polly Lindley was the daughter of Samuel Washington Lindley, born in South Carolina in 1788, and Mary Elizabeth Polly Hall born in 1790. They were married July 5, 1809, in Christian County, Kentucky. Hiram and Mary Polly Lindley Little had 10 children: Aphadella, born May 17, 1832, Bond County, Illinois; Elizabeth, born July 4, 1834, Bond County, Illinois; Jonathan, born May 26, 1836, Montgomery County, Texas; Kathrine, born January 7, 1838, Montgomery County, Texas; William M. (Dock), born November 18, 1840, Montgomery County, Texas; Margaret and Samuel (twins) born November 4, 1842, Montgomery County, Texas; Eliza Jane, born November 15, 1846, Montgomery County, Texas; Joseph, born February 29, 1848, Montgomery County, Texas; and Mary Emily (Mollie) born December 22, 1850, Montgomery County, Texas.



Looking left to right; this is my Father, #1, Samuel Edgar Little; #2, my aunt, Hattie Josephine Little Meador #3 my uncle, Rev. Hiram Little. These are descendants of Samuel Little.

The above William M. (Dock) Little married Sarah Elizabeth Paulsel on April 12, 1865, at the home of Hiram Little in Walker County. They moved to Willis, Texas, in Montgomery County to a 98 acre piece of land on Caney Creek. Their children were: Henry, Rev. Hiram, Samuel Edgar, Will, whose twin brother died at birth, Allie, Bessie, Hattie Josephine, Katherine, and a set of Siamese twins died at birth.

The above Samuel Edgar Little married Mollie Law on December 11, 1912, in Conroe, Montgomery County, Texas. Samuel Edgar Little was born on April 29, 1875, in Willis, Texas. Mollie Law was born on July 3, 1895,

in Conroe, Texas. They lived in Willis, Texas, where three children were born. Then they moved to Conroe, Texas, and settled on 35 acres of the W.S. Allen Survey, where two more children were born. Their children are: Lydia Mae, born January 19, 1914, Willis, Montgomery County, Texas; Opal Beatrice, born November 23, 1915, Willis, Montgomery County, Texas; Denzil, born October 16, 1917, Willis, Montgomery County, Texas; L.D., born January 20, 1922, Conroe, Montgomery County, Texas; and Martha Louise, born October 22, 1927, Conroe, Montgomery County, Texas.

The above Martha Louise Little married William Franklin Welschhans on October 8, 1949, in Conroe, Texas. William Franklin Welschhans was born September 10, 1926, in Galveston, Texas. The Welschhans live on part of the original 35 acres of the Samuel Edgar and Mollie Little property in Conroe, Montgomery County, Texas. Their children are: Trina, born March 15, 1953, in Galveston, Texas. Trina Welschhans married Glenn Wood Withrow, Jr. on June 4, 1977, in Conroe, Montgomery County, Texas, where they now reside.

— Martha Louise Little Welschhans

LOYD

John Isaac Loyd was born in North Carolina about 1835. Parents were and John Loyd, farmer, born in North Carolina about 1808 and died in Dale County, Alabama after 1880. Other children in this family (all born in N.C.) were: Harriet 1830 —, Mary 1830 —, Maranda 1837 —, William 1839 —, Abner 1841 —, Henry 1842 —, Ann 1846 —. The mother died in North Carolina 1846 - 1850, and the family moved to Alabama at this time as shown in 1850 Dale County, Alabama census.



John Isaac Loyd taken about 1908

John Isaac Loyd was a farmer. About 1856 in Dale County he married Tabbitha Martin, born in South Carolina about 1827 (probably a younger sister of Benjamin W. Martin, great-great-grandfather of Melva Yates Whitehead). John Isaac and younger brother, William M. Loyd, enlisted in the Confederate Army 15 August 1862 in Dale County; both were privates in Company K, 15th Regiment Alabama Infantry.

William was wounded 23 November 1863 in a battle with Federal troops at Campbell Station, Tennessee (now within Knoxville city limits). He lost his left leg due to the wound after being taken prisoner 5 December 1863. He was confined in Union hospitals and prison camps in Knoxville, Nashville, Louisville, and finally Camp Chase, Ohio 9 March 1864. He was at Camp Chase until paroled and transferred to City Point, Virginia in a prisoner exchange 25 February 1865. Census and deed records show he married Faithy Jane Gray about 1865, and later was the jailer at the city jail in Ozark, Alabama.

John Isaac Loyd was wounded in a skirmish with Union troops November 1862, and his right arm was amputated. Records show his army pay as \$11.00 monthly; from this he had to pay for shoes. Along with various furloughs he was assigned to General Hospital No. 20, Richmond, Virginia until the end of the war. In the fall of 1872 the John Isaac Loyd family moved from Dale County, Alabama. Also moving at this time were the families of Nelson Hughes and Benjamin W. Martin. All of them settled near Willis in Montgomery County, Texas in December 1872. In 1878 the Loyd family moved from Montgomery County to northeast Waller County, about 13 miles west of Magnolia. The 1880 Waller County census shows the family in Precinct 3, the Fields Store area. John and Tabbitha (Martin) Loyd later made their home with their second son, George W., in Montgomery County on the old Magnolia - Waller road about one-fourth mile east of the Montgomery County - Waller County line.

Tabbitha (Martin) Loyd died at the home of her son, George W., about October 1895. John Isaac Loyd died there 28 May 1910 after a family gathering and ice cream party. Family history says he always had some gold coins, and it was thought there was a hidden cache; after his death many searches were made but nothing was ever found. Both are buried in Fields Store Cemetery, Waller County. There were seven children in the John Isaac Loyd family: (A). James Jackson (Jim) 1858-1953; (B). George Walter 1861-1944; (C). Mary E. 1864-1885; (D). Nancy Emily 1864-1918 (Mary and Nancy were twins); (E). Helen Florence 1866-1933; (F). William Henry 1867-1927 — all born in Dale County, Alabama; and (G). John Nelson 1873-1947, born in Montgomery County three months after the family arrived in Texas. All of the older family members spelled the LOYD name with one "L". However, in the 1880's George W. had his name changed legally to LLOYD. Since then, many of the younger members have changed the spelling to LLOYD.

(A). James Jackson Loyd in 1882 married Sarah Ellen Fowler 1865-1913 (born Grimes County); they lived later in Liberty and Harris Counties. He died in Houston 2 June 1953. Children: Montie Agnes 1888-1973, Annie Mae 1900- —, Arthur Lee 1902-1912; and several who died as infants. Montie married Ned Salyers (two daughters: Willie Mae married Allie Toland Whiddon; Annie Bell married first Ira E. Martin — daughter Carolyn Yvonne married Donald W. Phillips — married second

Bart Bowie Lucas); Annie Mae married first Walter Henry Glass (daughter Elsie Mae married Ray Pappan), and married second Fred Hokans.

(B). George Walter Loyd on 15 November 1885 married Sarah (Sallie) Elizabeth Alford (she was born 9 February 1866 at Minks Prairie, near Magnolia, Montgomery County; died in Houston 12 April 1946). He died at home 12 November 1944. For six years after marrying, they lived near Peach and Brushy Creeks in southwest Montgomery County, then moved to what is considered the old home place on the north side of the old Magnolia-Waller road just inside the Montgomery County line ten miles southwest of Magnolia. They built a new home there about 1915, taking down the old house but using the old kitchen for some years; this newer home is still standing. He built a syrup mill on the farm here and operated it for years when sugar cane was grown in this area; the mill was dismantled and moved before 1932. Beginning about 1915, an annual birthday — homecoming dinner and barbecue was held at the George Loyd home on the weekend nearest 24 June (his birthday); it has been discontinued in recent years. There were six children, all born in Montgomery County: 1. Mary Emma 1886-1980; 2. John Isaac 1888-1969; 3. George Ernest 1890-1967; 4. Archie Edward 1892-1976; 5. Helen Thanie 1895- ; 6. James Peachman 1898--.

3. George Ernest married Nola Elma Clepper; daughter Ernestine married James M. Jackson (four children: Jaqueline, Suzanne, Daniel Ernest, James Michael). 4. Archie Edward married Johanna Magerstadt. They built a home on 120 acres in 1933 near his parents in southwest Montgomery County. There were six children: Irene Helen, Edward Magerstadt, George Herman, Thanie Johanna, Archie Joe (A. J.), Evangeline. Johanna died in 1962; Archie later married Alice (Boettcher) Hakemack.

Irene married Jack Olson; children Jack Loyd, Jo Ann.

Edward married Leona Martens; three children: Charles Edward married Marilyn Marie Frank (daughter Cheryl Marie); Gerald Justin married Joyce Williams (son Jason); Mary Ann Dorothy.

George Herman married Jerry Braddock; son Gene Archie, daughter George Anne.

Thanie married R.B. Dennis; two sons Gary Wayne, Robert Earl.

A.J. married Grace Rasnau; children Dorothy, Larry.

Evangeline married James M. Engledow; son James. 5. Helen Thanie married Frank Harvey Maxwell, Sr.; for some years he was a barber, and later was Houston City Inspector of Barber and Beauty Shops. Three children: Helen Maurine; Frank Harvey, Jr.; Fred Awald. Helen Maurine married first Lloyd Glenn Langford, Sr. — married second Glen B. Duncan

Urdal (two daughters, Ginger and Rusty), and Frank Harvey Maxwell III married Sharon House (daughter Shawn); second marriage to Lenore Dillon, three children: twins Terry Jack (married Cheryl Sue Stephens, son Cheves Terry), and Merry Jill (married Charles Floto), and Suzanne; third marriage to Yvonne Russell (daughter Shannon Grace); fourth marriage to JoAnn Rutland.

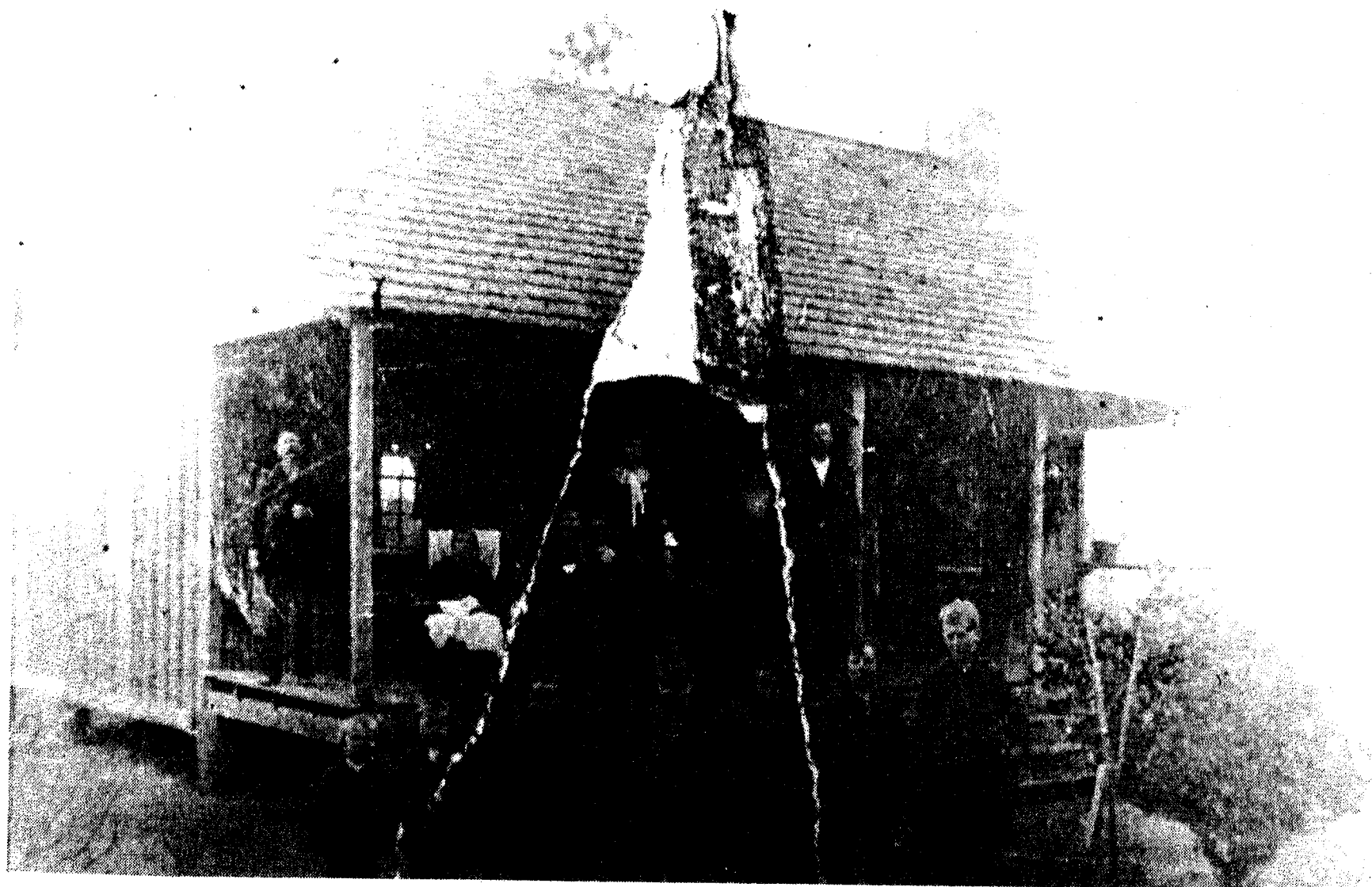
Fred Awald married Roma Diane Adam (native of England). Three children: Diane married Steve Gardiner; Patrick Shawn; Pamela married Dwight Long. 6. James Peachman Lloyd married Winnie V. Dinkins. Two sons: James Peachman, Jr. (married first Dorothy Howell, one son and one daughter; second marriage to), and Glenn Ray married Anna

(C) Mary E. Loyd married John Smith about 1881; two sons: William (married Anna , and worked for Southern Pacific railroad in the San Antonio area for many years); and John Henry 1885-1902 who lived with his mother's sister, Helen Loyd Hegar (he died with black jaundice).

(D) Nancy Emily Loyd married Joseph I. Attaway about 1880, eight children, all born in Montgomery County: Lizzie 1882-1884; George Grover 1884-1968 (married Annie Musgrove, lived on Route 1, Conroe); Mary 1886-1888; Maggie 1889-1959 (married John Harris); Joseph Milam 1892-- (married Mary , then Blanche); Henry 1894-1897; Sam 1899-1902; Ruby Onetta 1901- (married William Henry Kuhn; five daughters: Agnes Onetta, Evelyn Marie (married Jake Mathis), Doris June (married Erwin Olexa), Ruby Jane (married Kenneth Porche), Carliss Ann (married Patrick Carney).

(E) Helen Florence Loyd married Alfred Carl Hegar; they lived many years in Montgomery County just north of the George W. Loyd home. There were six children: 1. August Monroe 1883-1895; 2. Helen Florence 1887-1964 (married John William Page, eleven children: William Alfred married Evelyn Hopper, James August married Elizabeth Shirley, John Oran married Estelle Shine, Joe Malcolm, Bernice Marie, twins Vivian Odelle and Lillian Idelle, Morris LaBatte married Lela Mae Winn, Helen Louise married Joseph Franklin Clarady, Wallace Loring, U.S. Air Force captain — died in plane crash; Johnnie Helen married Earl Henry Schmidt); 3. Minnie Edna married John Pincney Wallingford, three children: Virgil Edwin (married Leona Locke, two daughters Sydney Anne and Sharon Dean), John Roland (married Doris Corinne Ogg, five children: Joan Yvonne, John Roland II, Karen Anne, Nicholas, Carl Wayne), Edna Ruth (married Clarence Robert Lange, three children: Sandra Ruth, Robert Joel, Carolyn Joy); 4. Sallie Nellie married Charles F. Williamson, two children: Frances Helen (married Harold V. Smith), and Robert Hegar (married Dolores , one daughter and two sons); 5. Sophia Anna; 6. Mary Magdalene (Mae).

(F) William Henry Loyd married first on 26 December 1886 to Lula Alford 1868-1904. Lula was born at Minks Paririe, near Magnolia, Montgomery County. Her older sister (Sarah



Loyd Family at home of George Walter Loyd 10 miles southwest of Magnolia, Texas taken about 1896. Front row (L-R) Archie E. Loyd, George E. Loyd, John Isaac Loyd, Mary Emma Lloyd, Helen Florence Hegar, John Henry Smith, August M. Hegar. Back row (L-R) Alfred C. Hegar, Helen (Loyd) Hegar, John Nelson Loyd, Mary Ellen (Hughes) Loyd, Ollie Ann Hughes, Sarah (Sallie) Alford Lloyd, George Walter Loyd.

1. Mary Emma married George Holida Stephenson. 2. John Issac married first Edna Clauss Fleming; one son Maurice Fleming Lloyd 1912-1972, married Alta Pearl Dawson (two daughters: Rita Pearl, and Linda Sue who married first Thomas C. Rosenbaum — son Louis Maurice — then married Charles D. Towery III). John Isaac married second Iva Lee Smith.

— two children: Glenda Maurine Langford married first Philip C. Ward, then married Edmonston (four children: Linda Maurine Ward married Bubba Holt; James Philip Ward, Rima Doranne Ward, Martin Maxwell Ward); and Lloyd Glenn Langford, Jr., married Barbara Parker (daughter Faith).

Frank Harvey, Jr. married first Elizabeth Varnell; two children: Sherri married Terry

Elizabeth Alford) married George W. Loyd, older brother of William Henry. Lula's brother was William H. Alford who married Clara Leverkus 2 March 1890; another sister, Emma Harriet Alford, married William Glass, Jr., 10 Nov. 1887 — all of these marriages in Montgomery County. Lula's parents were Harrison Alford (1846 to about 1875) and Thanie Elvira Roberts 1841-1923, both from Monroe County, Alabama — both moved with their families to the Danville area about three miles north of Willis, Texas about 1852; they married in Montgomery County 18 February 1864. About 1875 Harrison Alford disappeared one night after riding away from his home near Magnolia, accompanied by several men also horseback. None of the family ever heard from him again. This was shortly after a horse had been stolen. Speculation was that he knew the suspects, and that he was eliminated by them.



Sallie May Loyd taken about 1911 at Hempstead, Tx.

William Henry and Lula Loyd lived on the 160 acre T.E. Alford homestead three miles west of Magnolia, south of F.M. 1488. She died there 28 March 1904 with pneumonia and typhoid fever. Part of this homestead is still owned by William H. Alford of Magnolia — he's the son of William H. Alford and Clara Leverkus. There were seven children in this Loyd family: 1. William Harrison; 2. Benjamin; 3. Horace Clifton; 4. Viola Lula; 5. Edna Annie; 6. Sallie May; 7. August Henry.

1. William Harrison (Willie) Loyd 1887-1974, married Maggie Estelle Martin, five children: J.B., Lillian Lula, Willie Oscar 1917-1953, Clyde Wyatt, Holiday. J.B. first married Eula V. Kimmey, five children: Norma Jean (married Robert Sherrod), Loraine (married C.J. Green), J.B., Jr. (married Nona Marie Feagin), twins Jerry Wayne (married Jo Mae) and Wanda J. J.B.'s second marriage was to Mary Ann . Lillian Lula Loyd married Raby William Walker, daughter

Bernice Estelle married first Jack Thomas Stevens, married second Jerry Peek, married third Edd Podvin; two children: Jack Thomas Stevens, Jr. (married first Sandra Wooley, son Michael Roy, married second to Brenda Poole); Linda Kay Stevens married Thomas Hollis. Clyde Wyatt Loyd married Florence Beatrice Smith; two daughters: Gloria Jean, and Sharon Ann (married Dennis Harrison Griffin, three sons: Darryl Lee, Bryan Keith, Kevin Lloyd). Holiday Lloyd, Sr., married Betty Jean Kee: son Holiday, Jr. (married Barbara , children Holly, Holiday III, Jennifer); daughter Debra Jean married Carl Sherman.

2. Benjamin (Bennie) Loyd 1889-1918 married Averell Sanford, two sons: Bennie Ray and Ulysse Ovie. Bennie Ray married Carrie Lucille Goodson, daughter Barbara June (married Eldon Eugene Moffett, two daughters: Barbara Kathleen who married Clayton Cartwright, and Karla Nanette).

3. Horace Clifton Loyd 1891-1915.

4. Viola Lula Loyd 1893- , married Julius John Sanford (brother of Averell Sanford who married Bennie Loyd); three children: Murel Russell Sanford (married Mary Alice Neeley, daughter Mary Muriel who married Donald Gee Snow — children Steven Wayne and Sheri Lynette); Lula Irene Sanford (married Joseph Looney Fenlaw, M.D.; two sons: Joseph Bill — married Deborah Jane Loftis, son Joseph Dean — and Scott Newburn — married Julia Inez Fogle, two sons John Scott and David Jason); Mary Elvira Sanford married Earl Leroy Fort, Baptist minister; three sons: John David (married Carla Glavan), Daniel Alan, and James William.

5. Sallie May Loyd born 1895 at Magnolia, Texas; married first Edgar George Pendergrass 1883-1933, born Madison County, Tennessee — youngest son of Vincent L. Pendergrass and Nancy Williams; six children: Herman Edward, Vivian Lucille, William Everette, Robert Lloyd, Lula Mae, Cecil Allen. She married second Edgar Elkins, third Hope J. Daniels — 1947, fourth Howard H. Lee 1895-1972. Herman Edward Pendergrass married first Imogene Marie Miller (son John Edward married first Ruth Buchman; married second Barbara Schneider, three daughters: Kelli Ann, Anna Marie, Cheryl Rae). Herman married second George Louis (McKay) Jennings, daughters Harriette Mae (married Marshal Killinger, son Michael Lee, daughter Holly Mae) and Charlotte Dee. Vivian Lucille Pendergrass married first Odis Murl Harrison 1905-1943; married second Avis Louis Elkins, four children: Anna Lucille, Thomas Allen Sr., Margaret May (Mickie), James Louis; Anna Lucille (married Royce Wayne Topping, two sons Kenneth Wayne and Allen Royce, daughter Margaret Ann); Thomas Allen, Sr., (first married Betty Jo McCreary — son Kelly Martin; married second Sally Janet (Gardner) Enlow, children: Janet Ann, Baby Girl, Thomas Allen Jr.); Margaret May (married Donald Gene Falks, children: Don Mitchell — married Pamela Kay Katzer; Robin Jean; Karen Marie); and James Louis (married Lynda Gayle Holstien, children Christi Lynn, Marissa Leigh).

William Everett Pendergrass married Gwen-

dolyn Mavis Wilson (daughter of James Andrew Morden Wilson 1890-1975 born Manitoba, Canada; and Carrie Luta Webb 1895- born in Tres Piedras, New Mexico); twin sons David Lloyd and Dean Wilson, daughter Carol Lynn. David Lloyd married first Cynthia Faye Cooper (daughter Michelle Renee), married second Sharon Graham Buckland (daughters Laurie Elizabeth — Libby, and Carey Lorene); Dean Wilson married Jennifer Harper (two daughters Kaylyne and Jessica); Carol Lynn married Louis Andrew Moffitt (two daughters Christina Anne and Julie Lynn, son Joseph Louis).



Photo Taken Dec. 1952 Bay City, Tx. At home of Vivian Elkins. Front row (L-R) Cecil A. Pendergrass, William E. Pendergrass. Back row (L-R) Vivian (Pendergrass) Elkins, Robert L. Pendergrass, Sallie (Loyd) Pendergrass Lee, Lula (Pendergrass) Wright, Herman E. Pendergrass

Robert Lloyd Pendergrass, Sr., married Genevieve Leslie McPeck, son Robert Lloyd Pendergrass, Jr. (married Mildred Lacreia Bartlett, daughter Janelle).

Lula Mae Pendergrass married Odie Chester Wright 1907-1969, son James Christopher Lloyd (married Betty Jean Stuart, son Bryan Lee), daughter Leah Elizabeth (married first John P. Tarr; married second Waylan Ray Pittman, son Michael Blaine).

Cecil Allen Pendergrass . 1928-1967, married first Johnnie Fletcher (son Jimmie Allen married Brenda); married second Joanna Mitchell (daughter Diana); married third ; married fourth Odell .

6. Edna Annie Loyd 1898 - , married first Johnnie R. Fleming (daughter Edna Loraine 1917-1918); married second Isaac T. Mattox.

7. August Henry Loyd 1902-1979 married Marcia Ella Lorena Pogue, six children: Marguerite Annette (married Robert Albert Tipton); Harold Pogue (married first Billie Sue Ellis, son Harold Raymond Loyd married Susan Elaine Marek; married second Nedra Mason, son Louis Randell Loyd and daughter Jolen Lloyd); Jack Raymond (married Geraldine Pillows, two daughters Mary Janett and Linda Sue); Henry Louis (married Jo Ann

McRAE SCHOOL 1880-1925

McRae School was located 15 miles east of Conroe just off 1484 and Williams Road. A one-room school but the fundamentals, reading, writing and arithmetic were deeply instilled in the children as well as morality and respect.

They had only six months of school. As soon as the crops were harvested in October, school began. The boys and girls took to their books and studies October through March, then, back to helping their parents planting the crops. We never had a counselor, so no one was expelled out of school. We may have had a switching or spanking or stood in the corner, or made a ring on the blackboard and stand with your nose in it.

McRae School was one through seven grades, centrally located between three families, Walding 2 1/2 miles, Reaves 1 1/2 miles, Williams 2 1/2 miles. Mr. Williams chopped a trail through the woods to shorten his route to 1 1/2 miles.

School began at 8:00 a.m. and out at 4:00 p.m. First bell rang a quarter before hand giving the kids a chance not to be tardy. Being on time was also taught constantly for their betterment for lifes journey.

We began roll call, then pledge of allegiance to the flag, sang a song such as America or Faith of Our Fathers.

The teachers in 1917-1925 were Tessie Wise, Mae Hagger, Edna Ochme, Dolly Gore, Ruth (Weisinger) Cable (she taught two years), Mary Irvin Cluxton Legg, Mrs. Charles (Fannie) Reaves, our substitute. The trustees who served were devoted, upright Christian men: J.B. Walding, W.E. Williams, Chas. Reaves, Sam Burnham, and T.F. Bornig (?).

Mr. Williams was always a believer in value and worth of education and when it came time for McRae children to attend high school, the



First McRae School: Front Row L-R Robert Martin, Bonnie Martin, Katie Thomas, Curtis Walding, Roy Walding, Charlie Thomas, Willie Thomas, Ima Jewel Reaves. Back Row L-R: Mina Walding, Myrtle Thomas, Lula Thomas, Claudia Reaves, Harry Martin, Sue Ella McBride. Rudolph Britt, teacher.

problem of transportation was posed. His avid interest in educational facilities for all the children caused Mr. Williams to turn his attention to the solution of this problem. Thus, it was in 1925 that he "fathered" the beginning of the school bus routes in Conroe Independent School District, and he and the late superintendent, Hulon N. Anderson, tirelessly worked out a bus route to bring the county children to the town schools. With the help of the other parents they seemed to accomplished their tasks or deeds well done.

Mr. Williams drove this school bus from 1925 to 1935. He lived 11 miles east of Conroe. He got into his bus at 6:00 a.m., 42 miles to Conroe High, returning the same 42 miles in the evening, arriving at 6:00 p.m. This being a

1925 T-model Ford bus. Salary started at \$65.00 per month.

McRae was noted for spelling matches and box suppers. The way they raised money for the added school supplies, etc.: Every Friday afternoon the parents took out two hours of their time to see how their children had progressed that week. The students were all excited because there was always a special treat. Spelling contest, Geography (george eat old gray at Pa house yesterday. This is the way they taught how to remember your words.), history contest, speech-making, naming capitals of the forty-eight states, and maybe a baseball game if the weather permitted.

The school was on the mail route. The carrier, Mrs. Malcolm Harris or the late Gary Williams. They had lunch with us if they were on schedule.

McRae closed its doors spring of 1925 with Farewell Day of activities, with all parents and students looking forward to a better way of life for the generations to follow.

W.E. William's home burned Oct. 25, 1927 so Conroe Independent School District trustees sold the building to Mr. Williams. His second home burned in September 1962. Both Mr. and Mrs. Williams are deceased. That closed the history of McRae School. The McRae grade-children went to Community School known as Cut-N-Shoot. The number of students varied about 25 — 15 — 10 as the school phased out.

— Mrs. B.C. Calfee



Second School: Front Row: Bertha Gideon, Otha Reaves, Alla B. Williams, Agatha Walding, Alice B. Williams, Curtis Walding. Second Row: Ima Jewel Reaves, Annie Gideon, Clarede Williams Boys on ladder: Mabrin Walding, Walter Gideon Teacher: Edna Oche.

"THE HISTORY OF EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES FOR BLACKS IN CISD"

The first school for Blacks in the Conroe Independent School District was built in 1919 across First Street between Avenue K and Avenue M. The person most responsible for its construction was Ms. Mittie T. Campbell for whom the school was named. Before Campbell High School was completed, classes for Black children were held in the Central Baptist

Coburn, three children: Pamela Jean married Gary Shankles; Louis Keith; Belinda); Lula Jean (married first Paul Veazey 1929-1971, two sons: Russell Paul, and Gary Robert married Marilyn McCafferty), Lula married second Gene Albert McCarty; Patsy Ruth (married Carl Jene Jordan, son Lloyd Shane).

(F2) William Henry Loyd married second Hattie Virginia (Martin) Moore, born 30 May 1890 at New Caney, Texas — died 28 October 1957; two daughters: Pauline Gwendolyn and Lois Beatrice. Pauline married Waylon Ennis Gilmore; two daughters: Johnnie Deen (married Ronald Hawkins) and Sue Gwendolyn (married James Hunter Clayton); two sons: Claude J (married Annie Marie Curry) and Roy Sanford. Lois Beatrice married Estell Elwin Jones, three sons: William James (married Prentice Jean Gary), Ronnie Lloyd (married Brenda Simmons), Tommie D. (married Peggy Sue Biela), and three daughters: Darlene, Rita Faye, and Tammye Jean. William Henry Loyd died 5 November 1927 at Kickapoo, Polk County, Texas.

(G) John Nelson Loyd married first Mary Ella Maggie Hughes (born 5 August 1877, died Hockley, Harris County, Texas 10 December 1918— parents were Jim Hughes and Ann Loyd); thirteen children: 1. Ollie Ann 1893-1964; 2. William Nelson 1897-1918; 3. James Walter 1898-1968, married Zena Lockard (nine children: Russell, Mildred, Joy, Jewell — married _____ Knowles, Dolores, Edna — married _____ Richards, Herman, Robert, Frank); 4. Ethel May 1900-1901; 5. Letha Tabitha 1901-1969, married Jesse B. Curran, daughter Ruth (married Don L. Rogers, three children: Christine, Don, Lori); 6. Katie Lillian 1903-, married first Arvin Henry Petty, two sons: Arvin Howard (married Mary Patti Parmley, son Andrew Howard who married Esther Jackson — two children Steven Edward, Sharon Kay), and James Ray (died in the New London, Texas school explosion 18 March 1937); Katie married second Andrew J. Wineblood; 7. Jesse Stanley 1905-1948, married Billie Finley; 8. Mary Bertha 1907-, married first Martin Zoch (son Lloyd, daughter Joyce married _____ Smith), married second Carl Hutchings; 9. Calvin Elmer, Sr., 1909-, married first Olivia Irene Pilgrim (son Herbert Nelson married Mary Lee Jimerson), married second Rita _____ (three children: Virginia, Rhonda, and Calvin Elmer, Jr.); 10. Lula Belle 1911-, married first John Black (children Don, Joan married Don Fulk), married second Dale S. Holloway; 11. Elsie Abbiegail 1912-1974, married Merle E. Tunison, four children: Annetra (married _____ Garcia), Patrick, June (married _____ Brunson), Barbara; 12. Ella Lorene 1915-, married Bertram B. Blanchard, four children: Ronnie, Brenda (married Larry Bailey), Don, Kaye; 13. Johnnie Ervin 1916-1972.

(G) John Nelson Loyd married second Minnie Cecil (Thornton) Pogue; daughter Maxine married C.L. Mackie. This only Montgomery County native of the Loyd family (which moved from Alabama to Texas in 1872) died 21 December 1947 in Dayton, Liberty County, Texas.

— William E. Pendergrass

McALPINE FAMILY

Archibold Brown McAlpine was born 29 August 1815 at Rockingham, Richmond County, N.C. He was the son of John and Susanna (Anderson) McAlpine and the grandson of Malcolm McAlpine and wife Mary Smith. Malcolm and Mary McAlpine came from Scotland ca 1770 with two small sons (one died at sea) to America thru the port of Charleston, S.C. They moved to Bladen (now Robeson) County, N.C. and purchased 100 Acres on the Middle Swamp, August, 1785. John McAlpine moved on into Richmond County ca 1819 and purchased land at Hichcock Creek 29 Dec. 1821 where he died in 1827.

After the death of his father and the remarriage of his mother ca 1839 Archibold McAlpine followed his Uncle Dugald McAlpine to Alabama. Dugald had moved to Mississippi Territory by 1816 in what is now Marengo County, Alabama. He married Elizabeth Jane Edwards, his first cousin, at Marengo County, 9 April 1842. In the 1850 census they are living at Woodville Beat, Perry County, Alabama. They moved into Montgomery County, Texas by 1855 and purchased land in the Wm. Patterson Survey. Archibold McAlpine died in Montgomery County, Texas, 22 January 1867. Burial Place unknown.

Children of Archibold Brown McAlpine and Elizabeth Jane Edwards:

1. Wm. K. McAlpine born Perry Co., Al. 1843 died Grimes Co., Tx. 1879, married Susie Ann McAlpine, first cousin, d/o James and Rebecca (Ely) McAlpine.

2. Mary Jane McAlpine born 1844 Perry Co., Al. died 1920, Grimes Co., Tx, buried at Fields Store Cemetery, Waller Co., Tx., married Charles Duncan Clepper at Montgomery County, Tx. 11 September 1861.

3. Martha F. McAlpine born 1849 Perry Co., Al, died 1885 Tx, married/1 Wiley F. Heflin at Montgomery County, Tx. 25 Dec. 1865, m/2 Robert Jackson, m/3 Tom Booker, m/4 ? Tammye.

4. Arch "Allen" Brown McAlpine born Perry County, Al 1853, died Tx. 1919, m/1 Sallie Terrell, m/2 Alpha Tribble.

5. Alex R. Simth McAlpine born Perry Co., Al. Jan 1855, died Tx. 1870. Never married.

6. Salley A. McAlpine born Montgomery Co., Tx. 1859, died Tx. 1885 married Robert Sullivan.

7. James Anderson McAlpine born 1861 Montgomery Co., Tx. died 1885. married Alice Sanders.

8. Susanna Elizabeth McAlpine born Montgomery Co., Tx. 1862, died 1897 Tx, married Wm. Burrell Loftin.

9. David Dugald McAlpine born 1863 Montgomery Co., Tx, married Minnie Holderby.

— Mrs. Jean Clepper Anderson

GLYNN STANLEY McCLELLAN

Glynn was born in Coolidge Texas on May 5, 1918 to Dee and Maybell Ives McClellan. He had four sisters Pauline McClellan Brewer, deceased, Aileen McClellan Chester, Gertrude McClellan Fiegel and Louise McClellan LaSalle and three brothers, Audrey Dee "Jack" McClellan, Robert Lee "R.L." Garner and

Richard Bell Garner.

Glynn graduated from Tyler High School and attended Tyler Junior College. He served two and a half years in World War II. Most of that time was spent in the Pacific.

From Tyler, Glynn moved to Texas City, Galveston County, Texas and was employed by Texas City National Bank. It was in Texas City that he met and married Virginia Sheldon. They were blessed with two sons, Glynn Stanley, Jr., born August 24, 1944 and Dayton Lee, born January 29, 1948.

Glynn, Virginia and their sons moved to Conroe in January 1951. Glynn was employed by Conroe National Bank, known now as Allied Conroe Bank. He is a past president of the Chamber of Commerce and was active in Jaycees, Kiwanis, Optimist Club, Boy Scouts and First Methodist Church.

Son, Glynn Stanley, Jr., "Skip," graduated from Conroe High School in 1964 and attended Sam Houston State University and Baylor University. He married Donna Morton November 18, 1967. They have two daughters, Sherrie Lee, born December 18, 1968, and Lisa Anne, born Jul 9, 1971.

Son, Dayton Lee, graduated from Conroe High School in 1967 and attended Sam Houston State University. He married Glynett Schubert June 21, 1968. They have one son, Shane Glynn, born November 4, 1969.

— Glynn Stanley McClellan

AUSTIN BERKLEY McCOMB

Austin Berkley McComb was born in Conroe on September 27, 1920, the youngest child of William Perry McComb II and Viva McGary McComb. He attended the Conroe schools until he was sixteen years of age. He then attended Riverside Military Academy, where he graduated in 1939. In 1941, while attending the University of Texas, he enlisted in the Air Force immediately after the bombing of Pearl Harbor. He served for four and a half years, for a while in the Philippines and later with the Army of Occupation in Japan.



Austin McComb

boose, as it was called then, and in front of the house was an abandoned Cigar Factory. The brick cellar (or it may have been the first floor then) is still there in part overgrown with trees now. For heat they had a stove made of 4 slabs of thick cast iron.

Shields went to work on the railroad when he was 16 to help support his family, and Carson worked as a farmer, worked cattle, and various other jobs he could do.

In the early 30's Shields Morrison and Charley Johnson started the Cash Service Station in Willis which also carried groceries. Later, Charley Johnson started his own business down the street and Shields maintained ownership of Cash Service Station by himself. The name Cash was supposed to mean "Cash and Carry" as we know the term today, but Shields carried many charge accounts for years, and people used to call him Mr. Cash, not knowing his real name.

Mary Jane Button Morrison died in her own home from old age September 28, 1952 and was also buried in Willis Cemetery.

Theophilus (T.C.) Carson married Agnes Beachum Sojourner, 10-20-21. They had 3 children. 1. Frank William, born 1-12-23. 2. Anna Lee, born 3-17-25. Billy Ray, born 6-21-28 — Died 5-21-48. Frank William married Bonnie Faye Matthews 8-21-48. They had 2 children. 1. Mary Ann, born 7-12-49. 2. Frank William, Jr., born 5-21-54 — Died 4-19-76. Mary Ann married Jimmy Ray Burge 7-14-67 and had 2 children. 1. Paula Michele, born 6-6-69. 2. Michael Jason, born 10-25-71. Mary Ann was married to Arthur Wayne Huesel 1-16-76. They had one child, Gary Wayne, born 3-25-77, and are currently living in Spring, Montgomery Co., Texas. Frank and Bonnie are living in Houston, Texas. Anne Lee married Jimmy Keith Bentley 11-23-50. They had 2 children. 1. Karen Loucille, born 9-29-51. 2. Pamela Kay, born 12-24-53. Anna Lee and Jimmy reside in Houston, Texas. Karen married Milton Joseph Wal 10-31-69. They had no children. Pamela Kay married Gary Ciacomini 6-74. They had one son, Michael Gary, born 7-23-75. Karen and family live in Houston, Texas, while Pamela and family live in Austin, Texas. Shields Richard was married to Mary Elizabeth Weatherred 10-21-48. They had 2 children. 1. Shields Richard, born 9-24-49. 2. Charles Howard, born 1-20-53. Elizabeth resides in Conroe, Texas. Shields Richard married Joyce Faye Kelley 4-4-80. They have no children. Charles is not married and lives in Odessa, Texas. Maurine was married to Professor M.J. Webster and had only one child who lived 7 days.

Leta Mae was married 1-19-25 to Phillipp James Rannels. They had 2 children. 1. Evelyn, born 2-21-25. 2. Mary Alice, born 8-17-26. Evelyn married Lewis Charles Thompson 6-28-40 and had 3 children. 1. Charles Leeland, born 1-12-42. 2. Martin Wayne, born 8-24-44. 3. Glenda Darlene, born 7-4-47. Evelyn and L.C. live in Houston, Texas. Charles Leeland married Gladys Yvonne Britton and they had 2 children. 1. Annette Yvonne, born 5-8-67. 2. Brandy Leeland, born 11-2-70. Leeland was married to Opal Lynn Smith 4-20-78. He has one stepchild, Jeremy Lee. They live in New

Caney.

Martin Wayne married Karen Coogler 12-28-67. They had no children. Wayne resides in Spring, Montgomery Co., Texas. Glenda Darlene married James Charles Gray Jr., 10-24-69. They have one son, Charles Wayne, born 3-22-73. They reside in Houston, Texas. Mary Alice was married to Euel Philipps 6-8-46, and they had one son, John Allen born 10-7-49. Mary Alice resides in Houston. John Allen married Dianne Thompson and had 2 children. 1. John Allen, Jr., born 11-26-71. 2. Frank Euel, born 11-16-72. He later mared Paula Hodges and they reside in Houston.

Frank Morrison, Jr. married Loucille Haynes and had no children. Loucille resides in Tennessee. Ray Morrison married Doris Naomi Gibbs 1-25-36, and they had one son, Michael Ray, born 7-15-44. Michael Ray married Mary Lois (Dolly) Dahl 3-26-70. They had one daughter Debra Johanne born 4-14-65 by her previous marriage. Michael adopted Debra in 1971. Doris Gibbs Morrison died 5-31-80, and Ray Morrison lives with Mike and Dolly in Shenandoah Valley, Spring, Montgomery Co., Texas. Mary Ella married Alvin Lee Tumlinson and had one child, Betty Jean, born 5-2-29. Betty Jean married Bill Fountain 12-31-48, and they had 3 children. 1. Patricia Jane, born 10-15-49. 2. Billy Joe, born 9-27-51. 3. Danny Lee, born 2-16-56. Bill and Betty Jean live in Houston.

Patricia married Gordon Ray Baker 6-1-75. They are awaiting their first child this September, 1981. They reside in Houston, Texas. Billy Joe married Donna G. Crane 10-31-79. There were no children. Billy resides in Houston. Danny Lee is not married and lives in Houston, Texas.

— Michael Ray Morrison

MOSTYN FAMILY HISTORY

Henry Thornton Mostyn was born in Sligo, Ireland 26 Dec 1808. It is not known when he came to America but he married Alice Barrington c1836 probably in N.Y. He received a Second Class Grant # from the Republic of Texas, County of Harrisburg on 1 Oct. 1837. On Nov 28, 1838 a survey of 1,280 acres was made on land situated on the waters of the Perdiado about 13 miles from Goliad. When this surveyed was sent in to be recorded it was found that someone else had already filed on this property. The Republic of Texas issued a new certificate #526 and Henry sold this for \$100 to Jacob DeCordeava on 26th day of Sept. 1846. DeCordeava used this certificate to purchase two 640 acres tracts at Uvalde, Bexar Co., Tx on 7 June 1843 by deed of Acquired.

Henry and Alice moved to Montgomery Co., Tx. c1849 as he paid taxes on 2 horses, 16 cattle and 1 wagon for years 1850-53. He died at Mostyn, Texas 30 Apr. 1854 and is buried in the Tillis Prairie Cemetery.

Montgomery Co., Tx. Deed Book S pg 84-85 dated 11 Oct 1856 from J. Castaine to Alice Mostyn "in consideration of the services and expenses and troubles involved by Henry T. Mostyn, decd. in locating for me 1/3 league of land and for the considera-

tion of \$5.00 in cash, tract of land on North side of Mill Creek about 12 miles South of Town of Montgomery at South corner of Survey of James R. Richards 1/3 league."

Alice (Barrington) Mostyn was born 24 Dec 1812 at Queens Co., Ireland. The Mostyn's had six children: 1. Henry Mostyn born in Texas c1842. Listed on the Roster of Mo. Co. 17th Brigade by Capt. Lem G. Clepper on July 1861. He is not in the 1870 census of Montgomery Co., Tx. 2. Isabela (Bell) Mostyn married Thomas J. Whitaker 15 June 1861. m/2 James Goodson 2 Aug. 1863. Children: James, Henry W, Angeline m/1 Jim Bradley m/2 Clair Banks, Margaret Florence married Jim Dyess, Ocober, Homer Goodson 3. Martha Mostyn born c1845 D.Y. 4 Margaret Jane Mostyn born 9 June 1850 died 13 Apr. 1910 at Magnolia, Tx. married John Peachman Alford 22 Jan. 1867. Thirteen children but only six lived to adulthood: Maggie Grace Alford m/1 Thomas E. Briers m/2 Rev. J.N. Clayton, Ada E. Alford married Drury Izard, Alice Bell married John E. Ogg, Millie E married James P. Page, Geo. Emmitt, Wm. Harry Alford. 5. Thornton Emmitt Mostyn born 20 Nov. 1854 died 18 Aug. 1916 Montgomery Co., Tx. married Prischilla Roberts. One son Grover Cleveland Mostyn married Florence? 6. Fanny Mostyn born c1847, D.Y.

Alice Mostyn's sister Martha and her husband Arthur Sutherland married in N.Y. and moved to Montgomery Co. c1860. After Martha's death Alice raised her youngest son Geo. Washington Sutherland who married Mollie E. Schmidt. Arthur & Martha's oldest son Charles Barrington Sutherland moved on into Navarro Co., Tx. with his father and opened the first funeral home in Corsicana.

— Mrs. Lela Briers Clepper

JAMES EDGAR MOUNCE

The J.E. Mounce family moved from Cass County in about 1912 to a little community three miles from Cleveland, Texas called Gladstell, Texas. This was a sawmill community. When this mill disbanded about 1934, the Mounce family moved to Cleveland, Texas. Mr. Mounce was a prominent lumberman.

Father: James Edgar Mounce, born May 1886 Cass County, Texas, died Oct. 18, 1968. Two sisters: Prudence Mounce Frazier and Gertrude Mounce Rogers.

Mother: Sue Mattie Cobb Mounce, born June 10, 1887 Cass County, Texas (possibly Bivins, Texas); d. Dec 21, 1963. Two brothers: William "Will" Cobb; J.B. "Jim" Cobb. One sister: Ida May Cobb Grogan, married Henry H. Grogan, no children.

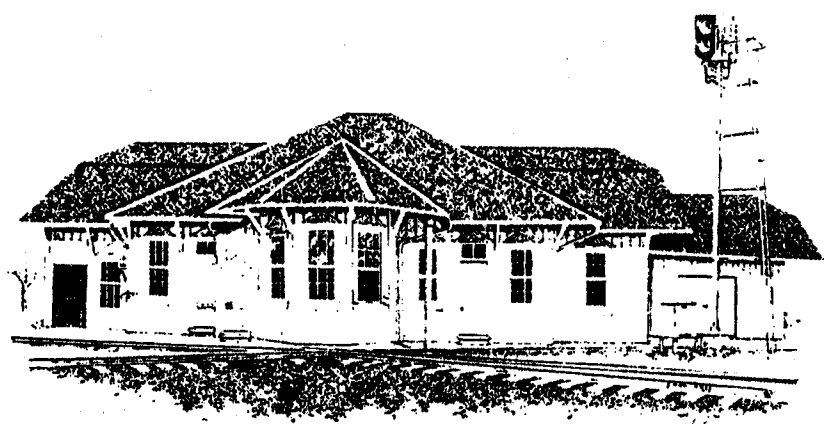
J.E. Mounce and Sue Cobb Mounce had four children:

Richard Neil Mounce, born Mar 3, 1911; died Oct. 11, 1968; married Edith Sue Jefferies in 1938. She died May 25, 1951. No children.

Mattie Sue Mounce, born June 15, 1917.

Edgar Wayne Mounce, born Jul 13, 1925; married Margaret Bird September 1955. No children.

Norma Mae Mounce; born Oct. 10, 1931; married Leon Douglas Sanders October 9,



Family History

Section II

WILLIAM B. ALFORD

William B. Alford (a plantation overseer) was born about 1808 in South Carolina. He married Sarah (Snowden) Thames about 1840 in Alabama; she also was born in South Carolina about 1808. From her first marriage to Wm. Thames, there were at least four Thames children born in Alabama: Henryetta E. 1832 —, Eliza 1834 —, William 1836 —, and Evaline 1838 —. The 1850 Monroe County, Alabama census shows four children from this Alford marriage born in Alabama: Peachman J. 1842 —, Sarah A. 1844 —, Harrison 1846 —, Georgianna 1850 —.

from Monroe County, Alabama. About 1855 Henryetta E. Thames married James Monroe Roberts in Montgomery County (Roberts was a son of Tiry and Rebecca Roberts of Monroe County, Alabama; Tiry and Green Roberts were probably brothers). Mrs. R.A. Bremer of Ft. Worth is a great-granddaughter of the Roberts-Thames marriage.

John P. Alford (some records read "John P.", some read "Peachman J.") married Margaret Mostyn 22 January 1867 in Montgomery County. The 1880 Waller County census shows the family in the Fields Store area; later moved near Magnolia, Montgomery County.

Clayton; Ada 1880-1944 (married Drurie Preston Izard) Julius Peachman 1884-1901 (killed in the woods west of Magnolia by a bull he had roped); Millie Evelyn 1887-1901 (married Jay Page); George Emmett 1889-1972 (married Jessie Riley); William Harry (Big Harry) 1892-1978 (married first Lydia Thomas, second Katy Clarke, third Collier); Effie Lee; Ida Lue; Alice 1882-1970 (married Ned Ogg, son Melton).

Sarah A. Alford married Green Roberts 29 April 1858 in Montgomery County (he was a brother of James M. who married Henryetta Thames; his cousin Thanie E. Roberts married Sarah Alford's brother Harrison in Montgomery County 18 February 1864). Sarah and Green Roberts moved to Falls County sometime after 1860.

Harrison Alford and Thanie Elvira Roberts had four children born at Minks Prairie near present Magnolia, Montgomery County: Sarah (Sallie) Elizabeth 1866-1946, married George Walter Loyd; Lula 1868-1904 (married William Henry Loyd, younger brother of George — see Loyd family for more details); William Harry (Buddy) 1871-1900; and Emma Harriet 1871-1954. William Harry married Clara Leverkuhn 2 March 1890 in Montgomery County, two children: Ella (married Elmer Dee Smith — their son Leslie B. Smith, M.D., married Ruth, son Leslie Burton Smith); and William Harry (Little Harry), married first Eleanore Campbell — two children: Harry Rodney and Clara Janet — Harry Rodney married first Lila, two daughters: Karen Lynn and Sherrie, and married second Beverly Hobbs — two daughters Nancy and Kimberly; Little Harry married second Georgia Lee Johnson (daughter Patricia Lee married Keith Alarid, two sons: Christopher Keith and Eric Lee).

Emma Harriet Alford and the elder William Harry Alford were twins (family history). However, 1880 Montgomery County census says she was two years younger. She married William Glass, Jr., in Montgomery County 10 November 1887; six children: Walter Henry (married Annie Mae Loyd); Ida



William Henry Loyd Family at Loyd home 3 miles west of Magnolia. L-R Horace Clifton Loyd, Benjamin (Bennie) Loyd, William (Willie) Harrison Loyd, William Henry Loyd, Viola Lula Loyd, Lula (Alford) Loyd, Sallie May Loyd and Thanie Elvira (Roberts) Alford Jackson.

It is believed the family moved to Texas about 1852, and settled in southeast Grimes County and shortly after in western Montgomery County. At this time the Green Roberts family also moved to Montgomery County

There were nine children: Maggie 1877- (married first Thomas Briers, children: Leslie, Lela, Ada, Eddie — Lela married Jim Clepper, daughter Lucille married Woodrow B. Mehrkam), married second the Reverend J. N.