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Veal Station The daughter of _____ who lives near here died last Saturday. She was buried here Saturday afternoon. WD 20 Feb 1896

Estate of **Robert Clary** Estate of the heirs of **S.J. Burnett**, Estate of **Elizabeth Seay**, Estate of **Sarah C. Simmons**, Estate of **W.H.J. Carr**, Estate of the **Doniphan minors**, Estate of **Mrs. Frances**, Estate of **W.A. Justus**, Estate of **Elizabeth Johnson** all on probate docket WD 28 Mar 1895

A **colored girl** died at the county farm one day last week. WD 4 Apr 1895

The death of a **colored woman** in this city last week caused an investigation to be made. An abortion had been performed which caused her death. Further developments in the case may follow. WD 21 Nov 1895

Gordon (Palo Pinto County) **Z. Abell**, a gin, livery and stock man, and pioneer in this county died last Sunday afternoon. The procession which followed his remains to the cemetery was the largest seen here for years. WD 31 Oct 1895

Z. Abell died at Gordon, Palo Pinto county, last Sunday, aged 44. WD 31 Oct 1895

Mrs. J.W. Ables died at her home in Poolville last Friday night and her remains were interred in the Poolville cemetery Saturday afternoon. Weekly Republic 9 Mar 1899

Broox Wadley, the little son of **Mr. and Mrs. Z.T. Adams**, died at the residence of Spring street, Sunday, January 26, 1890, at 9 p.m. and was buried in the City Cemetery Monday evening. Funeral from the residence. Weatherford Constitution 29 Jan 1890

Mrs. Calvin Adams after long months of ill health, died Monday at the home of her husband on Sanches Creek. Mrs. Adams was an excellent woman, highly esteemed by her neighbors. She had been for many years a constant member of Harmony Baptist church. Weekly Republic 13 Mar 1899

Death from Strychnine Weatherford, Tex., Aug 3 The news of a very sad death was received here today from the Spring Creek neighborhood about ten miles south of town, in this county. **Miss Lettie Akers**, aged 20 years, daughter of **L. Akers**, a farmer died last night about 11 o'clock from the effects of a large dose of strychnine. Miss Akers had been in a protracted meeting which is being carried on in this neighborhood and immediately on reaching her father's home the poisonous drug was taken and she died within twenty minutes. DMN 4 Aug 1899

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The little **daughter of Mr. J.H. Anderson** recently died while on a visit to Fort Valley, Ga. Its parents have the profound sympathy of many friends in Weatherford. Enquirer 28 Jan 1892

Mrs. A.S. Aphistead lately of Alabama and a relative of **D.M. Hart Jr.** at this city, died and was buried on Tuesday. Enquirer 28 Jan 1892

Reno Mrs. W.B. Austin died the 22nd ult. and was buried the 23d. We tender our sympathy to the bereaved family. WD 5 Sep 1895

John Binyon, son of **J.W. Binyon**, aged about 20 years died suddenly last Sunday afternoon. The bereaved family has our heartfelt sympathy. WD 29 Sept 1895

Miss Nettie Blair, daughter of John Blair, died last Sunday of fever, and was buried in the afternoon of the same day in the Curtis graveyard. She was a member of the C.P.[Cumberland Presbyterian] church. Funeral services conducted by **Rev. J.D. Leslie** at the grave. WD 19 Sept 1895

Commissioner **Frank Barnett**, returned Tuesday morning from Santo where he was called by the sickness of his father in law, **Mr. Joe Crouch**, who died Sunday. Deceased was at one time a resident of this county but had lived at Santo for some 17 years. He was 64 years of age. WD 29 Sept 1895

Our esteemed citizen, **Mr. Brannon** died last week after a long and patient suffering. He leaves a wife and children to mourn his loss. They have the sympathy of the whole community. WD 4 Jun 1896

Bethesda Mr. Lewis Brannon has been sick for some time and died and was buried in Bethesda cemetery last week. He was middle aged, a true Christian man, leaves a wife and children to mourn his loss. WD 4 Jun 1896

Died at his residence in the city Sunday at 2 o'clock p.m. **Mr. A.E. Bell**, an old, respected and esteemed citizen. He has been ill with a lingering malady for four months and the summons from life to death had not been unlooked for, but when the blow came it was none the less crushing to his loved ones. He was a native of Tennessee and had lived here some thirty years, and was known, loved and respected by a large circle of friends. He was buried from his residence at 4 p.m. Monday, in Greenwood cemetery, **Rev. J.D. Leslie** officiating. WD 9 Apr 1896

Mrs. J.M. Bennett, Misses Bessie and Baby Bennett of Decatur attended the funeral of **Mrs. Sheppard** last week. WD 27 Feb 1896

Our Dead Chief Once more this paper bears the record of the death of its editor. In the month of April 1877 two gallant young men, **T.B. Marshall** a native of Salem Ill. but lately from Fort Worth, and **George G. Baggerly**, a Texas boy born in Tyler, Smith county came to this place and started the Weatherford Exponent. **Mr.**

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Marshall was the editor in chief and **Mr. Baggerly** was his assistant. The new craft, thus launched upon the troubled sea of publication, sailed well and the hearts of these brave young pilots beat high with hope. The paper was a favorite from the first day of issue.

Nine short months flew by; the new year of 1878 had just opened up on career of the Exponent, when **T.B. Marshall** was dead. Death had come in the shape of typhoid pneumonia, and claimed its victim. The hand of the master was no longer on the helm but the craft was not left for a moment unguided. **George Baggerly** stepped instantly into the responsible leadership of the paper sadly draped it black for his dead chief, and then with brave heart and noble purpose sailed on.

It required no small degree of courage, for a young man, only twenty one years of age, to take on the burdens of editing a paper, but George had been bred a printer. When a mere lad he entered the office of the Index, published in his native town of Tyler, and his fond brother still shows weepingly the most excellent recommendation which the publisher of that paper gave him when he came away.

He was not the fool who rushes in where angels fear to tread, as some flung themselves into the editorial chair, but knowing the difficulties and dangers which beset the position he faced them all with firm resolve and cool determination. **George Baggerly** brought to his new position that energy and ability which belong only to a self made man. Whatever of culture he possessed he had gained for himself. No fortune had been spent on his education; and it is surprising to see how well he succeeded in the literary department of his labors.

All his selections for the paper were in good taste, or made up in force and directness what they lacked in tone.

The style of his own composition was terse, direct and above all humorous. His humor was that of kindly, soliciting sort which wins the popular heart and disarms just criticism.

His nature was generous and convivial to a fault; and those who knew him best loved him best, and only mourned that he was not as kind to himself as to others. God gave peace to his soul.

His family desire to express their deep gratitude to the members of the Christian church who so faithfully and tenderly nursed **Mr. Baggerly** through his long illness; and also to the multitude of friends who so frequently tendered their services and so promptly rendered them when called for.

To the members of the Knights of Honor in this city, they give warmest thanks for all their unostentatious kindness, and sympathy and especially for the beautiful ceremony of burial with which they laid the dead Brother to rest.

And last, they will ever remember with affection the donors of the beautiful floral tributes which almost made death lovely. The cross of affliction almost lost its tenor when represented by the ____ of exquisite flowers which lay upon the coffin; the wreath which lay on his bosom, sweetly symbolized that crown which the faith of the weakest may gain through the Savior; and the cluster of flowers led the sorrowing mourners to think of that happy Easter morn when all the loved one and lost who have gone before shall be restored to our longing hearts.

These kindly attentions, these loving ministrations of friends, form a silver lining to the dark cloud of affliction which has settled over the bereaved family.

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George Bragerly died of typhoid pneumonia after a illness of ten weeks at three o'clock on Wednesday morning June 2d, 1880. A large concourse accompanied his remains and to the last resting place and shared with tears of those of the family. Exponent 12 Jun 1880

Deaths at Weatherford Weatherford, Tex Aug 13 A little **child of Mr. Charles Baker**, who lives east of town, in the Clear Fork country, died this morning. DMN 14 Aug 1895

Sudden Death As we go to press at 1:30 we received the sad news of the death of **Mrs. Jno. H. Baker** was brought to this office. The death is supposed to have been the cause of heart failure. At 11 o'clock she was apparently well and Mrs. Baker, mother of Mr. Baker, at whose house they were living had gone over to her daughters, **Mrs. W.R. Vivrett** and leaving young Mrs. Baker alone. She was found in the floor dead by her young husband when he went to dinner. The deceased was recently married to **Mr. Baker** at Wylle, Tex and was daughter of **Mr. Geo. H. Porter** of that place and well known in this city having lived here up to a few months ago. Her death is deeply deplored by a large number of friends in the city and **Mr. Baker** has a large number of friends who join the Enquirer in tendering him their sincerest sympathies. Enquirer 15 Sept 1892

H.D. Bantau **H. D. Bantau** departed this life near Weatherford, Texas, on the 10th of August in the 68th year of his life. **Elder Bantau** was born in 1821, commenced preaching when about eighteen years old and was ordained in the ministry before he was twenty-one. He was a native of Tennessee and preached in that state, Kentucky, Illinois, Indiana, Missouri, Alabama, Mississippi and Arkansas before he moved to Texas. A portion of 1858 and '59 he and **Elder Reese Jones** edited and published the *Gospel Herald* in Manchester, Tenn. In 1866 he published the *Herald of Truth* in Desoto, Ill. In '68 he returned to Tennessee and preached in Union City and vicinity till the year 1870 when his health was so much impaired, that by advice of physicians he moved to Texas.

When he reached New Orleans he had such severe hemorrhages from his lungs, his life was despaired of. He settled in Waco in 1870 and preached there one year. The next year he divided his labors between Waco and White Rock.

In 1872 he purchased the Thorp Springs school property, now know as "Add Ran College" and was principal of the school one year, when it passed into the hands of the Clark brothers.

He then bought a farm nine miles north of Cleburne and spent three years farming and preaching.

In 1876 he sold his farm and moved to Palo Pinto county. In 1877 he was called by the church in Weatherford to labor for them, and from that time till his death his work has been in this neighborhood.

His services have been highly appreciated and many can truly testify, that they have been abundantly blessed by his labors.

He had one debate with a Baptist preacher and about thirty persons—most of them Baptists, joined the church of Christ in a short time.

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In 1850 Bro. Bantau married Miss **Mary Walker** and eight children were born to them. Some of them crossed the river before him, but sister Bantau and five children linger behind to suffer the bereavement.

Elder B. was sound on all the innovations that curse the churches, but his kind and respectful manner, made him warm friends in all classes. During his last days he was visited and cared for by a large number of friends, who did all they could to alleviate his sufferings.

Before his departure he could have said truly. "I have fought a good fight, I have kept the faith and now I am ready to be offered up and the time of my departure is at hand and from henceforth a crown of righteousness is laid up for me by the Lord, the righteous judge, and not for me only, but for all them also who love his appearing."

"I heard a voice from heaven saying, blessed are the dead that die in the Lord from henceforth; yea, saith the spirit, they rest from their labors and their works do follow them."

"As David said of Abner, a prince and a great man has fallen in Israel."

Bro. Bantau's spirit has taken its flight from this world and through death he yet lives. **B.A. Howard** 12 Sept 1888 Gospel Advocate

Mrs. Adaline Barber, grandmother to **Byron, Flake, John and Josie Barber**, of this county died at the residence of her daughter, **Mrs. S.F. Jones** in Strong City, Kas, November 4, 1899, at the age of 86 years. **S.R. Barber**, her husband, died at Mineral Wells, in this county, in 1881. PPCS Dec 15, 1899

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Horrible Death Mr. Jonathan Barber, a workman engaged in pulling down the walls of the old corner building on the west side of the square on Saturday afternoon was struck and instantly killed by a portion of the wall falling upon him. He was mutilated almost beyond recognition. It was very the very recklessness to dare death in the foolhardy way in which he did. For he was warned repeatedly of the perilous position he was working in to no effect. But he poor fellow has paid the penalty for his rashness and has gone to "that bourne land whence no traveler returns". He was buried Sunday afternoon Exponent 13 Mar 1880

Capt. A.E. Barr died at Bridgeport last Thursday, and his remains were brought to this city and interred Sunday. He left a wife and three children and other relatives and friends to mourn his loss. WD 6 Jun 1895

Horribly Mangled Brakeman W.G. Bayless Torn to Pieces by the Wheels of a Train At 4:30 Friday afternoon as local freight No. 12 in charge of conductor **Tom Eaves** out of the yard **W.G. Bayless**, a brakeman was riding between two loaded coal cars. He was seen to suddenly drop between the cars to the track and his body was run over by the wheels completely cutting him in two. He was dragged by the train by the length of a rail which presented a most horrible sight after the train had passed over. The news reached town and in a few minutes there was a huge crowd around the dead man trying [line obscured] occurred. **Mr. Bayless** was a middle aged man and had a wife and family in Fort Worth He was a favorite among train men everywhere who deplore his untimely taking away. The passenger train was delayed some time until his remains were picked

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up off the road and turned over to **J.T. Cotton** undertaker, to prepare for shipment to Fort Worth. Enquirer 29 Sept 1892

Mineral Wells Jun 13 **Mrs. Ed. H. Bennett** died here yesterday caused by blood poison. She and her husband had recently moved here from Greenville. The remains will be sent to Greenville. **Mr. Bennett** is district attorney at his home. DMN Jun 15, 1898

Peaster Infant **child of Mr. Binyan** was buried at Lone Star on the 1st of May. WD 9 May 1895

Death of Rev. B.W.S. Bishop **Rev. Horace Bishop**, pastor of the First M.E. Church, South, last Friday received the news of the death of his brother, **Rev. B.W.S. Bishop**, at Tazewell, VA The Nashville Christians Advocate referring to the dead said "Brother Bishop was a noble man. His sudden demise robs us of one of the truest friends that we have ever know. His father before him was a minister of the gospel; so also are his brother, **Rev Horace Bishop** of the Northwest Texas Conference and his son, **Rev. Charles M. Bishop** of the Southwest Missouri conference. He himself belonged to the Holston Conference for about forty years. His life was utterly clean and consecrated. He died without the shadow of a stain upon his character." WD 17 Oct 1895

Weatherford Aug 8 **F.T. Blackard** who recently moved from Clarksville, Ark., to this city and settled on Spring street, died at 8 o'clock last night at his residence with consumption. **Mr. Blackard** was about 35 years old and leaves a family. DMN Aug 9, 1898

Obituary Died at her residence near this city, after a protracted illness, on Saturday August 9th, 1890 **Mrs. Tempy Blackwell**. She leaves a husband and several children who mourn her loss, but to her death was as release from pain and suffering. The funeral service was held at her grave at Alum Springs where her father and mother are buried. **Elder E.W. Pipkin** conducted the solemn service. WC 30 Aug 1890

Mr. and Mrs. R.F. Blackwell's little daughter, **Winnie**, died last Thursday and was buried Friday Enquirer 15 Oct 1891

Obituary Died, in Weatherford, Texas Sunday, November 10, 1895 **Mrs. Fannie M. Blain**, aged 66 years.

Mrs Blain was widow of the later **Maj. A.C. Blain**, who died in Palo Pinto county May 7th, 1888. She came to Texas about forty years ago from Connecticut and was married at Gonzales April 26, 1861. After the war they moved to Waco where they lived for nearly twenty years. She leaves four children—three sons, **Frank A.**, **John D.** and **Thomas M.**, and a daughter **Mrs. Anna K. Leach**, all of whom reside in this city except John D. who lives in Palo Pinto county. WD 14 Nov 1895

Mrs. T. Blair At 8 p.m. Friday, April 2nd, **Mrs. J.T. Blair** Passed from a state of suffering into that rest that remaineth "to the people of God." While she was not

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formally connected with the church on earth, we feel assured that she was a member of the church triumphant a member of Christ's body.

For, in many ways, she manifested the spirit of a true believer in Jesus. Those who knew her intimately, testify that her life, latterly, was that of a Christian. She was naturally timid, and very reserved with regard to her thoughts and feelings on the subject of religion, but in answer to a friend who asked her, a few weeks ago, if she could not trust Jesus, she said: "yes, I can trust Him, but I cannot trust myself."

She could and did trust in Jesus as her Savior and she trusted in Him only and that is just what is required of a should in order to be saved.

She loved her Bible, she loved her house and worship of God, she loved God's people; and these are the Bible evidences of a "a new creature in Christ Jesus", She read the word of God devotionally every night before retiring and no doubt also secretly committed her soul to God and sought his blessing both for herself and her family. [more too difficult to read] Exponent 3 Apr 1880

As we go to press we regret to learn that **Mrs. J.M. Bly** died this morning of hemorrhage of the lungs. Palo Pinto County Star Dec 15, 1899

It was reported here last night that **Jos. Boles**, brother and agent of **W.M. Boles** of the Western stage line died Thursday morning in Palo Pinto. Exponent 19 Jul 1879

Next Sunday the funeral sermon of **Mrs. H. Bonifield**, nee **Miss Mary Bevil**, is to be preached at Goshen by Uncle **Ben Gilliland**. It is understood that there will be dinner on the ground and that there will be services in the evening also. WD 13 Jun 1895

Bedford Schoolhouse **Mr. Reece Bowen's** little child died last Thursday night and was buried at Springtown on Friday. WD 17 Oct 1895

Died Comrad **John Bratcher** at his residence near Weatherford, Texas, April 8th, 1892. A charter member of Sam J. Randall Pst No 45 Department of Texas Weatherford Comrad Bratcher was a good soldier in Company B 2d Tennessee Infantry he enlisted at Nashville, Tenn. in October 1864 and was discharged Oct 1865 Comrad **Bratcher** was born in Hall county, Georgia and directly after the close of the war removed with his excellent family to Parker county, Texas where he was engaged in farming ever since. He was a good soldier, adored husband and father and a citizen who was a honor to the county. He leaves behind him a wife, a large family of children and grandchildren to mourn his loss. His comrades extend their heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family. **G.S. Foster.** 20 Apr 1892 Enquirer

Died—Monday, August 6th, of inflammation of the lungs, **Jessee Albert**, son of **J. E. Briaton**, after a lingering illness of some months.

It is not a sad thought to die in life's innocent springtime, before the winter of declining years has seared the heart with its frosts, Death but cheats life of its cares and sorrows and bridges over the yawning chasm where the living are struggling, and where all must surely pass. Exponent 11 Aug 1877

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Frank Browder, traveling salesman for the Texas Drug Co., spent Saturday and Sunday with his family. WD 21 Jan 1897

Frank Browder, traveling salesman for the Texas Drug Co., while on the road in the interest of his firm received a telephone message at Graham yesterday stating that this mother who lives at Springtown is very low.

Later---We learn that **Mrs. Browder** died at 3 o'clock this morning. We join the many friends of the family in extending our heartfelt sympathy. WD 21 Jan 1897

Ed Boyd's Death Last Saturday about 4 p.m. **Ed Boyd**, a well known colored man who kept the restaurant in **Will Mountcastle's** place went after a five gallon can of water, and it is probably the exertion of lifting it upon a bench ruptured a blood vessel; blood came from his mouth and nose, and **Dr. Everett** who was immediately called by **Mr. Mountcastle**, pronounced him beyond help. He lived only about five minutes after the attack. Boyd was about 54 years old and left a widow and eleven children. A large number of his race attended the burial. WD 12 Dec 1895

In Memorium On the 31st ult. At Dallas, Texas, in the 75th year of his age, **John Henry Brown**, an old Texas pioneer, soldier, legislator, journalist and historian departed life. Thus has passed away another one of the old landmarks who helped to carve out for Texas her name and fame. All honor be to the heroes who planted the banner of civilization in this fair western land. One by one they are falling like withered leaves into the tomb. Very soon the last one will be dead, but the memory of their deeds of valor, patient endurance and long suffering will remain with the living, until the living shall be called in turn to cross the dark river and rest on the other side. WD June 6 1895

Mr. J.B. Burchard, who is with Ford and Harris, received a letter last Monday announcing the death of **Mrs. Arthur Burchard**, his son's wife, in Greer county near Navajoe mountain after three weeks illness of typhoid fever. She leaves her husband, a three months old babe and other relatives and friends to mourn her loss. WD 14 Nov 1895

A Kind Act The wife of **David Burcher**, of Chalk Mountain, died last Monday night after a protracted illness, and her remains were buried Thursday. She was about ___ years old and had been a faithful member of the Missionary Baptist church for a good many years. The neighbors to the number of about forty, gathered in on Friday and picked out three bales of cotton and gathered about 200 bushels of corn for Mr. Butcher. It was a kind, neighborly act that one might be expected from that excellent community. Stephenville Empire WD 7 Nov 1895

Just one month since his mother died **C.S. Burkholder's** little boy is very low with slow fever. WD 8 Aug 1895

Estate of the heirs of **S.J. Burnett**; letters of guardianship were granted to **R.H. Burnett** WD 28 Mar 1895

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Died last Tuesday night at the residence of his father in law. **J.R. Martin**, eight miles north of the city. **Mr. J. H. Burns** after a long illness. His remains were interred in the Zion Hill cemetery this morning. Funeral services were conducted by **Rev. J. F. Swofford**. Mr. Burns left and three children and other relatives and friends. WD 11 Jul 1895

Lone Star The infant son of **W.S. and Maggie Burns** was buried here Monday, July 7th. Mrs. Burns has been very low but is better now. WD 18 Jul 1895

Mrs. J.A. Baker an aged lady of Long Creek died yesterday morning after a short illness. WD 10 Oct 1895

Died near Aledo, on last Sunday at her residence, **Mrs. S. Brown**, in the 77th year of her life. She was the mother of **J.C. McConnell** of this city. He was with her in her last illness. Mr. McConnell went over Tuesday and the burial took place yesterday morning. WD 19 Mar 1896

Mr. W.D. Carter and wife, of Weatherford, have returned from Jacksboro, where they went to attend the funeral ceremonies of her brother, **J.A. Rall**. WD 5 Mar 1896

Springtown **Mr. John Carleton**, living near Agnes, died the same [Tuesday] night and was buried in our cemetery the next day WD 12 Mar 1896

Bethesda The deceased infant boy of **Mr. and Mrs. C. Connell** was buried in the Bethesda cemetery one day last week. This is the sixth child that these bereaved parents have followed to our cemetery and saw placed in death's silent tomb. WD 5 Mar 1896

Hutchins A few days ago while falling trees **Mr. Charley Craig** was struck on the side of the head with a limb and died in about three hours. He was laid to rest in the Hutchins grave yard. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved relatives and friends. WD 30 Apr 1896

In Memoriam Died, December 18, 1895 at the residence of her brother, **Col. John A. Fain**, of this city, **Mrs. Martha A Cain**, after a lingering illness.

She was born in Alabama, in 1836, but removed with her parents to Texas, at an early age, and was married to **Wm. T. Cain** in Harris county, in 1860. In 1857 she removed to Weatherford, in which vicinity she has since resided.

Her death was a happy release from pain, for she had been a great sufferer for many months. She was a devoted Christian, and had been a consistent member of the M.E. Church, South, since her early womanhood. The Bible was her constant study, and it lay by her side in her hours of suffering; and from its teachings sprang her utter resignation to God's will. Her spiritual nature never rebelled, and although the hand of affliction touched her heavily, she bore all with a patience beyond expression. She often said, "He is with me always: He doeth all things well." She was a faithful wife and mother, and her generous nature made her truly a sympathetic friend.

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Loving and tender hands ministered to her wants throughout her long illness; and during the last sad days, her faithful nurse, Violet, watched over her helplessness as tenderly as a mother over her suffering babe. She leaves a daughter and three sons, and a large circle of relatives to mourn her loss. For her absent loved ones, her last message was "Tell them all to meet me in heaven." As the evening shadows gathered o'er the earth, her pure and gentle spirit drifted away into God's own land—for "when her Father smiled and called her yonder: she gladly and trustfully went to receive the reward of those who "have gone up through great tribulations." WD 26 Dec 1895

Mrs. J.H. Caruthers was called to Whitt last Saturday on account of the serious illness of her mother **W.B. Conatser**. **Mrs. Conatser** died that day, aged 85 years. Her remains were interred on Sunday. Mrs. Caruthers returned home Monday. WE 12 Dec 1895

Acknowledgement Messrs. **J.B. Price & Co.** Weatherford, Texas Dear Sirs: Allow me to thank you for the assistance you have rendered me in the collection of the amount due me from the New York Life Insurance company by policy No. 661145 upon the life of my minor son, **Earnest W. Crawford**. I also desire to say that this policy called for One Thousand Dollars, and you have today handed me your company's draft for One Thousand and Twenty Nine 10-100 Dollars. The \$1000 being the face of the policy and the \$29.10 being the amount my son had paid for said Insurance. In conclusion I recommend the New York Life Insurance company to any who may desire like protection. **I.F. Crawford** WD 12 Dec 1895

We regret to hear of the unexpected death of little **Bessie**, the infant daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. M.C. Cameron**, which occurred on Sunday the 23rd inst. in Oklahoma. The funeral was held at the residence of the parents on Dallas street on Monday at 3 o'clock. The Democrat extends its sympathies to the bereaved parents. Beautiful are the feet of little children as they tread the golden pathway to a brighter home. WD 27 Jun 1895

Mortuary Willie F. Campbell, Jr. son of **W. F. and Laura Campbell**, of this city departed this life on Tuesday night last, and was buried on Wednesday at 5 o'clock p.m. To the bereaved parents we extend our condolence and sympathies. May He "who tempers the wind to the shorn lamb," be merciful to these afflicted friends and give them fortitude to bear up under all dispensations of His Providence. WD 16 May 1895

Weatherford Nov 30 Miss Katie May Cannon, daughter of **B.B. Cannon**, living on Palo Pinto street, died this morning. She had been sick only a few days. DMN Dec 1, 1898

Estate of **W.H. Carr**. **Sarah Carr** executrix, will admitted to probate. WD 28 Mar 1895

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A little **son of W. J. Carson** died Sunday evening of congestion. This is the second affliction of the kind that has befallen the family within the past two months, and has left a melancholy void in the household which never be filled. Exponent 9 Jun 1877

The mighty monster, death, has again thrust in his appearance, and snatched from our midst the **infant son of M.J. and S.M. Charles** Parents weep for the infant that has been plucked from your arms for such is the heavenly kingdom composed. Exponent 17 Nov 1877

Gordon (Palo Pinto County) The nine year old **daughter of Mr. C.B. Carter** was fatally burned yesterday evening. She was standing before the fire when her dress caught. Mr. and Mrs. Carter have the sympathy of all. WD 14 Nov 1895

Mingus, Palo Pinto County Aug 8 **Mrs. Chisolm**, an aged lady, died on Saturday at the residence of her son. **W.C. Chisolm**, one and one half miles north of this place. DMN Aug 9, 1898

We regret to note the misfortune on **J. W. Chrstian**, living on Ioni, on the loss of two of his children from throat trouble reported to be diphtheria, which seems to be epidemic in that portion of the county. He had at last report three other children quite sick, one dangerously so. Palo Pinto County Star Aug 5 1898

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Mr. Christian lost his babe on Thursday night, from an attack of dysentery WD 14 Nov 1895

Dry Creek Dots While a great many of us are permitted to live and enjoy the warm weather, water melons and hard times, some are deprived of this privilege. Only last Wednesday night the 9th, death's cold and chilly hand was laid on one of our good citizens. After some time suffering, **Mr. Chum** leaves a wife, children and relatives to mourn his absence. His funeral was conducted by **Rev. W. L. Nelms**. Our sympathy is with the weeping relatives. May he that said "Blessed be they that mourn, for they shall be comforted," bless and comfort those who weep over the loss of their loved one Exponent 19 Jul 1879

Child Drank Coal Oil Weatherford, Tex., Aug 8 The 2 year old **child of M.T. Clark** living in this county near Agnes, died last night from the effects of coal oil which it drank out of a can last Saturday. DMN 9 Aug 1899

Estate of **Robert Clary**. Report of **W.F. Taylor**, guardian, approved. WD 28 Mar 1895

Mortuary Clifton Weatherford, Tex., Aug 7 **Mrs. Clifton**, aged 61 years, died Saturday night of Bright's disease at Poolville, eighteen miles north of here. She was the wife of **J.E. Clifton**, an independent farmer in this county. DMN 9 Aug 1899

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Drowned by His Horse Weatherford Feb 18 **L.G. Coffman**, a farmer and cattle dealer of this county, while riding in the direction of the Brazos river Wednesday, ten miles south of here, his horse became unruly and started in a run toward the river. Reaching the river, he plunged in with Mr. Coffman still in the saddle, and going under the water several times, Coffman lost his hold and was drowned. His remains have not been taken from the river. Two young ladies sitting on the bank of the river fishing saw the horse run into the river, and saw the man after he had lost hold of the horse struggling for his life, but they were unable to give him any aid. Palo Pinto County Star Feb 25 1898

Mr. Mose Coleman died at his home near Authon last Tuesday after a long illness of dropsy. WD 1 Aug 1898

Died. The infant **daughter of M. L. and H. H. Coleman** of this city, on the 8th inst. after a severe illness of seven weeks. Funeral services were held at the Christian church on Wednesday, at 3 pm **C.H. Betkips** officiating.

A large procession followed the remains which alone speaks of the earnest sympathy tendered the bereaved Exponent 12 Jul 1879

Dry Creek Dots In my last letter I spoke of the confession and baptism of brother **Corbett** at the age of 84 years and 4 months. Just two weeks later (Jul 18) he was laid in the narrow confines of the bomb, there to rest from his labors until the last loud sound of the trumpet shall call him forth to that home prepared for those who die in the Lord. Grandpa was well known by a great many people and leaves a host of relatives and friends to mourn his absence but we weep not at those who have no hope. We tender our deep sympathy to the bereaved family May God bless them in their sadness. Exponent 26 Jul 1879

Mr. E. Cranfill died at his residence near Whitt last Saturday July 13th, after a short illness. He was 64 years of age and a consistent member of the Primitive Baptist church at the time of his death. We extend sympathy to the bereaved. WD 18 Jul 1895

In Memorium Hiram Mason Crisenberry The subject of this sketch was born in Alabama in August 1828 and lived in that state and Tennessee and Mississippi alternately until he was eleven years of age. When he had passed his tenth year had decided to come to Texas. He crossed the Sabine River on the 27th of December 1830, becoming acquainted with Sam Houston and almost everybody else in Texas, including some Indians who often decided to take his scalp but as often failed in the attempt. He carried the first mail from San Augustine to Marshall and voted for Houston for president of the republic and later for governor of Texas. In 1852 he decided to go further west and visited California, Mexico, Bermuda, Panama and about all over the world. He learned to stick type when a boy and has followed the trade nearly ever since, was a member of the typographical union and always honored and respected by the profession. He was also at one time a member of the Masonic and Odd Fellows orders. On last Sunday the 26th inst. at Waco, Texas, he breathed his last. The sun of his life has set. His "forms are all locked up" for the last time, his "record is printed." May his name appear in "clean proof" in the Lamb's Book of Life. May roses bloom upon his grave and sweet birds sing amid the

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leaves of the trees that shall shadow his sleeping dust. His wife and two children, **Mrs. N.T. Ferguson**, of Foard county, Texas and **Mrs. R.J. Norton** survive him. WD 30 May 1895

W.B. Crowdus, whose name has so often appeared in the columns of the Exponent as a prominent grocer of Weatherford departed this life at his residence in this city on the 23rd inst after an illness of four weeks. His remains were accompanied to his former home, Springfield, Mo. by his devoted wife, and aged father, and his wife's sister and brother and **H. N. Bradshaw**, Eqs. Peace to his ashes.

The subject of the above paragraph was well known to the citizens of this county and the kind readers of the Exponent will bear in mind that his faults, whatever they may have been, are to be remembered by us no more forever but rather let us pay the last tribute of respect to his memory by magnifying his virtues. That he was ___ no one will deny, admitted by all so he a shrewd businessman, knew he was of [more but too difficult to read] Exponent 23 Oct 879

Veteran Mail Carrier Dead Weatherford, Tex., Aug 9 **Uncle Jonathan Culwell**, who for the past sixteen years, up to a few months ago, has been in the employ of the government, carrying the mail from here to Springtown, died last night at Mangus, OK. A telegram was received here this morning by **R.W. Akard** from **W.G. Culwell** at Mangus that his remains would be shipped in this place.

Mr. Culwell, better known throughout Parker as "Uncle Jonathan" was one of the best men in the county. His death was the result of a broken leg he received in a runaway a few weeks ago while visiting his brother in the Territory. DMN 10 Aug 1899

Died In Palo Pinto, on Thursday night September 20th 1891, after a lingering illness of nearly two months, little **Percy Torney**, infant son of **Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Cunningham**, aged 11 months and 4 days.

Another bud of bright promise has been plucked and transplanted in the vineyard of the New Jerusalem, and a mother's heart is made to bleed from the loss of her little darling. No one knows but a parent who has gone through the ordeal, what the pangs of suffering the heart aches, the terrible ordeal of the final parting and how heavily the clods fall upon the coffin lid that forever shuts us from the form that was so dear. We would not have them back again to endure the sickness and trouble of this world. We are willing for them to go and be happy in the bright beyond, but all that is natural in the parent resents the taking away. The bereaved family has the sincere sympathy of a large circle of friends. Palo Pinto County Star Sep 28 1894

Died yesterday afternoon, **Georgia**, the little daughter of **Mr. and Mrs. D.C. Curtis**, from the effects of whooping cough. WD 23 May 1895

Garrett Hardcastle Calaway Dead On Saturday morning after a long affliction with la grippe, **Mr. Garrett H. Calaway** passed away. He was born in Delaware in 1845 and came to Texas when nine years old. He went back to Delaware but returned to Texas when 21 years old, and has lived here ever since. He was formerly a citizen of Fort Worth, and had been in the employ of the Wm Cam--___ longer than any other of their

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employees. By some chance he came to be called "**George**" or "**____ George**" and nearly everyone supposed this his true name. He was popular with all whom he delt, of kindly nature, true to his trusts and to his friends and counted his friends by the hundreds. His funeral took place Sunday afternoon at the Methodist church and his remains were buried in the city cemetery by the Knight of Pythias. The procession to the cemetery was the longest it is said that was ever seen in this city. By his death Weatherford loses a good man, a good neighbor and a noble Christian gentleman. Enquirer 4 Feb 1892

Aledo Miss Lula Campbell was called home by telegram a few days ago to her fathers death bed in Glen Rose, Texas. Miss Campbell is our music teacher and will be missed by the school and the people in and around Aledo. Weekly Republic 23 Feb 1899

Resolution of condolence whereas, this Lodge has heard with profound sorrow of the death of **Mrs. S.E. Carson**, wife of our esteemed brother, **W.J. Carson**, who departed this life January 3, 1892, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we as Knights of Honor do herby extend to our bereaved brother our deepest sympathy and most sincere condolences _____ inexpressible sorrow.

Resolved, That these resolutions be _____ Lodge of Knights of Honor, No. 1007, and that a copy be furnished our sorrowing brother, **W.J. Carson** and that the city papers be requested to publish the same. **J.M. Richards, D.M. Hurt, J.B. Price**
Enquirer 14 Jan 1892

Dr. N.N. Chandler returned from Glen Rose, Texas, Monday, where he went to attend the funeral of his brother who died at the above named place Saturday morning with pneumonia. Deceased was a prominent druggist of Glen Rose. Weekly Republic 16 Feb 1899

Mortuary Clifton Weatherford, Tex., Aug 7 **Mrs. Clifton**, aged 61 years, died Saturday night of Bright's disease at Poolville, eighteen miles north of here. She was the wife of **J.E. Clifton**, an independent farmer in this county. DMN 9 Aug 1899

British War Veteran Dies Weatherford, Parker Co., Feb 16 **Grandpa Coffman**, known throughout the county as "**Old Daddy**," died at his home near Millsap, this county, Sunday night and was buried at the Grindstone Church cemetery yesterday. He was an excentric old character, 95 years of age, and was one of the few remaining veterans of the war of 1812, being a drummer boy under **Gen. Jackson** at the battle of New Orleans. DMN 17 Feb 1897

Mortuary COX Weatherford, Tex., Aug 1 **Mrs. T.E. Cox., wife of Tom Cox**, a farmer living near Millsap, in this county, died Saturday evening. Mrs. Cox was about 45 years old. DMN 2 Aug 1898

Died Mrs. Cullane, nee Jordan, died at her father's residence in this city at an early hour this morning. The deceased was sister to **Mr. Tom Jordan**, an attaché of this office, and the family have the fullest sympathy of the entire force. Weatherford Constitution 30 Aug 1890