MARY CAROLINE MEADORS

Mary Caroline Meadors was born December 20, 1871, on the old farmstead on Georgia Ridge near Alma, the third child in the home of John Calhoun Meadors and wife Elizabeth Meadors, where "Bunk” Rogers now resides.

Her grandmother on the father's side was Amy Adams of family line—including two Presidents of the United States,. John Adams and his son, John Quincy Adams. Other blood streams came from hardy pioneers of Georgia and Kentucky.

Most of her life was spent on Georgia Ridge, north of Alma, except for a few years at Union Town where she moved to give her two daughters better educational advantages; she then returned to Georgia Ridge where she resided except for a brief time she lived at Dyer before again returning to Georgia Ridge for permanent residence. Then a few years ago she and a daughter, Maude, established residence on Grover Ray Lane in Alma.

Mary was the granddaughter of John Calhoun Adams, a soldier of the War of 1812 who is buried in the cemetery on Georgia Ridge. Mary Caroline was married to Curtis Franklin Meadors as a young woman of 19 and to this union were born Magnolia, Mrs. Raymond E. Mason of Alma, and Maude who became the wife of Bert Hurst. Mary and Curtis were married on January 27, 1892.

The daughters taught school at Sixty-One, Chastain, Old Hill, Turner, Belmont, Vine Prairie, Dyer, Moore's Rock, and others. Mary's first school had a dirt floor and split-logs seats with peg legs. Warmth was given by an open fireplace with a stick and mud chimney.

The father of the Meadors children went West into Indian Territory and staked out a claim which later proved to be rich oil country, and he amassed a large fortune before his death in 1952.

CHASTAINS

Nancy Melvina born August 25, 1816, and married Edward B. Chastain, and their children were: John Shelton, William, Joe, McDonald, Ben, Jack, Amanda, Jennie, Mary, Pearl Lee, and Lucinda Elizabeth. Most were born in Georgia before parents moved to Georgia Ridge, Arkansas, in 1844.

RHODES

Ranson Rance Rhodes born 17 January 1849, married about June 2, 1870, to Caroline L. Dyer born August 16, 1853, in Arkansas. He died December 17, 1929, and she died May 17, 1934. Both are buried in Pope Cemetery near Graphic.

1. Ranson Rance Rhodes and Caroline L Dyer children were:

11. Benjamin Franklin born 1871

12. Marion Terrall born 1873

13. Saviller A. born June 16, 1876

14. William Grisson II born 1878

15. Saphrona born March 26, 1880

16. Chester U born July 16, 1884

17. Savannah born July 11, 1888, at Mountainburg

18. James Elisha born October 4, 1891, at Mountainburg

19. Orel Howard born 1894 at Mountainburg

1A. Nettie born 1896 at Mountainburg

Benjamin Franklin Rhodes married Belle Vaught; he died in 1933.

*(LOOK FOR THIS FAMILY UNDER Yvonne Nelson Darling's writings.)*

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