

BALCH, HEZEKIAH BENJAMIN - Born in Tennessee and emigrated to Texas in April, 1835, with his brother John Balch. His name, is not shown on the San Jacinto rolls printed in 1836, but Adjutant General John A. Wharton in a statement made May 16, 1836, said that Mr. Balch had served as first Lieutenant in Captain Wyly's Company in the battle. (Page _____, Army rolls in the General Land Office.) On April 21, 1851, he was issued Bounty Certificate No. 807 for 320 acres of land for having served in the army for three months to April 21, 1836. He was discharged on the battlefield after the engagement. Likewise, on April 21, 1851, he was issued Donation Certificate No. 281 for 640 acres of land for having participated in the battle of San Jacinto. On a roll in the General Land Office he is shown as a member April 5, 1836, of a company recruited by Major Leander Smith. By an act of the Legislature approved September 1, 1856, the heirs of Mr. Balch were granted a headright certificate due him for one-third of a league of land.

After the revolution Mr. Balch removed to Vicksburg, Mississippi, where he engaged in the contracting business. He was married to Mrs. Anne (Slaughter) Christian, a widow with two daughters, Mr. Balch died in Vicksburg in 1855.

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Balch were Thomas Harper, Willis, Alfred Wylie and Arthur S. Balch all of whom are deceased except Alfred Wylie Balch.

Alfred Wylie Balch, son of Hezekiah B. Balch, was born in Vicksburg, Mississippi, August 16, 1852 and now lives in Mansfield, Texas,

where he has resided since the year 1876. He was married to Mary Elizabeth Roberts, who was born November 29, 1855 in Sparta, Tennessee.

Children of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred W. Balch were (a) Emma Slaughter (b) Samuel Edwards, (c) Hezekiah Benjamin, (d) Alfred Harper, (e) S. S. Prentiss, (f) Thomazine, (g) Lennis, (h) Eugenia and (i) Eunice Balch.

(a) Emma Slaughter Balch was married to Charles S. Uhl. Mr. and Mrs. Uhl reside in Dallas County, Route 2, Box 47, Dallas, Texas.

(b) Samuel Edwards Balch was married to Hattie Boswell. Mr. and Mrs. Balch reside at 3254 Fifth Avenue, Ft. Worth.

(c) Hezekiah Benjamin Balch was married to Katie Boswell. Mr. Balch is deceased. Mrs. Balch resides at 2306 Jennings Avenue, Ft. Worth.

(d) Alfred Harper Balch was married to Elizabeth Boyce. Mr. and Mrs. Balch reside at 3409 Fitzhugh Street, Fort Worth, Texas.

(e) S. S. Prentiss Balch was married to Ida Johns. Mr. and Mrs. Balch reside at 516 Storey Street, Dallas.

(f) Thomazine Balch was married to Henry H. Bradford. Mr. and Mrs. Bradford reside at 3400 Avenue H., Fort Worth, Texas.

(g) Lennis Balch was married to Rev. A. D. Jameison. Rev. and Mrs. Jameison reside at Clayton, New Mexico, 124 Cedar Street.

(h) Eugenia Balch was married to Walter B. Johnson. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson reside at 1715 Arizona Street, Dallas, Texas.

(i) Eunice Balch was married to Rev. C. Mitchell. Rev. and Mrs. Mitchell reside in Mansfield, Texas.