

McNELLY, BENNETT - On page 95 of Book B, list of applicants for land in Austin's Colonies, it is shown that when on February 1, 1836 Mr. McNelly applied for land he stated that he had arrived in Texas from Pennsylvania in 1835. He did not secure the land and was on March 29, 1838 issued Headright Certificate No. 533 for one third of a league of land by the Board of Land Commissioners for Harrisburg County. In the certificate it is stated that he came to Texas in October, 1835.

Mr. McNelly was Third Lietuenant in Captain Ira Westover's Company in 1835 and was absent as a courier to Gonzales when the battle of Coleto was fought. He was issued Donation Certificate No. 17 for 640 acres of land May 5, 1838 for having participated in the Storming of Bexar, December 5 to 10, 1835. He received Bounty Certificate No. 9051 for 960 acres of land, dated April 17, 1839, for having served in the army from October 16, 1835 to August 18, 1836. This he sold to S. L. Grayson. He was issued Bounty Certificate No. 2924 for 1280 acres of land, April 17, 1838 for his service from January 20, 1837 to April 16, 1838. At San Jacinto he was Sergeant Major of the Second Regiment of Texas Volunteers.

On the back of the headright certificate issued to him Mr. McNelly tranferrred to Captain Hayden Arnold. He leased his donation certifi- cate to Susan Faris of Montgomery County, June 20, 1838 for one dollar for a period of one hundred years and he agreed to renew it at the expiration of that time. He gave his address as "The Republic of Texas".