WILLIAMS, HEZEKIAH - The compiler is responsible for Mr. Williams' name being omitted from the bronze plaque in the San Jacinto memorial monument on which are inscribed the names of the Texans who were detailed to guard the baggage at the camp opposite Harrisburg, April 21, 1836. He is now (March 28, 1941) convinced that the name should be added.

Mr. Williams' name is listed on page 43 of the army rolls in the General Land Office as Hezeh. Williams, a member of Captain William H. Logan's company and following his name is the notation: "Detailed to guard upper camp". This meant that he was among those detailed to guard the baggage at the camp opposite Harrisburg, April 21, 1836. Comptroller's Military Service Record No. 968 signed May 11, 1836, at Headquarters by Frank Hardin, First Lieutenant in command and countersigned by Thos. J. Rusk, Brigadier General, commanding, reads: "This certifies that Hezekiah Williams mustered at head quarters in Capt. Logans Company on the 14th of April last and on account of his ill health is this day honorably discharged from the service of his country."

Mr. Williams was the father of Hezekiah R. Williams who participated in the battle of San Jacinto. He came to Texas in 1833. (See Headright Certificate No. 120 for one labor of land issued to him in 1833 by the Board of Land Commissioners for Jefferson county). On December 24, 1834 he had received title to a league of land in Zavala's Colony situated on Taylor's Bayou adjoining the land of Charles Williams in what is now Jefferson county. Charles Williams also received title to his land December 24, 1834.

Following is a copy of the Certificate of Character issued to
him October 10, 1834 by John Bevil:

Dept. of Nacogdoches  
District of Bevil  
Oct. 10, 1834

I certify that Hezekiah Williams is a Native of the State of Louisiana in the U. S. of the North hath a family consisting of Nine Persons is of good Moral habits and friendly to the Laws and Religion of the Country. Given at the Request of the Party interested Wife & 7 children, 2 slaves  

(signed) JOHN BEVIL, Alcalde.

The following was copied from H. P. N. Gammel's Laws of Texas, Vol. IV, p. 808:

An Act for the relief of Mary Williams, widow of Hezekiah Williams, widow of Hezekiah Williams.

Section 1. Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Texas, That there be and is hereby donated to the widow of Hezekiah Williams, a certificate for six hundred and forty acres of land, and that the Commissioner of the General Land Office is hereby required to issue a certificate for the same which may be located and patented as headright certificates.

Sec. 2. That this act take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Passed, September 1, 1856 (Gammel's Laws of Texas, Vol. 4, p. 808)

Mrs. Frederick Schenkanberg, a great granddaughter of Hezekiah Williams, was residing at 3609 Lexington Street, Dallas in March, 1941.
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Passed, September 1, 1856.

(Gammel's Laws of Texas, Vol. 4, p. 309)
WILLIAMS, HEZEKIAH REAMES - The name H. R. Williams appears on page 16 of the San Jacinto rolls printed in 1836 as a member of Captain William M. Logan's company, and it appears on page 37 of the San Jacinto rolls in the General Land Office. On page 43 of the Land Office rolls Hezr. Williams of Capt. Logan's company is listed on the rolls of those detailed to guard the baggage at the camp opposite Harrisburg, April 21, 1836. Following his name is the notation: "Detailed to guard upper camp." This was the father of the subject of this sketch.

Donation Certificate No.969 for 640 acres of land was issued to H. R. Williams, December 4, 1839 due him for having participated in the Battle of San Jacinto. He was issued Bounty Certificate No. 2784 for 320 acres of land April 7, 1838 for having served in the army from March 6 to June 6, 1836.

Mr. Williams was born in St. Helena Parish, Louisiana in 1810, a son of Hezekiah and Nancy (Reames) Williams. The year of his birth is shown in the list of the names of all men available for military service in the Municipality of Liberty, July 20, 1836. In January, 1935 the original draft was in possession of R. W. Abbott, Beaumont.

In Headright Certificate No. 7 issued to Mr. Williams February 3, 1838 for 3/4 L & L of land by the Board of Land Commissioners for Jefferson County it is certified that he arrived in Texas in 1833, single, and that on October 5, 1837 he had married. In the Spanish Archives in the General Land Office it is shown that on December 24, 1834 he received title to a league of land in Zavala's Colony situa-
ted on the west bank of the Trinity river in what is now Jefferson County.

The name of Mr. William's wife has not been ascertained. Mrs. Frederick Schenkenberg, 3609 Lexington Street, Dallas, wrote the compiler July 6, 1837 that Mr. and Mrs. Williams had nine children. Some of them were Amanda, who married J. W. Gillespie; Elizabeth, who married Albert H. Day, and after his death, a Mr. Haynes; Oliver Reames, who died while serving in the Confederate Army in the War between the States, and Hezekiah Williams, Jr.

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Record No. 6959 is signed by Captain Logan, June 6th, 1836 at Goliad and is countersigned by S. Sherman, Col. 2nd Regt. It reads: "This certified that H. R. Williams enrolled his name and entered into the service of Texas on the 6th of March for a term of three months, discharged his duty faithfully as a soldier, was in the Battle of San Jacinto, and his term of service having expired is this day honourably discharged."