Martin C. Abernathy died at Graham Saturday. He was 88 years of age. He was a Mexican War Veteran, having enlisted at Pulaski, Tenn. He was engaged in the battles of Vera Cruz and Cerro Gordo.
Old Citizen Dies

Thursday morning Mr. Jim Akers, better known as Grandpa Akers, was discovered by a neighbor, Mr. Jno. Owen, in a dying condition in his hermit tent near Union Bower. Before he could get assistance the aged man was dead. He was last seen stirring about his home on Friday last, and is supposed to have been sick for several days.

Inquest was held by Justice Ranft and it was decided that death resulted from natural causes.

His remains were buried at the Smith burial grounds on Friday.

Mr. Akers was about 85 years of age, and, being a widower, was living a hermit life in a tent, and chopping wood in the bottom for a livelihood.

Deceased had been a resident of this vicinity for many years, and has surviving him here one son—Mr. Abe Akers—who himself has reached the three score or more in years. Also reside in this community four granddaughters: Mesdames Geo. Smalley, Phillip Parine, A. E. Allen and Martha Nichols.
Died at 82

At the ripe age of 82 years, Mr. G. E. Althof, father of our fellow citizen, J. G. Althof, died at their home on the prairie north of Irving Friday morning, April 1, following an attack of agrippe.

Interment will be in the Sowers cemetery at 3 o'clock this evening, where funeral services will be conducted by Rev. F. Sivers of Dallas, assisted by Dr. L. Combo of this community. He was of the Baptist faith.

Deceased was born in Germany, coming direct to Texas 20 years ago. He had resided in this community for 6 years, and was an esteemed and honored citizen. Surviving him are his wife and seven children. The children of this community are: J. G. Althof, Mrs. H. Bietendorf and Miss Lizzie Althof. Two daughters, the Mesdames Mas-

sire of McLendon county, arrive this morning to attend the funeral. Another daughter, Mrs. Buth, resides in Floyd county; the other son, Charles, resides in North Dakota.

Index joins their many friends in extending sympathy.
Man Killed by Street Car.
Dallas: Martin E. Andrews, about 65 years of age, was struck by a west-bound North Belt street car Monday night at 8 o'clock and almost instantly killed.
James Baker of Fort Worth and Frank Hughes, formerly of Joplin, Mo., were instantly killed in a 250-foot shaft at the waterworks pumping station at Cleburne. The men had set from a half to a dozen stick of dynamite and had given the signal to be drawn up when all of the dynamite went off.

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James Baker
Frank Hughes

[Handwritten notes: date of death]
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Jan. 8, 1910

Child Buried to Death.

Fort Worth: Katherine, the 2-year-old child of Mrs. Ora M. Ballard, died Thursday from burns received Wednesday night. The little girl overpoured a pot of boiling hominy on herself.
Barnes, James G.
Grave Moved After 34 Years.
Melissa, Tex.: P. J. Beyett of Denton was here and shipped the remains of his father, who had been dead thirty-four years, to Fort Worth to be buried by the side of his mother, who was buried there a few days ago.

Mrs. Beyett. 1910 (death)
Mr. Beyett 1876 (death)

Beyett,?
Desperadoes Shot Down.

Huntsville, Ala.: Joe and Ed Chandler, Ed Black, a third member of the gang, were all killed, and a squad of deputies, and several weeks have been spent in a railroad cut west of town.

Joe Chandler
Ed Chandler
Ed Black

Oct. 1, 1910
30 Bulls
Miss Callie Bragg, the 14-year-old daughter of Mr. J. A. Bragg, died at their home a few miles west of Irving last Sunday, and the funeral and interment took place at Sowers cemetery on Monday. The cause of the death was typhoid fever, and it is said there are now several cases of typhoid fever and measles in this family.
Justice D. J. Brewer is Dead

Dies Suddenly at His Home. Apoplexy Cause.

Washington: David Josiah Brewer, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, is dead as the result of a stroke of apoplexy. His death followed within a minute or two, before he could be carried to his bed. Mrs. Brewer was with him when the end came. Justice Brewer was 73 years of age. Justice Brewer was most widely known personally and was often described as the most popular member of that tribunal.
Houston Attorney Shot to Death.
Houston: Judge James B. Brockman, one of the leading criminal lawyers of the State, lay dying at the Houston Infirmary from the result of six pistol wounds received in the stomach and right side at 11:40 o'clock Tuesday night. Henry Ransome, an ex-ranger, employed by Mayor Rice for special police work, surrendered and was taken to the county jail shortly after the shooting.
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MoB HANGS NEGRO
IN CITY OF DALLAS

HORROR OF MOST HEINOUS
CRIME CAUSES ANGERED MOB
TO OVERPOWER OFFICERS.

TRIAL WAS IN PROGRESS

Body of Negro Dragged Several Blocks
Up Main Street and Hanged
at Elk's Arch.

Dallas, March 4.—Allen Brooks, a
negro charged by indictment with crim-
inal assault upon the person of Mary
Ethel Buens, a white child less than
3 years old, was lynched yesterday
morning, while his trial was in prog-
ress in the Criminal District Court
room.

Angered by the horror of one of the
most heinous crimes since the days of
Reconstruction, less than 200 white
men and one conspicuous negro fought
their way past fifty armed deputies and
twenty policemen into the courtroom
and secured possession of Brooks with-
out the firing of a shot or the serious
injury of any member of either the at-
tacking or defending forces.

From the second floor of the court-
house where the negro was located a
rope thrown from the crowd below
through a window was tied around the
negro's neck and the other end was
tossed back to the crowd below.

Six or seven men grabbed the rope
and began to pull. In the little jury
room above, where Brooks had run to
cover and where the last defense for
him was made, were perhaps half a
dozens men who picked the negro up
and shoved him through the window.

The window is about twenty feet
above the ground, and Brooks came
out of it head first. He struck on his
forehead, and the fall if it didn't kill
him, knocked him unconscious.

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After the body had hung in the air about ten minutes a man in citizen's clothes climbed up and cut it down. Chief of Police John Ryan appeared then, and, taking charge of the body, had it carried to the Emergency Hospital in the City Hall.

It was examined by Dr. T. B. Fisher, City Health Officer, who pronounced life extinct, and said that there was an indentation on each side of the forehead which if it did not kill the negro outright rendered him immediately unconscious. His neck was not broken.

While the streets in the vicinity of the City Hall were packed with people the body was loaded into the automobile driven by Fire Chief Magee and hurried away, as it was thought the crowd intended to burn the body.

But having wreaked vengeance for the crime upon the baby of a white man, the crowd then listened to the many cries of "Let's go get Burrell Oates and 'Bubber' Robinson". These murmurings had been heard throughout the whole of the forenoon, and as soon as Brooks' body disappeared a crowd of 600 men started toward the county jail.

Oates has been convicted five times of the murder of Sol Aronoff, which occurred in Dallas several years ago.
E. K. Brown, a Texas and Pacific brakeman, aged twenty-seven, was killed near Gordon Saturday, while riding on the engine cab. He was leaning out on the gang plank when the locomotive reached a bridge and Brown's head struck a beam. Death was instantaneous.
Two Men Killed.

Wichita Falls—Harry Brown, an old resident of Wichita Falls, was shot and killed shortly after 6 o'clock Tuesday evening at the home of his son-in-law, L. C. Hart. Shortly after the killing of Brown, Police Officer J. A. Staley entered the house to arrest Hart, who opened fire on Staley with a shotgun, killing him instantly. Hart was arrested.

J. A. Staley
JOE BULLOCK SHOT 5 TIMES

Dallas: 'I killed him an' I'm glad of it. He ruined my home. I'm sorry the old man was shot,' was the statement made by Henry Johnson of Fort Worth when he surrendered to officers Friday afternoon following a shooting affair, in which Joe Bullock, aged 39, who came here a few days ago from near Kaufman, was instantly killed, and M. H. Van Dusen of 541 Elm street received a flesh wound through the leg.

The shooting occurred in a rooming house of which Van Dusen is the proprietor. Five shots were fired, three of them striking Bullock, all entering from behind. Another passed through the fleshy part of Van Dusen's right leg, just above the ankle.

Dr. William Dearthage was called immediately and found that Bullock was dead. He also gave attention to Van Dusen, whose wound, he said, would not prove serious.

"Johnson walked out of the place, asking for a policeman," He found Policemen Isbell and Chelsea, to whom he surrendered.

At the examining trial held before a justice of the peace Monday morning, letters to Mrs. Johnson from Bullock, which Johnson had intercepted, were presented. Johnson's bond was fixed at $500, which was readily given by friends and neighbors of Johnson who had come up from Kaufman County for the purpose of aiding Johnson in any way possible.
Accidentally Kills Brother.

Gainesville: Late Saturday afternoon G. W. Burch, a prominent farmer living ten miles southeast of here, took his shotgun and went to the field to shoot some crows and was accompanied by his two sons, 4 and 13 years of age. After killing a crow Mr. Burch handed the gun to the older son and started the two boys back to the house. They had only gone a short distance when the gun was accidentally discharged and the heavy load of shot tore away the greater part of the 4-year-old child's head, killing it instantly.
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Oct 9, 1910

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Oct 15, 1910

Joe Chandler

Ed Chandler

Ed Black

Oct 9, 1910

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Death

In the midst of life, and the
busy hum of business and voca-
tional activity, Death, with its
poisoning sting of fatality, enters
the calm and peaceful home and
lays his cold, icy grip on some
loved one. Sometimes with due
and timely notice; and often with
no premonition, except the stand-
ing order that God gave to the
world, "It is appointed once un
man to die." This statement is
almost daily proven to be true.

At 8 o'clock Tuesday evening,
on March 29, 1910, at the home
of his beloved parents, August
Clark, the son of Mrs. and Mr.
Lum Clark, of near Irving, de-
parted this life, aged 25 years.
Deceased had been a long and
patient sufferer; full of bright
hope and calm resignation he
bore his affliction.

Just at the age of development
and in the expansion of a useful
and business life, we often see
the spring day of life given to
the narrow confines of the tomb.
A daughter, sister to deceased,
had only four months, and a few
days preceded the brother in
paying the debt that all humanity
must pay. These two young
people were amiable, affectionate,
and loved by all who knew them.

Mr. and Mrs. Lum Clark are
remembered, and have the sym-
pathy of the entire community.

The funeral services were con-
ducted both at the home and at
the Sowers cemetery, March 31,
1910, by Dr. L. Comto, in the
presence of friends and commu-
nity.

The writer has been requested
by Mr. and Mrs. Clark to extend
their heartfelt thanks and high
appreciation of the kindness and
willing hands that so nobly ad-
ministered to their need in the
hour of affliction and bereave-
ment.

L C.
Oak Grove, Tex., April 1, 1910.
Miss Carrie Clark, daughter of our esteemed fellow citizens, Mr. and Mrs. Lamm Clark, departed this life April 16, 1910, at the hour of 5:30 p.m., and was laid to rest yesterday (Sunday) in the presence of as large an assembly of sympathizing friends and people as ever gathered at Somers cemetery. Funeral services were conducted by Elder W. F. BárCUS, her pastor, assisted by Dr. L. Combo.

This spotless character needs no eulogy from men or the press. In her brief life of only 22 years she made a life that only the few make. She lived every day for still a higher, grander and nobler life. Her motto was, "I will do all I can." Knowing full well, as she did, that her time was nearing to a close, yet with that calm composure she bore her affliction with no fear of death, but shrouded in a halo of a saving faith.

While her church and Sunday school may miss her Christ-like walk, and the family circle her counsel and communion, yet she laid a foundation of character and goodness as lasting as the everlasting hills, and in the hearts and minds of her large circle of acquaintances will still live on.

The family have the heartfelt sympathy of the entire Irving community. And again they return thanks, in high appreciation for the services and helping hands that so kindly remembered them in the hour of their sore affliction.

L.C.

Oak Grove, 4-18, 1910.
Died

Mrs. Jane Clark departed this life at the home of her daughter, Mrs. C. L. Clark, May 15, 1910, at 11:30 o'clock after an illness of a few days. She was born at Abbeville, South Carolina, her maiden name being McAllister. At the age of 15 she professed religion and joined the Methodist Church, and after a number of years made a change from that church to the Christian, where she remained a true and efficient member till God called her to the church triumphant, where she rests from this world's labors.

At the age of 20 she was united in marriage to Onwill Clark, who departed this life 40 years ago. From this union there were born seven children, 4 of whom are still living: 3 sons and one daughter. Mrs. Helen Story, at whose home the mother passed away. Mrs. Clark was long a Texas resident and in her death the Irving community looses a long remembered citizen, one who was firm and unwavering in her faith; her surviving children a devoted mother, whom it was their delight to honor and respect.

The remains were laid to rest in the Sowers cemetery in the presence of her numerous relatives and friends: funeral services being conducted by Dr. L. Combo.

Gone to thy rest, Dear Mother;  
Sweet be thy repose,  
Safe on thy .Savior's breast—  
Free from all earthly pain.  

—L. C.

May 17, 1910.

Mrs. Clark was the mother of our good townsman, Mr. A. L. Clark. The other two sons are Mr. C. O. Clark and Mr. C. L. Clark, who live in the community. But the latter is now traveling for his health in Southwest Texas. There is a host of grandchildren living hereabouts, one of whom is Hon. E. C. Lively of Irving. And great-grandchildren are numerous, some of whom are nearly grown.

Mrs. Clark came to Texas 52 years ago, and had resided in Dallas county for forty years. So in the death of this aged lady, a pioneer citizen of this state and county was called home.

Her memory will linger here in years yet to come.
Atlanta, Ga.: United States Senator Alexander Clay of Georgia died at the Robertson Sanitarium, Sunday afternoon, after an extended illness. His death was sudden. He had been talking with his son, Herbert, a few minutes, when he suddenly ceased speaking and fell back with a slight gasp. The Senator had been ill for nearly a year and came to the sanitarium here on Nov. 1 to take the rest cure. He appeared to be improving until Saturday when he suffered a relapse which his weakened condition was unable to stand.
SAMUEL CLEMENS, HUMORIST, IS DEAD

AT COUNTRY HOME, NEAR REDDING, CONN., FAMOUS AMERICAN PASSES AWAY.

DIES FROM BROKEN HEART

Grief Over the Demise of His Daughter, Jean, Brought on His Death.

Redding, Conn., April 22.—Samuel Langhorne Clemens (Mark Twain) died painlessly Thursday of angina pectoris. He lapsed into coma at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and never recovered consciousness. It was the end of a man outworn by grief and acute agony of body.

Wednesday was a bad day for the little knot of anxious watchers at the bedside. For long hours the gray, aquiline feature lay molded in the inertia of death, while the pulse sank lower and lower, and late at night Mark Twain passed from stupor into the first natural sleep he had known since he returned from Bermuda, and Thursday morning he awoke refreshed, even faintly cheerful, and in full possession of all his faculties.

His Last Words.

He recognized his daughter, Clara, Mrs. Ossip Gabrilowitch, spoke a word or two, and feeling himself uneasy, conversation, wrote out in pen: “Give me my glasses.”

They were his last words. They were his last words. He sank first into and later into final unconsciousness.

There was no thought at the time, however, that the end was so near. Robert Halsey, who had been continuously in attendance, said:

“Mr. Clemens is not so strong at this hour as he was at the corresponding hour yesterday, but he has wonderful vitality and he may rally again.”

Nature of Illness.

Angina pectoris is a paroxysmal affection of the chest of baffling and obscure origin, characterized by severe pain, faintness and deep depression of the spirits. The pain is severe and of an oppressive or stabbing character. The attacks progress in frequency and severity with uncertain intermissions, sometimes of long duration to a fatal termination.

Mark Twain did not die in anguish. On the way up from Bermuda he said to Albert Bigelow Paine, who has been his constant companion in illness: “This is a bad job; we will never pull through with it.”

The mere chronology of Mark Twain’s life is soon told. Like most dwellers in the imagination, his significance to posterity lies not, as with men of action, in how he wrought upon events, but rather in how events wrought upon him, for from such reactions resulted his imaginative output—one of the most considerate of his time and, as it now seems, one of the most secure. Briefly, then, Mark Twain was born: Samuel Langhorne Clemens in Florida, Mo., on Nov. 30, 1835.

Died of Broken Heart.

Last summer the walks began to falter; last fall they ceased for good. The death of H. H. Rogers, a close friend, was a severe blow. The death of his daughter, Jean, who was seized with an attack of epilepsy last fall while in her bath, was an added blow from which he never recovered. It was then that the stabbing pains in the heart began. Mark Twain died as truly as it be said of any man of a broken heart.

The last bit of literary work he did was a chapter of his unfinished autobiography describing his daughter Jean’s death. He sought diversion in Bermuda, where he was the guest of the American Vice Consul, William H. Allen, whose daughter, Helen, acted as amanuensis for what few letters he cared to dictate. His winter was gay, but not happy.
Galveston, Texas
Charles Goodrich Clifford
Jan 20, 1910
Serious illness

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Jan 22, 1910
THREE LADS DROWNED

BOYS SKATING ON FARM NEAR FT. COBB, OKLA., MEET DEATH.

POND ICE BREAKS THROUGH

A Younger Brother Ran for Help, But Assistance Came Too Late.

Fort Cobb, Ok., Jan. 3.—While skating on a pond on the W. J. Clemmons farm, near Fort Cobb, Sunday night, two of Mr. Clemmons' sons, aged 11 and 13, and the 10-year-old son of J. C. Smith, a neighbor, were drowned by the ice-breaking near the pond's center. A younger Clemmons boy ran for help, but it arrived too late.

Ft Cobb, Oklahoma
Sons of W. J. Clemmons 11 years
13 years
Son of J. C. Smith 10 years

January 3, 1910
Drowning
THREE VIOLENT DEATHS.

The Grim Reaper's Twenty-four Hour Record.

San Antonio: Three violent deaths in twenty-four hours ending Monday morning. James Cockrill, white, aged fifty years, was found in a field near Beeville with his throat cut from ear to ear. Two strange men who were the last persons seen with Cockrill are under arrest suspected of the killing. W. J. Swartz sent his daughter out of the room at their home in Smiley and then blew a hole in his side with a shotgun. He was ill health and despondent over the recent death of his wife. Douglas Mahon, two years old, fell down while playing at his home in Gonzales and bit his tongue and bled to death Sunday night.

San Antonio, Texas

1) James Cockrill - 55 years
   throat slashed/ Beeville;

2) W. J. Swartz -
   Suicide in Smiley, TX
   recent death of wife

3) Douglas Mahon
   2 years
   Bled to death/ Gonzales
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Nov 19, 1910

J. A. Cody, 62 years old, and a resident of the Southern portion of Abilene, was killed by the incoming train on the Abilene Southern Railroad.

J. A. Cody, 62 years
Train (passenger)
Nov 19, 1910
Abilene, Texas