

## HISTORY OF HOUSTON COUNTY

gether with their mother and the families of the two older brothers left South Carolina to come to Texas. They came to Pickens County, Alabama where they settled temporarily. In 1844 W. R. W. Kyle married a Miss Kirkpatrick and came on to Texas with members of that family. He settled by homesteading, the homesite and farm where John Reagan now lives.

"My father was born in Pickens County, Alabama on October 5th, 1845. When he was four years old his father and uncle Matthew came on to Texas and settled out near Augusta. About 1856, our grandfather, J. H. B. and Uncle Bill, W. R. W. exchanged farms. Later, W. R. W. moved west of Elkhart and his two remaining sons live there.

"These two of his sons are S. B. Kyle, aged 87 and T. J. M. Kyle, who is quite a bit younger. They aren't sons of the former Miss Kirkpatrick however.

"My father was the next to the youngest of the seven sons of J. H. B. and Lou Spencer Kyle. They were: James, Joe, Henry Eli, George Spencer, John, William Polk and Matthew. With the exception of the last named, all reared families, though I believe Uncle Eli had no sons. There were also in this family five daughters who were: Margaret Jones, .....Driskill, Betty Hallmark, Vina Clinton-Smith, Lou Smith and Willie Tunstall.

"My father and his five older brothers were in the same company during the Civil War. Uncle Jim was killed at Blair's Landing, Tenn. in the fighting preliminary to the Battle of Shiloh."

Matthew G. Kyle, mentioned above as one of the four pioneers, lived for many years near Augusta, and was such a factor in the development of that community, that the following additional facts are recorded about him: He was the father of five daughters and two sons. His oldest daughter, Betty, married Coll Aldrich, son of Collin Aldrich, San Jacinto Veteran. After her death he married her sister, Julia. His next daughter, Martha, married Zack Douglas, and was the mother of two daughters and Joe. His third daughter, Fannie, married D. S. Williams, and is still living. His youngest daughter, married Jim McLean, and is still living in Crockett. His oldest son, Jessie, died many years ago unmarried. His youngest son, Sam, is still living.

### A. LeGORY

A colorful career was that of A. LeGory, who was born at Vicksburg, Mississippi, October 10th, 1840. His parents were