

BIOGRAPHIES

"The graves in Glenwood cemetery bear silent witness to this fact, all cared for, and with but few exceptions, mainly through her untiring efforts. Many of these graves are the last resting places of those who long since gone, had almost passed from the remembrance of man. But she remembering, had them most tenderly cared for. Her last charity and love seemed to embrace the entire town. The citizens of Crockett were indeed 'her people,' and as such she loved and honored them.

She had passed over eighty years—a long life; a life full of sunshine as well as shade. A life in which smiles and tears were blended. A life devoted to duty, kindly acts and charitable deeds, striving ever for what was right, loving and beloved."

HON. WILLIAM B. PAGE

This distinguished citizen, of Houston County, was born in Virginia, where he received a thorough education in the best institutions of that renowned State, and came to Crockett, in 1873, well equipped to take charge of the Crockett Academy, as a successor to Major John Spence, who as Superintendent, had raised the institution to the highest rank among private schools. His educational qualifications would have well fitted him for a place in the best universities of the country. He left his impress on the youth of Crockett and Houston County, which has survived until this day. Many of our most successful men, in every walk of life, owe their success to the excellent instruction received from him.

After having taught for twelve years or more in this Academy, he entered politics and distinguished himself as a Statesman of high rank.

But his best work was done as journalist and proprietor and founder of the Crockett Courier. He established this well known paper in January 1890, and at once placed it in the forefront of weekly newspapers of Texas.

Late in life he married Miss Annie Saunders, who survived him, and whom he had known in his boyhood days. They are both buried in their beloved Virginia soil.

HON. NAT PATTON

It is a long stretch of years between the days of the Republic of Texas and the date of the Seventy-Fourth Congress of the United States of America, and yet that was the interval between the dates when Houston County had one of its citizens in Con-