

Pearl Webb Cemetery Newsletter

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History & Facts:

By Jean Hedgepeth

Mr. Harry Burr Weldon

For this newsletter, I have chosen Mr. Harry Burr Weldon of the Davis Bend community. He was the son of John Crittenden and Mary Wood (Sandidge) Weldon. He came from a very prominent family. His ancestors were one of the two Davis families for which the Bend was named. They came here from Virginia. His great grandfather, George W. Davis, bought the farm in 1817, when that area was still Barren County.

His grandparents, George Dale and Eliza Jane (Davis) Weldon are buried on the old home place in Davis Bend. He was one of nine children: Leona Leoti, Robert Dale, Minnie Myrtle, Harvey Lane, John Wood, Carrie Sandidge, Fronie Davis, and William Adair, who was the father of Dr. Adair of Barren County.

Harry Burr was born October 22, 1877 and died September 27, 1898 in New York. When he enlisted in the Spanish American War on July 6, 1898, he said he was a school teacher. One wonders if he may have taught at the little one room school in Davis Bend, which was Cave Springs.

He was in Company K. of the U.S. Infantry. The war only lasted a short time. The war began on April 25, 1898 and ended on August 12, 1898, but took

the lives of 2,910 men and 1,577 were wounded. The United States had 300,000 regular soldiers and volunteers.

Cuba, Puerto Rico, and the Philippines were all involved. Most of the fighting was done in Cuba. Mr. Weldon contracted typhoid fever and was sent back to camp in New York to be treated. Camp Wikoff at Montouk Point, Long Island, New York was set up for all the soldiers that had contracted tropical fevers in Cuba. It closed on October 28, 1898. While there 257 soldiers died and many were buried there, but Mr. Weldon was brought back to his hometown and buried in the Pearl Webb Cemetery.



On his tombstone are the words: "A brave spirit lies buried here, who died a glorious death in his country's cause. He has gone to a bright home where grief can come no more."

Mr. John Leslie (Less) King

Our other soldier for this newsletter will be Mr. John Leslie (Less) King. He was born on January 5, 1888 and died December 24, 1977. He never married and was a farmer in the Canmer community.

He was the son of Ambrose Lee and Mary Alice (Morris) King. He was one of ten children: William P., born 1874, Mary L, 1879, Jerman Morris, 1881 (named after his grandfather Morris), Verda, 1883, Sanford L., 1885, Frank W., 1890, Mayme, 1892, James R, 1893, David S, 1896, and Landreth, 1899. The older King family came to Kentucky from Virginia, but Ambrose came here from Breathitt County. Mr. Less was a member of the Masons' and the Eastern Star. He was a Pvt. in the U.S. Army in WWI. Mr. W.H. Broady signed his registration card. He died in Shelbyville at the Masonic Home and was brought back to Canmer for burial with his family.



Persons buried at Pearl Webb since the last newsletter:

Charley Y. Burks

DOB: August 8, 1927

DOD: August 10, 2014

Joyce Carolyn (Avery) Dill

DOB: February 8, 1945

DOD: October 4, 2014

Lawrence Ray "Larry" Davenport

DOB: October 31, 1957

DOD: October 10, 2014



Treasurer's Desk:

By: Brenda Dudderar

Since the Summer edition of our newsletter, we have received several donations. The Mayhall family sent a bequest in memory of Lowell and Jenny Lysle Mayhall. Donations were received in memory of Charley Burks also.

We had a few donations made toward the road fund. The road is complete and again we thank Larry and Patty Jagers for donating the land. The project did not cost nearly as much as we anticipated. We had to have some dirt leveled, the rock spread, and a survey made. We are in the process of getting a deed. We will have to add more rock later. It is so nice to be able to drive all the way around the cemetery. The road was completed just before the Charley Burks funeral. They were able to drive right up to his plot. We would like to thank Mr. Don Pedigo for leveling the rock once they were spread.

Larry Davenport lived directly across from the cemetery. He even helped work one Memorial Day weekend. He was always complimenting the beauty of Pearl Webb. When he passed away he was buried there, even though he was not originally from Canmer.

With the help of Teddy Dillard most all stones have been glued. As I have stated in the past the list of jobs continues to grow and the workers are few. We want to thank everyone for their continued financial support.

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