Copied 6 Mar 1964 - Barker Historical Collection, University of Texas, Austin, Texas - Newspaper Index Cards - Drawer #323 - 12:30 to 1:00 pm.

MOODY, Mrs - Death - Dallas Herald - 27 Apr 1878, p.1,c.8
Mr - Telegraph & Tex Register - 22 Dec 1836, p.2,c.1
sp state agent - Dallas Herald - 19 Sept 1874, p.1,c.5
Ma. - Tele & Tex Reg - 20 Apr 1839, p.4,c.4
- " " " " " " " 10 Apr 1839, p.3,c.5
Mrs - Dallas Herald - 29 Mch 1883, p.5,c.6
State Agent - Dallas Her - 18 Jy 1874, p.2,c.2
A. - Tex St Gazette - 10 Feb 1851 - p.6,c.1
Ap.N.A. - Tele & Tex Reg - 29 May 1839 - p.3,c.5
J.W. - Tele & Tex Reg - 17 Jy 1839 - p.3,c.1
J.W. - Tele & Tex Reg - Card for Alderman - 29 Dec 1838 - p.3,c.3
J.W. - " " " " 6 FeB 1839, p.3,c.1
*J.W. - " " " " - Gives ball honoring S. Houston - 6 F 39, p.3,c.2
J.W. - Tele & TR - 1 May 1839, p.3,c.3
J.W. - " " " - 1st Aud., Houston - 1 Sept 1838, p.3,c.4
J.W. - " " " - 7 Ag 39, p.3,c.5
J.W. - " " " - 21 Ap 38, p.2,c.1
J.W. - " " " - 27 Ja 37, p.3,c.3 (duplicated in file cards)
J.W. - " " " - 31 Mr 38, p.3,c.3
- " " " - " 12 F N 41, p.3,c.4
- " " " - 8 Jl 37, p.1,c.2
- " " " - 24 Jl 37, p.3,c.3
- 16 S 37, p.3,c.1
- Prop owner, Harris Co - 17 Mch 1841, p.3,c.1
- 21 Ja 37, p.3,c.2
- Letter - 30 Ja 36, p.4,c.1
- 9 Ma 38, p.3,c.3
- 30 Dec 37, p.3,c.3
- 8 Jl 37, p.3,c.3
J.W. - Dallas Herald - 20 Ag 64, p.1,c.1
- 13 S 63, p.2,c.5
- Telegraph & TR - 8 Jl 37, p.2,c.1
- " " " - 8 Jl 37, p.2,c.2
etc etc - 22 Jl 37, p.2,c.1
- 12 Ma 38, p.1,c.2
- 26 Nov 36, p.2,c.3
- 17 Dec 36, p.2,c.3
- 12 Oct 36, p.3,c.2
MOODY, John - Dallas Her - 25 Ma 82, p.4,c.3
- Northern Standard - 21 Mr 63, p.1,c.5.
MOODY, John W. - Tele & TR - 8 May 39, p.3,c.5
- " " " " - " - 6 D 36, p.3,c.1
etc etc - 9 Ja 36, p.3,c.3
- 9 Ja 36, p.2,c.3
- Vol 8, 9 Ag 1843, p.3,c.2
- 31 Mr 38, p.3,c.1
- ed - 11 Ag 41, p.3,c.4
MOODY, Jno. W. - Tex Sentinel - Vol 1 - 1st Auditor - 8/22/40, p.3,c.3
John W. - Dallas Herald - 22 Ap 63, p.2,c.5
(I found NO F. Moody's and NO John M. Moody's)
(Also--NO - J.M. Moody, Mary Moody, W.C. Moody)
MOODY, William - Dallas Herald - 9 Mr 59, p.2,c.3

JW--UT Periodicals Room closes for lunch, so I had time until 2:00 pm to do a few other things. Searched various other file drawers, hoping for something useful to you. Just in case you don't have it already, I send along the few cards I found in the index to 1850 & 1860 U.S. census of Texas.
8 March 1964 - (Mrs) Jean Halden Walker for (Mrs) Helen Foster Snow  

Copied 6 May 1964 - Barker Historical Collection, University of Texas, Austin, Texas - (Newspaper Index Cards, previously) - Card Index to 1850 & 1860 U.S. Census of Texas (heads of households) - Drawer 468 -

*MOODY, J. M. - b. Ala - 1860 Grimes - p. 67 #437 - age 40m (sic)
James - b. NC - 1850 NAVARRO - p. 197 #1 - 39m.
James M. - b. Ala - 1850 Guadalupe - p. 26 #197 - 30m.
John - b. NC - 1850 Titus - p. 12, #79 - 29m.
* John M. - b. Ala - 1850 Grimes - p. 9 #64 - 27m.
John W. - b. Tex. - 1860 Brazos - p. 85 #625 - 54m.
Thos. - b. Ala - 1850 NAVARRO - p. 199 #3 - 33m.
Thos. - b. Tenn. - 1860 Denton - p. 5 #42 - 26m.

*(In this Index - no Mary Moody, No Francis or F. Winfret Moody, etc).

You gave me: John Wyatt Moody, b. 1776 Lunenburg Co., Va; d. 1839 Houston, Tex; m. 1806 Warren Co., Ohio, Mary Baldwin, dau of Francis Baldwin & wife Rhoda Jennings. Father of John Wyatt M. was Rev. soldier, Dr. Thomas Moody; mother Mary was a YOUNG of the Yadkin Valley, NC. John Wyatt Moody lived in Alabama before coming to Texas. Children:

Francis Winfred Moody, b. 1816 NC; d. 1854 Tex.; m. Louisa Sarah Oliver (b. 1819) -- Chil: John Fletcher, Louisa M., Mary Frances, Samuel Oliver, of Ft. Worth, Tex.

John Monroe Moody, b. 1822 ARIZONA as 1st settler of the town.
William Cresfield, b. 1819; d. Santa Monica, Calif, age 87.
Alfonzo, b. 1810; might be in Texas.
T dau Mary Grizzan or Grison or Grigson Moody.

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The above indicates to me that I would do well to check the 1867-9 Voters List for Grimes Co., Texas. These voters' lists give date of registration & are not alphabetical (showing who registered the same day). They usually show if the signature was different from the name registered. They give precinct, county & state and how long the prospective voter has resided in each (unless one is unlucky enough to find a registrar who put down only the required minimums) and, if an immigrant, where & when naturalized (lots of Germans, etc). They usually give state or country of birth—but sometimes (not often) use U.S. instead of the state. The last happens infrequently. They also indicate whether the voter lives in the town or out in the county, & sometimes a little more on that (not often). I just might pick up a little on when these various interesting individuals in Grimes & Navarro came to Texas & to their county. Probably that is your WILLIAM CRESFIELD MOODY, aged 31 in 1850 Grimes Co., Tex. That looks like an awfully close match for your JOHN MONROE MOODY, aged 27, 1850 Grimes, also. It would appear that I either saw no A. MOODY's or didn't take time to look for them—which is unlikely.

I don't ordinarily read census but could do that for you with these indexings, rather quickly—if you cannot do it yourself—if you want it done.

Now as to the newspaper indexings -- there were quite a number of plain indexings for Miss or Mrs or Mr or Col. Moody. I chose out these sent to you as most likely to be yours; but before the job is completed, I will back-check on the ordinary listings like that. Until I had read all the others, it was not practical for me to try to figure out which would be your MOODY's & which would not—needed to be familiar with the family & years covered.

Will bear in mind possibilities of putting you in touch with some of the possible descendants in Texas today—and that isn't the kind of thing I would change for! That is a pleasure, only.

JHW.
REPORT OF THE AUDITOR OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS

His Excellency, James W. Robinson, Acting Governor.

An apology is due from me to the General Council. I tender it through your excellency, (there being no quorum at present) for not having fulfilled the requirements of the twenty-first section of an ordinance and /page 4 col 1/ decree creating the office of an auditor and controller of public accounts, of Texas. The main cause was want of stationery, which must be obvious to your excellency, as well as to the members of the General Council. This then, being the earliest period, I beg leave to report. That, since the first day of January instant, I have admitted to audit, and drafted for an account:

- Contingent expenses: $206.75
- Civil expenses: 713.00
- Military expenses: 11,358.21

Making an aggregate of $12,277.96

up to the 21st January, 1836, inclusive.

There was deposited in my office, on the 8th January, instant, sundry notes of hand (commonly called promissory notes) and instruments, purporting to be notes not signed, to be deducted from the claims of claimants, amounting in all to $1,273.19½; since which time I have, in liquidating the account of Alexander Dunlevy, paid $21, his note; as also in liquidating James Bowie's account, I have credited his note of $112 with $60; the two amounts making $81, to be deducted from the amount of notes etc., filed in my office, which leave the debts of the government at $11,085.76½. The manner in which these notes are placed in this office, cannot go to the extinguishment of the debts now liquidated and drawn for, but must, eventually, go to offset the demands of those to whom the government is indebted, under that view of the case, the debts of the government, up to 21st January instant, is $12,277.96: which latter sum, I am of opinion, is the proper debts of the government. Not seeing my way clearly, I have thought proper to report the facts. My records show in what manner the notes &c., are consumed.

Very respectfully, I remain yours,

J. W. MOODY, Auditor.

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APPOINTMENTS MADE BY THE GENERAL COUNCIL IN THE LEGION OF CAVALRY

A CIVIL APPOINTMENTS BY THE GENERAL COUNCIL.

- John W. Moody, auditor of public accounts.
- J. Borden jr., collector of public dues on land, for the department of Brazos.
- Arthur Henrie, collector of public dues...of Nacogdoches.
- George Bolding, first Judge of the municipality of Austin.

(Thought you might like to know when, how & with whom he was appointed then). JHW.

(Same paper), Saturday, 9 Jan. 1836, page 3, col 2-3.

AN ORDINANCE & DEGREE - AUGMENTING THE REGULAR ARMY, BY CREATING A LEGION OF CAVALRY... "legion of cavalry, to be a part (and under the command of the commander-in-chief) of the regular army of Texas, during the present war"... col 3 - 5 sections - "Passed at San Felipe de Austin, December 18, 1835. (repeated next page)

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JAMES W. ROBINSON, Lieutenant-Governor, & ex-officio President of the General Council.

JOHN W. MOODY,
Secretary pro tem. of General Council.
Approved December 18, 1835.

G. B. STEWART, Secretary of Executive." (All these from TELE & TEX REG)

Tuesday, 11 October 1836, page 3, col 3 (second page of this paper dated Wednesday, 12 October 1836). Item just thrown in for your information--JHW.

"DIED. On Caney Creek, of congestive fever, the honorable Baily Hardeman, late secretary of the treasury. He has left a widow and three children, to mourn with Texas the irreparable loss of a good husband, father, citizen and patriot."

(same paper) page 2, col 3 (second page dated Wed, 12 Oct 1836)

"FIRST CONGRESS - FIRST SESSION - HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Tuesday, Oct. 4, 1836." Met 10 a.m. ... page 3, col 1 - adjourned to 3 p.m. Then met for more business of organizing & adjourned to 9 a.m. Wed. morning. Met Wednesday, October 5, 1836 - in col 1.

... page 3, col 2 - "Mr. West moved the appointment of an assistant clerk; and Mr. J. W. Moody, after having taken the oath of office, was nominated assistant clerk." (JHW---This was asst. chief clerk of the House). The House then voted to meet with the Senate at 2 p.m. and open and publish the returns from the election for president and vice-president, etc. This they did.

TELEGRAPH & TEXAS REGISTER, Columbia, Texas, Wed., 26 Nov. 1836, page 2, col 3 -

"FIRST CONGRESS - FIRST SESSION - HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES - meeting Monday, November 21 - ...

"Mr. Fisher moved the petition of J. W. Moody, which was referred to the committee on claims and accounts."

Meeting, Tuesday, Nov. 22 - "The petition of J. W. Moody and William A. Paris was read, for providing stationary (sic) &c., for the use of the house. Referred to a committee of three; viz. Messrs. Chenowith, Bunton and Cartwright, and that the same committee be requested to provide a stove."

page 3, col 1 - List of officials & salaries in the government of Texas by Mr. Bunton (He felt they were all too high & that there were too many officials for such a little country) - The Chief Clerks, $1,500 ... The Speaker of the house of representatives & the President of the Senate (while acting), $7 per day. Assistant Clerks, $6 per day.


(paper of 26 Nov. 1836).
"ELECTION IN CONGRESS FOR CIVIL OFFICERS. At the hour appointed, (yesterday) the senate met the house of representatives in the hall of the latter, and proceeded to the election of the various officers necessary to the general organization of the judiciary, in the district and county courts, and also of other civil departments ... chief justice ... 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th district judges ... district attorneys ... 1st, 2d, 3d & 4th districts ... "J. W. Moody, auditor. Asa Brigham, treasurer. C. A. Parker, postmaster general." Also elected the Chief Justices of the county courts (23 of these). William Manefee was chosen for Colorado County.

Columbia, Tex, Thursday, 22 Dec 1836, page 2, col 1 - session of Texas House of Representatives - meeting

"Tuesday, Dec. 20, 1836" ... "The resignation of Mr. Moody, one of the assistant clerks, who has been elected to the auditorship, was tendered and accepted, to take effect to-morrow."

Columbia, Tex, Saturday, 21 Jan 1837, page 3, col 2 - "AUDITORS NOTICE"

The unfinished business of office, turned over to me by my predecessor, and the press of new business since my appointment to office, has hitherto prevented me from making public what the laws require in the liquidation of claims against this government. The existing laws require, 1st. The certificate of the chairman of a standing committee of safety and vigilance, or the certificate of the commanding officer of a company or particular post, containing day, date, name, and description of the article or sum furnished, and by whose order and at whose requisition the same may have been rendered or furnished, and to whom; or the receipt of a contracting comissary, or quarter master to whom the same may have been furnished and delivered, together with the oath or affirmation of the claimant, legally taken and certified, that said accounts, debts, dues, demands, or services were at the time and place specified supplied, furnished or rendered, made use of, delivered, pressed, taken, lost or killed, while in the actual service of the army of Texas; and that the claimant is not in any manner indebted to this government for himself, or on account of any other person.

2d. Certificates from proper officers belonging to the civil departments will be audited when they contain proper objects of claim. The same oath will be required, save from officers of heads of the executive department.

3d. An order from his excellency the president, or an act or resolution of congress, stating the amount and on what account, will be audited without comment or enquiry.

4th. No certificate for clerk hire, other than one chief clerk for each head of department will be audited.

5th. On certificates for stationery, fuel, lights, &c. furnished either of the departments entitled to be furnished the same, must state the day and date,
TELEGRAPH & TEXAS REGISTER, Columbia, Tex, Sat, 21 Jan 1837, page 3, col 2 -
"AUDITORS NOTICE" continued

"article, price, and from whom purchased, and by what department used. In all cases where there is an apparent want of economy, the account or certificate will be referred to the consideration of congress if in session, or to his excellency the president in vacation.

P.S. Persons owing this government as principal or as security in this office, will take notice that unless they cause the same to be properly settled by the 10th of May next, the government demands will be placed in the hands of the attorney general.


Columbia, Friday, 27 Jan 1836, page 3, col 3 - Same AUDITORS NOTICE and another one -
"AUDITORS NOTICE

Claims presented for articles of any description hereafter to be purchased must contain the signatures of proper officers, legally authorized by the heads of departments or by law. Articles of dress will not be admitted; spirituous liquors will not be allowed, (except in cases of sickness) unless purchased by orders of the government; certificates from those acting commissaries, quarter masters, paymasters, contractors, acting commandants, &c., will not be officially known. Monthly returns will be expected to be punctually made to this office, as required by the laws of the United States of America, to be made to the second auditor. Tavern bills will not be allowed to a greater amount than seventy-five cents per day, each; bar bills in all cases will be rejected.


TELEGRAPH & TEXAS REGISTER, Houston, Sat, 8 July 1837, page 1, col 2 -
"Wed., June 7th 1837. The senate met pursuant to adjournment...The resolution for the benefit of J. W. Moody was taken up and passed the senate."

(JHW--Senate was considering the bill establishing the county of Houston. They went into secret session & then opened doors & took up this Moody resolution).

page 2, col 1 - Wed, 7 June 1837 meeting of house - "Mr. Allen of Milam submitted a joint resolution for the relief of J. W. Moody, auditor; which was adopted. Mr. Arnold from the committee to whom the subject was referred, reported a bill establishing the county of Houston; which was passed."

page 2, col 2 - 7 June 1837, evening session - "The senate's amendments to the joint resolutions for the relief of J. W. Moody and Alexander Waish were concurred in..."

page 3, col 3 - "STOP THE THIEF!

Stolen from my office since four o'clock last evening, by some unknown villain, the following drafts drawn on the Treasurer in my favor, to wit:
One of $500, dated April 6, 1837, Numbered 1169, Check Letter W: one of $100, dated April 6, 1837, number 1170 or 1172, check letter I: One of $111 dated May 25, 1837, number 1147, check letter J: one of $100, dated May 25, number 1848, check letter I: one of $100, dated May 25, 1837, number 1849, check letter I.

The public are cautioned from trading for said drafts, as the Treasurer will be notified forthwith to pay the amount to none other than myself."

Houston, July 4, 1837

J. W. Moody, Auditor."

(JHW--I copied these things at length because they were written by J.W. Moody himself. The last announcement is quite interesting to me).
TELEGRAPH & TEXAS REGISTER, Houston, Tex, Sat, 22 July 1837, page 2, col 1 — announcement of resolutions—

"JOINT RESOLUTION

For the benefit of J. W. Moody, Resolved by the senate and house of representatives of the republic of Texas in congress assembled, 'That twelve hundred and fifty dollars be and the same hereby appropriated to J. W. Moody, auditor of public accounts, to reimburse him for money paid for clerk hire, out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated. B. T. Archer, Speaker of the house of representatives. Jesse Grimes, President pro. tem. of the senate. Approved, June 9th 1837. Sam Houston.'

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Houston, Texas, 24 July 1837 (error—really 22 July 1837 paper; reference was in error), page 3, col 3 —

"MONTGOMERY

Situated in the county of Washington, sixty miles northwest of the city of Houston, thirty five miles east of the town of Washington, and six miles west of the San Jacinto River, in the centre of a high, beautiful and undulating district of country, distinguished for health, good water and soil.

It is expected that a new county will be organized, at the next session of congress, embracing this section of country, in which event, the town of Montgomery from its central position, must be selected as the seat of justice.

The San Jacinto affords excellent keel boat navigation to this point, the most direct route from the city of Houston to Robertson's colony and Red River settlements, and from Bevile's settlement to Washington, pass through this town. The great extent of good land lying contiguous, and its increasing and enterprising agricultural population, cannot fail of making this one of the most
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Sales of lots at auction will take place in the town of Montgomery, on the first Monday in September ensuing, and continue for three days.

Terms of sale, 6, and 12 months credit. Notes with approved security will be required. Good titles will be made upon the payment of the first notes.

J. W. Moody, for company

Texas 4th July, 1837.

JH--I noticed a couple of items which might amuse you, too. In the Sat., 28 Aug 1837 issue, Houston paper, p. 3, col 1 - Administrator's Notice---Robert P. Crockett is announcing that he is the admin. of his father David Crockett (dated 22 Aug, Bexar) & that some other man has taken admin. but will doubtless step down when it is known that David has an heir in Texas (as apparently it was not known). This Robt. P. appears all over notes I made in a study of the family of David Crockett--was a most prominent man.

Jabez Pitch has warnings in June & July 1837 that he is the only authorized agent of Seth Parker's land script, etc. which seems to have been lost or mislaid.

JH--I rechecked to see about the 24 July 1837 item not found--located this item by checking 24 June 1837 issue, which I will put on the next page for you.
Univ. of Texas Periodicals Collection, 13 March 1964 - TELEGRAPH & TEXAS REGISTER.

Perhaps you'd be interested in a brief resume of some of the facts on this paper. The last issue in the collection shown published at Columbia, Texas, was 11 April 1837. During the April to June 13 issues the publishers were Borden & Moore. The dissolution of the partnership of G. Borden, Jr. & F. Moore, Jr. was published on 20 June 1837. The TELEGRAPH was then edited by Francis Moore, Jr. as of 24 June 1837 with publishers & prop. Cruig & Moore (J. W. Cruig, this was). The first issue in the collection published at Houston, then, was dated 2 May 1837, Tues. There was an explanation on p. 2 col 1 saying that the editor (or editors) left Columbia on the 16th April on steamer "Yellow Stone" & had trouble with surf & running aground and other waterway troubles. Then found the nearly completed new building for their press was non-existent. Rented a shanty & told of their troubles with falling beams, etc. Cruig & Moore continued to publish the paper so far as I have scanned, now.--JW. Doubtless you know of Gail Borden?

Houston, Saturday, 24 June 1837, page 3, col 3 --

"NOTICE. Auditor's Office, Houston, June 22, 1837 - I certify that the following drafts were issued from this office in favour of David Gresham, to wit: 1 of $100, numbered 2182 (etc. by $100's through 22192), 1 of $311.17, numbered 2193; amounting to $1131.17. J. W. Moody, Auditor.

All persons are forbid trading for the above drafts or notes, as they have probably been stolen or lost.

Also, one note payable to A. Gosney, for 40 dollars, and a note of M'Neilly for 10 dollars. June 24, 1837. Abraham Gosney. 75-2t."

(above notices repeated in xxw issue 1 July 1837, page 4, col 1).

Houston, 16 Sept. 1837, page 3, col 1 -- "SHERIFF SALE. By virtue of 2 executions to me directed by the hon. county court of the county of Harrisburg, I will expose to public sale, on the premises in this city, on Saturday the 21st of October next, at two o'clock P. M. all the rights, title, interest and claim of E. H. Winfield, and wife E. H. Winfield in and to 2 lots of ground, with the buildings and improvements thereon, and at present occupied by J. W. Moody Esqr., and marked on the plan of said town as lots No. 10 and 11, in block 30, to satisfy the above executions in favour of Smith and Allen and W. H. Hill; seized and taken in execution and to be sold by me. Terms cash.

John W. Moore, Sheriff. Houston, Sept 10th 1837. 86-3t."

(JW--Are you sure the son of John Wyatt Moody was named Francis Wilfred Moody? The March, 1964 issue of STIRPES, quarterly of Texas State Genealogical Society in Fort Worth, Texas, has a section by my friend Clifford White—new vice pres. of Austin Gene, Soc—on the 1840 tax lists of Texas counties. He begins with the Harris Co, Tex. 1840 tax list. The first name "by whom retained" usually refers to the owner & the second to the agent in tax renditions, etc. We have these—copied off by me from p. 6 of this STIRPES: two listings of A. C. ALLEN; the 2nd has Agent, J. S. Holman. (Perhaps you know that Max Houston was founded by the ALLEN family?). There are other ALLEN listings. On page 7—BALDWIN, Maria—Jas. S. Holmes; BALDWIN, H. B. There are no CHERSFIELD's. Page 8 has HARRIS, J. D. W.C. (remember him) and HOUSTON, Sam, etc. There are no MOODY listings on p. 9, but I did see MOORE & CRUCER, the newspaper men. And on page 11 is E. H. WINFIELD. These records returned 12 Aug 1840. Perhaps you know that the old town of Harrisburg was absorbed by Houston, Texas.)

Houston, Tex, Saturday, 30 December 1837, page 3, col 2 --

"NOTICE" An Auditor's notice regarding the bounty land transactions of James C. Thompson & a Hensley & a Wigginton & asking for explanation of how the paper of Geo. W. Henley came into possession of Thompson & how JCT came by the original before papers can benefit either. Signed J. W. Moody, 1st Auditor, 29 Dec.
Univ. of Tex. Periodicals Collection, 13 Moh 1964 - TELEGRAPH & TEXAS REGISTER.

Houston, 1 September 1838, page 3, col 4 - Notice of certification by J. W. Moody, 1st auditor, that he issued a draft to John T. Ballard - $174, 1 May 1837 #1464 letter F. Jno. T. Ballard warned everyone & from trading for it and said any information would be thankfully received.

Houston, Saturday, 29 December 1838, page 3, col 3 - Card -
"CANDIDATES FOR MAYOR & ALDERMEN" (JHW--Now did it say candidates???)
"For Mayor, Francis Moore, Jr.
Mr. Editor--Please insert the above in the Telegraph, & oblige. MANY VOTERS."

Houston, Wednesday, 6 Feb 1839, page 3, col 1 -- "Nominations made by the President and confirmed by the Senate -- Asa Brigham, treasurer; J. W. Moody, 1st auditor; James W. Simmons, comptroller,"etc.

Houston, 10 April 1839, page 3, col 5 -- "Dr Bailey offers his services to the citizens of Houston and its vicinity. Offices at Mr. Taylor's, east of the Public Square near Maj. Moody's." No 20 April. Repeated 24 Apr., p.4, c. 2.

Houston, Wednesday, 1 May 1839, page 3, col 3 --
"RAIL ROAD MEETING. At an adjourned meeting of the citizens of Houston, held at the capitol on Saturday the 27th inst., at 4 p.m., J. W. Moody, Esq. in the chair, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted" (JHW--I now condense) 1. A committee of 5 be appointed (called a committee of conference) to convene with committees from other sections of the country to forward the project under consideration.
2. Committees to meet at Fayetteville 1 June next.
3. Committee of 2 appointed to learn the most direct and advantageous route for the railroad in contemplation & report to the general committee at the conference at Fayetteville.
Proceedings to be published in the MORNING STAR of & Houston TELEGRAPH & REGIS. signed: "J. W. Moody, Chairman. C. J. Hedenberg, Sec'y".

Houston, Wednesday, 29 May 1839, page 3, col 5 -- A. N. A. Moody, Clerk of the probate court signed an order from Victoria, Texas probate court April 1839 concerning the death & estate of David Harrington to be settled. Judge of the probate court was Wm. P. Miller.

Houston, Wednesday, 8 May 1839, page 3, col 5 -- "SHERIFF'S SALE - By virtue of sundry executions to me directed from the honorable the district court for the county of Harrisburg, etc. I have levied upon and will expose to public sale on the first Tuesday in June next, at the court-house door in the city of Houston, all the right, title, interest, and claim of Michael DeCHAIMES in and to a tract or parcel of land, consisting of eight and a half building lots more or less, and situated in or adjoining the city of Houston, viz: beginning at a distance of 18 feet from a stake which is the south-east corner of the said square that one Lawrence Derivaux bought of John W. Moody on the 4th day of April, 1839, running north along a street 18 feet wide which said Derivaux made on the east side of said square 216 feet to the southeast corner of 2 lots belonging to John Baptiste Boistard, thence west 200
Houston, Wed, 8 May 1839, page 3, col 5 - SHERIFF'S SALE (continued)--

"feet to a street 25 feet wide, thence south along said street 216 feet more or less; thence east to the beginning; said lots being 100 by 50 feet. Seized and taken as the property of Michael DeChaumes to satisfy executions in favor of League, Andrews & Co, the representatives of Texas and others; and to be sold by me within the hours prescribed by law. Terms cash. John W. Moore, Sheriff. 4 May 1839."

Houston, Wednesday, 17 July 1839, page 3, col 1 - "THE AUDITORIAL COURT" This quotes an Executive Order to discontinue the activities of the Auditorial Court because the Executive had good reasons. It cites that the Executive has been severely censured for what has been termed an unwarrantable interference with this tribunal for the adjustment of claims against the government. The last congress set up the court to take a lot of small claims settlements from the province of the congress (too many been cluttering up their work). The tribunal was not properly limited and the Executive had prohibited the Treasury from paying any more of the drafts created by the Auditors Court. The Order read:

"Executive Department, Houston, July 13th 1839 -- To the Hon. J. W. Moody, Musgrove Evans and J. W. Simmons, members of the Auditorial Court: Gentlemen--This will forthwith suspend the investigation of claims against the government, until the convening of the next general congress. Signed Mirabeau B. Lamar. A true copy of the original, on file in First Auditor's Office.

J. W. Moody, J. W. Simmons, Musgrove Evans."

These said that the President had no justification to suspend the action of a direct & positive law under any circumstances while he can reconvene congress. This sets a bad precedenc. But they think there was plenty of excuse this time for the President's action. Drafts by the court had in effect or could become legal tender of the government, & just like the currency, etc. and this would make a miscellaneous type of money in the country--which would be bad. (JHW--I did not quote in the above--just translated it. If you want this exactly as written, I'll go back & copy word for word).

7 August 1839, page 3, col 5 -- J. W. Moody, 1st Auditor -- announcing that the General Regulations of the Army, 24 Jan 1839 on rations made it necessary for purchasing & disbursing officers to make complete returns in every particular agreeable to law before accounts current will be respected. Tobacco is not covered under the new law (as it had been). Horses will be covered under certain differing authorizations. dated 6 August. (JHW--This too I can copy for you as written. The Collection was again closing at 5 pm on Friday).

That leaves me an 1840 item in TEXAS SENTINEL and a few 1841 items. Then I'll skim through the others & re-check the Barker index cards for the ordinary listings under "MR, MAJOR, MRS, etc" & see if any of them look useful at all. I am disappointed that these items have offered so little to even consider a clue in genealogy of the family. For the above--I think 2 hours would be fair (again allowing for the extras, etc. in the previous data). That leaves you with a credit with me just now of five & one half hours. My husband dropped me by UT on Friday on his way to a business conference, so I didn't have to pay any parking lot fees that day--just some phone calls, etc. I went then, at 5 pm, up into the Main Library cateogue & "stacks" and worked. Found some nice things for me & relatives & friends--and I will copy an item or 2 for you that might be some use some day. Incidentally, I found my 2d grgrand's Oxford EXAMINER of N.C. still exists--a few copies over the country. (1830's).
Main Library "stacks", University of Tex, Main Bldg, Austin, Tex, 13 May 1964--

287.09768 HISTORY OF METHODISM IN TENNESSEE, John B. McFerrin, DD, Vol III, v3
M167h from the year 1818 to the year 1840, Southern Meth. Publ. House, Nashville, Tenn., 1873.

p. 111 - ministers - "Samuel S. Moody was born in Powhatan County, Virginia, May 1, 1810; professed religion in Henry County, Tennessee, at Chapel Hill, 4 miles from Paris, in the fall of 1828 ..." I p. 112--Described his circuits.

p. 116 - "He departed this life on the 3rd day of May, 1863. The funeral sermon of our beloved brother was preached by Dr. McFerrin, on the 7th, to a large and sympathizing audience from Matt. xxv 23." "Mr. Moody was married at the proper age, to Miss Cannon, of Shelbyville, Tennessee." His son was also a minister, p. 117 - and was appointed (1872) to work on the Pacific coast.

JHW--The above might connect somewhere. I was searching for items on the baby brother of my 2nd greatgrandfather YANCEY--found several items on this Rev. Edwin W. Yancey, who was Methodist circuit rider many years in Tenn., Ark, Miss.

I had previously noted in several Tenn. books references to a WATT family & even an item somewhere on a JHN WYATT (wish I had copied it that day). My own 2nd greatgr. ROBERT J. YANCEY, JR. was a Presbyterian in Oxford, NC, and then in La Orange & Somerville & Memphis, Tenn--a newspaper editor, as was his son WM, THOMAS (my greatgr.) & two other sons (printers, at least). In connection with my YANCEY research in Va., I had delved into JENNINGS records. While I was at UT Friday, I saw the recent JENNINGS book & thought I'd just check the index. You probably have what I saw, but I'll send it along just in case it is new & might help.

929.2 DOCUMENTED NOTES ON JENNINGS & ALLIED FAMILIES, Beatrice Mackey Doughtie, J44ld Bowen Press Inc., Decatur, Georgia, 1961 -

p. 526 - quotes Vol 4, p. 110 of Boddie's HISTORICAL SOUTHERN FAMILIES.

William Jennings Jr. went to Buckingham Co, Va.


p. 535 - William Jennings; born ca 1735 said to have married Mary Allen; died Pr. Edw, Co, Va. 2. William, Jr. went to Buckingham Co, Va. 3. Robert

4. Elkanah


Samuel went to Tenn. (Cooke Co). JP in Cooke Co, Tenn, 28 Apr 1831. Court records indicate he went to Missouri pre 3 May 1833 (refs given).

JHW--I noticed in one of the listings nearby that a Robert Jennings had married a Baldwin girl--but I think it was on the next page or so. Didn't check the dates since I was working on some other items against time. Doubtless your libraries have this book by this time. The early JENNINGS records seem slightly confused to me so that I cannot get them sorted out properly in the YANCEY intermarriages, mixed with CLAY, if I remember correctly (HUDSON, probably, and possibly BURTON*). Haven't worked those lines recently. Think there were also HARRIS and OVERTON to get straightened out--if we ever do. Seems to me I recently (this year) "acquired" an ALLEN grandmother & HARRIS grandmother back in Va. & NC (Granv, Co) area--into my BENNETT, BEARDEN lines allied with DeWITT & YANCEY. I have so much from a Knoxville distant cousin--haven't been able to study.

good Hunting, I'm dead for sleep,

(Mrs) Jean Halden Walker.
Univ. of Texas Periodicals Collection, 13 Mar 1964 - TELEGRAPH & TEXAS REGISTER.

JHW--I forgot to mention that Harris County was Harrisburg Municipality; this explains the references to Harrisburg by John W. Moore, Sheriff.

Houston, Saturday, 31 Mar 1838, page 3, col 1 - NOTICE by J. W. Moore, Sheriff, 10 Mar 1838 of Sheriff's sale, Harrisburg county - public sale at the courthouse, Houston of a negro girl named Jane & lots taken in execution as property of J. G. Welchmayr and M. Dechaums to satisfy execution in favour of D.W.C. Harris. To be sold by Moore for cash, Monday, 23 April next.

Searched for the 31 March 1838, page 3, col 3 item & found a J. H. Money item but no J. W. Moody. Will probably recheck later on.

Houston, Saturday, 31 Mar 1838, page 3, col 2 - "POCKET BOOK FOUND containing a draft of $50.00, Military Scrip, signed by J. W. Moody, issued to A. W. Springer" etc. - Doswell & Adams, Aug., Houston, 24 Feb '38.

JHW--In these 1838 papers E. H. WINFIELD is mentioned often as Clerk of the District Court.

Houston, Texas, Saturday, 21 April 1838, page 2, col 1 -- letter written in Senate meeting 17 April, Houston -

"The President laid before the Senate the following letter from the First Auditor of the public accounts."

First Auditors Office
Houston, April 13, 1837

The Hon. Senate and House of Representatives: Gentlemen--In conformity to law, I beg leave to report, that since the 18th of November, ultimo, up to the 12th instant, (both days inclusive) there has been audited and drawn for by this department on account of Military Claims $386,983.97.

amount of Government debt, on 17th Nov. ultimo, 1,030,041.57

all of which is respectfully submitted by

Your ob't. serv't J. W. Moody, Auditor."

The committee on finance was instructed to report on the condition of the currency of the country & reported.

Houston, Wednesday, 9 May 1838, page 3, col 3 - "FOR SALE. A Valuable House and Lot, nearly opposite the Round Tent, known by the name of 'Texas Coffee House'. For particulars apply to J. W. Moody. 9 May '38."

Houston, Saturday, 12 May 1838, page 1, col 2 -- "Adjourned Session--2d Congress. Report of the Proceedings of the House of Representatives, Wednesday, May 24, 1838 ... The petitions of J. W. Moody, J.M.W. Hall's company, and others (volunteers) C. W. Grant, administrator of Sam. Dexter, together with a petition from citizens of Harrisburg county, relative to a division of the county and probate courts, were referred to different committees."

(If I keep typing like this--will have to give up & go to bed!!! JHW.)