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Thomas Rogers Putman of Caldwell County Texas

Thomas Rogers Putman was a son of Thomas Putman and Mary Barton of Hall County, Georgia. Thomas Senior was a son of Barnet and Sarah Putman of South Carolina. Thomas was born in 1817 in Warren County, Kentucky before the family moved to Georgia. He moved with his parents to Arkansas.

He married Mary Adeline Fleming in Montgomery County Arkansas on February 27, 1845. Mary was born in Tuscaloosa, Alabama January 5, 1827 and was a daughter of John McWhorter Fleming and Abigail Jeffrey.

Thomas and Mary had one son in Arkansas in 1846 and then moved to Texas in 1847 and settled in McMahan, Caldwell County Texas and remained there all their lives.

He was a rancher. Thomas died January 11, 1870 and Mary died May 17, 1870. Both are buried in the Jeffrey Cemetery in McMahan, Texas.

Their children were:

John M. Putnam

John was born in January of 1847 in Montgomery County Arkansas. He married Fannie Allen born December 1853 in Texas.

I do not find them in the 1880 census, but in 1900 they are in Hubbard, Hill County Texas. In the 1910 census, Fannie is a widow and is living with her daughter Fanny Barrington also in Hubbard. They had the following children:

EMERSON B. PUTNAM born January 1874. He was at home in 1900 and in Harris County in 1910. In 1910 he has a wife named Irene 12 years younger than he and no children. In 1920, he is in Walker County, Texas and has a new wife Ida 20 years younger than he. He is in San Antonio in 1930 divorced and by himself. In 1920, they had:

Ida M. Putnam born in 1915.

JOSEPH B. PUTNAM born February 1884. I don't find him in 1910 or 1920.

FANNY PUTNAM born February 1886. She married Phillip Barrington.

LIZZIE PUTNAM born August 1887.

Thomas Rogers Putnam Jr.

Thomas junior was born in Texas in 1848. He disappears after 1860 and I believe he was killed in the Civil War in 1863.

Elizabeth Jane Putnam

Elizabeth was born in 1852 and she married Robert D. Montgomery in Caldwell County on January 6, 1875.

They had the following children:

DR. GEORGE MONTGOMERY

DR. HAZEL MONTGOMERY

W. O. MONTGOMERY

MODENA MONTGOMERY

Mary Putnam

Mary was born in Caldwell County in 1854. She married V. H. Sims and they moved to California.

They had one daughter:

FREDONIA 'DONNIE' SIMS born in 1872 in Texas.

Joseph Barnett Putnam

Joseph Barnett Putnam was born June 6, 1856. He married Julia Caroline McGinnis on March 3, 1876. She was born in Caldwell County November 25, 1856 and was a daughter of Vedra McBee McGinnis and Louisa Shotwell. In Texas he ran a general store and then became a Methodist preacher and circuit rider. They first lived in Caldwell County, Texas and then in 1902 moved to Throckmorton County.

Julia died in Throckmorton, Texas on February 14, 1907. In 1911, he married Virginia Smith. Jennie, as she was called, was born July 17, 1869. Joseph died in Throckmorton on August 19, 1924 and Jennie died in Lockhart, Texas on December 30, 1958.

Their children were:

EVA REBECCA PUTNAM born April 9, 1878. She married Dr. Thomas Benton Coopwood in Caldwell County on February 6, 1898. Thomas was born November 19, 1859 in Chickasaw County Mississippi and died in Lockhart, Texas August 9, 1932. Eva died May 14, 1970 in Lockhart. They had:

Thomas Benton Coopwood, Jr. born June 11, 1900 in Lockhart and died in Austin

August 5, 1995.

Julia Coopwood born May 31, 1903 and died in Lockhart October 20, 1993.

Joseph Bennett Coopwood born March 7, 1907 and died in Salerno, Italy during WWII on November 23, 1943. He married Kate Ellis Lipscomb on December 29, 1936.

WILLIAM PRICE PUTNAM born September 24, 1879 and died in 1880.

THOMAS ROGERS PUTNAM born April 7, 1883 married Eunice Gertrude Smart, born in 1893. He was a banker in Lueders, Texas. He died in a Dallas hospital on March 8, 1959. Gertrude died April 4, 1968. In 1920 and 1930, they are in Jones County, Texas. From his granddaughter, "He was the President of the bank in Lueders during the depression years. His bank was one of a handful in Texas that did not close its doors, nor did he foreclose on anyone's property or business during that era. I did not realize the significance of this or how well thought of he was until his funeral in 1959. People for all over Texas came to Lueders...the church was filled and hundreds of people lined the streets to pay their respects as we drove from the church. We never saw anything like it in the history of the town. He is still remembered. The children were:

Julia Maurese Putnam born in 1917, died December 12, 1998. She married Stanley Livingston Vinson in 1944. He was born in Steiner Texas July 18, 1918 and died in Austin, Texas June 6, 2004. They had:

Stacey Louise Vinson (1946)

Stephen Louis Vinson (1948)

Susan Lisa Vinson (1950)

Samuel Livingston Vinson (1953)

Mary Alice Putnam born in 1923, and living in 2000. She married Robert Vanderventer in 1950. They had:

Theresa Ann Vanderventer (1952)

Sheri Lyn Vanderventer (1954).

LELA MAE PUTNAM born April 10, 1885. She was a Methodist missionary in Brazil for many years. She never married and later shared a house in Dallas with her sister Gustava. She died in Dallas May 20, 1975.

JOSEPH CARROLL PUTNAM born July 31, 1887. He was single in Andrews County in 1910, and in 1920 he was with his sister Eva Copewood in Caldwell County. He took a ship from New York to Rio de Janeiro, Brazil August 17, 1925. He later married Margaret Elizabeth Sheers. She was born in Houston, Texas July 20, 1910 and died in Abilene, Texas March 27, 2007. He was a rancher in Throckmorton, Texas. He died in Albany, Throckmorton County Texas November 4, 1970. They had:

John Putnam his wife was named Rita. They were in Albany, Texas in 2007. This based on his mom's obituary. Same with the rest.

Joseph Carroll Putnam Jr. He married Janice Hart. He was in Irvine, Texas in 2007.

Julia Putnam She was in Albany, Texas in 2007.

Margaret Ann Putnam She married Marvin Hale and was in Albuquerque, New Mexico in 2007.

JOHN MARVIN PUTNAM born May 30, 1889 and died in 1892.

ALICE VIOLA PUTNAM born October 26, 1891 married Maxwell Manning Crunk. She was a teacher in Nixon, Texas. Max was born in Texas June 5, 1892 and died in Nixon,

Gonzales County Texas November 15, 1975. Alice died in Caldwell County Texas October 25, 1983. They had:

Maxwell Manning Crunk Jr. born October 3, 1924 in Gonzales, Texas and died October 20, 1999 in Midland, Texas. He married Katherine Patricia Crunk.

GUSTAVA PUTNAM born November 16, 1894. She was a teacher in Dallas. I don't think she ever married. She died in Austin, Texas April 15, 1988.

JAMES PLEDGER PUTNAM born September 18, 1897. He married Lura Frances Wilkerson in Gerard, Texas on April 23, 1926. She was born in 1896 and died in 1977. He was a rancher in Throckmorton. He died there on June 15, 1966. Their children were:

Joann Putman born February 9, 1923 and died March 23, 1989.

James Pledger Putman 2nd born November 29, 1927.

Joseph Barnet Putman born September 9, 1930 and died November 25, 1982

SIMEON SOMMERS PUTNAM born January 19, 1902. He was a construction engineer, and never married. He died in Kaufman, Texas April 2, 1932.

William F. Putnam

William was born in 1858 and died as an infant.

Gerrie Price Putnam

Gerrie was born May 18, 1863. In 1880, he was single and listed as Price Putnam in Bell County, Texas. He was living with his uncle and aunt, Berry and Catherine Shipp. He married Marianne 'May' Harrell July 18, 1895 in Dallas. She was born March 7, 1871. They moved to El Paso where he became Superintendent of the school system. He was a graduate of Baylor University.

In 1900 he and May were in El Paso and had a 2 year old son Harrell Putman. Also there were May's brother Willie Harrell 17 and sister Belle Harrell 14 both born in Texas. Marianne died there March 19, 1902.

He is widowed in 1910 and Belle is still there as is her and Marianne's divorced mother Lou 59 Louisiana. Gerry married Belle, who was then 24, on April 21, 1910. Belle was born September 4, 1885 and died in El Paso on June 9, 1956. Belle is 22 years younger than he is.

In 1920, they are still in El Paso.

In 1930, he is farming in Cottonwood, Eddy County, New Mexico. He is alone, but states he is married. He is also listed in El Paso with Belle and is listed a farmer then too.

He died September 20, 1938 of stomach cancer.

Their children were:

HARRELL FLEMMING PUTNAM born July 8, 1897. He was a musician and married

Elise Collins.

MARION 'MARY' PUTNAM born December 24, 1900 and died June 21, 1932 in Kansas City, Missouri. She married Oscar William Morton in 1924.