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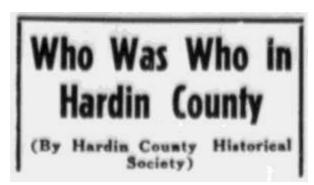
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<u>Kentucky: A History of the State</u>, W. H. Perrin, J. H. Battle, G. C. Kniffin, F. A. Battey Publishing Company, Louisville, KY & Chicago, IL, c.1886, Grayson County section, p.1110:

WILLIAM R. HAYNES was born in Haynes Precinct, Grayson County, March 15, 1845. He is the youngest of four children born to Henry and Lurana (DeWeese) Haynes, natives of Ohio and Grayson Counties respectively, and of English and French extraction. He was reared on the homestead farm until he was nine years of age, when his parents moved to Cloverport, Ky. There his father engaged in the tobacco business for four years, and was ruined financially by having to

pay a security debt. He returned to Grayson County and rented the original homestead farm, where he remained about one year, then moved to Leitchfield. Here be engaged in the hotel, livery and tobacco business, and remained from 1858 until the fall of 1864. He [Henry] was elected sheriff of the county in 1860, and served two terms. In 1864 he removed to Whitesville, Daviess County, where he lost his second wife, Rebecca, sister to his first, Lurana; thence to Webster County, where he died July 15, 1880, at the residence of his son, Dr. J. E. Haynes. William R. Haynes was educated principally at the schools of Leitchfield, and in the spring of 1864 enlisted in the Confederate Army under Gen. Forrest; two months later, in the fight at Sullivan's barn, Kentucky, he was captured and conveyed to Camp Morton, at Indianapolis, Ind. There he was retained until January 9, 1865, when he was pardoned by President Lincoln. He returned to Kentucky and located at Whitesville, where he taught school and studied law in the meantime. In 1868 he was admitted to the bar of Owensboro, and entered on the regular practice of his profession at Calhoon, where he remained eighteen months. He then removed to Dixon, Webster County, and remained practicing his profession until 1874, editing for some time the Webster County Appeal; then came to Leitchfield, practiced his profession, and started the Grayson County Herald, the first newspaper in the county. In August, 1880, he was elected State's attorney for the Sixth Judicial District and is still serving. April 11, 1878, he was married in Breckinridge County, at Basin Spring Farm, by Rev. W. W. Lambuth, to Ellen Peyton Chick, the accomplished daughter and only child of George E. and Ellen J. (Peyton) Chick, natives of Kentucky. To Mr. and Mrs. Haynes four children were born: Luella (died in infancy), an infant, George Henry and Willie R. In 1876 Mr. Haynes was appointed and served as assistant State presidential elector; he has gained considerable prominence as a politician, and also as a literary man, having written among other things, the life of "Doc" Brown, the famous outlaw of Grayson County. Mr. Haynes is devoted to his profession, in which he is eminently successful.

<u>Hardin County Enterprise</u>, Elizabethtown, KY, Tuesday, 3 December 1940, p2 and Breckenridge News, Cloverport, KY, Wednesday, 11 December 1940, p.2:



William R. Haynes

William R. Haynes was born in the old "Haynes Precinct" in Grayson County, Kentucky, March 15, 1845, the youngest of four children of his parents.

His father, Henry Haynes, was a native of Ohio county and his mother, Lurana (DeWeese) Haynes, of French extraction, was native of Grayson county. When William R. was nine years of age his parents removed to Cloverport, in Breckinridge county, where his father engaged in the

tobacco business until suffering financial reverses by reason of his suretyship for others. Returning to Grayson county he resided for one year, a renter, on his original homestead farm, and then went to Leitchfield, where from 1858 to 1864 he engaged in the hotel, livery and tobacco business. In 1860 he was elected sheriff of Grayson county and reelected in 1862. At the end of the second term (1864) he removed to Whitesville, in Daviess county, and thence to Webster county, where he died in 1880, at the home of his son, Dr. J. E. Haynes.

At the age of nineteen William R. Haynes enlisted in the Confederate cavalry under General Forrest. In March of 1864 these fine troopers swept into western Kentucky, supported by Buford's mounted Kentuckians and Tennessee detachment. In the fight at Sullivan's barn young Haynes was among those captured and taken to Camp Morton, at Indianapolis, Indiana. While there he was pardoned by President Lincoln. Returning to Kentucky he located at Whitesville, where he taught school and read law. He was admitted to the bar at Owensboro in 1868 and began the practice of law at Calhoun, McLean county. In 1870 he removed to Dixon, Webster county, where he practiced until 1874, and a part of the time edited a newspaper, The Webster County Appeal. He then returned to Leitchfield and continued the practice of his profession and launched the Grayson County Herald, the first newspaper in the county.

At the August election, 1880, Mr. Haynes was elected Commonwealth's Attorney of the old sixth judicial district, composed of Grayson, Edmonson, Meade, Breckinridge, and Hardin counties. At the same time Thomas R. McBeath, also practicing at Leitchfield, was elected Circuit Judge. They had been schoolmates, each was mainly educated in the schools at Leitchfeld, and both married Breckinridge county girls. McBeath's first wife was Mary J. Chalfant, of Hardinsburg, and Haynes married Ellen P. Chick, of Basin Spring, April 11, 1878. McBeath also was a soldier in the Civil War, but on the opposite side from Haynes. He assisted Capt. Anderson Gray in recruiting Company A, Twenty-seventh Kentucky Federal Infantry, in which company he served as quartermaster until January 21, 1862, when he was promoted to quartermaster of the regiment, under Col. Charles D. Pennebaker, and served until mustered out March 29, 1865. He was six years the senior of Haynes in age and two years in the practice, having been admitted at Leitchfield in April, 1866. His father, Dr. Archibald C. Mc Beath, was the first commissioner of common schools of Grayson county, upon the establishment of the common school system in this State about century ago. Judge McBeath was an able trial judge and remained on the bench for many years in the sixth district and its successor, the ninth district, which dropped Edmonson county. He was succeeded in 1903 by Weed S. Chelf, of Elizabethtown, native of Green county. Haynes served one term as Commonwealth's Attorney and was succeeded (1886) by Chapeze Wathen, of Brandenburg.

Perhaps the most celebrated case prosecuted by Haynes was that of the Commonwealth vs. Johnson (81 Ky. 325), in which the law was settled in this State that it is not indispensably necessary to produce or even for anyone to have ever found the body of the victim in a homicide case, although no one saw the killing. Marion Johnson, resident of Edmonson county, took his two little children, a girl and a boy, aged three years and one year, and set out afoot with their ostensibly to visit distant relatives and returned with only the girl. He was charged with killing the little boy. Upon the trial Mr. Haynes appealed dramatically and repeatedly to the jury not to hang him. "Come down to a life sentence," he appealed, "and perhaps some time through the weary years the sting of a gnawing and remorseful memory may so touch his conscience that he may tell what he did with the little body and it may yet have Christian burial." All the time his pleading with the jury –

"don't hang him, don't hang him intended not so much to get the jury to come down as to come up to life sentence. The defendant was given life and the judgment was affirmed. The body was never found.

Mr. Haynes, a staunch Democrat was assistant Presidential elector in historic 1876, and clung to the belief that Tilden was elected and was counted out in what he believed to be unjustifiable disfranchisement of Florida, Louisiana, Oregon and South Carolina. He achieved considerable local reputation as a writer and as a public speaker, both in the courtroom and on the hustings. Ilia best-known production was his book on the life of Doc Brown, Grayson county outlaw – an interesting recital of the remarkable escapades and not less remarkable death of a violator of the old school.

From Leitchfield, Mr. Haynes removed to Elizabethtown in the early 1890's and engaged in the practice of law here for a number of years. lie resided out North Dixie Avenue and maintained a law office in the north corner of the Public Square over the offices now occupied by Dr. John M. English. He also operated a small tract of farm land near the town, adjoining the H. & E. (I. C.) railroad right-of-way. His sons, George Henry and Willie R., attended the city school here. Two children died in infancy. About the close of the nineties the family removed to Oklahoma. Decal to J. W. McGinnis conveying house and lot in April, 1900, was acknowledged by Mr. and Mrs. Haynes in Cleveland county, in that state. Both died in Oklahoma.

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## Chronology

- William Robert Haynes, son of Henry Haynes & Lurana Deweese, was born 15 March 1845 in Grayson County, KY
- Federal 1850 census of Grayson County, KY, p.60B, William R. Haynes, age 4, born KY, in household of Henry Haynes (33) & Rebecca (26)
- Lurana Deweese Haynes, mother of William R. Haynes, died at the age of 25 years, 2 months and 6 days on 5 November 1845. She was buried in the Old Deweese Cemetery near Post in Grayson County, KY. After her death Henry Haynes married Lurana's sister Rebecca Deweese on 21 May 1846.
- Federal 1860 census of Leitchfield, Grayson County, KY, p.348, William R. Haynes, age 15, born KY, in household of Henry Haynes (43) & Rebecca (37)
- Owensboro Monitor, Owensboro, KY, 30 January 1867, p.1, W. R. Haynes pupil at the Whitesville Academy in Daviess County
- "Cruelties to Southern Prisoners", by W. R. Haynes, of Whitesville, KY, <u>Louisville Daily Courier</u>, 7 November 1867, p.1, reprinted from the <u>Southern Shield</u>, Owensboro, KY
- Federal 1870 census of Dixon, Webster County, KY, p.202B, in household of Sarah F. Tapp William Haynes, lawyer, age 25, born KY

- <u>Tri-Weekly Yeoman</u>, Frankfort, KY, Tuesday, 1 July 1873, p.3: The Union County Advocate, published at Morganfield, learns from a prospectus sent to Col. McKinnie, of that office, that W. R. Haynes, Esq., is about to revive the Dixon Sentinel, under the new name of "The Webster' Appeal."
- <u>Courier-Journal</u>, Louisville, KY, Saturday, 4 July 1874, p.2: W. R. Haynes, Esq., has retired from the editorial management of the Webster County Appeal. W. H. McKinney and Henry A. King are the editors and publishers.
- Owensboro Monitor, Owensboro, KY, Wednesday, 23 December 1874, p.2: Messrs. Haynes & Tilford have commenced the publication at Litchfield, Grayson county, of a six-column weekly paper styled "The Grayson County Herald." the first number of which is now before us. The publishers make use of the "patent outside," but the inside is newsy and well gotten up and is very creditable to all engaged in making it. We wish the Herald abundant success.
- Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY, Wednesday, 29 September 1875, p.3: Our Caneyville Letter "THE DOCK BROWN STORY." Before many months shall roll by, Grayson county can boast of an author of a book of interest to every citizen of the county. The Grayson County Herald says: Will. R. Haynes, author of the celebrated "Dock Brown story," has perfected arrangements for the publication of the same in book form." The idea of a romance of the nature of the "Dock Brown story," founded on facts actually occurring in our midst, and that we have a young man able to expose all the hidden mysteries of the same, and hand them to us in the form of a nice book, is enough to buoy up the hearts of our citizens.
- <u>Hartford Herald</u>, Hartford, KY, Wednesday, 6 October 1875, p.2: W. R. HAYNES, Esq., of Leitchfield, is getting up a history of the life and doings and daring deeds and criminal acts of DOCK BROWN, alias DOCK HOPPER. DOCK Brown's crimes were committed in this part of the world, and the work is written up in a very pleasant and entertaining style, and will sell well in the Green River country.
- <u>Hartford Herald</u>, Hartford, KY, Wednesday, 19 April 1876, p.3: W. R. Haynes, esq., has discontinued the publication of his "Doc. Brown" romance. Insufficiency of space in the Grayson Journal being the cause.
- Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY, Wednesday, 31 October 1877, p.2: Grayson County Notes.
  DOCK BROWN'S LIFE. W. R. Haynes, of Litchfield, appears with the prospectus for
  his "Dock Brown" romance, which will be issued in book form about the middle of next
  January. The story is founded upon facts that occurred in Grayson county, some twentyfive or thirty years ago, and is thrillingly dramatic and entertaining. The work will be sold
  by subscription, but as yet I have not learned the price.
- Breckinridge County, KY Marriage Book 13, p.119: William R. Haynes, married Ellen P. Chick, 11 April 1878; groom lawyer, age 33, born Grayson County KY; bride age 18, born Breckinridge County, KY

- <u>Hartford Herald</u>, Hartford, KY, Wednesday, 21 August 1878, p.1: Caneyville Letter On last Sunday we visited old Pine Knob, the scene of so many romantic incidents connected with the Browns, of Grayson county, years ago. The old house in which old man Brown was killed, is still standing. The surrounding ruins all go to show that at some time in the past this was a favorite place, and a great resort for the Browns and their followers. We were startled at the hissing sound of a large rattlesnake as we aproached the graves (which have been sadly neglected for the past twenty years). While standing around the graves every thing of which we were familiary connected with their lives and tragic end came vividly before us. The lofty pine, sighing a mournful requiem, and every thing surrounding us with thoughts and reflections, of which we will speak more fully in our next. So-So.
- Breckenridge News, Cloverport, KY, Wednesday, 19 March 1879, p.2: The Elizabethtown correspondent of the Courier- Journal, in Friday's issue of that paper, says W. R. Haynes, of Leitchfield, is a candidate for Commonwealth's Attorney in this judicial district. It is a long jump from now to August 1880. Mr. Haynes is young and brainy, a good lawyer and a close student, and, withal, a vigorous and eloquent speaker. No doubt he would make a most excellent and vigilant attorney for the Commonwealth. We hope that he will not be induced to permit the banns of candidacy for this far-away office to be published at this early day. The party and the people may want to put him to other and equally honorable use before that time arrives, and we beg of him not to suffer his friends to put an impediment in the way of his advancement by inducing him to declare himself a candidate for any position to be filled at so remote a period.
- <u>Tri-Weekly Yeoman</u>, Frankfort, KY, Tuesday 9 September 1879, p.2: The Breckinridge News is on the eve of publishing a story entitled "Doc Brown, or the outlaw of Grayson," by W. R. Haynes, Esq., a member of the Litchfield bar. [note: the September 1879 February 1880 issues of the <u>Breckenridge News</u> are missing]
- Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY, Wednesday, 24 March 1880, p.1: Hon. W. R. Haynes assures us that his new hook. "Dock Brown," which has already appeared in print, a serial in the News, will be out in short time. It will doubtless have an extensive sale in Grayson and adjoining counties.
- Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY, Wednesday, 12 May 1880, p.1: Litchfield, Ky Hon Will Haynes new book, "Dock Brown," has made its appearance. It is a very neat volume, bound in paper cover, and is, I suppose, a very interesting story to readers of that character of literature.
- Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY, Wednesday, 19 May 1880, p.3: We have received from the author, W. R. Haynes, Esqr., of Litchfield, a copy of "Dock Brown, or the Outlaw of Grayson." Persons wanting this delightful story must apply at once, as they are going rapidly, and only 1,000 have been published. It will prove very interesting to the old citizens of both Ohio and Grayson counties. Price 75 cents.
- Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY, Wednesday, 9 June 1880, p.3: We have just finished reading "Dock Brown, The Out-law of Grayson" and find it to be written in a very interesting style and is, in the main, entirely reliable, It will prove exceedingly interesting

to persons in Grayson and all the adjoining counties where most of his outrages were perpetrated.

- <u>Hartford Herald</u>, Hartford, KY, Wednesday, 11 August 1880, p.2: in Grayson County W. R. Haynes elected Commonwealth's Attorney
- Federal 1880 census of Leitchfield, Grayson County, KY, p.436A, household of W. R. Haynes, lawyer age 30, born KY, and Ellen Haynes, wife, age 21, born KY
- Hartford Herald, Hartford, KY, Wednesday, 9 July 1884, p.3: In this issue will be found the announcement of Hon. W. R. Haynes. of Grayson county. He aspires to Congressional honors. Mr. Haynes is a young man of energy, eloquence, public spirit and a lawyer of some fifteen years experience, in which be has been quite successful. He is at present Commonwealth's Attorney of his judicial district, and filled the position so far as we know, to the entire satisfaction of his constituents. He is well known to many of our citizens, many of the same name and related to him. We trust our readers who are voters of the district, will give Mr. Haynes' aspirations due consideration.
- <u>Hartford Herald</u>, Hartford, KY, Wednesday, 16 July 1884, p.2: Hon. Wm. R. Haynes, of Litchfield, whose announcement for Congress appeared in the HERALD of last week, has withdrawn from the race.
- <u>The Capital</u>, Frankfort, KY, Saturday, 7 August 1886, p.2: One of the surprises of the election last Monday, was the defeat of W. R. HAYNES for Prosecuting Attorney by WATHEN, of Elizabethtown, by 3,000 majority.
- <u>Elizabethtown News</u>, Elizabethtown, KY, Friday, 11 March 1892, p.2: Mr. Dick Gaither sold his house on the south side of Main Cross Street to Hon. W. R. Haynes and has bought the Wintersmith property of Wm. Wintersmith on the opposite side of the street.
- <u>Courier-Journal</u>, Louisville, KY, Wednesday, 27 October 1897, p.1: William R. Haynes candidate for Circuit Judge vs. Thomas R. McBeath... "Mr. Haynes has been a life-long Democrat, served through the late war as a Confederate soldier, and is today a strong advocate of sound money."



W. R. Haynes

- Elizabethtown News, Elizabethtown, KY, Friday, 10 November 1899, p.7: Attorney W. R. Haynes will leave the first of next week for a visit to Lexington, Okla. He may be away for a month or more, as he is seeking location for himself and family. Mr. J. P. O' Meara is authorized, says Mt. Haynes to, collect money on notes left, in his hands. He will also look after any legal business for Mr. Haynes during his absence.
- <u>Elizabethtown News</u>, Elizabethtown, KY, Friday, 20 April 1900, p.2: Mrs. W. R. Haynes and children have gone to Lexington, Okla., to reside where her husband has been for sometime.
- Federal 1900 census of Lexington, Cleveland County, Oklahoma Territory, p.57A: W. R. Haynes, lawyer, born Mar 1845 KY, rents, married 21 years; E. P., wife, born Apr 1859 KY, mother of 7 children; G. H., son, born Aug 1881 KY; W. R., daughter, born Dec 1884 KY; J. C., daughter, born Apr 1887 KY; B. H., son, born Sep 1889 KY; M. M., daughter, born Jun 1892 KY; E. C., son, born Mar 1895 KY; & L. C., daughter, born Jan 1898 KY
- Owensboro Inquirer, Owensboro, KY, Sunday, 9 September 1906, p.7: FORMER GRAYSONITE Known in Owensboro Is Visiting His Native Heath Again Hon. W. R. Haynes, of Oklahoma, but a native of this county, says the Leitchfield Gazette, is attending our circuit court. He says that he has been called, "colonel" and "judge" ever since he left Kentucky and is glad to be among those who call him plain "Will" or "Bill." Such names are music in his ear and make him feel quite at home. Perhaps no man is more popular in Grayson county that Will Haynes. He seems to know everybody and everybody knows him. This is plainly emphatically shown by the cordial and hearty handshakes among the people generally. He is as well known to the country folk as the town folk. He says he has been greeted graciously and kindly by all he has met, and they number hundreds. His voice so often heard at the forum and upon the rostrum as well. is as familiar as his genial face. We would be glad for him to locate with us, but this he is not likely to do. He thinks Oklahoma is the finest portion of the United States naturally, and but for the great and intolerable grafting would be the best place to live. This grafting, however, he thinks will be all cut out when the new state is organized.
- <u>Daily Oklahoman</u>, Oklahoma City, OK, Friday, 14 February 1908, p.9: W. R. & Ellen Haynes were divorced
- Federal 1910 census, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, OK, p. 48B, Ellen Haines, age 51, born, KY, mother of 10 children 3 of whom are deceased, and 5 of her children are listed but husband, William R., is not listed in home
- Federal 1920 census of Anadarko, Caddo County, OK, p.197B, W. R. Haynes, attorney at law, age 74, born KY, widowed; only person living at residence
- The Oklahoman, Oklahoma City, OK, Wednesday, 10 October 1923, In Memoriam W.R. Haynes, 78 years old, prominent attorney of Anadarko, Okla., died in a city hospital Monday afternoon. He is survived by his son, George H. Haynes, 917 W. 30th street. Funeral services will be held at Street & Draper's chapel Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Interment will be in Rose Hill cemetery.

• Anadarko Tribune, Anadarko, OK, Thursday, 11 October 1923, p.1: W. R. HAYNES DEAD – W. R. Haynes, 78 years old, prominent attorney of Anadarko, died in a hospital at Oklahoma City Monday afternoon. He is survived by his son, George H. Haynes, 917 West Thirtieth street. Funeral services will be held at Street & Draper's chapel Wednesday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Interment. was in Rose Hill cemetery. Col. Haynes had lived in Anadarko for the past twelve years up to about two months ago. He had been in poor health for several years. He had no relatives living here.

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20 February 1993

Norman Public Library 225 N. Webster Norman, OK 73069

#### Dear librarian:

I am trying to locate information on a Western Kentucky author and his wife, who later moved to Cleveland County, Oklahoma. William R. Haynes was born on 15 March 18I5 in Grayson County, KY; in 1878 he married Ellen Peyton Chick, born in 1859. William R. Haynes in Grayson County, KY, was a newspaper editor and politician. In 1876 he wrote and published a book, Dock Brown: The Outlaw of Grayson County, which locally has become quite celebrated. Following 1885 Mr. Haynes and his family moved to Cleveland County, OK, where he reportedly died. Do you have any death, obituary or cemetery indexes that could be checked for William R. & Ellen Haynes? If a death date can be located do you have any newspapers that could be checked for possible obituaries?

Would greatly appreciate any assistance. Will gladly remit photocopying and postage expenses.

Yours truly, Jerry Long Kentucky Room Owensboro Public Library 450 Griffith Ave. Owensboro, KY 42301

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May 17, 1993

Mr. Jerry Long Kentucky Room Owensboro Public Library 450 Griffith Avenue Owensboro, KY 42301

Dear Jerry:

#### Re: William R. Haynes and Ellen Peyton Chick

How about a progress report? This has proven to be a elusive family; there are many people with that surname and we have another active query on Haynes but to date we are unable to connect any of them with William and Ellen.

We did find your family in the 1900 Lexington Township census and a copy of this is enclosed. They are not in the 1910 census that we've been able to locate but then he appears in the 1920 Census as a widower living alone at age 74 in McKinley Township, Anadarko, Caddo County, Oklahoma. Note that on both census sheets he is listed as an attorney.

I called the Oklahoma Bar Association hoping I could locate some records which would tell us how long he was active and they referred me to the Oklahoma Supreme Court Clerk's office where the historical roll books are kept. They will not search for me so I will need to make a trip up there.

There is no genealogical society in Caddo County so I contacted the one in Lawton and they searched the death records they had there without finding William Robert.

I've accumulated a multitude of information about Haynes individuals but am not sending it at this time since I do not believe it is connected. If your person making inquiry would like to see this as well, it can be sent. If you have any other clues as to where the family may have gone between 1900 and 1920, please let me know.

Yours very truly, Evelyn Parker, Member, Research and Publications Committee Cleveland County Genealogical Society



25 May 1993

Evelyn Parker Cleveland County Genealogical Society P.O. Box 6176 Norman, OK 73070:

Dear Ms. Parker:

Thank you for locating William R. Haynes in the 1900 and 1920 Oklahoma censuses. The story of Dock Brown, of whom William R. Haynes wrote, in recent years has become a popular local outdoor drama. Because of this and the fact that no one seems to know much about the author, I

am attempting to learn what happened to him. The census data you sent has provided me with several new facts. The data suggests that he left Kentucky between 1898 and 1900, his wife died between 1900 and 1920, and he was living as late as 1920. In your letter of 17 May 1993 you referred to William R. Haynes as "William Robert". Did you find that "Robert" was his middle name? I had not known what his middle initial "R.." stood for.

If you ever run across anything on William R. Haynes in the future please keep my query in mind. For your files I have enclosed several pages on William R. Haynes and the story of Dock Brown. I have also enclosed a check for \$6.00 to cover the \$5.00 donation you mentioned and for the copies you sent. If this is not sufficient please just let me know. Thank you again for your help.

Yours truly, Jerry Long Kentucky Room Owensboro Library



Rose Hill Burial Park, Oklahoma City, OK

William R. Haynes married Ellen Peyton Chick on 11 April 1878 in Breckinridge County, KY. The daughter of George Eugene Lewis Chick & Ellen Jane Peyton, she was born in Breckinridge County, KY on 12 April 1859. Her great-grandfather, Joseph Allen (1774-1862), was the first county & circuit court clerk of Breckinridge County, KY. Allen County, KY was named in honor of his brother, John Allen (1771-1813).

Ellen P. Chick Haynes died on 7 December 1951 in Oklahoma City, OK. She was buried in the Rose Hill Burial Park in Oklahoma City, OK. The following obituary was published in <u>The</u> Purcell Register, Purcell, McLain County, OK, Thursday, 13 December 1951, p.1:

### Former Lexington Resident Dies

Mrs. Ellen Peyton Haynes, 92, former Lexington resident and grandmother of Peyton Sherman, Purcell, died Friday in the Oklahoma City home of a daughter,

Mrs. Chris Romang. She had only been ill a few days. Services were conducted Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Haynes was the mother of Everett Haynes, who became the most famous jockey in Europe following World War I. During the 12 years he spent as a jockey and horse breeder in Europe, Haynes won hundreds of races and was the idol of, the sports fans. He now lives in Phoenix, Arizona.

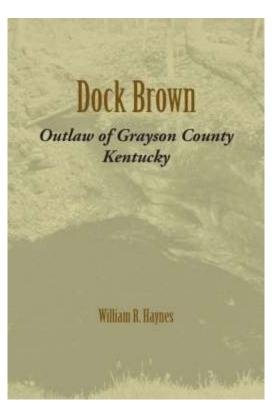
A native of Kentucky. Mrs. Haynes came to Lexington with her husband, an attorney, in 1900. Five years later they moved to Oklahoma City where she has made her home for the past 45 years, except for the two years she spent with her son in Paris and Berlin.

In addition to Mrs. Romang and Everett, other children to survive include another son, George, Oklahoma City; two other daughters, Mrs. Carl Vosseler, and Mrs. Ed Cramm, both of Leavenworth, Kan.; 7 grandchildren and 6 greatgrandchildren.

The 1910 census records that William R. Haynes' wife, Ellen, was the mother of ten children. Seven of their children were surviving in 1900. Their children included:

- 1. Luella, born 1878-1880; died on 8 February 1880. She has a gravestone in the Moorman Cemetery in Grayson County, KY
- 2. infant born & died 1878-1885
- 3. George Henry, born 24 August 1881 Leitchfield, Grayson County, KY; married Jessie Alice Woofter, 12 December 1914 Canadian County, OK; died 27 June 1953 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, and was buried Rose Hill Burial Park, Oklahoma City, OK
- **4.** Willie Roberta, born 13 December 1884 KY; married Winfield Scott Sherman, 30 July 1903 Lexington, Cleveland County, OK; died 21 September 1951 Lexington, Cleveland County, OK; buried Lexington Cemetery Lexington, Cleveland County, OK
- 5. infant born & died 1885-1900
- 6. Julia Carroll, born 5 April 1887 Leitchfield, Grayson County, KY; married Carl Frederick Vosseler, 18 June Oklahoma County, OK; died 8 September 1963 Leavenworth, Leavenworth County, KS; buried Sunset Memory Gardens, Leavenworth, Leavenworth County, KS
- 7. Barrett H., born 25 September 1889 Leitchfield, Grayson County, KY; married Madeline Helen Mickley, 22 April 1918 Kings County, NY; died 26 June 1949 New York City, NY
- 8. Martha Mary, born 1 June 1892 Elizabethtown, Hardin County, KY; married Luther Virden Spurlock, 7 August 1912 Oklahoma City, OK; married Edward Carroll Cramm, 4 November 1950; died 12 June1985 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, OK; buried Rose Hill Burial Park, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, OK
- Everett Campbell, born 27 March 1895 Elizabethtown, Hardin County, KY; married Edna May Heise, 27 September 1919 Queens, New York City, NY; died 28 April 1956 Los Angeles, Los Angeles County, CA; buried Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA

10. Louise C., born January 1898 KY; married Neal Landers, 27 April 1935 Oklahoma County, OK, divorced 15 September 1939 Oklahoma County, OK; married Chris Fred Romang, September 1946 Logan County, OK; died 1959, buried Rose Hill Burial Park, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma County, NY



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Most of the names used in the account of Grayson County's notorious outlaw in the book, <u>Dock Brown The Outlaw of Grayson County</u>, <u>Kentucky</u>, written in 1876 by William R. Haynes, are those of persons who actually existed. Col. Haynes drew upon his imagination to fill in some events that are not actually known about the Browns. In the initial publication of the book 1,000 copies were made. The popularity of the book has required the publication of several subsequent editions. It has been reprinted as a serial in the Leitchfield, KY newspapers in 1902, 1928, 1950, 1955, 1970 and 1983. A play, <u>Dock Brown - Legend of an Outlaw</u>, written by Honus Shain, Jr., during 1987-2019 was an annual event on "Dock Brown Day" at the Pine Knob Outdoor Theatre, 2250 Pine Knob Rd., Caneyville, KY.

See also article, "Dock Brown Outlaw of Grayson County, Kentucky", on the website West-Central Kentucky History & Genealogy (Kentucky Records section):

https://wckyhistory-genealogy.org/

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