

Handwritten notes:
John W. Barr
1877

In the beginning
Erasmus F. Sprinkle ^{born 1810} father of Mrs. Senten Sprinkle Jackson established a small store which he gave to his grandson, W. Braxton Barr who married Tillie Birdwell of Buda.

After Mr. Barr's death another grandson, Wm. M. Jackson took over the store. His ^{brother} brother, Fred Jackson and Eugene V. Giles assisted in the store for some years after which they became partners in a dairy at the Old Jourdan Place. E. V. G. was both postmaster ^{at Sprinkle} and station agent for the Katy Railroad at Sprinkle.

Mr. Barr built the gingerbread mansion with a barn, carriage house and other small buidings all trimmed to match. When he died, his widow removed to Austin, the Jacksons moved into the Barr house and both E. V. G. and Fred Jackson lived in the house also. They were popular young men and the place overflowed with girls a great deal of the time.

The Rouzees (twin girls: Mabel and Irene) were cousins to the Jacksons.

Handwritten: Mrs. Sprinkle 1880

{ Mr. Sprinkle was the second husband (and she his second wife) of Mrs. Mary Carperine Jourdan Alford, sister to E. V. G's mother, which, though she died of measles within a year of their marriage, made E. V. G. also a family relation of sorts. This, plus the fact that before his Sprinkle store venture, "Uncle Sprinkle" had been a business partner of Frederic Jourdan, E. V. G. s grandfather, in a business house for wholesaling fabrics in Austin. The house these two built stood on the northeast corner of 2nd and Congress, The cornerstone read F. JOURDAN
F. SPRINKLE

This business was dissolved at the death of F. Jourdan in 1887.

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Mrs. Herman Kruger (Onie Jackson Kruger) is the daughter of Wm. M. Jackson

Mrs. Payson Penick (Mrs. Mabel Rouzee Penick) one of the twins

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