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Relationship to nominated individual:		
Nominated Individual's year of birth: 1873 Nominated Individual's year of death: 1952		
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Hampson Boren Gary

Colonel, United States Army Foreign Service Officer



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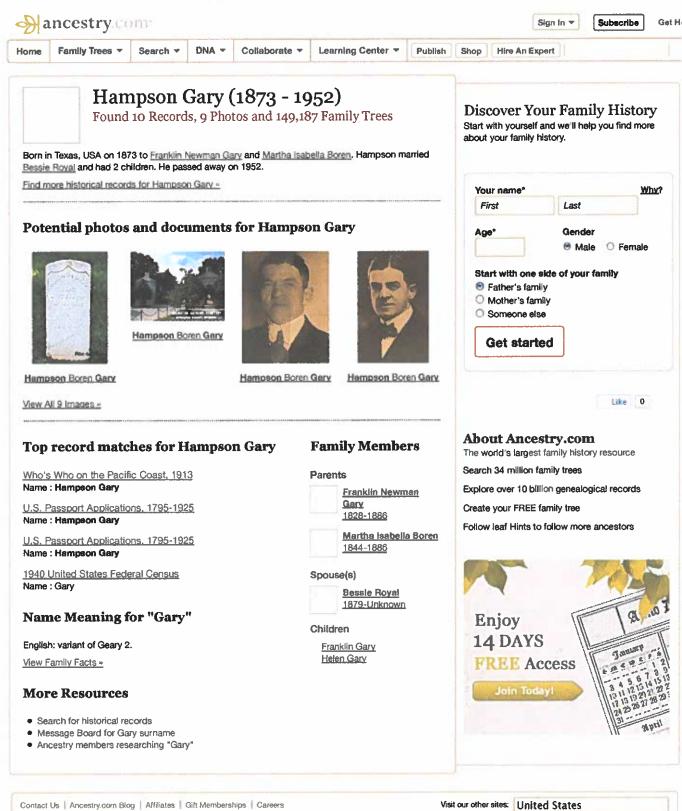
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Minister to Switzerland
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Solicitor of U.S. Export-Import Bank







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Hampson Gary

A History of Texas and Texans by Francis White Johnson, Ernest William Winkler- 1920, pg 1075

HAMPSON GARY, one of the ablest lawyers of the younger generation in the Lone Star state, is a native Texan, born April 23, 1873, in the city of Tyler. He comes of an old South Carolina family of lawyers, soldiers and orators. The Garys came to America long before the Revolution and settled in Virginia. About the year 1760 the branch of the family from which the subject of this sketch is descended removed to South Carolina and each generation of the Garys has contributed worthy citizens to all the honorable walks of life in the old Palmetto state. Mr. Gary's father, Hon. Franklin Newman Gary, born Nov. 26, 1828, in Newberry district, South Carolina, was captain in the 22nd Texas Infantry, C. S. A. in Gen. Walker's division under Gen. E. Kirby Smith, and was in the battles of Mansfield, Pleasant Hill, Jenkins' Ferry and other engagements. He was district attorney of the old East Texas judicial division and one of the distinguished lawyers of Texas as well as a successful man of affairs. He died January 30, 1886. The city of Tyler named the Gary School in his honor.

He was married April 26, 1861, to Martha Isabella, daughter of Samuel Hampson Boren who came from Tennessee to Texas in 1838, and was an officer in the army of the young Republic of Texas and later lieutenant of cavalry in the Mexican War of 1846. Mrs. Gary's mother was a lineal descendant of Gen. Joseph Dickson, of Revolutionary fame, who was a member of Congress when the election of the President of the United States devolved upon the House and his vote helped to elect Thomas Jefferson over Aaron Burr by one majority.

Hampson Gary was educated in Bingham School, North Carolina, and the University of Virginia. He was admitted to the bar in 1894 and began the practice of aw in Tyler. He was captain of United States Volunteers during the Spanish-American war and in service nearly a year. Later he was colonel of a regiment in the national guard of the state. In the fall of 1900 he was elected to the legislature as the representative for the counties of Smith, Upshur and Camp. Although a new member and one of the youngest in the assembly he soon attracted attention by his participation in important legislation. His speech on the constitutional amendments proposed by former Governor Hogg brought him into wide notice. He served on the following standing committees—judiciary, education, internal improvements, revenue and taxation. From 1902 to 1904 he was a member of the Democratic Executive Committee of the state. He has been a delegate to many state conventions of his party and to the National Democratic Convention in Denver. He was nominated in 1908 for presidential elector for the state-at-large but declined the honor.

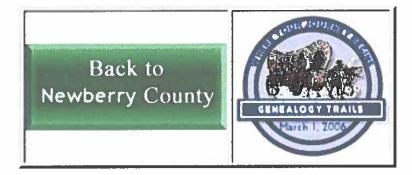
For several years he was a regent of the University of Texas and his excellent work on that board is still remembered. Mr. Gary was in 1910 commissioned referee in bankruptcy for the Texarkana, Jefferson and Tyler divisions of the Federal Court. In his judicial capacity he has tried nearly three hundred cases, and in all important ones where there were lengthy contests or intricate questions of law raised he delivered written opinions, many of them being

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published in the government reports and law books, and he has never been reversed on appeal. In consequence of the high reputation won in equity cases and in recognition of the able and conscientious work performed as referee, Mr. Gary was in 1913 appointed Standing Master in Chancery for the United States Court for the entire Eastern district of Texas, having jurisdiction on the equity side of the docket of matters referred to him by the judge from forty-two counties, reaching from Beaumont and Port Arthur on the Gulf of Mexico to Paris and Sherman and the Oklahoma line. No chancellor in the entire state has a larger field of work. Hon. Gordon Russell, the United States judge, wrote Mr. Gary: "Your work has relieved me of an immense amount of labor and has proved satisfactory in every particular. In going over the district I have ascertained that your method of administering the office has met with the universal approval of the members of the bar who have practiced before you. I congratulate you heartily on the record you have made and I shall think myself fortunate if I can continue you in the office for many years to come."

Mr. Gary has not only attained a high rank in his profession— he is also a successful man of affairs and has agricultural, banking, and other business interests in the handling of which he has shown fine executive ability.

Mr. Gary was married December 18, 1901, at Palestine, Texas, to Miss Bessie Royall, the youngest daughter of N. R. Royall, and they have two children —Franklin and Helen.



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due to post-war material shortages.

Shirley Simons had been selected as the architect for the overall campus building plan, including the main building. Harry Jenkins had already suggested that a colonial design be used as an architectural style. This theme would continue to the present. Prior to actual construction, city services had to be extended. The college was fortunate in locating, through government surplus, scarce cast iron water pipe found at a former prisoner-of-war camp at Hereford, Texas. Throughout 1947 construction continued and the Camp Fannin buildings were occupied as they were finished. The Board minutes for the last half of 1947 reflect frequent special meetings for the purpose of resolving the many growth problems. 10

Final bids on the construction of the main building were not let until December of 1947. Construction estimates clearly showed the bond amount would be insufficient. The idea of a special building fund was initiated by Roy Pair, who donated \$25,000. Until this time, the Board had not seriously considered money from private sources, but now decided to follow up on this idea. Claude Holley, a local businessman, then began soliciting funds from others. Within five months, his efforts yielded \$181,500.11

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Plans could now move forward for opening the new campus for the fall semester of 1948. This was done in spite of the fact that finishing work was still being completed when the first classes were held in the new main building. The penalty for rushing to occupy before completion was realized on the first cold day when it was discovered that a heating system had been omitted. The campus was described as a "sea of mud" located

This suggestion came from Hampson Gary, a benefactor of the college and former U. S. diplomat from Tyler, who had attended the University of Virginia, and wanted the same architecture for Tyler Junior College, Linda Cross with Harry Jenkins, August, 1971.

¹⁰Board Minutes, July-December, 1947.

[&]quot;Construction and renovation cost for the first buildings were: Main Building (Jenkins Hall)-\$481,310; Gentry Gymnasium-\$57,291; Student Center-\$49,410; Applied Arts (Vocational Shop)-\$32,637; Men's Dorm (Athletic)-\$21,430. This total was covered by both bonds and private contributions.







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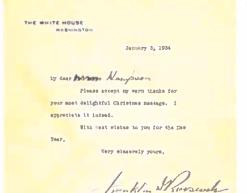
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"Promote and display diverse aspects of Tyler's history to enhance resident and visitor awareness of its importance."

The goal of the Half Mile of History is to pay tribute to people, places and events that have contributed to the rich history of Tyler and Smith County.

The Half Mile of History is a permanent, outdoor, half-mile loop that surrounds the square in the heart of downtown Tyler. Stone plaques are placed in the sidewalk along the Half Mile of History to commemorate significant people, places or events.



Half Mile of History Marker Unveiling

in honor of

Tyler Commercial College Brady Preston Gentry Hampson Boren Gary

Thursday, May 30, 2013

Tyler Commercial College was one of the largest business training schools in the country in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. The school's original location was the Texas Fruit Palace until a brick building was built at 115 S. College Ave. in 1904, right next to the newly constructed Carnegie Public Library.

TCC remained downtown until 1956, when the Rutherford Metropolitan School of Dallas bought it. The new owner, Tracy Rutherford, moved the college from its 1904-vintage building to a facility at 235 S. Broadway Ave. The old downtown building on College Avenue was razed in 1963 to make way for a drive-thru bank.

Handy Streaton Gentry was born on March 25, 1896 on his family's farm near Colfax in Van Zandt County. Career highlights include serving as Smith County Attorney, Smith County Judge, chairman of the Texas Highway Commission, and U.S. Congressman for the Third Congressional District from 1953 to 1957.

In the 1930s, Gentry became interested in Tyler Junior College athletics. During Coach Floyd Wagstaff's successful tenure as basketball coach, Gentry served as an avid supporter of Tyler Junior College athletics.

After leaving Congress, he practiced law until his death on Nov. 9, 1966 at the age of 70. He is buried in the Rose Hill Cemetery in Tyler.

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