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During the summers of 1901, 1902 & 1903 different instructors in Silk Embroidery, painting on cloth & Lace making came thru holding 3 weeks of teaching.

My parents tho. I should attend them, and did enjoy & learn much.

a girl friend (Josephine Goach) & I would take our embroidery and go up a ways on the mountain to do our assigned work for the next day. It was very fascinating.

We had our Bicycles to ride to the Mts.

only a few blacks.

I made ~~for~~ beautiful pieces of work.

My best girl friend & family moved to Texas about this time. Neva Collins.

My family moved to the town of Granite after father built a house for us but kept the farm home. After about 3 yrs. we moved back to the farm or really it was the Ranch, before more people began to buy land from ^{the} Government. Father had quite a lot of it cleared besides his Homestead.

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Our only entertainment was play parties
and Oyster Suppers in the home, 3 or 4 times
during the year, singings at the school house
during summer on Sunday afternoon.

My friend Verna Bengi had a rubber tired
Buggy and a nice driving horse. We went out
riding some on Sunday afternoons, just she & I.

It was on a Sunday that I first saw my
husband, while driving down main st in Granite,
He had seen me once before but we had not yet
met. Later we met at a country Party where
we played ~~games of~~ "Snaf" and other games.

This was the year 1905. In that summer
mother, Ethel & I went to Abilene, Tex, to visit my Aunt
Lizzie. after two weeks mother & Ethel came home.

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~~My recreation was horse back riding, & going to
Sunday afternoon singings in homes & school houses.
Winter Suppers & Parties~~

I stayed ~~two~~³ more weeks; visited Aunt
Josie OKeefe in Colorado City, Texas
Uncle Gus " was a big Rancher, owned
hundreds of Acres North & west of Colorado, city.

Aunt Josie gave a party for me one afternoon.
(a lawn party) One of the girls I met
lived out in suburbs, Rode horses,
she invited me out to spend a day.

We really enjoyed Horseback riding as
that was my way of transportation at home.

My visit ended there after one week.

I then went back to Abilene, was invited
to visit our old home Community down on the
Bigou ^{2.5 miles} south of Baird, Tex in Callahan Co.
Was in an old friend's home (Alice Gilliland)
attended a home wedding of a couple who were



J. N. Olds' homes in
and near Granite



Home of J. N. Olds in Granite



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There was a wedding of Mollie McWhorter
our neighbors. (Mollie McWhorter ^{I attended} and Nick
Brightwell,) after a week sojourning the old
homes I returned to Abilene, then home in
Okla. I was 20 yrs. old. In Sept. I went
to O.U. at Norman. Started taking Short Hand, +
Typing. We had a rainy season, I started
having attacks of Asthma in the last of Oct.
Was not able to go to school so I went home.
It happened that the Administration building
burned that ^{early} night. I heard about ^{it} while on the
train. I was quite sick with asthma during
nights about 2 months, so didn't go back to school
but did not have any more attack for a few years. ^{in 1911}

One day in 1904 Mother, Ethel + I went to spend the
day with my cousin Peter Olds wife + baby who lived
up on Lake Creek north west about 8 miles.

As we approached our home that evening we saw
a man come out ^{west} through our Kitchen door, walked down
through the Orchard, but stayed on the north side, we
were coming from the east.

We had stopped a few min. at a neighbors who

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Lived 2 mi. west. (The Boach family) 2 boys
& one girl.

One of the boys (Jesse) told us there was to
be a party at another neighbors that night.
He ask me if I wanted to go. of course I did.

He said he would come thru our pasture
and drive my saddle horse to the house.

When he came we were still sitting
out in the surry. Mother was afraid
to go inside.

Father happened to be serving on a
Jury in Court in Mangum & would
not be home till late

Well we did not go to the party
stayed with mother & sister and brother
~~I guess my brother was visiting that day & night.~~

Never saw the man any more.

In the Fall of 1905 my sister took me to
the Panhandle of Okla. to file claim on 160 acres
of the land which was open at that time to
all who were 21 & over. My grand father Olds

also filed on a 160 A. Laining mine.

They built ^{and dug} a hole dugout across the line.

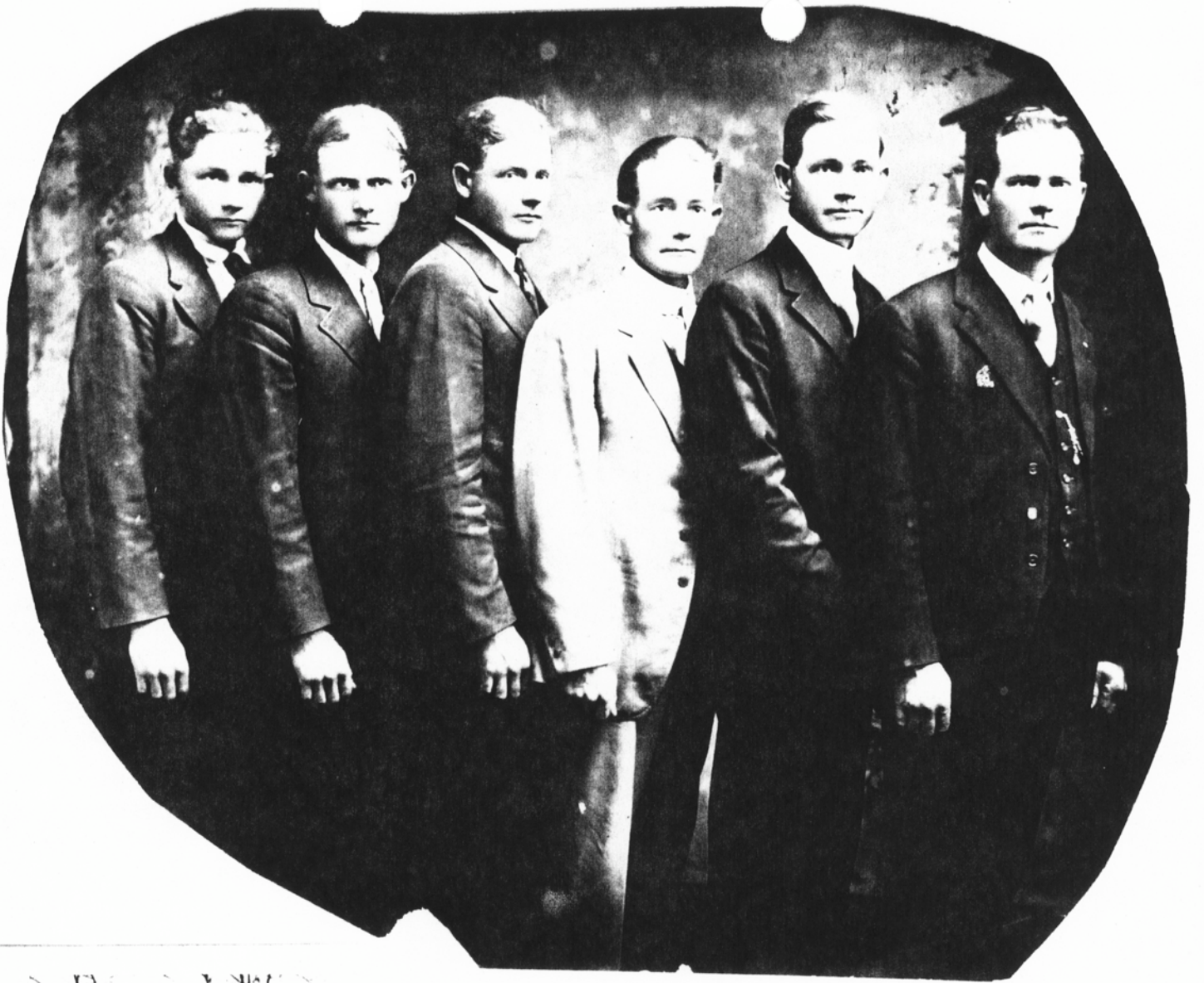
We were to call that our home & live there at least a few days in each month during the next 12 mo.

~~His~~ grandfather sold his, or relinquished it because his health had become so bad.

I spent some time with Cassin Hibb Olds wife & baby (Leda). He was in the real estate business in Tepkoma. His wife Willie went out to the claim with me & spent ~~a~~ three days ~~at~~ then I would go home ~~at~~ Granite.

Hurd had filed on land in Beaver Co. the year before and had stayed a part of his 18 mo. on it, but we would lose mine if we married before ~~he~~ had ~~the~~ ^{his} deed.

So - the next year in Aug. 22 we were married. I was in Tepkoma & on the land, when the time required arrived and I had the deed. I went to Liberal, Kans. on train. Hurd & one of his sisters met me.



A. H. Williams (2nd from right)
and his brothers



A. H. Williams
and daughter
Betti

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We were married that night ^{before train time} while waiting for a train to come ^{for} which his sister Emma was leaving for Amarillo, Tex.

The train was due to come here at 2 A.M.

Next day we went to the farm of Herds Brother in law Ruff Whisenant. 6 miles north of Beaver city, Okla. ^{4 sisters}

When father & I went up to file on the land he took Grand father Olds with him. I was to come a week later by train, Father was to meet me in Texhoma, Okla.

I got on train in Lone Wolf ^{late} in afternoon. Met a young girl about my age on train. We both were to wait in Vernon till late that night. Her train came in two hrs. earlier than mine which was due at 2 A.M.

She suggested we we get a room together in the Hotel. We did. I did not remember just when she left, but found out later that most of my money was gone.

I ~~also~~ Had another change to make in Dalhart Texas. Hurd was to have met me

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there, but was delayed and didn't come.

So I had to spend the night there. Next morning

I went to a phone, called my father in
Tehoma. He said there was a train coming
west soon & that he would send money ^{\$5.00} to me.

When I went to P.O. there was nothing for me.
I knew he had sent it. So I went to a
Hotel, got a room. I only had 50c in my
Purse. Next morn. I went to P.O. no mail.
Then I went to the Bank, told them the
situation, ask them to loan me \$5.00, & Dis.
As I walked away I thot. the postman
might have overlooked my mail.

Went back, asked them to look again that
I was sure my father had sent it.

He was willing & looked carefully thru
and found it. I then went to Bank
returned their money, & cashed my check.

Hurd came out to the 160 Acres of land
the next day. Father & I were there.

We drove around awhile, then he went

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back to his land in Beaver Co.

I had filed in Texas County, ~~where~~ I visited his sister Alice Whisenant a few days then went back to Tethoma, stayed with my cousin Hibbi Olda wife and little daughter Cleda.

Willie and the baby took me out to my land (160.) spent two days with me.

Everyone were supposed to spend two or three days ^{each month} on their homestead, before we could get a deed, after 18 months I received my deed for my land soon after.

After we were married, we lived on my land about 18 months. Hurd did some ploughing for neighbors, was only paid 50¢ per acre, this was during middle + late summer of 1967.

In July ¹⁹⁰⁷ we went to ~~our~~ ^{by} train back to my father's home where our daughter Genay was born, spent 4 weeks there, then back to our home on the land

near Tethoma Okla. (The marked paragraphs belong ~~here~~ ^{before going to New Mexico})
Lived there about a year before going to ^{Louisiana} N. Mexico. where Hurd had ~~been~~

offered to come + operate a Small Hotel.
 "Another mistake" for neither of us
 knew any thing about how to manage one.
 were only there a few months.
 sold his interest.

By this time we had sold our Horses
 and Buggy. Went to Granite by train.

Daughter Patti Mae was born July 31st.
 1908. When she was 3 weeks old we were

Mr. Hockady owner of Hockaday Merchant
 till, or General Merchandise. ask Hurd to ~~take~~^{take}
 the job of delivery for the Store.

So he did. We lived in Granite

I had my Pet Canary Bird with us when we
 lived on the homestead land in the Okla.
 strip west. We were in Cimarron, Co.

We were away from home on a Sunday
 P.M. when we came home feathers were all thru
 the entrance to the Hall dugout where I kept the
 cage + little Chickie bird. We missed him
 so much. Sunday loved to watch him jump around

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in the Cage & to listen to his singing.
We visited ^{often} my Cousin Hibb Olds in
Tepahoma and they came out to our home.

Hurd owned the good teams of horses and
did ploughing for some of the new
settlers in our neighborhood.

We were in Granite almost 5 yrs.

Hurd wanted to go in business for himself.
So ~~when~~ Mr. Hackaday ~~offered~~ told him he
would help him. A whole sale in Hobart,
Okla. ^{helped to block the store} ~~from the Granite store~~ bought their
merchandise (Mr. Bretch ^{owner of the whole sale store} offered to let him
have enough to get started ~~since~~ out in
Beaver, Co. in the little town of Knowles.

That part of the country being newly
opened, the business was good & we did
well for awhile. Lived in the back end of
~~the~~ our Grocery store till we built a
two nice room house with a small kitchen
attached large enough for dining area.

My parents, came up during a Christmas.

Holiday season.

Mother brought many very pretty doll clothes with little red coats + Boots to match + Geggins buttoned up the sides.

When we moved back to Beaver our third daughter Claudine ~~o~~ was with us, was ² yrs. old.

The new Home Steaders lost some because of dry weather, Had to buy Groceries on a credit. Heud did more than get all of his stock in the store paid out, before this but did sell too much with promises to pay later but he just let their Bells pile up till he was broke again. Soon had a good job with the Souwestern Cracker + Cookie + Candy Company. Then we went back south to Cordell, Okla. The older children were about ready for school age.

This business lasted several years till a Flour Mill Co. offered Heud a better job with higher Salary.

During these years the children (5 of them) went with Daddy ⁴⁹ on one week's trip. Took our camping utilities and enjoyed it all so much except for a scare we had just a minute almost after we crossed a Rail Road (track) a fast train whizzed past us. We had just come around a curve & had not even heard the train. We were so upset that Daddy stopped the car so we could relax a little.

We are still in Cordell now, in a large Brown House on a hill near Cordell Christian College. had first lived west of the R. R. tracks, where our first son ^{Bretch} Kelso (~~named~~ was born after Fred Kelso, a friend of Daddy's who traveled for the same Co. at Hobart.) He was a very nice man, Mr. Bretch liked him a lot.) was born on June 25, 1914.

My dear Mother's health continued to grow. She & Father went to New York for treatments by a Dr. whom had been sending

Medication to her a year or so. She had been to other Drs. & Specialist, in Okla. city.

White Kansas & had Exia treatment in Ft. Worth Texas. Seemingly she would be better for awhile but never permanent.

Later they bought a home in Okla. city. Were there several years before she died in 1920. Sister Ethel lived with them most of the time.

Their home was on N.E. 10th St. (1617)

We all visited them quite often.

Quay found a very good girl friend her age.

The family name was Photenhower.

who lived about one block down the street.

On one ~~visit~~ visit there after Mother's death

The children & I went by train to Stillwater to visit a friend who lived in Granite (I had known the Tuttle family a long time). She had been a teacher, Her husband was teaching in College in D. Water. We enjoyed our trip and visit, a niece of Mollie's & cousin to me was with us. (Josephine McMillon).



A. H. Williams, Jr.
and Mother



↓ M. A. and Betti ↑



Soon we were all at home again. A.H. was two years old at this time. Hurd was home from Corpus Christi Texas, where he went each summer during the Cotton Season.

Business was good during those years. My father visited us in Cordell often.

He and my sister Ethel continued to live in his home on ^{N.E.} 1st. 1617.

The next few years were quite busy with all the children in school with all the activities as usual. M. A. + A.H. Jr. were not yet school age.

While in Corpus Christi we lived in a Cabin down off the Bluff awhile, then up on Bluff to get more breeze, to be near to ^{place of} Church ^{was in}.

One afternoon A.H. Jr. was playing around in the water's edge. Got a floating ~~log~~ ^{Raft} being ^{at} ~~at~~ ⁱⁿ a row boat floated too far out into deep water.

Someone had to row out to bring him in. He was more watchful after this.

Our most exciting event was when we all decided to go across the Red Grand River to Old Mexico in a Row Boat. There were men handy to do the Paddling for us. We all (9 of us) in one Boat. Suck deep water! We all agreed to walk back across the Bridge.

Enjoyed the Mexican Food in a Cafe. We didn't tarry long but walked around some to look.

The Cottonbuying Season was almost over. We started on our way to Okla.

My brother Wesley went with us so we had two cars. Our first stop for the night was in a tourist camp near,

Quay, Patti, Claudine, M.A. rode with brother.

They left the camp before we were quite ready. ~~We had passed two small towns before catching up with them.~~

A man + wife who had a Cabin near us, were coming our way.

going (or coming) to or from a class picnic down among the ~~Serrano~~ Mts. the car (because of an unknown reason) ran off the road turned over in bottom of the small dry ^{small} Creek of water (mostly rocks).

No one was hurt. M. Ann was driving. She, Ruth Meders + I were in front seat two other girls and one boy in back. Those who looked things all over said "the car had turned over once" but we knew nothing about that, till we landed.

This was M. Ann's Senior year.

Quay finished Hi School in Cordell, in 1925. Patta in 1925. Both started to School the same year at ages 6, 7 years. Graduated from College same year.

In 1926 Peppett Club served a dinner in ~~our~~ ^{our} home. Ice Cream made in to shape of Foot Balls. ^{were served.} This was honoring of their Ft. B. team.

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When 22, He married ^{one} of Bro. Tuttle's twin daughters. She was ^{about} 18 at that time.

Uncle Johnnie & wife Vida built a little house $\frac{1}{2}$ mile east of our home. Father deeded the land to him.

Their two oldest children were born there Wiley, Josephine and Sannie we all called him. After we moved in to Granite in our new house, Uncle J. & family sold out, bought a home south east of Granite, a few years later they sold again. moved to California another little girl was born to them. They had a very nice home there. Vida died a few years after. The Tuttle family had moved to New Mexico. When My children visited in Stillwater, Uncle Johnnie McMillon's oldest, (Fozie) went with us, visited her Aunt Molly (Tuttle) McMillon. all enjoyed it so much. A.H. was 18 months old. M. Ann $3\frac{1}{2}$ yrs.

During her Hi School years, as we were



D. A. Olds born in Wisconsin. year 18
 Mrs. B. A. Olds
 J. N. Olds born

Nov. 1906
 Died at Granite ~~Nov. 1906~~
 Died at granite Summer of 1920

xxx A. H. Williams born in Newton Miss. year 1888.
 Mrs. A. H. Williams (Minnie Q. Olds) born at Abilene Tex. March, 16, 1884.

Gladys Quay Williams born at Granite Okla. July 27, 1907.

Patti Mae Williams born at Granite Okla. July 31, 1907.

Ethel Claudine Williams born at Granite, Okla. Oct. 27, 1910

Bretch Kelso Williams born at Cordell, Okla. June 25, 1914.

Margaret Ann Williams born at Cordell, Okla. Nov. 14, 1916.

Betti Faye Williams born at Cordell, Okla. ^{Williams Sr.} ^{Mar. 20 1919} April 13, 1923.

JOHN Nov. 21 - 1943
 ANNY Dec. 9 - 1946
 KICKIE JULY 2 - 1948
 LARRY JOE SEPT. 10 - 1950
 SAM Nov. 21 - 19 - 1951
 KERRY AUG. 8 - 1945
 KATHY MAR. - 10 - 1960
 CHARLES Feb. 6 - 1952
 JERRY Dec. 8 - 1953

JOE OLDS. APRIL 30 - 1956
 MARY JULY 23 - 1926
 BEA APRIL
 SUSAN WEE MS. MAY 7 - 1940
 JAY LOU AUG. 15 - 1948
 DICK AUG. 5 - 1922
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After coming to Oklahoma, our food, especially was Beef, Prairie Chicken & Quail, Turkey. We built traps from wood slats. set them ^{traps} in the orchard.

Our beef was always very tender & juicy. Father kept the half grown ones which he butchered up in Pens a few days fed them corn, after ^{were} having eaten ^{all} the fresh green grass, they really good never no tough meat.

Mother's youngest brother was ^{an orphan} raised by a Mr. Mrs. Smith. His parents (the McMillons) died when he was very young. All lived in S. West Texas.

after our family moved to Okla. The Smiths had gone to N. East. Okla.

They were growing older, not able to keep him too he wanted to be with some of his own family. My father asked him to come live with us. That he could help with the cattle & chores. He was then about 18 years old.

He proved to be a good hard working man.

1 Caught up with us, told us we left one of our children in the camp.

With that, M. Ann. left with my brother and the other girls, so we went back & got her. She was in a rest room, saw a big Spider on the door, was afraid to open it so that's when we left thinking she ~~was~~ had come on in the other car.

She was 8 yrs. old. Brother and 4 girls were home several hours before we were.

It's about time for Schools now.
about 1925. Quay was in her ^{17th} year Patti 16th.
~~Claudine 13th~~ Kelso 19th M.A.G. 14th.

All were now in School
except Betti

