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Died
March 16-1947

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FORM B.

deceased
March 16-1947
**Widow's Application
for a Pension**

The Commissioner of Pensions reserves the right to call for additional testimony if he deems it necessary.

Name of Applicant.

Ms. Martha F. Head
Smith County.

Postoffice *Gordon Valley*

Filed *Mar 13th 1947*

Approved *J. H. Lee, Jr.*

Pension allowed from *Mar. 1st 1947*

Rejected

George Kysel
Commissioner of Pensions.

E. L. Steck, Printer

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FORM B

For Use of Widows of Soldiers Who Are In Indigent Circumstances

THE STATE OF TEXAS

County of Smith

I, Mrs. Martha F. Head, do hereby make application to the Commissioner of Pensions for a pension, to be granted me under the Act passed by the Thirty-first Legislature of the State of Texas, and approved April 7, A. D. 1913, on the following grounds:

I am the widow of Benjamin F. Head, deceased, who departed this life on the 20th day of Sept., A. D. 1913, in the county of Smith, in the State of Texas

I have not remarried since the death of my said husband, and I do solemnly swear that I was never divorced from my said husband, and that I never voluntarily abandoned him during his life, but remained his true, faithful and lawful wife up to the date of his death. I was married to him on the 19th day October, A. D. 1868, in the county of Coweta, in the State of Georgia

My husband, the said Benjamin F. Head, enlisted and served in the military service of the Confederate States during the war between the States of the United States, and that he did not desert the Confederate Service. I have been a resident of the State of Texas since prior to January 1; A. D. 1900, and have been continuously since a citizen of the State of Texas. I do further state that I do not receive from any source whatever money or other means of support amounting in value to the sum of \$300.00 per annum, nor do I own in my own right, nor does anyone hold in trust for my benefit or use, estate or property, either real, personal or mixed, either in fee or for life, of the value of one thousand dollars, exclusive of the home of the value of not over \$1,000.00; nor do I receive any aid or pension from any other State, or from the United States, or from any other source, and I do further state that the answers given to the following questions are true:

1. What is your age? 64 years
2. Where were you born? State of Georgia
3. How long have you resided in the State of Texas? 31 years
4. How long have you resided in the county of your present residence? And what is your postoffice address?
31 years, Garden Valley, Texas
5. What was your husband's full name? Benjamin F. Head
6. What was the date of his death? Sept. 20th, 1913
7. In what State was your husband's command originally organized? Georgia
8. How long did your husband serve? If known to you, give date of enlistment and discharge.
Enlisted in May 1862, and served to the end of war.

9. What was the name or letter of the company, or name or number of the battalion, regiment or battery of artillery in which your husband served? If he was transferred from one branch of service to another, give time of transfer, description of command and time of service. Company C, 53 Ga. Reg. Sims Brigade, Kershaw Division, Longstreets Corps



10. Name branch of service in which your husband served, whether infantry, cavalry, artillery or the navy, or if commissioned as an officer by the President, his rank and line of duty, or if detailed for special service, under the law of conscription, the nature of such service, and time of service. Infantry, Not commissioned. Private

11. Have you transferred to other any property of any kind for the purpose of becoming a beneficiary under this law? No

Wherefore your petitioner prays that her application for a pension be approved and such other proceedings be had in the premisses as are required by law.

(Signature of Applicant) Martha F. Head

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 9th day of March, A. D. 1914

[Seal.]

Jesse F. Odom
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

[Note.—There must be at least two creditable witnesses.]

THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Smith

Before me, Jesse F. Odom, County Judge of Smith County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared J. T. Stone and J. B. Eason, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know that Mrs. Martha F. Head, applicant for a pension as the widow of B. F. Head deceased, is in truth and fact the widow of B. F. Head deceased; that they personally know that she has not remarried since the death of her husband, for whose service in the army she claims a pension, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) J. B. Eason

(Signature of Witness) J. T. Stone

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 9th day of March, A. D. 1914

[Seal.]

Jesse F. Odom
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

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THE STATE OF TEXAS }

County of Smith

Before me, Jesse F. Odom, County Judge of Smith County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared A. P. Truitt and L. B. Bostout, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me duly sworn, on oath state that they personally know the above-named applicant for pension, and that they personally know that the said Martha F. Head has been a bona fide resident citizen of the State of Texas since prior to January 1, A. D. 1900, and that they have no interest in this claim.

(Signature of Witness) A. P. Truitt

(Signature of Witness) L. B. Bostout

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 9th day of March, A. D. 1914

[Seal.]

Jesse F. Odom
County Judge Smith County, Texas.

AFFIDAVIT OF WITNESSES

(If possible, the two witnesses should have served with the applicant's husband in the army, and, if so, let them, or either of them, state it in their oath; also any information regarding the army service of applicant's husband.)

THE STATE OF TEXAS }
County of Smith

Before me, Jesse F. Odom, County Judge of Smith County, State of Texas, on this day personally appeared B. F. Landrum, who are personally known to me to be credible citizens, who, being by me sworn, on oath state that they are personally acquainted with the foregoing applicant, and that the facts set forth and statements made in her application are correct and true, to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they have no interest in this claim. And further make oath to the following facts touching the service of the applicant's husband in the Confederate Army: (State fully your source of knowledge.) I know that Benjamin F. Head, now deceased, served in the army of the Southern Confederacy, and that he enlisted in May 1862, and served to the end of war; that he was a member of Company C, 53 Ga. Reg. Simms Brigade, and Longstreets Corps, and that he was a private in the service. that I served in the same Company and Regiment with the said B. F. Head; that he made a good soldier and did not desert;

(Signature of Witness) B F Landrum

(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 10th day of March, A. D. 1914

Jesse F. Odom

[Seal.] County Judge Smith County, Texas.

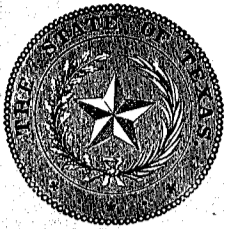
CERTIFICATE OF STATE AND COUNTY ASSESSOR

I, H. B. Matthews, State and County Assessor in the County of Smith, State of Texas, do hereby certify that Mrs. M. F. Head (TX)

whose name is signed to the foregoing application for a pension, under the Act of the 33rd Legislature, approved April 7, A. D. 1913, is charged on the land and personal property rolls of the said county, in her name, or the name of a trustee, with estate, real, personal and mixed, at the assessed value of \$905.00 dollars.

Given under my hand, this 11th day of Mar, A. D. 1914

H B Matthews
By Wm J Day
Office Deputy State and County Assessor.



GEO. W. KYSER, COMMISSIONER

OFFICE OF
COMMISSIONER OF PENSIONS
 STATE OF TEXAS
 AUSTIN

To the Adjutant General,

War Department,


Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir:—

I have the honor to request the military record of B. F. Head who is reported to have enlisted in Company "B", Regiment 53rd Ga. Infantry Sierr's Brigade, Sherman's Div - Longstreet's Corps. in service of the Confederate States Army.

Purpose: The widow of the person above named is an applicant for a Confederate pension granted by the State, and I desire to verify his proof of service.

Very respectfully,


Geo. W. Kyser
 Commissioner of Pensions.

ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE

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WAR DEPARTMENT

2137627 WAR DEPARTMENT,

THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE,

WASHINGTON, March 17, 1914.

Respectfully returned to the

Commissioner of Pensions,
State of Texas,
Austin.

The records show that B. F. Head (name also borne as Benjamin F. Head), private and sergeant, Company C, 53d Georgia Infantry, C. S. A., enlisted May 1, 1862; that he was captured April 6, 1865, at High Bridge (place of capture also shown as Farmville), Virginia, and that he was released June 25, 1865, at Newport News, Virginia, upon taking the oath of allegiance.



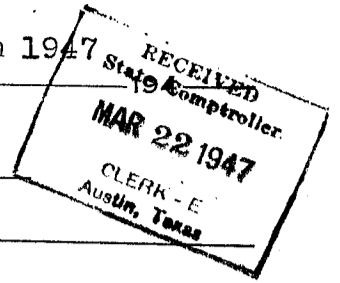
The Adjutant General.

March 16th 1947

LINDALE, TEXAS

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Mrs B F Head or Martha F Head



M. H. YORK

HARDWARE, FURNITURE & UNDERTAKING

24 HOUR AMBULANCE SERVICE

March 16th 1947

Casket.
 Embalming
 Clothing and Hearse Service

\$300.00
 25.00
 25.00

Less Cash in Bank for this purpose
 Bal. Due.

\$350.00
 \$250.00
 \$100.00

I certify that this is true and correct. *M. H. York*

Subscribed and Sworn to before me a Notary Public in the State
 of Texas County of Smith this the 20th day of March 1947.

Leon York



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Smith

M. H. YORK

Hardware, Furniture and Undertaking

24 HOUR AMBULANCE SERVICE

Lindale, Texas

March 17th 1947

RECEIVED
State Comptroller
MAR 18 1947
CLERK - E
Austin, Texas

Mr. Geo. H. Sheppard
State Comptroller

Austin, Texas.

Dear Sir:

Please send death proof blanks to be filled out for Mrs B F Head who passed away March 16th 1947.

Thanks
M H York.

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Smith

mortuary Blank (TX)
+ notices

March 18-1947

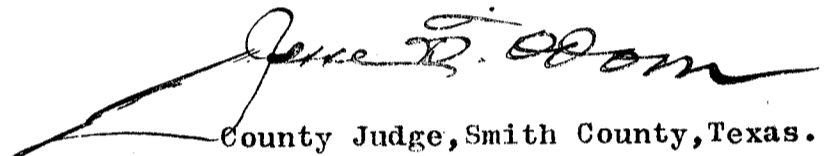
Head

The State of Texas,

County of Smith.

I, Jesse F. Odom, County Judge of Smith County, Texas, do hereby certify that Mrs. Martha F. Head made affidavit before me that she has been unable to locate any other witness as to her husband's service in the Confederate Army; that she has made diligent inquiry, but cannot locate any other witness; I further certify that I assisted her in trying to locate other witnesses, but was unable to find one.

In testimony of all of which I hereunto sign my name officially this the 11th day of March, 1914.


County Judge, Smith County, Texas.



Please have application for Mortuary Warrant properly executed and have the Undertaker attach to it a sworn itemized statement showing the cost of each item furnished for the burial. Return to

Geo. H. Sheppard, Comptroller, Austin, Texas.

APPLICATION FOR MORTUARY WARRANT

THE STATE OF TEXAS,

County of Smith } I, M H York

do hereby certify that I am the person to whom is entrusted the paying of the accounts and indebtedness of the late Mrs. M. F. Head or Martha F. Head, who was a pensioner of the State of Texas, and whose file number was 26892 and whose original county was Smith

The said pensioner Mrs B F Head or Martha F Head, died on the 16th day of March, 19 47 in the town of Lindale, County of Smith, Texas.

The pensioner died in the home of F. C. Head who was related to the pensioner as Son

That the warrant, which application is hereby made for, shall be applied to paying all or part of the funeral expenses incurred by the said pensioner Mrs B F Head Or Martha F Head

I further certify that the warrant for the current month has not been cashed by the pensioner, to the best of my knowledge and belief.

I am related to the pensioner as None that my postoffice address is Lindale, Texas

Street or R. F. D. City State

Signed M H York

Sworn to before me this 20th day of March, 19 47

Must return before 40 days expires from date of Pensioners' death

Notary Public in and for Smith, State of Texas.

CERTIFICATE OF UNDERTAKER

I, M H York, do certify that I am undertaker in the town of Lindale, County of Smith, State of Texas that I had charge of the body of Mrs B F Head or Nartha F Head who died in the town of Lindale, County of Smith, State of Texas on the 16 day of March 19 47 That said body was prepared for burial by me on the 16 day of March 19 47, and that I am of the opinion that warrant herein applied for should be issued to the said M H York who makes the foregoing application.

Signed M H York Undertaker.

CERTIFICATE OF PHYSICIAN

I, do certify that I am a practicing physician, and that I attended in his last illness, and am of the opinion that his ailments were

I further certify that I am of the opinion that the Mortuary Warrant above requested should be issued in the name of the aforementioned applicant, in accordance with Act passed by the Thirty-eighth Legislature and approved March 2, 1923.

Signed Physician's Address

March 18, 1947. Execute and return at once.

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