

Some genealogical notes made while in conversation with Mrs. Katharine Read Hughes, by her son, Joe Hughes.

- **Rev. John Jeremiah Read**, of Port Gibson, Hinds County, MS, came to Houston, First Presbyterian Church; called on Sept 18, 1871; came on November 1871. Served from 1871-1876. He was married to **Lillah Pratt Porter**, who was the daughter of **Rev. A.A. Porter** of South Carolina. They had 8 children, 2 died in infancy. Recently graduated from Columbia Seminary. He was a very pious person; absorbed in the preaching of the gospel and an enthusiastic worker, but, unfortunately, a poor psychologist and not too practical. The church prospered under his administration and grew in numbers and zeal. The membership was almost doubled under his leadership.
- In December 1876, he went to Andrews Academy in Indian Territory and spent the rest of his days working among the Indians.
- He was elect Moderator of the Texas Presbyterian Synod in 1894.
- He was superintendent of Spencer Academy (Choctaw school for boys near Doaksville, Indian Territory, 14 miles northeast of Hugo, OK. Appointed by the Foreign Mission Board of the Presbyterian Church in 1876, he served until 1881.
- He also did full time evangelistic work in unoccupied territory among the Chickasaw Indians and settled near the old Wapanucka Academy from which Wapanucka, OK got it's name. It was here that **Rev J. Leighton Read**, his son, grew up. He died of pneumonia in 1898. **Lillah Read** recorded their work in "The Home Missionary," a Presbyterian Publication.
- **The Rev. A.A. Porter** lost his wife, she leaving a little girl. He married again and shortly thereafter, died, leaving the little girl and a widow. Now Texas Governor Frank Lubbock, a widower, married the widow Porter and the **Rev. John Jeremiah Read**

married the young lady, Miss Porter. Question: What kin was Rev. Read to Governor Frank Lubbock?

- **Rev. John Leighton Read's** brothers: youngest: Theodore, lived on a farm with their grandmother in Wapanucka. Theodore P. Read, later lived in Wilcox, AZ. The other brother was Livingston Read, who lived in Honolulu, HI. He had two sisters: Laleah Lcokhart (her married name), in AZ, and Bess Binnion (her married name), who died of cancer; she had 1 daughter and 1 son. Mr. Binnion was an insurance salesman.
- His first cousin: **Dr. William Thornton Read, Sr.**, who worked in Washington, D.C. during WWII, deceased; had a daughter: **Dr. Roxane Wiswell, M.D.**, of Pasadena, TX. They had a son: Dr. William Thornton Read, Jr., of Summit, NJ; his wife: Roxie Clark Read, of Baytown, TX.
- **Katharine Rutherford Wauchope Read** was born in Capon Bridge, WVA, April 19, 1886, the youngest of 8 children. She had a sister Mary, who had a daughter named Josephine. Her father was Rev. Joseph Walker Wauchope, and mother, Kate Anne Kendrick. Katharine graduated at Fredericksburg College, Virginia. (Was known then as Fredericksburg Normal School; later as Mary Washington College, after 1912). She taught 2 years in Oklahoma Presbyterian College, Durant, OK, where Rev. John Jeremiah Read lived. That school no longer exists. She taught Latin and German. She went for Bible training to the Biblical Seminary, NYC. While there she went to the Metropolitan Opera (the old opera house) and saw "Aida." She married John L. Read in 1913, the service performed by **Rev. W.C. Wauchope**, Columbia, SC, on December 17, 1913, in the home of his brother George Wauchope. Before the marriage, he was living at the time in Hampton Sidney, VA. She united with the Central Presbyterian Church, Little Rock, AR, March 22, 1914. She was in the first graduating class of Mary Washington College: 1913. Her brothers attended Hampden-Sidney, Farmville, VA.
- Her 8 brothers: **Arthur Douglas**: missionary to Nova Scotia; **George**: Professor of English, University of South Carolina; **Bill**:

minister, wife's name: **Bess**, one son, who drowned at age 16.
Joseph. **Ken**, of Shawnee, OK, worked for Bureau of Indian Affairs;
wife: **Olga** (who had 1 sister: **Mary** Taylor, of TN, who had 1 son
James Ray Taylor; and daughter Katharine). Ken and Olga had a
son, **Roe**, a schoolteacher who had a nervous breakdown, and
daughters **Marie**, an old-maid schoolteacher; and **another**
daughter, who married a Navy man who was a purchasing agent
for Portsmouth Naval Hospital.