

ZONING CHANGE REVIEW SHEET

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CASE NUMBER: C14H-2012-0011

HLC DATE:

October 22, 2012

PC DATE:

November 13, 2012

APPLICANT: Sue Long, owner

HISTORIC NAME: Cabaniss-Tate-Chunn House

WATERSHED: Bouldin Creek

ADDRESS OF PROPOSED ZONING CHANGE: 612 West Monroe Street

ZONING FROM: SF-3 NP to SF-3-H-NP

SUMMARY STAFF RECOMMENDATION: Staff recommends the proposed zoning change from single family residence, neighborhood plan (SF-3-NP) combining district to single family residence – Historic Landmark – neighborhood plan (SF-3-H-NP) combining district zoning.

QUALIFICATIONS FOR LANDMARK DESIGNATION:

The house is an excellent example of vernacular Victorian residential architecture, and is significantly associated with the Scott Cabaniss and Chunn families. The house, originally the home of Scott and Meta Chunn Cabaniss, became a "mom and pop" grocery store in the early and mid-20th century, operated by family members of Mrs. Cabaniss for many years. The house represents the small family groceries that once characterized S. 1st Street, and is particularly significant because of the long association of the same family with the house and the business. Scott Cabaniss was also a member of a very prominent Austin business family; he ran a large grocery and hardware business on Congress Avenue in the early 20th century; other family members operated one of the city's largest and most prominent furniture stores for many years.

HISTORIC LANDMARK COMMISSION ACTION: In July, 2007, the Commission granted a Certificate of Appropriateness for the relocation of the house from 1502 S. 1st Street to its current location at 612 W. Monroe Street, and recommended the house for historic zoning after the move. The zoning case expired before the move was completed, and the case never went to the Council for approval of the zoning change. **October 24, 2012:** Recommended the proposed zoning change from SF-3-NP to SF-3-H-NP. Vote: 4-0 (Limbacher and Leary ill; Rosato absent).

PLANNING COMMISSION ACTION:

DEPARTMENT COMMENTS: The house not listed in the Comprehensive Cultural Resources Survey (1984).

CITY COUNCIL DATE:

ACTION:

ORDINANCE READINGS: 1ST 2ND 3RD

ORDINANCE NUMBER:

CASE MANAGER: Steve Sadowsky

PHONE: 974-6454

NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATION: Bouldin Creek Neighborhood Association

BASIS FOR RECOMMENDATION:

Architecture:

One-story irregular-plan wing-and-gable plan frame house with a wraparound independent shed-roofed porch on turned wood posts; 3:1 and 1:1 fenestration; diamond and fish-scale imbrication in the tympanum of the projecting gable. The main body of the house is board and batten, and there is a board and batten addition to the middle of the right side of the house.

Historical Associations:

With an address of 1500 S. 1st (the neighboring concrete block commercial building with a current address of 1500 S. 1st was not built until 1947), the first occupant of the house was Daniel R. Wise, a carpenter, listed in the 1910-11 city directory, and the 1910 U.S. Census report, which reveals that Daniel R. Wise was a 54-year-old Alabama-born house carpenter. He and his wife Ella had 6 children living in the house with them; the oldest son, Oscar, 19, was also a house carpenter. Wise lived here for about a year; by 1920, he and Ella were living with their son, Foster, 21, also a house carpenter, at 90 Red River Street.

From 1911 until around 1923, this house was the home of Scott Cabaniss and his wife Meta. Cabaniss was one of the Austin's most prominent grocers with a large store at 207 Congress Avenue. This is the only known building associated with Scott Cabaniss still standing in Austin. Before moving to this house, Cabaniss had lived above his grocery store at 2nd and Congress (now demolished for the parking lot at the northeast corner of 2nd and Congress). Cabaniss opened several other grocery stores in downtown Austin, and by 1916, had opened the Cabaniss Hardware Company with Lucius Kellam at 121-23 Congress Avenue. The site of his hardware store is now occupied by the bank tower at the southeast corner of 2nd and Congress. After his death in 1923, his widow Meta moved to the family's properties at 2nd and Congress. Meta Cabaniss maintained an interest in her husband's hardware company, and lived at her mother-in-law's Cabaniss House at 102 E. 2nd Street until her death in 1924.

The Cabaniss family had a number of business interests in the city – in addition to Scott Cabaniss' grocery and hardware business, mother Cornelia operated furnished rooms (Cabaniss House) at 102 E. 2nd Street, brother Charles Cabaniss operated Cabaniss Transfer Company in the early 1920s, then founded Wall and Cabaniss, a large furniture store at 208 E. 6th Street, a business that Scott Cabaniss' son Bert joined in the 1930s, and managed in the 1940s. Another brother, John R. Cabaniss, directed the Cabaniss Orchestra in the early 1920s. Charles Cabaniss' furniture business continued to grow; he and his wife Ophelia lived at 1200 Blanco Street (a designated city historic landmark) where Ophelia also had a piano school in the 1930s.

In 1924, the house was rented by Horace M. and Bessie Tate, the brother-in-law and sister of Meta Cabaniss. Horace Tate was a poster man for Flury Advertising Company. Otto Eitce, a carpenter, rented the house from the late 1920s through the early 1930s with his wife, Emma. Roy Kitchens, another carpenter, rented the house with his wife, Dollie, in the early to mid-1930s. Roy Kitchens was a descendant of an early Travis County pioneer family who had settled out in Webberville, and at that time, lived just down the street at 1506 W. 1st Street (a house which is still standing). His wife, Dollie, was Horace Tate's sister.

Horace and Bessie Tate returned to purchase the property by 1940; they were operating a grocery store at 1416 S. 1st Street, which Bessie turned over to her sister, Mary Chunn, by 1946 after Horace passed away. Mary Chunn operated the grocery as the Live Oak Food Store and had the masonry commercial building at 1500 S. 1st Street built in August, 1947. Ms. Chunn continued to live in the house through the late 1950s; Bessie Tate lived here as well until 1949.

After Mary Chunn moved from the house in the late 1950s, it became a rental unit. Mary Chunn died in 1964; Bessie Tate died in 1965.

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PARCEL NO.: 01010108290000

LEGAL DESCRIPTION: Lot 7, Mrs. A.J. Pace Amended Plat, Lots 6 and 7.

ESTIMATED ANNUAL TAX ABATEMENT: \$4,114 (owner-occupied); city portion: \$1,152. \$2,074 (income-producing); city portion: \$576.

APPRAISED VALUE: \$390,168

PRESENT USE: Residential

CONDITION: Excellent

PRESENT OWNERS: Sue Long
1807 Ann Arbor Avenue
Austin, Texas 78704




DATE BUILT: ca. 1910

ALTERATIONS/ADDITIONS: The house has been moved from its original location at 1502 South 1st Street. The current owner has restored deteriorated wooden elements, installed new wooden screens and windows to match historic elements on the house, and added missing porch rails and balusters in a period style, as there was no photographic or physical evidence to authenticate the original design of the porch.

ORIGINAL OWNER(S): Daniel Wise (1910)

OTHER HISTORICAL DESIGNATIONS: None.

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 SUBJECT TRACT
 PENDING CASE
 ZONING BOUNDARY

HISTORIC ZONING

ZONING CASE#: C14H-2012-0011



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The house when it was located at 1502 S. 1st Street (2007)



The house as it appears today (2012)

The porch posts are original; the porch railings are new; the house has been painted in period-appropriate colors, a new roof and porch roof has been added, and new screens have been manufactured to match the originals.

Occupancy History
City Directory Research, Austin History Center
By City Historic Preservation Office
April, 2007

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- 1987 Mary A. Staton, renter
No occupation listed
NOTE: The directory indicates that Ms. Staton was a new resident at this address.
- 1981 David Dinscore, renter
Exterminator, Robert's Pest Control
- 1975 Von Reece Auctioneers (Von Reece, proprietor)
- 1969 Otto H. and Pauline M. Meyers, renters
Retired
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1963 Arlie and Mary A. Carnline, Jr., renters
No occupation listed
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1957 Mary S. Chunn, renter
Proprietor (with R.A. Chunn), of Chunn Food Store, 1500 S. 1st Street.
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1953 Mary S. Chunn, renter
Proprietor (with Wilber T. Chunn), of Chunn Food Store, 1500 S. 1st Street.
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1949 Bessie M. Tate, owner
Widow, H.M. Tate
No occupation listed

Chunn Food Store
Wilber T. and Mayme Chunn, proprietors
NOTE: The directory lists Mayme Chunn as living at 1500 S. 1st Street.
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1947 Bessie M. Tate, owner
Widow, Horace M. Tate
No occupation listed

Live Oak Food Store
Mary S. and Wilber T. Chunn, proprietors
NOTE: The directory lists Mary S. Chunn as living at 1500 S. 1st Street.
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1944-45 Bessie M. Tate, owner
Widow, Horace M. Tate
Grocery, 1500 S. 1st Street and 1416 S. 1st Street.
NOTE: Mary S. Chunn, listed as a seamstress at E.M. Scarbrough & Son, is listed as living at 1416 S. 1st Street, the site of Mrs. Tate's other grocery store.
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.

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- 1942 Horace M. and Bessie Tate, owners
Grocery – 1416 S. 1st Street
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1940 Horace M. and Bessie Tate, owners
Grocery, 1416 S. 1st Street.
- Leroy and Eula V. Kitchens, renters
Carpenter
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1937 William M. Hight, renter
Carpenter
NOTE: Horace and Bessie Tate are listed as living at 1013 Willow Street; they operated the Tate and Hill Grocery at 1416 S. 1st Street.
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1935 Roy and Dollie Kitchens, renters
Carpenter
NOTE: Other members of the Kitchens family resided at 1506 S. 1st Street.
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1932-33 Roy and Dolly Kitchens, renters
Carpenter
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street
- 1930-31 Otto A. and Emma Eitce, renters
Carpenter
NOTE: Roy and Dolly Kitchens are listed as living at 913 West Lynn Street; he was working as a carpenter
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1929 Otto A. and Annie Eitce, renters
Carpenter
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1927 Otto A. and Emma Eitce, renters
Carpenter
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1924 Horace M. and Bessie Tate, renters
Poster, Godfrey Flury Advertising Company, outdoor advertising, 107 E. 2nd Street.
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1922 Scott and Meta Cabaniss, owners
Proprietor (with L.L. Kellam), Kellam-Cabaniss Hardware Company, 121-23 Congress Avenue
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1920 Scott and Meta Cabaniss, owners
Proprietor (with L.L. Kellam and S.A. Martin), Cabaniss Hardware Company, 121-23 Congress Avenue, and grocer, 205 Congress Avenue.
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.

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- 1918 Scott Cabaniss, owner
Proprietor (with L.L. Kellam), Cabaniss Hardware Company, 121-23 Congress Avenue; proprietor (with J.A. Gatlin), Gatlin and Cabaniss grocery, 202 W. 6th Street; and proprietor of grocery stores at 207 Congress Avenue and 221-23 E. 5th Street.
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1916 Scott Cabaniss
Proprietor (with L.L. Kellam), Cabaniss Hardware Company, 121-23 Congress Avenue, and grocery, 207 Congress Avenue.
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1914 Scott Cabaniss
Grocer, 207 Congress Avenue
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1912-13 Scott Cabaniss
Groceries and feed, 207 Congress Avenue
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1910-11 Daniel R. Wise
Carpenter
NOTE: Scott Cabaniss is listed as operating a grocery at 207 Congress Avenue, and resided at the same address.
NOTE: The house is listed as 1500 S. 1st Street.
- 1909-10 Nothing is listed on the even side of the block between Elizabeth and Monroe Streets. Daniel R. Wise is not listed in the directory.

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

Daniel and Ella Wise (ca. 1910 – ca. 1911)

According to the 1910 U.S. Census, the family was living on South First Street (before house numbers were assigned) and consisted of 57-year old Daniel Wise, an Alabama-born house carpenter, his 46-year old Texas born wife, Ella, and their 6 children, including 19 year old Oscar, a house carpenter like his father. The 1920 U.S. Census shows that Daniel and Ella Wise were living with their son, Foster, then 21, at 90 Red River Street. Both Daniel and Foster Wise are shown as house carpenters in the census report. The 1930 U.S. Census shows Daniel (D.R.) and Ella Wise living on Cedar Valley Road in rural Travis County with their son, Foster, and his wife, Ruby. D.R. Wise is listed as a general farmer; Foster Wise is listed as a farm laborer. Daniel Wise died in Travis County in 1945; Ella Wise died in Travis County in 1953.

Scott and Meta Cabaniss (ca. 1911 – ca. 1923)

The 1920 U.S. Census report shows Scott and Meta Cabaniss at this address (listed as 1500 South First Street), along with their son, Roy, 19. Scott Cabaniss was then 52, had been born in Missouri, and was a retail grocery merchant. Meta Cabaniss was then 39, had been born in Texas, and had no occupation listed. Their son, Roy, had been born in Texas and had no occupation listed.

Scott Cabaniss first appears in census reports in 1880, when he is listed as the 13-year old son of J.R. and Cornelia Cabaniss of Blanco County, Texas. J.R. Cabaniss was an Illinois-born farmer. Cornelia Cabaniss had been born in Kentucky. Scott Cabaniss, the third child and

second son, had been born in Missouri, as had all his siblings. The 1900 U.S. Census shows Scott Cabaniss as a 34-year old stockman in Blanco County, Texas, married to a woman named Janie (Jennie). They had two sons, Bert, 5, and Herbert, 1 month. State marriage archives indicate that Scott Cabaniss married Jennie Gerferd in Kendall County, Texas, in 1893.

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Meta Chunn (Cabaniss) appears in the 1880 U.S. Census report for Burnet County, Texas, where her father, Wilbur T. Chunn, was a merchant. By 1900, the family had moved to Blanco County, Texas, where her father is listed as a farmer. Meta Chunn was then 20, her sisters Mary, 17, and Bessie, 11, would eventually live in this house after Meta's death. Meta is listed as a housekeeper in the 1900 census report. The 1920 census report shows Meta Chunn as the wife of Scott Cabaniss.



The Cabaniss Grocery Store, 207 Congress Avenue (ca. 1908).

This two-story building had living quarters upstairs where Scott Cabaniss lived with his mother before moving into the house on South First Street (now on West Monroe Street). His mother, Cornelia, ran a hotel (Cabaniss House) on the second story of this building. The building was later the site of the Travis Hotel.



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A ca. 1939 photograph of the building which previously housed the Cabaniss House Hotel and Scott Cabaniss' grocery store. The third story was added when the building became the Travis Hotel.

Scott Cabaniss Succumbs After Brief Illness

Scott Cabaniss, 55, died at the residence of his mother, Mrs. J. R. Cabaniss, 102 East Second street, yesterday, after a brief attack of pneumonia.

Mr. Cabaniss was well known in central Texas, having been in business here more than 20 years and having taken an active interest in civic and church affairs. He was at the time of his death superintendent of the South Austin Methodist Sunday school.

He is survived by his wife, two sons, Bert and Roy, both of Port Arthur, his mother and two brothers, C. M. and John R., both of Austin.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later, it was said last night.

News story on the death of Scott Cabaniss
Austin American, February 6, 1923

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SCOTT CABANISS.

Scott Cabaniss, 55 years of age, died Monday at the residence of his mother, Mrs. J. R. Cabaniss, 102 East Second Street.

Mr. Cabaniss, for twenty years was actively identified with the business development of Austin and at the time of his death was superintendent of the South Austin Methodist Sunday School.

Funeral services will be held at the South Austin Methodist Church at 2 p. m. Wednesday. He is survived by his mother, his wife, two sons, Bert and Roy, both of Port Arthur, and two brothers, John R., and C. M. Cabaniss, both of Austin.

Pallbearers will be: R. W. Canion, D. F. Kitchen, Fred C. Malone, Edwin McKeller, J. T. Parker, M. R. Harris.

Rev. W. Allen and Rev. Williamson will officiate at the funeral.

DEATH NOTICES

MRS. META CABANISS.

Mrs. Meta Cabaniss, widow of the late Scott Cabaniss, died at the home of her mother, Mrs. W. T. Chunn, 1013 Willow Street, at 2:45 p. m. Tuesday, May 27. Mrs. Cabaniss had been a resident of Austin for about fifteen years, coming here from Johnson City, Texas.

She was a member of the firm of the Kellam-Cabaniss Hardware Company, and was well known in business circles in Austin, as well as socially. She is survived by her mother, Mrs. W. T. Chunn; two brothers, W. T. Chunn of Austin and R. A. Chunn of Spicewood, and two sisters, Miss Mamie Chunn and Mrs. H. M. Tate, both of Austin.

Funeral services will be held at the residence Thursday at 4 p. m. with Rev. Beverly Allen assisted by Revs. O. E. Moreland and R. E. Duke, officiating.

Pallbearers will be J. T. Parker, W. S. Morgan, John Wall, J. D. Burton, Raymond Cannon and T. H. Davis.

Interment will be in Oakwood Cemetery under the auspices of the Eastern Star.

Obituary of Meta Cabaniss
Austin Statesman, May 28, 1924

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MRS. META CABANISS
Funeral services for Mrs. Meta
Cabaniss, who died at the home of
her mother, Mrs. W. T. Chunn, 1018
Willow street, at 2:45 p. m., Tues-
day, will be held at the residence
this Thursday at 4 p. m., with Rev.
Beverly Allen, assisted by Revs. O.
E. Moreland and R. E. Duke, of-
ficiating.
Pall bearers will be J. T. Parker,
W. S. Morgan, John Wall, J. D.
Barton, Raymond Canion and T. H.
Davis. Interment will be in Oak-
wood cemetery under the auspices
of the Eastern Star.

Funeral notice for Meta Cabaniss
 Austin American, May 29, 1924

Horace and Bessie Tate (ca. 1924; ca. 1940 – ca. 1943)

Bessie Tate (ca. 1943 – ca. 1952)

Bessie Chunn Tate was the youngest sister of Meta and Mary S. Chunn. She is listed in the 1900 U.S. Census report with her family in Blanco County, Texas, where her father, Wilbur T. Chunn, was a farmer. The family moved to Lampasas County, Texas by 1910, where Mr. Chunn ran a hotel, and then to Austin by 1920, where her father operated a grocery business.

Horace Tate appears in the 1910 U.S. Census for rural southeastern Travis County, as the 24-year old son of Mollie Tate, a 49-year old Alabama-born widow. Horace Tate, along with his siblings (including Dollie, who went on to marry Lee Roy Kitchens, and rented this house in the 1930s) was born in Texas. All of the children, including 11-year old Dollie, are listed as laborers on the home farm. The 1920 U.S. Census shows Horace and Bessie Tate living in a rented house at 94 Rainey Street. Horace is listed as a grocery clerk. The 1930 U.S. Census shows the couple living in a rented house on the Travis Heights to Austin Road (apparently southeast of the city), where Horace is listed as a farm laborer. By 1940, they were living at this address, shown as 1500 South First Street, in a house they owned, and which was worth \$800. Horace Tate is listed as the proprietor of a retail grocery store; Bessie has no occupation listed. (NOTE: The next house to the south, shown as 1506 South First Street, was the home of some of the Kitchens family).

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| REGISTRATION CARD | | REGISTRAR'S RECEIPT | |
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| <p>NAME: Horace M. Tate</p> <p>RESIDENCE: Route 8, Austin, Travis County</p> <p>DATE OF BIRTH: 33 October 29 1885</p> <p>RACE: White</p> <p>STATUS: U. S. CITIZEN</p> <p>PARENTS: Mr. Bessie May Tate</p> <p>RELIGIOUS AFFILIATION: Methodist</p> | | <p>RECEIVED AT THE OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR</p> <p>DATE: June 12 1918</p> <p>SIGNATURE: W. F. Wheeler</p> <p>LOCAL BOARD: Travis County, Austin, Texas</p> | |

Horace Tate's World War I draft registration card shows that he lived in rural Travis County, was a laborer (on the farm owned by W.F. Wheeler), and was married to Bessie Chunn Tate by that time.

TATE—Horace M. Tate, 57, died at his home at 1500 South First street at 9 a. m. Monday. Mr. Tate was born in Alabama, but came to Texas with his parents when an infant, settling in Travis county, where he has resided ever since. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Bessie Tate; three brothers, E. F., E. M., and C. L. Tate all of Austin; three sisters, Mrs. W. F. Wheeler, Mrs. J. C. Archer and Mrs. L. R. Kitchens, all of Austin.

The body will rest at the Wilke Funeral home until 2 p. m. Tuesday, when it will be taken to the Congress Avenue Baptist church. Funeral services will be conducted at 3 p. m. by the Rev. Ray V. Mayfield, assisted by the Rev. R. C. McCullough, of the Walnut Creek Baptist church.

Pallbearers will be Olin Miles, Joe Ben Wheeler, Lee Hill, Pat Canyon, D. F. Kitchens, and Edgar Olfers.

Obituary of Horace M. Tate
Austin Statesman, April 19, 1943

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MRS. BESSIE C. TATE

Mrs. Bessie Chunn Tate, 75, of 1600 Travis Heights Blvd., died in a local hospital Friday. She had been a resident of Austin for 55 years and was the last surviving member of a pioneer Central Texas family. She was a member of the Congress Avenue Baptist Church.

Survivors include two nieces, Mrs. Ruth Walker, Austin, and Mrs. Grace Chunn Nelson, Beaumont; nephew, Wilbur H. Chunn, Lufkin; four grandnieces and nephews and four great-great grandnieces.

Funeral will be Sunday at 10 a.m. at Wilks-Clay Funeral Home with Revs. Gordon B. Bays, Rev. E. L. Sparks officiating.

Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery.

Obituary of Bessie Tate
Austin American-Statesman, January 2, 1965

Otto and Emma Eitce (ca. 1925 – ca. 1931)

O.A. and Emma Eitce appear in the 1930 U.S. Census report as the renters of this house (listed as 1500 South First Street). O.A. Eitce was then a 36-year old German-born carpenter for a building contractor. Emma Eitce was then 35, had been born in Texas to German-born parents, and had no occupation listed. Their son, Harold, was 14, and had been born in Texas.

Lee Roy and Dollie Kitchens (ca. 1931 – ca. 1936; ca. 1940)

Dollie Kitchens was Horace Tate's younger sister. She appears with her brother in the 1910 U.S. Census report for rural southeastern Travis County, where she was an 11-year old laborer on the family farm. The 1930 U.S. Census shows Lee Roy and Dollie Kitchens living at 913 West Lynn Street, a house they owned, with their two sons, and Dollie's mother. Lee Roy

Kitchens was then 51, had been born in Texas, and was a carpenter. Dollie Kitchens was then 31 and had been born in Texas. She had no occupation listed in the census report.

The 1940 U.S. Census report shows Leroy and Dollie Kitchens living at 1701 S. 2nd Street in Austin, along with their 5 children. Leroy is listed as a carpenter for a building contractor; Dollie is listed as clerk in a variety store, and their oldest son, William, 20, was a printer in a print shop.

Mortuary

LEE ROY KITCHENS

Lee Roy Kitchens, 68, a pioneer resident of Travis county, died in a local hospital Tuesday. He was born in Webberville and was a member of the Baptist church. Survivors are his widow, three sons, William Roy of Waco, Jerome and Aubrey Lee of Austin; two daughters, Cleo and Barbara Jean of Austin; two brothers, Malcolm of San Antonio and Deward of Austin; four sisters, Mrs. Wilbur Canion of Smiley, Mrs. Frank Newman and Mrs. Tommy McKenzie of San Antonio and Mrs. M. A. Sanders of Shreveport, La.; and his step-mother, Mrs. W. A. Kitchens of San Antonio.

The body will be at the Wilke Funeral home until 3 p. m. Wednesday, when it will be taken to the Congress avenue Baptist church where services will be conducted by the Rev. Ray V. Mayfield at 4 p. m.

Pallbearers will be his nephews, Rex Kitchens, Lester Kitchens, Lt. Joe Kitchens of Austin, Zelma Kitchens of San Antonio, Dudley Canion of Smiley and Pat Canion of Austin.

Obituary of Lee Roy Kitchens
Austin American, October 20, 1943

Mary S. Chunn (ca. 1946 – ca. 1960)

Mary S. Chunn was a younger sister of Meta Chunn Cabaniss, and appears in the 1900 U.S. Census for Blanco County, Texas with Meta, and her younger sister, Bessie, who went on to marry Horace Tate. By 1910, the Chunn family had moved to Lampasas County, where her father ran a hotel. The 1910 U.S. Census report does not show Meta Chunn living with the family, so it is likely that she had married Scott Cabaniss by that time; however, Scott and Meta Cabaniss do not appear in the 1910 census report. The 1920 U.S. Census report shows Mary S. Chunn living at the home of her parents, Wilbur T. and Cora Chunn, at 1013 Willow Street in

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Austin. Mary S. Chunn was then 29 and is listed as a grocery store clerk. Her father, Wilbur T. Chunn, a native of Virginia, was a grocery merchant. According to the 1930 census report, Mary S. Chunn was living with her brother, Ralph, at the old family home on Willow Street. She was listed as a salesperson in a furniture store; Ralph was a salesman in a dry goods store. Their brother Wilbur T., Jr., who later operated the Chunn Grocery Store out of this house with his sisters Mary (apparently also known as Mayme), was a meat cutter living at 1000 S. 1st Street. When Mary Chunn died in August, 1964, she was living with her sister Bessie Tate, at 1600 Travis Heights Boulevard.

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MISS MARY S. CHUNN

Miss Mary Strather Chunn, ~~1000~~ Travis Heights Blvd died in a local hospital Thursday. She formerly operated Chunn's Grocery Store on South First Street for many years, was a member of Grace Methodist Church and Travis Chapter No. 472, O. E. S.

She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Bessie Tate, Austin; nephew, Wilbur H. Chunn, Lufkin; two nieces, Mrs. Ruth Walker, Austin, and Mrs. Laurence Nelson, Beaumont; and two great-nieces; Mrs. W. A. Beatty, Austin, and Mrs. Walter Matis, Lonbranch, N.J.

Funeral will be held Saturday at 4 p.m. from Wilke-Clay Funeral Home, with Rev. Claude Ellis, and Rev. John Gilbert, officiating.

Burial will be in Oakwood Cemetery.

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