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Car Load Turkeys  
Wanted at once.  
Will pay the highest  
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Also Chickens, Eggs, and Butter in  
large or small quantities.  
Honest dealings and honest weight  
is our motto.  
Call 880 and we will send a truck  
after your Turkeys.

**Myrick & Bridgefarmer**  
Located on East Louisiana Street, near  
Collin County Mill & Elevator Co.  
McKinney, Texas.

*In 1920, Henry Myrick began a grocery business with D.C. Bridgefarmer, his wife's cousin, on the east side of the railroad tracks on East Louisiana Street (see below). Mr. Myrick was in the grocery business for about ten years and during that time he partnered with different family members.*

**ICE COLD  
WATERMELONS  
2c lb.  
They're fine  
Get them at our ice platform.  
Bridgefarmer & Myrick  
E. Greenville St.**



*The photo above shows the property at 705 E. Greenville Street where Henry Myrick operated his business. In 1929, a fire partially destroyed one of the buildings. The building was later reconstructed. In the 1930s, the building on the left was a grocery store operated by Henry Myrick's nephew Herman Crice. Meanwhile, Mr. Myrick operated a garage out of the building on the right.*

When **Henry Myrick** wasn't running the business with his wife's cousin he was running it with his brother-in-law **Wade Biggers** (at right). It was during this association that a fire partially destroyed the business.



**Wade Biggers (1875-1942)**

**FREE**

Package of Kellogg's Corn Flakes for you at this store Friday and Saturday. Bring us your Coupon.

**MYRICK & BIGGERS**

Phone 889 E. Greenville St.

...n county, will be loaded Monday. Let everyone who wants to have a part in this good work send in their offering this week to M. Whisenand's office. Not a Baptist family in the county, but should send in something to help care for the orphan children. Anything you can use in your own home will be acceptable. Please do your part to make the offering the best ever sent from your church. Mr. George Smith is quite ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Arthur Boren.

**FIRE DESTROYS MYRICK & BIGGERS STORE MON. NIGHT**

**TWO DELIVERY TRUCKS ALSO DESTROYED DURING BLAZE**

Fire, which broke out about 9:30 o'clock Monday night, partially destroyed the Myrick & Biggers groc-

ery and produce house on East Greenville street. The fire broke out in the adjoining shed, destroying two of the store's delivery trucks.

H. C. Myrick and Wade Biggers own and manage this popular McKinney grocery and produce house. The contents of the store were fire and water damaged. Some insurance was carried by the owners.

The cause of the fire is not known. As usual, members of the McKinney Volunteer Fire department were on the scene in a hurry and did some effective work in extinguishing the flames.

Mr. Myrick announced this morning that they would resume business within the next few days some place in the city, their location to be announced within the next day or two, where they will operate their business until their old location can be rebuilt.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Gateley, Miss Bill Moses and Miss Hazel Ball, all of Dallas, were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Moses and family in this city. Mrs. Gateley and Miss Bill Moses are their daughters.

Thor Burton and wife, Grover Burton and wife and Lawrence Leary, a business man of Fort Worth, were all 6 o'clock dinner guests at the home of Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Burton in McKinney Saturday evening.

Henry Myrick's wife, **Ama Bridgefarmer**, was a member of a prominent family in the Lowry Crossing area of Collin County a few miles southeast of McKinney.



SHOW ATTRACTS IRIS—There were a lot of iris shown at the flower show here Thursday afternoon in the basement of the Trinity United Presbyterian Church. The show entitled "Appointment with Garden Beauty" was well exemplified by the many colored iris exhibits. Four of the winners in the show are (from left) Mrs. H. C. Myrick, Mrs. H. N. Compton, Mrs. Blaine Smith and Mrs. Sue Wilmett. (Staff Photo by Bill Reed.)

# ANNOUNCING



The Operator of My Office Over McCain Dry Goods Store.

Licensed Optometrist  
Eyes Examined  
Glasses Fitted

I am glad to be back in McKinney after an absence of 22 years. I was created near McKinney and the early part of my life was spent here.

I will be glad to have my old friends call on me for their optometric work. It will be a pleasure to serve you in my line.

My office, from the standpoint of scientific equipment, ranks with my office in Dallas or elsewhere. I have had nineteen years experience in optical work.

**MY WORK IS ALMOST LUTELY GUARANTEED.** Any person treated or fitted with glasses must be perfectly satisfied or money will be cheerfully refunded.

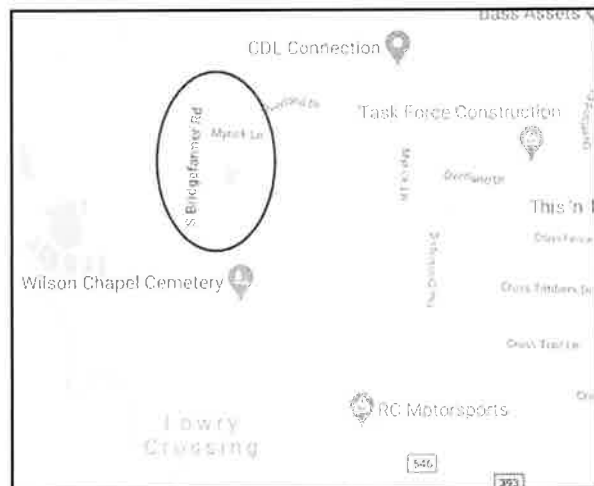
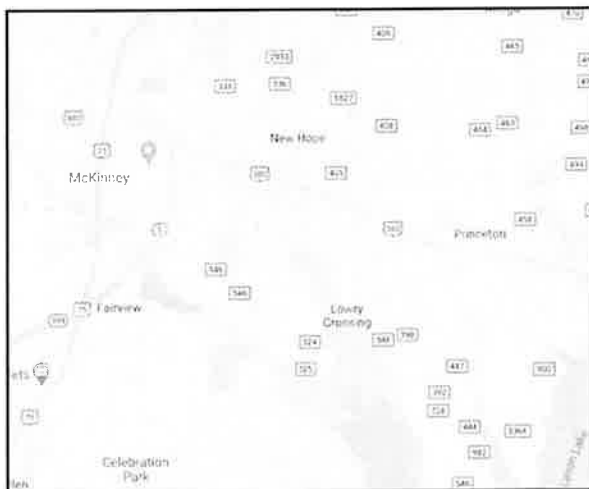
I offer the most scientific and painstaking Optical Service, including the newest ideas in attractive optical frames—at the lowest prices for which such service is obtainable today!

## DR. J. S. BRIDGEFARMER

LICENSED OPTOMETRIST

Upstairs Over McCain Dry Goods Store. Phone 288.

In 1926, one of Ama Bridgefarmer's, cousins **James S. Bridgefarmer** opened an optometrist shop in McKinney which later became a popular jewelry store.



**Lowry Crossing** got its name from William Lowry who owned the land where people and wagons could cross the East Fork of the Trinity River. Both Ama Bridgefarmer and Henry Myrick's families settled in this area from Kentucky before 1900. The town has streets named for these families, Bridgefarmer Road and Myrick Lane. Given the marriage between Henry and Ama in 1908 it is fitting that these streets intersect.

# TEEN-SHUN

NEWS OF OUR  
FRIENDS IN THE SERVICE

## Myrick Writes Of Iwo Action



PFC HENRY MYRICK JR.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Myrick of this city have recently received a letter from their son, Pfc. Henry Myrick Jr., in which he described in detail his action in the Fifth Division Marine Division in the battle for Iwo. He said that

when they hit the beach they ran out of the boats. "At a glance we could see and hear that it was plenty hot, so we hit the deck in shell holes which were plentiful. I remember that I looked up toward Seribotche and machine gun bullets kicked dirt in my face. From then on I was a human prairie dog and plenty scared.

"About five days later our platoon was ordered to the other end of the island and up we went again. We were used as stretcher bearers on that end, but mostly we did sniping patrol. I am seeing John (John Haynes, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Haynes of this city) often. We have been having lots of fun planning for the future. We already have our orchestra mapped out."

## Edgar Savage Jr. Is Safe

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar L. Savage, formerly of this city and now making their home in Richardson, have received a cable from their



Henry Myrick's son, **Henry Myrick, Jr.**, was one of seven Collin County residents to be involved in the WWII battle of Iwo Jima. This five-week battle was a strategic win for the Americans if only for the iconic photo that AP photographer Joe Rosenthal took of six soldiers raising the flag on Mt. Suribachi. The famous photo was actually of a second flag raising. The first flag that was planted was considered too small to be seen from the beach below so a larger one replaced it. Of the 40,000 American soldiers involved in the battle, 6,800 lost their lives. Henry, Jr. was one of the survivors.



**James M. Pistole (1883-1928)**

**James Monroe Pistole** arrived in Collin County at the age of seven when his parents moved from Kentucky in 1890. James began his career as a contractor by working for C.M. Brantley before teaming up with plumber Frank F. Wiggs in 1919. The firm of Wiggs & Pistole specialized in building four and five-room bungalow style homes.

**J. M. PISTOLE,  
CONTRACTOR**

Estimates gladly furnished. All work first-class and guaranteed.  
Residence: 1414 West St.

**INVEST YOUR MONEY**  
DURING 1918  
**IN A HOME IN**  
**McKINNEY**

"The City of Safe Investments, with a Future as Bright as the Noonday Sun"

McKinney is one of the most potential cities in Texas. Its growth is permitted for it is a city, the county seat, in the center of Collin county, one of the richest agricultural sections in the United States—a county populated with 40,000 progressive, industrious citizens.

McKinney is a city of 10,000 population and with a future as bright as the noonday sun. All properties are advancing and will continue to advance in the future. Our superior educational advantages, good churches and the moral atmosphere of the city is forever backing for the man with families—and they are responding by passing laws to live. McKinney property is therefore safe as an investment for a life or otherwise.

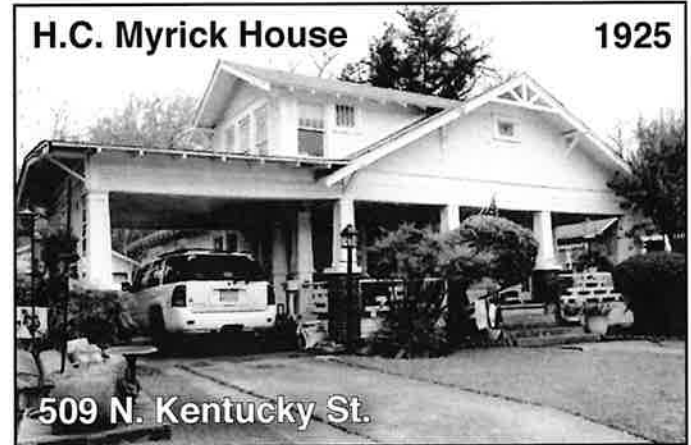
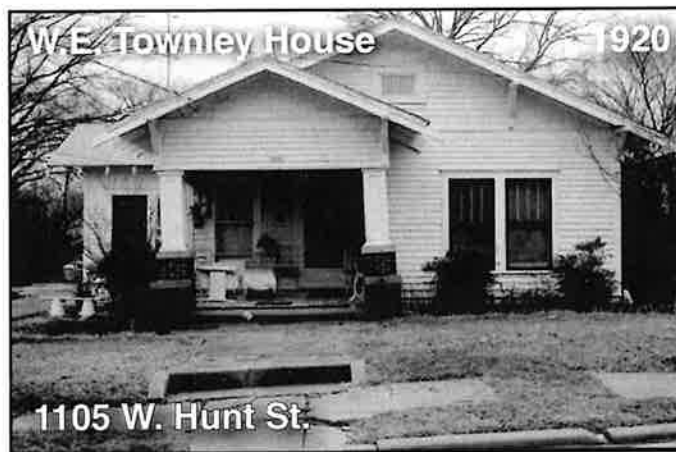
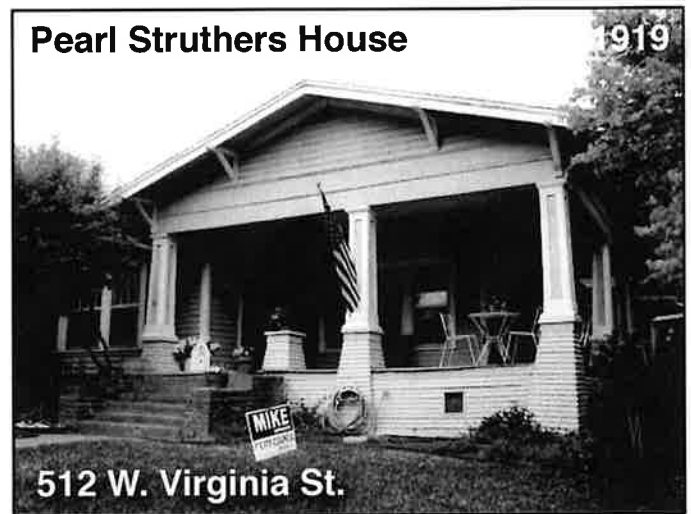
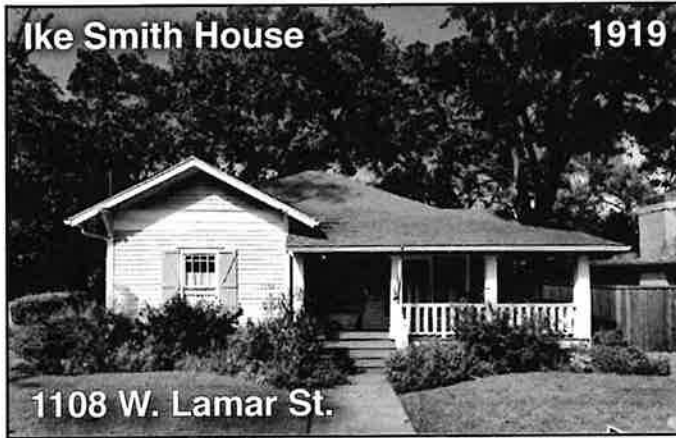
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*Wiggs & Pistole teamed up with Tom Wilson who was both the editor of the McKinney Courier-Gazette and owner of McKinney Realty Company to develop and sell property in McKinney. The association produced dozens of homes but was short-lived. In 1922, James moved to the Texas Panhandle and married. He worked as a farmer and sometimes in construction. He returned to McKinney in the mid 1920s, but eventually moved to San Antonio.*

# Homes Built by Jim Pistole



**James Pistole** partnered with F.F. Wiggs to develop dozens of properties in McKinney between 1919 and 1922. The partnership split afterwards and James left town only to return in 1924 for a short while. James and his partner specialized in small bungalow-style homes. Many of the homes were built in response to the demand for rental property at the time. Among the projects James and his partner were responsible for was a six-lot subdivision project on N. Tennessee St. in 1920.