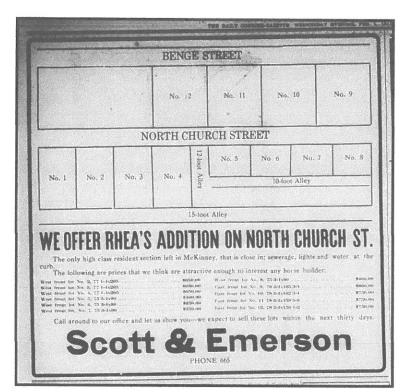
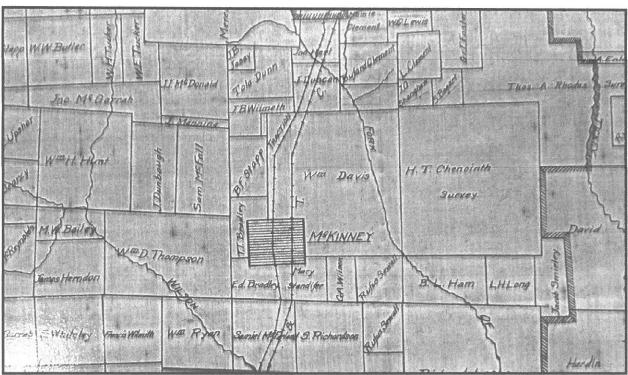


James Rhea purchased 4.86 acres of the original Davis Survey in partnership with his bother William. When William died, the ownership of the remaining lots became complicated when it passed to his heirs. To rectify this, the family subdivided the land in 1911 and began selling individual lots. James & Anne McKey had already purchased a lot from the Rheas in 1909.

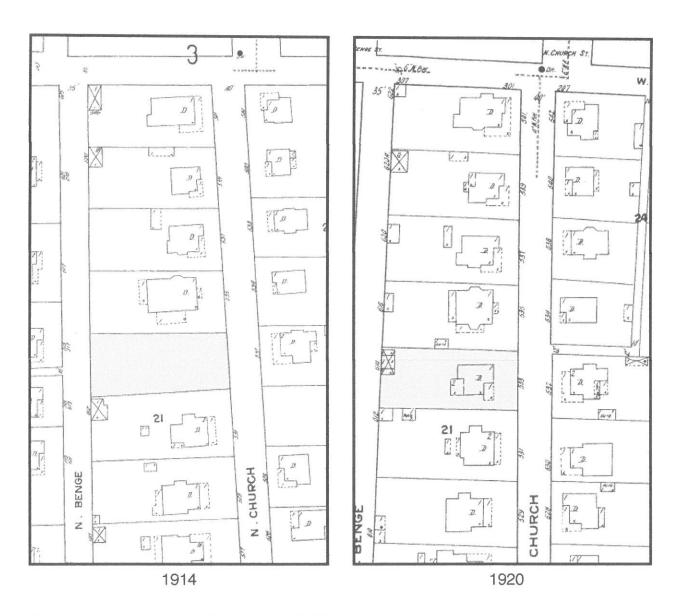
F. Drawings



In 1872, the brothers James and William Rhea purchased 4.86 acres of this original Davis Survey for \$379. Nearly forty years later the family subdivided the unsold portion of the tract into 12 lots varying in price from \$350 to \$800.



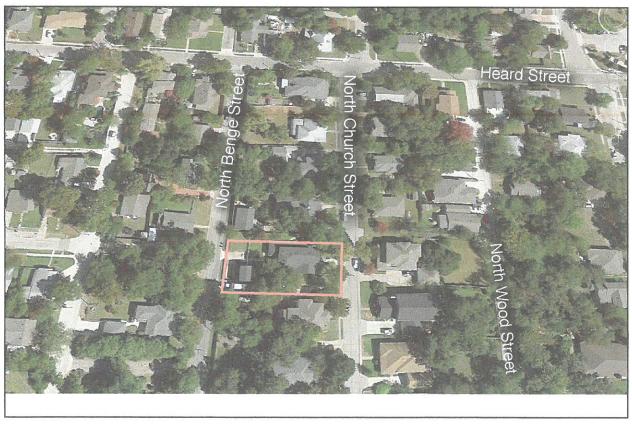
Shortly after Texas became a state, William Davis' grant of "2/3 of a league and a labor of land" in North Texas was affirmed. This grant became known as the Davis Survey and amounted to 3,129 acres. William Davis donated 120 acres of his land to the McKinney commissioners to be used to create the town's center. Mr. Davis was no philanthropist, however. Shortly after he made his donation, he abandoned his wife and child and went to California in search of gold. Though Mr. Davis was one of Collin County's largest land owners, at the time of his death in 1868, his second wife and child were left destitute with only a few acres of the original tract to their name.



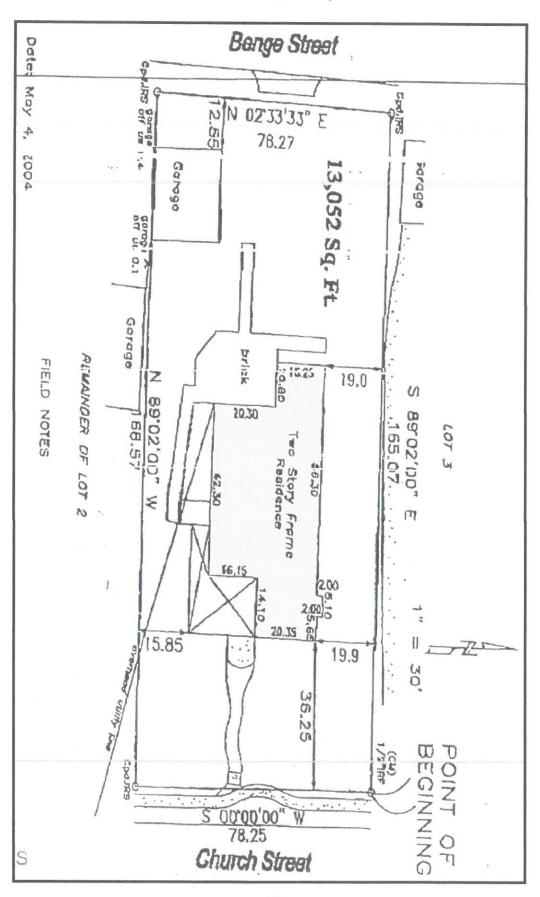
The Sanborn Maps above show that the McKey House was one of the last to be built on Church Street. The lot that James and Anne McKey purchased in 1909 prior to the tract being subdivided was not built on until 1919.



The map above shows the neighborhood around 615 North Church Street. The aerial photo below shows the immediate neighborhood near the intersection of Heard and North Church Street.



Site Plan for 615 North Church (2017)



Floor Plan

This plan shows the McKey House as it currently exists. Originally built in 1919.

