

GEORGE C. CONOLY

George C. Conoly was born in Robinson County, N. C., in 1861. He came to Worth County when seventeen years old with his uncles, William H. and John G. McPhaul. He worked for them in the turpentine business, which work he followed all his life. At that time Worth County was one vast virgin forest of pine trees, and was considered one of the finest fields of operation in the whole country. Turpentine was a great business in the early history of Worth and attracted many fine people from the "Old North State," now known as pioneers in the turpentine and saw mill industry of the county.

Mr. Conoly hauled the first load of lumber used in building the first house in Sylvester. He made a trip back to North Carolina with his uncle, John G. McPhaul, and brought back with him his father, Wm. J. Conoly, and family. His mother, before her marriage, was Margaret Ann McPhaul. Their children were:

Millard F., George C., Henry W., McPhaul, Cephus L., Sallie C., Margaret Ann, and Polly.

All of the children married into prominent families of Worth County, except Polly, who is unmarried.

Mr. George C. Conoly married Mary M. Harris of Americus, Ga., in 1888, and reared five boys and one daughter. Their children are:

W. Hugh, married first to Etta Spears who died, later marrying Maude Beasley; Cleveland, married to Bessie Chatfield; Luther H., married to Mrs. Mac Pittman Sumner; Oren, married to Lucile Merritt; and Mary, married to Wm. C. Martin.

HENRY WILLIAM CONOLY

Henry William Conoly was born in Robinson County, N. C., April 18, 1866. He moved with his parents to Worth County when scarcely grown. Like most North Carolinians, he was interested in the turpentine business, but gave a good portion of his time to farming.

He married Sarah Lucy Sumner, daughter of Joseph L. Sumner and Josephine (Thornhill) Sumner, November 19, 1891. Their children are:

William L., married to Selmon Gosdowski in Panama Canal Zone, Estelle, married to Laurel Hardin; Marie, married to