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Pintlala Baptist Church



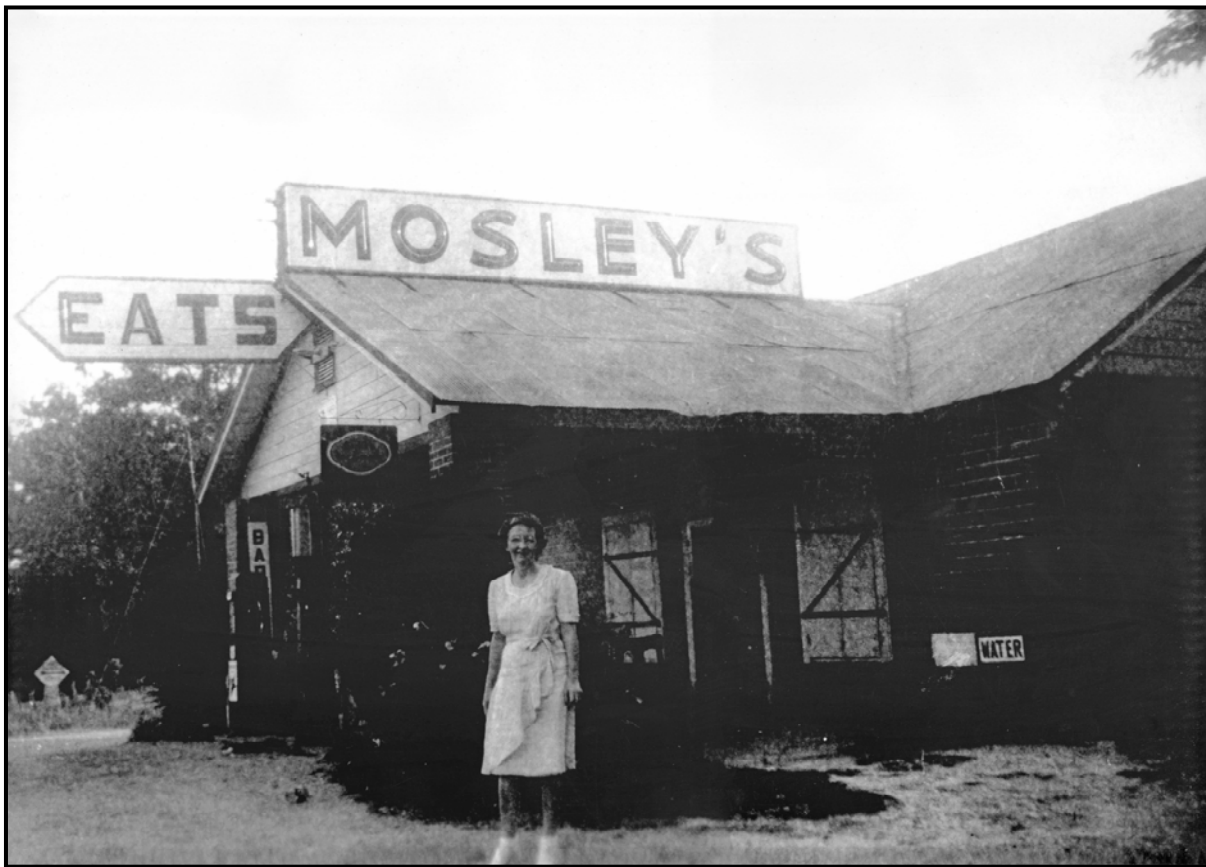
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## Lula Mae Mosley in front of post -1928 Mosley's Store



Date unknown, Photo courtesy Mosley's Store

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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

### Part Of Old Federal Road Is Closed

I was concerned when Mark Dauber notified me about the closure of Old Federal Road. The Montgomery County Commission had voted to “vacate” the end of the Old Federal Road. Just south of the Tabernacle Church is a locked gate spanning the iconic road which was travelled by thousands of early settlers into this part of Alabama and beyond. Commissioned by Thomas Jefferson in 1803, the legendary road’s construction was completed in 1811 at Pintlala, or very close. The backstory to that event is moving. The well worn trading path had serviced William Bartram, the naturalist, and then it morphed into a postal road, then a war road, and it accommodated early settlers possessed by Alabama Fever. Aaron Burr, under arrest, was brought by military escort through Pintlala and probably stayed at Sam Moniac’s tavern and lodging, as did Lorenzo and Peggy Dow.

It is easy to romance the road. Mark Dauber’s photography is breathtaking. Much more could be told about the archaeology and books written.

The McPherson Cemetery is not far from where the road had ended. I think it was the only means of access.

How much of the old remote road is no longer public? Not much. The road we cannot see is .56 of a mile. We will miss the large trees laden with Spanish moss, the pond almost at road level, the embankments probably made when wagon wheels were throwing dirt aside. At the County line was the old Throne Church, now unattended and vandalized.

The notice to vacate was posted for four weeks in the *Montgomery Independent* and other documents can be found on the website for the Montgomery County Commission. The other related documents are attached to the agenda, July 6, 2020.

Gary Burton, President  
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A New End To The Road

**KNOWN BURIALS IN THE McPHERSON CEMETERY**

Alexander Bowen McPherson  
8 February 16 – 17 March 1864

Ann Haseltine Judson McPherson  
2 August 1846 – 10 June 1854

Daniel Webster McPherson  
11 September 1861 – 19 April 1886

Julia Frances McPherson  
27 September 1851 – 8 November 1868

Matilda Ann Moseley McPherson  
12 January 1825 – 26 October 1855

D.W. McPherson  
11 September 1861 – 19 April 1886

Levi Owen  
28 June 182? – 13 June 1854

**PHA Program for April**

Pintlala Historical Association will meet on April 25, 2021 at 2:30 at Pintlala Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. The program will be presented by our friends Carole King and Karren Pell. They have published their fourth book on Montgomery related history. The newest book completed in 2020 is Classic Restaurants of Montgomery. It is a fun read that takes us down memory lane!

Carole, along with the late Mary Elizabeth Johnson Huff, has recently published *Alabama Quilts: Wilderness through World War II-1682-1950*. Carole will give an overview of this publication and will also touch on the Rescued Relics shop connected with Old Alabama Town.

Carole has been the curator of historic properties at Landmarks Foundation in Montgomery with whom she has worked for thirty years! Karren performs in a bi-monthly live show The Old Alabama Town Revue. This has been a performance project for the past twelve years.

Please join us along with your mask and proper seating distance as we attempt to get the PHA back on gathering in person! We have missed all of you!



Carole King and Karren Pell display books

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**IN MEMORIAM**

Charles Shelby Reddoch  
1943-2021

**DUES REMINDER**

Since we did not meet in person in January 2021, a lot of you forgot that dues are received by Treasurer, Ina Slade, at that January meeting. Please look through your check books to see if you need to write a \$15.00 check to Pintlala Historical Association. It will be appreciated and help us continue producing newsletters for our membership. Thank you!

## Pintlala 4-H Club Memories from the Early 1950s from *the Montgomery Advertiser*

Compiled by Alice Carter

One day this past summer I found a packet of newspaper clippings left in my mailbox from my friend and PHA member, Beverly Poole Ming. They are reproduced for your enjoyment in this edition of the PHA Newsletter. Thank you Beverly!

“Holding the Reins” from Sunday, February 18, 1951, *The Montgomery Advertiser*

### Pintlala 4-H Projects Cited

HOPE HULL, ALA., Feb. 17—Members of both the boys' and girls' sections of Pintlala 4-H Club have accomplished outstanding projects since reorganization of the groups in October for the current school year.

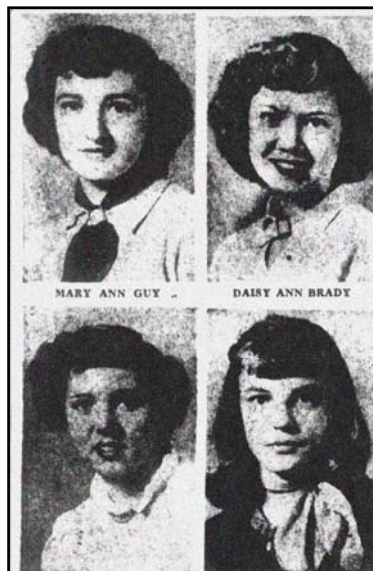
Right now, representatives of both groups are thinking ahead to the Fat Stock Show in March and the Dairy Cattle Show later in the year.

The boys' group is studying beef cattle in February under the supervision of Assistant County Agent Bob I. Bright, with particular emphasis on feeding and fine points on exhibiting their animals at the show. Two members, James Collier, club president, and his brother, Carter Collier, are grooming beef calves for the show.

In March, emphasis will be on cotton, because planting time will be nearing, and because cotton is in the limelight at present with unprecedented production demands from the government. Gardens will be the study for April, and most members are expected to have garden projects.

When May comes, all thoughts will be turned to dairy calves, as about 10 members expect to exhibit in the 1951 dairy show.

Before Christmas, the boys studied hog production, fish pond construction and management, and poultry.



HOLDING THE REINS and directing the destinies of the Pintlala 4-H Club boys' and girls' sections, are: Left to right (top row), James Collier, president, boys' group; Riley Etheridge, reporter; Jack Boyd, secretary-treasurer; Kenneth Golson, reporter. Second row: Lamar Hall, Billy Cleghorn, song leaders; Etta Cleghorn, games leader, of the girls' club; Bobbie Nell Bozeman, song leader. Third row: Mary Ann Guy, president; Daisy Ann Brady, vice-president; Clair Hall, secretary-treasurer; Dorothy Duggar, reporter.

"Awards Made As Dairy Show is Concluded" from September 22, 1951, *The Montgomery Advertiser*

## Awards Made As Dairy Show Is Concluded

### 10 Junior Exhibitors To Receive Free Trips To Memphis Exhibition

By MILDRED SMITH

The fifth annual Montgomery Dairy Show was concluded Friday with award of honors and trophies to junior and adult winners.

Top awards, trips to the All-American Jersey Show, opening in Memphis, Tenn., Monday, were won by 10 junior exhibitors.

Four of the winners were from Montgomery County. They were Don Hall, Jr., Frances Faulkner and Betty Hall of Snowdown, and David Latham, Ramer.

Other winners were: Louis Johnson, and V. L. Keeble, Elmore County; Faye Aven, Butler County; Ralph Bearden, Shirley Bearden, Doris McNabb, Shelby County.

One of the winners, Shirley Bearden, was the grand championship winner in the junior division of the dairy show, and another, Betty Hall, was winner of the junior championship in the junior and open divisions for Jersey junior calves.

#### Senior Division

Joe Minter, Camp Hill, a former 4-H championship holder, won the grand championship in the senior division of the dairy show.

Montgomery County's 4-H judging team walked away with top honors and a silver trophy. Members of the team were: Frances Faulkner, Hal Harris and Ken Thigpen of Snowdown and David Latham of Ramer.

Elmore County was awarded a banner for showmanship.

Elmore County also received a citation for having the best kept exhibit. Chilton County placed second, and Shelby County, third.

All exhibitors received cash awards. Money for the junior exhibitors of registered Jerseys and Guernseys was contributed by the Montgomery County Board of Revenue, the Alabama Agricultural Center, Liberty National Life Insurance Company, and Alabama Power Company.

Money for awards to Alabama breeders was contributed by the Montgomery County Board of

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## Awards Made

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Revenue and the Alabama Agricultural Center.

### One Of Top Three

Wynne Coleman of Greensboro, whose exhibit placed first in the Jersey two-year-olds, had reason to be the happiest boy in the show.

Judge Ted Best, who has been judging national shows all over the United States, said Coleman's exhibit, Walnut View Basil's Marge, was one of the three finest in her class that he had seen, and predicted a great future for the cow.

Sanitary Dairy, Dothan, won first place in senior yearling heifers; Frances Faulkner, Snowdown, second place; Ralph Bearden, Helena, third place, and Don Hall, Jr., Snowdown, fourth place.

Mary Henrietta Davis, Dothan, won first place in junior yearling heifers; Norman Glasscock, second; Don Hall, Jr., Snowdown, third; and Lemuel Morrison, fourth.

Ralph Bearden, Helena, won first place in junior calves; Don Hall, Jr. Snowdown, second place; Sanitary Dairy, Dothan, third place; and Anne Golson, Montgomery, fourth place.

Betty Hall, Snowdown, won first place in senior calves; Wynne Coleman, Greensboro, second place; Joe Minter, Camp Hill, third place; and Jane Myers, Snowdown, fourth place.

Wynne Coleman placed first in two-year-old cows; Louis Johnson, Elmore County, second; Ralph Bearden, Shelby County, third; and Sanitary Dairy, Dothan, fourth.

Joe Minter, Camp Hill, placed first in the open division of three-year-olds; Ralph Bearden, second; Sanitary Dairy, third; and Hazel Colquitt, fourth.

Bobby Pierce, Galion, placed first in the open division, aged cows; H. L. and W. E. Wilkinson, Pinson, second; Joe Minter, Camp Hill, third; and Shirley Bearden, Helena, fourth.

Frances Bearden won first place in produce of dam, Jersey division; Betty Hall placed second; H. L. Wilkinson, third; and Joe Minter, fourth.

J. E. Bearden placed first in get of sire, Jersey division. Hall Brothers placed second; J. E. Bearden, third, and H. L. Wilkinson, fourth.

“Cream of Dairy Show” from September 22, 1951, *The Montgomery Advertiser*

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**CREAM OF DAIRY SHOW**—Top award winners (upper photo) in the Fifth Annual Montgomery Dairy Show, sponsored by the Chamber of Commerce, were 10 4-H Club members who won trips to the All-American Jersey Show in Memphis next week. They were (left to right), back row: Don Hall, Jr., Louis Johnson, Frances Faulkner, V. L. Keeble, David Latham, Fay Aven, Ralph Bearden. Front row: Shirley Bearden, Doris McNabb, Betty Hall.

“The 1951 Dairy Show is Past” from Sunday, September 23, 1951, *The Montgomery Advertiser*

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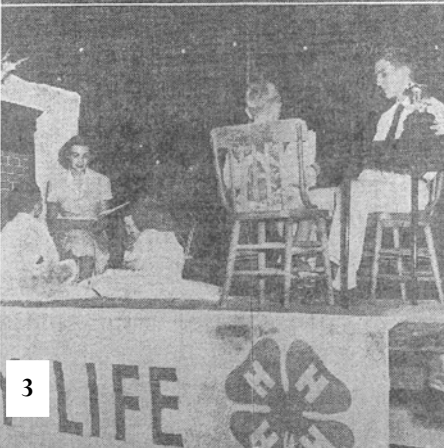
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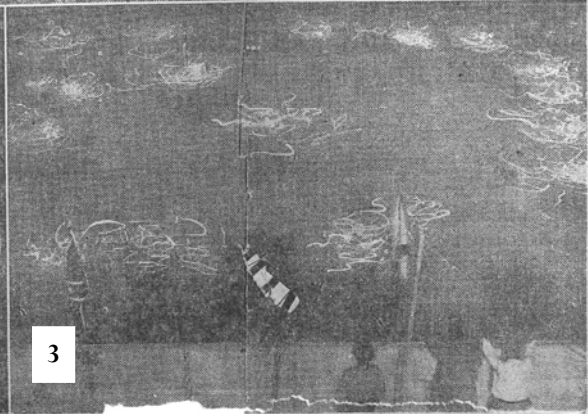
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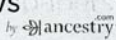
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**THE 1951 DAIRY SHOW IS PAST** but the memory of fine cattle, winsome boys and girls, and adult lovers of championship animals will linger on. Among those who painted indelible pictures in the hearts and minds of Montgomery people were: Top row: (left) Wynne Coleman, the Greensboro boy who exhibited a Jersey heifer said by Judge Ted Besh to be one of the three finest two-year olds in the United States, and for whom he predicted a great future. (Center), Montgomery

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County's judging team which took top honors and a silver trophy. The members are: Ken Thigpen, David Latham, Frances Faulkner and Hal Harris. Latham is from Ramer and the other three from Snowdoun. (Right), Betty Hall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Hall of Snowdoun, whose calf took championship honors in the Junior Jersey calf division and also in open competition with adult exhibitors. Bottom row: (left), the family life tableau presented by Montgomery County 4-H

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Clubs in the pageant Thursday night. In the tableau were Jennings Hall, Frances Hall, Kate Young and Bernard Young around the mantel, and Terry McPherson and Ed Young in the chairs. (Center), Mary, Alice Herren, Tallassee, was chosen Dairy Queen of the district show. (Right), scene from a square dance in the dark by 4-H members with flashlights fastened on the wrists. (The camera did not record images of the dancers.) (Staff Photos by Kraus.)

"Accident Fatal to Fleta Youth" from Saturday, February 23, 1952,  
*The Montgomery Advertiser*



**JOHN REDDOCH, JR.**

## Accident Fatal To Fleta Youth

John Reddoch, Jr., a 17-year-old high school senior, was killed yesterday near his home in Fleta community as he apparently lost control of the motorcycle he was riding.

Reddoch was the co-president of the Montgomery County 4-H Club Council and had been active in 4-H and Future Farmer affairs. He attended Montgomery County High School at Ramer.

The youth was reported to have been alive when he was found but was dead on arrival at a Montgomery hospital, according to the State Highway Patrol.

Survivors include his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John A. Reddoch, and a brother, Charles Reddoch.

Funeral services will be held from the Mount Carmel Methodist Church at 3 p.m. today with the Revs. Rual Morris and M. L. Heaton officiating. Burial will follow in the Hickory Grove Cemetery with White Chapel directing.



## Mosley's Store: Century old Business Provides Service to Pintlala Community

Alice Carter

### Brief Moseley/Mosley Family History

**Note:** The early Moseley settlers to Montgomery County spelled their name with two "e" letters. Later local family members omitted the first "e". The commonly accepted spelling for the family is Mosley.

Edward Moseley and wife Martha Butler Moseley of Edgefield District, South Carolina migrated to Montgomery County, Alabama in 1818. He would have been the first Moseley to settle in the Pintlala area. One of their children was Anderson Waid/Wade Moseley (1801-1870) who married Rebecca McLemore and they lived in the Tabernacle area of the community. One male offspring of Wade and Rebecca was Adkin McLemore Moseley (1828-1895) who in 1872 built a home on what is now referred to as Pintlala Old Road and is the current residence of Austin Wilsford and his family. Adkin M. Moseley married Martha Jane Canady in 1856. They had eight children, one of whom was Anderson William Mosley (1867-1928). He married Sallie Clanton Ballard in 1889; this union produced twelve children.



Moseley, Powell, Wilsford Home Original home of Adkin McLemore Moseley and wife, Martha Jane Canady and their eight children, built 1872. Photo courtesy Gary Burton

Anderson was an industrious man, if not by nature then certainly by necessity, in order to support his large family. The Mosley family managed several small industries such as a gin, grist mill, saw mill and store near their property at the Adkin Moseley home place according to Clanton Mosley in *Mosley: A Family History*. Farmers in the late 1800s had to be independent and self-sufficient. With the dawning of the twentieth century, in 1902 these various family businesses were moved farther north to property near the Federal Road and Mobile Highway/31 intersection. The busy location has been referred to in a past era as Bonham's Crossroads. The property to where the Mosley businesses were moved is in 2021 the home to Pintlala Baptist Church campus. Wilbur Clanton Mosley, Jr. (1938-2007) was a frequent visitor to his ancestral Pintlala home. He shared in *Mosley: A Family History* his childhood memories of playing in the sawdust pile, which was a remnant of the Mosley saw mill located about where the Pintlala Baptist Church sits today.



Anderson William Mosley, ca.1920  
Photo from *Mosley: a Family History* by  
Clanton Mosley, 1995

The Bonham family has an interesting and colorful history in the Pintlala area and was among its early settlers. (See *PHA Newsletter*, January 2006) This study of Mosley's Store is connected to the Bonham's through Sallie Mosley's mother, Ellen Bonham Ballard, who died when Sallie was only two years old. Ellen's sister Ann Bonham Killough fulfilled the death-bed request by Ellen to raise Sallie. Written records and local history for the Bonham family are sketchy with a mention here and there in various references. *The Federal Road Through Georgia, the Creek Nation, and Alabama, 1806-1836* by Henry DeLeon Southerland, Jr. and Jerry Elijah Brown references Bonham's as a location at Snowdown, Alabama. More contemporary researchers believe this to be in Pintlala instead. Southerland and Brown state that a tavern was built there in 1820. Mrs. Bonham, who hosted the tavern for travelers on the Federal Road, was described by one visitor as "the worst tempered American female" he had encountered. Which Mrs. Bonham this was cannot be determined. Franklin Shackelford Moseley in his booklet written in 1927, *Family Tree*, supports the location of a Bonham Tavern and describes it as located on the Mosley Store site. Other records taken from *George Shackelford; Annette Jeter and Descendants* by E. M. Shackelford and F. S. Moseley, in 1941, note that there was a Bonham store that stood just south of Mrs.

Moseley's store and an early public school taught by Miss Bettie Bonham was in that store. A definitive location for the Bonham Store has not been documented by this writer. Clanton Mosley wrote that Carrol Mosley and Lula Mae Mosley inherited no property from their father, Anderson William Mosley's estate. In 1950, prior to the 1954 death of Sallie, she divided her portion of family land between Carrol and Lula Mae Mosley Tyre. Carrol built a brick home adjacent to the Mosley Store in the early 1950s. Clanton Mosley wrote in his book, *Mosley: a Family History*, that John Bonham had built a log house on this site in the early 1800s. John Bonham was the great grandfather of Carrol and Lula Mae through their mother's line. This still does not document the store location, but leads this writer to believe it was near by and possibly at the site of the current store.

Children of Anderson and Sallie Mosley bring to mind many Mosley descendants some of whom remained in the local area and are remembered by older residents of the county: Carrie Bonham Mosley Newell, George Adkin Mosley,

(Sheriff of Montgomery Co. for 15 years), Estelle Mosley Armstrong, Annie Killough Mosley

Chesnut, Hugh Gallagher Mosley, Wilbur Clanton Mosley, Sr., Lula Mae Mosley Tyre, Carrol Ballard Mosley (1909-1985). Anderson William Mosley died in February, 1928 at Memorial Hospital located on High Street in Montgomery with his daughter, Lula Mae Mosley at his bedside. After the death of his father, Carrol Ballard Mosley (1909-1985) became deeply involved with running Mosley's Store and the family's agricultural interests. His sister Lula Mae was involved also.



ANDERSON MOSLEY WITH SON CARROL AND GRANDSON DURWOOD NEWELL (1912)

Photo from *Mosley: a Family History* by Clanton Mosley, 1995

## MOSLEY'S STORE IS RAZED BY BLAZE

Fire Believed To Have Been Of Incendiary Origin; Loss Is Fixed At \$3,500

Fire believed to have been of incendiary origin completely destroyed the store operated by Mrs. A. W. Mosley on the Mobile Road Tuesday night about 10:30 o'clock. The loss was estimated at \$3,500, part of which was covered by insurance.

Deputy Sheriff G. A. Mosley, son of Mrs. Mosley, who conducted an investigation said the fire started at a kerosene oil tank which exploded and spread the flames to all parts of the building. The fire had gained such headway when it was discovered that it was impossible to save the store or its contents, it was stated.

Mrs. Mosley closed her business last night about 8 o'clock as customary and retired for the evening, Mr. Mosley said.

The fire department extinguished a fire of undetermined origin at the residence occupied by Carrie Poster, negro woman, at 13 Sheridan Drive early yesterday morning. The damage was given at between \$75 and \$100. The woman told officials she believed the house was set afire.

### Store History

A mere six months after Anderson's death in 1928, the frame store burned. When the frame store had been built is another unanswered question. Perhaps it was in 1902 when the businesses from the Adkin Moseley property were moved to the current site of Pintlala Baptist Church. 1928 was most certainly a difficult year for the Mosley family.

A second store was constructed at the crossroads intersection after the 1928 fire. Was the first store of 1902 located on the Baptist Church Campus or at the store site of today? The answer is unknown. The exact date for the second store's completion is unknown; likely between 1929-1930. (See cover photograph)

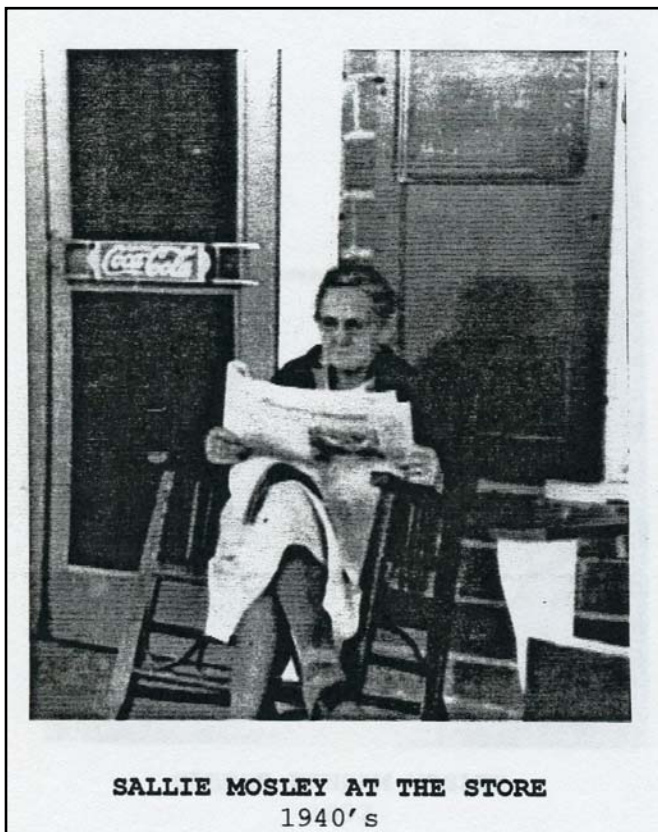
Members of the Mosley family had fond memories of the frame store. Miriam Chesnut Cochran remembered that it was dark in-

side with high ceilings. There was a wire cage type area in the center of the store where the books and business transactions were kept. She remembered her grandfather, Anderson, working in the set-off space. A small frame shed-type building behind the frame store of 1928 served the family as a temporary store until another could be built in the same location.

In the early 1930s the new block store complete with a kitchen, bathrooms, a well featuring a pump, and a picnic area a bit north (about where the lawn equipment business is in 2021) of the store were completed. Christmas was special for the family as many came home to visit and enjoy a meal on tables that were stretched out in the store groaning with holiday treats. Clanton Mosley recalled the front porch of the store as a family gathering spot where Miss Sallie had many pots of beautiful blooming flowers. Sugar cane and peanuts were available for snacking. A cold drink box stored watermelons in the summer time. Gas pumps operated by hand had glass tanks on top to measure the gallons purchased. Mosley cousins, Harold and Durward Newell, aided with projects such as a primitive burglar alarm and the joint Mosley-Newell business of tourist cabins across the highway (in front of the Baptist parsonage). The cousin's mother, Carrie Mosley Newell, would come to the store on Friday evenings to collect rent from the cabin customers. The store had a kitchen in the rear of the building and Lula Mae, Pearl Britt Mosley (wife of Carrol, married in 1937) and Cora Taylor who was employed by the Mosleys for many years prepared meals for purchase. Lula Mae and Cora were known for their barbeque sandwiches. The Mosley family continued to run the store until 1950 when they began to lease the store to various proprietors. A complete list has been assembled except for two years in 1959-1960.



Mosley's Store (ca. 1930) with plants and flowers grown by Sallie Mosley after fire of 1928. Photo Courtesy of Gary Burton



**SALLIE MOSLEY AT THE STORE**  
1940's

Sallie Ballard Mosley on porch of Mosley's Store reading daily newspaper in the 1940s. Photo from *Mosley: a Family History* by Clanton Mosley, 1995

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**Proprietors:**

**1950-1951:** Clyde Eugene (Jimmy) Hall— Jimmy Hall has been featured in an earlier *PHA Newsletter* (January 2017, V. XXXI, #1, p.7) as a member of the Hope Hull Play Boys, a local band in which he was a fiddle player and the groups "clown." He was brother of Alton Hall, husband of Thelma (Peggy) Hall who bought the lease from Jimmy in 1952 and ran the store with their daughter Elizabeth (Liz) Hall Hudgins.

**1952-1954: Peggy and Liz Hall**

Liz Hall Hudgins beside auto at Mosley's Store which she helped her mother run from 1952-1954. Photo courtesy Jerrie Burton



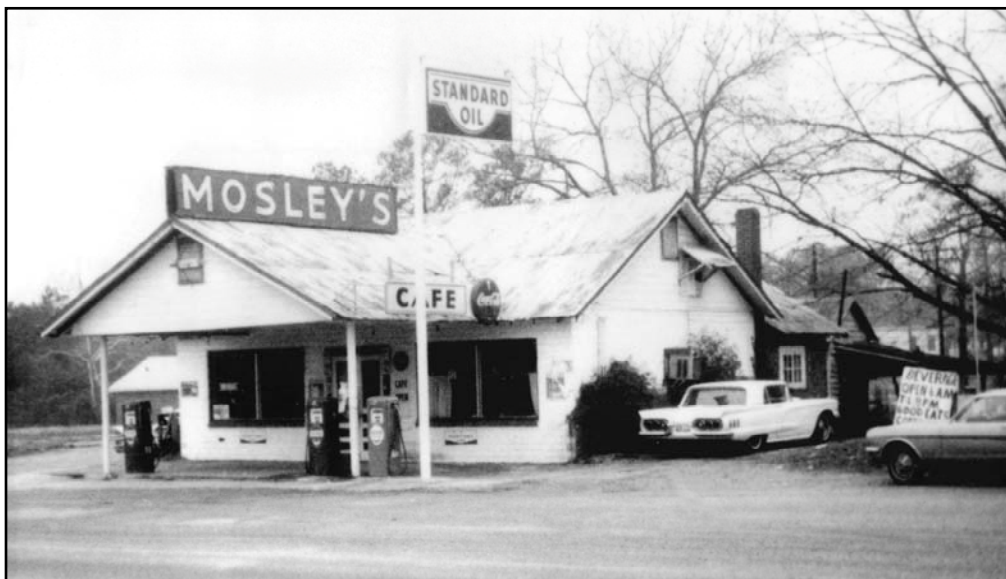
Liz Hall and Thelma (Peggy) Hall at Mosley's Store which they ran from 1952-1954. Photo courtesy Jerrie Burton

**1955-1958:** Jesse and Estelle Bush ran the store for approximately four years. Jesse was the father of Tom and the late Wallace Bush of Hope Hull. Tom remembers working at the store.

**1959-1960:** Unknown—If any readers have an idea, please let us know!

**1961-1974:** Dence and Gladys Montgomery were proprietors for 13 years.

**1974-1976:** Bill Smith ran the store for two years.



Mosley's Store during the time of Dence and Gladys Montgomery—The Thunderbird was Dence's car and is a 1960 model. The other car is likely a Mustang perhaps a 1964 model. The Montgomery's ran the store from 1961-1974. Photo courtesy of Pat and Wayne Hatcher

**1976 to present day, 2021:** Wayne and Pat Hatcher first leased the store from the Mosley family in 1976. At this time services provided at Mosley's Store included gas, groceries including a meat market and auto repair including a car lift. Wayne was experienced running a service station so his next step forward was auto repair. Their pleasant personalities, caring attitudes and business fairness made for a successful business. Tony Fischer came onboard at the store in 1979. The two men jointly expanded the business to include small motor sales and service. The small motor sales were mainly lawn maintenance equipment, chain saw sales and repair. This operation, too, has been a success. The work-load was heavy so areas of expertise were

divided. Wayne focused on the automotive services while Tony centered his talents on the small motor business. The Grey Rabbit gift shop was established by the late Lisa Hatcher and moved into Mosley's Store in 2010. It is now managed by Pat Hatcher and Kellie Lyndall. It is a great convenience for shoppers needing a gift for someone special or just a treat for one's self!



Mosley's Store around 1961 with the Montgomery's being the storekeepers. The car has been identified as a 1953 Chevrolet. Photo courtesy of Pat and Wayne Hatcher

Clyde Anderson Mosley, son of Carrol and Pearl, provided a history of legal transactions, in his possession, for the store property. In 1967 a small amount of property was deeded to the State of Alabama so that the intersection of Highway 31 and Federal Road could be enlarged and a traffic signal could be installed. This made it necessary to move the store building several yards north. A new block building was erected in 1968 in its still functional 2021 location. Pearl Mosley died, Carrol Mosley remarried to Mary Dunn, then Carrol passed away the day after Christmas in 1985. The store property was deeded to Clyde Anderson Mosley in 1992. He lived out of state and overseeing the property was not practical. In October 1997 he sold the store property to H and F Properties, LLC (Hatchers and Fischer). In the same year legal terms were drawn up to ensure that the store would retain the name "Mosley's Store."

So many memories of so many individuals are intertwined with the century-plus institution. The current store proprietors are top heavy with their own memories and stories. Wayne shared an amusing incident, which took place after the death of Carrol Mosley. One day while working outside the store building, Wayne kept hearing a woman's voice calling his name. He looked all around the store for someone who was seeking his attention. After a period of searching, he realized that Mary Mosley was calling him from a window at her nearby home. She had become locked in her bathroom and could not extricate herself. Wayne came to her rescue and freed the lady in distress! Unusual to say the least!

Between 1993-1995 President George W. Bush, friend of PHA members Ray and Susan Scott, came to the Scott's beautiful and well-stocked lake to fish. Through the generosity of the Bass Angler's Sportsmen Organization founded by Scott, many professional and amateur fishermen participated in fishing tournaments, which provided funds for Scott's church, Pintlala Baptist, to enlarge its facilities. The Secret Service Agency does a magnificent job of protecting the President of the United States. This includes the Advance Team who pave the way for Presidential visits. The group sent to Pintlala found their way to our country store and its lunch counter. The staff at Mosley's Store got an education in protecting the nations leader. Interesting for both sides of this operation!



Staff of Mosley's Store at the lunch counter on March 26, 2021. L to R: Back Row: Thom Christian, Tony Fischer, Wayne Hatcher, Joe Hatcher. Front Row: Kellie Lyndall and Pat Hatcher. Photo courtesy Gary Burton

One of the most frightening days at Mosley's Store took place on the morning of November 15, 2006. This was a day when one of Alabama's tornadoes came barreling through Pintlala. The path of the storm swept behind the store where Kellie Lyndall, Joe Hatcher, two delivery persons, the Pintlala Route mail carrier and a local customer were hunkered down inside the business. Kellie closed all of the doors and announced that everyone must stay put until the storm passed. Damage to property around the store be-



Mosley's Store as of March 11, 2021. Photo courtesy Gary Burton

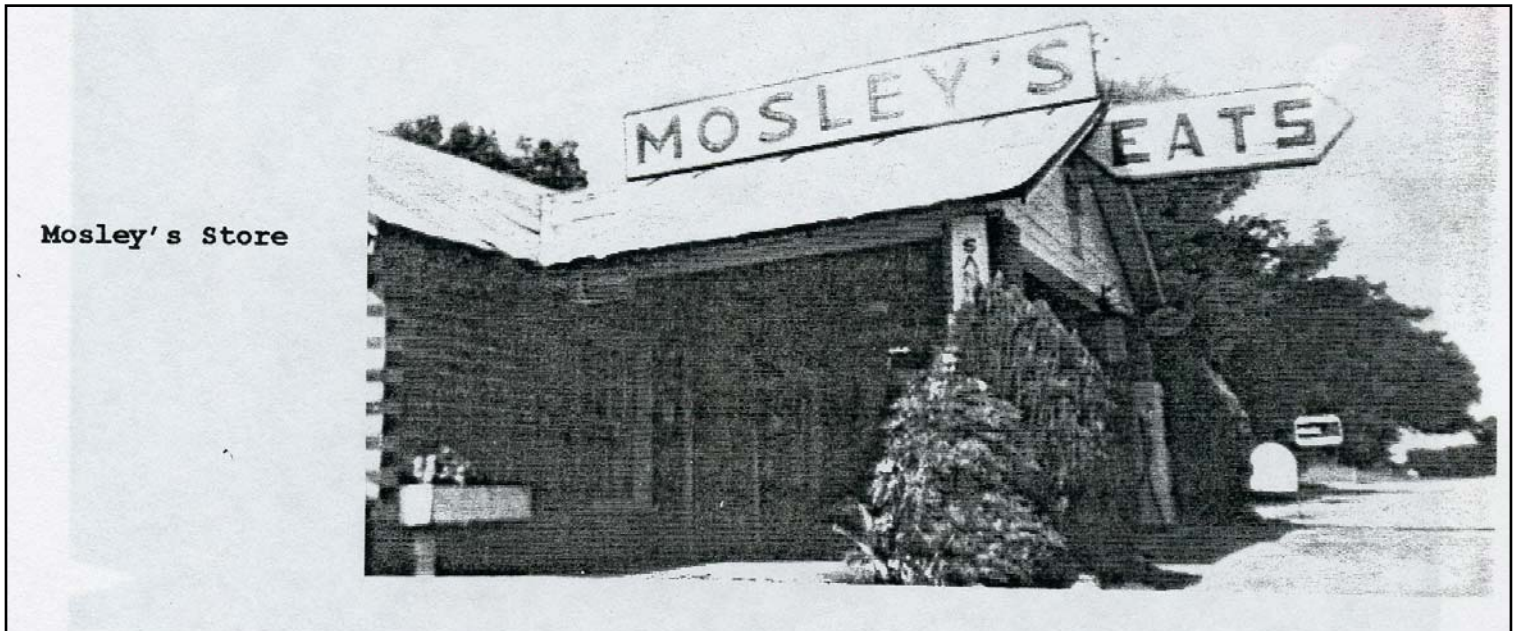
came evident in the hours following, but Mosley's Store was unharmed! Trees were down behind Pintlala School and the Mosley, Luckie, Tankersley Cemetery on Tabernacle Road was not visible through the jumble of trees which had been downed in the small cemetery. Thanks for answered prayers at the Mosley Store!

Mosley's Store has and is not only a commercial enterprise but a support and communications system for the Pintlala community and surrounding areas of Montgomery County. Fortunately for local residents the Hatcher and Fischer business owners are big-hearted compassionate people who seemingly never tire of crazy questions from their clients such as: Has the mail been delivered yet? Is your power out? An ambulance just went by my house, is everyone o.k.? The lunch counter inside the store which serves tasty hotdogs, coffee and snacks from the store stock, also

serves as a place to share personal problems to friendly, listening ears that are not judgmental.

Children have learned many lessons at the store. Given petty change with which to shop has led to decisions on managing ones money. Honesty is another lesson learned at the store. Clyde Mosley recalled that as a youngster living temptingly close to a ready supply of treats, he once took something without paying. On arriving back home, he was found out and was sent back to the store to admit his error and pay up! Later during the Hatcher years, "Miss Pat" developed a nice way of letting parents and grandparents know of miss-judgements by children. It takes a village to raise a family as the saying goes!

Residents of Pintlala can only hope for another one hundred years of enterprise at "the store." Thanks to the crew that keeps us all running, literally and figuratively!



Mosley's Store built after the 1928 fire. Note David Hornady hiding in a bush near the gas pumps. Date of picture unknown.  
Photo from *Mosley: a Family History* by Clanton Mosley, 1995

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