

Avery Negro town

Excerpts of the Census from National Archives and Records Administration via Ancestry.com (Above) Excerpt of the 1940 Census Labeling "Avery Negro Town" in Stevenson (Below) Excerpt of 1930 Census Record Showing Emery E. Buckner Owning a Farm (Bottom) Excerpt of 1930 Census Record Showing George Tally, Willey Grimes, and Lee Harris Owning Farms on Dixie Highway

what is reflected in the various names provided on the 1940s census records.

Stevenson Rosenwald School*

Stevenson had one of three Rosenwald schools in Jackson County. It was located east of downtown between East 2nd Street and Old Mount Carmel Road in Avery/New Town. The Rosenwald School was expanded and renamed J. E. Drake School by 1967. The original building is gone and the present-day Stevenson Elementary School is now in that

location. The school was constructed about 1920 as a two-teacher, two-room schoolhouse. It cost a total of \$2,800 - considerably more than the other two Jackson County Rosenwald schools. The African American community contributed \$1,350, while the Rosenwald Fund covered \$800, and the county paid \$650.

Fort Harker

The Union Army occupied Stevenson from 1862 until the end of the war and Fort Harker was designed

and constructed by Union troops to protect the town from Confederate attacks. Located about a half mile southwest of the Stevenson depot, the fort consists mostly of a wall rising about 14 feet on top of a hill. It is roughly square with clay and earth walls and originally had 7 barbettes, a powder magazine, and a so-called bombproof keep. The defensive structure is named for Col. C. G. Harker, Army of the Ohio, 20th Brigade, who was in charge of Stevenson in the Spring of 1862. According to the National Register nomination, Col. Harker "impressed all Negroes

Form 12-a
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE--BUREAU OF THE CENSUS
FIFTEENTH CENSUS OF THE UNITED STATES: 1930
POPULATION SCHEDULE

State Alabama
County Jackson
Township or other division of county Cross Creek No. 7
Ward of city
Block No.
Unincorporated place
Institution
Enumerated by me on April 11, 1930, Larry H. G. G. G.

Enumeration District No. 36-9
Supervisor's District No. 2
Sheet No. 6A

| PLACE OF ABODE | NAME | RELATION | HOME DATA | PERSONAL DESCRIPTION | EDUCATION | PLACE OF BIRTH | | | MOTHER TONGUE (OR NATIVE LANGUAGE) OF FOREIGN BORN | CITIZENSHIP, ETC. | OCCUPATION AND INDUSTRY | | | EMPLOYMENT | VETERANS |
|----------------|------------------|----------|-----------|----------------------|----------------------|----------------|---------|---------|--|-------------------|-------------------------|----------|------|------------|----------|
| | | | | | | PERSON | FATHER | MOTHER | | | OCCUPATION | INDUSTRY | CODE | | |
| 48 101 | Buckner Emery E. | Head | | 48 M Neg 40 | 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | | | | | |
| | William | Wife | | 48 F Neg 36 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | | | | | |
| | Walter | Son | | 17 M Neg 7 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | | | | | |
| | Blanche | Daughter | | 17 F Neg 9 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | | | | | |
| | Edward P. | Son | | 17 M Neg 9 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | | | | | |
| 49 | Evans 499 | Const. | | 49 M Neg 79 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | | | | | |

Dixie High Way

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|----|------------|----------|-----------|----------------------|-----------|----------------|--|-------------------|-------------------------|------------|----------|
| 73 | Brink | Wife | | 73 F Neg 3 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 74 | William E. | Wife | | 74 F Neg 25 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 75 | Emery Lee | Head | | 75 M Neg 32 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 76 | Hester | Son | | 17 M Neg 13 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 77 | George | Head | | 77 M Neg 65 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 78 | Bennie | Wife | | 78 F Neg 60 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 79 | Ellen M. | Daughter | | 17 F Neg 20 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 80 | Sara | Daughter | | 17 F Neg 22 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 81 | Harmon | Son | | 17 M Neg 17 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 82 | Willey | Head | | 82 M Neg 43 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 83 | Gilchrist | Wife | | 83 F Neg 36 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 84 | Lee | Head | | 84 M Neg 50 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 85 | Hubert | Wife | | 85 F Neg 51 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 86 | Harmon | Son | | 17 M Neg 14 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 87 | Shelley | Son | | 17 M Neg 15 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 88 | Jessie May | Daughter | | 17 F Neg 14 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 89 | Maggie Lee | Daughter | | 17 F Neg 16 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 90 | Middle T. | Daughter | | 17 F Neg 12 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 91 | Harris | Head | | 91 M Neg 7 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |
| 92 | Mary M. | Wife | | 92 F Neg 7 | | Alabama | Alabama | Alabama | | | |

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- CEMETERIES
- CHURCHES
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- SCHOOLS
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