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(Above) Excerpt from 1910 Federal Census Showing Moore as a Mail Carrier (National Archives and Records Administrations via Ancestry.com) (Left) Page from Huntsville City Directory, 1911 Showing Chas C. Moore, Carrier (Note: the \* Denotes a Person of Color) (Ancestry.com)

occupation was a clerk, possibly at the post office. The historical marker at Glenwood Cemetery lists C.C. Moore, postman, as one of the significant individuals buried there. Local historian William Hampton has uncovered photographs of Moore, his mail cart, and his house.

# Roads Named after Local Landowners of Color

While researching landownership of people of color, it became apparent that several roads in Madison County have been named for the previous landowners. Many of the people of color who owned and farmed land in rural Madison County have had a new road on their property named for them, or an old road renamed in their honor. A few examples of this honor are outlined below.

#### Arnett Road

Arnett Road is outside Triana and leads to Arnett Cemetery. The land around the road and cemetery was owned by Samuel Arnett from at least 1870-1912. Arnett first owned 80 acres in 1870, on which he farmed corn, cotton, potatoes, and sweet potatoes alongside dairy cows, cattle, pigs, and a few horses and mules. After his death, the land was divided among his children, mostly his daughters. Lucy Patton (1851-1930), Henry Arnett (1853-1936), Kate Arnett (1857-1945), Virginia Lanier (1863-1957), twins Eliza Cowan (1867-1962) and Ellen Toney (1867-1958), and Louvenia Dawson (1872-1954). All recorded owning parcels of land around the Arnett Cemetery from 1920 until each of them either passed away or the land was bought by the U.S. government or the TVA.

### Beadle Lane

Beadle Lane, located north of Triana, is named for local farmer and landowner of color. Daniel W. Beadle (1856-1930). The road borders land owned by Beadle from at least 1870 until his death.

Beadle was already a successful farmer when he married Lou Williams in 1875. The 1870 agricultural census shows that he owned at least 20 acres where he farmed corn, tobacco, and cotton. He was elected Justice of the Peace for Precinct 7, around Triana, in August 1888. Beadle is buried on his land in a single grave cemetery. His headstone is a government-issued marker denoting his service as a Quartermaster Sargent of Company L of the 3rd Alabama Infantry in the Spanish-American War of 1898.

When Beadle passed away, he was living with his granddaughter in Madison. His estate was administrated by another man of color, farmer and landowner William Harris, and later, Harris's son, Oregon. It appears that Beadle's land was given to William Harris as payment for a debt. Harris also owned land adjacent to Beadle, which he passed onto son Oregon Harris upon his death. Oregon appears to have sold the land out of the family in 1935.

The road to the north of this property was renamed Beadle Lane. From at least 1864-1984, the road was named Balch Road, but was probably changed about 2010 when the large residential development now present on the former lands of Daniel W. Beadle was established.

#### Cary Lane

Located north of Triana, Cary Lane is located on land owned by William Harris in the early 20th century. William Harris (born 1866-c. 1931) was a farming landowner of color, and he owned at least 785 acres of land around Triana during the early 20th century. The census records from 1900-1920 confirm his landownership in the area. As a large landowner, he may have been able to provide loans to others in the community, such as Daniel Beadle, whose estate was given to Harris and his son upon Beadle's death as payment for a debt. William Harris had a daughter named Cary (born 1905).

