

son hangs in the Chamber of the Court of Appeals Frankfort, Kentucky. His opinions are found in the volumes of Kentucky Reports from 7th Ben Monroe, to 3rd Metcalf, and form a memorial to his memory more lasting even than marble or painting.

Judge Simpson was one of a family of six children, they being, Fannie, who married Samuel Taylor, Mary, who married James Thornton, Caro, who married Dr. John Mills, Elizabeth, now deceased, Robert, also deceased; and James, who married Ella Taylor.



R. RUDOLPH MENDER. Few names have meant more in the history of San Antonio, or have had accorded to them more honor, than that of Dr. Rudolph Menger. Throughout a long and active career Dr. Menger was not only foremost in medical activities, looking after the demands of an arduous practice, but took an outstanding part in all civic work, and particularly in his work as city physician demonstrated his deep devotion to the welfare of his city. Dr. Menger was a man of rare ability as a medical practitioner, and was also a profound student, keeping in close touch with all medical advancement. He contributed with frequency to medical journals, and on those occasions his articles were read with great interest by his confreres.

Dr. Rudolph Menger was born in San Antonio on the twenty-first of April, 1851, and was the son of Simon M. and Augusta Louisa Menger, both of whom were natives of Thuringia, Germany. They came to Texas in 1846, coming from Indianola, where they landed, to Comal County, where for some years they lived on a farm near New Braunfels. Mr. Menger, who had a thorough musical education in Germany, started a music school there, and later, after his removal to Bexar County, he conducted a similar school, also riding into San Antonio to give singing lessons. Still later he removed to Boerne, Texas, where he continued teaching music for several years. In 1858 he opened a soap factory, the first of its kind to be established in the Southwest, several of his sons being associated with him in this business, one son, Erick, conducting the business alone in later years. Another, August, went to Houston and engaged in business there until his death, in 1893. Mr. Menger's death occurred in 1892, at which time he had attained the ripe old age of eighty-two years, Mrs. Menger's death occurring a few years earlier. Dr. Menger obtained his elementary education in the old German-English school on South Alamo Street, in San Antonio, and later became a clerk in Kaltetey's Drug Store. Here he became interested in pharmacy, and under the tutelage of the proprietor began the study of this profession, which he pursued from 1866 until 1869, at which time he went to Germany and entered the University at Leipzig, Saxony, where he began the study of Medicine. He spent five years at this famous university, and in November, 1874, the M. D. Degree was conferred on him by that institution. He returned to the United States and San Antonio, and until 1875 was assistant surgeon in the United States Army, stationed here. He was then appointed City Physician, holding that office until 1881 when he resigned to enter practice. He built up a very large practice, devoting his time to his many patients, until 1892, when he again became City Physician.

During this period Dr. Menger effected many changes in the city hospital, greatly improving that institution, and under his direction it became a factor of importance in promoting civic welfare. Dr. Menger was also medical examiner for the New York Life Insurance Company for many years.

Dr. Menger was married in San Antonio in 1879, to Miss Barbara C. Menger, a native of San Antonio, and a daughter of William A. Menger, who who although of the same family name was not related to Dr. Menger. Mr. Menger was prominent in San Antonio life of his time, and erected the Menger Hotel, one of the finest hotels in the country and one of the most widely known. Mr. Menger also established the first brewery in San Antonio. Dr. and Mrs. Menger had eight children, Minnie, who married first William R. Hoffman, and after his death married Dr. William J. Schlosser; Edward, August, Louis, Gustave, Rudolph, Theodore, and Miss Margaret Menger. The sons have been prominent in San Antonio business circles for many years, several of them operating the Menger Apartments, one of the finest and most exclusive apartment houses in San Antonio and also the Hoffman-Hayman Coffee Co., on East Commerce Street. Dr. Menger's death occurred in 1921 at his home, on the corner of Cherry and East Commerce Street, the Menger home since 1890.

Dr. Menger was a man of genuine attainment, and had to an unusual extent a feeling of responsibility for the welfare of his fellows that found outlet in his many altruistic activities. His name will ever be linked with that of San Antonio, the city wherein he spent his life, and where his activities were productive of so much good.



DAVID G. KINCAID. To say that he was a pioneer, without further qualifying the statement, does not suffice to place David G. Kincaid in the history of Texas and San Antonio, for he took an active part in the development of this section during the early days, and his name is honored as one of the builders of the State. Mr. Kincaid was endowed in full measure with those sterling qualities that have ever characterized the men to whom Texas owes much of its prosperity, and he was one of those men who took his full share of responsibility, at a time when such men were in demand.

The Kincaid family came from Scotland to America in the early days and settled in Virginia. From Virginia they moved to Kentucky and there David G. Kincaid, son of David G. Kincaid, was born February 17, 1806. He removed to East Texas when a young man. Later, with his family, he started for California, but stopped seventeen miles east of San Antonio where he bought a farm and lived the remainder of his life.

Mr. Kincaid was married to Miss Talitha Adeline Davis, a daughter of John Davis. The latter was born in 1775, and his death occurred at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Kincaid, on the eighth day of February, 1858. Mrs. Kincaid was a native of Tennessee, born in Coffee County in 1814. She died on the fifth day of July, 1885. Mr. Kincaid died on the fifth day of February, 1871. Mr. and Mrs. Kincaid were the parents of six children, John M. Kincaid, Mary, Esther, Josephine, William Kincaid and Joseph M. Kincaid. Of these the eldest, John M. Kincaid, served through the Civil War.