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George W. Hively, age 20 and Sarah E. Taylor, age 18, were married in Roane Co., WV, 19 Sept. 1880 by Rev. Silas P. Whitney.

I find the Hively and Summers families in the 1900 census of Roane Co., WV. In 1910 Sarah Elizabeth Taylor-Hively is listed by herself & 3 children, Harper Dist. Roane Co. and Letha Summers and children are in same district, widow.

Roane County death register Letter "S" 26 April 1907, Robert Summers, age 47, farmer died of Gun Shot. B. A. Smith, MD, informant.

1910 Census Moundsville, Marshall Co., WV, WV Penitentiary.

April 16, 1910.

George W. Hively, age 50, married, Prisoner

Works in prison's whip factory as roller.

(My note: WV Penit. had the largest whip factory in the world in 1879, they had a wagon factory, a bakery, a shirt factory, a broom factory and even owned a farm and a coal mine, the prisoners worked in all of these operations.)

George W. Hively had been released from prison by the 1920 census. They were still in the Harper Dist. of Roane Co. with one son in household. George was listed as an Oil field laborer.

Death certificates are available on the WV Culture & History website for George W. and Sarah E. Hively, plus photos of their tombstones are on Find-a-Grave, Billy Hunt Cemetery in Roane Co., WV.