DON PEDRO AGUIRRE

(The history of the Aguirre family as gathered by Mrs. Geo. F. Kitt from his grandson, Higinio B. great grandson, Yjino and other records.)

The original emigrant to the U. S., Don Pedro Aguirre, born in Mexico, probably in the State of Chihuahua, at least he lived there for many years and at one time owned a tract of land sixty miles square. But the government looked on with a jealous eye, there was much quarreling and the Government finally confiscated the whole of the land. So Don Pedro moved to Las Cruces, New Mexico, bringing with him one hundred thirty families who had lived on his property for years and were dependent upon him.

On Nov. 19, 1855, in the 3rd Judicial District of New Mexico, he took out his papers of naturalization and became a very loyal American citizen. He believed thoroughly in education and, while most of his children had been born in Mexico, he sent them all to the eastern states to school.

While still in Mexico he married Maria de Refugio Mendoza of Resales who died October 17, 1849. On Dec. 24, 1851, he married Maria Sarrina Ornelas.
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(Consult the "Baptismal Dates", a small record book or diary, undoubtedly kept by Don Pedro and presented to Yjinio F. Aguirre, Don Pedro's great grandson, by his aunt, Elvira Aguirre Anderson, of Los Angeles.)

MARIA FELICITA AGUIRRE

Maria Felicita was born the 7th of July 1832, at Aldame.

EPIFANIO AGUIRRE

Epifanio was born in Aldame, the 24 day of March, 1834. He came to New Mexico with his father and became prominent freighter, making many trips from Missouri to all important points in the Southwest including Colorado and Mexico. In Westport, Mo. he met Miss. Mary (Mamie) E. Bernard (born 1844, died 1906) and on Aug. 21, 1862 they were married there. Mr. Aguirre brought his bride with him to New Mexico and according to an account in the Arizona Star, they moved to Arizona in 1864. They probably came to Tres Alamos on the San Pedro as Mrs. Aguirre was the first school teacher there. But some time on or before 1870 they moved to Tucson, where Epifanio and his brothers ran the stage between Tucson and Altar. On Jan. 21, 1870 Epifanio and three others were killed presumably by
Apaches at Sasabi Flat while returning from a trip to Altar. Mr. Higinio Aguirre says that many of the old timers think that Epifanio was killed by Papagoes as they wore no shoes - something unusual for an Apache and also a ring and a Navaho blanket belonging to Epifanio were later found in the possession of a Papago in Mexico. Epifanio had three sons, Pedro J., who was superintendent of Sierra Prieta mines, Sonora, when he died of a heart attack in Nogales, August 2, 1907. He was buried in Tucson under auspices of Elks, Masons, and Workmen; Epifanio, who according to Hand was killed by lightning August 27, 1878; and Stephen, who was killed in an auto near Deming, New Mexico, July 21, 1926 and was buried in El Paso.

PEDRO AGUIRRE

Pedro Aguirre was born at Aldame June 21, 1835, and, like his brothers, for many years engaged in freighting. Later he lived in Altar, taking care of that end of the Aguirre brothers stage line between that place and Tucson. About 1870, according to the memorial of the Arizona Pioneers' Historical Society, he moved his family to Tucson. (His application for membership in the Arizona Pioneers' Historical Society
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says that he came to Arizona in 1959. ) Soon after this, 1870, he established the **Buenos Ayres** ranch in Sasabi Flats and built a large dam that not only provided the ranch with water, but served the sportsmen of Pima County for many years. Here on the ranch he lived until his death Feb. 21, 1907.

He married Maria Antonia Redondo of Saric, and they had two children: Margurita, (Mrs. Manuel A. Redondo), and Beatris (Mrs. Robert L. Wood).

After his first wife's death, Pedro married _____? and they had two children: Lupe (Mrs. ____________) and Jose Maria Aguirre, who was killed by one of the workers.

**CONRADO AGUIRRE**

Conrado Aguirre was born at Aldame, Nov. 26, 1836. He was with his brothers in both the freighting and stage line business and was with Epifanio when that brother and three other men were killed on their way from Altar to Tucson in 1870. In fact he was the only one of the party left alive. The Indians thinking him dead, started after the horses which had run away, and thus gave him a chance to run back to the station.

He married Carmen Elias of Magdelina. They had
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no children.

(He died of a heart attack in Nogales, August 3, 1889, according to Arizona Star, August 4, 1889, P. 4, Col. 1.)

MARIA BEATRIS AGUIRRE

Maria Beatris was born on Feb. 29, 1838.

MARIA GUADALUPE AGUIRRE

Maria Guadalupe Aguirre was born on the 3rd day of __________, 1842. She married Gilibaldo Elias of Sonora and they had six children: Mariano, Gilibaldo, Carlos, Elina ___(Mrs. Padilla, Anita (Mrs.__) and Refugia (Mrs.__ ---Bulna). Gilibaldo owns Hacienda de la Casita about twenty miles south of Nogales, and is still alive (1944).

JOSE YJINIO AGUIRRE

Yjinio Aguirre was born in Chihuahua, (as were most of the children) Jan. 11, 1844, but his father became a citizen of the U. S. when Yjinio was eleven and that automatically made him, the son, a citizen.

At the age of fourteen he began helping his
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brother Epifanio in the freighting business and made many trips to the East. After his marriage he went to Phoenix to live and while here helped Mr. Charles Hayden put in a canal near Tempe. Later he went to Prescott and then back to Tucson. While in Tucson he drove stage for his brother, Pedro, between Tucson and Sasabi. Later he moved to Willcox and took a contract by himself hauling coke and copper ore between Willcox and Globe. When he returned to Tucson about 1900, he took up a ranch near Picacho and lived there until the time of his death, March 1906 at Tucson. He was buried in the Catholic Cemetery.

MARIA PATROINIA AGUIRRE

Maria Patroina Aguirre was born Nov. 16, 1853.

FILIBERTO AGUIRRE

Filiberto Aguirre was born (1857?) He married Margurita Redondo of Altar. They had three children: Guiermo, Louis and Anita. Louis died about 1923?
BAPTISMAL DATES.

(Record kept in Spanish by Pedro Aguirre I and loaned to the Arizona Pioneers Historical Society by his great grandson Yjinia F. Aguirre, who in turn got it from his Aunt, Elvira Aguirre Anderson.)

In Aldame Chihuahua, on Monday the 7 day of July 1832, Maria Felicitas was born at 9 o'clock at night. She was Baptised by P. D. Juan Jose Baca and her god-fathers were Don Jesus Aguirre and Dons Dolores Pacheco.

In Aldame Chihuahua, on Monday the 24 of March 1834, Epifanio Aguirre was born at 6 o'clock in the afternoon. He was baptised by P. D. Juan Jose Baca and his god-fathers were Don Jose Juan Salazar y Dona Francisca Salazar.

In Aldame Chihuahua, on Sunday the 21st of June 1835, Pedro Aguirre was born at 8 o'clock in the morning and was baptised by P. D. Juan Jose Baca and his god-fathers were Don Ygno. Aguirre and Maestre and wife.

In Aldame Chihuahua, on the 26 day of Nov. 1836, Conrado Aguirre was born at 7 o'clock in the morning and was baptised by P. D. Juan Jose Baca and his god-fathers were Don Jesus Gonzales and Dons Rita Porras.

On Sunday the 29th of Feb. (?) 1838 at 9 o'clock at night Marie Beatris Aguirre was born. She was baptised by P. D. Juan J. Baca and her god-parents were Don Raquel Gameros and Dona Paz Ronquillo.
On the 11th of Dec. 1836, Maria Antonia Mendoza was married.

On April 2, 1837, Maria Ursula Carrion was born. She was baptised by Señor Bishop and her god-parents were Don Pedro Aguirre and Dona Rafaela Cameros.

On the 22 of June, (no year) Maria Ursula Carrion was born. She was baptised by D. Juan Jose Baca and her god-parents were Don Juan Baca and Dona Leonides his wife.

On the 2nd of Mar. (?) 1841, Marilsonita Carrion was born. She was baptised by D. Fiegero and her god-parents were Don Vicente Rico and Maria, his wife.

On the 4th day of (?) 1843 was born Faustino and Maria del Refugio both Carrion. They were baptised by D. Rafael Taguez and their god-parents were Don Patricio Torres and Dona Andrea Carrion, Don Rafael Cameros and Dona Paz Bonquillo.

On Monday the 3rd of Oct. 1842 at 8 o'clock in the morning was born Maria Guadalupe Aguirre. She was baptised by R.P.D. Juan Pereda and her god-parents were Don Narciso De La 0. and Dona Juana Rubio in Hosalas.

On Thursday, the 11th day of Jan. 1844 was born Jose Ygnacio Guadalupe Aguirre was born at 9 o'clock in the evening at the Ranch of Don Bitoriano Gerra. He was baptised by R. P. T. Juan Pereda and his god-parents were Don Dionisio Almendares and Dona Carmen Marson wife of Don Estevan Aguirre in the villa of Hosalas.
The 17th day of Oct. 1849, Maria del Refugio Mendoza died of Cholera, mother of all the children mentioned in this little tablet and wife of Don Pedro Aguirre. She was buried by Padre Don Juan Frisen at San Pablo and for proof, I sign it, as her husband that I was.

Pedro Aguirre

The 24th of December of 1891 I was married to Maria Serrina Ornelas. We were married by Padre Don T.V. in San Pablo. The witnesses were Don Jose Ochoa and his wife, Maria Josefa Aguirre.

The 11th of July on 1891, Maria Dolores was born. She was baptised by Padre Don T.V. in San Pablo. Her god-parents were Don Jesus Belarde and his wife Dona Dolores Almirante.

On the 16th day of Nov. 1893, Maria Patrosinia was born. She was baptized by Padre Ynofor at the Mesilla. Her god-parents were Dona Rosa and her brother Don Simon Delgado.

The 20th of Mayo of 1855 Maria Emilia was born, on a Tuesday, she was baptized by Don Manuel Forillo and Dona Guadalupe Aguirre and by Padre Baca at the Mesilla.
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Advertisements. Dissolution of Partnership.-- The partnership heretofore existing between Ochoa and Aguirre is this day dissolved by mutual consent. All persons indebted to the late firm are requested to make payment, and all having claims can present them for adjustment, at Las Cruces.

Steven Ochoa
Pedro Aguirre

For t Buchanan, Apr. 18, 1859