

JOHN JACKSON LEDBETTER

PERSONAL HISTORY AND PROFESSIONAL RECORD

Date and Place of Birth: October 23, 1901; Holcomb, Missouri.

Height: 5 feet, 7 inches. Weight: 160 pounds.

Education:

Engineering: A & M College of Texas. Degrees: Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering, June 1925; Civil Engineer, May 1952.

Legal: Completed law courses prescribed by Supreme Court of Texas for admission to Texas Bar. Admitted to Texas Bar by examination, January 1935. Took refresher law courses, Law School, Southern Methodist University, Dallas, Texas, March to July 1946.

Military: Completed R.O.T.C. basic and advanced courses Military Science and Tactics, A & M College of Texas, June 1925.

Graduated from School of Military Government, University of Virginia, February 1945.

Graduated from civil Affairs Training School Far Eastern Area (Japan), University of Michigan, August 1945; studied military government administration, geography of Far Eastern Area, and Japanese history, government, economy, culture, and language.

Professional Licenses:

Registered Professional Engineer, Texas No. 1485

Licensed Attorney and Counselor at Law, Texas, State and Federal courts.

Professional Society Memberships:

American Association for the Advancement of Science.

American Bar Association State Bar of Texas Travis County Bar Association.

American Geophysical Union.

American Shore and Beach Preservation Association.

American Society of Civil Engineers.

American Water Works Association.

National Society of Professional Engineers and Texas Society of Professional Engineers.

Reserve Officers Association.

Tau Beta Pi.

Texas Water District Managers Association.

United States Committee on Large Dams.

Fraternal Memberships:

Master Mason; Scottish Rite 32; Shrine.

Army Commissions and Outline of Military Duty:

Army Serial Number: 0-216753

Commissioned 2nd Lt. FA-Res. May 29, 1925; promoted to 1st Lt. FA-Res. May 29, 1928; promoted to Captain FA-Res. July 27, 1936.

Nine 14 day periods of active duty with Field Artillery, U.S. Army, during period 1926-1940, inclusive.

Ordered to extended active duty with Construction Division, Quartermaster Corps, January 3, 1941; promoted to Major QMC, September 15, 1941; transferred to Construction Division, Corps of Engineers, December 16, 1941, promoted to Lt. Col., Corps of Engineers, October 5, 1942; promoted to Colonel, Corps of Engineers, December 24, 1945; retired for physical disability March 24, 1946.

CHRONOLOGICAL RECORD

June 1919: Graduated, Blytheville High School, Blytheville, Arkansas.

June 1919 to March 1920: Rodman and Instrumentman, Pride and Fairley Engineering Co., Blytheville, Arkansas, on pavement, sewer and drainage surveys and construction in Mississippi County, Arkansas.

March 1920 to April 1920: Rodman, Shockley Engineering Co., Kansas City, Mo., on highway survey in Northwest Missouri.

April 1920 to September 1920: Salesman, Liggett and Myers Tobacco Co., Kansas City, Mo.

September 1920 to September 1921: Inspector, Pride and Fairley Engineering Co., in charge of surveys and engineering inspection on drainage and levee construction in Poinsett County, Arkansas.

September 1921 to June 1922: Civil Engineering Student, A & M College of Texas.

June 1922 to September 1922: Instrumentman, Pride and Fairley Engineering Co., in charge of survey party meandering and cross-sectioning river in Mississippi County, Arkansas.

September 1922 to June 1923: Civil Engineering Student, A & M College of Texas.

June 1923 to July 1923: Electrician Helper, Memphis Power and Light Co., Memphis, Tenn., installing transformer stations.

July 1923 to September 1923: Instrumentation, Sewer Department, City of Memphis, Tenn., giving lines and grades for sewer construction.

September 1923 to June 1924: Civil Engineering Student, A & M College of Texas.

June 1924 to July 1924: R.O.T.C. Cadet in training at Ft. Sam Houston, Texas.

July 1924 to September 1924: Map Compiler, Alling Blue Print Co., San Antonio, Texas. Compiling map of Bexar County, Texas.

September 1924 to June 1925: Civil Engineering Student, A & M College of Texas.

June 1925 to November 1928: Assistant Engineer, Flood Prevention Department, City of San Antonio, Texas

June 1925 to December 1926: In charge of concrete on 90,000 cubic yard gravity dam near San Antonio, Texas; in charge of the inspection of concrete aggregates, design

and control of concrete mixes, and the mixing and placing of concrete; computed quantities and prepared progress estimates.

December 1926 to December 1927: In charge of engineering supervision of construction of various river cut-off projects in San Antonio, Texas, consisting of flood channel excavations, reinforced concrete retaining walls and channel lining, and reinforced concrete and steel bridges.

December 1927 to November 1928: Making surveys, doing structural designing, supervising the preparation of plans, and assisting in the preparation of specifications for an additional river cut-off project consisting of reinforced concrete flood water channel and reinforced concrete bridges. Made private designs for two reinforced concrete arch bridges for the City of Laredo, Texas.

November 1928 to November 1929: Office Engineer, Floyd and Lockridge, Consulting Engineers, Dallas, Texas. Supervised office work and designing in connection with the preparations of plans for water supply projects at Waco, Texas, and at San Angelo, Texas. Projects consisted of large earth and concrete dams, a five mile pipe line and a water treatment plant. Also made water supply studies and hydraulic and structural designs in connection with water supply investigation projects.

November 1929 to May 1931: Assistant City Engineer, City of El Paso, Texas in charge of bond issue projects. Assisted in studies and in the preparation of a report on flood control for the City of El Paso. In charge of the engineering supervision of construction of a storm sewer system for the business district of El Paso. Made structural designs and supervised the preparation of plans for a 5,000,000 gallon reinforced concrete and gunite water storage reservoir and made structural design; supervised the preparation of plans, and prepared the specifications for a 40,000,000 gallon reinforced concrete and gunite water storage reservoir.

May 1931 to January 1941: Engineer and Attorney, Department of State, United States Section, International Water and Boundary Commission, United States and Mexico, El Paso, Texas.

May 1931 to June 1932: Office Engineer, San Benito, Texas, supervising office work in connection with the surveys, studies, design, estimates, and report on flood control in the Lower Rio Grande Valley.

June 1932 to August 1932: Assistant Engineer, making field investigation of the uses of the water on the Rio Grande from El Paso to the Gulf of Mexico.

August 1932 to August 1933: Assistant Engineer, Headquarters Office, El Paso, Texas, making hydraulic studies and computations in connection with the gaging of the flow of the Rio Grande and tributaries; and making hydraulic studies, preliminary design and cost estimates in connection with investigations of proposed reservoirs on the Rio Grande for flood control, irrigation and power development.

August 1933 to October 1938: Designing Engineer, Headquarters Office, El Paso, Texas, supervising the designing and the preparation of plans and specifications or supervising the review of designs, plans and specifications, in connection with

investigations for, and the construction of, the Lower Rio Grande Valley Flood Control Project (\$10,000,000), the Rio Grande Rectification Project in the El Paso-Jaurez Valley (\$5,000,000), the Nogales Flood Control Project in Nogales, Arizona (\$553,000), the Rio Grande Canalization Project, including the American Dam and Canal above El Paso, Texas, (\$4,000,000), and the Lower Tia Juana Valley Sanitation Project in San Diego County, California (\$145,000).

October 1938 to December 1939: Designing Engineer and in general charge of the Headquarters Engineering Office, El Paso, Texas, and in charge of water conservation and flood control investigation along the Rio Grande between Fort Quitman and Laredo, Texas.

December 1939 to January 1941: Acting Counsel, Headquarters Office, El Paso, Texas. Responsible for the preparation or examination of all contracts, deeds, leases, resolutions, licenses, and other legal instruments, and the handling of all legal matters in connection with the various activities of the Commission.

January 1941 to March 1946: On active military duty with Construction Division, Quartermaster Corps, and Corps of Engineers, United States Army. Captain, Quartermaster Corps, January to September 1941; Major, Quartermaster Corps and Corps of Engineers, September 1941 to October 1942; Lt. Colonel, Corps of Engineers, October 1942 to December 1945; Colonel, Corps of Engineers, December 1945 to March 1946.

January 1941 to January 1942: Chief, Legal and Labor Relations, 8th Construction Zone, Ft. Sam Houston, Texas. Responsible for supervision and coordination of all legal and labor relations matters in conjunction with war Construction Operations in the 8th Construction Zone, including Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arizona and Colorado.

January 1942 to December 1942: Chief, Labor and Public Relations and Legal Branch, Lower Mississippi Valley Division Engineer Office, Vicksburg, Miss. Responsible for supervision and coordination of all labor relations, public relations, and legal matters in connection with War Construction Contracts within the Lower Mississippi Valley Division of Corps of Engineers, covering Arkansas, Louisiana and parts of Tennessee and Mississippi. Also, Chairman, War Department Deferment Reviewing Board and Member, Division Contract Renegotiation Board.

December 1942 to May 1943: Director, Labor, Employee and Public Relations and Military Personnel Division, Southwestern Division Engineer Office, Dallas, Texas. Responsible for supervision and coordination of all labor, employee and public relations and military personnel matters in connection with War Construction Contracts within the Southwestern Division of the Corps of Engineers, covering Texas, Oklahoma, New Mexico, Arkansas and Louisiana. Also, Member, Engineer Manpower Board, Southwestern Division.

May 1943 to May 1944: Director, Contact Renegotiation Division, Southwestern Division Engineer Office, Dallas, Texas. Responsible for the renegotiation of all Corps of Engineers War Contracts with the Southwestern Division under the provisions

of Section 403 of the 6th Supplemental National Defense Appropriation Act of April 28, 1942, as amended.

May 1944 to September 1944: Commanding Officer of Baton Rouge Engineer Depot, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Responsible for all activities of the Baton Rouge Engineer Depot, consisting of receipt, storage, and issue of all items of engineer supply including all administrative, security and intelligence, and command functions connected therewith.

September 1944 to January 1945 Miscellaneous Temporary Duty Assignments, Camp Claiborne, Louisiana; Ohio River Division Engineer Office, Columbus, Ohio; and Albany Engineer Depot, Albany, New York.

January 1945 to August 1945: Student Officer in the School of Military Government, University of Virginia, and Civil Affairs Training School, University of Michigan, in preparation for Military Government duties in connection with the Military Occupation of Japan.

August 1945 to March 1946: Patient, Percy Jones General Hospital, Battle Creek, Michigan, and on terminal leave from active duty with the United States Army.

March 1946 to July 1946: Student, Southern Methodist University Law School, Dallas Texas, Refresher law courses.

July 1946 to January 1948: Executive Secretary and General Counsel, Texas Society of Professional Engineers, Austin, Texas.

January 1948 to date: Private practice as Consulting Engineer and Attorney at Law, Austin, Texas. Consultant to Engineers, Industrial and Utility Companies, Water Control and Improvement Districts, and State Agencies on water supply, irrigation, flood control, and power projects, and basin development.

MAJOR REPRESENTATIVE CLIENTS AND ENGAGEMENTS

The Marvin Turner Engineers, Austin, Texas: Consultant on water supply engineering for various Texas municipalities.

Lockwood, Andrews & Newman, Consulting Engineers, Houston, Texas: Consultant on water supply, irrigation, and flood control studies and reports for:

Dow Chemical Company

Union Carbide and Carbon Corporation

City of Dallas

Brazos River Authority

Southern Canal Company

American Canal Company

Others Individuals and Agencies

Mann and Byfield, Attorneys, Laredo, Texas and the Laredo Area Farmers Association:

Consultant on Rio Grande water supply irrigation and water rights studies (1953)

Central Power & Light Company, Corpus Christi, Texas and Maverick County Water Control and Improvement District No. 1, Eagle Pass, Texas: Detailed investigation and reports on certain engineering, economic and legal aspects of problems arising out of construction and operation of an irrigation system and hydro electric plant

on the Rio Grande in Maverick County, Texas

The State of Texas:

June 1951 to December 1954. Consulting Engineer to the Texas Governors Representative on Arkansas-White-Red Basins Inter-Agency Committee in connection with studies and the preparation of plans and reports for the development of water and related land resources of the Arkansas-White and Red River Basins in Arkansas, Colorado, Kansas, Louisiana, Missouri, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Kansas.

January 1955 to December 1958. Texas Governors Representative on the AWR Committee during the completion period of the development of plans and the preparation of reports for the AWR Basins development program and in connection with the development of procedures to coordinate water resources planning and development activities of all State and Federal Agencies engaged in such programs.

January 1955 to December 1958. Texas Interstate Compact Commission representing Texas in connection with compact negotiations between Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma and Texas regarding the equitable apportionment of the waters of the Red River and its tributaries and the control of water pollution in the Red River basins.

Texas Society of Professional Engineers, Austin, Texas: Time to time from 1948 to 1961, General Attorney on Engineering Registration matters.

Texas Crushed Stone Company, Austin, Texas, 1956 1961: General Attorney and Engineering Consultant in connection with quarry operations.

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