SWEENY......A NEW TOWN undated newspaper article bchm.org Editing Basil Shannon basil\_shannon@yahoo.com

Notice oranges & pears grown on the Ed Sweeny place. Oranges better that California? Probably not.

T. J. and C. S. Bennett went back to the old farm last Sunday-the old home place on the San Bernard, where they first saw the light of this bully old world, and where the happy, easy days of childbood were spent. They still own the old farm. When they lived there they were miles and miles from a railroad. And they were long miles, too, as measured by the usual quality of the roads. How different now! They simply took an upholstorel seat in the painted cars on the new Brownsville railroad and a little later stepped off at the new town of Sweeny, only three miles from their old home.

Ed Sweeny met them with a surry and a good tesm. Ed is the man known to fam. 28 the bear hunter. And he is the real article, too. If the records were available we reckon he has killed more bear than any other man in South Texas, in this or any former generation. It would be a thrilling story if the account of all his bear hunts were truthfully set down.

Ed Sweeny hunts bear for pleasure and farms for recreation. He had a fine cottor outlook this year, but the storm got it. There were a great many bales of 13c cotton went to the bad July 21st in the San Bernard country. But they had a good corn erop, plenty of stock, and can pull off a fall and winter crop of truck, so they are not worrying.

If you want to know something about fruit growing in Brazoris county go to that old settlement on the San Bernard. The Bennett boys were shown orange trees eighteen years old, on Ed Sweeny's place, that bear a full crop every year, of timer fruit. that California the Famous can produce. There is a LeConte pear tree, that is by measurement four foot nine in circumference, that bears ten or fifteen bushels of fruit every year. And grapes-the finest you ever saw, in profusion. That is the kind of a fruit country the San Bernard distriet, Brazoria county, is.

They have the peach ridge soil over there, and it is good. This is one of several kinds of land in Brazoria county, all gold. Who were T. J. & C. S. Bennett?

John Sweeny Sr (1783-1855)

Thomas Jefferson Sweeny (1812-1869)

Kate C Sweeny (1849-1877) + Charles S Bennett (1843-)

Thomas James Bennett (1871-1929)

Charles Sweeny Bennett (1877-1923)

Ed Sweeny has to be Edward Haney Sweeny

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Edward Haney Sweeny (1846-1923) So article is before 1923.