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Rev. William Youel Allen

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"Just forty years ago this week, I landed in Galveston. Soon after casting anchor, Dr. Jones came aboard the schooner in which I had sailed from New Orleans. He was the first man that I met in Texas, My first sermon in Galveston was preached in a cabin belonging to the old Texas Navy Yard. A second service, that day, was prevented by the arrival and salute of General Memucan Hunt, Secretary of the Navy, from the States. The salute called away everybody's attention. Davis was keeper of the Navy Yard; and Commodore Moore was Commandant. The Old Potomac was the only war vessel of the Texas Navy, at that time. I preached once on her deck."

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