STONE, ALFRED H: 1870-1955

The son of Walter Wilson and Eleanor (Holt) Stone, Alfred Holt Stone was born in New Orleans, Louisiana, on 16 October 1870. He received his LL.B. (1891) and an LL.D. (1916) from the University of Mississippi, and another LL.D. from Southwestern at Memphis (1928). On 25 June 1896 he married Mary Bailey Ireys.

Stone's interests were various; a cotton planter and a lawyer from 1893 to 1932, in 1921 he organised the Staple Cotton Cooperative Association. Until his death he served as vice-president of this organization and edited its journal, the Staple Cotton Review.

Stone's views were in tune with his age and state, for he served in the Mississippi legislature from 1916 to 1921. In 1932 he was named Tax Commissioner and Chairman of the State Tax Commission. During his years as Tax Administrator he was president of the National Association of Tax Administrators (1937) and of the National Tax Association (1938-1939). Mr. Stone died on 11 May 1955, after serving over twenty years as Tax Administrator.