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Dear Mr. Relander,

Mr. Tatton has referred your letter of November 11, 1958 to me for reply--I just received it today and hadn't noticed the date until now. Texas hasn't been adequately treated during the Civil War period as far as I know. My interest has been in local events in this area, but perhaps I may be able to give you some leads.

Archer County was named for Branch T. Archer, a hero of the Texas Revolution. James J. Archer is not listed in the Handbook of Texas and it is entirely possible that he was not from Texas.

Here are some leads that may prove helpful:

John Bell Hood ADVANCE AND RETREAT, 1880
J. B. Polley HOOD'S TEXAS BRIGADE, 1910
George T. Todd, SKETCH OF HISTORY, FERST TEXAS REGEMENT, 1909

There is an outline of the activities of Hood's Texas Brigade starting on page 209 of Vol. XI of CONFEDERATE MILITARY HISTORY, 1899. Incidently, what your are looking for will be found under the general heading of Hood's Texas Brigade.

Very truly yours,