Louis E. Pasco was born on February 17, 1878, in Baltimore, Maryland.\(^1\) His father, whose name is unknown, was from Mexico, and his mother, Elizabeth (b. 1856), was born in Virginia.\(^2\) He had two step-siblings.\(^3\) He attended grammar and high school in Baltimore, but left school without graduating at the age of 14 to go to work.\(^4\) He attended evening high school for six years at some point prior to 1910.\(^5\)

By 1900, 22-year-old Louis Pasco was living at 7 Walnut Street in Brookline, Mass., with his mother, stepfather, James Matthews (b. 1858), grandmother, Eliza Diggs (his mother’s mother, b. 1835), step-sister, Consuella (b. 1886), and step-brother, James (b. 1897).\(^6\) At this time, he was working at a bank.\(^7\) In 1901, he married a woman from South Carolina named Bertha.\(^8\) In 1910, he lived at 2 Vila Street in Boston, Mass., with his wife and four children, Elizabeth (7), Bertha (6), Alice (4) and Louis (an infant).\(^9\) He was still working at a bank, specifically the National Shawmut Bank on Water Street in Boston, as a statement clerk.\(^10\)

In September of 1910, Louis Pasco applied and was accepted to Suffolk Law School.\(^11\) Pasco, whose mother was black and father was Mexican, graduated from Suffolk Law School in 1914 as one of the first graduates of both African and Hispanic descent.\(^12\) After graduating from law school, Pasco continued to work as a clerk at the National Shawmut Bank until at least 1918.\(^13\)

In 1920, 42-year-old Louis Pasco and his family were still living on Vila Street in Boston.\(^14\) By this time he had a fifth child, a son named Wendell who was born probably in 1917.\(^15\) At this time Pasco was still employed as a bank clerk, probably

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1 Suffolk School of Law Application for Admission, September 26, 1910, Suffolk Law School Registrations 1908-1913, Application 27.
2 United States Census 1900, Massachusetts, Norfolk, Brookline, Enumeration District 1023, Sheet 16.
Note: The 1900 and 1910 censuses lists Pasco’s father’s place of birth as Mexico, but the 1920 census lists it as Maryland.
3 U.S Census 1900, Ibid.
4 Suffolk School of Law Application for Admission, Ibid.
5 Suffolk School of Law Application for Admission, Ibid.
6 U.S Census 1900, Ibid.
7 U.S Census 1900, Ibid.
8 United States Census 1910, Massachusetts, Suffolk, Boston, Enumeration District 1539, Sheet 3B.
9 U.S. Census 1910, Ibid.
11 Suffolk School of Law Application for Admission, Ibid.
12 Suffolk Law Alumni Directory, 30th Anniversary, 1936, p. 16. Note: The 1900 census lists Pasco as black, the 1910 census lists him as mulatto, and the 1920 census lists him as white.
13 WWI Draft Registration Card, Ibid.
14 United States Census 1920, Massachusetts, Suffolk, Boston, Enumeration District 369, Sheet 11A.
15 U.S. Census 1920, Ibid.
at the National Shawmut Bank, although the 1920 census does not list a specific bank.16 No evidence has been found that he practiced law.

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16 U.S. Census 1920, Ibid.