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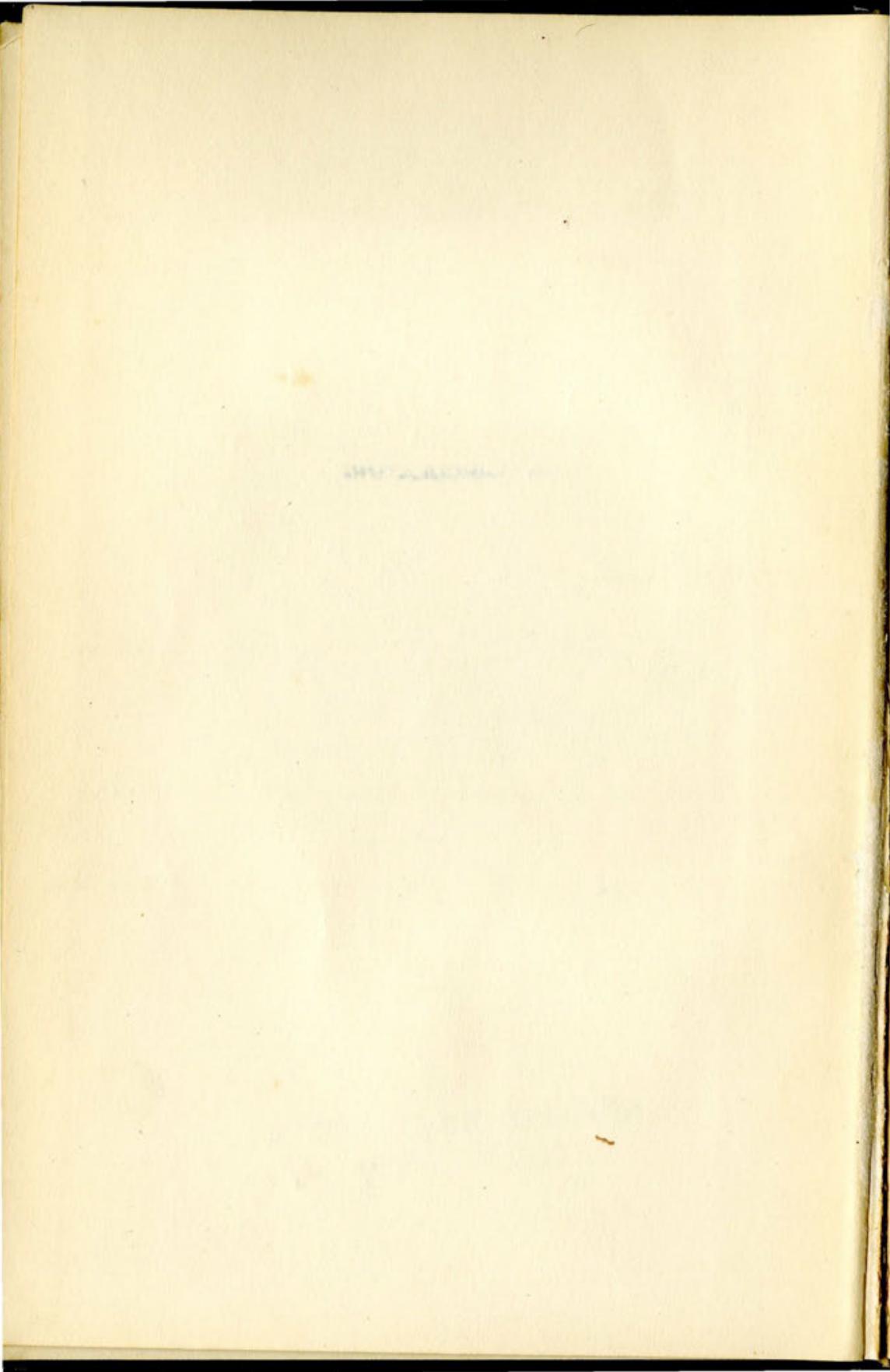
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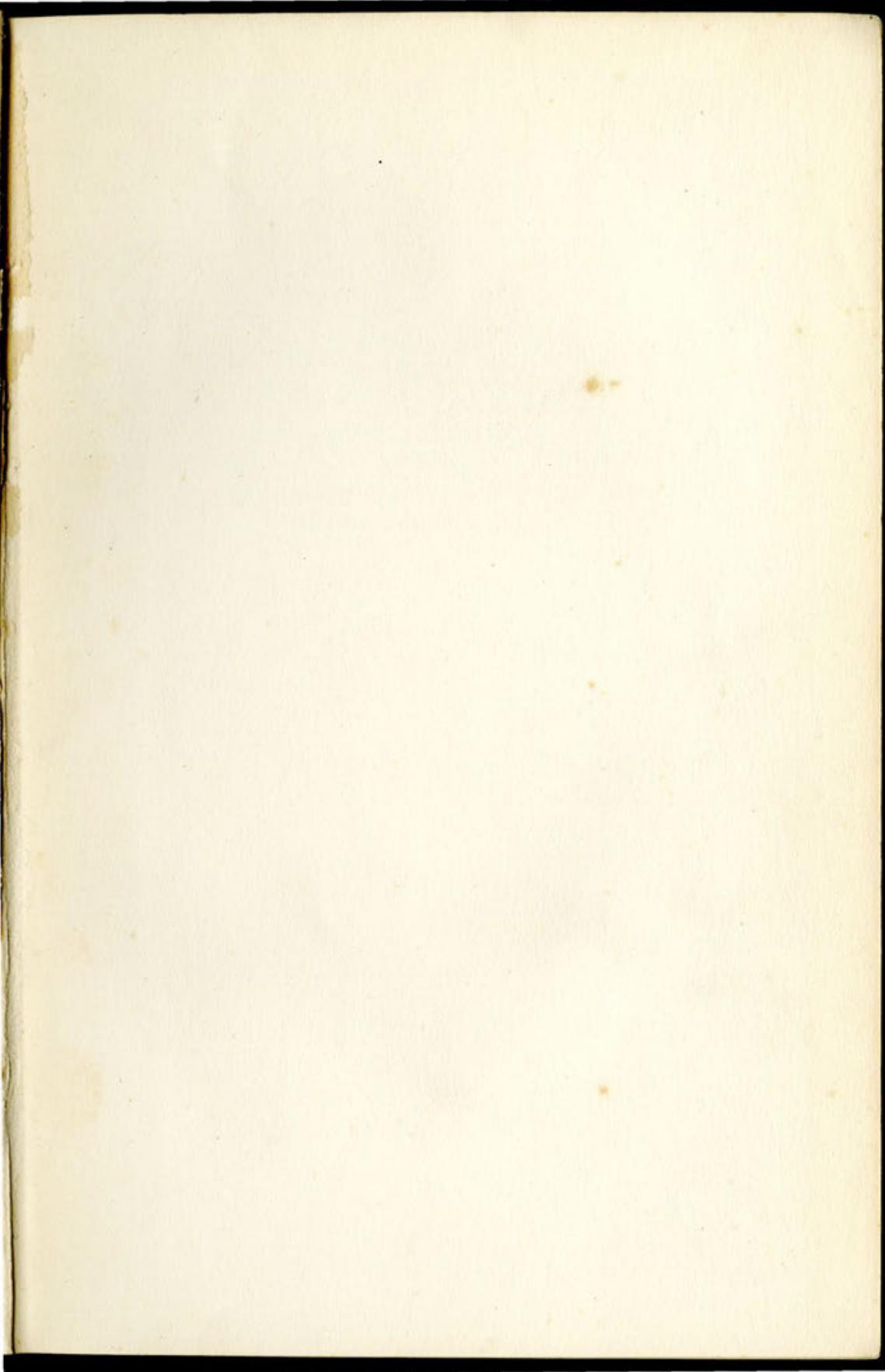
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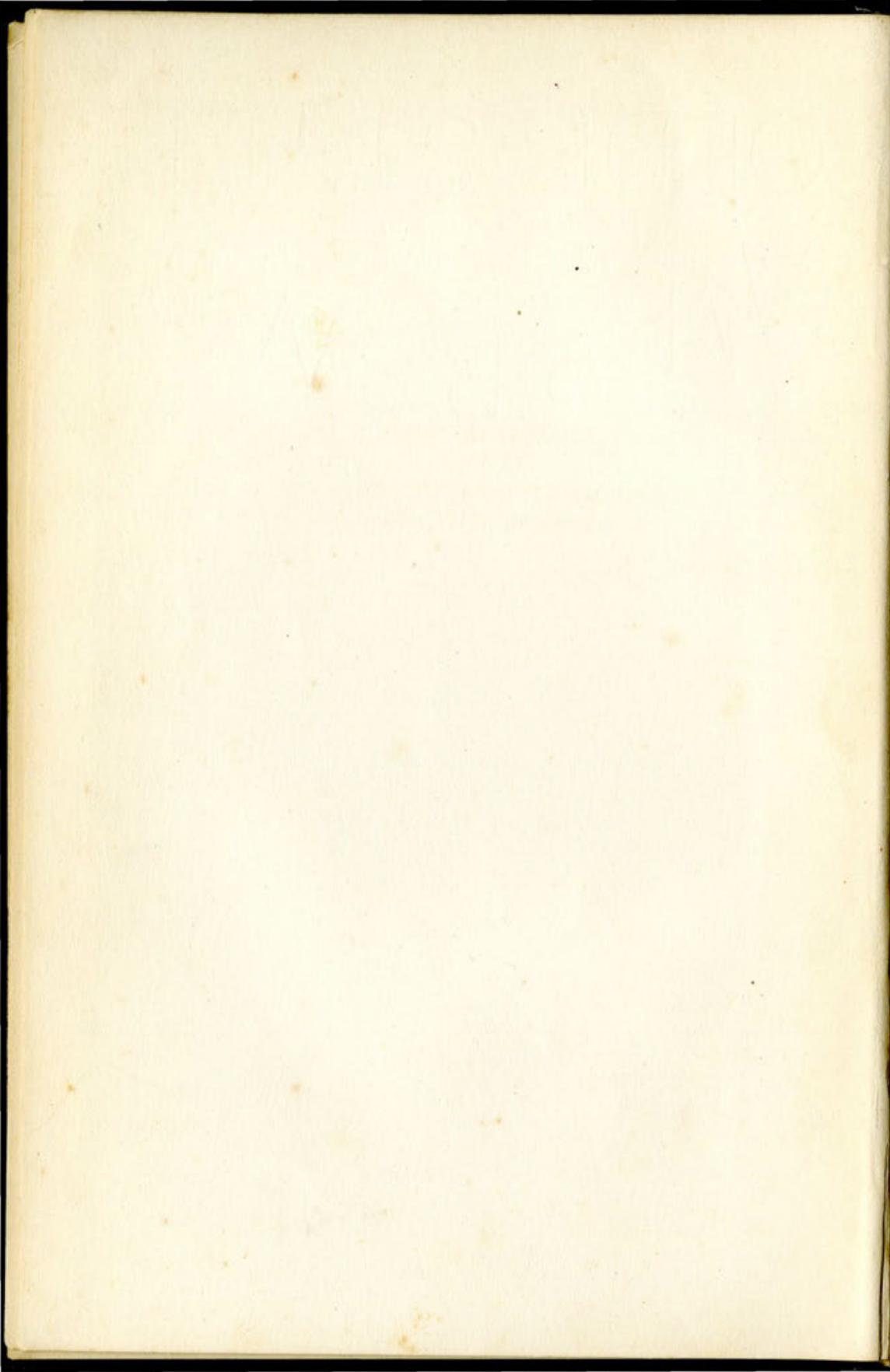
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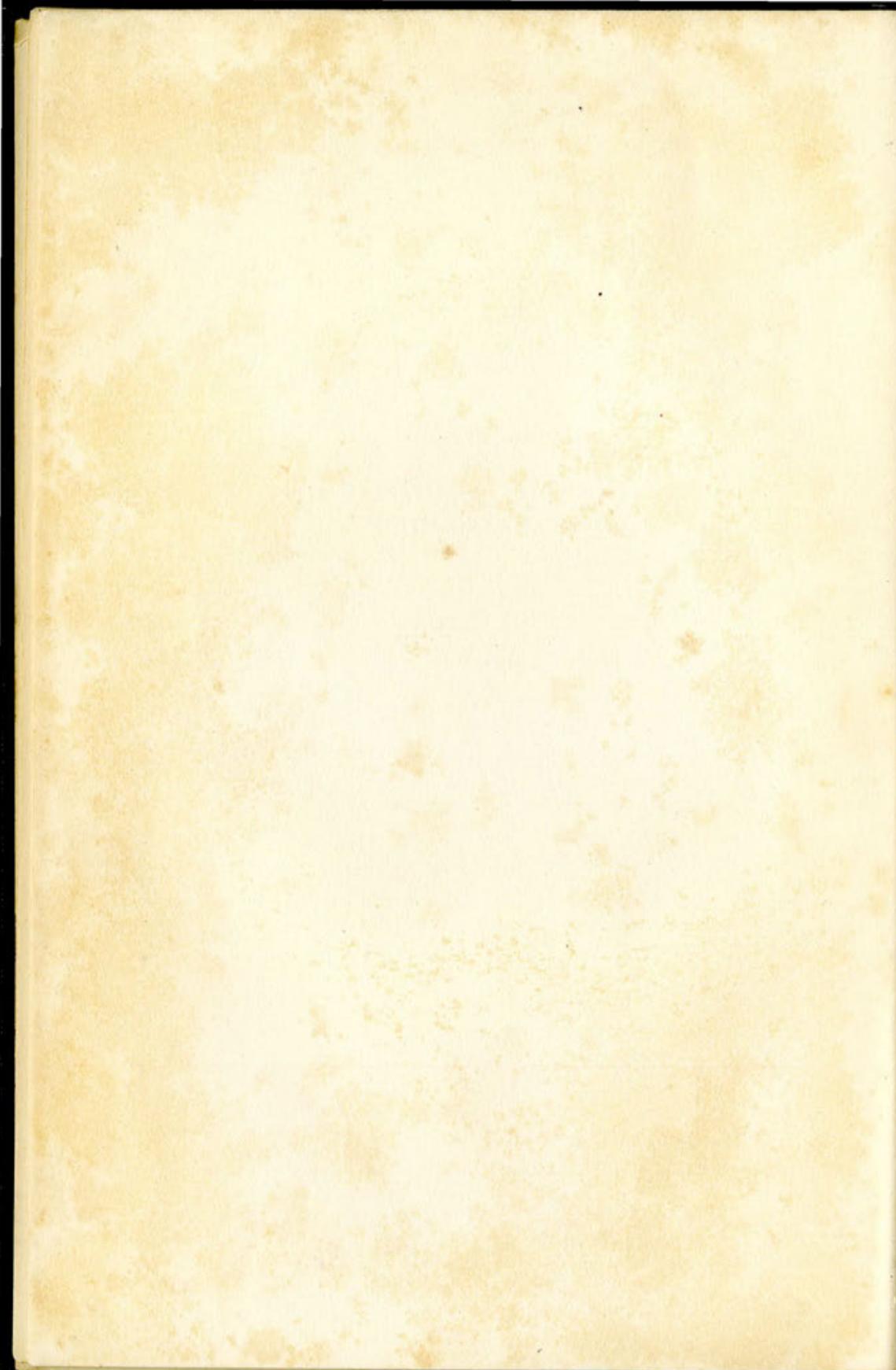
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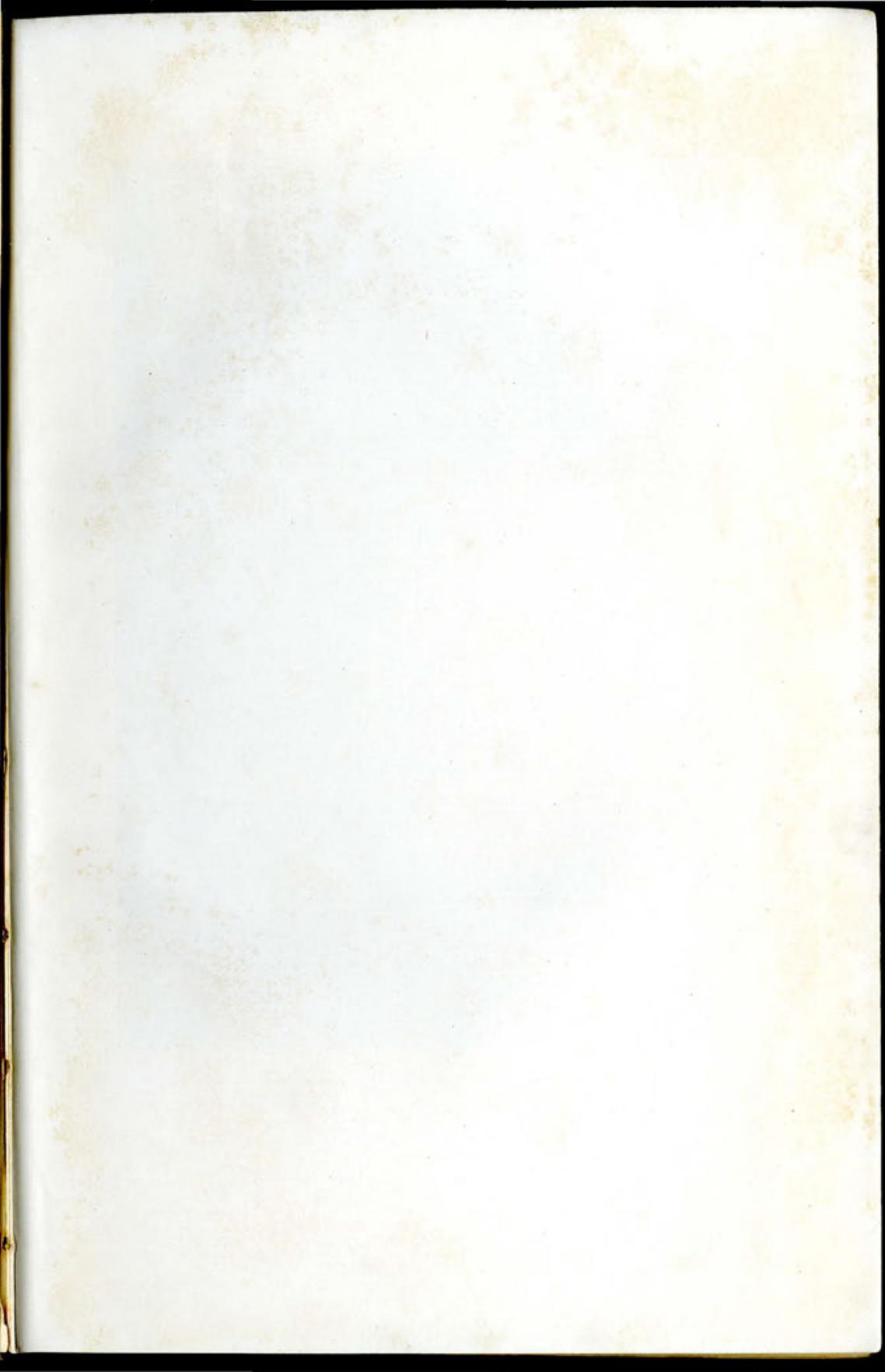






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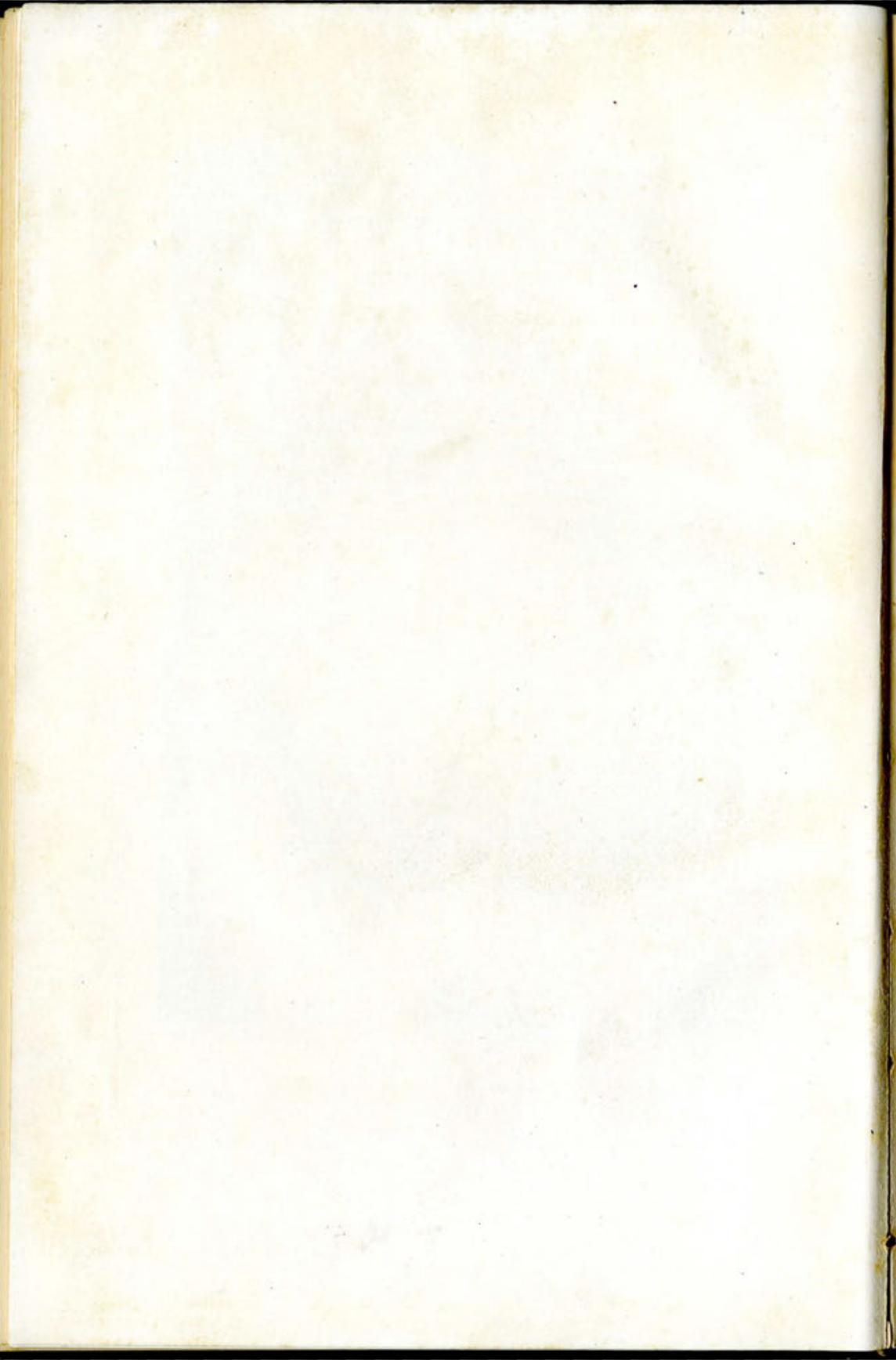




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## FOREWORD

In presenting this Volume I of Chapter Histories, from dates of organization to the present, the North Carolina Daughters of American Revolution, do so, with the consciousness that the records therein contained, convey only a mere outline of the scope and extent of the work accomplished.

The prime object of the book is to preserve the Chapter records in such a way that reference may be had of them, and a stimulus for healthful rivalry may be engendered.

Some Chapters after a few years, from one cause or another dissolved, leaving no permanent record of work accomplished. In others, little or no care has been taken to preserve records.

These facts, with others, awakened a realization for the need of the great work of the State D. A. R. to be recorded and preserved permanently.

The plan, as adopted by the State Conference D. A. R., March, 1930, at Greensboro, N. C., was to gather the histories of the sixty-two Chapters and publish them in book form. Then, at the close of each decade in the future, issue additional volumes; Volume II to appear in 1940, Volume III to appear in 1950.

The 1930 Volume is only as complete as the records have been furnished by the Chapters. It must be borne in mind the records herein contained, because of their limit, convey an outline only of their full accomplishments. Yet in these records a heartening and encouraging progress is apparent, indicative of an irresistible impetus, that speaks well for future advancement.

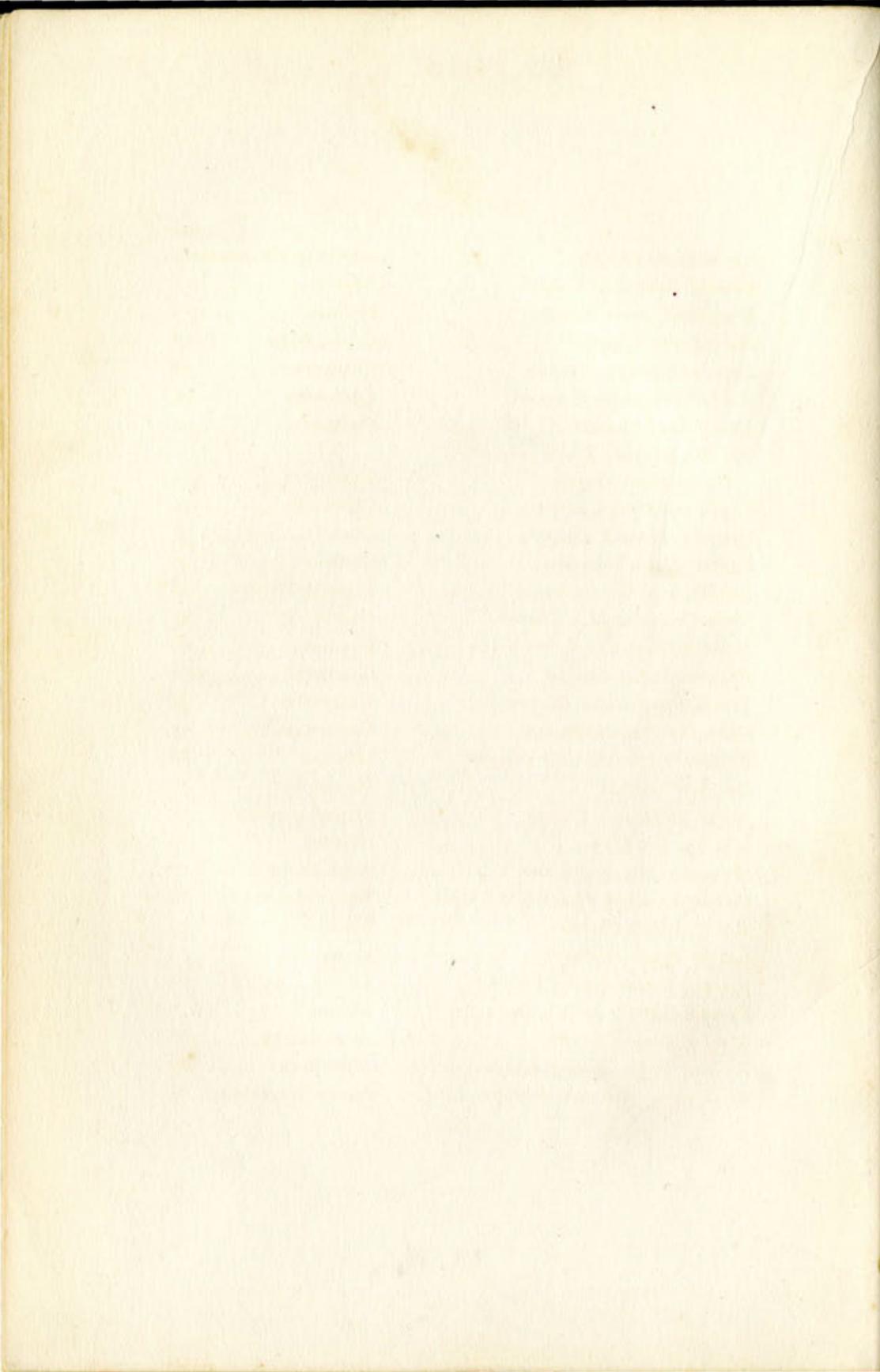
It is sincerely hoped that this volume may be an incentive to render the next one far better and more complete, when it is realized how much valuable Chapter work has been lost in not having an adequate form of preservation.

The volume is affectionately dedicated to those splendid women of vision and indomitable courage, who as pioneers in the work blazed the trail and did it so well, that today it is an inviting one to follow.

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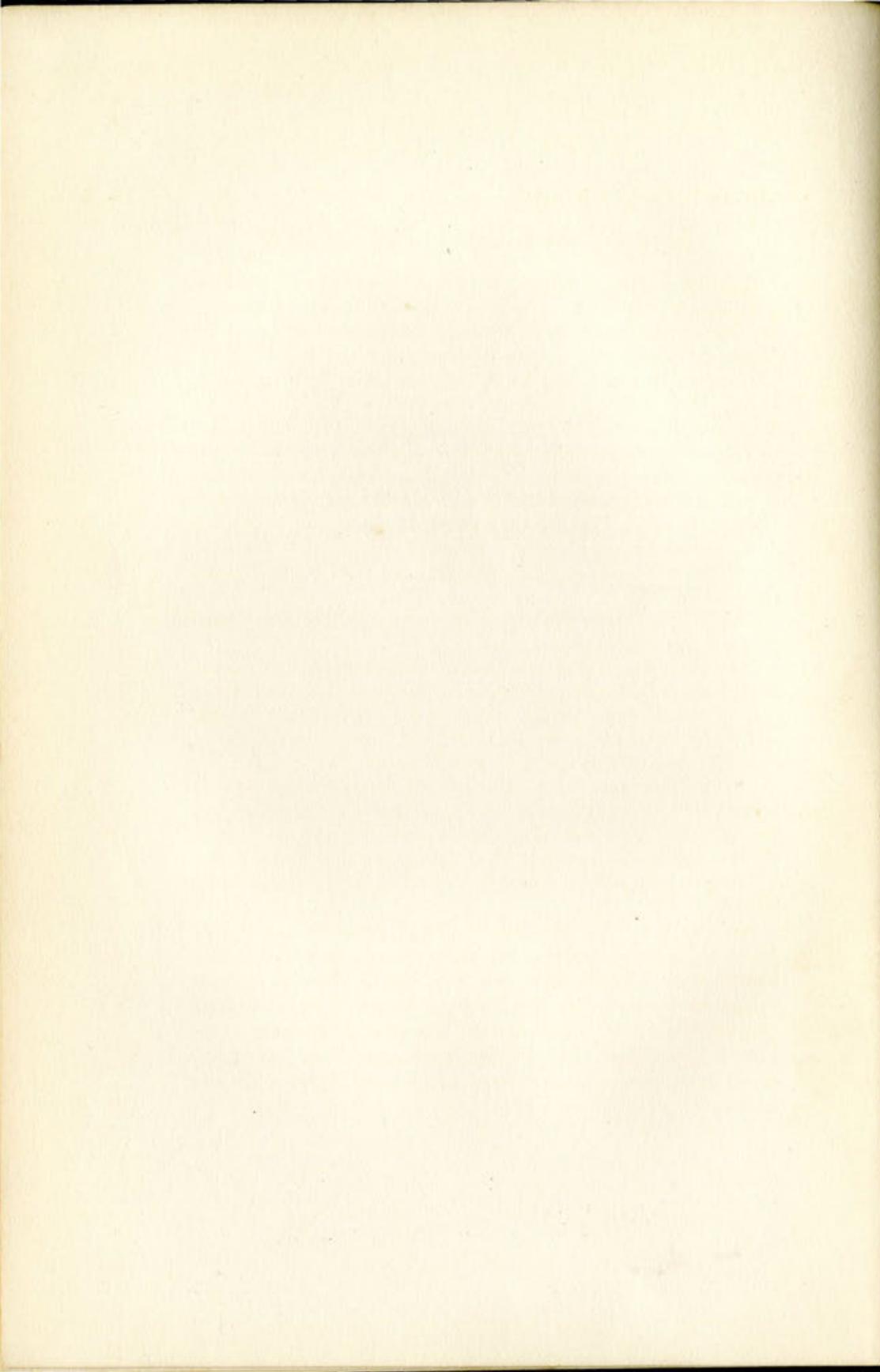


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## ANSONVILLE-NORWOOD

### *Anson-Stanly Chapter, 1913 to 1930*

The first meeting of the Anson-Stanly Chapter D. A. R. was held in Ansonville June 19th, 1913, at the home of Mrs. J. M. Dunlap. The then State Regent, Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, was to have been present but owing to illness was unable to come.

Prior to this meeting Mrs. Dunlap with the advice and coöperation of Mrs. J. G. Boylin had written a number of letters to ladies in Ansonville, Wadesboro and Norwood asking each to consider the advisability of promulgating an organization of a Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution for Anson and Stanly counties. Most of these letters met with an enthusiastic response and the June meeting was the result. Mrs. Boylin presided, she being one of the first three ladies of Anson to become members of the D. A. R. The other two were Mrs. Laura Barnhardt Ingram and Mrs. Hallie Bennett Hardison McBride.

Mrs. Dunlap was at this time a member and had been appointed Organizing Regent January 3, 1913.

At this meeting ladies were present from Ansonville, Norwood, Wadesboro and Morven and because of this inclusive interest it was decided to hold four meetings a year, viz; spring, summer, autumn and winter—one each in the four towns, and since two counties were embraced Anson-Stanly was the name chosen.

At this time none of us were forensic enough to see to what volume D. A. R. interest would attain. It soon became evident that these tentative plans were altogether impracticable and the Thomas Wade Chapter was formed at Wadesboro with Mrs. Boylin as Organizing Regent, and the Anson-Stanly became limited to Ansonville and Norwood.

In December, 1913, the delayed visit of the State Regent Mrs. Reynolds was consummated. We had invited to come with her the Vice-President General Mrs. John Van Landingham; an ex-Vice-President General, Mrs. Lindsay Patterson; Regent of the Liberty Hall Chapter, Mrs. C. W. Tillett; and the corresponding Secretary of the Liberty Hall Chapter, Mrs. Herbert McDonald. This visit was attained by a series of brilliant social and patriotic affairs in the two counties.

On the evening of the——Mrs. and Mr. James A. Leak who had but lately moved into their handsome new residence entertained at what stands out as the most brilliant social function ever held in the county. Leak hospitality which is proverbial in Anson had been exercised in the sending out of beautifully engraved invitations which bore the D. A. R. insignia and almost every one was personally answered.

Orchestra of Charlotte played throughout the evening and elaborate refreshments that had been prepared by Nunnally in Atlanta were served. The Leake home was miniaturely royal, and the warm and gracious hospitality of the host and hostess made the occasion epochal.

The following day the Wadesboro D. A. R. prospectives gave a mid day luncheon at the National Hotel and the representative women of the city sat around the board. Col. Thomas Wade and Capt. Patrick Boggan and their companies that were made up of the cream of old Anson which then included Stanly were coming into their own after many years. Their deeds of valor were recounted and loyal homage paid them.

Immediately after this luncheon the guests of honor were whisked away to the depot where the Southbound train was waiting to take them to Norwood. It so happened that this day the Superintendent, Mr. Johnson, was on the train and he won great favor from the ladies by holding the train a few minutes that the party might not be hurried over the luncheon.

Arrived at Norwood the guests were escorted to the lovely new home of Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Freeman where things historical and patriotic were again discussed. These discussions concluded, a nine course dinner was served in the spacious dining room that was resplendent in dignified elegance. The beautiful daughters of the D. A. R. were dressed in dainty colonial frocks and served the dinner most charmingly.

This repast over, the party was again driven to the depot and the trip continued as far as Ansonville where the night was spent. The following day the ladies assembled at the home of Mrs. Dunlap in Ansonville where a Christmas luncheon was served. After this the depot was again the Mecca with Albemarle the destination. Arrived there Miss Mary Mabry and Mrs. W. G. Efrid greeted the party and took them driving over this progressive and hospitable city. The

drive ended at the Marilese Hotel where Miss Mabry served fruit cake and old wine.

The fourth and final trip to the depot was made and farewells expressed to our charming guests, homeward bound. They brought us inspiration and left sweet memories, and we trust that they carried away something from this historic section that will abide in their rosary of time.

And so it was that the D. A. R. got off so good a start hereabouts. A prominent citizen was heard to remark at the Leak reception, "Nothing has ever struck Anson with such a popular wave as this D. A. R."

From that time on our Chapter continued to grow and thrive at one time having over fifty active members. This was in 1926 when we had six votes in the State Conference (and they were all cast) and two in the National Congress. Our meetings have with one exception (1918) been regular and mostly enthusiastic.

We were the first Chapter in the State to make a special study of the Constitution and the first to make official the reading of the President General's monthly message in the magazine.

In 1918 our meetings were sporadic and missing because of the quarantine that prevailed over the county on account of the influenza. The State Conference did not even meet that year but held a limited session in January, 1919.

During the World War our Chapter was active in service and contributions. We responded to every call to the limit of our resources. Several of our members adopted soldiers who had no relatives and wrote them cheering letters and sent motherly remembrances.

The Ansonville members entertained the Ansonville Township volunteers and their best girl friends at a dinner and presented them with pocket testaments. Norwood boys received every attention from Norwood members.

On June 14th, 1915, we celebrated Flag Day and our second birthday with a brilliant reception at the commodious and handsome home of Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Blalock in Norwood. The Chapter husbands and friends were invited to enjoy this pleasurable occasion. Community patriotism was broadened and deepened and bonds of good fellowship strengthened. A telegram of greetings was sent us by the then President General, Mrs. Story, which we felt was a dis-

tinct honor. We also had delightful greetings from our organization mothers. Mrs. Blalock was the first D. A. R. in Stanly County and was a member before the organization of our Chapter. She was an accomplished historian and collected many valuable manuscripts and clippings, some of which she presented to Memorial Continental Hall Library. She was descended from Margaret Cowan, the first woman postmistress in the United States, viz; Margaret Cowan of Salisbury, N. C.

For a long time our Chapter continued meetings throughout the summer. They were held picnic fashion on the banks of Rocky River, which stream divided the counties of Anson and Stanly. Some of our most delightful meetings were so held.

Immediately after the World War when the bridge was in prospect of building, Mrs. J. F. Shinn suggested that we build a memorial here to the soldiers of the two counties of all American wars. This met with enthusiastic approval and developed into the further idea of building a Chapter house and tea room on the commanding eminence on the Stanly side. We went so far as to have the land surveyed but conditions changed and it was decided to discard the plan. However the future may see some such idea developed by those who come after us.

A custom of the Chapter has been the keeping of two scrap books, one each at Ansonville and Norwood. The members contribute clippings of an historical nature, especially such as be of local interest.

Another custom of the past ten years has been the giving of medals to the Ansonville and Norwood schools for excellency in American history. This is left to the faculties and is sometimes given for papers and sometimes for scholarship.

May 28th, 1924, our Chapter entertained the District meeting for the Second District. The John Foster Chapter of the Third District was invited as special guests since we have parental affection for that Chapter. This was also meant as a compliment to our State Regent Mrs. C. W. Tillett, for whom the Chapter felt a kind of ownership love. She was a descendant daughter, having been born just over the river in Montgomery County, which was daughter of Anson and mother of Stanly.

The meeting was held in the Methodist Church and was conducted in miniature after the order of a National Congress. The luncheon was served in the Sunday School room and was on a beau-

tiful and elaborate scale. Besides the Regent we had other distinguished guests. Place cards were hand painted pictures of the new bridge over Rocky River. This bridge was of especial interest to our Chapter since it eradicated the greatest obstacles to our meetings. When this bridge was formally opened the Regent of our Chapter was asked to be on the program and speak a few words which she did with hearty good will, since she had spent many an anxious hour in the mid waters of the river when en route to D. A. R. meetings.

These place cards provoked much admiration and they were the handiwork of our splendid member, Mrs. Mary Dunn of Morven. Boxes made in the shape of the shield of the United States, covered with satin in the insignia of the stars and bars and in the national colors were filled with mints and given as favors.

In February, 1916, our Regent was asked to go to Monroe and discuss with the ladies there the advisability of organizing a D. A. R. Chapter. She was accompanied by Mrs. H. C. Parsons, first Regent of the Pee Dee Patriots Chapter. A number of delightful social courtesies were extended these ladies. A few months later Mrs. Dunlap returned and assisted in bringing into actuality that very superior Chapter, The John Foster.

Again in 1919 our Regent was invited to Albemarle on a similar errand. A second visit there saw the completion of another Chapter that ranks high in notable achievements.

In June, 1920, we celebrated Flag Day and our seventh birthday with the State Regent, Mrs. W. A. Spencer, as honor guest. The Chapter members enjoyed a luncheon at the home of the Regent in Ansonville and in the evening a charming reception for all the D. A. R.'s in the two counties was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Dunlap.

In 1925 our entire Chapter was a guest of honor along with the State Regent Mrs. Tillet of the Yadkin River Patriots Chapter in Albemarle. This was a delightful occasion after the manner of all things in that up-to-date city where hospitality is a middle name.

In 1922 we gave a play that was written by our talented member, Miss Jean Lea Clarke. The name of the play was the "Boll Weevil." Historic talent and production ability was displayed in this clever dramaette and the coffers of our till were swelled by its presentation. Miss Clarke was one of those shining marks that are so dear to the

grim reaper. She was called early and other products of her pen that "might have been" are only to be surmised in our imagination.

In 1925 Mrs. C. Gresham had a chapter benefit silver tea in her very beautiful home in Norwood. The appointments were exquisitely perfect. The D. A. R. lassies were dressed in dainty colonial frocks and did the hospitalities under the supervision of the hostess with charming cordiality. Many guests from the two counties enjoyed this unique tea. The treasury was increased by the silver tokens deposited in the silver tray of little Miss Clark Harris, niece of the hostess, who was impersonating Nellie Custis.

In 1927 Mrs. C. Gresham was elected Regent of the Chapter and her reign was marked by efficiency and progress.

In November, 1928, we again entertained the District meeting at the Carolina Hotel in Pinchurst. Mrs. Gresham arranged the meeting and executed the details in a very delightful manner.

At the Durham state conference in 1924 our Regent was elected State Treasurer and served two terms of two years each. This term saw the beginning of our state Scholarship Fund. It was during the World War and the State Regent, Mrs. Morrison, called an Executive Meeting in Charlotte to which the officials of the Chapters had also been invited. At this meeting it was decided to ask the Chapters to contribute three dollars each to send a girl to a National Training School to learn war work. Before this plan was consummated the war ended and the fund evolved into its present tremendous benefit.

Our Regent has been twice District President, viz; 1923-4 and 1928-9, and has held two state chairmanships, Patriotic Education and Ellis Island.

We have located the graves of thirty Revolutionary War soldiers and sent their complete records to the Smithsonian Institute.

We contributed the Mendenhall colonial table cloth that is so highly prized by Col. Olds, to the North Carolina Hall of History.

We were among the first to make response to Miss Carraway's appeal for the D. A. R. newspaper and sent her a forty-three dollar advertisement.

We have made valuable contributions to the Genealogical Chairman.

We bought two city Stone Mountain coins, one each for Ansonville and Norwood. They bear the numbers 200 and 201.

We have been a force as a D. A. R. feeder. Seventy-six members of other Chapters have found an open sesame into the D. A. R. by way of the Anson-Stanly Chapter.

We have contributed to the following causes:

Fort Dobbs, Boone Trail, Constitution House at Halifax, Scholarship Fund, Red Cross, Tilloloy, Belgian Relief, Thanksgiving Dinner for soldiers on the Mexican Border during World War, Education, Crossnore, Mr. Baldwin's School at Charlotte, Students at Albemarle Normal School, Printing Deficit Sinking Fund, Ellis Island, Manual for Immigrants Library in Memorial Continental Hall, Constitution Hall, Valley Forge, North Carolina room in Continental Hall, Medals, Grove House, Spencer clock, Spencer chair and other things. In all we have contributed to worthy causes the sum total of six thousand ninety-three dollars and ninety-two cents.\*

Three girls have been able to go to school because of our Chapter. They are Louise Smith of Polkton, Kate Allen and Pauline Wheelless of Ansonville. We are proud of these girls who are carrying on as worthy scions of worthy sires.

Death has invaded our ranks seven times, and in his harvesting he sought the fairest flowers. We love to think of the heavenly part of us, and may we not transpose the saying "Blessed is the mother with one child dead" and apply it to our Chapter since surely we must be drawn to better lives with so many of our roll in that sinless city.

*Organizing Regent:* Mrs. J. M. Dunlap. Organized June 19, 1913. Official Recognition October 14, 1913.

*Regents:* Mrs. J. M. Dunlap, 1913-1927; Mrs. C. Gresham, 1927-1929; Mrs. J. M. Dunlap, 1930-1931.

*Our Daughters:* Thomas Wade, May 26, 1914; John Foster, October 18, 1916; Yadkin River Patriots, November 11, 1919; Pee Dee Patriots, December, 1929.

*Our Deceased Members:* Mary Jane Bennett Smith (Mrs. W. A.), June 21, 1914; Winnie Colson Freeman (Mrs. H. S.), October 3, 1922; Rena Austin Harris (Mrs. E. N.), November 16, 1920; Sara Pines Dunlap Barnhardt (Mrs. Marshall), October 3, 1922; Miss Jean Lea Clarke, January 22, 1923; Mattie Lisk Hart (Mrs. W. T.), April, 1924; Estelle Cowan Blalock (Mrs. M. E.), October 24, 1927; Lucy Upchurch Johnson (Mrs. L. G.), May 30, 1929.

\* This is as near as can now be estimated, but likely more than this—not less.

*Transferred Members:* Marie Hendley Abernethy, Martha Shankle Armstrong, Lilla Crump Allen, Mary Griffin Austin, Mary Emma Parker Branch, Lillie Allen Ballard, Virginia Barnhardt, Winnie Redfearn Baldwin, Glen Gaddy Bean, Evelyn Clarke Cathey, Florence Lea Clarke, Lucille Clarke, Mary Colson Campbell, Charlie Bell Craig Crawley, Mary Jane Dunlap Colson, Nell Efird Denning, Margie Lisk Dooley, Nell Cooper Doyle, Sarah Richardson Dunlap, Mary Huntley Dunn, Cornelia Parsons Dixon, Bronnie Efird Foreman, Hazel Ross Gaddy, Geneva Dunlap Gillespie, Flossie Mauney Grantham, Foy Austin Gresham, Daisy Parsons Gray, Ollie Beverley Harris, Sadie Hendley.

Annie Preston Heilig, Virginia Barber Humphrey, Mary Allen Huntley, Laura Efird Harris, Julia Hart, Irene Bennett Henderson, Effie Turner Ingram, Kathleen Lisk Ivey, Florence Dockery Jones, Edna Radcliffe Leak, Maud Harris Lisk, Ida Richardson McLendon, Myrtie Muse McPhail, Jennie Grace Redfearn Mauney, Nannie Abercrombie Meisenheimer, Ethel Tyson McKenzie, Margaret Beacham Nelme, Lessie Lee Parker, Cora Colson Parks, Daisy Barnhardt Parsons, Mattie Dunlap Redfearn, Mamie Lanier Shankle, Corinne Harris Shinn, Lena Williams Scott, Mary Bennett Stinson, Elsie Clarke Todd, Carrie Dunlap Tyson.

*Our Medal Boys and Girls:* Ansonville—Kate Allen, 1922; Kate Robinson, 1922; Budetta Allen (Mrs. R. B. Dula), 1923; Annie Beverley (Mrs. Boswell), 1924; John Kennedy, 1925; Lazelle Mitchell, 1926; Bessie Crump (Mrs. Harkey) 1927; Easter Von Cannon, 1928; Joe Robinson, 1929; Earl Funderburke, 1930.

Norwood—Ray Dunlap, 1922; Emma Wesley Tyson, 1923; Virginia Colson, 1924; Thomas Hathcock, 1925; Virginia Allen, 1926; Roy Blalock, 1927; Lillie Hopkins, 1928; Hubert Swearingen, 1929; Myra Suits, 1930.

*Charter Members:* Mrs. Minnie Redfearn Baldwin, Mrs. Sarah Pines Dunlap Barnhardt, Miss Virginia Barnhardt, Mrs. Mary Jane Dunlap Colson, Mrs. May Colson Campbell, Mrs. Lily Doyle Dunlap, Mrs. Winnie Colson Freeman, Mrs. Daisy Parsons Gray, Mrs. Jennie Grace Redfearn Mauney, Mrs. Nannie Abercrombie Meisenheimer, Mrs. Cora Colson Parks, Mrs. Daisy Barnhardt Parsons.

## ASHEVILLE

*Edward Buncombe Chapter*

"In the beginning"—that phrase so simple, yet so comprehensive, in the beginning was the Arden Chapter D. A. R. organized by Mrs. E. D. Latta, State Regent of North Carolina, at Arden House, Buncombe County, on October 31, 1899; Mrs. Charles W. Beale being made Regent.

On account of scattering membership and difficulties of meeting, this Chapter was disbanded, the members being transferred to Membership-at-Large. Later some of these members formed the Edward Buncombe Chapter, D. A. R.

On October 12, 1903, the following ladies met at the house of Mrs. Thomas Settle, who was a lineal descendant of Governor Ashe, for whom Asheville is named, with Miss Mary Stringfield Love as Organizing Regent, and formed the Edward Buncombe Chapter D. A. R. The ladies were viz: Mrs. Thomas Settle, Regent, Mrs. J. M. Campbell, Miss Lelia May Johnston (afterwards Mrs. D. C. Waddell), Mrs. T. S. Morrison, Miss Ann T. Erwin, and Mrs. J. E. Ray. These were the officers.

Mrs. M. E. Childs, Miss Laura Carter, Mrs. Maria Hilliard Hull, Mrs. Love Hilliard Foster, Miss Eugenia Johnston (afterward Mrs. Henry Berger), and Miss Ethel Ray. These twelve ladies were the first members who formed the Chapter.

The name of the Chapter was chosen in honor of Col. Edward Buncombe, for whom Buncombe County was named, though an Englishman by birth, he was famed for his patriotism, hospitality and bravery. He was Colonel of the Fifth North Carolina Regiment, Continental Troops. The number of the Chapter is 627.

The first record of a meeting being held is dated February, 1904, ten names were presented for membership. It was decided to hold monthly meetings. Though handicapped in many ways, especially in finance, the disbursements for 1903-4 were \$78.30. In 1904 the By-laws were printed.

In January, 1905, the young Chapter decided to make its debut by inviting the State Conference to meet in Asheville. The invitation was accepted, and the meeting convened May 22-25. The Secretary's notes at this time are filled with "call meetings."

\* The Conference opened with a "Charming tea" given by Mrs. Settle in her beautiful home, and all went "merry as a marriage bell," but in the two call meetings following the Conference, there were not enough members present to transact business. The debutante was resting.

Later Mrs. Settle declined re-nomination, so Miss Grace Jones, now Mrs. Oscar Mauldin, became the second Regent. Patriotic work was carried on. Memorial Continental Hall was being built. Faithfully the Chapter worked to raise the sum of its part which had been pledged by North Carolina. Splendid historic papers were read, and all D. A. R. work carried on.

In 1908 a fund was raised to purchase a flag for the battleship *North Carolina*.

Mrs. Charles A. Moore was elected Registrar in 1909, and for sixteen consecutive years ably filled the position, a record of which to be justly proud. A scholarship fund was formed, and the first beneficiary was a descendant of Alexander Hamilton.

Upon the resignation of Miss Jones, Mrs. Theodore S. Morrison was chosen as third Regent, a most fitting choice. In 1912 the Chapter was again hostess to the State Conference, receiving many charming letters after the close from the appreciative visitors.

During this time the Chapter sponsored the publishing of "Western North Carolina," a history from 1730 to 1913, by John Preston Arthur.

This work alone would place Mrs. Morrison in the front rank among the Regents of this Chapter.

When the marker for the Daniel Boone Trail was unveiled this Chapter was invited to take entire charge of the ceremonies, for the efficient work done by them.

In 1914 Mrs. Morrison was elected State Regent, so in 1915 Mrs. John A. Campbell was appointed Regent. Now came strenuous work for Mrs. Morrison. Her war record does not belong here, but I love to think of the name we, her loving and loyal Daughters call her, "Our War Mother."

Mrs. Morrison worked on the preservation of Constitution House at Halifax, N. C. and it is in a great measure due to her that this place is preserved.

The shadow of a frightful war hung over the world during the regency of Mrs. Campbell. Led by her the Chapter did faithful

service. Eighty hours per week were devoted to the Red Cross work; Liberty bonds were bought; a Home Service Department was formed. Miss Anne Penland, a member of the Chapter was overseas, and awarded a Distinguished Service Medal for her work. Special work was done in Tilloloy, France. Ten members had sons in France, one had three sons in camp. The tide of patriotism ran high. The Regent had charge of the Red Cross work and led her Daughters on to further service.

After five years of service Mrs. Campbell resigned, Mrs. E. C. Chambers became next Regent. Hers was the task of bringing the Chapter to its pre-war status. It was during her administration that the grave of Col. Edward Buncombe was finally located in Philadelphia, this being the preliminary work of marking his grave as a Revolutionary soldier who gave his life that the country of his adoption might be free. Educational work was renewed, and Chapter activities went on.

Mrs. Frank M. Weaver was elected to succeed Mrs. Chambers. Under the leadership of Mrs. Weaver much was accomplished. The grave of Col. Buncombe was marked at Philadelphia, and the bronze marker, now in the courthouse commemorative of Col. Buncombe was purchased. The Valley Forge Memorial Fund was paid in full. In 1925 the Chapter was hostess for the third time to the State Conference. A large delegation came; much business was transacted and social functions had their part. Mrs. Weaver was a gracious and efficient Regent, many times were the Daughters entertained in her hospitable home.

After three years of active work Mrs. Weaver resigned. Mrs. Joseph B. Tate, a descendant of Arthur Middleton, of South Carolina, one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, became Regent. During her regency a chair to the memory of Col. Edward Buncombe was purchased in Constitution Hall. The grave of Joseph Harrison, a Revolutionary soldier was marked. Also this Chapter led the State in the amount of bonds bought to finance this magnificent building. A hundred dollars was contributed to the Jefferson Memorial Fund.

Mrs. Tate had the distinction of forming the first Living Flag in North Carolina, this was the first flag composed of foreign born in the United States.

Mrs. Tate formed nineteen Living Flags, for this great achievement she was decorated by President Coolidge during the D. A. R.

Congress held in Washington. Besides these the work of the Chapter was carried on in every way.

During Mrs. Tate's regency the Chapter had the honor of entertaining Mrs. Alfred Brosseau, who was then National Regent. The Chapter membership increased to 148 from 101. After three years of strenuous work, Mrs. Tate was succeeded by Mrs. Ralph N. Pfaff.

Under her the Edward Buncombe Chapter together with the District gave a chair in Constitution Hall in honor of our beloved Mrs. T. S. Morrison.

A marker to Capt. David Vance, a noted patriot and pioneer of this county, has been placed in the county courthouse. A Children's Chapter of the Revolution has been formed, Mrs. Charles M. Pritchett being the leader. It is the Captain David Vance Chapter.

A Chapter of the younger people under the leadership of Mrs. Frank M. Weaver has been formed, the name being the Ruth Davidson Chapter.

At the last District Meeting in Waynesville this Chapter gave one hundred dollars toward furnishing the North Carolina Room in Memorial Continental Hall.

Liberal contributions are given every year to all D. A. R. work. We maintain a scholarship to Crossnore and give liberally to the Community Night School and to Americanization of the foreign born.

Asheville being a cosmopolitan city our members come from many states of the Union, we now number 125. Looking back for a quarter of a century one feels that the Chapter has been fortunate in the choice of its Regents, I know of no better commendation than the words of Solomon: "Give her of the fruit of her hands, and let her own works praise her in the gates."

This Chapter has furnished two State Regents, Mrs. T. S. Morrison and Mrs. Charles Whitaker, 1929-1931, and several State officers, among them Mrs. J. S. Williams, 1925-1928, and Mrs. R. Duke Hay, Historian, 1929-1932.

Written by Mrs. R. L. Way, at the request of Mrs. J. G. Stikeleather, acting Vice-Regent.

## BREVARD

*Waightstill Avery Chapter*

In the latter part of 1920 Miss Annie Jean Gash began to agitate the question of the organization of a Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Brevard.

After much inquiry, the requisite number of eligibles were found and a meeting to perfect the organization was called for the afternoon of January 11, 1921, at the home of Mesdames L. W. Miller and Delia W. Woodward.

The officers elected were: Regent, Miss Annie Jean Gash; vice-Regent, Mrs. Elizabeth Mount Silversteen; Recording Secretary, Miss Maud Ellen Pike; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Julia Graham Forsythe; Treasurer, Mrs. Janie Bradford Kleuppelberg; Registrar, Mrs. Mary Hume Breese Allison; Historian, Mrs. Delia White Woodward.

The charter members were: Mrs. Mary Hume Breese Allison (Mrs. J. M.), Mrs. Allie Bell Blythe (Mrs. E. W.), Miss Martha Gash Boswell, Susan Lockwood Porcher Deaver (Mrs. J. P.), Julia Graham Forsythe (Mrs. J. A.), Annie Jean Gash, Margaret Gash, Mary Peck Hay, Janie Bradford Kleuppelberg (Mrs. C. H.), Laura White Miller (Mrs. J. A., Sr.), Maud Ellen Pike, Elizabeth Mount Silversteen (Mrs. J. S.), Delia White Woodward (Mrs. G. W.).

At the next meeting Waightstill Avery was unanimously chosen as the name of our Chapter in honor of our Organizing Regent, Miss Annie Jean Gash.

Waightstill Avery was very prominent in the struggle for liberty and was a signer of the Mecklenburg Declaration.

Mrs. Julia Graham Forsythe passed on May 14, 1923, leaving as a heritage to the community the record of a life unselfishly, bravely, nobly lived.

The other, Mrs. Delia White Woodward, went to her reward Thanksgiving Day, 1926. She was historian from the organization of the Chapter to the time of her death. We have missed not only her presence and her sweet spirit, her loving devotion to her work, but also her efficiency in preparing timely historical programs for the meetings.

During the first year of our organization Waightstill Avery Chapter was represented at the Continental Congress by our vice-Regent,

Mrs. J. S. Silversteen, who brought back a very interesting account of the proceedings and made us realize the greatness of the work of the D. A. R. in America. Several members of the Chapter attended the District meeting at Asheville June 14, 1921, and were entertained by the Edward Buncombe Chapter of Asheville. The exercises were impressive and gave us a better insight into the work of the D. A. R., this being our first year of experience.

We have continued to be represented at National, State and District meetings. In 1929 we entertained the district meeting.

At the close of our second year Mrs. J. S. Silversteen was elected Regent and held the office four years.

In 1924 two medals were given in the Brevard public schools for the best work in United States history. This work has grown until in 1930 ten medals were offered and every student of United States history in the county invited to compete.

The medals are presented by the Regent, or if it is impossible for her to be present, some member of the Chapter officiates, with a fitting patriotic speech in the presentation.

During Mrs. Silversteen's regency the Chapter was entertained every year in her home with a Washington Birthday celebration.

In May, 1927, another Chapter member, Mrs. E. W. Blythe, was elected Regent and is still holding the office, having been twice re-elected.

Mrs. Blythe is especially active in planning and executing programs for the observance of Flag Day.

Funds are now being raised to secure a granite boulder and flag staff to be placed on the court-house lawn.

Our county not having been formed until 1861 we have no old records to search and no historic Revolutionary spots to mark. One Revolutionary soldier is buried in Davidson River Cemetery. The record on his tombstone says he served four years and names the battles in which he fought.

Our efforts are centered upon patriotic education. The Flag Code has three times been distributed in the county schools.

We attended in a body the Washington Birthday and Armistice Day celebrations of the Brevard schools, and members of the Chapter occasionally are on the program.

The following is from a newspaper report: "Featuring the exercises was the presentation to the school of an attractive framed flag of

our country with America's Creed printed beneath it. The flag was given by the local Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and was presented to the high school in a few pleasing remarks by the Regent, Mrs. J. S. Silversteen." A framed copy of the Mecklenburg Declaration has been placed in the room of the grade studying United States history.

We have made donations to the following schools: Brevard Institute, as memorial to our beloved Julia Graham Forsythe, Crossnore; Lincoln Memorial; Southern Industrial School; American International College; Student Loan Fund.

We have also contributed to: Ellis Island; French Orphan; Joffre Institute at Paris; Rebuilding of Belleau as memorial to soldiers in France; Memorial Arch at entrance to Pisgah National Forest, built to the memory of soldiers of the Revolutionary War, the Civil War, and the World War, built at the instance of and through the untiring efforts of Dr. Charles Washington Hunt, a descendant of Revolutionary ancestors and whose son fought in the World War; Markers for Old Trails and Roads; for buying Revolutionary Relics; Valley Forge Memorial; Caroline Scott Harrison Memorial; Memorial to Founders of D. A. R.; Our part towards purchase of a chair in Constitution Hall in honor of Mrs. T. S. Morrison, war-time State Regent of North Carolina; and another chair in honor of Mrs. E. C. Gregory, State Regent; for a Wall Case in museum in Continental Memorial Hall; for North Carolina Bronze Doors in Constitution Hall; towards furnishings of North Carolina Room in Constitution Hall.

We are proud of the fact that one of our ex-Regents now our vice-Regent, Mrs. J. S. Silversteen, is a member of the committee on furnishings for the North Carolina Room. Mrs. Silversteen, in memory of her mother, is donating a corner cupboard for the room.

Another of our members, Miss Dorothy Jeane Silversteen, was honored by being asked to play the splendid new organ used at the consecration service of Constitution Hall, and she took part in this service. Miss Silversteen has also been a page at district, state and national meetings of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

When the Chapters were asked to buy bonds to aid in financing the building of Constitution Hall, our small Chapter bought a one hundred dollar bond, and seven individual members bought bonds. We placed copies of the D. A. R. Magazine in the High School li-

brary and the public library. Two Immigrant Manuals were given to Greeks. At present the only foreigners in our midst are English.

We always answer the Red Cross Roll Call and usually lead in the sale of Christmas Seals. One of our members has long been County Chairman of this health work.

In short we are busy building good citizens for our beloved country.

The Waightstill Avery Chapter members look well to the ways of their household. A son and a daughter of our efficient faithful treasurer have won medals for excellence in United States History. Mrs. Silversteen's daughters become members of the Chapter when they reach the proper age. Mrs. Blythe's daughters have been pages at state meetings.

## CHAPEL HILL

### *Davie Poplar Chapter*

In the spring of 1928, Mrs. Edwin Gregory, State Regent, appointed Mrs. Isaac Manning, (later Mrs. Whitaker confirmed the appointment) then a member of The Gen. Davie Chapter D. A. R. of Durham, to organize a Chapter of the D. A. R. in Chapel Hill.

October 23, 1928, a meeting was called at Mrs. Manning's in Chapel Hill. The other members of The Gen. Davie Chapter of Durham: Mrs. Collier Cobb, Mrs. Wallace Patterson, Mrs. Robert Lawson and Mrs. Wm. Bernard, together with several who wished to join this new Chapter were present. The business of the Chapter was talked over and several names for the Chapter were suggested, to be voted on later. Officers were appointed by the Organizing Regent.

At the first regular meeting, the second Wednesday of the month, there were 13 members on the roll call. The name of "Davie Poplar" was adopted by the members for the Chapter in honor of Gen. W. R. Davie, the only Revolutionary soldier of this county, and the tree on the campus of the University of North Carolina under which Gen. Davie and his committee decreed that "On this spot shall rise the State University"—and also because we are the children of The Gen. Davie Chapter of Durham.

At the end of the year 1928 we had 17 members. Four more were added in 1930. We have one honorary member being a direct descendant of Hooper, signer of the Declaration, Mrs. Julia Graves. One member has resigned, leaving our membership now 20.

Two of our members were transferred from New York State, one from North Dakota, one from South Carolina, one from Alabama and one from Gastonia, this state.

Our charter was ratified December, 1928, and we were accepted as a Chapter February, 1928.

The time of meetings has been changed to the third Tuesday of the month.

The officers appointed by Regent were: Mrs. Cameron, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Edmister, Treasurer; Mrs. Warren, Registrar; Mrs. Cobb, Vice-Regent; Mrs. Lee, Secretary; Mrs. Lawson, Historian; Mrs. Bernard, Chaplain.

Those same officers have since been elected with the exception of Mrs. Bernard who has resigned, and a new Chaplain has not yet been elected.

So our officers stand: Mrs. Isaac Manning, Regent; Mrs. Fussler, Vice-Regent; Mrs. Irene Lee, Secretary; Mrs. J. A. Warren, Registrar; Mrs. F. H. Edmister, Treasurer; Mrs. F. Cameron, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. R. B. Lawson, Historian.

ESTELLE WARD LAWSON, *Historian*.

## CHARLOTTE

### *Battle of Charlotte Chapter*

The Battle of Charlotte Chapter, D. A. R. held an organization meeting on November 18, 1908, at the home of Mrs. John Van Landingham, State Regent, with 46 women present. Miss Laura Orr was named as Acting Regent. Other officers elected were Mrs. W. M. Watt, Vice-Regent; Mrs. J. T. Green, Recording Secretary; Mrs. G. C. McManaway, Treasurer; Miss Hazeline Thomas, Registrar; Mrs. I. W. Faison, Historian; Mrs. H. L. Hunter, Chaplain.

The Charter from Washington was received on February 20, 1909, and the Chapter held its first official meeting with Mrs. H. L.

Adams. Miss Laura Orr presented the Chapter with an official Chapter list of members. December 3 was decided on for Chapter Day, in commemoration of December 3, 1780, when General Gates gave his sword to General Greene, and success began to crown American arms, which historic incident took place in this city.

The first representation of the Chapter at National Congress was in 1909 with the Regent, Miss Orr. She recounted the proceedings to the Chapter, including the election of Mrs. Edwin Gregory as Vice-President General.

Mrs. Eloise Burkheimer presented to the Chapter a gavel made from wood from three historic buildings: the handle from Halifax Convention House, the knocker from the Wiley Jones house where John Paul Jones received his commission as First Admiral of the American Navy; the letters, "D. A. R." from the old historic church where several signers of the Declaration of Independence were laid to rest.

The Chapter undertook for the objective of its energies and endeavors, the raising of funds for the erection of a monument to the success of the battle that was fought in the eastern section of the town.

The keynote of the Chapter from its organization has been education and progress, not forgetting in the meanwhile to foster reverence for those patriots who sacrificed their lives and fortunes.

Its first gift of importance was the aiding of worthy and ambitious girls, by donating one hundred dollars for a foundership in the Tamasee School of South Carolina, so ably sponsored by Mrs. Hanes Jones. This gift was augmented by another foundership presented to the Chapter by one of its members, Mrs. H. L. Adams, afterwards Regent, in memory of her mother. A few years later the Chapter pledged five hundred dollars to the Southern Industrial Institute, in Charlotte, which was struggling for existence. This amount was almost paid in full when the school was discontinued in 1925.

Many well selected literary programs have featured the meetings since the beginning. The first paper offered was a literary treasure, subject: "Colonel W. R. Davie in the Battle of Charlotte," by Mrs. H. L. Hunter. At one of the early sessions was a paper written by Mrs. Laura Brown, which stands out as an historic masterpiece, the subject being "The Mecklenburg Scotch-Irish in the Revolution."

The Battle of Charlotte Chapter has never boasted a numerically

large membership, but for the wealth of talent and intellect embodied in her small group, she holds a thrill of deserved pride.

After nine years, the joy of seeing the consummation of our hope and labors realized, took place July 17, 1918. The occasion was the presentation to the City of Charlotte of a splendid monument in the shape of a beautiful drinking fountain on the triangle of East Avenue. The fountain was of gray marble, 20 x 6 feet and was flanked on either side by two seats, veritably a work of art. The inscription, over which is the insignia of the D. A. R. is as follows:

"In commemoration of the Battle of  
Charlotte,  
September 26th, 1780.  
Erected by the Battle of Charlotte  
Chapter, D. A. R.  
For God and my Country I stand."

Mrs. Gordon Finger, Regent, presiding, tendered the gift to the city. Responding was Mayor F. R. McNinch, who paid the members of the Chapter a glowing tribute, not for this deed alone, but for their work in building up and keeping alive the fires of patriotism.

During the period that our country was being so vitally torn asunder and the call was sounded to arms, every woman of the Chapter offered herself for duty, whether it was making of bandages, packing a box for the Poles, or caring for our beloved at Camp Greene—each gave unsparingly of her funds and service, thrilled by the privilege of being used for her country.

At a meeting after the signing of the Armistice, the Chapter presented to Major Edward DuPont, a member of the French High Commission, a handsome silver loving cup, on which was engraved "To our North Carolina Frenchman—Battle of Charlotte Chapter, D. A. R. Feb. 13, 1919." The Major graciously accepted the token and was greatly pleased at the renewal of the bond of friendship between our beloved America and his France.

On the 10th of December a tree was planted in the old historic cemetery yard and a tablet was unveiled at the old Cook's Inn, now a cafeteria, a marker of the progress of Washington's journey through North Carolina. On that occasion, this Chapter took part in the program, the lineal descendants of the family of Washington being represented by Mrs. Henry E. Thomas.

The Chapter assumed its proportionate part of financing the marker. It has also met all financial obligations each and every year, and has assisted in entertaining the two State Conferences and the several district meetings held in Charlotte, notably the 26th State Conference, when Mrs. Frank B. Smith, Past Regent, State Chairman of Flag, member of National Advisory Committee, as Chairman of the Council of Charlotte, acted as chief hostess and general manager. At that Conference the report of this Chapter included the purchase of a memorial chair in the now Constitution Hall at Washington in memory of the hero of the Battle of Charlotte, General W. R. Davie.

On May 20, 1925, the Battle of Charlotte Chapter was voted the prize for having the most beautiful float in the celebration parade.

A partial outline of our work for 1927 was the forming of two Living Flags, both of which were founded by a member of our Chapter, Mrs. Benjamin Wyche, and her young son, Benjamin, Jr., in memory of her mother and father respectively. Mrs. Wyche received a Decoration at the Continental Congress for her splendid work of patriotism.

In 1930 Reverend Humphrey Hunter's grave was marked. The Chapter contributed its quota to the Charlotte D. A. R. Building at Crossnore, the mountain school and on October 6, 1930, the members coöperated with other organizations in the celebration of Kings Mountain, where President Hoover was present and made an address. They now look forward to the State meeting of the Sons of American Revolution in which they have some part, and to the District meeting in 1931. Chapter Regents have been: Miss Laura Orr, Organizing Regent; Mrs. I. W. Faison, Mrs. Gordon Finger, Mrs. H. L. Adams, Mrs. C. E. Harrison, Mrs. J. H. Shuford, Mrs. Frank B. Smith, Mrs. Henry Thomas, Mrs. Benjamin Wyche, and Mrs. Mabel A. Stewart.

## CHARLOTTE

### *Halifax Convention Chapter*

On January 12, 1909, Mrs. R. A. Dunn of Charlotte organized the Halifax Convention Chapter under the State Regency of Mrs. John Van Landingham with the following as charter members: Mesdames

J. E. Carson, George E. Wilson, Sr., J. W. Zimmerman, Ralph Van Landingham, P. M. Brown, Lewis Burwell, Thomas H. Wright, Fred Glover, W. L. Burroughs, Henry M. McAden, Misses Annie Wilson, May Oates (now Mrs. H. N. Pharr), Maud Craig Matthews, Mary B. Anthony and Norma Van Landingham (now Mrs. Jacob Binder, Jr.).

Mrs. Carson was the first Regent and in the 21 years of service, the Chapter has had as regents: Mrs. Stuart W. Cramer, Mrs. H. N. Pharr, Mrs. B. J. Witherspoon, Mrs. James A. Speir, Mrs. Henry McAden, Mrs. Ralph Van Landingham, Mrs. Jacob Binder, Jr., Mrs. Robert Pollock, Mrs. E. N. Hutchison, Mrs. H. M. Wade.

The work decided upon in 1909 was to be largely educational, and this aim has been earnestly carried out in materially assisting Mr. J. A. Baldwin with the Southern Industrial School (now defunct after many years of labor and glorifying results), the Tamassee School, Crossnore, the Industrial School at Arden, and the Charlotte Night School for Foreign-born; many scholarships besides other donations have been given these schools.

Assistance for the upkeep of Sugar Creek Cemetery, Craighead Cemetery, Old Cemetery, Charlotte, have been yearly gifts.

Much war work was done for the Red Cross and the soldiers at Camp Greene. Mrs. Ralph Van Landingham, a member having been vice-Chairman, then Chairman of the local Chapter, and then organizer and conductor of the American Red Cross Canteen which gained national recognition. For her Red Cross services she received a special medal from the Southern Division, with a citation commending her work and fine spirit. Every member of this Chapter performed her full service during the War.

The Chapter was instrumental in having the National Hymn played at the theaters opening performances and teaching patriotism by urging patrons to rise; also in requesting Prof. Harding of the city schools to have the children learn the American's Creed.

The Chapter has ever made full contribution to State and National causes, and has assisted the other Charlotte chapters in many worthwhile endeavors. One hundred dollars was contributed to the N. C. bell at Valley Forge. The Chapter has to its credit a chair in Constitution Hall, and bought a \$150.00 bond for the same building. The chair in Constitution Hall was placed there in honor of our Mrs. Ralph Van Landingham who has been the efficient State Chairman of

Constitution Hall and who in 1929 was elected vice-President General of the National Society of Daughters of the American Revolution.

April 12 one of the dates on the N. C. flag is Chapter Day on which there is always a more elaborate program.

Much serious literary work has been accomplished. A partial list of topics for papers read at meetings follows: "Relation Between Great Britain and the Colonies Just Prior to the Revolution," "Life of Paul Jones," "National Hymns," "Trial of Warren Hastings," "The Establishment of the First Protestant Church in America at Jamestown, Virginia," "The Founding of Center Church" (where the first synod of N. C. was held), "The True George Washington," "Thomas Jefferson's Life," "What England has done in the War," "America's part in the World War," "Revolutionary Women," "Revolutionary Houses and Gardens."

The Chapter proudly owns a gavel made from timber of the building in which lived John Paul Jones in Halifax County, N. C.—the birthplace of Col. A. L. Smith, the donor.

The Chapter has lost four members by death and fourteen for various other reasons. It now numbers 32 members. It has nearly always been represented at the National and State conferences, and at all times shown wonderful coöperation with the aims and endeavors of the National Society.

NORMA VAN LANDINGHAM BINDER, *Historian*.

## CHARLOTTE

### *Liberty Hall Chapter*

In response to the petition for the organization of a new Chapter of the D. A. R., with Mrs. James Eugene Reilley, as Organizing Regent, Mrs. John Van Landingham, Vice-President General called a meeting of those who had signed the petition and desired to join the Chapter, at her home and the name "Liberty Hall" was adopted and the suggestion made that the first work of the Chapter be the marking of the site of this educational institution in memory of its trustees.

Liberty Hall was the thirteenth Chapter organized in the State and North Carolina is one of the thirteen original states, and the first meeting was held on December 13, 1908. The Regent received her

endorsement, as Organizing Regent, from the National Society on January 13, 1909. Her certificate was dated February 13, and on March 13 the Chapter was formally organized with thirty-one (31) members, or the reverse of 13 and the Charter from the national society was granted on March 13 and the Constitution and By-laws adopted the 13th. We entertained the 13th state conference in 1913 and the sun dial commemorating the signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, for it was in Liberty Hall that the document was written, was unveiled November 4th, 1913. The first person to marry was number 13. The first member of the Chapter to serve as State Regent was elected Chapter Regent 1913. We cooperated with other Chapters in Charlotte in the entertainment of the state conference in March, 1926, just 13 years since the last one met with us and it has been the privilege in our 13th year to assist in the entertainment of our district, September 28th, 1926. After 13 successful years the Organizing Regent was again elected to serve the Chapter and our program for the year was: "The 13 original states in Song and Poetry." During these 13 years we have lost 13 members by death. The congeniality existing in our Chapter makes us think we were founded on the 13th chapter of Chronicles.

#### HISTORIC GAVEL

Our gavel was given to us by the late Mrs. Rufus Barringer, the knocker was made from a piece of dogwood from Roanoke Island and the handle from an old oak tree growing on the ground where Liberty Hall stood.

Washington's Wedding Day—January 6th—is our Chapter Day and is celebrated by a special program arranged for the occasion. Flag Day is celebrated by a pilgrimage to some interesting historic spot in Mecklenburg County and a program appropriate to the occasion is rendered.

The war work of Liberty Hall Chapter is worthy of special mention, as outstanding work was accomplished. On May 20, 1917, the Chapter presented a flag to the County of Mecklenburg and arranged patriotic exercises for the occasion. It was the first time the 20th had ever had a flag raising and the occasion lined the streets with thousands of people, eager to attend the exercises at the Mecklenburg Court House—the site of Liberty Hall. The local military companies were invited to take part, and their presence added much to the

impressiveness of the occasion. Music was furnished by the Steel Creek band.

On Flag Day, June 14, 1917, the Chapter stood sponsor for the Fifth Company, N. C. Coast Artillery, N. G., inviting the company to a patriotic party and supper at the home of the Regent, Mrs. Isaac Hardeman, Jr. From this time on the Chapter took active interest in all the members of this company and endeavored to add to their pleasure and comfort whenever possible. In August the Chapter joined with the mothers of the boys of this company in giving a farewell reception at the home of Mrs. W. C. Alexander. When the company was ordered to Fort Caswell, N. C., and had to depart on the train at 5:00 A. M., many members of Liberty Hall were at the station to say good-bye.

At Thanksgiving and Christmas the Chapter joined with the Fifth Company mothers in sending trunks of homemade cakes, baked hams, biscuits, etc., to them at Fort Caswell. An individual Christmas box was also sent to every member of the company. During Christmas week the Fifth Company was given an unexpected furlough of five days and the boys took Charlotte by storm. Liberty Hall gave a reception in their honor, at the home of Mrs. Hugh Montgomery, the only member of the Chapter having a son in this company. The Company was soon divided and its members transferred to various branches of the service, so that nothing further could be done for them as a company, but only as individuals. Throughout the war and long after the Chapter held joint meetings each month with the Fifth Company mothers, until finally these mothers organized a chapter of "American War Mothers" in Charlotte, electing Mrs. Hugh Montgomery, a member of Liberty Hall, as their first president.

#### ADOPTS A SOLDIER

In May, 1918, the Chapter volunteered to adopt one of the wards in the Base Hospital at Camp Greene and to keep it supplied with magazines, flowers, etc. Ward C-2 was assigned to Liberty Hall. When the "Soldiers" club house for enlisted men was opened in June, 1918, the Chapter sent a check to the committee in charge of furnishing of same. In April, 1918, the Chapter voted to collect and preserve the records of all the men and women who were in the service from Mecklenburg County and a committee appointed to take charge

of the work. Later upon the recommendation of the War Records Committee, the Chapter voted to present all such records to the Charlotte branch of the American Legion Auxiliary.

The Chapter arranged a delightful afternoon program on "Tilloloy," Major Edwourd Dupont, the ranking French officer from Camp Greene, to tell the war experiences at Tilloloy. Mrs. C. C. Hook was hostess and all the Chapters in Charlotte invited. The Chapter paid its full quota per member for Tilloloy.

One hundred cretonne bags were made for Camp Greene Base Hospital and thirty-five for the post hospital at Fort Caswell. Twenty-seven pneumonia braces were made for Camp Greene and later five hundred for the first line packets for the Charlotte Red Cross Chapter. Four carloads of clothing were collected and shipped for Belgium relief by Mrs. W. M. Robey. Five members of the Charlotte Canteen service of the American Red Cross were members of Liberty Hall; Mrs. C. W. Tillett, Mrs. Hugh Montgomery, Mrs. W. O. Nisbet, Mrs. F. R. McNinch and Mrs. Isaac Hardeman, Jr. Another member, Miss Minnie Little, was a member of the Red Cross Motor Corps; while Mrs. James Eugene Reilley was state chairman for North Carolina for the Woman's Committee for the Council of National Defense and the only woman on the Governor's Council.

In memory of two beloved soldiers of the old Fifth Company, Liberty Hall established a scholarship. The one Sergeant, Ward Rogers Evans, supply sergeant Hospital Corps C. A. C. Fort Caswell, N. C., son of Mrs. Hugh Montgomery, who died of pneumonia October 10, 1918. The other John MacDonald Wearn, first class private, 10th Anti-Aircraft Battery, son of Mrs. J. H. Wearn of Charlotte, who died in France, October 19, 1918, of pneumonia. This scholarship is known by the name of Evans-Wearn Scholarship. After the war the Chapter placed a bronze tablet at the Mecklenburg Court House in memory of those from Mecklenburg County who gave their lives in the World War. This tablet was unveiled November 11, 1922, and the Gold Star Mothers were guests of the Chapter at an informal luncheon on Armistice Day following the exercises at the Court House. When Charlotte entertained the returning soldiers of Mecklenburg County, Liberty Hall donated to the picnic lunch on May 20, 1919. A float was decorated by the Chapter and entered the parade on this occasion. It was driven by one of the Fifth Company boys and several members rode on same.

## OUR HUSBANDS AND SONS IN THE WAR

- Cowles, Walter Miller, Second Lieutenant, Motor Transportation, Carruthers Field, Texas.
- Boulogny, Ralph T., First Lieutenant, Signal Corps, O. C. S. O., Washington, D. C.
- De Laney, Luke S., Private, 105th Engineers, Thirtieth Division, American Expeditionary Forces.
- De Laney, Paul Wright, First Lieutenant, Aviation Department
- Doughtie, Eugene Revere, Private, 343rd Battalion, Co. B., Tank Corps.
- Erwin, John, Private, Training Camp, Seattle, Wash.
- \*Evans, Ward, Sergeant, Supply Department, Hospital Corps, Coast Artillery, Fort Caswell, N. C.
- Fore, James Albert, First Lieutenant, 25th Infantry, Columbus, N. M.
- Fore, Clyde Lathrop, First Lieutenant, 81st Artillery, Ft. Sill, Okla.
- Goode, Allison Lloyd, Gunners-Mate, U. S. Kearsarge, American Expeditionary Forces.
- Henderson, Irwin, Private, Unit O, Base Hospital No. 6, Bordeaux, American Expeditionary Forces.
- Hopkins, W. T., First Lieutenant, Field Artillery, Third Division, American Expeditionary Forces.
- Johnson, Herschel V., Captain, Aide-de-Camp, Sixth Division, American Expeditionary Forces.
- Lewin, Herbert P., Private, Limited Service, Fort Thomas.
- Little, John Philip, Jr., S. S. Aviation, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
- Long, H. C., Jr., Captain, 56th Infantry, Seventh Division, American Expeditionary Forces.
- Long, Giles Mebane, First Lieutenant, Pilot, Aviation, American Expeditionary Forces.
- Mobley, Nathan, Student Army Training Camp, Chapel Hill, N. C.
- Morrison, Robert Hall, Captain, 115th Machine Gun Battalion, Thirtieth Division, American Expeditionary Forces.
- Murrill, Hugh A., Jr., Captain on Staff, 82nd and 80th Divisions.
- Nisbet, Douglas Heath, First Lieutenant, Medical Reserve, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.
- Nisbet, Everett Phifer, Second Lieutenant, Intelligence Section, 56th Infantry, Seventh Division, American Expeditionary Forces.

\* Deceased.

- Player, William Byron, Corporal Instructor, 52nd Co., Fifth Group,  
M. T. D.-M. G. C. C., Camp Hancock, Ga.
- \*Reilley, Eugene Holmes, First Lieutenant, 326th Infantry, 82nd  
Division, American Expeditionary Forces.
- Reilley, Alfred Shapleigh, Sergeant, Clerical Dept., Base Hospital No.  
6, Bordeaux, American Expeditionary Forces.
- Reilley, Maurice Eliot, Second Lieutenant, 812th Pioneer Infantry,  
Camp Grant, Ill.
- Sloan, Henry L., First Lieutenant, Medical Corps, Base Hospital,  
Camp Lee, Petersburg, Va.
- Stribling, Joseph Morton, First Lieutenant, 42nd Division, 117th  
Engineers.
- Tillett, Duncan Patterson, Student Army Training Camp, Chapel  
Hill, N. C.
- Tillett, Charles Walter, Jr., Captain, 50th Infantry, 20th Division,  
Camp Sevier, Greenville, S. C.
- Tillett, John, First Lieutenant, Pursuit Corps, Aviation, Rockwell  
Field, San Diego, California.
- Tillett, William Smith, Captain, Medical Reserve, 108th Engineers,  
33rd Division, American Expeditionary Forces.
- Wilkes, Preston Brooks, Jr., First Lieutenant, Russian Railway Serv-  
ice Corps, American Expeditionary Forces, Siberia.

#### GENERAL PERSHING

The coming of General Pershing for the 20th of May celebration, 1922, inspired the American Legion Post in Charlotte to put on a mammoth parade, and Liberty Hall Chapter voted to have a float. Under the chairmanship of Mrs. Preston B. Wilkes, Jr., a log school house, representing the original Liberty Hall Academy was decided upon and three daughters and three sons of the members in old fashioned costume acting as pupils with a grown son acting as school master.

Educational work has always been emphasized by our Chapter and at present we are maintaining three scholarships, contributing generously to the schools for foreign born adults, many qualifying for naturalization by this means. The Chapter has met all state and national obligations, contributing our quota to the Student's Loan Fund, Ellis Island, The Immigrant's Manual and Library Fund. Five:

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\$100 bonds were taken by a member, one \$50 bond by another, and a \$100 by the Chapter, \$75 for a chair to be placed in Continental Hall in honor of Mrs. C. W. Tillett, past state Regent and a former Regent of Liberty Hall. In conjunction with other Chapters in Charlotte we erected a tablet commemorating "General George Washington's journey through North Carolina, in 1791, on the site of Cook's Inn, the tavern in which Washington was a guest." The pageant which celebrated the sesqui-centennial of the signing of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, May 20, 1775, was conceived by this Chapter and the chairman of the historical committee, Mrs. J. A. Fore and Mrs. James Eugene Reilley, chairman of the cast committee were also on the executive committee and members of Liberty Hall. Many other members participated in this great historical event either as members of the cast or in serving on committees.

It was Mrs. W. O. Nisbet who conceived the idea of organizing a central council to avoid overlapping and duplication of work, which has had the full endorsement of Liberty Hall, and also received the coöperation of the other Chapters of Charlotte, therefore proving such an effective instrument of good.

#### UNITY IN THE COMMUNITY

With the idea of putting "Unity in the Community," we coöperated with other Chapters in Charlotte in raising money for the North Carolina Day at Valley Forge, in the entertainment of the state conference, the district meeting and the President General, Mrs. Brosseau. Contributions were made for the Captain Jack marker; the Sugar Creek Cemetery; to the thousand dollar art exhibit. We participated in the unveiling of the Camp Greene marker, erected by Mecklenburg Chapter; coöperated with the county in a celebration at Andrew Jackson's home at Waxhaw. We assisted in securing a memorial tablet, placed in the public library in honor of the organizer of the North Carolina Society D. A. R., Mrs. Harriet Nisbet Latta. Two hundred dollars has been contributed to Crossnore for the new building. Lineage books are purchased as soon as they are published.

#### ANTIQUE SILVER SERVICE

It was during Mrs. Hugh A. Murrill's administration that our Chapter sponsored the exhibition of a beautiful antique silver service

of historic interest, because it was presented many years ago by the State of North Carolina to the daughter of the heroic commander of the "Wasp" who was lost at sea after brilliant naval victories over the British. This service was discovered in the strong room of an old castle on the coast of Cornwall and was shown in Charlotte through the courtesy of Capt. Edward Page Gaston, F. R. G. S., a well-known antiquary.

We purchased through National Better Films Committee D. A. R., a patriotic trailer which is displayed at the children's matinees on patriotic occasions in one of our modern picture houses.

One of our members, Mrs. J. A. Fore, was made North Carolina Chairman of the Historical Commission on the Kings Mountain Sesqui-Centennial Celebration, and another member offered a prize of five dollars to the school pupil writing the best essay on the historic battle of Kings Mountain.

#### VALLEY FORGE

At the last annual meeting of the D. A. R. held in Greensboro, our present Regent, Mrs. G. O. Doggett, brought a message fraught with such significance not only to Liberty Hall Chapter, but to the Daughters of the State as well. The Valley Forge Committee had waited long and patiently with the hope that someone would be inspired to accept the rather large obligation the State of North Carolina had assumed at Valley Forge as its part of the Washington memorial.

In April, 1927, Mrs. Alston Morrison, at that time chairman of the central council Charlotte D. A. R., forwarded to the Washington Memorial Association two hundred and fifty dollars to pay for the North Carolina State star on the Capitol Birthday Bell, North Carolina being the first state in the Union to complete its contribution to the National Birthday Bell.

The next project to be considered at Valley Forge was the North Carolina State Bell in the Star Spangled Banner National Peace Chimes. Because of the patriotism of one woman and the high regard she sustained for our Regent, Mrs. G. O. Doggett, and Mrs. Joseph Garibaldi, a member, she gave two thousand dollars for the purchase of the bell and in addition fifty-five dollars for a memorial chorister and a silver cross to be worn by him. Today Liberty Hall rejoices that through the great kindness of Mrs. Bertha Thomas Hiss the North Carolina Bell has been placed at Valley Forge bearing the inscription:

TO THE GLORY OF GOD  
IN TRIBUTE TO NORTH CAROLINA  
THIS BELL IS GIVEN  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF  
GEORGE BOSLEY HISS  
OF CHARLOTTE  
AND IN HONOR OF  
LIBERTY HALL CHAPTER  
DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION  
1930

Laura Holmes Reilley  
Organizing Regent  
Liberty Hall Chapter, D. A. R.

REGENTS

1909-1930

Mrs. James Eugene Reilley .....	March, 1909-March, 1911
*Mrs. C. B. Bryant .....	March, 1911-Nov. 1911
Mrs. W. W. Johnson .....	Nov. 1911-March, 1913
Mrs. C. W. Tillett, Sr.....	March, 1913-March, 1915
Mrs. E. P. Tingley.....	March, 1915-March, 1917
Mrs. Isaac Hardeman, Jr.....	March, 1917-June, 1919
Mrs. W. O. Nisbet.....	June, 1919-January, 1922
Mrs. Mattie H. Stewart.....	January, 1922-January, 1924
Mrs. Alston D. Morrison.....	January, 1924-June, 1926
Mrs. James Eugene Reilley.....	May, 1926-June, 1927
Mrs. Hugh A. Murrill, Sr.....	June, 1927-April, 1930
Mrs. G. O. Doggett.....	April, 1930-.....

HOW LIBERTY HALL CHAPTER D. A. R. GOT ITS NAME

The Chapter received its name from the first college established in North Carolina, known as Queen's Museum and later changed to Liberty Hall.

The County of Mecklenburg and the surrounding territory was settled principally by Scotch-Irish. Being of the Presbyterian faith and inheriting independence of character and freedom of thought, they were the unflinching advocates of civil and religious liberty. Wherever people of this faith settled they invariably established a church and alongside soon sprang up a good school. Each of the seven churches of early Mecklenburg had a seminary of learning; of these Sugar Creek was the oldest, established by Rev. Alexander Craighead and Rev. Joseph Alexander. Vigorous efforts were made

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to elevate this school to the rank and usefulness of a college. A charter was obtained in 1770 from the Colonial Legislature, conferring title and privileges under the name of Queen's Museum. The act as passed was entitled "An act founding, establishing and endowing of Queen's College, in the town of Charlotte," it being thought best to move the school to the village. The charter was twice set aside by the King and Council because of fear of democratic tenets being taught under Presbyterian influence. Queen's Museum flourished however, without a charter and many of the most distinguished patriots of the Revolution were educated at this institution. It was the place of meeting of the literary societies and political clubs of the day and his Majesty's fears were realized, as it was in this hall that the debates were held which resulted in the Mecklenburg Declaration.

Among the many distinguished men who received their education at Queen's Museum were Gen. William Lee Davidson, Gen. George Graham, Gen. W. R. Davie, Gen. Joseph Graham and Andrew Jackson, who was born in Mecklenburg County, partially educated there and who later practiced in the courts of Mecklenburg and Rowan counties.

That Queen's College became a nursery of freemen as well as a seat of learning, is shown by the following acts of the youth of the town and county. According to the S. C. Gazette of February 9th, the young ladies of Mecklenburg County, N. C. formed an association to arouse patriotism in every laggard bosom. The account runs thus: "The young ladies of the best families of Mecklenburg County, N. C. have entered into a voluntary association that they will not receive the addresses of any young gentleman of that place except the brave volunteers who served in the expedition to S. C., and assisted in subduing the Tory insurgents." This meeting took place in the hall of Queen's College, where all the patriotic meetings of Charlotte were held. Not to be outdone by the maidens, the young men of the College, led by Ephriam Brevard, one of the College faculty, formed a military company to go to the help of the eastern part of the Colony to suppress the Tories who were assembling near Wilmington under General McDonald.

The first General Assembly of North Carolina, which convened under the Constitution in 1777, obliterated all signs of royalty and changed Queen's College to Liberty Hall. It flourished until the theatre of war moved south to the Carolinas in 1780, when the college

was converted into a hospital by Major W. R. Davie and it became the rendezvous of the American troops in all the battles in this section of North Carolina and upper South Carolina. According to "Hunter's Sketches": "Col. McClure with other wounded was conveyed under charge of Davie's cavalry to Charlotte, after the engagement at Hanging Rock and that he died a few days later at Liberty Hall."

After Liberty Hall had served its usefulness as a college, it was converted into a high school for Charlotte and vicinity. Washington in his diary of his southern tours, speaks of the school in Charlotte and mentions that it was formerly a college. To preserve this historic name it was bestowed upon our chapter D. A. R.

#### THE SITE OF LIBERTY HALL

The site of Liberty Hall was the Court House property on the corner of Third and Tryon streets and was a part of the original grant of 100,000 acres from George 3rd to George Augustus Selwyn. Selwyn granted 360 acres to the town commissioners of Charlotte, Thomas Polk, Abram Alexander and Thomas Frohock, in 1763.

Queen's College was built on a part of this land in 1770. The Commissioners conveyed title to ten citizens as trustees for the college in 1778 when its name was changed to Liberty Hall. Thomas Polk had erected the buildings at his own expense and the land was sold to him by the trustees in 1788 when it ceased to function as a college. The property was sold by Polk to William Alexander in 1826 for \$500.00, the first time a price is mentioned in any of the deeds of conveyance, and successively passed through the ownership of James A. Johnston, Thomas Grier, David Asbury, William E. White, the latter buying it for \$5,500.00 in 1858.

The property was bought by A. B. Davidson in 1869 and was sold by him to the Board of County Commissioners of Mecklenburg, for the sum of \$18,000.00 in 1895. The Court House was erected thereon which served the county until the year 1928. The description of the property in Deed Book 108 Page 49 notes: "The said parcel of land being a part of lots known as the "Brevard Davidson or Liberty Hall Lots."

MRS. J. A. FORE.

## CHARLOTTE

*The Mecklenburg Declaration of  
Independence Chapter*

(COMPILED BY JULIA M. ALEXANDER)

*Organization*

The Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, known locally as the "Signers' Chapter," was organized at the home of Miss M. Sophie Alexander in Charlotte, N. C., February 22, 1912, with twenty-seven charter members, (the exact number of Signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration.) The organizing committee was: Miss Julia M. Alexander, Miss Madeline Orr, Miss Hattie Alexander, Miss Hazeline Thomas, (Mrs. J. Thorne Beaty,) and Miss Violet G. Alexander. The organizing regent, who later became the first Chapter Regent, was Miss Julia M. Alexander.

*Name*

The Chapter is named in honor of the FIRST DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE IN AMERICA, declared at Charlotte, N. C., on May 20, 1775, more than a year prior to the national Declaration of Independence. Membership in the Chapter is limited to lineal descendants of the Signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. The twenty-seven Signers were as follows: Abraham Alexander, Chairman, John McKnitt Alexander, Secretary, Col. Thomas Polk, Ephraim Brevard, Hezekiah J. Balch, John Phifer, James Harris, William Kennon, John Foard, Richard Barry, Henry Downs, Ezra Alexander, William Graham, John Queary, Hezekiah Alexander, Adam Alexander, Charles Alexander, Zaccheus Wilson, Waightstill Avery, Benjamin Patton, Matthew McLure, Neil Morrison, Robert Irwin, John Flennegin, David Reese, John Davidson, and Richard Harris. These early patriots were brave and fearless leaders in their community, and outstanding men in affairs of state and county; all being office-holders, or holding military appointments. They were the first colonists to declare independence from British authority,

their action resulting in the British governor fleeing from North Carolina, and an independent government being established in the state. The Signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration were men of sturdy Scotch stock; their forebears having gone to the north of Ireland from Scotland, thence to Pennsylvania and Maryland, and from there to the Piedmont section of North Carolina where they took up large tracts of land, and soon became influential citizens.

#### *Objects*

The special object of organizing this Chapter, composed only of lineal descendants of Signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, is to guard, cherish, perpetuate and protect Mecklenburg County history, to mark and preserve historical places, and to join with the State and National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution in the general work of the organization.

#### *Special Days*

The Chapter observes annually February 22nd, not only as the birthday of General George Washington, but also, as its own birthday, on account of that day being the date of the organization of the Chapter, and therefore, "Charter Day". "Chapter Day", May 20th, is observed annually by the Chapter, as the most notable day in North Carolina history.

#### *Chapter Pin*

The Chapter pin, designed by Miss Violet G. Alexander, and made by the official D. A. R. jewellers, is a pin bearing the name of the Chapter with a hornet's nest and date, "May 20th, 1775" in D. A. R. blue on old gold. (The significance of the hornet's nest as an emblem is on account of the historic remark of General Cornwallis' that "Charlotte was a veritable hornet's nest".)

#### *Special Work of Chapter*

The Chapter has accomplished fine historical work in marking historic spots; in the marking and preservation of historic burying grounds; the collection and preservation of old wills and records;

stimulating interest in historical study and research; and in the annual public observance of May 20th.

(a) The first patriotic work undertaken by the Chapter was rebuilding the old rock wall around the oldest Sugaw Creek cemetery, where lies buried that great patriot and leader, Rev. Alexander Craighead, inspirer of the Mecklenburg Declaration, and first resident minister of Mecklenburg County, who came to North Carolina from Pennsylvania, by way of Virginia, (where he preached for a short time), and coming to North Carolina stirred the hearts of the people of Mecklenburg County by his utterances in behalf of religious and civic liberty, resulting in the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. The restoration of this wall and placing a tablet at gate, with also the erection of iron fence on wall, was done at a cost of four hundred dollars. (The iron fence was given to the Chapter by the United States Government, having been removed from around the Federal Post Office grounds in Charlotte when a new Post Office was constructed.

A handsome granite boulder, with bronze tablet, was placed on the Sugaw Creek Church grounds, to the memory of General Joseph Graham, Revolutionary hero, who was cut down near that place by the British, while leading his command and was left for dead, having received nine wounds. (He recovered and lived to a ripe age, to serve his country notably in peace as in war.) A beautiful monument bearing appropriate inscription, was erected in the old graveyard at Hopewell Church, Mecklenburg County, to mark the grave of the distinguished General William Lee Davidson, who lost his life at the battle of Cowan's Ford, February 1, 1780. (Davidson College was named in his honor.)

#### *Wills and Records*

(b) The Chapter owns a book of wills and records, and has collected a number of rare and valuable papers, among the number being six wills of Signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.

The Historian of the Chapter is custodian of the Chapter scrap-book which contains much interesting historical data.

A number of historical records have been copied and sent to National D. A. R. Headquarters in Washington, to be filed.

### *Historical Prizes*

(c) Two handsome silver loving-cups have been awarded high school students for the best essays on the subject of "The Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence". These prizes were presented at the annual commencement exercises of the Charlotte High School. Five dollars in gold was given by the Chapter to the pupil in the Myers Park, (Charlotte,) school, writing the best essay on the Battle of King's Mountain.

### *Copies of Mecklenburg Declaration*

A handsome copy of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, done on sheepskin by an expert engraver, was presented to the City of Charlotte, to be hung in the City Hall. Also framed copies of the Declaration have been presented to various institutions of learning, libraries, and individuals. On May 20, 1922, a copy, wrapped within the folds of a North Carolina flag, was presented to General Pershing, on the occasion of his visit to Charlotte.

Framed copies have been presented to the Hall of History at Raleigh, the University of North Carolina, Davidson College, Carnegie Library at Greensboro, Charlotte Public Library, Queens College, at Charlotte, Memorial Continental Hall and Congressional Library in Washington, D. C. Also, copies have been sent by a member to the "John McKnitt Alexander" chapter D. A. R., Houston, Texas; the "David Reese" chapter, Oxford, Miss., the "Henry Downs" chapter, Waco, Texas, and the "Waightstill Avery" chapter, Brevard, N. C. All of the above chapters are named in honor of Signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.

A framed copy of the American's Creed has been given to the Charlotte Public Library; and framed copies of the flag code have been given to each public school in Charlotte. Also, copies of the flag code have been given to all the public schools in Mecklenburg County.

The Chapter has for sale copies of the Mecklenburg Declaration, applying the proceeds to patriotic purposes.

### *Flags*

(e) A large North Carolina flag was presented to the Alexander Graham High School by the Chapter, with appropriate ceremonies.

The North Carolina flag bears the date, May 20th, 1775, placed there by an act of the North Carolina Legislature, in commemoration of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence.

#### *Educational Work*

(f) Eight annual scholarships were given to pupils in the Southern Industrial Institute near Charlotte. (This school was recently discontinued). Several scholarships and material assistance have been given to Crossnore School, in the mountains of North Carolina.

Interest in history has been stimulated by prizes offered for essays on the Mecklenburg Declaration.

#### *Observance of May 20th*

May 20th, "Chapter Day", is annually observed by the Chapter, and the Signers' monument decorated by a special committee. The Chapter is custodian of this monument. Dr. Archibald Henderson, and other notable speakers have been invited by the Chapter, to make addresses on Chapter Day. On all public celebrations of May 20th in Charlotte the Signers Chapter has, since organized, taken an important part. Twice it has been awarded first prize for the best patriotic float in parades; one float especially eliciting much praise and comment, portraying an immense hornet's nest with a number of tiny children dressed to represent hornets, grouped around it. So real did the hornets' nest appear that many persons from the county, familiar with hornet's nests, would step up to the side of the float and punch the mammoth nest with an umbrella or cane to endeavor to prove its true status.

On May 20th, 1925, the Chapter assisted in the presentation at Charlotte, of the spectacular \$50,000 pageant, celebrating the Sesqui-Centennial of the signing of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. Congress passed an act appropriating a sum of money for the pageant, and appointed a Federal Commission to represent the Government on that occasion.

#### *National and State Work*

(h) The Chapter paid its quota to the building of Continental Memorial Hall in Washington, and to the North Carolina column

on the portico of that building; contributed to furnishing the North Carolina Room; it has also paid its quota towards the new Constitution Hall, and to the bronze doors of that building, and to the furnishing of the new North Carolina Room.

Annual contribution is made to the work among the immigrants at Ellis Island.

The Chapter has placed in Constitution Hall a chair, costing \$150.00, appropriately inscribed, to the memory of the Signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, and also contributed through the gift of a member, Mrs. T. T. Allison, \$75.00 toward the cost of a chair in honor of Mrs. C. W. Tillett, Sr., former State Regent.

*Co-operation with Four Charlotte Chapters, D. A. R.*

(i) Co-operating with the other four chapters D. A. R. of Charlotte, the Signers Chapter has:

Contributed to the North Carolina bey in the Valley Forge Chapel;

Contributed to the bells in the Chapel in Valley Forge;

Contributed annually to the education of foreigners in Charlotte;

Placed a bronze tablet on site of building on West Trade St., Charlotte, where General George Washington had his headquarters during his visit in 1791.

Placed bronze tablet in Charlotte Public Library to memory of Mrs. Harriet Nisbet Latta (Mrs. E. D.) of Charlotte, who was one of the founders of the North Carolina D. A. R.

Contributes to the preservation of the historic Revolutionary graveyard in Charlotte, where lie buried Col. Thomas Polk, who read the Mecklenburg Declaration from the Courthouse steps; General George Graham, who with a handful of men repulsed four hundred British at McIntyre's branch in Mecklenburg County; and other Revolutionary heroes. A sturdy pin-oak was planted by the five chapters to the memory of General George Washington, in this old grave-yard.

(During the World War, the five chapters united in much effective work, especially for the soldiers at Camp Greene, engaging in Red Cross, Canteen, Social, and other patriotic service.)

Joining with other local D. A. R. Chapters in building a dormitory for girls at Crossnore School, and contributed \$200.00 of the \$1,000 given for this purpose.

Delightful social events, in honor of distinguished guests, and in honor of other organizations, have been participated in by the Chapter, uniting with the other chapters.

#### *Co-operation with Capt. James Jack Chapter, C. A. R.*

Members of the Chapter contributed funds toward the erection of a granite boulder by the "Capt. James Jack" Chapter, Children of the American Revolution, in memory of Capt. James Jack, who carried the Mecklenburg Declaration to the Continental Congress in Washington.

#### *Meetings*

(k) Monthly meetings (with summer interim), are held at the homes of members, with an historical program.

Especially interesting have been meetings at the historic Parks Kirkpatrick home, the historic Craighead Davidson home; and at the Hezekiah Alexander Rock House, where two Signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration resided. (This very interesting old home built in 1774, is owned by Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Cole, the latter a member of Signers Chapter.)

The two outstanding meetings of the year are "Chapter Day, May 20th", and "Charter Day", February 22nd, General George Washington's birthday and the Chapter birthday. The Chapter is always represented at state, district, and national meetings.

#### *Membership*

(1) To present date, February 22, 1930, 126 lineal descendants of Signers of the Mecklenburg Declaration have been enrolled in the Signers Chapter; six members have died; and a number have been transferred to other chapters in various parts of the United States, giving the chapter at present a membership of seventy-five.

Charter members were: Miss Julia M. Alexander, Miss Madeline Orr, Miss Hattie Alexander, Miss Hazeline Thomas (Mrs. J. Thorne

Beaty), Miss Violet G. Alexander, Miss Jennie McLean, Miss M. Sophie Alexander, Miss Ellen Graham (Mrs. John Calvert), Miss Fannie Henderson, Miss Josie Henderson, Miss Lucy Henderson, (Mrs. C. C. Beam), Miss Adelaide Orr (Mrs. Horace Johnston), Miss Mary Henderson (Mrs. C. N. Gillette), Miss Mary Morgan Myers, (Mrs. Harold Dwelle), Mrs. George Stephens, Miss Nora Belle Wilson (Mrs. Wm. S. Cunningham), Miss Louise Thomas, Miss Sudie Wilson (Mrs. Richard Young), Miss Mary Maxwell (Mrs. Bernard Fetzer), Miss Mabel Trotter, (Mrs. M. S. Alverson), Mrs. Laura M. Brown (Mrs. John E.), Mrs. T. T. Allison, Mrs. Charles L. Keerans, Mrs. Percival Hall, Mrs. Fred Laxton, Mrs. J. M. Jamison, and Mrs. W. H. Rust.

The following members have died: Miss Jennie McLean, Miss M. Sophie Alexander, Mrs. Laura M. Brown, Mrs. Florence Keerans, (Mrs. Charles L.) Mrs. Loula Erwin Dixon, Mrs. Louise Kirkpatrick Aull (Mrs. W. E.)

The first chapter officers were: Miss Julia M. Alexander, Regent; Miss Fannie Henderson, Vice-Regent; Miss Hazeline Thomas, Rec. Sec.; Mrs. T. T. Allison, Cor. Sec.; Miss Hattie Alexander, Registrar; Miss Madeline Orr, Treasurer; Mrs. Laura M. Brown, Historian.

## CHARLOTTE

*The Mecklenburg Chapter*

The Mecklenburg Chapter D. A. R. was organized September 29, 1898, at the home of Mrs. Francis I. Osborne, with the following officers:

Regent, Mrs. Stonewall Jackson; Vice-Regent, Mrs. Francis Osborne; Recording Secretary, Mrs. A. L. Smith; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. L. Chambers; Registrar, Mrs. J. P. Durant; Treasurer, Mrs. D. P. Hutchison; Historian, Miss Cordelia Phifer. These, with the following names completed the roster of charter members: Mrs. Sallie Caldwell White, Mrs. C. J. Robertson, Mrs. Brevard Springs, Mrs. N. C. Walker, Misses Sophia Alexander, Adelaide Caldwell, and Sallie Badger Hoke.

The organization had been brought about through the instrumentality of Mrs. E. D. Latta, who saw the need of such an organization in her adopted State, when she attended Continental Congress as a delegate from her home chapter at Macon, Georgia.

North Carolina being rich in Revolutionary history, the necessity of preserving this appealed to the women, so that many manifested interest in the new organization, and we see the Daughters of the American Revolution is a strong body in the State today. However, we must not forget that Mrs. Latta had obstacles to overcome at the beginning and that we owe her a debt of gratitude.

At the first meeting of Mecklenburg Chapter, the members assisted each other in filling in application blanks, which they found bewildering. Regular monthly meetings were decided on and special celebrations for the Chapter's birthday, likewise for Washington's birthday. Several new members were received in November and December following.

At the January meeting Mrs. E. D. Latta was elected to represent the Chapter at Continental Congress.

The first anniversary seems to have been a most gala occasion, since the Secretary records that she must leave a blank page, due to her inability to "do" justice to the event. This year the Chapter placed pictures of George Washington in the five public schools of Charlotte. The following year, the list included Elizabeth and Presbyterian Colleges and O'Donohue Hall.

In the spring of 1899, trees from historic spots were planted on school grounds with elaborate ceremonies, and from time to time prizes have been offered through the schools for historic essays.

Mecklenburg Chapter had the honor of entertaining the Second State Convention on May 20, 1902, and judging by the newspaper publicity given it, it must have been a brilliant event.

A reception was tendered the visiting Daughters by Mrs. D. Parks Hutchison, and the list of those calling has been preserved. Among the number are, Mrs. Clark Warring of Charleston, S. C., Vice-President General; Mrs. E. D. Latta, Organizing Regent; Miss Mary Love Stringfield of Waynesville, State Regent, and many others, both in the State and from other states.

Mrs. Stonewall Jackson served the Chapter two years as Regent, and was then made Honorary Regent for life, and she, with Mrs. E. D. Latta and Miss Cody Phifer were the Chapter's first delegates to Washington.

The amount for dues is not recorded, but at the end of the first year \$72.00 remained in the treasury.

The following have served as Regents of Mecklenburg Chapter:

Mrs. Stonewall Jackson, Mrs. John Van LANDINGHAM, Mrs. A. L. Smith, Miss Lily Long, Miss Cody Phifer, Mrs. D. Parks Hutchison, Mrs. P. C. Brunson, Mrs. Latta Johnston, Mrs. E. L. Keesler, Mrs. B. D. Heath, Mrs. H. A. London, Mrs. J. Lenoir Chambers, Mrs. John R. Irwin, Mrs. William E. Parker, Mrs. Jeremiah Goff, Mrs. E. C. Dwelle, Mrs. J. A. Houston, Mrs. W. H. Belk.

The Chapter has erected monuments at the birthplaces of Presidents Andrew Jackson and James K. Polk. Markers have been placed at McIntyre's Farm and Locke Hollow, where a hero of the Revolution was killed by Tarleton's men; another at old Sugar Creek burying ground to Alexander Craighead.

Another monument erected by them marks the site of Camp Greene; this might also be called a memorial to Miss Cordelia Phifer and Mrs. J. P. Caldwell, who worked so diligently for it and passed away so soon after its erection.

No requests for helping at historic events have been denied, so that the members have assisted at unveilings of tablets and markers of various kinds, not erected by their Chapter.

Regular yearly contributions are made for the upkeep of the old cemetery in the city.

At each 20th of May celebration, Mecklenburg Chapter has entered a float which has on several occasions won first prize.

At the Sesqui-Centennial celebration of that event, prominent parts in the pageant were taken by members of this Chapter.

When the General Convention of the Confederate Veterans was held in Charlotte, much help was given by Mecklenburg Chapter. One member, Mrs. Jeremiah Goff worked night and day to see that all sponsors were given a nice time, and others did a like part.

During the unsettled days of our late war period this Chapter sponsored the 105th Engineers, giving them a farewell dinner on the lawn of Gen. A. L. Smith. Much cheer and help was given the soldiers during their training at Camp Greene.

When our Hornet's Nest Riflemen were on the Mexican Border, they were remembered at Christmas time, two of our members, Mrs. Latta Johnston and Miss Mary Johnston distributing the gifts for the Chapter.

After peace, generous contributions were sent from the Chapter treasury for the restoration of the village of Tilloloy, France.

No call from the National Society has been denied, and several gifts have gone from the Chapter to furnish Memorial Continental Hall. Just now, through our Regent, Mrs. W. H. Belk, much enthusiasm is shown in furnishing a North Carolina room in Memorial Hall. In recognition of all this, both State and National organizations have honored our members, two having been made Vice-Presidents General, Mrs. John Van Landingham and Mrs. Benjamin D. Heath, the latter also serving as Recorder of Smithsonian Institute Records.

Mrs. John Van Landingham has also graced the office of State Regent, and Mrs. A. L. Smith that of State Recording Secretary, and Mrs. E. D. Latta, that of State Corresponding Secretary. The furtherance of the work tells how well each served.

Since the preservation of historic truths and relics is my hobby, the work done for her local Chapter and the State by Miss Cordelia Phifer, deserves more than a passing line, but space forbids and her works do follow her.

The names of Mecklenburg's beautiful Daughters are recorded as Pages at both State and National Conventions.

The Chapter meetings have been enriched by instructive and entertaining programs.

Various schools have received aid from Mecklenburg's treasury, and only last year she assisted the other Chapters in Charlotte, to build a dormitory at Crossnore, to which institution goes regularly gifts of clothing.

To help keep historic films true, one of the Daughters is on the Board of Censors for the Motion Pictures.

As the history of other Chapters of D. A. R. in North Carolina is written, those who read will not wonder that Mecklenburg Chapter is proud of being the Mother of so many splendid Daughters, especially of the other four Chapters in Charlotte, many of whose charter members went from Mecklenburg's roster.

The present Regent, Mrs. W. H. Belk, has been untiring in her efforts to further the work done by Mecklenburg Chapter, and the next Historian will record varied achievements.

## DUNN

### *Cornelius Harnett Chapter*

The Cornelius Harnett Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, was organized September 20, 1921, by Mrs. W. O. Spencer, State Regent, at the home of Mrs. Lloyd Wade, Organizing Regent.

Charter members were:

Mrs. Edward Broch, Miss Rachael Clifford, Mrs. J. C. Clifford, Mrs. J. L. Hatcher, Mrs. Paul Hood, Miss Ethel Hooks, Mrs. Nathan Johnson, Mrs. Harvey McKay, Mrs. Herbert McKay, Miss Margaret Moore, Mrs. Farquard Smith, Mrs. Lloyd Wade, Miss Isabelle Young, Mrs. Belle Fleming, Mrs. James Pearsall.

In responding to all State and National causes the Chapter has always registered one hundred per cent, and has always observed important days in a fitting manner. The following have been among the outstanding events of the Chapter's history:

Armistice Day celebration and barbecue to World War veterans on November 11, 1924; coöperated with Colonel McAllister Chapter in unveiling the boulder to Colonel McAllister at Bluff Church in May, 1926; a set of Yale Chronicles of America, a set of lineage books, Wheeler's History and D. A. R. Magazine have been contributed to the Dunn Library; a One-Hundred-Dollar Bond for Con-

stitution Auditorium, gift for North Carolina Room in Memorial Hall, scholarships to Maryville College, Tenn., and Southern Industrial Institute at Charlotte, have been cheerfully given by the Chapter. Following an annual custom a gold spinning wheel medal has been awarded each year in Dunn High School for best average in American history.

The Chapter has stressed patriotism in the community on all occasions; has sponsored talks by local lawyers in the schools, the subjects being that of high ideals of patriotism. The Belle Fleming Chapter, C. A. R., has been organized which will produce the loyal future daughters of our organization. One Living Flag has been formed and contributions have been made annually to educational and patriotic causes.

The Chapter has set as its goal a Memory Arch to World War veterans and a boulder to Cornelius Harnett. It numbers 29 members.

MRS. T. R. YOUNG.

## DURHAM

### *General Davie Chapter*

General Davie Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution in Durham, North Carolina from March 1911 to March 1930. No. 1026 (55934).

The Preliminary Meeting was held at the home of Mrs. J. F. Wily, March 11, 1911. Mrs. Van Landingham, North Carolina State Regent, was present, and made a most pleasing and instructive talk on state organization, regretting that she could not report the Durham Chapter D. A. R. as her baby Chapter, there being only six members at large present—twelve being the required number to perfect an organization. Mrs. Van Landingham announced that Mrs. J. F. Wily had been appointed Regent by the National Board. At this preliminary meeting committees were appointed by Mrs. Wily to suggest a name for the Chapter, By-laws, Programs and to nominate officers. The following were named as officers and committees:

Mrs. John F. Wily, Regent; Mrs. B. L. Tyree, Vice-Regent; Mrs. M. H. Jones, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. T. H. Gorman, Recording

Secretary; Mrs. T. E. Cheek, Treasurer; Miss Mabel Tuck, Registrar; Mrs. E. K. Powe, Historian.

Executive Committees: Mrs. John F. Wily, the Regent, with Mrs. M. H. Jones, Mrs. E. K. Powe, Mrs. A. E. Lloyd.

The above nominations were to be confirmed after the Chapter was formally organized. At this meeting there were 15 ladies present, six members at large, eight whose papers had not been returned from Washington, and one member of a chapter in Danville, Va. to be transferred.

On October 12, 1911, fourteen (14) ladies with registered numbers met and the General Davie Chapter was formally organized. The officers that were recommended at the March meeting were accepted by the Chapter vote. The Registrar was instructed to procure the charter, and committees were ordered to report at the next regular meeting. At the suggestion and advice of the Vice-President General our Chapter was held open for one year to receive members whose names should appear on the charter in the same handwriting. The framed charter was donated and presented to the Chapter by the Regent, Mrs. Wily on November 13, 1912, with twenty-two (22) names as follows:

Mrs. Lizzie Morehead Wily (Mrs. John F. Wily), Mrs. Annie Jones Tyree (Mrs. B. L. Tyree), Mrs. Betsy McLaurin Jones (Mrs. M. H. Jones), Mrs. Claudia Erwin Powe (Mrs. E. K. Powe), Mrs. Delia White Woodward (Mrs. George W. Woodward), Miss Joe Taylor (Mrs. Rober Church), Mrs. Elizabeth Taylor Cheek, (Mrs. T. Edgar Cheek), Mrs. Sallie Coleman Gorman (Mrs. T. M. Gorman), Mrs. Jessie Woodward Thomas (Mrs. C. C. Thomas), Mrs. Isabel Stringfellow Wannamaker (Mrs. W. H. Wannamaker), Mrs. Pat LeGrand Boyd (Mrs. W. K. Boyd), Miss Kate Taylor (Mrs. William O. Moore), Mrs. Catherine Holmes Jones (Mrs. J. W. Pierce), Miss Evelyn Jones (Mrs. B. W. Hawks), Miss Mabel Tuck (Mrs. J. M. Milliken), Mrs. Leigh Lipscomb Lloyd (Mrs. A. E. Lloyd), Mrs. Lucy Lathrop Morehead (Mrs. Eugene Morehead), Mrs. Minnie Grogan Beall (Mrs. George H. Beall), Mrs. Ethel Gibbs Cheatham (Mrs. Arch Cheatham), Mrs. Lula Hunter Jones (Mrs. L. J. Jones), Mrs. Mary Reamy Thomas Few, (Mrs. W. P. Few), Mrs. Imogene Tuck Harris (Mrs. W. H. Harris).

The following have been added since the issuance of the Charter, to-wit: Mrs. Pearl Tuck Amis (Mrs. W. D. Amis), Mrs. Lena

Harden Burch (Mrs. J. Scott Burch), Mrs. Margaret Hunt Bugg (Mrs. E. I. Bugg), Mrs. Lena Haynes Erwin (Mrs. J. Harper Erwin), Mrs. Catherine Claypool Gantt (Mrs. Robert M. Gantt), Mrs. Laura Bryan Griswold (Mrs. W. J. Griswold), Mrs. Annie Watts Hill (Mrs. J. Sprunt Hill), Miss Hallie Holeman, Miss Jene Carlisle Holeman, Miss Lily Jones, Mrs. Marion Payne King (Mrs. M. N. King), Mrs. Lula Jones Mason (Mrs. Jos. K. Mason), Mrs. Annie Burns Muse (Mrs. E. G. Muse), Mrs. Birdie Westbrook (Mrs. Frank S. Westbrook), Mrs. Emma Harden Wyatt (Mrs. N. B. Wyatt), Mrs. Lillian Reeves Wyatt (Mrs. Marshall B. Wyatt), Mrs. Elizabeth Noring Boone (Mrs. W. H. Boone), Mrs. Matilda Heartt Bryant (Mrs. Victor S. Bryant), Miss Elizabeth Fronde Kennedy, Mrs. Mary Best Jones Manning (Mrs. I. S. Manning), Mrs. Mary Knox Gatlin Cobb (Mrs. Collier Cobb), Mrs. Clara Pearl B. Watkins (Mrs. W. B. Watkins), Mrs. Louise Carr (Mrs. I. N. Carr), Miss Susie Virginia Shipp.

The above names added to the Charter members make a total of forty-four (44) enrolled.

Removed by death: 2, Lucy Lathrop Morehead, Laura Bryan Griswold.

Transferred: ten (10), as follows: Mrs. Magruda B. Watt, Mrs. Marion Payne King, Mrs. Frank S. Westbrook, Mrs. Delia White Woodward, Mrs. Mabel Tuck Milliken, Mrs. Louise Carr, Mrs. Catherine Jones Pierce, Mrs. Imogene Tuck Harris, Mrs. Pearl Tuck Amis, Mrs. Annie Burns Muse.

Withdrawn from Chapter by request: Mrs. Minnie Grogan Beall.

Membership at present: thirty-two (32).

Mrs. Woodward donated to the Chapter a gavel carved from a beam taken from the old home of John Paul Jones, known as the Old Grove Home (of John Paul Jones) in Halifax County, North Carolina. By the invitation of the Trustees of Trinity College, extended through the General Davie Chapter, the 14th annual North Carolina State Conference was held in Durham in November, 1914. At this time a granite bench, in honor of General Wm. R. Davie, the founder of the University of North Carolina was placed on the campus of the State University and was unveiled by Miss Claudia Powe and Master Eugene Wily and Master Edward K. Graham, Jr. Full proceedings of this Conference will be found in this annual report of November 1.

On March 7th, 1917, the General Davie Chapter went on record

as the promoter of a Red Cross Circle in Durham. Miss Nellie Watts of Baltimore who was doing Red Cross work gave us inspiration. Mrs. E. K. Powe was our first Chairman.

The General Davie Chapter invited the United Daughters of the Confederacy to unite with them and from these two organizations all public and loyal citizens of Durham were gathered in the Court House and began the Red Cross work.

Mrs. John Sprunt Hill succeeded Mrs. E. K. Powe as Chairman, with Mrs. M. H. Jones as Vice-Chairman.

In May, 1917, we voted unanimously to devote our time and energies to Red Cross work for one year. Great results were accomplished in National, State, and local work.

In September, 1917, our organization was called together and decided to meet once a month, devoting the time to knitting for those in service and for those who should soon be called into service.

In December, 1917, it was decided to organize the Red Cross work according to rules and regulations, suggested by the National Red Cross.

Miss Byrd Blackenship of Atlanta, Georgia, was secured to give a course in Surgical Dressing, and the following ladies graduated under her instruction and received Instructor's certificates: Mrs. T. E. Cheek, Mrs. Victor Bryant, Mrs. Ernest Green, Mrs. W. K. Boyd.

Twenty-five took the course in Pupil Instructors and received certificates. This gave us the opportunity to organize in a most efficient manner for the war work. Mrs. John Sprunt Hill, Chairman of the Durham County Red Cross and Director of Woman's work, appointed Mrs. T. E. Cheek director of Surgical Dressing and the work room, where the making of garments, knitting and muslin work for hospitals was carried on. The work was divided into three departments. Mrs. Q. E. Rawls and Mrs. J. S. Mesley directed the making of garments and knitted work. Mrs. J. Harper Erwin was director of shopping. Large cases of garments were shipped each week to hospitals in the United States and foreign countries.

The Surgical Dressing Department was organized (Mrs. T. E. Cheek, Director) and opened at nine o'clock each morning and at two in the afternoon and from seven to nine each night. There were three shifts of workers for nine or ten months, numbering about three hundred women working.

Immense government allotments were accepted and turned out

with amazing rapidity. Following is the out-put of the Red Cross during 1917, but directed by members of the General Davie Chapter of the D. A. R.

War Record 1917-1919 as compiled by Mrs. Boyd, our Regent, during that time: Knitted garments, 253; Jelly, 50 glasses; Box lunches, 250; Candy for soldiers, 50 pounds; Ambulance for Red Cross, \$500.00; Restoration of Tilloloy (French Village), \$18.00, 100%; Layette's French babies, 3; Comfort kits, 50; Cash for Red Cross, \$3,468.00; Red Cross Chairmen of departments or County Chairmen, 8; Members who took course in surgical dressing, 9; Christmas boxes, 30; Cash united war work, \$2,473.00; Cash for Y. M. C. A., \$1,300.00; Books, 150; Victrola records, 30; To D. A. R. \$100,000.00 Liberty Loan, 100%; Several hundred magazines sent soldiers; Liberty Bonds owned by Chapter, 50; Liberty Bonds owned by individual members, \$80,000.00; Eight D. A. R. mothers representing nine sons. Compiled by Mrs. W. K. Boyd, Regent, and Mrs. J. K. Mason, Secretary.

After the war Mrs. E. K. Powe, in the name of the Chapter supported two orphan children in France.

At various times during our life as a Chapter we have given the following donations: \$1.00 to the monument of Major Joseph Morehead at Guilford Battle Ground; three prizes have been given to the Tenth Grade students of Durham High School, one for the best essay on "General Davie and the Revolution" won by Margaret Leyburn, a gold medal given to Ione Markham for essay on "Women of the Revolution" and a medal to Hunter Reams on "The Spirit of the American Revolution"; \$5.00 given for the restoration of Fort Dobbs; \$5.00 each sent to real daughters; \$20.00 for boulder to mark Daniel Boone's trail; Bible given to Durham Court House; \$43.00 to Belgium Relief Fund; Clothing values at \$60.00 to North Carolina flood sufferers; \$5.00 to replacement of flag at Continental Hall, Washington, D. C.; \$10.00 to Penny a Day Fund; \$10.00 to the purchase or repair of Grove's House at Halifax.

All assessments from National Congress have been paid; 100 marriage bonds and names copied from old graves; \$78.00 to the Chinese Relief Fund; 13 war records reported; 10 French war orphans supported; 2 layettes given to local hospital valued at \$60.00; \$50.00 given to Patterson Mt. School for Boys; \$15.00 to D. A. R. Scholarship at U. N. C.; \$8.75 to cover printing deficit in State; United States flags

and ribbons have been sent to be placed on caskets of deceased soldiers.

In October, 1929, we entertained the delegates of the Sixth District of North Carolina D. A. R., at that time including the towns of Oxford, Raleigh, Henderson, Chapel Hill and Warrenton.

Mrs. Charles Whitaker, State Regent, was present and made an address. She also said this was one of the very best attended District meetings she knew of. There were eighty present who were entertained at luncheon at the Washington Duke Hotel, where the meeting was held.

In the absence of Mrs. Powell, District leader, Mrs. T. Edgar Cheek, Regent of the General Davie Chapter, presided at the meeting. Mrs. T. Edgar Cheek, Jr., Mrs. James Patton, Jr., Miss Evaleigh Hobgood and Mrs. Taylor Cheek served as pages. Mrs. Sam Hobgood was Chairman of the Reception Committee.

The December meeting was Chapter Day. Miss Louise Watkins read this History to the Chapter.

January, 1930, the following officers were elected: Mrs. M. H. Jones, Chaplain; Mrs. T. Edgar Cheek, Regent; Mrs. R. O. Everett, Vice-Regent; Mrs. J. Scott Burch, Secretary; Mrs. H. N. Snow, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Louise Watkins, Treasurer; Mrs. P. B. Watkins, Registrar; Miss Susie Shipp, Historian.

Mrs. John F. Wily and Mrs. W. H. Wannamaker were elected to serve on the Executive Committee, and Dr. Alice Baldwin Chairman of the Program Committee.

On February 22, 1930, Mrs. T. E. Cheek entertained at her beautiful home, Geer Croft. An elaborate historic programme celebrating the birthday of the great patriot, George Washington, was carried out. Mr. R. B. House, of the University of North Carolina, delivered a most pleasing address on the life of Washington. Justice W. J. Brogden of the Supreme Court of North Carolina spoke on Durham and her sons, the pioneer settlers of Durham County. Very gracious greetings were extended by our Regent, Mrs. Cheek, to the following patriotic organizations represented—all of these functioning in Durham:

The Society of the Mayflower.

The Colonial Dames of Durham and Chapel Hill.

Members of the General Davie Chapter D. A. R., Durham.

Members of the Davie Poplar Chapter D. A. R., Chapel Hill.

The Sons of the Revolution, Durham.

The Daughters of Julian S. Carr Chapter U. D. C. of Durham.

Major Redmond, the Commander of the R. F. Webb Camp of Confederate Veterans of Durham County.

The Spanish War Veterans.

The Ladies Auxiliary of Spanish War Veterans.

American Legion.

The Ladies Auxiliary of American Legion.

The Red Cross of Durham County.

Other specially invited guests, representing the pioneer families of Durham County were present. The house was decorated in flags, Stars and Stripes and Confederate flags, one of the latter, a very large one which had done duty at the first Confederate Reunion in Richmond hung from the stair balcony in the hall. Here large vases of North Carolina pine and small United States flags were banked. In the beautiful living room, where the ninety odd guests assembled, the flags of our Nation were grouped back of the speakers. In this group was the first flag planted on American soil, the Red Cross flag of Scotland, brought by Sebastian Cabot. From the balcony overhanging the living room hung a large United States flag. The walls were hung with pictures of the Presidents and included the Generals and the Discoverer of America and early settlers of Durham County.

On one side was displayed the Civil War generals, old pictures of George Washington and Martha Washington. On the opposite side were hung large pictures of Washington, Columbus, Lafayette, Lincoln, Roosevelt, Dewey, McKinley, Wilson, Pershing and Marshal Foch.

On the other side were the early settlers of Durham, Jessie B. Geer, Dr. Bartlett Durham, W. W. Fuller, Dr. Thomas, Dr. A. G. Carr, Washington Duke, Benjamin Duke, J. B. Duke, Julian S. Carr, George Watts, Eugene Morehead, Bartholomew Fuller, Dr. Richard Blacknall, Mr. Lessie Southgate Simmons and Mr. Tom Fuller.

Others interesting daguerreotypes and photographs were placed on tables and shelves for guests to look at and enjoy. A very delightful social hour followed and a charming afternoon tea was enjoyed, so informal and so interesting a mingling of all the patriotic societies represented by the hundred guests present.

SUSIE V. SHIPP, *Historian*.

## ELIZABETHTOWN

*The Battle of Elizabethtown Chapter*

This Chapter was organized June 19, 1928. A group of earnest interested women met for this purpose at McDowell Hotel, White Lake, North Carolina, Bladen County.

Mrs. T. C. Turnage of Farmville was present and rendered valuable advice and assistance.

Mrs. John McDowell was made Regent by unanimous vote. Under her splendid leadership the Chapter has been notable for its coöperative spirit and especial success which seems to follow its various undertakings. The growth in membership has been marked. The organizing members numbered sixteen, today we have thirty-four with several other papers for membership pending in Washington.

The first officers installed were: Regent, Mrs. John McDowell, Elizabethtown; Vice-Regent, Mrs. Angus Cromartie, Garland; Registrar, Mrs. E. F. McCulloch, Elizabethtown; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Mattie L. Clark, Elizabethtown; Treasurer, Mrs. Clyde R. Jordan, Elizabethtown; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Annie M. Council, White Oak; Historian, Mrs. David J. Sessoms, Ivanhoe; Chaplain, Mrs. M. P. McAulay, Acme.

On September 29, 1928 the Chapter with appropriate exercises unveiled a marker by the Tory Hole in Elizabethtown. This commemorates the scene of the battle from whence the Chapter derives its name.

Among the various causes to which we have contributed are: The Platform Chair in honor of Mrs. Gregory in Continental Hall; the Memorial to Patriots at State College, to Crossnore and several others as worthy. We give an annual gold medal for the best essay on Bladen County history.

Our members are enthusiastic and interested and we look forward to a wonderful development in future usefulness.

ANNE LAURIE (THOMSON) SESSOMS, (MRS. DAVID J.)

*Chapter Historian.*

Annie Elizabeth Thomson McDowell; was born at Rocky Mount, near Wilmington, January 1, 1862, the daughter of Captain William Henry Thomson and Mary E. Beaman.

She attended school in Wilmington and Clinton College and studied under such distinguished teachers as Rev. J. L. Stewart, Hon. B. F. Grady and Thomas Hooper, grandson of William Hooper. After completing her education she taught school for several years in Sampson and Bladen counties.

February 23, 1887, she married John McDowell of Elizabethtown, son of Hon. T. D. McDowell and Mary E. Davis. To this union were born six children, all of whom are living, to-wit: Thomas Beaman, Mary E. Davis, John Norman, William Thomson, Ruth and Dorothy Von Ezdotf.

Mrs. McDowell is a member of the Presbyterian Church and all of her married life has been spent at the ancestral home of the McDowell family, some three miles of Elizabethtown. The hospitality of this old home has become famous in this section, and particularly so since Mrs. McDowell has been its gracious hostess. She has always taken an active part in charitable work and the interests of her church, and was the unanimous choice of the organizing member of the Battle of Elizabethtown Chapter of the Daughter of the American Revolution for its Organizing Regent, a position she has held in a manner to reflect additional credit upon a distinguished ancestry.

## FARMVILLE

### *Major Benjamin May Chapter*

From the Old World came young Benjamin May, about 1750, to contribute force and noble heritage in making America what it is to-day—the standard for nations.

Settling in what is now Pitt County, he took up thousands of acres of land in the Farmville vicinity, and began the stupendous task of transforming a wilderness into fertile soil.

Soon the call came to serve in the struggle of 1776. At all times Major Benjamin May proved himself a brave officer of the armies of the struggling colonies. As a man of sound judgment and good council he continued to take a leading part in the life of the community after the war, proving his love for his people and state by service.

On November 19, 1925, through the efforts of Mrs. C. M. Parks of Tarboro, a monument was unveiled at Farmville, in honor of this Revolutionary hero, by his descendants and the Historical Commission of North Carolina. This was really the beginning of a chapter of the Daughters of American Revolution in Farmville.

With a fitting George Washington program on February 23, 1926, at the home of Mrs. A. C. Monk, the Major Benjamin May Chapter was duly organized with Mrs. T. C. Turnage as Regent. Twenty-five charter members were enrolled. Our membership has grown rapidly and each Daughter is interested and anxious to assist in all noble aims and aspirations.

Our chairmen are very active in the following work: Ellis Island, Valley Forge, Old Trails and Roads, Crossnore, Conservation and Thrift, Correct Uses of Flag, Patriotic Education, National Defense, Revolutionary Relics and Student Loan Fund.

One original play "Benjamin May and His Neighbors," based on North Carolina history, was written and presented by Mesdames J. E. Barrett and C. H. Arrington, Misses Irma and Daphne Carraway—all lineal descendants of Major Benjamin May and members of the Chapter. Last year our Chapter featured a contest on original Year Book Covers—the D. A. R. Insignia going to the winner, Mrs. B. Streeter Sheppard. The meetings have been featured with papers on historical subjects written by the Chapter members including Trees, Homes, Plantation Life and Customs, Churches and Ministers, Colonial Furniture and Cabinet Makers, Prose and Poetry of the Old South, and Colonial Gardens. Our Regent, Mrs. T. C. Turnage, has put into story form and immortalized, "Selim, Son of Satan, a Revolutionary Charger and His Fearless Rider, Sergeant Donald McDonald."

Six Revolutionary soldiers' graves have been located. Our Chapter has eighteen subscribers to the D. A. R. Magazine. We won the D. A. R. Insignia for two years consecutively, for the largest number of subscriptions to the magazine and also led the State again last year. The Chapter has paid for a chair in Constitution Hall in honor of Major Benjamin May; it has also met all State and National obligations.

D. A. R. Medals have been given each year in the Farmville High School for making the highest average in United States History and on Citizenship papers.

All Memorial days have been observed. The Chapter has coöperated with the Better Films Movement for showing worthwhile pictures. Much interest has been given Reforestration and Conservation of Native Trees and shrubs, over three hundred trees and shrubs having been planted.

The Chapter, with the coöperation of the Tyson descendants unveiled a monument to Aaron Tyson, Indian fighter who lost his life in the Tuscarora War and to Cornelius Tyson, Colonial and Revolutionary hero, at Farmville, November 2, 1927.

The Chapter is working to build its Chapter House. The ground, original May tract, has been purchased and given by Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Monk, the latter, a lineal descendant of Major Benjamin May. When the Chapter House is completed our Chapter will have the distinction of owning the first Chapter House in North Carolina.

Much time and thought are given to the programs which are instructive and entertaining. The Chapter has an active membership of over fifty, who are all united in an effort to make the Major Benjamin May Chapter and its members mean as much to its day as the hero for whom it was named meant in his day.

MRS. B. STREETER SHEPPARD, *Historian*.

## GASTONIA

### *Major William Chronicle Chapter*

In May, 1924, several members of the William Gaston Chapter, D. A. R., of Gastonia, withdrew from that Chapter to form a new one. Mrs. Rufus M. Johnston was chosen as Organizing Regent and was confirmed June 19, 1924.

The name Major William Chronicle was selected in honor of one of the heroes of the King's Mountain battle. Major William Chronicle was born near Armstrong's Ford on the South Fork of the Catawba River in what is now Gaston County, N. C., about 1755. He was a regular soldier in the Continental Army, engaging in many of its conflicts until he fell at the Battle of King's Mountain. William Graham was unable to be present at this battle on account of illness; therefore the command fell to Lieutenant-Colonel Hambright and Major William Chronicle. Chronicle was peculiarly fitted for the

life of a soldier—brave to a fault, energetic in movement, and calm in action. General Graham says of him, "a young man of great promise—the idol of the friends and soldiers."

Under these brave leaders, the men marched and approached within gunshot of the enemy, and, when a volley was fired from the enemy, who then retreated, Chronicle fell, pierced through the heart by a rifle ball.

His last words were, "Come on, boys; never let it be said that a Fork boy ran."

Major Chronicle is buried in a common grave at the foot of King's Mountain.

The Chapter was organized at the home of Mrs. Rufus M. Johnston on November 28, 1924, with thirty-six members present, and was presented by the Organizing Secretary General and confirmed at the National Board meeting in Washington February 5, 1925.

Since that time, meetings have been held regularly each month in the homes of the members. All patriotic days have been celebrated in our programs.

The Chapter has had the honor of entertaining as luncheon guests many of our distinguished officers: Mrs. Gregory, Mrs. Tillett, Miss Coltrane, Mrs. Van Landingham, and Mrs. Whitaker. A Period Tea was given on February 22, 1927, when we had various persons dressed to represent the characters of different periods of our country's history, with appropriate music, songs, and dances. The Chapter has paid in full for a chair in Constitution Hall in honor of Major William Chronicle.

Our Chapter has the distinction of being the first in the state to unveil a marker to the daughter of a Revolutionary soldier, on February 22, 1926. The crowning event was the marking on June 19, 1930, of the place where Major Chronicle fell on the battle field. The Chapter is greatly interested in and is taking a very active part in the coming event of celebrating the sesqui-centennial of the battle of King's Mountain on October 7, 1930, on the battle ground.

MRS. W. W. GLENN, *Historian.*

## GASTONIA

*William Gaston Chapter*

The Chapter was named for the man for whom Gaston County, and the court house town Gastonia, were named; Judge William Gaston; jurist, member of the Legislature, Congress, and Judge of the Supreme Court.

The Legislature was naming new counties after distinguished North Carolinians, and he had died two years before the new county was formed, and so they named it for him, this was a compliment paid him by many friends, who were perhaps still in the Legislature. His father had been a Revolutionary patriot, and when killed by a Tory, it is said that the baby boy was spattered with his blood.

The County was formed in 1846. No Chapter can be named after a person born later than 1820, or an event happening later than that date, is what we understood to be the rule.

There was a meeting at the home of Mrs. George Washington Ragan, to discuss the new Chapter, and then the regular formation was February 22, 1911. This anniversary has always been kept as Chapter Day, as well as Washington's birthday.

The first meeting was at the home of the founder and First Regent, Mrs. Rufus M. Johnston.

Four years later, in 1915, the bronze tablet was placed on the Federal building, this was in honor of the soldiers of the Revolution of this section.

Some years later the boulder with tablet, was unveiled at the entrance to Camp Chronicle, to honor Major William Chronicle of Belmont, who was killed at the battle of King's Mountain.

Camp Chronicle was used as an artillery training camp during the World War, and was named for Major Chronicle of the Revolutionary War, and the boulder was to honor both.

Several years later, a number of our members thought it would be better to form a second Gaston Chapter, and as a difference of opinion had arisen as to who should be nominated for National Vice-President General, nine of them withdrew, and with Mrs. Rufus M. Johnston again in the lead, formed another new Chapter, called the Major William Chronicle Chapter, these two Chapters are functioning finely, the William Gaston Chapter has in the neighborhood of 100

members, and the Major William Chronicle has 50 or more. I do not know the exact numbers, the relations are friendly, and often the two work together.

The William Gaston Chapter has done its part nobly, in all work. It has helped Ellis Island, and given to all State and National causes, to the Gastonia public library, and to all public charities. It has both an historical and musical addition to all programs, and the meetings are very interesting, and well attended.

The Regents have been: Mrs. Rufus M. Johnston, Mrs. G. W. Ragan, Mrs. R. M. Reid, Mrs. S. A. Robinson, Mrs. Frank Hall, Mrs. F. M. Kirby, Mrs. Ralph Ray, Mrs. S. P. Stowe (present Regent, 1930).

MRS. G. A. SPARROW, *Historian*.

## GREENSBORO

### *The Guilford Battle Chapter*

The Guilford Battle Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution is an organization justly acclaimed for valuable accomplishment in patriotism's great cause.

With the distinction of being third oldest in existence in North Carolina, the Chapter was organized September 5, 1901 by Mrs. Charles L. Van Noppen, Organizing Regent, appointed by the State Regent, Miss Stringfield.

The charter members were Mrs. Dorian Blair, Mrs. John N. Staples, Mrs. E. P. Wharton, Mrs. J. J. Horney, Mrs. J. G. Broadnax, Mrs. J. W. Fry, Mrs. Weldon Schenck, Mrs. W. L. Grissom, Mrs. Whitfield, Miss Elsie Weatherly (Mrs. T. Gilbert Pearson), Miss Lillian Weatherly (Mrs. A. P. Noell).

This group so deeply impressed with responsibility for America's destiny, adopted a high standard for honoring heroic ancestors and for educating the youth for American citizenship of the highest and best type.

Through the intervening years the Chapter has steadily grown in numbers and strength, now numbering 107.

Other Regents who have ably guided the work are Mrs. H. D. Blake, Miss Rebecca Schenck, Mrs. W. P. Beall, Mrs. Joseph M.

Morehead, Mrs. Dorian Blair, Mrs. J. S. Betts, Mrs. A. L. Brooks, Mrs. J. M. Millikan, Mrs. T. M. McConnell, Mrs. Whitt Stone, and Mrs. W. C. Tucker.

As state officers, Mrs. Van Noppen and Mrs. Dorian Blair have served as Historian, Mrs. H. D. Blake, as Treasurer, Mrs. J. M. Millikan and Mrs. Whitt Stone as Registrar, and Mrs. Millikan as Corresponding Secretary.

The Chapter has always kept in close touch with the work of the national organization, committees having been formed and plans made along the lines of those of the greater society, and a broader outlook has thus been gained and impetus given all endeavors and the meeting of all state and national obligations.

There have been observances of Flag Day, when the distribution of codes emphasized the educational phase, and Washington's birthday has always been honored.

For 13 years this Chapter rendered patriotic work in serving diners on the Fourth of July for the Battleground company and their guests of national celebrity.

The guide book, "The Battle Field of Guilford Court House," compiled by Mrs. Charles L. Van Noppen, has been greatly praised for attractiveness and historic value, and the demand for copies has been so great as to necessitate the third edition.

Washington's itinerary through North Carolina was marked by a bronze tablet at Guilford Battleground.

On the Boone Trail the Chapter placed a tablet at Holman's Ford, marking the route to the Kentucky line.

Historical interest has been stimulated by the papers prepared by members and read at the Chapter meetings, worth while subjects studied being "Famous Battle Fields," "Signers of the Declaration of Independence," "Historical Homes," "Historical Churches," and "Shrines."

Mrs. Joseph M. Morehead's gift of a silver cup offered as a prize to high school students as winners in historical essay contests, has been a noted factor in enlisting the interest of boys and girls in these vital subjects. Special interest has always been felt in the students' loan fund, to which annual contributions have been made.

Work of eminence was done during the period of 1917 and 1918, under the leadership of Mrs. Dorian Blair, who led the Chapter in the movement to organize a Greensboro chapter of the American Red

Cross. Mrs. Blair also organized 20 other branches in Guilford County.

With Mrs. H. D. Blake and Mrs. J. S. Betts in charge of the work room, the Greensboro Chapter was outstanding in activity. Thrift stamps, liberty and victory bonds were sold and members of the Chapter were on the council of defense and were active in all other patriotic endeavors.

In 1923 during the notably efficient regency of Mrs. J. M. Millikan a movement of significance was completed—that of erecting a monument at Bruce Park, Summerfield, North Carolina, in honor of Charles Bruce, Guilford County patriot, and Bugler Gillis. The plot of ground upon which the monument was placed was a gift to the Chapter by J. A. Hoskins.

During the régime of Mrs. Whitt Stone was finished the formation of two Living Flags, under the chairmanship of Miss Fanny Starr Mitchell. Recently two other Living Flags have been formed.

A chair was placed in Constitution Hall in Washington, D. C., honoring Mrs. Dorian Blair for her splendid and continued services from the date of the Chapter's organization.

In memory of the late Mrs. Josephine Jeffries Chapman, also a beloved member of the Chapter, a scholarship has been established at Crossnore.

Mrs. W. C. Tucker, present Regent, presided at her initial meeting during the fall of 1928, this event being a brilliant banquet at the King Cotton Hotel with Mrs. Charles Whitaker, State Regent, and several state officers as honor guests. Enthusiasm which characterized that meeting has continued through the intervening period with activities resulting in the fruition of many cherished plans.

An event of unusual interest last year was the placing of a tablet on the Andrew Hunter bridge at Franklinville in memory of Randolph County patriots. A moving picture was made of these exercises and this film, which belongs to the Guilford Battle Chapter, has been shown on several occasions.

On March 7, 1930, the birthplace of Dolly Madison, at Guilford College, N. C., was marked by a bronze tablet. The huge boulder on which it was placed is a stone weighing four tons, the gift of Mrs. W. C. Tucker from her plantation. The tablet was given by the Alexander Martin Chapter of High Point, and the Guilford Battle Chapter.

Interesting exercises were held at the unveiling as planned by Mrs. E. E. Gillespie, Chairman of the program committee.

The Guilford Battle Chapter was honored by being hostess to the D. A. R. annual State Conference March 6, 7, and 8, 1930, and with the Alexander Martin Chapter shared the privilege of entertaining at a luncheon, as chief guest, Mrs. Lowell Fletcher Hobart, President General.

The Chapter's season of 1930-1931 has made an enthusiastic beginning with the following officers: Honorary Regent, Mrs. Dorian H. Blair; Regent, Mrs. W. C. Tucker; First Vice-Regent, Mrs. Whitt R. Stone; Second Vice-Regent, Mrs. J. M. Millikan; Recording Secretary, Mrs. D. A. Kearns; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Catherine Chapman; Treasurer, Mrs. Jos. J. Stone; Registrar, Mrs. Elmo M. Sellars; Historian, Mrs. A. P. Noell; Chaplain, Mrs. H. D. Blake.

MRS. A. P. NOELL, *Historian.*

## GREENVILLE

### *Greenville Patriots Chapter*

The Greenville Patriots Chapter was organized May 28, 1926, with 28 members enrolled. Mrs. R. L. Smith was elected Regent.

Since its organization the Chapter has contributed each year to Crossnore and Ellis Island both with money and materials, also contributed to local charities.

The Chairman of Conservation and Thrift with a committee planted 30 crepe myrtle trees on the highway leading to Farmville.

A chair was bought for Constitution Hall. A contribution was sent to Caroline Scott Harrison Memorial Fund. A prize has been given for best paper on history in the high school, also program given in the school on Washington's birthday. The Chapter coöperated with a committee in the restoration of an old cemetery on the main street of the city.

The D. A. R. Magazine subscription was given to the Greenville Public Library for several years. A cast of 100 persons presented the pageant George Washington's Visit to Greenville at the Pitt County Fair. The Chapter sponsored an historical picture at the theatre.

The Eighth District meeting was held in Greenville this fall with the Chapter as hostess. In the afternoon a marker, with impressive exercises, was unveiled on the site of the first court house of Pitt County. A stone is now ready to be placed to mark the grave of Colonel John Simpson, an outstanding pioneer and patriot of Pitt County.

The Chapter has been represented by both pages and delegates at the National and State Conventions.

The Major Aaron Tyson Chapter of the C. A. R. was organized by the Regent of our Chapter.

The year's programs have always been a study of historical subjects.

MRS. R. L. SMITH, *Regent*,  
MRS. T. E. HOOKER, *Secretary*.

## HALIFAX

### *Elizabeth Montford Ashe Chapter*

During the administration of Mrs. W. N. Reynolds in 1912, and on February 23 the Organizing Regent, Miss Ursula M. Daniels, called together twenty patriotic ladies for the purpose of organizing a D. A. R. Chapter. Several names for the Chapter was suggested, among them, the name submitted by Mr. Marshall DeL. Haywood, of one of our Revolutionary townswomen, was accepted.

The Chapter was formally organized on the 12th of May, 1912, with about 25 members. The Chapter has steadily gone forward and has had on its roll during the interim about 150 members, although its present membership is only 41 owing to transfers and deaths. Our membership has extended from coast to coast and from New York to Texas.

The outstanding achievements have been the purchasing and restoring the building in which the Constitution of North Carolina was framed, the placing of a bronze tablet on George Washington Highway and also erecting a marker, commemorating the "Halifax Resolves" of April 12, 1776, with appropriate exercises.

FLORENCE D. WILLCOX, *Recording Secretary*.

## HENDERSON

*Old Bute Chapter*

The Old Bute Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution was organized January 30, 1926, with Mrs. Sydney Perry Cooper as Organizing Regent. Other officers elected were Mrs. John D. Cooper, Jr., Vice-Regent; Mrs. R. G. S. Davis, Recording Secretary; Mrs. D. Y. Cooper, Jr., Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Alex Cooper, Registrar; Mrs. M. J. O'Neil, Historian; Miss Sallie Garlick, Treasurer; and Mrs. J. R. Singleton, Chaplain.

Besides the officers there were five other charter members: Dr. Isabelle Perry, Miss Elizabeth Cooper, Miss Nellie Perry Cooper, Mrs. Wallace Phelps and Miss Jessica Smith. Five charter members had been members of the Whitmel Blount Chapter organized in Henderson with Mrs. W. O. Shannon as Regent. The Whitmel Blount Chapter was the fifth one to be organized in the State, having received its charter February 8, 1900, upon application to Mrs. E. D. Latta, first State Regent of North Carolina. The Whitmel Blount Chapter disbanded January 8, 1919. When the Old Bute Chapter was organized in 1926, a new charter was granted and an entirely new organization with new name formed at the suggestion of the Organizing Regent at Continental Hall.

The Old Bute Chapter has as its slogan, "There were no Tories in Bute"—From Wheeler's History. Bute County was erected in 1764 from St. John's Parish, Granville County, and named in honor of Earl Bute of the Privy Council. He became very unpopular by reason of his support of the Stamp Act and was burned in effigy at Wilmington the next year. The county was divided in 1779 and Franklin and Warren counties were formed therefrom. When Vance County was created in 1881, a portion of Old Bute territory passed to the new county. So far as known no other county is accorded the distinction of having no Tories. The members of the Old Bute Chapter desire that emphasis shall be placed upon the fact that the name is in honor of the county which harbored "no Tories," and that it is distinctly understood that the Chapter has no desire to honor the hated Lord Bute.

At the meeting which was held August 14, 1928, it was decided to have a short study program at each meeting, and Miss Alienne Wig-

gins, Mrs. R. G. S. Davis and Miss Mariel Gary were appointed as a program committee for the following year. They prepared Chapter Year Book containing a program for the year, the subject of which was the "Revolutionary History of Vance, Granville and Bute Counties." Twenty-four papers or talks were given by different members.

The programme committee which consisted of Mrs. H. A. Newell, Mrs. J. R. Singleton and Mrs. W. P. Gholson, distributed programs for the year 1929-30. They confined the subjects of the papers to North Carolina History and the committee, Mrs. T. M. Pittman, Mrs. A. Hobgood and Miss Kate Gary, for 1930-31, continued the program on the same subject. This last program was dedicated to the Chapter Regent, Mrs. Sydney P. Cooper. The officers elected at the organization meeting held office until March 24, 1929, when the following officers were elected: Mrs. Sydney P. Cooper, Regent; Mrs. John D. Cooper, Jr., Vice-Regent; Miss Mariel Gary, Recording Secretary; Miss Mary Belle Gary, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Sallie Garlick, Treasurer; Mrs. Alex Cooper, Registrar; Miss Alienne Wiggins, Historian; Mrs. J. R. Singleton, Chaplain.

The following year, 1930, these officers were unanimously re-elected, and the date of elections changed from March to January in order to have the list of officers ready for the state Year Book. The election of delegates to the National and State Conventions takes place on the same date.

In addition to the subscriptions of several of the members, the D. A. R. Magazine has been placed in the Perry Memorial Library.

Several graves of Revolutionary soldiers and Real Daughters have been located.

A marker to the memory of John Penn, native of Granville County, who was one of the signers of the Declaration of Independence, in 1776, was unveiled and presented to the State of North Carolina at exercises held on the John Penn Highway between Henderson and Oxford, the marker was a gift of the Old Bute Chapter of Henderson and the John Penn Chapter of Oxford. The presentation was by Mrs. Sydney P. Cooper. Messages of greeting were brought by Mrs. Chas. R. Whitaker of Southern Pines, State Regent, and Mrs. Ralph Van Landingham, Charlotte, Vice-President General of the N. S. D. A. R. Judge T. M. Pittman, chairman of the State Historical Commission, accepted it on behalf of the State for Governor O. Max

Gardner who was to have been present but was unable to attend. The speakers were introduced by Mrs. E. G. Moss, former Regent of the Oxford Chapter. Mr. A. A. Hicks, of Oxford, Historian of Granville County, gave a biographical sketch of John Penn.

The inscription on the marker was written by Miss Alienne Wiggins, Historian of the Old Bute Chapter, and reads as follows:

"John Penn Highway. In memory of John Penn, signer of the Declaration of Independence from North Carolina. His residence was twelve miles from this spot. The John Penn Highway connects Oxford and Henderson, both of which are located within what was then the boundaries of Granville County, the home of John Penn. This marker is erected by the John Penn Chapter of Oxford and the Old Bute Chapter of Henderson, North Carolina, Daughters of the American Revolution."

Permission has been granted by the Vance County Commissioners to erect a marker on the Court House square in honor of Chief Justice Leonard Henderson, the man for whom Henderson was named. The boulder has already been placed and tablet is being made.

The Old Bute Chapter is planning to mark the spot where the Old Bute Court House once stood in what is now Warren County.

Since its organization the Chapter has been presented two lovely gavels, one made from the wood of the Old Bute Court House, and presented to the Chapter by Hon. J. T. Alderman of Henderson; one made from wood from a tree at the home of John McKnitt Alexander where the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence was signed. This gavel was presented by Mrs. Claude Hunter of Henderson, N. C. A third made from wood from the roof of the White House built in 1817 and remodeled in 1927, was presented by Miss Jessica Smith of Washington, D. C., to the Chapter Regent, Mrs. Sydney P. Cooper. All of these gavels bore appropriate inscriptions on metal attached to them.

The Chapter has paid one dollar per member toward furnishing the North Carolina Room in Memorial Continental Hall in Washington, D. C. Its Regent, Mrs. Sydney Perry Cooper is a member of this committee. It has made contributions of clothing to Crossnore School. It has contributed money for chairs in Constitution Hall.

Mrs. Sydney Perry Cooper, the Regent, who is also state chairman of the "Correct Use of the Flag," placed colored flag codes in all the schools in Vance County and asked that all children be taught the

flag salute, the American's Creed and the words of the Star Spangled Banner.

Miss Mary Belle Gary has been appointed as chairman of a committee to organize a chapter of Children of the American Revolution.

Miss Alienne Wiggins, Historian of the Chapter, has been working for some time to secure enough members to organize a chapter of Sons of the American Revolution. There were four members from Henderson at the time she began work and she has secured five new ones besides a number of good "prospects." As only ten members are required, she feels confident that the chapter will be organized before the next S. A. R. Congress meets in Charlotte, N. C., May 17, 1931.

The Sixth District of the Daughters of the American Revolution held their annual convention in Henderson, October 24, 1928, as guests of the Old Bute Chapter. The meeting was at the West End Country Club. The reception committee who met the visitors consisted of Mrs. D. Y. Cooper, Jr., Mrs. R. G. S. Davis, Mrs. J. R. Singleton, Miss Elizabeth Cooper, Mrs. W. R. Turner, Mrs. J. W. Allen, Mrs. W. T. Rowland and Mrs. J. K. Plummer. Fifty-five delegates were present besides members of the local Chapter and representatives from other patriotic organizations of the city. A lovely luncheon was served at twelve o'clock followed by a very interesting program and business meeting. Among the State officers and chairman present were Mrs. Charles R. Whitaker, Southern Pines, State Regent; Mrs. Ralph Van Landingham, Charlotte, Vice-Regent; Mrs. T. C. Turnage, Farmville, Treasurer; Mrs. Frank B. Smith, Charlotte, Chairman of Legislation in Congress; Mrs. Robert Lee Smith, Greenville, Chairman of Manuals for Immigrants; Mrs. T. K. Maupin, Raleigh, Chairman Publicity; Mrs. C. R. Parks, Morehead City, Chairman of Finance and Budget; Mrs. U. H. Cozart and Miss Rosa King, Chairman State Committees; and Dr. Mary Martin Sloop, representing the Crossnore School, Crossnore, N. C., and Mrs. A. H. Powell, Oxford, Chairman of Sixth District.

Committees serving in the entertainment of the gathering were as follows:

Program, Mrs. Sydney P. Cooper, Henderson; Mrs. A. H. Powell, Oxford.

Decoration, Mrs. Alex Cooper, Miss Nellie Perry Cooper, Miss Grace Boyd and Miss Sallie Garlick.

Registration, Mrs. M. J. O'Neil, Miss Kate Gary.

Luncheon, Mrs. John D. Cooper, Jr., Mrs. Sam Harris, Mrs. W. P. Gholson, Mrs. J. M. Peace, Mrs. S. P. Cooper and Mrs. Alex Cooper.

Mrs. J. M. Peace has conducted a number of rummage sales to raise money for the Chapter. The members have also served lunches to the Kiwanis Club, and sponsored moving pictures for the same purpose.

Mrs. Peace was appointed as chairman of a committee to offer a prize to the junior or senior of the Henderson High School for the best essay on "Citizenship." The offer was accepted and a number of pupils competed.

On February 22, 1930, the Old Bute Chapter members were the guests of the John Penn Chapter of Oxford. The entertainment was held at the Woman's Club. The program, decorations and refreshments were carried out in celebration of the birthday of George Washington. Mrs. W. R. Turner, who is chairman of a committee to collect Revolutionary relics, has been unable to do much along that line as people are unwilling to part with their treasures of this sort. The same is true of genealogical research work. People have old records, family Bibles and other data but although they promise to give it they put it off from time to time so that very little has been collected. However, the Chairman of this committee has collected some data from old tombstones in the county.

The Chapter has always sent a full quota of delegates to the District, State and National meetings.

The following young ladies have represented their Chapter and served as pages both in North Carolina and Washington: Miss Elizabeth Cooper, Miss Nellie Perry Cooper, Miss Sallie Garlick, Mrs. J. M. Peace.

Mrs. Sydney Perry Cooper, Regent of the Chapter, has attended all State and District meetings as well as every Congress since the Chapter has been organized. Although she asked the Chapter not to consider her for re-election, she was over-ruled and unanimously re-elected again last year. She has served on a number of state committees and is at present State Chairman of the "Correct Use of the Flag." The members feel that to the efficient leadership of Mrs. Cooper is due in a large measure the growth of the Chapter, as well as the work accomplished.

The list of members at present are as follows: Mrs. J. Wall Allen,

Mrs. Grace Boyd Hicks, Mrs. Grace Youland Bryan, Mrs. Jane Callo-way, Mrs. Bessie Cooper, Miss Elizabeth Cooper, Mrs. Ellen Cooper, Mrs. Griselle Cooper, Mrs. Mary L. Cooper, Mrs. Mary S. Davis, Miss Edna E. Garlick, Miss Sallie B. Garlick, Miss Mary Belle Gary, Miss Kate Gary, Miss Mariel Gary.

Mrs. Janie Gholson, Mrs. Annie Gary Harris, Mrs. C. C. Morris, Mrs. Gertrude M. Swain Lumpkin, Miss Katherine Morris, Mrs. Laura O'Neil, Mrs. Virginia A. Peace, Dr. Isabelle Perry, Mrs. Hattie F. Plummer, Mrs. W. T. Rowland, Mrs. Annie Singleton, Miss Jessica Smith, Mrs. Irene Turner, Miss Alienne Wiggins, Mrs. Elizabeth C. C. Yeoman, Mrs. Mary H. Newell, Mrs. Nellie P. Cooper Kimball, Mrs. Elizabeth Briggs Pittman, Mrs. Mary Chavasse Phelps, Mrs. Alice Bugg Evans, Mrs. Annie B. Hobgood, Miss Pauline Edwards.

ALIENNE WIGGINS, *Historian.*

## HENDERSONVILLE

### *Joseph McDowell Chapter*

On November 16, 1916, twelve women gathered at "Sycamore Lodge," the home of Misses Catherine and Matilda Carson, for the purpose of organizing a Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Mrs. T. S. Morrison, State Regent, and Miss Grace Jones, State Secretary and great granddaughter of General Joseph McDowell, were present.

The meeting was called to order by the Organizing Regent, Miss Catherine Carson, and prayer was offered by the Chaplain, Rev. John Simpson, of the Hendersonville Presbyterian Church.

The responsive ritual was read and the pledge of fidelity to the National organization taken, after which the State Regent pronounced the Chapter organized. It was given the name of "Joseph McDowell" after that famous Revolutionary General who lived in Western North Carolina. Miss Carson graciously presented to the Chapter the gavel that she had used to open the meeting. This gavel was sent to her by Charles Manly McDowell, the great grandson of General Charles McDowell, and was made of wood taken from the tree "Council Oak" which grew on the plantation "Quaker Meadows" the home of Generals Charles and Joseph McDowell. Under this oak

on September 25, 1780, gathered "the men of the mountains to take council before following the McDowells to King's Mountain. (Wheeler's History of N. C.)

The charter members of the Chapter were: Mae McKenzie Bridges, (Mrs. Marshall); Mattie Phlegar Brown (Mrs. James S.); Caroline Haygood Burckmyer, (Miss); Catherine Carson (Miss); Matilda Carson (Miss); Eula Willis Carter (Mrs.); Jane Few Ewbank (Mrs. Harry H.); Winona Hill Ewbank (Mrs. Frank A.); Caroline Hooper (Miss); Anna Shipp McBee (Mrs. Sumner); Estelle Haywood McMillan (Mrs. Edgar A.); Claudia Holt Oates (Mrs. Robert M.); Rose Few Schenck (Mrs. Michael); Kate Shipp (Miss). Of the fourteen charter members, two were descended from signers of the Declaration of Independence, Miss Caroline Hooper and Mrs. Estelle Haywood McMillan.

The officers appointed by the Organizing Regent were: Mrs. H. H. Ewbank, Vice-Regent; Mrs. J. S. Brown, Recording Secretary; Mrs. F. A. Ewbank, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. E. A. McMillan, Treasurer; Mrs. Michael Schenck, Registrar; Miss Matilda Carson, Historian.

These officers served from 1916 to 1921. By unanimous vote Miss Catherine Carson's regency was extended to 1923. At her retirement she was elected Honorary Regent for life.

The following Regents have served the Chapter: Miss Catherine Carson, 1916-1923; Mrs. Michael Schenck, 1923-1927; Mrs. C. R. McManaway, 1927-1928; Mrs. F. A. Ewbank, 1928-1931.

When the United States entered the World War, the Joseph McDowell Chapter took steps immediately to organize a Red Cross unit in Henderson County, but when it was found that Dr. William Redin Kirk had been appointed at headquarters, for this purpose, the Regent served on the organizing committee and the entire Chapter enlisted. Generous response was made to every call for service or money throughout the period of the war. Two Liberty Bonds and one Victory Bond were bought. A one hundred dollar Liberty Bond was given to the Red Cross.

The flag which was presented to the Chapter by the Misses Carson at its organization, was used all through the war for patriotic gatherings and parades and was finally given to drape the casket of a Henderson County boy, Donald Bly, who died in the service. In later years the Chapter was rewarded for its generosity by being pre-

sented with a very beautiful silk flag, the gift of its beloved member Mrs. Augusta G. Witherspoon.

At the close of the war the appeal was sent out for work at the Government Hospital at Oteen, N. C. The Joseph McDowell Chapter united with the Margaret Davis Hayes Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy, in "adopting" a ward. Ward E-5 was given, and was composed of about twenty-five boys. The members made frequent visits carrying fruit, flowers, books, magazines and phonograph records. The two Chapters bought a piano and placed it in the lounging room of the ward which made it possible to arrange attractive musical programs for the boys' entertainment.

In 1922 the custom was instituted of awarding a medal for the best essay written by a high school pupil on some subject pertaining to the Revolution or Colonial period in North Carolina. This has been met with splendid response each year, and has served to call to the attention of hundreds of young minds, the valiant deeds and sacrifices made by those brave soldiers and patriots of 1776.

This Chapter has the distinction of being the first D. A. R. Chapter in the State to contribute a scholarship to "Crossnore." This has been continued each year up to the present date, and the bags of old clothing have made their regular trips several times each year. Mrs. Harry H. Ewbank has served as chairman of this committee since 1923.

All State and National obligations have been paid promptly and extra calls for various causes have been reasonably responded to. In local affairs the Chapter has generously met every appeal for its service. Gifts have been made to the local libraries and to worthy cases recommended by the Associated Charities.

On June 2, 1919, a reception was given at Park Hill Inn by the Chapter, to the delegates and visitors attending the State Federation of Women's Clubs in convention in Hendersonville.

The Chapter was hostess to the District D. A. R. meeting in 1928, and has been well represented at the District and State Conferences with but few exceptions.

The work that the members are now most interested in is the "Pioneer Home," the idea having been presented by Miss Matilda Carson, the Chapter's first historian. The plan is to buy and move in to the town, one of the oldest log houses in the county. It is to be

furnished as nearly as possible with original early American pieces, and when completed will be used as a Chapter House and Museum.

The Chapter has grown in membership from fourteen to forty-two. Three members have been lost by death: Mrs. Mamie Goode Carrigan, in 1924; Mrs. Augusta G. Witherspoon, 1928; Mrs. Harriet Hobbs, 1930. Others by transfer or resignation: Mrs. Marshall Bridges, Florence, S. C.; Miss Caroline Hooper, Birmingham, Ala.; Mrs. Sumner McBee, resigned 1917; Miss Kate Shipp, resigned 1917; Mrs. E. R. Pickney, resigned 1924.

The present membership is as follows: Mrs. Lila Ripley Barnwell, Mrs. John M. Bell, Mrs. Hannah Townsend Bell; Mrs. J. S. Brown, Lydia Sherard Brackett (Mrs. W. E.), Mary Ellison Burckmyer (Mrs. Pressley), Miss Carrie Burckmyer, Elizabeth G. Burke (Mrs. James P.), Miss Catherine Carson, Miss Matilda Carson, Isabel W. Duff (Mrs. James W.), Jane Few Ewbank (Mrs. H. H.), Winona Hill Ewbank (Mrs. F. A.), Mrs. Martha Bull Erckman, Frances Bacon Freeze (Mrs. R. P.), Catherine Reynolds Goodrich (Mrs. J. V.), Bess Wharey Grey (Mrs. C. L.), Margaret Bailey Hirons (Mrs. Gardner), Elizabeth Glasgow Howe (Mrs. Wm.), Alma Roberts Jones (Mrs. A. E.), Mrs. Helen T. Kershaw.

Miss Marie Lane, Miss Leona Lane, Araminta Whitehurst Little (Mrs. Yates), Belle Corriher Mason (Mrs. W. M.), Frances Andrews Meyer (Mrs. O. A.), Jean Witherspoon Moland (Mrs. Geo. N.), Eloise Tebeau McManaway (Mrs. C. R.), Estelle Heyward McMillan (Mrs. E. A.), Mrs. Claudia Holt Oates, Miss Frances Pemberton, Elizabeth Ferrell Player (Mrs. W. O.), Mrs. Lucy Tucker Read, Margaret Badger Rhodes (Mrs. Wm. G.), Rose Few Schenck (Mrs. Michael), Grace Greenwood Sherard (Mrs. W. M.), Kathleen Thomas (Mrs. H. B.), Miss Mary M. Trenholm, Sarah Ewart Valentine (Mrs. G. H.), Edna Tebeau Waldrop (Mrs. Carroll), Miss Edith Waldrop, Lila Ewart Williams (Mrs. Geo. T.).

Officers for 1930-1931: Mrs. Frank A. Ewbank, Regent; Mrs. Martha B. Erckman, Vice-Regent; Mrs. Yates Little, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Geo. N. Moland, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. O. A. Meyer, Treasurer; Mrs. J. C. Waldrop, Registrar; Miss Matilda Carson, Historian; Mrs. J. S. Brown, Chaplain; Miss Catherine Rebecca Carson, Honorary Regent.

CATHERINE R. CARSON.

## HICKORY

*John Hoyle Chapter*

The John Hoyle Chapter D. A. R. was organized January 31, 1922, with twenty members. Mrs. W. O. Spencer was State Regent at that time.

The following officers were elected, Regent, Mrs. E. L. Shuford; Vice-Regent, Mrs. H. C. Menzies; Recording Secretary, Mrs. G. H. Geitner; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. R. G. Henry; Treasurer, Mrs. Hugh D'Anna; Historian, Mrs. T. A. Mott; Registrar, Mrs. C. H. Geitner; Chaplain, Mrs. John M. Shuford. Each of the twenty members was a descendant of the same man Lieutenant John Hoyle, for whom the Chapter was named.

The Chapter now has a membership of thirty-four.

Since its organization the Chapter has been active in many phases of patriotic work, ever ready to respond to calls by national, state and county needs.

During the year 1925 a chair in Constitution Hall was bought in honor of Mrs. E. L. Shuford, State Historian, and our Organizing Regent.

While Mrs. Shuford was State Historian she republished Wheeler's History of North Carolina.

The Chapter assisted Miss Pearl Setzer of Lenoir Rhyne College Faculty in giving a pageant at the Catawba County Fair, of the history of the county. A copy of the pageant was sent to the library at Memorial Continental Hall.

In 1925 the John Hoyle Chapter was hostess to the Annual Meeting of the First District. This Chapter was among the first in the State to form a Living Flag. A Living Flag was founded by Mrs. G. H. and Mrs. C. H. Geitner in honor of their mother, Mrs. John M. Shuford and formed by Mrs. George Bisanar, Regent of the Chapter, for which she was awarded the Patriotic Service Medal.

February 21, 1926, the Chapter had the pleasure of having Col. James A. Moss, founder of the U. S. Flag Association as its guest.

Col. Moss, spoke to the student body of Lenoir Rhyne College, at their chapel service in the morning, to the members of the Col. Ninian Beall Chapter of Lenoir, and John Hoyle Chapter in the afternoon, to the Kiwanis Club at dinner, and to a mass meeting of the citizens in the high school auditorium in the evening.

The Chapter has in the bank a permanent Chapter fund.

Each year a prize of five dollars (\$5.00) is awarded the high school pupil writing the best essay on an historical subject.

In 1927 a charter was issued the Chapter.

Copies of James M. Beck's book, "The Constitution of the United States, Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow," were placed in the high school, and city libraries.

During the past two years one hundred and fifty dollars (\$150.00) was given toward the education of a worthy girl at Mars Hill College.

A room in the Catawba County Tubercular Hospital was furnished by the Chapter during the past year.

Graves of several Revolutionary soldiers have been located.

Boxes are sent annually to Ellis Island, and bags of clothing are sent to Crossnore School.

The Chapter has had the following Regents: Mrs. E. L. Shuford, 1922-1924; Mrs. T. A. Mott, 1924-1926; Mrs. Geo. E. Bisanar, 1926-1928; Mrs. Gordon Crowell, 1928-1929; Mrs. M. M. Lowery, 1929-1930; Mrs. F. B. Ingold, 1930.

MRS. GEO. E. BISANAR, *Historian.*

## HIGH POINT

### *Alexander Martin Chapter*

The Chapter was organized October 19, 1916, with the following ladies as charter members: Mrs. H. A. Millis, Regent; Mrs. J. E. Marsh, Vice-Regent; Mrs. J. W. Kearns, Recording Secretary; Mrs. B. H. Carraway, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. V. A. J. Idol, Treasurer; Mrs. R. T. Pickens, Registrar; Mrs. A. S. Caldwell, Mrs. J. A. Eshelman, Mrs. H. B. Hiatt, Mrs. R. B. Terry, Mrs. T. A. Kearns, Miss Polly Heitman, Miss Anna Hanff, Mrs. J. J. Farris, Mrs. F. S. Lambeth, Mrs. S. S. Coe, Mrs. W. L. Tabb, Miss Ella Lambeth, Miss Mary Munyon.

The Chapter was first named Nathaniel Greene, but at the State Conference in the fall of 1916 we were told, that owing to the fact that a Chapter was already named Nathaniel Greene we were compelled to change the name. Members of the Chapter consulted with Dr. R. D. W. Connor, now of the faculty of the University of N. C.,

and he suggested the name of Alexander Martin, a man who was six times Governor of the State of North Carolina and whose home was in our own Guilford County. It was the decision of the members of the new Chapter, that the name suggested was most appropriate, and the Chapter was then named the Alexander Martin Chapter.

Our Chapter entertained the State Conference in 1922, and at the close of the Conference the Alexander Martin Chapter unveiled a bronze tablet in the lobby of Guilford County Court House, in memory of Alexander Martin.

In 1925, the Alexander Martin Chapter united with the Guilford Battle Chapter of Greensboro in erecting a marker at Guilford Battle Ground, to commemorate Gen. George Washington's trip through the South in 1791.

In 1929 we erected and unveiled a handsome monument at Guilford Battle Ground, in memory of Mrs. Martha McFarlane McGee Bell, one of North Carolina's foremost heroines of Revolutionary days. This is the first memorial marker erected at Guilford Battle Ground for a Southern woman. Memorial cost around \$400.00.

For seven years our Chapter has given a scholarship at Crossnore, value \$50.00 per year.

Last year we marked the grave of Mrs. Mary Lambeth Thomas, a daughter of a Revolutionary soldier.

We have located several graves of Revolutionary soldiers and have planned to mark all such graves at a not far distant date. Also have located graves of several daughters of soldiers, with the object of marking them.

Our Chapter has again united with the Guilford Battle Chapter in the erection of a memorial, this time to mark the birthplace of "Dolly" Madison at Guilford College. This memorial will be unveiled during the time of the State Conference to be held in Greensboro in March, 1930.

Those serving as Regent, up to the present, are as follows: Mrs. H. A. Millis, Organizing Regent; Mrs. H. B. Hiatt, Mrs. H. A. Millis (2nd term), Miss Mary Munyon, Mrs. A. S. Caldwell, Mrs. R. K. Stewart, Mrs. T. J. Gold, elected January 14, 1930.

Mrs. JOHN S. WELBORN, *Historian*.

## KINGS MOUNTAIN

*Colonel Frederick Hambright Chapter*

Living in a section of the South rich in historic associations of the Revolutionary period and almost in the shadow of Kings Mountain, made famous by the victory which the mountain patriots won there in October, 1780, the women of Kings Mountain have long been interested in perpetuating the memory and ideals of the men who made possible this fair land of freedom. But not until the summer and autumn of 1916 were any definite steps taken to organize a D. A. R. Chapter in the town.

It was then that Mrs. J. V. Phillips aroused the women to the ideals and purposes of the N. S. D. A. R. and through her untiring efforts, fifteen application papers were prepared and sent to Washington. Authorization was granted by the National Board. Mrs. C. E. Neisler was appointed Organizing Regent and on December 27, 1916, twelve women met at her home to affect the organization of the Chapter. The meeting was opened with prayer following which Mrs. Phillips gave a brief history of the N. S. D. A. R.

Due to the fact that Col. Frederick Hambright, one of the bravest leaders at Kings Mountain, was in command of the troops from Lincoln County (a part of which is now the County of Cleveland) and because four of the twelve organizing members were his lineal descendants, the ancestor of two others having served in his command, it was agreed that the Chapter should be named the Col. Frederick Hambright Chapter.

The Chapter charter was granted by the National Board, February 28, 1918, and bears the names of twenty charter members.

Organized at the time when all Europe was gripped in war and only a few months prior to the entering of America into the struggle, it was but natural that the first work of the Chapter be war work and the first Regent, Mrs. Neisler, may be called the War Regent. In the summer of 1917 the Chapter became an auxiliary to the local Red Cross organization. Historical programs and refreshments were dispensed with at the meetings and for a year and a half the Chapter was diligent in every phase of war relief work. Magazines, scrap-books, jellies and knitted articles were sent to neighboring hospitals and cantonments. Chapter members headed committees for Liberty

Bonds, War Saving Stamps and food conservation and many members were faithful helpers in the Red Cross work-room. Aside from individual contributions to the Red Cross, fifty-three dollars was donated by the Chapter. The Chapter contributed its full quota to the Tilloloy Fund and the Liberty Loan of the D. A. R. and gave to the Woman's Service School. Seven of the Chapter became members of the War Savings Stamp Limit Club and a much larger number owners of Liberty Bonds.

Mrs. W. S. Dilling was made Regent in December, 1918. War work was discontinued after the signing of the Armistice and the Chapter returned to its former order of meetings. War Service Records of boys descended from Revolutionary soldiers were prepared and five completed records were sent to the state historian. Through thrift programs and the distribution of government bulletins much was done to arouse the Chapter and the community to the practice of economy.

The most important work of this administration, however, was the placing of a bronze tablet on a boulder erected on the site of the court house of Tryon County which existed from 1769 to 1779. This tablet commemorates the signing of the Tryon Declaration of Rights, August, 1775, and bears the names of fifty signers. It was unveiled on September 20, 1919.

During the regency of Miss Bonnie Mauney (now Mrs. F. R. Summers) the activities of the Chapter were many and varied. Historical work was outstanding. One book, three pamphlets and one paper, all pertaining to western North Carolina history were sent to Memorial Continental Hall. A number of old wills, bonds and the land grant, given by George III to Tryon County (1769) were copied and sent to the state historian. Twelve lineage books, the nucleus for a chapter library, were purchased. The official D. A. R. marker was placed on Col. Frederick Hambright's grave in Shiloh Cemetery near Grover, N. C., and five iron markers were erected along the road to the Kings Mountain battle-ground. A gold medal was offered to the high school pupil writing the best essay on a selected subject. Twelve copies of the flag code were framed and presented to the schools and public buildings of the community.

The Chapter contributed to the Southern Industrial Institute of Charlotte, Crossnore School, American International College, Near East Relief, Caroline Scott Harrison Memorial, Belleau Woods Me-

memorial, Woodrow Wilson Foundation Fund, Fort Dobbs and the North Carolina room in the new D. A. R. office building—a total of \$225.00.

The soldiers at Oteen were remembered with gift bags valued at \$25.00 and on Decoration Day the graves of the World War Veterans in the town cemetery were decorated with poppies.

Two of the happiest events in the Chapter's history also fall within this administration. They are the reception, November 3, 1921, honoring the State Conference which convened in Gastonia and the Third District meeting in June, 1922. Both were an inspiration to the Chapter.

The fourth Regent was Mrs. W. K. Mauney. During her term, the outstanding work of the Chapter was Near East Relief work, an American orphan being supported for one year. Donations of \$5.00 each were made to Kenmore, Schaufler Mission School and the American International College. Upon the occasion of the celebration, October 6, 1923, of the Battle of Kings Mountain, the Chapter issued invitations to all D. A. R. Chapters of the state and honored all visiting D. A. R. at a reception.

During the regency of Mrs. D. C. Mauney all obligations were met in full and the Chapter's quota to the North Carolina Boys at Valley Forge was gladly paid. A memorial chair in Continental Hall, in memory of the heroes of the Battle of Kings Mountain, was purchased; a fund to help in caring for old Shiloh Cemetery where is buried Col. Frederick Hambright was set aside and Armistice Day was observed as tree planting day, a total of seventy-five trees and shrubs being planted by the members. Five dollars was donated to Oteen Hospital and liberal contributions were made to educational work—Crossnore, Southern Industrial School and Hawaii Students Loan Fund being remembered.

Mrs. Mauney was succeeded by Mrs. W. F. Thomson. The Chapter's achievements during her term were as follows: All State and National obligations paid in full; one Living Flag organized; more than one hundred trees and shrubs planted; three Revolutionary relics sent to the museum in Memorial Continental Hall; \$5.00 paid toward the Memorial chair honoring the State Regent, Mrs. E. C. Gregory; three old wills and a number of genealogical and historical papers sent to the state historian and donations made to Crossnore School,

Oteen Hospital, American International College, Kenmore and Caroline Scott Harrison Memorial.

The present Regent, Mrs. O. B. Carpenter, has kept the work of the Chapter up to the high standard to which her predecessors had raised it. Aside from the regular obligations, the Chapter's quota of \$60.00 for the new auditorium and the assessment for the memorial monument to founders of the N. S. D. A. R. were promptly paid and the Chapter included Crossnore School, American International College, Oteen Hospital, Caroline Scott Harrison Memorial and Kenmore in its list of beneficiaries.

The Chapter purchased a trailer showing the correct use of the flag and the D. A. R. insignia and presented it to the local theatre. A Girl Home Makers Club composed of twenty girls and having the distinction of being the first one in the state, was organized. A subscription to the D. A. R. magazine was given to the school library. In addition to the medal offered annually to the high school pupil writing the best historical essay, a prize of \$2.50 was given for the best paper on Citizenship.

For the second time in its history the Chapter entertained the Third District meeting (October 17, 1929). This event was one of benefit and inspiration to us all.

Throughout its history one of the chief aims of the Chapter has been to create interest in making a National Park of the Kings Mountain battle-ground. To this end it has taken an active part in all Seventh of October celebrations and has been largely responsible in arousing the U. S. Congressmen from this district to the extent that two bills asking for appropriations have been introduced in the House.

Members of the Chapter have served in various capacities outside the local Chapter. Mrs. F. R. Summers was State Treasurer for two terms, and Mrs. D. C. Mauney was a member of the House Committee for the 1929 National Congress and is the present State Chairman of the Kings Mountain National Park Committee. Mrs. O. B. Carpenter served as a member of the House Committee for the first Divisional Congress held in Pinchurst (November, 1929), and was one of three prominent D. A. R.'s from this section recently appointed to invite the President General N. S. D. A. R. to the Sesqui-Centennial celebration of the Battle of Kings Mountain to be held October 7,

1930. Others have served as pages in Congress as well as in State conferences.

The growth of the Chapter during the thirteen years of its existence has been slow but steady. The entire membership numbers fifty-five. Of this number, forty-two are on the Chapter roll at the present time. Chapter Day, which is October seventh, and Flag Day are always observed with suitable programs. As may be assumed, the Daughters have ever been leaders in the patriotic, civic and church work of the town and by upholding all worthy, local undertakings they have succeeded in making the D. A. R. Chapter one of the outstanding organizations of the community.

VIRGINIA MAUNEY HERNDON (Mrs. J. E.)

## KINSTON

### *Moseley-Bright Chapter*

Organization in 1926 of the Moseley-Bright Chapter at Kinston was a happy and simple task. Many friends including the State Regent and Vice-Regent encouraged us and upheld our faith in an ultimate success.

On October 20 a group of eighteen earnest women met at the home of Mrs. John G. Dawson and with seriousness of purpose added their names to an official document that made the Moseley-Bright Chapter a unit of the great national society, Daughters of the American Revolution. In its name this Chapter honors the memory of two early patriots of Eastern North Carolina, Edward Moseley and Simon Bright, Jr.

When we were just one year old we had the privilege of entertaining the District Convention. In the year 1929 we secured title to the family burying ground of Richard Caswell, first Constitutional Governor of North Carolina and General in the American Revolution. This cemetery containing the graves of the illustrious Caswell and his kin was restored and around it was erected a wrought iron fence. The ceremony of dedication took place on November 13, and many distinguished visitors of the State were with us on that occasion.

The three and one-half years of our history have been marked by enthusiasm and steady growth, there being now thirty-eight names on roll with several papers pending.

MRS. W. D. LAROCHE, *Historian*,  
MRS. J. F. PARROTT, *Regent*.

## LEAKSVILLE

### *George Reynolds Chapter*

The above Chapter has now been functioning sixteen months, having for its charter membership, twelve cousins, all direct descendants of Captain George Reynolds, in whose memory the Chapter is named.

In Leaksville, on February 16, 1928, with the twelve charter members present, the Chapter was organized, having as its Organizing Regent, Mrs. Maude Reynolds Snow (Mrs. W. R.), of Winston-Salem, a great-great-granddaughter of Captain Reynolds.

At this meeting, a committee was appointed to make a suitable Constitution and By-Laws; the Regent appointed the officers of the Chapter, with the approval of all present; the third Thursday of each month was decided upon as the most suitable time to meet, the hostesses to be taken alphabetically.

The activities of the Chapter have been varied, the chairmen and committees appointed in the Chapter to assist in the work of the state chairmen are doing good work, especially those who are working on the genealogies, the Magazine Committee, the Chairmen for Ellis Island, Crossnore, and Better Films; the committee who have been visiting the graveyards in Rockingham County, report three graves of Revolutionary soldiers, and two real daughters' graves.

The outstanding achievement in the Chapter's work for the year, is the erection of a granite shaft and marker, honoring the deeds of our ancestor who served in the Revolutionary conflict, under General Greene. This marker was placed in Guilford Battle Ground, on November 22, 1928, and was unveiled during appropriate patriotic exercises. It occupies a position just to the right of the drive, and only a short distance from the monument of General Greene.

Since the Chapter's organization, the membership has been increased to seventeen, with the admittance of five new members during the year; nine blanks have been issued to prospective members.

We have observed the patriotic days when it was possible for us to do so. Annually, we make a pilgrimage to Guilford Battle Ground, where we observe Memorial Day. Patriotic organizations in our town have received the coöperation of our Chapter, the members having assisted in their undertakings.

This, the History of the George Reynolds Chapter Daughters of The American Revolution, is submitted by the Historian, of the said Chapter, on the fifteenth day of June, one thousand nine hundred twenty-nine.

HILDA WALL PENN (Mrs. HOWARD L.)

The foregoing pages containing the History of the George Reynolds Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, give in a concise form the activities of the Chapter since its organization, and the Regent feels that she can add very little of importance.

It is gratifying to be able to say that our members are enthusiastic, the attendance is always good, and the chairmen and committees have made favorable reports. All obligations have been met and all dues paid promptly.

Interesting in itself is the lineage of the twelve charter members of the Chapter, descended as they are from Captain George Reynolds, he had only one son, Pryor Reynolds, who married Prudence Morehead, a daughter of John and Obedience (Motley) Morehead. There were ten children by this marriage; but those mentioned here are the grandfathers and grandmothers of the charter members.

James T. Reynolds, born in 1816, married three times, the third time marrying Eleanora Gosnell, Mary (Mollie) born 1862, married John D. Wall, Hilda, born 1893, married Howard Penn.

Dr. Thomas Reynolds, born 1819, married Sara Jane Fewell, Elizabeth Dearing, born 1853, married Dr. Thomas G. Taylor, children: Sarah Elizabeth, born 1883, married Bethel Withers. Martha Lansford (King), born 1885, married Hugh Davison. Anne Hinton Taylor.

John Fewell Reynolds, born 1858, married Maude E. Wall, Maude Edwin born 1891, married William Ray Snow.

Mary S. Reynolds, born 1833, married Col. M. M. Millner, Samuel M. Millner born 1856, married Ella James, children: Mary Christine, married Wm. D. Carter. Angele Rorer, married Elliott Ivie.

Pryor Reynolds born 1824, married Elizabeth Jones, daughter Kate, married Pryor Millner, son of Mary S. and Col. M. M. Millner, children: Annie Millner. Katie, married J. Frank King.

Albert E. Millner, born 1864, son of Mary S. Reynolds and Col. M. M. Millner, married Julia Seymour, Mary Elizabeth, born 1906.

Captain George Reynolds was living in Henry County, Va., at the time he enlisted for service, he became First Lieutenant in October, 1779; he served in the company commanded by Captain Peter Hairston, from August, 1780, till March, 1782, when he was made Captain of the company.

In 1809 our ancestor moved to Williamson County, Tenn., where he lived until his death in 1813.

We hope to be able to visit all the graveyards in Rockingham County this summer, and then if possible, to mark the several Revolutionary soldiers' graves and those of the Real Daughters which have been located by the committee.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. W. R. SNOW, *Regent.*

## LENOIR

### *Colonel Ninian Beall Chapter*

This Chapter was organized in 1919 with 16 members, Mrs. R. L. Gwyn Organizing Regent. In its eleven years of existence three Regents have served, namely, Mrs. R. L. Gwyn, Mrs. Chas. E. Corpening and Mrs. W. H. Craddock, Jr.

This Chapter is named for a noted patriot and Christian gentleman, Col. Ninian Beall, "a man of rare breadth of vision, his charity to all men bears witness." Two of our members have served the State in the capacity of Chaplain and Recording Secretary, and now is honored by having the State Vice-Regent, Mrs. E. F. Reid, a loyal member. This Chapter erected a boulder on the high school campus, marking the site of Fort Grider, where Revolutionary soldiers from

this and neighboring counties camped enroute to the Battle of Kings Mountain.

Nine graves of Revolutionary soldiers have been located and several marked. One of them is "Caldwell's Unknown Soldier of the Revolution." The Lenoir *News-Topic*, a local paper, carries weekly articles on the History of Caldwell County from Colonial Days to the Present, by Mr. W. W. Scott, and in which this Chapter is very much interested.

We have our own beautiful flag. Use the Ritual at each meeting. Have year books and interesting programs. Meet all our obligations and each year, a five dollar gold piece is given to the scholar making the best grade in study of American history. We have made steady growth in membership. Have had forty on our list, but ten more demitted to various parts of the Union, leaving us thirty active and loyal members.

MRS. R. L. GWYN, *Secretary.*

MRS. W. H. CRADDOCK, *Regent.*

## MONROE

### *Captain John Foster Chapter*

The Monroe Chapter, D. A. R., was named for Captain John Foster, a Revolutionary hero of local fame, who lived and died in Union County, North Carolina, in the neighborhood of Waxhaw Church. This community is so closely identified with many of America's greatest men that it has been called, "The cradle of genius." Captain Foster and his wife, Jennet, are buried in a lonely spot near Waxhaw Creek. The following epitaph is on the stone marking his grave:

"Sacred

To the memory of Major John Foster who departed this life January 22nd, A.D. 1821, aged 72 years.

He emigrated from Ireland A.D. 1765.

He was Captain of a Troop of Horse in the Revolutionary War in which he distinguished himself in several engagements as an active and brave officer.

He has left a beloved wife to lament his loss.

The wise, the just, the pious, and the brave,  
Live in their deaths and flourish from the grave.  
Grain hid in the earth repays the peasants care,  
And evening sun but sets to rise more fair."

The charter for the John Foster Chapter was granted by the National Board October 16, 1916, and contains the names of sixteen charter members:

<i>Name</i>	<i>Ancestor</i>
Ashcraft, Mrs. Mary Blair	William Blair
Ashcraft, Mrs. Viola Wilson	Aaron Wilson
Blair, Miss Mary J.	Andrew Caruthers
Blair, Miss Anna M.	Andrew Caruthers and Wm. Blair
Blair, Mrs. Hannah J.	George McCall
Griffin, Mrs. Katherine Kyle	John Montgomery
Henderson, Mrs. Marjory	Nancy Craig Dunlap
Houston, Mrs. Miriam Stamps	Samuel Smith
Houston, Mrs. Berta Totten	Samuel Henderson
Parker, Mrs. Maria Maffit	Abner Nash
Redfearn, Mrs. Anna Claire	Andrew Ramsey
Redfearn, Mrs. Mayme Lockhart	John Montgomery
Simpson, Mrs. Sarah Walkup	Capt. James Walkup
Stevens, Mrs. Nealie Belk	Capt. James Walkup
Stewart, Mrs. Jennie Blair	William Blair

The present membership consists of forty-one members with several papers pending. Five members have died and some have transferred to other chapters.

The purpose and object of the John Foster Chapter is declared to be patriotic, historical, and educational, and to perpetuate the memory of those who, by their services and sacrifices during the War of the American Revolution, achieved the independence of the American people; to unite and promote fellowship among their descendants, and to encourage historical research in relation to the American Revolution, as well as to acquire and preserve the records of the individual services of the patriots of the war, documents, relics, and landmarks; to mark the scenes of the Revolution by appropriate memorials; to celebrate the anniversaries of the prominent events of the war and of the Revolutionary period. The meetings are opened with prayer by the Chaplain, followed by the American Creed and Flag Salute re-

peated in unison. The reading of the President General's message from the D. A. R. Magazine, and papers, prepared and read on some historical subjects, by the Chapter members, are greatly enjoyed at the monthly meetings.

In recording the activities of the Chapter during the first two years of its existence, it may be mentioned that the members being loyal daughters, considered it a privilege to take part in the world war struggle for Democracy. As a Chapter we contributed as follows:

To the rebuilding of Tilloloy.....	\$ 16.00
To French war orphans.....	100.00
To suffering Armenians.....	12.00
To the Red Cross.....	25.00
Expense of a student in school for National defense..	3.00
National Society on the 100,000 Liberty Bond.....	33.00

Kits, sweaters, wristlets, socks, layettes for French babies, and many other things were contributed, including a shipment of jellies to Camp Greene. As individuals we all bought either Liberty Bonds or War Saving Stamps, and \$61,000 in the third Liberty Loan. Ten of the Daughters were members of the Canteen and served all troop trains that passed Monroe. One month 14,200 men were served. All of our Chapter members contributed weekly, supplies to the Canteen. One member, Miss Lura Heath, did canteen work overseas.

We have done quite a bit of constructive work along many channels of our organization, especially in the schools. Flag codes have been placed in the schools, and each year, a medal is given by the Chapter to the high school student who writes the best essay on some historical subject. All financial obligations, both State and National, have been met and we contribute yearly to different causes. Material is collected and sent to Ellis Island, boxes of clothing are sent to Mrs. Sloop for Crossnore School and other schools. The Chapter contributed \$45.00 toward furnishing the North Carolina room in Continental Hall, Washington, D. C., and \$150.00 to purchase a chair in Memorial Hall, and dedicated it to Miss Anna Blair, beloved member, ex-Regent of the Chapter, and former North Carolina State Historian. Among other things we have, each year on February 22, a "Colonial Tea." The members dress in Colonial costumes and the national colors are used in the decorations and refreshments. A silver offering is taken at the door and quite a nice sum of

money is collected, the proceeds of which are being applied to our fund for a Revolutionary boulder to be erected at an early date on the courthouse square.

We, as a Chapter, are very proud of our oldest member, Mrs. Sarah Walkup Simpson, who is one of the few living granddaughters (she is now ninety-six years old) in the United States. She was born on the plantation of her grandfather, Capt. James Walkup, a brave Revolutionary soldier, and his wife Margaret Pickens Walkup, which was situated on Waxhaw Creek, Union County, North Carolina, in a section famous as the home of William R. Davie, founder of the University of North Carolina, of James C. Calhoun, and the birthplace of Andrew Jackson. This plantation was also the scene of the Battle of Waxhaw, Union County.

Mecklenburg's daughter to the east, has had a varied and interesting career. From the time of President Andrew Jackson's birth to the present its history has been interspersed with problems to solve. The homeplace of Andrew Jackson, Sr., was eight miles west of Monroe and north of Waxhaw. He was a true pioneer, and carved himself a home in the deep wilderness, away from the little settlement which was springing up to the south. The story is well known how Mrs. Jackson left the homestead after her husband's death to visit her sister in South Carolina, and how the weather intervened, causing her to visit instead, another sister, a Mrs. McCamie, just before she reached the state line between North Carolina and South Carolina, where she was at the time of the future President's birth. Mrs. Elizabeth McWhorter, and Mrs. Mary Cousar, who lived near Mrs. McCamie, presided at the birth of Andrew Jackson. This traditional history has passed from generation to generation, and is authentic and correct. The D. A. R. Chapters of Charlotte, N. C., erected a monument on the spot where President Jackson was born.

Location of historical spots in Union County, N. C.:

1. Birthplace of Andrew Jackson, the 7th President of the United States.
2. Jackson Highway, a National road which leads from Monroe to Jackson's birthplace. George Washington traveled over some of this road when he made a journey through the South in 1791. He spent a night with Major Robert Crawford who lived near this road.

3. General Lafayette spent the night on the land of John Estridge, in the Waxhaws, in 1824 when he was making a tour of the United States.
4. Three miles from Monroe is a road which was surveyed by George Washington when he was a young civil engineer under Lord Fairfax.
5. Indian Trail Road, eight miles from Monroe, was adopted by the Seminole Indians to travel from Florida to New York, as the traveler could make rapid progress on high ground between the Catawba and Yadkin Rivers without crossing any streams. The present town of Indian Trail in Union County was a camping place for traveling Indian bands.
6. The Lawyers Road, leading from Charlotte, N. C. to Wadesboro runs through Union County. It was one of the principal high-ways traveled before the Revolutionary War. Captain Jack, the bearer of the Mecklenburg Declaration to Congress in 1775, and a member of Col. Thomas Polk's regiment marched along this road, the latter camping in Goose Creek township while on the way to Camden, S. C., to join General Greene and his forces.
7. When Marshal Foch of France visited the United States in 1921, the only place he stopped in North Carolina was in Monroe. He addressed a large assembly of people on the court house square, using his mother tongue, French, which was interpreted by Col. Frank Parker, personal aide to General Foch during his visit to the United States.

Revolutionary Battles fought in Union County, N. C.:

1. Battle of "Tory Pond" in New Salem township, one mile east of Euto. Seven persons were killed in this battle.
2. Battle of "Tory Ridge" in New Salem township, one mile north of Morgan Academy near the Rocky River. There was one killed and three wounded.
3. Battle of "Drakes Thicket" in Buford township, near Roughedge. Major John Foster and William Brinkley of Halifax fought here with the Tories. Eight persons were killed. Mr. Henry McWhorter has the gun that was used by Edward Richardson in this battle.
4. Battle of "The Waxhaws," fought at Walkups Mill in Jackson township on September 21, 1780. Col. Wm. R. Davie had charge. About fifteen or twenty were killed and forty wounded. Captain

William Alexander and Major Robert Crawford were in this battle.

The following is a list of Revolutionary soldiers buried in Union County, although the exact location of a few of the graves is unknown.

William Blair, Britton Belk, James Bradley, John Cuthbertson, Richard Griffin, John Lemmond, William Lemmond, Aaron McWhorter, Moses McWhorter, John McWhorter, Hugh Forbis, William Pyron, John Moore, Abraham Moses, Capt. Charles Polk, John Pyron, Edward Richardson, James Ross, William Simpson, John Secrest, Emmanuel Stevens, John Wentz, Samuel Givens.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. (S. B.) ELIZABETH STEWART BUNDY, *Historian*.

## MOORESVILLE

### *Mary Slocumb Chapter*

Mary Slocumb Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, was organized May 23, 1904, at the home of the organizing Regent, Mrs. Geo. C. Goodman, with a membership of twelve as follows: Mesdames Geo. C. Goodman, W. W. Rankin, W. L. Moore, Z. V. Turlington, C. H. Williamson, E. R. Simonds, F. H. White, P. C. Hall, Misses Daisybel Pharr, Lutelle Sherrill, Bess Rankin, and Annie Cloyd.

The following items of interest are taken from the minutes of the Chapter in the first years of its existence: A program of interest was, "Events leading to the American Revolution," Mrs. Z. V. Turlington; Historic Points in North Carolina, Mrs. W. W. Rankin; Origin of Thanksgiving, Miss Bess Rankin; Cornelia Waltz, Miss Daisybel Pharr.

February 27, 1905, the Chapter celebrated the 129th anniversary of Moore's Creek Battle with the following program:

Account of the battle, read by Miss Daisybel Pharr; Sketch of the Life of Mary Slocumb, Mrs. G. C. Goodman; Sketch of Flora McDonald, Mrs. C. H. Williamson.

The Regent, Mrs. Goodman, attended Continental Congress in April, 1905. She also attended State Conference in May, 1905, at Asheville.

February 27 was selected as Chapter Day, this being the date of Moore's Creek Battle to which Mary Slocumb made her famous ride.

At the June meeting, 1905, the charter was presented and it was decided to have it framed in wood from the Council Oak. A poem entitled "The Battle Oak" was read and a short sketch of the Council Oak was heard.

In December, 1905, an interesting program was given: Amusements of the Revolutionary period, by Mrs. Rankin; Early settlers of Rowan, Lincoln, and Mecklenburg counties, by Mrs. C. P. McNeely.

May 1, 1906, Mr. John Charles McNeill and the Davidson College Orchestra put on a program for the Chapter for the purpose of raising funds for the North Carolina Column in Memorial Continental Hall.

On February 26, 1907, the Treasurer reported \$24.05 netted from the George Washington Birthday Supper.

An entertainment at the home of the Regent, Mrs. J. P. Mills in 1912, was given by Dr. Shelly Frontis and Mrs. E. O. Randolph in delightful readings. Music was a feature of this program furnished by Miss Annie Mills, Miss Mary Melchor, Miss Flora Cornelius and Mr. David Creswell. A silver offering was taken amounting to \$15.25.

In June, 1912, Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, State Regent, and Mrs. Lindsey Patterson, State Chairman, on marking the Daniel Boone Trail, were present at a meeting held with Mrs. Mills. It was quite an honor to have them present and the talks made by both were most interesting.

On May 24, 1912, the Chapter served a supper for the D. O. K. K.'s, clearing \$75.00 for the Torrence Tavern Marker and the tablet in Centre Church to the Revolutionary soldiers of this congregation. This fund was started during Mrs. Mill's regency although the marker and tablet were not placed until 1914 when Miss Kate Templeton was Regent.

At the November meeting in 1913, at the home of the Regent, Miss Kate Templeton, the members had an unexpected pleasure of having the Ex-State Regent, Mrs. George Phifer Erwin, of Morganton, who was making a short visit to Mrs. G. C. Goodman, to meet

with them. Mrs. Erwin made a most interesting report of the recent State Conference held in Charlotte.

On September 18, 1917, a card of thanks was received by the Chapter for the knitting of two sleeveless jackets, two helmets, two mufflers, and two pairs of wristlets for the soldiers on the Battleship *North Carolina*.

In January, 1918, the Regent, Mrs. E. W. Brawley, brought before the Chapter the restoration of the French village Tillooy which was undertaken by the N. S. D. A. R. Much interest was manifested and a contribution made. Mrs. Brawley also urged the Daughters to buy War Savings Stamps and Liberty Bonds. This was done to the amount of \$1,072.00 for War Savings Stamps and \$400.00 for Liberty Bonds by individual members.

In October, 1919, at a meeting of the Chapter with Mrs. Goodman the Chapter was honored by having present Mrs. William N. Reynolds, Vice-President General from North Carolina, Mrs. W. O. Spencer, State Regent, and Mrs. S. Clay Williams, a former member. This was a most delightful meeting and the talks made by these visiting friends were full of interest and enthusiasm.

On Friday, April 7, 1922, a play "A Test of Honor" in four acts, was presented for the Chapter, which netted the sum of \$52.08. Mrs. Harry Mott was Regent at that time.

A D. A. R. Medal for the best essay by a high school student, the subject "Causes of the American Revolution" was presented to Aubrey Gresham at commencement 1923.

November, 1922, a Benefit Rook Party was given in the American Legion Hall.

On January 8, 1923, a file for keeping the application papers of all Chapter members arranged by Mrs. C. I. Gresham, was presented. Mrs. Gresham also typed a complete file of papers for the State Registrar.

In 1924 the Chapter sold "D. A. R. ling" doll beds for the Southern Industrial Institute, which school was sponsored by the D. A. R. organization in the state.

In January, 1924, a picture the "Spirit of '76" was presented by the Chapter to the high school.

In October, 1924, Mary Slocumb was joint hostess to the Third District with Fort Dobbs Chapter in Statesville. In October, 1925, Mrs. E. W. Brawley, a member of the state committee on Student

Loan Fund, brought a most interesting report on this cause. The Chapter adopted Miss Martha Louise Price, one of the girls benefiting from this fund, and remembered her when she graduated from N. C. C. W. with a small gift, a five dollar gold piece.

In November, 1925, Mary Slocumb Chapter entered a float in the parade on Armistice Day. The float was drawn by four white horses and was beautifully decorated in the D. A. R. colors, depicting Betsy Ross making the flag and other colonial dames spinning, etc. This float was much admired.

On June 18, 1926, a chair in memory of Mary Slocumb was bought by the Chapter to be placed in the new building Constitution Hall, Washington, D. C. A contribution for a platform chair in memory of Mrs. Edwin Clark Gregory, State Regent, was also made.

On December 1, 1926, an interesting program was given at a meeting held with Mrs. Turlington with Mrs. C. T. Carr in charge. It was as follows: Christmas in Merry England, Miss Kate Templeton. Colonial and Revolutionary Christmas, Mrs. C. T. Carr. Martha and Geo. Washington's Courtship, Mrs. Turlington. A Christmas Dinner in Revolutionary Times, Mrs. Brawley. Selections from "Snowbound," Mrs. C. T. Carr. Edgar Guest's Christmas Wish, Miss Kate Templeton.

During the years 1927 and 1928 the work of the Chapter progressed along the lines suggested by the State Organization and was full of interest.

It was with much pleasure that the Chapter celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary on May 23, 1929. To this meeting were invited all former members now living. This Chapter was organized under the first State Regent, Miss Mary Love Stringfield and was the tenth Chapter in the state. The Chapter has recently visited Baker's graveyard, located about six miles from Mooresville, to obtain the records from the tombstones marking the graves of Revolutionary soldiers buried there. Plans are being made to mark the site of Crowfield Academy, the first classical school in this part of the state, located in Centre congregation near the residence at that time of Col. Alexander Osborne. The date of its founding is about 1760, and it continued for twenty years, until broken up by the British invasion under Cornwallis in 1781. A number of men prominent in the Revolutionary War obtained their early training there, and a number entered Princeton college after completing the course at Crowfield.

Six graves of lay members have been marked with the new official D. A. R. markers.

The following is a list of the Chapter's financial gifts during the past twenty-five years:

North Carolina Column Memorial Continental Hall . . . . .	\$ 80.00
North Carolina Seal, North Carolina Room, Memorial Continental Hall . . . . .	25.00
Flag presented to North Carolina Cruiser . . . . .	6.00
Andrew Jackson Monument . . . . .	17.00
Morehead Monument . . . . .	5.00
Daniel Boone Marker . . . . .	20.00
Torrence Tavern Marker . . . . .	40.00
Tablet in Centre Church . . . . .	30.00
Restoration "Groves House" (John Paul Jones) . . . . .	5.00
Knitting yarn for Soldiers, N. C. Battleship . . . . .	12.40
French Village, Tilloloy . . . . .	7.16
Local Cemetery Fund . . . . .	5.00
Third Liberty Loan Fund . . . . .	6.00
Southern Industrial Institute . . . . .	5.00
Historical Essay Medal . . . . .	10.00
N. C. Room Memorial Continental Hall . . . . .	17.00
Scholarship Fund . . . . .	11.20
Gift for North Carolina Room . . . . .	5.00
Picture to Graded School . . . . .	10.14
Valley Forge Fund . . . . .	38.00
Memorial Chair in memory Mary Slocumb . . . . .	150.00
For Memorial Chair, Mrs. Gregory . . . . .	5.00
D. A. R. Markers for Lay Members . . . . .	36.99
National Geographic Magazine Rural School . . . . .	3.50

Liberal contributions to Ellis Island and to Student Loan Fund have been made.

KATHERINE CRESWELL TEMPLETON, *Regent.*

November 15, 1930.

## NEW BERN

*Richard Dobbs Speight Chapter*

The Richard Dobbs Speight Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, was organized March 29, 1921, at the home of Mrs. Owen H. Guion. Miss Lida Rodman, of Washington, former State Regent, Mrs. Guion's sister, presided over the meeting and made an inspiring talk on the value of New Bern's historic background. She installed the following officers:

Mrs. John Dunn, Organizing Regent; Mrs. Owen H. Guion, Vice-Regent; Miss Mary Pickett Ward, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Sophia B. Duffy, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Anna Pearce Hanff, Treasurer; Miss Lucretia Roberts, Historian; Mrs. Dan G. Bell, Chaplain.

Other charter members were: Mrs. Margaret D. Nelson (deceased); Mrs. S. A. Chalk, Mrs. K. P. B. Bonner, Miss Corinne Bell and Mrs. B. H. Griffin.

At the meeting were also Mrs. Charles S. Hollister and Mrs. T. G. Hyman, whose papers were pending, and Mrs. George T. Willis, who was awaiting a transfer from the Great Bridge Chapter at Norfolk.

Mrs. Guion succeeded Mrs. Dunn as Regent and Miss Ward succeeded Mrs. Guion. Miss Sara Louise Stewart then served as Regent, followed by Miss Gertrude Carraway.

The history of the Chapter has been one of great activity. The graves of Craven's three governors, Richard Dobbs Speight, Richard Dobbs Speight, Jr., and Abner Nash, have been restored and a handsome boulder with bronze tablets honoring their memory has been placed on the courthouse square.

A boulder and tablet honoring James Davis, first state printer, has been placed, with the assistance of descendants, on the site of his press. A tablet commemorating the visit of George Washington to New Bern has been put in the wall around the house in which he visited in 1791. A Washington Memorial oak, the gift of Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, planted at that time, is still thriving.

Graves of a number of Revolutionary soldiers have been located and marked. The historic cannon on a public corner, the Lady Blessington canon, has been appropriately marked. The Chapter coöperated with the New Bern Historical Society in its mammoth historical pageant in 1929 and in the erection of historical markers in various parts of town.

Lists of objects of value in the section, including art treasures, old silver, manuscripts, wills, land grants, deeds to old pews in local churches and other items have been forwarded to national headquarters. A history of local historic trees, including the famous Washington cypress, has been sent to the national chairman.

Valuable books presented to the Chapter have been placed in the public library. The Chapter has met all obligations and taken an active interest in all national and state endeavors, as well as tried to fill an important place in the local life of the community.

## NORTH WILKESBORO

### *Rendezvous Mountain Chapter*

Rendezvous Mountain Chapter sends greetings to the state conference and wishes to submit the following report: As this is our first report to a state conference, we would like to tell you that our Chapter is named for the famous training camp for the soldiers of this section, that was conducted by Colonel Ben Cleveland on Rendezvous Mountain during the Revolutionary War. We organized our Chapter in January, 1928, with twelve members, three having been added since then. The attendance at the monthly meetings has been excellent. Splendid programs were prepared by Chapter Committee, many dealing with the D. A. R. organization, why it was organized, what has been accomplished by it since then, and what it is doing now.

In May we were fortunate in having the Hon. Henry Reynolds give us a most interesting and instructive talk on the constitution of the United States. The Chapter sponsored a flag contest in the schools; a box of wool, pieces of cloth, embroidering thread, etc., was sent to Ellis Island; and a box of clothing to Crossnore. We are working to procure a road to Rendezvous Mountain so that the marker can be placed, and trying to preserve the life of our famous "Tory Oak" on which six Tories were hung during the Revolutionary War. Six members attended the District Meeting in Statesville. We gave one hundred percent to the Caroline Scott Harrison Memorial and all State and National obligations have been met.

Respectfully submitted,

LURA FINLEY COFFEY, *Regent.*

OXFORD

*John Penn Chapter*

The John Penn Chapter of Daughters of American Revolution named for John Penn, the signer of Declaration of Independence of Granville County, was organized March, 1923, with Mrs. J. W. Horner, Organizing Regent. She served until September, 1926; Mrs. A. H. Powell, Regent until September, 1928; Mrs. E. G. Moss, Regent until September, 1930.

On November 5, 1927, the Fourth District Meeting was held with the John Penn Chapter at which time was unveiled a bronze tablet to the memory of 626 Revolutionary soldiers and patriots of Granville County, North Carolina. Our Chapter has located the graves of a number of Revolutionary soldiers and some Real Daughters. Some old records, wills, deeds, marriage bonds, and Bible records have been sent to the State and National Society. A medal has been given every year for the highest average made in history by a member of the Senior Class of the Oxford High School, Granville County, North Carolina. A prize has been offered for the best essay in citizenship. Boxes have been sent to Ellis Island and Crossnore, also sent \$25.00 to Crossnore. A silk U. S. flag has been purchased for the Chapter. Mrs. R. G. Lassiter, a member, gave a North Carolina flag. A large family photograph of John Penn was loaned to the Chapter by Mrs. E. T. White and Mrs. Graham Hunt. The Chapter sent to the museum in Washington, D. C., to be placed with the signers of the Declaration of Independence a photograph of John Penn, the signer from Granville County, North Carolina; also sent money for the frame. The Chapter has contributed \$10.00 to help buy land for National Park. It has coöperated with other patriotic organizations in observing all National holidays. It has held regular monthly meetings with good attendance, and paid all State and National dues. There are enrolled 57 members.

The Old Bute Chapter of Henderson, and the John Penn Chapter of Oxford, North Carolina, unveiled a bronze tablet to the memory of John Penn, the signer of the Declaration of Independence from Granville County, North Carolina, on the John Penn Highway at the county line of Vance and Granville on November 11, 1930. This tablet was placed on a boulder, which was a gift of Miss Susan Graham, a member of the John Penn Chapter.

The Chapter started a new year in September, 1930, under the leadership of the new Regent, Mrs. A. A. Hicks, who has planned some very fine work for next year.

Mrs. E. G. Moss, *Historian*.

## RALEIGH

### *Caswell-Nash Chapter*

In November, 1914, a group of women met in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. of Raleigh to organize a Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Seven were members of Chapters in other towns. These Daughters voted to ask authority through the State Regent, Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, to organize. Authorization of the Chapter was granted by the National Board on January 22, 1915.

The Daughters and ladies who had signified their intention to join the new Chapter met in the State Historical rooms March 10, 1915, and, having chosen a chairman and secretary pro tem, committees were appointed to attend to the necessary proceedings preliminary to proper organization. Mrs. Cornelia A. Norris, the Organizing Regent and member of the Elizabeth Montford Ashe Chapter of Halifax, was the leading spirit in perfecting the local Chapter.

On March 18 a meeting was held in which various committees reported. Application blanks were signed. Mrs. Norris asked the privilege of naming the Regent and Mrs. Ella S. Mial Williamson was named and elected.

Charter members were: Mrs. Stella Kilpatrick Barbee, Mrs. Margaret Ousley Blacknall, Mrs. Beulah Sanderlin Briggs, Mrs. Sophia Elva Drake, Mrs. Daisy Brazelton Fleming, Mrs. Jessie Lee Mayhugh Glascock, Mrs. May Timberlake Harding, Miss Blanche Wilson Heywood, Mrs. Mary Simons Hinkle, Mrs. Rena Beckwith Horne, Mrs. Eliza Eugenia Avery Hunter, Mrs. Nannie Gordon Willis Hunter, Mrs. Sallie Picket Whitaker Lambert, Mrs. Estelle Timberlake Lisle, Mrs. Annie McGougan Marshall, Mrs. Cornelia Norris, Mrs. Annie Rose Parker.

Mrs. Eva McAllison Sams, Mrs. Bartie Ramsey Separk, Mrs. Ruth Heywood Smith, Mrs. Mattie Alcott Thompson, Mrs. Alice Whitfield Timberlake, Mrs. Jennie Outlaw Grady Travis, Mrs. Ella Mial Wil-

liamson, Mrs. Mellisa Meyers Whitaker, Mrs. Mary Avery Winston, Mrs. Lizzie Avery Winston, Miss Lizzie Avery Winston, Mrs. Stella Banks Wray, Miss Ethel Wynne, Miss Anne Eliza Wynne, Mrs. Mary Avery Wynne, Mrs. Hessie Johnson Young.

The officers and members began at once the work of reviving Wake County Revolutionary and patriotic history. In its infancy the Chapter joined in the undertakings of the N. S. D. A. R. earnestly but modestly, and since then it has tried to do its share in any work undertaken by the National Society.

The Chapter entertained the State Literary and Historical Association during the session of 1915. It was a pleasure to show its appreciation of this organization's great work.

Before the Chapter was two years old, it had the privilege of entertaining the State Conference in November, 1916. The Conference was an inspiration as well as a great benefit, having delegates present from thirty-four chapters, representing 1,028 Daughters.

During the strenuous days of the World War, Caswell-Nash Chapter did its part, was ever alert. With a keen sense of patriotic duty the members responded to the many calls. They knitted, made garments for the soldiers, bought Liberty Bonds, entertained the men from the local Camp Polk in their homes, contributed to the Red Cross, Armenian Relief, and Ambulance Fund, and gave \$50.00 per year for a little French orphan, Emile Chaumon, remembering him for a while later with Christmas gifts. The Chapter paid its proportionate part to the Tilloloy Fund. Members gave their husbands and sons for service, and one member, Miss Wynne, did clerical work in France. The Chapter responded to every request and obligation. A contribution was made by the Chapter to the marker for Richard Caswell's grave near Kinston.

Our historian in 1921, Mrs. Charles W. Newcombe, copied 685 marriage bonds executed from 1770-1820. This is valuable history, and has been filed with our State Historian and N. S. D. A. R. Library, together with inscriptions from old stones in the city cemetery.

Under the direction of Mrs. E. B. Bain, the C. A. R. was organized and has grown into a patriotic society. Several members have come into the Chapter from this organization.

Caswell-Nash has made contributions of rare books through the State Librarian D. A. R. to Memorial Continental Hall Library. Gifts of silver spoons and other articles have been made to the

National Society Museum, and contributions have been made for memorials placed in Memorial Continental Hall in memory of the work of Mrs. W. O. Spencer, past State Regent, and Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, past Vice-President General and past State Regent. A chair was bought as a memorial chair to be placed in Constitution Hall.

All State, District, and National meetings have been well represented by Chapter delegates, and the membership has increased from year to year. The present membership is 120.

In March, 1928, Caswell-Nash was hostess to the North Carolina Conference of the Daughters of the American Revolution, numbering at that time about twenty-six hundred. The meetings were held in the Sir Walter Hotel, in the Virginia Dare Ballroom. Mrs. V. O. Parker was Chapter Regent.

On the morning of Tuesday the 27th of March, 1928, a bronze marker was unveiled at the northwest corner of Salisbury and Hargett Streets, marking the spot on which the North Carolina State Song was written—The Old North State Forever, by Judge William Gaston.

The presentation was made by Mrs. W. R. Powell, Chairman, and accepted by the Mayor of Raleigh, Mr. Eugene Culbreth.

Mrs. C. W. Newcomb, Chairman of Crossnore committee has given unstintingly of her time and energy to this work.

The monthly meetings on the first Friday of each month from September to June are happy occasions, with interesting and instructive programs. It has been the duty and pleasure of the Chapter to foster and encourage the use of the flag in the schools; to place copies of the American Creed in the Public Schools, and to contribute money, materials, and literature for the development of the immigrant at Ellis Island.

#### MRS. M. T. NORRIS, Organizing Regent

To Mrs. M. T. Norris is due the existence of Caswell-Nash Chapter and for her untiring efforts—both physical and financial—Caswell-Nash Chapter owes her a debt of loving gratitude. She has given liberally of her time, her energy, and her means, that Caswell-Nash Chapter might be a Chapter worthy of its name.

Mrs. Norris was Organizing Regent in 1915 and first Chapter Regent, formulating the first chapter By-Laws and later revising

them. Since then she has held almost every office in the Chapter; has given yearly files of the D. A. R. magazine to the State Library; seen to the placing of our Lineage Books there, and has filed application papers for members, besides doing an untold amount of genealogical work. She has been a moving spirit in the social life of the Chapter, and no other member has attended as regularly the meetings of the Chapter.

As Chairman of the standing committees of the Real Daughters, Ellis Island, Genealogical Research, Markers for Patriots and Battles, and many special committees, Mrs. Norris has served the State D. A. R.; and as chairman of the latter committee, has to date raised over \$800.00 for a marker to commemorate the patriots and soldiers of the American Revolution of North Carolina, beginning this work as a Caswell-Nash project, but deciding later to make it a State D. A. R. Marker. She is at present State Chairman of this committee, and her aim is to make this marker a handsome Memorial to the North Carolina patriots and soldiers of the American Revolution.

#### 2ND REGENT

Mrs. ELLA MIAL WILLIAMSON—1915-1917

Mrs. Williamson was elected Regent in 1915 and was followed by Mrs. Norris, Organizing Regent, as Regent. Mrs. Williamson's administration was largely occupied with matters pertaining to the routine work of getting the Chapter firmly established and sufficient members to carry on the work. Very bravely the young chapter entertained the State Conference in November 1916. With beautiful dignity, Mrs. Williamson conducted the affairs of Caswell-Nash Chapter and prepared it to take up the duties which fell upon it during the régime of her successor during the World War. The Chapter contributed to the Richard Caswell marker near Kinston.

#### 3RD REGENT

Mrs. J. BRYAN GRIMES—1918-1920

Mrs. J. Bryan Grimes was elected Regent in 1918 and served two years during the World War.

This period was marked by coöperation in all of the Liberty Loan drives and Red Cross work, giving to all projects connected with the work of the period.

Liberty Bonds were bought, a French orphan was adopted after the war; contributions to all relief work and Mrs. Grimes as a member of the Raleigh Woman's Club worked untiringly with the Pageant Committee in presenting "Raleigh, the Shepherd of the Ocean."

The Chapter held an informal reception at the Woman's Club in honor of Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, Vice-President General, and Mrs. W. O. Spencer, State Regent.

#### 4TH REGENT

MISS LOULA HALL BRIGGS—1920-1922  
(later Mrs. J. M. Brewer)

The year's work centered on building up the Chapter in membership, interest and taking up regular D. A. R. work. The Regent was elected in November, 1921, as State Registrar and installed a system of Registration for State D. A. R. She served as State Chairman of Genealogy and Conservation, and thrift. The State Regent, Mrs. W. O. Spencer, visited the Chapter on September 16, 1920.

Contributions were made during this term to the Wilson Memorial and Belleau Woods, also contributions of clothing to Crossnore was begun under the chairmanship of Mrs. C. W. Newcomb. A large increase in Chapter membership was made during this year. The Regent resigned on account of out of town residence.

#### 5TH REGENT

MRS. H. W. GLASCOCK—1922-1925

Mrs. Harold W. Glascock was elected Regent in December, 1922, and served until June 1924, during which time the Chapter membership increased and interest was stimulated. Outstanding contributions were those made to Valley Forge, Caroline Scott Memorial. At this time a \$50.00 scholarship to Crossnore was begun, and Near East orphan was adopted. The District meeting was entertained at the Woman's Club, Mrs. Tillett being State Regent. Mrs. Glascock was District Chairman at this time, and presided with beautiful dignity. A handsome silk flag was presented to the Chapter by Dr. H. W. Glascock for use at Chapter meetings.

Mrs. Glascock was associated with Mrs. Norris in the correspondence relative to the loan of the Silver Service given by the State of North Carolina to the Battleship *North Carolina*, afterwards scrapped

by the United States Government, and is at present Secretary of the Sixth District. Under her leadership, the membership and Chapter interest increased. The custom of placing a wreath at the base of the George Washington statue in Capital Square was begun in 1923.

#### 6TH REGENT

MRS. V. O. PARKER—1925-1928

Mrs. V. O. Parker was elected as Regent of the Chapter in June, 1925, and served until June, 1928.

The work of the Chapter was featured by outstanding contributions to Crossnore Scholarship; Caroline Scott Harrison Memorial; Thomas Jefferson Memorial; Oteen; Memorial Chair to Vice-President General, Mrs. W. O. Spencer; and Ellis Island work. Two Constitution Hall Bonds were bought, also a Chapter Chair in Constitution Hall.

Through the Chapter, the Silver Service given to the United States Battleship *North Carolina* by the State of North Carolina was placed in the Executive Mansion as a loan from the United States Navy Department until its return should be requested. A marker was placed on the spot on which Judge Gaston wrote the State Song, "The Old North State Forever." Mrs. Parker was elected State Historian in 1926. The Chapter was hostess to the State Conference D. A. R. in March, 1928, Mrs. E. C. Gregory being State Regent.

#### 7TH REGENT

MRS. JOHN M. BREWER—1928-1929

Mrs. John M. Brewer was elected Regent for the second time in May, 1928, and is serving her second year at the time of this writing, during which time the Chapter membership has increased and the past year has been an interesting and most prosperous year. All assessments have been met; boxes of clothing sent to Crossnore and Ellis Island, and per capita special assessments have been made for the North Carolina Bronze Doors and for furnishings for the North Carolina Room in Memorial Continental Hall.

The State Executive Board, Mrs. C. R. Whitaker being Regent, were entertained at a luncheon at the Sir Walter Hotel in May, 1929, by the Officers of the Chapter.

Work of the National Society and National Defense have been stressed; the Silver Service loaned by the Navy Department to the

State of North Carolina sponsored by the North Carolina D. A. R., was returned upon demand of the Navy Department. Mrs. Brewer has served as State Registrar, Chairman of Genealogical Research; Chairman Conservation and Thrift, and is serving on North Carolina D. A. R. Legislative Committee at the time of this writing. Mrs. Brewer was elected Chairman of Sixth District, October 22, 1929.

Work relative to marking and locating graves of Revolutionary soldiers has been begun; and a prize offered for the best essay on Citizenship for high school students.

#### CASWELL-NASH OFFICERS—1915-1930

Regents—Mrs. C. A. Norris, Mrs. B. P. Williamson, Mrs. C. A. Norris, Mrs. J. B. Grimes, Miss Loula H. Briggs, Mrs. H. W. Glascock, Mrs. V. O. Parker, Mrs. J. M. Brewer.

Vice-Regents—Mrs. J. R. Hunter, Mrs. Sam Lawrence, Mrs. J. A. Briggs, Mrs. C. L. Mann.

Registrars—Mrs. H. W. Glascock, Mrs. J. E. Wearn, Mrs. J. L. Peacock, Miss Marjorie Yates, Mrs. T. K. Maupin.

Chaplains—Mrs. A. J. Ellis, Mrs. J. B. Cheshire, Mrs. M. E. Bethea, Mrs. A. J. Ellis, Mrs. H. W. Glascock, Mrs. H. G. Lane, Mrs. J. B. Turner.

Secretaries—Miss Minnie Farrior, Mrs. W. R. Dent, Mrs. W. F. Marshall, Mrs. R. W. Leiby, Mrs. T. B. Moseley, Mrs. R. W. Leiby, Mrs. T. W. Chambliss.

Corresponding Secretaries—Mrs. A. C. Hinton, Mrs. W. T. Harding, Mrs. J. L. Peacock, Mrs. N. E. Edgerton, Miss Martha Andrews.

Treasurers—Miss Elsie Riddick, Miss Marjorie Yates, Mrs. M. T. Norris, Mrs. C. H. Stephenson.

Historians—Mrs. C. W. Newcomb, Mrs. V. O. Parker, Mrs. C. U. Harris, Mrs. W. D. Briggs, Mrs. J. W. Wood, Mrs. W. R. Dent, Mrs. J. A. Briggs.

Librarians—Mrs. R. T. Gowan, Mrs. C. M. Johnson.

Genealogists—Mrs. C. U. Harris, Miss Loula Briggs, Mrs. B. P. Williamson, Mrs. C. H. Stephenson, Mrs. T. K. Maupin, Mrs. J. R. Hunter, Miss Mattie A. Higgs.

## ROCKY MOUNT

*Micajah Petway Chapter*

The Micajah Petway Chapter, D. A. R. was organized at Rocky Mount, North Carolina, on June 10, 1922, by Mrs. W. O. Spencer (then State Regent), in the home of the late Mrs. R. P. Holt. The Chapter was named for Major Micajah Petway, an Edgecombe County, North Carolina soldier, who rendered distinguished service in the Revolutionary War and in the War of 1812.

Enlisting in the Revolution in 1776 as a private, Major Petway was rapidly promoted; first to adjutant, then to Major. He took part in the battles of Brandywine, Monmouth, Bluford Bridge, and in the siege of Charleston, South Carolina. He died on April 12, 1849, and was buried near Wilson, North Carolina. In 1923 his remains were moved to Pine View Cemetery, at Rocky Mount, and placed on the plot of the late Mrs. R. P. Holt, who was one of his descendants.

The Chapter has had three Regents: Mrs. R. P. Holt, 1922-27; Mrs. J. B. Goode, 1927-30, and Mrs. D. M. Pearsall, 1930. Two Vice-Regents have served from 1926: Mrs. R. T. Fountain and Mrs. W. H. Horne. Three Recording Secretaries: Mrs. F. L. Perry, Mrs. W. Gray Williams and Mrs. R. T. Fountain. There has been only one Treasurer, Mrs. F. H. Craighill, and one Registrar, Mrs. G. W. S. Sandlin, respectively, and three Historians: Mrs. R. T. Fountain, Mrs. W. H. Horn, and Mrs. J. B. Goode.

The Constitution and By-laws were drawn up by a committee of the following members: Mrs. A. W. Gill, Mrs. R. T. Fountain and Mrs. J. D. Blount.

On August 25, 1926 the Seventh District North Carolina D. A. R. was entertained by the Micajah Petway Chapter and had as distinguished guests on that occasion, the National Regent, N. S. D. A. R., Mrs. Alfred Brosseau, Mrs. W. O. Spencer, Mrs. Edwin Gregory and Mrs. Ralph Van Landingham. The addresses of Mrs. Brosseau, Mrs. Gregory and Mrs. Spencer were interesting features of this meeting.

On June 14, 1930, two portraits were presented to the Boys' Training School, three miles above the city, by Micajah Petway Chapter—George Washington and Woodrow Wilson. A Flag Day program was carried out, with an address on the flag by Rev. F. H. Craighill

and tiny flags were presented to each of the sixty-four boys as they filed into the new chapel. Constitution Day has been observed each year in September, the last time, by an outstanding address by a local attorney.

The Chapter has offered prizes to the city schools two years, for historical essays. Last year genealogical papers of unusual interest were sent to the State Chairman by this Chapter, and perhaps the Chapter's best work has been along this line.

Representations have been sent to the district meetings, State and General Conferences and to the regional meeting held at Pinchurst in 1929, and annual reports have been sent out regularly.

At the November, 1930, meeting, "Our Emblem," verse set to music by Florence Aline Bethea Philips (former South Carolinian, but now residing in Phoenix, Arizona), a relative of our present Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. Gray Williams, was adopted as the Chapter song.

Mrs. Williams has compiled and bound the minutes of the Chapter and its most important correspondence, leaving space for clippings of interest to members of the D. A. R.

From the small beginning in 1922, Micajah Petway Chapter has grown to the number of twenty members and the records of prospective members have been sent in to be passed on.

Following is a list of the present membership:

Mary Reese Craighill (Mrs. F. H.), Azile Witherspoon Dove (Mrs. D. D.), Annie Short Perry (Mrs. F. L.), Virginia Dixon Gill (Mrs. A. W.), Maude Howerton Blount (Mrs. J. D.), Elaine Cochran Goode (Mrs. J. B.), Flora Graham Horne (Mrs. W. H.), Ruth Laval Smith Williams (Mrs. W. Gray), Blanche Tracy Creswell Simpson (Mrs. H. V.), Maude Lee Lancaster Sandlin (Mrs. G. W. S.), Mrs. Mary Parker Battle.

Miss Lena Boddie, Hallie Belk Daughtridge (Mrs. J. C.), Susan Rankin Fountain (Mrs. R. T.), Adelaide Lee Bizzelle Pearsall (Mrs. D. M.), Mary Lancaster Broadus (Mrs. R. F.), Grizzelle Burton Braswell (Mrs. J. C.), Doris Cochran Klotz (Mrs. C. D.), Miss Cornelia Ferrell, Mabel Andrews Vestal (Mrs. Cameron).

Respectfully submitted,

ADELAIDE L. BIZZELLE PEARSALL, *Regent*,

SUSAN RANKIN FOUNTAIN, *Recording Secretary*.

November 24, 1930.

## SALISBURY

*Elizabeth Maxwell Steele Chapter*

The Chapter has contributed to the National and State Society the following officers:

National Officers—Vice-President General: Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory. Elected 1909; re-elected 1911.

State Officers—Vice-Regent: Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory. Elected 1901; re-elected 1902-3. State Corresponding Secretary: Mrs. Edwin R. Overman. Elected 1911; re-elected. State Historian: Mrs. J. P. Moore. Elected 1909; re-elected. State Chaplain: Mrs. David Cannon. Elected 1909; re-elected.

Chapter Officers—Regent: Mrs. M. C. Quinn, elected 1898; Mrs. Edwin R. Overman, elected 1901; Mrs. M. C. Quinn, elected 1907; Mrs. J. P. Moore, elected 1910; Mrs. George Fisher, elected 1912; Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory, elected 1913; Mrs. David Cannon, elected 1916; Mrs. Lyman Cotton, elected 1918; Mrs. R. L. Mauney, elected 1919; Mrs. Henry Hobson, elected 1921; Mrs. John Gorman, elected 1924; Mrs. John R. Deas, elected 1927.

Thirty-two years ago, in Salisbury, N. C., Rowan County, answering the call of the distinguished State Regent, Mrs. Latta of Charlotte, N. C., at the residence of Mrs. Minnie Phifer (M. C. Quinn), our brilliant and beloved Mother Regent, and then founder of our Chapter, there gathered together a small group of patriotic women who organized the second Chapter of the society in North Carolina. These loyal Daughters were: Mrs. Minnie Phifer Quinn, Regent; Miss Elizabeth Henderson, Vice-Regent; Miss Margaret M. Overman, Treasurer; Mrs. Catherine Scales McKenzie, Recording Secretary; Mrs. Alice Caldwell McKenzie, Registrar; Mrs. J. P. Moore, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. Edwin R. Overman, Historian. Other members present were: Miss Fannie Caldwell, Miss Annie S. Wiley, Mrs. John Whitehead, Mrs. Miriam W. Murphy, and Mrs. Minnie Scales Henderson.

It was not pride of ancestry alone that inspired them, but pride in deeds well done, pride in the sublime heroism and glorious achievements of those patriots and founders who made this the greatest nation on earth, and a desire through patriotic service, to prove themselves worthy descendants of illustrious ancestors by carry-

ing out the objects of our great society, "To perpetuate the memory of the spirit of the men and women who achieved American Independence by acquisition and protection of historic spots, and the creation of monuments; by the encouragement of historical research in relation to the American Revolution and the publication of its results; by the preservation of documents and relics, and of the records of individual services of Revolutionary heroes and patriots, and by promotion of celebrations of all patriotic anniversaries."

In selecting a name for our Chapter, the members were embarrassed by a wealth of historical data recording epochal events and heroic services by Rowan County's illustrious sons. From this county Daniel Boone began his exploration and colonization of the West. Also it was on August 8, 1774, 17 days before the Provincial Congress convened, that the members of the Rowan County committee of safety, met and adopted the famous Rowan Resolves, which antedated the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence. These and many other interesting historical incidents supplied us with an abundance of data from which to choose a name. However, remembering that the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution had accepted the function of High Priestess of Patriotism, it seemed more appropriate that we take for the name of our Chapter, that of a woman. So we chose that of Elizabeth Maxwell Steele, the patriot immortal, who by her noble generosity and patriotic spirit made possible that battle which was the turning point of the Revolutionary War, the Battle of Guilford Court House. In referring to this inspiring incident, Dr. Rumble says in his History of Rowan County, pages 207-8, "It appears that Dr. Read, the Surgeon of Morgan's Army, with hospital stores and some disabled British officers who were prisoners, had reached Salisbury in advance of the troops. They were stopping at the tavern of Mrs. Elizabeth Maxwell Steele, and there Dr. Read saw approaching General Nathaniel Greene with a forlorn look upon his face, and unaccompanied by any aides or by any person whatever. "How do you find yourself, my good General," enquired Dr. Read. "Wretched beyond words; without friends, without money, and even destitute of a companion," replied the General as he slowly dismounted from his horse. The General had dispatched his aides to different parts of the retreating Revolutionary Army and had ridden through the rain and mud of Rowan winter roads over thirty miles. He had for themes of sad

meditation the two disastrous skirmishes of the day, and the apprehension of Colonel Tarleton and his Light Dragoons. The condition was truly discouraging, but help was nearer than he fancied. Mrs. Steele, the kind-hearted hostess of the Tavern, had heard his desponding remarks and determined he should obtain such relief as she was able to afford. In due time a bountiful repast was spread before the distinguished guest, after which Mrs. Steele approached the General who was sitting before the glowing coals, reminding him of his desponding remarks and assuring him of her sympathy and friendship. Then drawing from her apron two bags of specie, she said: "Take these, for you will want them and I can do without them." This gift of gold and silver enabled him to gather together his discouraged forces and the heroic heart was warmed and lightened by this opportune kindness, and he went forth to direct the retreat of his little army and to provide for their transportation across the Yadkin.

The first work of our Chapter was distinctly literary and historical. We held charming social gatherings; filed valuable historical papers; pledged ourselves to assist in bringing General Greene's ashes to his final resting place upon the field of his fame at Guilford Battle Ground. From that time to this we have always celebrated patriotic anniversaries which have been inspirational and uplifting.

At the expiration of Mrs. Quinn's administration, Mrs. E. R. Overman was elected Regent. Mrs. Overman's inherent executive ability, her untiring energy and enthusiasm, inspired us to heights of our endeavour, and it is a fitting compliment to say that she was a worthy successor to our brilliant and beloved Mother Regent, Mrs. Quinn. A prize was offered in our public schools for the finest essay on any unwritten subject connected with the Revolution. A committee was appointed to distribute good literature of historical interest to those who could not procure it for themselves. Our most important work however, was to raise our per capita apportionment toward the two thousand dollars (\$2,000) pledge which the N. C. D. A. R. gave for one of the thirteen marble columns then to be erected upon the South portico of the Memorial Continental Hall in Washington by the thirteen original colonies. I desire here to pay tribute to the indefatigable devotion to patriotic service, the activities and abilities of our brilliant Regent. To her zeal and untiring efforts we owe the honor of being one of the first Chapters of the State to raise our amount. When we go to our National Capital to look upon that

noble mausoleum of memory, than which there is no more splendid and beautiful a memorial building in the world, so inspiring in its lines of lofty architecture; so simple and yet so ornate in its glistening white marble and gleaming monoliths; as we gaze upon its purity and beauty, we feel a thrill of pride to think that we had a share of the honor of bringing this great undertaking to consummation. Especially are we proud when we realize that "this building in its symbolism, is greater than the glistening marble, more lasting than the tablet of bronze, more lovely than the graceful monoliths, for its real value consist in the fact that here is crystallized the highest emotion of the human soul, that of hero worship properly applied. This temple is dedicated to Washington and his every General, to the high-private in the rear rank, to every hero and heroine, whether his or her name be writ in undying fire, or traced upon some modest tombstone in some obscure burying ground; to each and everyone this memorial building is dedicated in the same measure of grateful appreciation." This memorial is different from any other. Not alone because it was builded by the hands of women, but because it is to glorify those immortal patriots who fought for religious liberty, political freedom, and social justice; and from it will emanate throughout the coming years the true spirit of Americanism. After seven years of service, Mrs. Overman, having proven herself the worthy custodian of the highest ideals of our society, and who in truth could say of the interest in her Chapter and in her national organization: "I have carried these near my heart and in my thoughts night and day. I have striven to do my duty." In her we found that leader, faithful, generous, wise, who with tireless vigilance led her group of workers to victory and achievement.

In 1910 Mrs. J. P. Moore was elected Regent. Mrs. Moore's ambition for the Chapter, her patriotic spirit, combined with her zeal as a worker, her enthusiastic efforts resulted in the Chapter realizing one of its cherished objects, the creation of a beautiful bronze tablet to the memory of Elizabeth Maxwell Steele. Other patriotic achievements must be credited to Mrs. Moore's administration. The Chapter coöperated with the Daniel Boone Association and contributed ten dollars (\$10.00) toward a granite boulder with bronze tablet in memory of Daniel Boone and also in the creation of a replica of the original Boone cabin in which Daniel Boone lived on the Yadkin. We also gave a five dollar gold piece to the student in the Salisbury High

School writing the best historical essay. The prize was awarded to Ben McCubbins who wrote on "General Nathaniel Greene."

The N. C. Daughters were honored and fortunate to have as State Regent at this time, Charlotte's brilliant and distinguished Lady of Letters, Mrs. John Van Landingham, who will not only live long in the hearts of her devoted D. A. R., but in the hearts of all who have been privileged to know and appreciate her as one of the South's greatest women. Under the spell of her ardor and eloquence we put forth our best efforts to prove ourselves worthy of her leadership and lofty ideals for her State Society and National organization. It was our pride and glory to bring to consummation every patriotic activity which she sponsored. She honored our Chapter by appointing our Regent chairman of the Andrew Jackson Monument Committee. The erection of this monument alone to the great Southern Statesman and seventh President of the United States, would furnish ample reason for our existence as a society. Upon the spot where the cabin stood in which he was born, the N. C. D. A. R.'s have erected in changeless stone, a memorial to perpetuate his ideals and purposes, his hopes and his service to his country. Our Chapter contributed its allotment of seventeen dollars (\$17.00). The Chapter also contributed twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) toward an art fund which it was the hope of our State Regent to devote to a one hundred dollar (\$100.00) prize to be awarded to the best historical picture painted by a North Carolina artist portraying some epochal event. We presented a handsome gold fountain pen to Hon. John Julian as a tribute of appreciation for kindness shown and services rendered to our Chapter. We also contributed ten dollars (\$10.00) toward the Major Morehead Monument Fund. This monument to Major Morehead is a testimonial of loving appreciation from the sons and daughters of North Carolina for his generous and untiring service in the preservation of one of the Nation's great battlefields, Guilford Court House, and also in the erection of the magnificent monument to General Greene, the great hero of that battle.

At the expiration of Mrs. Moore's term of office, Mrs. George Fisher was elected Regent. Mrs. Fisher possesses that rare gift, tact, and in her heart is writ that great and perfect litany of kindness. She undertook the Regency of our Chapter at a time when we seemed content to rest upon our laurels. But through her infinite diplomacy, she held the members together through a period of indifference which

comes to every organization at some time, and very soon inspired us with a renewal of patriotic fervor and endeavour. We are more than proud of the records of her stewardship. We contributed ten dollars (\$10.00) toward the fund to place a tablet to the memory of North Carolina's illustrious son and immortal genius, O. Henry. We also contributed our apportionment towards one of the twelve granite boulders with tablet of bronze, to mark the celebrated Boone Trail. The tablet reads: "Daniel Boone Trail from North Carolina to Kentucky, 1769. Erected by the North Carolina Daughters of the American Revolution." This work was inaugurated by our beloved and distinguished State Regent, Mrs. Wm. N. Reynolds of Winston-Salem, N. C., who appointed Mrs. Lindsey Patterson, also of Winston-Salem, State Chairman.

With Government maps to guide and the State Historical Association to coöperate with and encourage this brilliant lady and her able committee, she pushed on with determined feet along the tortuous paths once trod by Indians the pathfinders, and finally dug up from an almost forgotten grave this wonderful old trail. As one would unravel the threads of a tangled skein of silk through patient effort, Mrs. Patterson finally completed her patriotic service and we are proud indeed to have had a share in this great undertaking. The marking of this Trail is one of the most important works ever undertaken by a patriot organization and is of National as well as State interest and pride. Too much praise cannot be accorded to our brilliant State Regent, Mrs. Wm. N. Reynolds, who has rendered so much magnificent service and achievement to her administration and to the faithful members of this committee, especially to Mrs. Patterson, that charming and efficient Daughter whom North Carolina honors and loves.

Before the close of Mrs. Fisher's administration, the Chapter undertook its most notable achievement, the re-publication of Rumples History of Rowan County. During Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory's administration as National Vice-President General, she received countless letters from various parts of the country requesting historical data and information regarding the ancestry of sons and daughters of Rowan County, North Carolina, migrated to the far West, the middle West, the far North and the far South. Many of these requests related to early settlers of Rowan County. Truly can it be said of Rowan County that she is the Grandmother of Counties,

and her children and her children's children have gone to the far corners of the earth. In order to give satisfactory answers to these letters, Mrs. Gregory was compelled to refer to State and County histories, one of these being a small priceless volume then long out of print and very rare, Rumble's History of Rowan County. Her great ambition was for the Elizabeth Maxwell Steele Chapter to re-publish this valuable work. Believing that the members could not dedicate themselves to a more important service than this, Mrs. Gregory unfolded her plans to the Chapter and the other members enthusiastically adopted it and it was decided unanimously that this great work be undertaken by the Chapter at once, and Mrs. Fisher appointed the following committee: Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory, Chairman; Mrs. E. R. Overman; Mrs. M. C. Quinn and Mrs. J. P. Moore.

At the end of Mrs. Fisher's very successful administration, Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory was elected Regent. Her dream was to assist in bringing to consummation the re-publication of Rumble's History and the following reports, which she presented at the state conferences during her Regency, tell of the work accomplished. "It is my privilege and honor to bring greetings from the Elizabeth Maxwell Steele Chapter, and to our beloved State Regent, Mrs. Reynolds, felicitations and congratulations upon the completion of her brilliant and successful administration unsurpassed for great deeds accomplished, great ideals nobly set forth, and one which will ever be an inspiration to future State and Chapter Regents. In submitting her report for the year's work, the Regent of the Elizabeth Maxwell Steele Chapter is consumed with pride and gratefulness. Pride because of the successful accomplishments of great tasks undertaken by the members with a courageous and dauntless determination, gratefulness that the spirit of harmony, coöperation and good will pervades our membership which always works in splendid unity of thought and action, and is ever helpful and inspirational to the Regent. It is with a sense of privilege that I record the completion of our crowning work, that of the re-publication of Rumble's History of Rowan County. This precious volume possesses a wealth of historical data which is not only of vital interest to those distinguished families who live now in Rowan County, but to all those and to all the descendants of those who migrated to the Western, Northern and far Southern States. Originally the borders of Rowan County extended to the Mississippi River and included Western North Carolina, Tennessee and Ken-

tucky. We have crowned our zealous and untiring chairman, Mrs. Cannon with laurels. All praise is due her and her able committee for the completion of this work of love. Love for our County of Rowan, pride in its glorious history, and appreciation of, and reverence for Dr. Rumples who was not only a tower of strength in his church, but a sympathetic friend, wise counsellor to many who sought him for advice, and an angel of comfort to the sick and sorrowing.

Another achievement which is of no less national interest than local and state, was the erection of a handsome bronze tablet in memory of Daniel Boone, and in commemoration of his explorations and colonization of the West. From the spot marked by the tablet, this great pioneer, explorer, patriot and founder, set out upon his perilous journey into the unexplored wilderness of the West. The day of this celebration was an epochal one for our Chapter and was made more brilliant by the presence of his Excellency, Governor Craige, Senator Lee S. Overman, Prof. Archibald Henderson, Mrs. Lindsey Patterson, our beloved State Regent, Mrs. Wm. N. Reynolds, Mrs. John Van Landingham, Vice-President General, and Mrs. Matthew Bosch, a lineal descendant of Daniel Boone.

Our Chapter contributed twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) to the John Paul Jones Association which organization purchased the Grove house, the home of Wiley Jones, which sheltered the immortal John Paul Jones and which was his North Carolina home. History records that because of his love for the Jones family, he took their name. This property it is still hoped will be donated to the North Carolina D. A. R., and will eventually be the site upon which will be located a great memorial industrial school supported by the Society, a living tribute to the world's greatest naval hero, John Paul Jones.

We contributed our apportionment toward the furnishing of the room in our historic Rowan County Community Building which was donated to the patriotic Literary and Historical Societies of Rowan County. We also voted to annually celebrate Halifax Day, the twelfth of April. We made pilgrimages to the many historic burying grounds and churches in our vicinity, and we hope to make verified copies of the inscriptions on the fast decaying tombstones and file them with other historic documents. In one grave at Thyatira Cemetery in the County, lies sleeping the Great Grandfather of James Knox Polk, one time President of the United States. There also lies the illustrious patriot, scholar and minister, Rev. Samuel McCorkle,

and other equally distinguished patriots and founders. We proposed to use our influence with these rural ministers of the County to place the invaluable records of their churches in fireproof vaults. We presented to our library a copy of the history of Western North Carolina. We also contributed a handsome sum to the Municipal playground and gave assistance to the Boys' Committee Work. We also joined as a body the Social Service Society.

No Regent could ask or expect more loyal, unselfish, patriotic service than that of the dear members who were the faithful coadjutors of the Regent, and who by their readiness to work, and by their loyalty and courage made possible these splendid achievements.

Mrs. David Cannon having manifested fine executive ability and devotion to patriotic service as chairman of Ruple's History Committee, the Chapter elected her Regent at the expiration of Mrs. Gregory's administration. Never in the history of our organization had such opportunities for patriotic service presented themselves as during Mrs. Cannon's Regency. The great World War was being fought; our boys were dying in France for the lofty ideals of Democracy and our women were glorifying themselves at home. As we review the records of the magnificent services rendered to our country by the noble members of our Chapter during those terrible days of bloodshed and heartbreak, we know that the members of the Elizabeth Maxwell Steele were weighed in the balance and found not wanting. Their glorious unselfish service to their country proves beyond question that they have indeed translated into their own hearts and lives the deepest and fullest meaning of those magic words, Patriotism, Service, and Gratitude which is the "memory of the heart." They have proved themselves worthy of that sacred heritage bequeathed to them by those great women of the past, the Southern Pioneer Mothers. They have achieved an effective, efficient patriotism.

Those members who received Red Cross Medals for distinguished service, are as follows: (Other service is also recorded.)

Mrs. David Cannon, Certificate Red Cross Work.

Mrs. Elizabeth Henderson Cotton, Medal for Distinguished Service, Red Cross Certificate, Motor Service Certificate, Chairman Red Cross Influenza Committee, Superintendent Surgical Dressing Department.

Mrs. Marian Deas, Certificate for Red Cross Work.

Mrs. H. E. Eagan, Red Cross Certificate.

Mrs. Geo. Fisher, Distinguished Service Medal, Red Cross Certificate, Motor Service Certificate.

Mrs. John Gorman, Medal for Distinguished Service (Red Cross), Red Cross Certificate, Captain of the Canteen.

Mrs. A. H. Graf, Red Cross Certificate.

Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory, Medal for Distinguished Service (Red Cross), Red Cross Certificate, Captain of the Canteen, Commandant of Motor Service, Chairman of the 8th. N. C. District United War Work Campaign, Woman's Division.

Mrs. Percy Grimes, Medal for Distinguished Service (Red Cross), Red Cross Certificate, Motor Service Certificate.

Mrs. Tom Hines, Medal for Distinguished Service, Red Cross Certificate.

Mrs. Henry Hobson, Medal for Distinguished Service (Red Cross), Red Cross Certificate.

Mrs. J. F. Hurley, Red Cross Certificate.

Mrs. Robert Mauney, Red Cross Certificate, Motor Service Certificate.

Mrs. J. P. Moore, Distinguished Service Medal (Red Cross), Red Cross Certificate, Secretary Surgical Dressing Department.

Mrs. John McCannless, Medal for Distinguished Service (Red Cross), Red Cross Certificate, Motor Service Certificate.

Mrs. Will Neave, Red Cross Certificate.

Mrs. W. S. Nicholson, Red Cross Certificate.

Mrs. E. R. Overman, Medal for Distinguished Service (Red Cross), Red Cross Certificate, Captain of the Canteen.

Mrs. Walter Woodson, Red Cross Certificate, Motor Service Certificate.

Mrs. Mary Henderson, Medal for Distinguished Service, Red Cross Certificate, Canteen Certificate, City Chairman, 2-3-4-5 Liberty Loan Drive.

Mrs. William Edward Hennessee, Red Cross Certificate.

Miss Sarah Wood Fowler, Organizer and Chairman of the South River Auxiliary.

Miss Annie Osborne Fowler, Miss Sallie Grimes, Miss Johnsie Hobson, Miss Lucille Linn, Mrs. Hallie V. Miller.

Mrs. M. H. Milne, Medal for Distinguished Service (Red Cross), Red Cross Certificate.

Mrs. R. E. Reynolds, Mrs. Clarence Roseboro, Mrs. Callie Y. F. Scott.

Mrs. C. E. Stevenson, Medal for Distinguished Service (Red Cross).

Miss Ada Viele.

Mrs. S. H. Wiley, Medal for Distinguished Service, Red Cross Certificate.

Mrs. W. H. Hardin, Medal for Distinguished Service (Red Cross), Red Cross Certificate.

Mrs. Ross Sigmon.

Other contributions and activities accredited to Mrs. Cannon's administration are as follows:

One hundred dollars (\$100.00) to the Red Cross.

One hundred dollars (\$100.00) for Liberty Bonds.

One dollar (\$1.00) per capita to the National Society for Bonds.

Fifteen dollars and seventy-five cents (\$15.75) worth of wool knitted into sweaters and presented to the Red Cross.

Five dollars (\$5.00) for Rowan Soldiers.

Two full knitted sets consisting of sweater, helmet, wristlets, and mufflers made by the members for the battleship North Carolina.

Five dollars (\$5.00) for comfort kits for Rowan soldiers.

Ten dollars and fifty cents (\$10.50) or fifty cents per capita for the restoration of Tilloloy in honor of our beloved Lafayette.

Five dollars (\$5.00) for the restoration of Fort Dobbs.

Ten dollars (\$10.00) for associated charities.

Ten dollars (\$10.00) for Travelers Aid.

The members were untiring in their service during the influenza epidemic and rendered valuable aid to the canteen and motor corps, the latter being organized by a D. A. R., Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory, also assisting in the sale of Liberty Bonds and all Red Cross work. Last but not least the handsome service flag of the D. A. R., each star representing a loyal patriotic son of this land of the free and the home of the brave.

Especial mention must be made of the magnificent work of the Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, Mrs. John Gorman, during Mrs. Gregory's administration, and who was Vice-Regent during Mrs. Cannon's administration and by virtue of this office served as Regent during Mrs. Cannon's illness. It has been said of Mrs. Gorman that for patriotic and religious purposes, she can raise

more money in less time than any other citizen of Salisbury. Her fine executive ability, patriotic spirit, her own golden generous heart, inspires and stimulates generosity in others. She possesses that precious gift, tact, and knows how to make the proper effective approach to the hearts and purses of our citizens. As Chairman of the Ways and Means Committee, and as Vice-Regent, her career was one perfect crescendo of lucrative achievement.

It was during Mrs. Cannon's administration that the Chapter suffered its greatest bereavement in the death of our beloved Mother Regent, Mrs. M. C. Quinn. Not alone to the Chapter was her passing a tremendous loss, but to her church, her city, her county and her state was it keenly felt. Descended from a most illustrious line of colonial and Revolutionary ancestry, members of which as first settlers in this country occupied positions of eminence and trust and rendered distinguished service to their young country, the men being renowned for their broad statesmanship and leadership, the women for those beautiful gifts of heart and mind for which our Southern gentlewomen are noted, Mrs. Quinn was a worthy daughter of these distinguished forebears. In her church she was a tower of strength; in civic affairs she was ever a leader; in all that stood for her community's betterment and in all the ideals of social life she was preëminent. She was great in heart, great in mind, and one of her most precious qualities endearing her to all who knew her, was her supreme unselfishness, for her life was mostly spent in service for others. She gave a halcyon charm to hearthstone, library, and all the institutions of the home. Her life's record bears eloquent testimony of the truest meaning of duty, unselfishness and love. To know her was to have quickened in ones heart a deeper appreciation of true worth and strength of character. Those who knew her best, know that in her perfect faith and trust, she walked gladly to life's shore, saying in tranquillity of spirit: "For though from out this bourne of time and place, the flood may bear me far, I hope to see my Pilot face to face when I have crossed the bar."

Succeeding Mrs. Cannon, Mrs. Robert Mauney was elected Regent. Mrs. Mauney's long record of devoted patriotic service, her constructive ability, her wisdom in council, her faithfulness to every trust whether it be great or small, all combine to make her a perfect officer. She distinguished herself and her administration by leading the Chapter to notable achievement. One work alone immortalizes

her administration. In memory of those gallant sons of Rowan County, who consecrated their precious young lives to their country's service and fought for it in the great World War, the Chapter erected a drinking fountain in a rugged boulder in which is set a bronze tablet upon which is inscribed:

"Erected by the Elizabeth Maxwell Steele Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution in memory of the Rowan County boys who fought in the World War."

To these immortal heroes this memorial bears an everlasting testimony of the love and appreciation which lives in the hearts of the D. A. R., for the glorious services borne by them, the men of our last war, by the descendants of the men of our first war. We have written here in bronze a true expression of the loyalty and gratitude of the Rowan County women for the sublime heroism of the American soldier.

Our Chapter also assisted the American Legion in the ceremonies attending the placing of a German gun, presented to the town by the French Government. The Chapter contributed to the Woman's Hospital in Serbia. It was during Mrs. Mauney's administration that we published our first Year Book. This has proved to be the most helpful and inspirational and all praise is due to the brilliant chairman, Mrs. Eagan, and her able committee.

I desire to pay tribute to our efficient, ever vigilant, and ever faithful Treasurer, Mrs. W. S. Nicholson. We revere and love her. As a mother, as a Christian, as a D. A. R., she stands preëminent. In her life as in her patriotic service she expresses the highest ideals for which our organization stands. For her long years of invaluable service as Treasurer we are profoundly grateful.

Mrs. Henry Hobson, our Vice-Regent during Mrs. Mauney's administration, was elected Regent. Her term of service was well taken up with patriotic and educational work. Valuable histories were presented to the schools, also prizes offered for the best historical essays, and contribution in full given to Valley Forge.

The district meeting was entertained with over one hundred present. It was during this term that one of our Chapter members, Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory, was elected State Regent.

Mrs. John Gorman was elected Regent in 1924, and served most efficiently and faithfully the three years of her term. The membership

was increased and much work was accomplished during her administration. Living Flags were formed, one being formed by Syrians and dedicated to Senator Lee S. Overman. A bronze tablet was erected to the memory of the Rowan Resolves. The unveiling of the Washington Marker on the Washington Building, and the dedication of a tree, was held on the same day. A Memorial Chair in honor of our Chapter member and State Regent, Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory, was placed in the auditorium Constitution Hall.

Succeeding Mrs. Gorman, Mrs. John R. Deas was elected Regent. Her administration was filled with complying to the requests and obligations of the State and National Societies. Many historical places and Revolutionary soldiers' graves have been located and will be marked at a future date. The crowning achievement of this Chapter was accomplished during her term by the re-publishing of Dr. Jethro Rumble's History of Rowan County. This re-print was met with much success and has filled a much wanted need. Schools and libraries throughout our land have been supplied, as well as individuals, who have recognized and availed themselves of this wonderful opportunity of owning one of these prized copies. This work has been accomplished by the hearty coöperation of the members of this Chapter, and we are to add more laurels to those already won by this faithful and loyal Chapter, Elizabeth Maxwell Steele.

From the inception of our organization we have felt the inspiration of the lofty conception, that it is our high duty and privilege to keep burning upon our hearthstone, the true patriotic fire of the old Revolutionary days, and to meet every opportunity of service to our country with the spirit of '76.

We are not content to be the Daughters of a Revolution of the past, but our desire is to actively participate in every phase of the never ceasing evolution of the present.

We have suffered sad bereavements in the passing of the following beloved members:

Mrs. M. C. Quinn, Mrs. Alice Caldwell McKenzie, Mrs. Mary Davis, Mrs. Andrew Buford, Mrs. Miriam Wiley Murphy, Mrs. A. H. Graf.

Let us lay upon their graves in loving tenderness our Chapter of Immortals: "We shall give them of the fruit of their hands and let their good works praise them in the gates."

## SNOW HILL

*Colonel Alexander McAllister Chapter*

The Colonel Alexander McAllister Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution was organized at the home of Mrs. W. B. Murphy in Snow Hill, January 19, 1924, and confirmed by the National Board April 18, 1924; the following twelve ladies were Charter members: Mrs. C. F. Harvey, Vice-Regent; Mrs. J. T. Exum, Recording Secretary; Mrs. F. W. Dixon, Registrar; Mrs. J. I. Morgan, Treasurer; Miss Margaret Taylor, Corresponding Secretary; Miss Pearl Wright, Historian; Mrs. R. H. Wright, Mrs. R. E. Mosely, Miss Mary Louise Harvey, Miss Attawa Dixon, Miss Susan Best Morrill, Mrs. W. B. Murphy, Organizing Regent.

Colonel Alexander McAllister for whom the Chapter is named held the following offices: Colonel of the Cumberland County militia, member from Cumberland of the Provincial Congress held at Hillsboro, N. C., August 21, 1775; member from Cumberland of the Provincial Congress, held at Halifax, April 4, 1776; member of Committee of Safety for Wilmington district; representative from Cumberland County at Assembly in New Bern, December 4, 1773; representative at Second Assembly in New Bern, March 2, 1774; member of the committee appointed by the Provincial Congress, August 23, 1775, to interview the Highlanders and explain to them the nature of the controversy with Great Britain, and member of North Carolina Senate, 1787, 1788 and 1789.

Governor McLean, who made principal address at unveiling of a very handsome tablet and boulder to Col. Alexander McAllister at Old Bluff Church in Cumberland County, where more than two thousand of Colonel McAllister's descendants were present, said: "Although he held no high office as offices are now regarded in this country, Alexander McAllister was as true a statesman as ever graced our State, and a conspicuous example of that fine type of Revolutionary patriot who feared neither kings nor governors and it was due to Colonel McAllister's statesmanlike use of his influence with the Highlanders that Lord Cornwallis received not a single recruit from the upper Cape Fear, though the British commander expected to be well strengthened here on his march to the sea."

Our membership during the six years has grown from twelve to

thirty-eight members and there are applications for a number pending in Washington.

A finer spirited organization does not exist. With members in Kinston, Greenville, Ayden, Farmville, Hookerton and Snow Hill, coöperation has enabled us to accomplish much and our meetings have been brilliant literary and social occasions. Some of the accomplishments which we recount with pride are: More than \$2,500.00 raised and spent for patriotic work; assisted in the financing and unveiling of marker to Major May in Farmville; unveiled tablets to George Washington at Greenville, to Henry Best, Revolutionary soldier of Greene County, near Snow Hill, and marker to Colonel Alexander McAllister at Old Bluff Church in Cumberland County (our Chapter is the only Chapter in the State which in 1926 erected two markers). Chapter erected marker in Snow Hill March 28, 1928 commemorating the Southern Boundary of Lord Granville's one-eighth proprietary share of Carolina and the most famous Indian battlefield in the State. Eight thousand people celebrated this occasion which was featured by a sumptuous barbecue dinner, band from Fort Bragg, addresses by Gov. A. W. McLean, Messrs. E. R. Newsome, J. P. Frizzelle, L. V. Morrill, Mesdames E. C. Gregory, W. O. Spencer, J. W. Parker, C. M. Parks, C. F. Harvey, and music by Miss Dicie Howell, lyric soprano of New York, and the Snow Hill Choral Club. Mrs. W. B. Murphy, Regent of Chapter, presided and made address of welcome.

On June 3, 1930, tablet on boulder marking Old Hull Road and the grave of General Thomas Holliday was unveiled. Quoting from a newspaper write-up of this occasion, "Greene County and the Colone! Alexander McAllister, D. A. R. Chapter surpassed even their own proverbial reputation for hospitality Tuesday when they were hosts to several thousand visitors at exercises attendant upon the unveiling of the tablet on boulder marking the Old Hull Road cut by General Hull in the march of the British army through eastern North Carolina during the Revolutionary War and the grave of General Thomas Holliday, General in the War of 1812."

Addresses were made on this occasion by Hon. J. C. B. Ehringhaus of Elizabeth City, Gen. L. R. Holbrook of Fort Bragg, Messrs. L. V. Morrill and J. P. Frizzelle and Mesdames J. F. Parrott, R. S. McGeachy, J. W. Parker, R. W. Isley, T. C. Turnage and Miss Gertrude Carraway. Music by Snow Hill Glee Club and Miss Margaret Whit-

tington, Lyric Coloratura Soprano of New York and Snow Hill, and Snow Hill High School Orchestra.

Chapter bought a Chair in Constitution Hall in memory of Colonel McAllister. The historical papers of the Chapter are being compiled with a view to publishing. Chapter members bought eight copies of Wheeler's History of North Carolina. The Chapter was presented a very handsome flag standard by the adorable little daughter of our Chapter Treasurer, Mrs. J. W. Parker of Farmville. A rarely beautiful entertainment was given our Chapter by Mrs. C. F. Harvey, Vice-Regent, at her magnificent home in Kinston, when living pictures depicting historical characters and events were shown in the spacious ball room to charming musical accompaniment.

The State Regent, Mrs. E. C. Gregory, did our Chapter a great honor in appointing its Regent Chairman Signers Tablet Committee which unveiled tablet to North Carolina Signers of the Declaration of Independence in the Capitol at Raleigh, March 8, 1927. Cannon ball used in the battle of Moore's Creek and gavel made of hickory wood from Moore's Creek Battleground were presented to the President-General by the Chapter Regent at 1925 Congress in a brief speech, for the first time calling the attention of the National Congress to the importance of Moore's Creek as the first decisive victory of the Revolution and recounting the memorable ride of Mary Slocumb. Mrs. Cook, in accepting the gavel, said "The President General assures Mrs. W. B. Murphy of Colonel Alexander McAllister Chapter that while she will have but one opportunity to use this as President General she cannot forbear leaving the wish that this gavel will always make as much of an impression upon the audience over which it is wielded as it has upon her today. In importance the rides of the famous riders of Massachusetts and Virginia are far outstripped by that of this woman of North Carolina and she accepts this gavel with the hope that it will always be used by her and her successors in a spirit of fairness to all that pertains to the welfare of our Society."

Chapter Regent was one of the three women who spoke before the Military Affairs Committee of the House of Representatives of Congress in April, 1926, in interest of making Moore's Creek Battleground a National Park. Chapter is sponsoring the musical career of Miss Margaret Whittington, Lyric Coloratura Soprano of New York and Snow Hill.

Inspirational work in citizenship has been done by the Chapter each year, hundreds of talks have been made to thousands of school children.

Chapter has planted a large number of trees and four living Christmas trees are in use each year by Chapter members.

One of our members, Mrs. Eugene Robeson of Greenville, in 1929 won first prize in State Contest for best one-act play. A number of prizes have been presented to school children for essays in historical subjects. Many books are yearly presented to libraries.

(Mrs. W. B.) MARY CALVIN MURPHY, *Regent.*

## STATESVILLE

### *Fort Dobbs Chapter*

The fertile land between the Yadkin and Catawba rivers was one of the favorite hunting grounds of the Cherokee Indians. Here bison and deer were plentiful and here constantly the Cherokees contested sovereignty with the Catawbas, who considered themselves overlords of this region.

When the first settlers came into what is now Iredell County, neither of these tribes was actively hostile, though the settlers feared the warlike Cherokees. The Catawbas early made a treaty, claiming to be faithful friends of their "white brothers," but from whom they stole provision on all occasions.

On November 9, 1754, Governor Dobbs wrote to the Board of Trade in England saying, "It will be necessary to erect a fort beyond our farthest settlers to protect that frontier and our Indian allies."

The Cherokees were given ammunition and sent forth to fight the French and Indians, but by January, 1755, so many murders had been committed that "a company of fifty men under Captain Hugh Waddell was organized for the defense of the frontier." For seven years, 1755-62, Waddell and his company guarded the frontier.

Governor Dobbs owned 200,000 acres of land on Rocky River and its branches and in June, 1755, he came up "to view his land and fix a proper and most central place to build a fort." After visiting his land near the present town of Mooresville, the Governor moved north until he found "an eminence and good springs situated in the

fork of Fourth Creek," two miles north of the present town of Statesville. This he chose as the site for his fort and left Captain Waddell's company to do the building.

The fort was of oak logs, "a good and substantial building, 53 feet long by 40 feet wide, the opposite angles 24 feet by 22 feet, in height 24½ feet. It contained three floors and from each floor at one and the same time about 100 muskets could be discharged." The commissioners reported, December 2, 1756, "the settlements are in a defenceless condition except that part near Fort Dobbs," but in 1757 companies were "ranging" constantly for Indians.

Captain Bailey had been left in command of the fort while Captain Waddell went as our member to the Assembly. When news came of the danger to Fort Loudon, the Assembly ordered Captain Waddell to hurry back to the west. When he came to Salisbury, according to Mr. John P. Arthurs, Daniel Boone joined him as guide for the expedition. They came to Fort Dobbs, put the company in marching order and out by Morrison's Mill to Island Ford they went by Indian trails 200 miles over the highest mountains east of the Mississippi to the relief of Fort Loudon in Tennessee.

Through the year 1758 Fort Dobbs was a veritable "city of refuge" where the women and children stayed most of the time. Dr. Andrew Scott was stationed there part of the time and on March 23, 1758, Rachel Davidson, daughter of Joseph and Sarah Davidson, was born in the fort. In April, 1758, the Fort Dobbs' company under Capt. Waddell was sent to the help of Fort Duquesne and Jacob Franks with one assistant was left from June 14 to November 10, 1758, to look after the fort. So full of terror was the time that Gov. Dobbs appointed June 7 as a day of fasting but by December, they were keeping a day of Thanksgiving because Col. Waddell was ordered back to Fort Dobbs. Through 1759 he was in charge of the frontier with power to call out the militia of Orange, Rowan and Anson counties. The bands of Indian marauders grew larger and more aggressive, and, though the men went to their fields in armed companies, yet three unmarked graves show where some fell before they reached the shelter of the fort.

Finally, February 27, 1760, the fort was attacked by 60 or 70 Indians, but they were repulsed with such loss that they did not repeat the attack. One man, Robert Gillespie, was killed and an

English soldier was scalped, though he survived and returned to England.

By 1762 Col. Waddell and the soldiers had left the fort to the care of Walter Lindsay, and in 1764 the Assembly ordered the stores removed.

There is no record in regard to the fort after this until 1886 when the Cherokees were on the warpath and the settlers fled to the fort. During this time, another little girl, Margaret Locke, was born in the fort. Her great grandson, George Watt, still has in his possession the long-handled skillet used in the fort at that time.

Tradition says the logs of the fort were used to build school houses and that some of the logs may still be seen on the plantation of Mrs. C. V. Henkel, known as the Adderholt place. The only mark left on Gov. Dobbs' "eminence" is a depression, which was the cellar.

Men who helped save the frontier were: Col. Hugh Waddell, Captains Andrew Bailey, Martin Phifer, Wm. Ellis of Rowan, Thos. Allison, Wm. Tery, Hugh McNight, Gideon Wright, Matthew Tool, Lieutenants Wm. Luckie, Andrew Smith, John McWhorter of Fourth Creek, Sam French, Hugh Parks, Wm. Neill, and Ensign Jas. Smith, Col. Alex Osborne, Captains John Kerr, Conrad Michael, Wm. Little, John Brown, John Oliphant, Hugh Montgomery, Morgan Bryan, Anthony Hampton, Daniel Boone, Thos. Black, John Perkins, Robert Campbell, Nat Alexander, Maj. Robert McClenachan of Mecklenburg County.

The Fort Dobbs Chapter has erected a marker on the site and looks forward to the time when the fort can be rebuilt.

MRS. W. A. ELIASON.

Mrs. Lelia MacRae Thomas, of the Mary Slocumb, Mooresville, N. C., Chapter initiated, in 1907, the movement in her home town for a D. A. R. Chapter. The organization was effected, April 29, 1908, at her residence in Statesville, thereby giving two chapters to Iredell County.

The State Regent, Mrs. George Phifer Erwin appointed Mrs. Thomas as Regent of the "Iredell Chapter" for one year. The other officers were:

Vice-Regent, Mrs. C. V. Henkel; Recording Secretary, Mrs. L. Harrill; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. F. Bowles; Registrar, Mrs. J. F. Carlton; Treasurer, Mrs. D. A. Miller; Historians, Lucy W. Davidson, Fannie Gertrude Harrill.

The other names engrossed on the Chapter are: Louisa Linton Corpening, Lottie M. Linton, Isabel Wood Page, Leila MacRae Thomas, Blanche Harill Wood, Fannie Hepburn Wood.

This Chapter functioned as the "Iredell" for seven months, when Mrs. Charlotte Emerson Main, Vice-President General, in charge of organization of chapters presented to the board of management the reasons for changing the name to Fort Dobbs Chapter. Permission for the change was granted, recorded and reported December 2, 1908.

Decision to change the name was due, in part to the work of Iredell County's daughter, Mrs. W. A. Eliason, whose stories of the happenings "In Old Fourth Creek Congregation" are gems both literary and historical. From these brave frontier defenders a number of Fort Dobbs members descended. It is but natural that reproduction of the fort became their cherished objective.

Mr. John Hatchett, owner of the "fort field" donated a bit of it to the Daughters. On this spot, two miles north of Statesville, a block of granite bears this inscription:

"Site of Fort Dobbs, 1755. Erected by Fort Dobbs Chapter, D. A. R., 1910."

The purchase of ten acres of land surrounding the site was undertaken, money being raised in various ways. A portion was donated by individuals and by other Chapters. Other sums came from the sale of Fort Dobbs post cards; from historical sketch "Fort Dobbs" by Mrs. Eliason; the proceeds from presentation of the play, "In the Shadow of Fort Dobbs" written by Mrs. Amelia Hoffman Kaufman, another of Iredell's brilliant women; and from "Clio Nursery Exhibition" also given by local talent.

Work for the special object was suspended during the World War when Fort Dobbs' patriots of this day, like their forefathers, did what they could for the cause of liberty. Payment for the property was finished in October, 1921.

As other special work, Fort Dobbs Chapter placed the Boone Trail marker in North Wilkesboro, and a chair in Memorial Continental Hall in honor of Rev. James Hall, D.D., pastor of Old Fourth Creek Church. As their captain he led the men of his congregation during the Revolutionary War.

Other work has been collecting valuable records; and for the best historical writings, medals and prizes have been given to pupils in the

Iredell County schools from 1910 to the present time, thereby stimulating historical research.

The Chapter has erected a marker to the memory of James Hall; also it has placed in our public schools plans for correct use of flags.

Fort Dobbs Chapter has borne its share of the work of the North Carolina D. A. R. Its members remain loyal and enthusiastic and hope to accomplish much in the way of patriotic service. There are now 43 members.

## SOUTHERN PINES

### *Alfred Moore Chapter*

The Alfred Moore Chapter was organized in September, 1924, by Mrs. Charles R. Whitaker at her home on Pennsylvania Avenue, Southern Pines. There were thirteen Daughters present at this meeting, who had the honor of becoming organizing members. These were Mrs. H. A. Campbell, Mrs. B. E. Hoskins, Mrs. L. S. Johnson, Mrs. J. Talbot Johnson, Mrs. J. S. Milliken, Mrs. E. V. Perkinson, Mrs. Nellie M. Sandborn, Mrs. James Swett, Mrs. Leonard Tufts, Mrs. T. D. Tyson, Mrs. L. P. Tyson, Mrs. Charles R. Whitaker and Mrs. W. L. Wilson. The State Regent, Mrs. Charles Tillett of Charlotte; Miss Anna Blair, State Historian of Monroe.

Mrs. Tillett organized the Chapter according to the rules of the National Society. She was assisted by Miss Blair and Mrs. Chas. R. Whitaker, Organizing Regent. Mrs. Whitaker succeeded herself as Regent, serving for two years. Mrs. T. B. Tyson was Regent for two years, she was succeeded by Mrs. James Swett who has succeeded herself for the second term. Under the leadership of these three noble women the work of the Chapter has progressed rapidly, and the members have worked together in close fellowship, a spirit of loyalty and harmony always prevailing.

We are unique, perhaps, in being a County Chapter and going beyond the bounds of the County, as we have members from Carthage, Aberdeen, Southern Pines, Pinehurst, and Sanford.

We disband for the summer, having nine interesting well planned meetings, which are well attended. As this is a tourist section we have many visiting Daughters of note. Our meetings are held in the

homes of the members and at the hotels of the city during February and March of each year. We have splendid programs, including original papers and papers calling for much research work. All are historical.

We are always 100% in meeting all Chapter, State and National dues and obligations. In 1928 we paid out a per capita of \$26.63 for all objects. We have Chairmen to affiliate with all the National and State Chairmen.

Have located and marked seven Revolutionary soldiers' graves, placed a marker at the House in the Horse Shoe, a Revolutionary landmark of great historic value. We have written a County History.

Membership has increased from 13 to 36. We have formed a Society of the Children of the American Revolution, given two chairs to the Constitution Hall. One honors our beloved Organizing Regent, now State Regent and one in honor of our Chapter. Our group has given freely to all the National objectives.

## TARBORO

### *Miles Harvey Chapter*

The Miles Harvey Chapter was officially organized December 27, 1907, with seventeen members.

The Chapter was named in honor of Col. Miles Harvey, great, great grandfather of five of the members. He was a field officer in the American Revolution, also a member of the Provincial Congress and the Committee of Safety.

We erected a bronze tablet to the memory of Col. Henry Irwin who fell in the battle of Germantown, also one commemorating George Washington's journey through North Carolina in 1791. We planted a tree in memory of Washington and dedicated it when the tablet was unveiled.

During the World War we were very active, responding to the various calls. One member was in service overseas.

In the way of doing our bit toward the Americanization work we have made annual donations for Ellis Island, contributed liberally to Crossnore, to Martha Berry Schools, placed copies of the Consti-

tution in several schools, awarded medals to high school students for papers relating to the American Revolution.

In 1927 under the auspices of the Miles Harvey Chapter a monument to Major Benjamin May, costing six hundred dollars (\$600.00), was erected in Pitt County by the Historical Commission and the descendants of May. There was a great celebration in Farmville the day of the unveiling. Three Chapters were formed as a result of this celebration.

Although numerically speaking, we are a rather weak Chapter, we are most loyal in that we have always responded to National and State projects. We are careful to observe patriotic days.

## WADESBORO

### *Craighead-Dunlap Chapter*

On Thanksgiving Day, 1912, Miss Bessie V. Dunlap a member at large of the Daughters of the American Revolution, made a visit to Mrs. William N. Reynolds, State Regent, at Winston-Salem, N. C., for the purpose of discussing the formation of a new chapter. With her help and counsel, the organization was perfected in Wadesboro, on December 21, 1912, and was named the Craighead-Dunlap Chapter. The roll of charter members is as follows: Misses Bessie V. Dunlap, Ethel Dunlap, Minnie Lou Dunlap, Johnsie Dunlap, Lallie Dunlap and Aramenta Robinson; Mesdames Olive Houston (Sam), Nettie Robinson (L. D.), Bessie Cox (F. J.), May Covington (J. M.), Agnes Lilly (J. M.), Irene Henderson (Cyril), and Olivette Brasington.

This was the first Chapter organized in Anson County. It was named for Rev. Alexander Craighead and his daughter Nancy, who married Captain George Dunlap, and from whom are descended several of the charter members. Rev. Craighead came from a line of Irish Presbyterian clergymen, and was conspicuous for his zeal in proclaiming the doctrine of civil and religious liberty. In 1743 he became so active in advocating opposition to British rule that he was denounced by the Philadelphia synod. Continued conflict with the conservative element of his denomination caused him in 1749 to move from Pennsylvania to Virginia, but he found the same opposi-

tion in his political principles there. Because of this unpleasantness and the constant peril to life and property from marauding Indians, in 1755 he moved again, taking most of his congregation with him. He located in "a beautiful, fertile, and peaceful section of North Carolina," known as Sugar Creek, where he spent the remainder of his days in the active duties of a pioneer minister of the Gospel. Here he preached so effectively of liberty that not only his congregation but the entire community was imbued with his liberty-loving spirit, and reference was made to him as the fountain from which "Dr. Ephraim Brevard and his honored associates drew their inspiration of liberty." Although he died ten years before the colonies severed the ties uniting them to Great Britain, his wide-spread influence unmistakably merits him an honored place upon the roster of American patriots of the Revolution. He may justly be called the real father of the Mecklenburg Declaration of Independence, and in recognition of this fact the Daughters of the American Revolution have erected a cenotaph in the cemetery in Charlotte, and enclosed with an iron fence his final resting place in the Sugar Creek Cemetery, hard by the church where for so many years he labored.

Nancy Craighead Dunlap inherited much of her father's spirit, showing her courage and quick wit on several occasions when she skillfully combatted the designs of the Tories. Her name is listed in the "History of American Revolutionary Heroines." She is buried in the old Waxhaw Cemetery.

#### CHAPTER ACTIVITIES UNDER EACH REGENT

1913—Miss Bessie V. Dunlap served the Chapter as Regent for the first year. The initial undertaking was the purchase and placing of a bronze marker on the Daniel Boone Trail at Shallow Ford, near Winston-Salem, costing \$20.00. As none of our members could attend, we invited Mrs. Thompson, State Regent of Kentucky, to preside over the unveiling exercises. Mrs. Dodge of Kentucky, a descendant of Boone, was also present; Mrs. Henry Roan of Winston-Salem gave a splendid history of Shallow Ford Crossing referring to the brave old days when Cornwallis crossed here, and to Winston Churchill's description in "The Crossing."

All state and national obligations were met. We lost one member, Minnie Lou Dunlap, by death.

1914—Mrs. Olive Dunlap Houston (Sam) served as Regent in 1914. All state and national obligations were met, \$5.00 contributed to the John Paul Jones Memorial Fund, and \$5.00 to the restoration of Fort Dobbs. We lost by death Mrs. Mamie Dunlap Squires (Mark) of Lenoir, and another by transfer, leaving a membership of fifteen.

1915-1919—Miss Johnsie Dunlap served as Regent 1915-1919 inclusive. The membership increased to seventeen, and all state and national obligations were met. Miss Elizabeth Horne served as a page to the Continental Congress 1915. Contributions included \$15.00 to Grove House, or John Paul Jones Memorial Fund; \$50.00 to furnish a room in the Anson Sanatorium, supplemented by an additional \$25.00; \$3.00 contributed toward the education of a girl; and \$200.00 donated to the Red Cross. All Chapter members were active in Red Cross work, and in promoting the comfort and happiness of the men of Battery D, 113th Field Artillery while stationed in Wadesboro.

1920-1921—Mrs. Bessie Dunlap Blalock (U. B.), served again as Regent for two years. All state and national obligations were met, and the membership increased to thirty-one. Contributions included \$72.00 to Serbian Relief Commission for the support of an orphan; \$11.90 to county schools for copies of the American's Creed; \$10.00 to Near East Relief Fund; and a donation to Anson County War Mothers for a magazine to be sent to Oteen Hospital. Chapter representatives attended funerals of World War soldiers, placing a wreath and a flag on each grave. Twelve lineage books were purchased. Preserves and jelly were sent to the County Home. On April 10, 1920, we had the honor of a visit from our State Regent, Mrs. W. O. Spencer of Winston-Salem, and in April 1921, our Regent entertained the Chapter, and the Thomas Wade Chapter, with Mrs. Duval, State Regent of South Carolina, as honor-guest. Two undertakings were initiated: The purchase and erection of bronze tablets to bear the name of every Anson County soldier, white and colored, serving in the World War, to be placed on the pilasters of the Court House; and the compilation of a history of the county during the World War. An expense of \$41.35 was incurred in research work, and the task of gathering the necessary data was found to be quite difficult because of the incomplete records in the office of the Adjutant General.

1922-1923—Mrs. Elizabeth Dunlap Coxe (F. J.), served as Regent two years, during which time the enrollment was reduced to twenty-eight, owing to the loss by death of Mrs. Olive Dunlap Houston, and several transfers. All State and National obligations were met, and the following contributions made: \$5.00 to Wilson Memorial Fund; \$20.00 to Southern Industrial Institute in Charlotte, N. C.; \$30.00 to N. C. room in Memorial Continental Hall. The collection of data for the tablets and history was continued under difficulties and an expenditure of \$25.79 incurred. Friends of the Chapter contributed \$54.00 toward the cost of tablets, and all the members were actively engaged in raising money by rummage sales, theatricals, and other methods, for this fund.

1923-1925—Mrs. Margie Lockhart McLendon (H. H.) served for three years as Regent, the membership increasing during this time to forty. All state and national obligations were met, and the following contributions made: a Christmas box valued at \$5.00 sent to Oteen soldiers; a picture of Columbus, costing \$5.00, presented to Wadesboro High School; \$56.00 to Valley Forge Memorial; 4 bags of clothing sent to Crossnore School, valued at more than \$90.00; \$2.50 for Revolutionary relics for Memorial Continental Hall; \$64.05 to Anson County Library; \$10.00 to Jefferson Memorial Fund; \$3.72 for Memorial Day wreaths; a miscellaneous shower for Ellis Island.

On December 4, 1924 the handsome bronze memorial tablets placed on the pilasters of the Court House were unveiled, with Josephus Daniels as the speaker of the day. The tablets, which bear the names of every Anson County man and woman, white and colored who served in the great conflict, were presented by the Regent and received by B. M. Covington. Betsy Shaw Pruette, Rosa Hardison, Dunlap Covington, and Hill Clark, Jr., unveiled the tablets. Following the program, dinner was served to the World War Veterans, War Mothers, Confederate Veterans, Boy Scouts, and others who participated. The total cost of tablets and unveiling ceremonies was approximately \$2,000.00.

Eighteen copies of the reprint of Wheeler's History were purchased by members, from the John Hoyle Chapter of Hickory, at a cost of \$76.00, one of these being donated to the County Library.

In 1925 we entertained, in conjunction with the Thomas Wade Chapter, the delegates to the conference of the Second District, the

expense incurred by the Chapter was \$52.05, each member paying for her own luncheon.

Virginia Horne served as page to the Continental Congress in 1925.

Our Chapter joined with the War Mothers in a Memorial Day celebration in 1925, and with the American Legion in an Armistice Day program in 1926. On the latter occasion we won a \$10.00 prize for float in parade.

Through Gov. McLean and Gen. Metts our Chapter obtained for the county a war relic, an Austrian 88, with carriage. This was mounted and placed on the Court House lawn, at a cost of \$81.27.

Work on county history was continued and a new undertaking initiated viz; the marking of the site of Anson County's first Court House.

1927-1928—Mrs. Bessie Ingram Little (F. M.) served as Regent for two years, during which time the membership grew to forty-four. All state and national obligations were met, and the following contributions made: \$5.00 sent to Crossnore; showers and \$1.25 to Ellis Island; \$5.00 to Kenmore Association; \$2.50 to chair for Mrs. E. C. Gregory in Continental Hall; a copy of "George Rogers Clarke" presented to Wadesboro High School; \$5.00 to Community Christmas Tree.

The Chapter coöperated with the Richards Dobbs Spaight Chapter in the publication of the special D. A. R. issue of "The Newbernian" by contributing articles and securing an advertisement. Publicity was given to the subject of thrift through the county paper and schools, and with the coöperation of the banks, three cash prizes of \$5.00 each were awarded for best essays.

In conjunction with the Thomas Wade Chapter, on April 28, 1928, we unveiled a beautiful marker on Highway 20 near Lilesville as a memorial to Col. Thomas Wade, Revolutionary patriot, and commemorating Anson County's first Court House, which was the scene of one of the earliest demonstrations for colonial independence. Smaller tablets marked the site of Col. Wade's burial place, and the location of the Court House building on the banks of the Pee Dee River. Mrs. Ralph Van Landingham of Charlotte and Mrs. W. O. Spencer of Winston-Salem, were among the state and national officers present on this occasion. The Chapter's part of the expense of these tablets was \$141.42.

Fostered by the Craighead-Dunlap Chapter the first Chapter in North Carolina of the Sons and Daughters of the Republic was organized in the Wadesboro High School, with an enrollment of seventy. Weekly programs of patriotic information and inspiration were supervised by a member of the D. A. R.

Above covers history to January 1, 1929.

MRS. JAMES M. DAVIS, *Historian.*

MRS. W. W. BENNETT.

## WADESBORO

### *Thomas Wade Chapter*

For several years Mrs. Alberta Boylin, D. A. R. member at large had it upon her heart to organize a D. A. R. Chapter in Wadesboro. It was Mrs. Boylin's plan and idea that this Chapter should be for the people, her aim that it should awaken the interest of the present generation in the valiant deeds of our ancestors and to stimulate within us the desire to perpetuate their achievement. Her watchword was "service."

Through this splendid inspiration a group of Anson County women were called together on December 9, 1913, to discuss the question and on December 10, 1913 at a get-together luncheon at the National Hotel with Mesdames W. N. Reynolds, State Regent; John Van Landingham, Vice-President General; Lindsay Patterson, former State Regent; C. W. Tillett, and Herbert McDonald, of the Liberty Hall Chapter of Charlotte, official guests present, the Thomas Wade Chapter was organized. The next few months were spent in having the papers sent in to Washington.

On April 18, 1914 the following sixteen names were admitted as charter members by order of the National Society as per received:

Lizzie Alberta Boylin (Mrs. J. G.), Josephine E. S. Baker (Mrs. E. N.), Julia F. Burns (Mrs. C. M.), Cleo P. Allen (Mrs. P. B.), Maggie P. Drake (Mrs. L. L.), Edna R. Leak (Mrs. J. A.), Mary A. Huntley (Mrs. L. J.), Cornelia Ashe (Mrs. E. S.), Armantine Coxé (Mrs. T. C.), Rosalind McL. Redfearn (Mrs. J. C.), Hattie Williams (Mrs. J. T.), Jean D. Boylin (Mrs. R. B.), Mary Liles, Rosa May Liles (Mrs. R. E. Underwood), Ellen Pinkston, Jennie D. Plunket.

## NAME

The Chapter was named for Col. Thomas Wade, for whom the town of Wadesboro was also named. Col. Thomas Wade was born about 1720 in Eastern Virginia, coming as a youth to Pitt County, N. C. From there he moved to South Carolina later, settled just across the Pee Dee River in Anson County. He married Jane Boggan whose brother, Capt. Patrick Boggan, was an active worker in freedom's cause.

Thomas Wade was active in protecting the patriotic citizens of Anson County from the devastation of the Tory band under Major Gainey.

Among the patriotic deeds of Col. Wade were the following:

Was delegate to Provincial Congress at Hillsborough, August 20, 1775.

Made Justice of the Peace.

Was appointed to look after "the suffering women and children."

Appointed recruiting officer for Anson County by Council of State at New Bern.

Appointed to secure fire arms for use of troops.

Was authorized to receive and distribute salt for use of the public.

Was present at the massacre which the Tories perpetrated at Piney Bottom near Little Rockfish Creek.

Fought two fierce battles at Raft Swamp.

After the war was very prominent in public affairs in the County and State.

Col. Thomas Wade, Anson County's most distinguished citizen, patriot, and soldier of the Revolution died in September, 1786, and is buried near the site of Anson County's first Court House, Mt. Pleasant on the Pee Dee River.

## ACHIEVEMENTS

1914-1915—Mrs. Alberta Boylin (J. G.), Regent.

During her two years of office Mrs. Boylin was active in increasing the membership of the Chapter, which grew steadily in members and in interest under her encouragement.

A gift of five dollars (\$5.00) was made to the Red Cross.

Funds were contributed to the John Paul Jones Memorial.

A copy of Historical Register of Offices of the Continental Army, 1775, was purchased.

Visits were made to graves of Col. Thomas Wade, Capt. Patrick Boggan, and Judge Samuel Spencer.

Ten dollars (\$10.00) was contributed to restoration of Fort Dobbs.

In 1915 the first movement for establishing a memorial marker for Thomas Wade was started, the plan being to place a bronze tablet in the Court House in his memory.

Mrs. Alberta Boylin, beloved founder and Regent of Thomas Wade Chapter died December 16, 1918.

1916-1920—Mrs. Julia Flake Burns was second Regent of Thomas Wade Chapter. Her term was one of the busiest of the Chapter's existence, comprising much detail work to be done in perfecting the organization, and also the heavy duties assumed during the World War.

The first undertaking was securing charter for chapter.

A handsome invalid chair was purchased and placed in Anson Sanatorium in memory of the former beloved Regent, Mrs. Alberta Boylin.

All State and National obligations were met.

Funds for restoration of French village, Tilloloy, contributed.

Each member pledged herself to do her part during the critical period of the war, and were active in Red Cross work, knitting, sewing and giving.

Three hundred dollars (\$300.00) was donated to the Red Cross.

Two hundred and seventy-five glasses of jelly were sent to base hospital, Camp Greene.

Food and entertainment provided Bickett Battery, 113th Field Artillery which was stationed in Wadesboro eight weeks. A special banquet was served coöperatively with the Red Cross and special dishes prepared for Sunday dinners.

Knitted garments were contributed for sailors on Battleship *North Carolina* and special clippings of interest mailed to them at intervals.

Two Chapter members, Misses Margie Burns and Nora Pegues, volunteered for war relief work.

Funerals of World War soldiers were attended, wreaths and flags being placed on each grave.

During Mrs. Burns regency the first steps were made toward the erection of a public drinking fountain in memory of the Revolutionary soldiers. The fund was started by Mrs. Burns' contribution of five dollars (\$5.00) and one dollar (\$1.00) from each member. In

addition sixteen dollars (\$16.00) was given from the Woman's Institute Treasury by Mrs. Redfearn and Mrs. Boylin. Later on it was decided that the fountain should commemorate both the brave deeds of the soldiers of the Revolution and also of the World War.

A special memorial service was held for Mrs. Alberta Boylin, organizer and beloved Regent of Thomas Wade Chapter, at the home of Mrs. Burns. Members from Craighead-Dunlap, and Anson-Stanly Chapters were present and many beautiful tributes paid to her memory.

1920-1922—Mrs. Viola Clarke Bennett (Frank), Regent.

To Mrs. Bennett was entrusted the stupendous task of raising the amount necessary for the erection of the Drinking Fountain, which was to be a memorial to the heroes of 1776 and of the World War.

With her splendid enthusiasm and fine executive ability, Mrs. Bennett soon had every member of the Thomas Wade Chapter busy at work, and by serving many dinners, giving many local talent plays, rummage sales, parties, and various other ways of earning money the amount necessary to complete the fountain, thirty-five hundred dollars (\$3,500.00) was raised. A corner lot adjoining the Court House grounds was leased from the County Commissioners and the beautiful memorial erected upon it. The square around the memorial was beautified with shrubbery and this entire plot makes a most attractive spot in the heart of the town.

On the 20th of May, 1921, the Memorial Fountain was unveiled. Soldiers from Camp Bragg were present with their band. A crowd estimated at ten thousand attended this patriotic occasion and heard the splendid addresses of Mrs. Bennett, Mrs. W. O. Spencer, and Colonel Hanford McNider, Commander of National American Legion.

All ex-service men and Confederate Veterans of the county were invited to the barbecue and around seven hundred and fifty were fed.

The American Legion assisted with all features of the day's program.

On one side of the fountain is written the dedication to our fathers of 1776, and on the other is the dedication to the soldiers of the World War.

Throughout the years of this arduous job the Chapter members worked together in perfect harmony, a great tribute to the leadership of Mrs. Bennett.

All State and National obligations were met.

On April 10, 1921, the Thomas Wade Chapter was delightfully entertained by the Craighead-Dunlap Chapter honoring Mrs. Duval, State Regent of South Carolina.

1923-1926—Mrs. Mary Allen Huntley (L. J.), Regent.

Outstanding achievements during the regency of Mrs. Huntley were:

Purchase and dedication of invalid's chair for use of sick and helpless about through the county.

Gift of one hundred dollars (\$100.00) to Anson Sanatorium.

Presentation of National and North Carolina flags, also Woodrow Wilson's picture to Wadesboro High School, observing Columbus Day, October 12.

Prize of ten dollars (\$10.00) given for essay on early Anson County history.

Purchase of clock honoring our beloved ex-State Regent, Mrs. W. O. Spencer.

Presentation to North Carolina Room in Continental Memorial Hall by Mrs. Cleo Allen, member Thomas Wade Chapter D. A. R., of very old and unusual hand-woven counterpane.

Year Books were printed for first time.

All State and National obligations were met and in addition boxes were sent to Crossnore.

Cash contributions to Southern Industrial Institute.

A box of toys to children in the Orthopedic hospital at Gastonia.

Gifts at Christmas to invalids in various hospitals.

The County Commissioners were asked and agreed to have all old wills recorded, a much needed and valuable work.

A white burch tree was purchased and placed on Court House grounds following the idea of the American Forestry Association of dedicating this particular tree to "Motherhood."

With several other Chapters in the State we contributed twenty dollars (\$20.00) towards purchase of a memorial chair to be placed in Memorial Continental Hall honoring Mrs. W. O. Spencer.

Thirty-five copies of Wheeler's History were bought by the Chapter members and one copy presented to the Public School Library.

A delightful occasion of this period was the meeting of the Second District in Wadesboro, October 27, 1925, which was entertained jointly by the Thomas Wade and Craighead-Dunlap Chapters. One

hundred and six Daughters were present, among those prominent in D. A. R. circles being Mesdames B. D. Heath, J. E. Reilly, Ralph Van Landingham, J. M. Dunlap, E. P. Hall, G. W. Fagan, and Miss Anna Blair.

The membership of Thomas Wade Chapter was greatly increased, seventy-one now on roll.

The Tenth Anniversary of the Chapter was observed with informing history and delightful experiences recounted at a special meeting.

1926-1928—Mrs. Rena Ingram Via (W. C.), Regent.

A long cherished objective was attained during Mrs. Via's term of office: the erection of the marker in honor of Thomas Wade, American patriot for whom the Chapter was named.

In hearty coöperation with the Craighead-Dunlap Chapter and through the united efforts of Mrs. Bessie Little of that Chapter and Mrs. C. M. Burns of the Thomas Wade Chapter this historic spot is now established. The marker stands on State Highway No. 20, within the town limits of Lilesville and was erected at a cost of one hundred and forty-one dollars and forty-two cents (\$141.42) to each Chapter. On April 28, 1928, the marker was unveiled with patriotic exercises. Mr. J. A. Lockhart, Past State Commander of American Legion, Charlotte, N. C.; Mrs. W. O. Spencer, Vice-President General, Winston-Salem, N. C., and Mrs. Ralph Van Landingham were the principal speakers of the day, while Nancy Ingram, and Jimmie Davis, descendants of noble patriots unveiled the stone.

Smaller tablets were also placed at Col. Wade's burial place and on the location of Anson County's Court House called Mt. Pleasant, on the banks of Pee Dee River about seven miles from the marker on Highway No. 20. This bronze tablet was placed on a stone said to be an execution block originally used by the Indians.

The Chapter gave fifty dollars (\$50.00) to Anson County Library. Met all State and National obligations.

Sent box of material to Ellis Island.

Contributed six dollars and fifty cents (\$6.50) to Jefferson Memorial.

Sponsored a visit from Col. Fred A. Olds who made a historic address in Court House and also visited four schools in the County addressing children on North Carolina history.

The Chapter visited Old Sneedboro, one of the most historic spots in the county, on April 28, 1927.

1928-1929—Mrs. Annie Gooch Hardison (R. L.), Regent.  
Having Mrs. Hardison as Regent the Thomas Wade Chapter discharged all National and State obligations.

Observed all National anniversaries with suitable programs.

Put on a year's study program of National Defense in the monthly meetings, as requested by the National Defense Committee.

A box of clothing was sent to Ellis Island, and one of foodstuff sent to Anson County Home.

An outstanding achievement of this period was the participation in beautifying the grounds of the Anson Sanatorium. The Chapter issued three hundred letters and many verbal appeals to friends and patrons of the hospital. As a result a large number of beautiful shrubs were donated for the grounds. Twelve prostrate junipers were given by individual members and planted near the front of the building. The Regent advised with the hospital officials in planning and planting the landscape design for the entire premises.

The membership at this time numbered sixty.

During the sixteen years of the Chapter's organization we have lost five members by death:

Mrs. Alberta Boylin, Mrs. Nannie Misenheimer, Mrs. Laura J. Ingram, Miss Bessie Ledbetter, Mrs. Mary Ratliff Richardson.

ROSALIND McL. REDFEARN, *Historian*.

Wadesboro, Sept. 2, 1929.

## WAYNESVILLE

### *Dorcas Bell Love Chapter*

The Dorcas Bell Love Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution was organized January 9, 1899, at the home of the Misses Mary Inez and Annie Elizabeth Gudger. The charter was signed by Mrs. Daniel Manning, President-General, and the Chapter number in the National Society is 456. It was the third chapter formed in the State.

There were fifteen charter members, of whom thirteen were descendants of Colonel Robert Love, for whose mother, Dorcas Bell Love, the Chapter was named. The charter members, truly a roll of honor, were Misses Mary Love Stringfield, Mary Inez Gudger, Annie

Elizabeth Gudger, Elizabeth Frisby Briscoe, Nora Lee Welch, Bessie Avery Love, Mary William Love, Sarah M. Love, Minnie Love Lonis; Mesdames R. D. Gilmer, J. H. Way, H. C. Marshall; H. Conrad, A. C. Avery, R. Lewis.

Of the fifteen charter members, four names are carried on the Chapter roll at the present time: Mrs. H. C. Marshall, non-resident member living in Philadelphia, and three active members, Mrs. J. H. Way, Mrs. J. F. Abel (Bessie Avery Love), and Mrs. Charles E. Quinlan (Annie Gudger).

The Organizing Regent of the Dorcas Bell Love Chapter was Miss Mary Love Stringfield. To have had as a leader a woman of such vision, such splendid intellect, such grace and charm, is a heritage greatly to be cherished.

It is fitting here to acknowledge the assistance given in the search for correct historical data, for the establishment of the necessary proofs, and for the genuine interest taken in the formation of the Chapter by Judge J. C. L. Gudger, father of the Misses Gudger and a descendant of Robert Love.

The entire membership of the Chapter during the 28 years of its existence numbers 92. Of these, fifty names are on the Chapter roll at the present time.

The Chapter has had ten regents, as follows: Miss Mary Love Stringfield, Miss Elizabeth Briscoe, Mrs. M. J. Branner, Mrs. D. A. Baker, Mrs. J. H. Way, Mrs. B. J. Sloan, Mrs. R. H. Mitchell, Miss Jessie Rogers, Mrs. E. B. Camp, and Mrs. Charles E. Quinlan, whose term is just beginning.

These officers have all been most faithful in their devotion to the noble aims and purposes of the Daughters of the American Revolution as set forth in the Constitution of the National Society.

Miss Stringfield was appointed State Regent of North Carolina at the Continental Congress in February, 1901. Immediately upon her return home, she presented to the Chapter a plan for inviting all of the Daughters in the State to meet in Waynesville in July, with the purpose in view of forming a state organization. The Chapter heartily endorsed her plan and began to prepare for what has become in North Carolina Daughters of American Revolution history an epoch-making event.

There were five Chapters in the State at that time: Mecklenburg, Elizabeth Maxwell Steele, Arden (which afterwards merged into the

Edward Buncombe Chapter), Whitnell Blount (later disbanded), and Dorcas Bell Love, the Chapter at Greensboro being in the process of formation. The response on the part of the Daughters throughout the State was enthusiastic.

The Chapter was most cordial in its hospitality and the meeting was successful in every way. Miss Stringfield organized the conference on a high plane with lofty ideals and an exalted vision of patriotic service.

The Chapter had the pleasure of entertaining the State Conference for the second time in 1915, when Miss Lida Rodman was State Regent. The State organization having grown to 24 Chapters, the members of the Dorcas Bell Love Chapter were deeply interested in learning of the wide development of the activities of the Daughters of the American Revolution throughout the State.

The first special call from the National Society upon the Chapter was for the erection of the North Carolina Column, at Continental Memorial Hall. The Chapter paid its proportionate part promptly, and also its share in the furnishing of the North Carolina room in Continental Hall.

The Chapter has two permanent memorials to its credit. One, a handsome bronze tablet placed in the Haywood County Courthouse and unveiled on August 23, 1902, is to the memory of Colonel Robert Love, "Founder of Waynesville, Soldier, Statesman, Patriot."

The other memorial is a rugged boulder of native stone, erected in the courthouse yard, on which is placed a large bronze tablet, bearing the names of all Revolutionary soldiers buried in Haywood County. This monument was unveiled on Armistice Day, 1922, and was the culmination of the work of Miss Jessie Rogers during her Regency of the Chapter.

Two memorial chairs in Continental Hall will perpetuate the memory of Miss Mary Love Stringfield, later Mrs. J. H. C. Wulburn of Charleston, S. C., and Miss Jessie Howell Rogers.

The Chapter has paid especial attention to patriotic education, having sponsored a patriotic declamation contest in the Waynesville High School for 20 years, a beautiful gold medal being presented to the winner. This contest is held on Washington's birthday, and is attended by appropriate exercises.

Beautiful National and State flags have been presented to the Waynesville Township schools. This is a regular feature of the

Chapter work and will be continued throughout the county. Flag codes have been hung up in the high school and in the county courthouse, the Flag Salute taught to school children, and respect to the flag stressed. A living flag has been formed.

A handsome copy of the American Creed has been donated to the Waynesville library, also a copy of the Declaration of Independence. The frame for the latter was made by a Cherokee Indian boy, at the school on the Cherokee Reservation, this having been made possible by the fact that one of our members is the wife of the superintendent of the Cherokee school. This member is also active in doing patriotic work among the Cherokees.

For many years the Chapter has actively lent its support to the Waynesville library by its general interest and influence, and by annual donations to the book fund. It has also placed on the Library shelves a large number of the Daughters of the American Revolution Lineage Books as well as giving historical volumes.

The Chapter has contributed to the Berry School and to Crossnore. The Chapter gladly paid its quota to the North Carolina Bay at Valley Forge, also to the fountain erected to the memory of the Pilgrim Mothers and to the rehabilitation work of the National Society in France. It has recently contributed to the Kenmore Association and Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation. All State and National dues have been paid promptly at all times, a record of which the Chapter is justly proud.

Washington's Birthday and Flag Day are always celebrated with suitable programs, and the display of flags. Other patriotic days are also observed.

During the World War, the Chapter responded to the patriotic calls of the time, purchasing Liberty bonds and contributing to the Red Cross. Chapter members headed committees in the Red Cross work rooms, and committees for Liberty bonds, War Savings Stamps, and food conservation. As a hospital for tubercular soldiers was established in Waynesville, there was ample opportunity for work among those who were disabled through service to our country.

The Chapter is now making a special effort to locate interesting relics, collect records and compile historical data to be used in writing a full history of Haywood County.

The foregoing sketch of the main activities and accomplishments of the Chapter is really little more than a mere outline, for it can tell

only in part the devotion of the members to the objects of the National Society, and to the promulgation of these objects at all times.

As may be assumed, wherever there is a Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution, its members are leaders in the life of the community. This is truly so in Waynesville, for the Daughters are ever in the forefront in all patriotic, civic, club and church work. The spirit of the fathers who founded the nation, of the pioneers who toiled over mountains and blazed trails through unbroken forests, imbues their descendants with a sense of responsibility for upholding the principles of liberty and justice, and equal opportunity for all.

MRS. CHARLES E. QUINLAN (ANNIE GUDGER).

"They gave us great glory,  
What more could they give?  
They left us a story,  
A story to live."

## WILMINGTON

### *Stamp Defiance Chapter*

Stamp Defiance Chapter, Wilmington, N. C.! The very name is illuminating; it is also a chronicler of heroes, patriots, statesmen. The name Stamp Defiance, suggested by Mrs. W. M. Creasy, heralds to the world that the Lower Cape Fear was the Cradle of American Liberty. For it was here that the first armed resistance was made to the British Stamp Act. The men of the Cape Fear, eight years before the Boston Tea Party, in the presence of the Governor and his royal force, resisted with arms the landing of the British stamps on their soil. They defied British power with guns in their hands fully ten years before the Declaration of Independence. They were the first to resist the authority of Great Britain, the first to defy it by an overt act, the first to triumph over British officers, and the first to compel royal officers to sign an act of disobedience to the authority of the King of England. The Chapter has as one of its most priceless pieces of source material, an original copy of the "London Chronicle," re-

ording this heroic deed, which makes November 16, 1765, a Red Letter Day in the history of Wilmington and the Lower Cape Fear. The Chapter is indebted to our Mayor, Mr. Blair, for this historic document.

Stamp Defiance Chapter, the name which received such favorable comment here and in Washington, was as fortunate in its Organizing Regent as it was in its selection of a name with historic significance. Stamp Defiance Chapter, Wilmington, N. C. was organized, September 28, 1921, with that splendid citizen, Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, as Organizing Regent. The State Regent, Mrs. W. O. Spencer, made a stirring address, took active charge of the meeting, and the first officers were selected from that band of efficient, enthusiastic workers whose untiring zeal had made possible the Stamp Defiance Chapter. They were as follows: Regent, Mrs. Cuthbert Martin; Vice-Regent, Mrs. W. M. Creasy; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Avery Burr Croom, Jr.; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Willena Beery; Registrar, Mrs. Eugene Philyaw; Treasurer, Mrs. Guy Cardwell; Historian, Miss Margaret Gibson; Chaplain, Mrs. Roger Moore; Advisory Board, Miss Sallie Bowden, Mrs. Mangum Turner, Mrs. Eloise Burkheimer. The Stamp Defiance National Number is 1500.

The Chapter organized with 18 members, 56 charter members. The charter was received September 11, 1922. The charter was framed with historic wood—red cedar—secured through the efforts of Mrs. Eugene Philyaw. This wood was donated by Dr. James Sprunt April 13, 1923, from Governor Tryon's Garden at Russellborough. Russellborough, the Cradle of American Liberty, is now a colonial ruin, and is unknown to many of our own folk, and possibly nine-tenths of the people outside of our border have never heard of the Royal Governor Tryon's Colonial residence, Russellborough, the scene of the first armed resistance in the American Revolution. Stamp Defiance Chapter uses a gavel made from this red cedar wood, and a gavel appropriately marked was also presented to the State D. A. R.

Mrs. Cuthbert Martin served as Regent from 1921 to 1923. Under her capable and impelling leadership the Chapter plunged into active work. Its work has been full and varied ever since its inception. One outstanding achievement of the Chapter during Mrs. Cuthbert Martin's regency was the sponsoring of the celebration each year of the Moore's Creek Bridge Battleground celebration. The

Stamp Defiance Chapter feels that it was due to their work and unceasing interest, in connection with that fine organization, the Moore's Creek Battle Ground Association, which has functioned faithfully and efficiently for many years, that this battle ground has been set aside as a National Park by the National Government. Special credit in connection with the Moore's Creek Battle Ground activities is due Mrs. Eugene Philyaw.

Miss Margaret Lovel Gibson was the capable Regent from 1924 to 1925. Stamp Defiance Chapter has been especially interested in trying to arouse interest in the planting of trees, especially those native to this section, and also in the conservation of the forests and the wild flowers. Miss Gibson was successful in having Memorial trees planted in Pembroke Jones Park, the trees being the gift of Mrs. R. J. Reynolds. A marker was placed by Stamp Defiance Chapter, by the Washington Oak, on the old New Bern road, during Miss Gibson's period of faithful and patriotic service, to commemorate the visit of Washington to the Lower Cape Fear.

The Chapter had the honor, during the Regency of Mrs. Guy Cardwell, in 1926, to entertain the National President, Mrs. Alfred Brosseau; the State President, Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory, and the State officers, at a luncheon and reception given at the Oceanic Hotel, Wrightsville Beach. These distinguished guests were on their way to the Sesqui-Centennial Celebration at Moore's Creek Battle Ground. The occasion was a most happy one for the delegates were to participate the next day in a program of unusual interest and significance, which included the acceptance of the battleground reservation by the United States government from the State of North Carolina.

The Sesqui-Centennial of Moore's Creek Battle, was a memorable occasion. The Program included many representative speakers, both national and local. The War Department sent Guidons and Deputies; the Regimental Band played the Processional, for the many sons and daughters who had gathered to do honor to the heroes of Moore's Creek. Among the number were: Dr. C. G. Vardell, of Flora McDonald College, Red Springs, N. C., who brought greetings from the college named in honor of the Fair Tory, whose husband played a conspicuous part in the battle; Senator Lee S. Overman, Representative Charles L. Abernethy, Major General Johnson Ha-

good, General A. J. Bowley, Judge J. D. Murphy, Mrs. Alfred J. Brosseau, Mrs. Edwin C. Gregory, and many prominent members of the D. A. R. in North Carolina. When the distinguished party arrived from Wilmington, where the Stamp Defiance Chapter had so handsomely entertained them and furnished transportation, acres of Wilmington cars were parked in the battleground enclosure. And another Stamp Defiance Chapter Dream had come true! With drum and bugle corps and colors flying Moore's Creek Battle Ground was placed on the United States National Park map! A simple brownstone monument, at Moore's Creek, tells the story of the importance of this historic shrine: "In Commemoration of the Battle of Moore's Creek Bridge, fought here 27th February, 1776. The first Victory gained by the American arms in the War of the Revolution." The right to the claim of precedence in Revolutionary success is one of the Lower Cape Fear's greatest historic possessions.

Miss Willena Beery, Vice-Regent, automatically became Regent in 1927, on account of the resignation of Mrs. Guy Cardwell. Mrs. Cardwell resigned on account of illness, after a year of arduous and patriotic leadership.

Miss Willena Beery, after serving the unexpired term of Mrs. Cardwell, became Regent and filled the office with dignity and distinction from 1928 to 1929. One of the official privileges during Miss Beery's regency was entertaining the State Conference D. A. R. This Conference brought much pleasure, renewed interest, and enthusiasm to Stamp Defiance members. A meeting of local interest was held at picturesque Greenfield Lake, presided over by Miss Beery for the purpose of presenting to the city a live oak tree marked with a handsome bronze tablet in memory of "The Heroes of the Stamp Defiance."

Possibly the most lasting, and certainly the most outstanding piece of work undertaken and carried to completion, was the Memorial tablet to Woodrow Wilson. This bronze memorial tablet was placed in the First Presbyterian Church, where Woodrow Wilson's father, the late Dr. Joseph R. Wilson, was once pastor.

The tablet was presented to the church by Dr. Harry W. Chase, President of the University of North Carolina, at that time. Dr. Chase paid a glowing tribute to the World War President and complimented the Chapter sponsoring the first Wilson Memorial in North

Carolina. Rev. A. D. P. Gilmour, pastor, accepted the tablet commenting on its beauty and the fitness of the memorial, and the fine spirit of service of the Stamp Defiance Chapter. The tablet is a beautiful work of art. It is 24 by 49 inches. It is made of heavy bronze with a lovely inlaid mosaic border in blue. At the top is a medallion of Woodrow Wilson and on either side is the coat of arms of North Carolina and Virginia in colors. At the bottom of the tablet is the insignia of the Daughters of the American Revolution. The following is the inscription on the tablet:

Sacred to the memory of Woodrow Wilson—1856-1924—World War President of the United States, 1913-1924. Son of Rev. Joseph R. Wilson, D.D., Pastor of this Church.

The Father of the League of Nations, A Scholar, Statesman, and Christian. A Lover of Righteousness. Once a Citizen of Wilmington and Member of this church. A ruling Elder in the Presbyterian Church. Erected by The Stamp Defiance Chapter, The Daughters of the American Revolution. D. A. R. 1928.

The Wilson Memorial tablet was designed by the architect Hobart Upjohn, of New York. It was made by the Birmingham Guild, the same firm which is making the war memorials for Westminster Abbey. The handsome new First Presbyterian Church, in which the tablet was placed was also designed by the architect Hobart Upjohn of New York. The tablet was placed on the eastern wall of the vestibule, immediately opposite a narrow window, in the front of the church, which floods it with soft mellow light. Near by is a Guest Register, which is a true index, from day to day, of the loyal hearts and true, who pay tribute to the Stamp Defiance Wilson Memorial.

The Stamp Defiance Wilson Committee, who labored so faithfully under the direction of the capable Regent, Miss Willena Beery, for the erection of the Wilson tablet were: Mrs. Cuthbert Martin, Miss Willena Beery, Mrs. R. G. Cantwell, Jr., Mrs. A. D. P. Gilmour, Mrs. H. A. Huggins, Mrs. M. L. Stover.

The present Regent, 1930, Mrs. C. Wayne Spencer, sponsored four scenes depicting the Resistance to the Stamp Act, and Washington's Ball, at the Pageant of Wilmington, which celebrated the Bicentennial of the city. The scenes chosen to represent this most noteworthy contribution to the cause of American Independence were: The hanging of the effigy of Lord Bute, The Resurrection of

Liberty, The capture of the boat from the Diligence, The subsequent parade through the streets of Wilmington, The march of the men of the Cape Fear to Tryon's house at Brunswick, The resignation of William Pennington, Stamp Comptroller. Two hundred and fifty persons, under the splendid leadership of the Regent, Mrs. C. Wayne Spencer, took part in these scenes. An excellent picture of the most typical scene was made for the Stamp Defiance archives.

Faithfully yours,

ELIZABETH JANET BLACK, *Historian*.

## WILSON

### *Thomas Hadley Chapter*

On June 10, 1922, sixteen members at large of the Daughters of the American Revolution, transferred from the Elizabeth Montford Ashe Chapter, and six members of other Chapters met at the home of Mrs. Walter F. Woodard with Mrs. W. O. Spencer, State Regent, and Miss Ursula Daniel, Regent of the Elizabeth Montford Ashe Chapter, to effect the organization of a chapter in Wilson.

Upon suggestion of Miss Daniel the Chapter was named "Thomas Hadley" in honor of Captain Thomas Hadley of Cumberland County who gave his life in his country's defense. The Organizing Regent, Mrs. Walter F. Woodard was elected Regent. Other officers were Mrs. Jennie N. Hale, Vice-Regent; Miss Bruce Evans, Recording Secretary; Mrs. George W. Connor, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. James Edwin Woodard, Treasurer; Mrs. Henry R. Marshall, Registrar; Mrs. Ashe J. Hines, Historian, and Mrs. Harry W. Abbitt, Chaplain.

The first achievement of interest to the Chapter was the removal of the remains of Thomas Hadley and his wife from Cumberland County to Maplewood Cemetery in Wilson, and the erection of a handsome monument at the graves.

It was the pleasure of the Chapter to present to the new Wilson County Court House upon the occasion of its dedication a splendid oil portrait of Louis D. Wilson for whom the town and county of Wilson were named.

In 1925 the Chapter, having grown from seventeen charter members to a membership of forty, contributed \$80 to the Washington Memorial Chapel at Valley Forge. In 1926 the Thomas Hadley Chapter D. A. R. and the John W. Dunham Chapter United Daughters of the Confederacy erected on the Court House square a very handsome drinking fountain as a memorial to all Wilson County soldiers. The fountain was presented in a beautiful ceremony on Armistice Day.

A chair in Constitution Hall bearing the name "Thomas Hadley" attests our interest in our National Headquarters. A D. A. R. medal presented each year to the pupil in one of the High Schools of the county for the best grade in American history is the Chapter's encouragement for the study of the history of our country. Two boxes of books numbering eighty-five sent to Samarcand Manor evidence our interest in building up an honorable citizenship for the State.

The Chapter meets all obligations of both the State and National Society and responds to many appeals for financial aid. We also assist in the welfare work of our town.

Our programs are interesting and instructive, some of Wilson's most prominent speakers appeared before it from time to time.

## WINSTON-SALEM

### *General Joseph Winston Chapter*

During the Centennial Celebration of Salem College, June, 1902, Mrs. Donald McLean, later President General of the National D. A. R. and then a candidate for that office, through the charming hospitality of Mrs. Lindsay Patterson, was an honored guest on that occasion. Mrs. Patterson living in a town whose history dates back to Colonial days, being then president of Salem College Alumnae Association, sensed the need of a local D. A. R. Chapter. She knew the public-spirited women of the town realizing the importance of a local organization, would be glad to cooperate with her and form a Chapter. Miss Mary Love Stringfield, at that time State Regent, was also a guest of Mrs. Patterson. A number of ladies were invited to attend a meeting in the interest of a local Chapter, at which Mrs. McLean

and Miss Stringfield were present. The meeting was held in the Salem College Library. Mrs. McLean charmed with the old town of Salem, the College and its historic background, suggested the name "Salem Centennial," which was accepted, though no formal organization was then effected.

Later Mrs. Patterson, then a member at large, began work as Organizing Regent. A great deal of work devolves upon an Organizing Regent, searching among old records, deeds, wills, family Bibles, now almost a thing of the past, in dusty garrets among dusty letters and papers, and in neglected overgrown graveyards. In this arduous yet necessary work, she was very ably assisted by the late Miss Claytor Candler, a charter member and by Mrs. J. M. Rogers, also a charter member.

In October, 1903, a formal organization was effected. Mrs. Patterson was chosen Regent, Mrs. William N. Reynolds, Vice-Regent; Mrs. J. M. Rogers, Registrar; Mrs. Henry Roan, Secretary; Mrs. Charles Shelton, Treasurer. Though only twelve names were required to form a D. A. R. Chapter, there were thirteen. May I honor them by the name, "The Original Thirteen"? Surely it was a good omen to follow in the footsteps of the original thirteen States that formed the nucleus of the greatest nation on earth. Carrying out the simile this Chapter has indeed a great work ahead of it.

The following were charter members, their names coming in order of their national numbers:

Mrs. Henry Roan, Mrs. J. L. Patterson, Mrs. Hoffman, Mrs. J. M. Rogers, Mrs. J. F. Morris, Mrs. John Dillard, Mrs. Wm. N. Reynolds, Mrs. Chas. Shelton, Miss Ada Dalton, Mrs. H. V. Horton, Miss Minnie Slocomb, Mrs. Alex Galloway, Miss Claytor Candler.

The Chapter has done good work in the years since its organization, and has taken its place in the State as an outstanding Chapter, in placing North Carolina in the front rank in D. A. R. work. The recording secretary's books show much educational work along historical lines, in papers contributed at each meeting, familiarizing the members with North Carolina's glorious history, her part in the Revolution and the deeds of her brave sons and daughters. In this sketch though only outstanding events can be noted, as limited space has been given.

In January, 1908, while Mrs. J. L. Ludlow was Regent, the name of the Chapter was changed from Salem Centennial to General

Joseph Winston in appreciation of his fine military record during the War for Independence. Our city also had been named in his honor.

In 1908 Mrs. Patterson was elected Vice-President General for North Carolina, the first D. A. R. from the State accorded this honor. During her term of office the State gave one of the pillars to the portico of Centennial Memorial Hall. Plans were begun by the Chapter to mark the grave of the old Cherokee Chieftain Junaluska, who with his braves fought with General Jackson against the Creeks in the Battle of Horse Shoe Bend. His grave is in Clay County marked by a native boulder with bronze tablet, the plot surrounded by an iron fence. Suitable exercises commemorating the event were held there in the Autumn of 1910.

In 1911 Mrs. Wm. N. Reynolds was elected State Regent, serving three years very acceptably in the ever-widening scope of D. A. R. work which continued to grow steadily under her skillful business-like management, giving unstintedly of her time and generously of her means to forward the work.

While she was State Regent one of the first of the old pioneer trails was marked, The Boone Trail, or the Old Wilderness Road, leading across our Mountains through Tennessee, and Virginia, to Kentucky, then called the Wilderness. To find this old trail was an undertaking as by that name it had become only a memory to the oldest inhabitants, a tradition handed down from father to son. It took almost two years to locate and mark it. Four States participated in the work, Virginia, North Carolina, Tennessee and Kentucky. Mrs. Patterson, a native of Tennessee, was made Interstate Chairman. At the completion of the work a granite boulder with bronze tablet at Cumberland Gap marks the culmination of the work. Representative D. A. R.'s from the four States were present at the unveiling exercises. We think we can claim, without boasting, that much of the credit due for marking one of the first of the Old Colonial Trails, in this section of the country, belongs to Mrs. Reynolds and Mrs. Patterson.

In 1914 while Miss Edna Maslin was Regent a bronze tablet was placed on a wall of the Court House in memory of Colonel Benjamin Forsythe, a soldier of the War of 1812, for whom our County was named, bearing the following inscription:

Colonel Benjamin Forsythe  
Who fell on the Canadian Frontier.  
Erected by the General Joseph  
Winston Chapter D. A. R. June 1914.

While Mrs. W. O. Spencer, another member of our Chapter, was State Regent, Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, Vice-President General, and Miss Jenn Coltrane of Concord, N. C., was Historian General, the three went to Valley Forge to consult with authorities in charge, as to completing North Carolina's Bay in the Cloister of the Colonies. A committee from the State was appointed to take charge of the work of collecting funds needed. This work was completed while Mrs. Tillett of Charlotte was State Regent, succeeding Mrs. Spencer. North Carolina has fittingly commemorated the loyalty and endurance of her soldiers in the trying winter of 1777, with Washington at Valley Forge.

During Mrs. Morrison's term as State Regent, she planned and began a fund for a scholarship to the State University, as a Memorial to our World War soldiers. This was carried to completion as a perpetual scholarship while Mrs. Spencer was State Regent. During her term of office fourteen Chapters were added to our State Roster. Finances for completing the work of preserving the Constitution House at Halifax, Old Fort Dobbs, the Tilloloy Fund and the Fifteen Hundred Dollars for the North Carolina Room in the New Administration Building were collected. North Carolina was the first State to pay for its room. This shows that our State has not only a loyal and paying organization in good working order but that our State Regent had fine executive ability.

In 1922 our Chapter gave a flag to the Clyde Bolling Post of the American Legion which was unfurled with patriotic ceremony on the Court House square.

In 1922 one of our Chapter Regents, Mrs. E. B. Jones, was appointed Organizing Regent to form another Chapter, growth in the membership of the General Joseph Winston warranting the step taken. The Old North State Chapter has doubled its membership and in every way is living up to its fine old name.

In September, 1925, a cannon, the gift of the Navy Department at Washington was presented to the Richard J. Reynolds High School, our Chapter paying cost of transportation and mounting.

Mrs. Clay Williams gave the engraved plate placed on it. Mrs. W. L. Reid, Regent, conducted appropriate exercises, both Chapters and the school taking part.

In October, 1925, a tablet was placed on an outer wall of the Old Salem Tavern, marking the house in which Washington spent the night on his tour through North Carolina. This tablet was the gift of Mrs. Reynolds, State Chairman of the Committee in charge of marking his tour through the State. A memorial tree was planted on Salem College Campus at the close of the unveiling exercises. Mrs. Reynolds also presented a memorial tree to each town in which Washington spent the night.

The Chapter has given two chairs in the New Constitution Hall, one to Mrs. Rogers our first and very efficient registrar, and one to Mrs. Reynolds, and contributed to one for Mrs. Spencer and one for Mrs. Gregory, the two last given by the State. The Chapter has also contributed to a clock given by the State to the North Carolina Room, in appreciation of Mrs. Spencer's efficient services as State Regent four years.

In 1926 one of our charter members, Miss Ada Dalton, was chosen to form a children's chapter. They organized as the Alexander Martin Chapter, with forty-two charter members, and now number seventy. They have done and are doing fine work. Their contribution towards entertaining the State Conference here last March, was one of the high lights of the Convention, another was the reception given by Mrs. Clay Williams at her country estate Wiltshire Lodge on the Yadkin River.

In 1927 four sets of Genealogical papers were filled out by forty-nine of our sixty-eight members, two sets sent to Mrs. Whitaker, State Genealogical Chairman at that time, one for the State files, one for the National files, the two left here for filing with the record at the Court House and one for Chapter records. Five lineage books were given to the Carnegie Library. A living flag was given Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, in appreciation of her fine record in Chapter State and National work.

Plans to mark the site of first county seat of Surry then embracing the four counties of Surry, Yadkin, Stokes and Forsyth, were begun 1926, while Miss Nita Masten was Regent and completed 1928. A bronze tablet was placed on a native granite boulder at the entrance to the Donnaha bridge over the Yadkin River, near the site of Rich-

mond Court House. Here Andrew Jackson, later President Jackson, then a young lawyer, presented license from the Hon. Samuel Ashe and John Williams to practice law in the courts of North Carolina and was admitted to the bar. Appropriate unveiling exercises attended by members of both Chapters and pupils of Old Richmond High School were conducted by Miss May Dalton, Regent of our Chapter.

This Chapter has always contributed its part to all State and National work when called upon for contributions. Our Chapter contributed liberally to the Caroline Scott Harrison Memorial and also to the fund for the statue commemorating the four founders of the D. A. R. organization.

Some research work has been done in the last decade. The importance of this branch of work has been more stressed in recent years than formerly by State and National organizations. The graves of twenty-one Revolutionary soldiers and five real daughters have been located. The grave of a pioneer woman of Wachovia Colony has been remarked. The old soap stone marker worn almost intelligible has been replaced by a marble slab the exact replica of the old stone in size, wording and numbering. The grave is in the Moravian God's Acre at Salem. This pioneer woman Ann Catharine Antes came to Wachovia Colony as the bride of Dr. Kalberlahn the first physician of the Colony and one of the original twelve men who founded it 1753. Dr. Kalberlahn died in July following their arrival in May, 1759. She took charge of the little daughter of the minister as he and his wife died during the epidemic of fever. She was first teacher of the three little girls of the colony in Bethabara. Several years later she married Christian Reuter, surveyor, whose original maps of the colony are preserved in the Archives at Salem, models of accuracy and neatness. He was also elected road master and forester by colony authorities. She was the choice by lot of her last husband John J. Ernst who was minister in Bethania in 1791, when Cornwallis and his army camped near Bethania February 9, 1781. Anna Catharine Ernst died in 1815. None of the graves of real daughters have yet been marked. Six old graveyards or family burial plots have been located, some overgrown with weeds, bushes and briars. One graveyard in another county with no fence, graves overgrown, contains a fine old relic of olden days, a stone horse block for women, in the day when horseback riding was the only or chief means of travel.

Four of the above mentioned soldiers' graves were found marked, by appreciative relatives, as Revolutionary soldiers, at the time of their decease. Of the other seventeen, two have been appropriately marked, one by a descendant and one by the Chapter and a descendant. As most of these graves are widely scattered in four counties the Chapter has planned to mark them at some centrally located place in a suitable manner, and to depend on the proper pride of individual descendants, to see that the graves of these men from whom they claim descent, as D. A. R.'s are properly marked at the place of interment.

The three daughters of our Chapter who have been honored by the National organization as Vice-Presidents General, have fully merited the honor bestowed. All North Carolina Daughters appreciate this recognition of merit. Not alone for the three from our Chapter but for the three from other State Chapters, who have been recipients of the same honor. The State has been ably represented by them and has through these representative daughters received favorable National recognition. They have also served acceptably on State and National committees and Mrs. W. N. Reynolds, through the National Officers Club, and our Chapter, has presented to the Constitution Hall a magnificent pipe organ.

Our Chapter numbers 77, has had twelve regents counting the present one. We hope as it increases in numbers it will also increase in service to the State and Nation.

## WINSTON-SALEM

### *Old North State Chapter*

During the State Regency of Mrs. W. O. Spencer, when Winston-Salem was rapidly increasing in size and activity, there arose a unanimous feeling that there was a definite need and field for another Chapter of the N. S. D. A. R.

The name of Mrs. Erastus Beverly Jones was recommended to the National Board and she was appointed by that body. They considered that Mrs. Jones embodied the essential qualifications of an Organizing Regent; one whose vision of great accomplishments, whose

loyalty to the cause so dear to her heart; whose faith and stirring enthusiasm could always be relied upon.

This new Chapter was organized January 12, 1924; recognized on March 24, 1924, and officially confirmed by the National Board at Washington April 12 of that year. The twenty-five charter members, who had never been members of the N. S. D. A. R. were:

Mrs. J. P. Campbell (Marvel Carter), Mrs. J. O. Spear (Sadie Martin), Mrs. L. A. Vaughn (Laura Candler),\* Mrs. Bert Bennett (Corinna Johnston), Mrs. W. C. Bethea (Annie McIntyre), Mrs. W. L. Buhmann (Betty Faison), Mrs. T. L. Hubbard (Alma Love), Mrs. N. P. Stone (Fannie Jones), Mrs. K. K. King (Kathleen Bouldin), Mrs. R. H. Latham (Mamie Brown), Mrs. Charles Gray (Flora Leake), Miss Mary Moran, Mrs. J. R. Perkins (Juliette Miles), Miss Jane Taylor, Mrs. D. N. Dalton (Louise Bitting), Miss Eleanor Jones, Mrs. W. L. Pannell (Adele Dillard), Mrs. C. H. Sebring (Lillian Johnson), Mrs. G. W. Whaling (Kate Blue), Mrs. R. L. Wall (Mary Curtis), Mrs. R. C. Kelly (Ethel Williamson), Mrs. Joel Justin (Susan Bates), Mrs. M. Ferrell (Lilly Sutton), Mrs. Robert G. Nimmons (Evelyn Mesick), Mrs. T. L. Williams (Knight) (Kate Whaling).

Other than the necessary twenty-five were: Mrs. E. B. Jones (Susan Barbour), Mrs. R. E. Gribbin (Emma Jenkins), Miss Louise Barbour.

The day that those enthusiastic women met at the home of Mrs. E. B. Jones for the purpose of organization will long be remembered. The Chapter was rapidly becoming an influence in the community and was eagerly awaiting their official recognition. Serving with Mrs. Jones, the Organizing Regent were:

Vice-Regent, Mrs. R. H. Latham; Treasurer, Miss Mary Moran; Recording Secretary, Mrs. W. L. Buhmann; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Marvin Ferrell; Registrar, Mrs. J. R. Perkins; Historian, Mrs. R. L. Wall; Chaplain, Mrs. R. E. Gribbin. (Mrs. Gribbin was chosen Chaplain at the death of Mrs. L. A. Vaughn which occurred before the first meeting).

At this meeting many names for the new Chapter were presented and considered, but to Mrs. Jones came the happy inspiration of calling the new Chapter "The Old North State Chapter."

\* Deceased.

The business of organization absorbed a great deal of the Regent's time and thought. She was eager for the members to be thoroughly conversant with the tenets of the organization. Papers of information, regarding the work of the National Society, along with historical articles pertaining to the history of North Carolina, were read from time to time and enthusiasm was manifested in every line of endeavor. Although a newly established Chapter, all financial obligations were met cheerfully and promptly. The Regent, with the Chapter's assistance drew up the By-Laws of the Old North State Chapter. In appreciation of their first Regent and for her untiring efforts in furthering the cause of Americanism, the members of the Chapter gave a chair for Continental Hall in honor of the one they loved and so highly esteemed, Mrs. E. B. Jones.

Mrs. Thomas McGee, the second Regent of the Old North State Chapter remained in office only one year, due to the necessity of changing her residence. Although Regent for a short while, definite results were accomplished by this ambitious, capable leader. The Chapter unveiled a bronze tablet, which marked the house used by Lord Cornwallis and his soldiers as headquarters, when they occupied Bethania for two days. This house belonged to George Hauser, patriot soldier and ancestor of some of Winston-Salem's oldest and most distinguished families.

The grave of a Revolutionary soldier, General Joseph William, was marked with impressive ceremonies at Panther Creek, the home of this illustrious General. Historic and picturesque Panther Creek is the ancestral home of Mrs. Marvin Ferrell and Mrs. Oscar Shortt, who are active members of the Chapter.

Another outstanding achievement of Mrs. McGee's Regency was an accomplishment, which the Chapter points to with pride. At the entrance of a park, named in honor of George Washington, who visited that locality when he passed through Winston-Salem, the Old North State Chapter erected stone pillars. The appropriate inscription will remind generations unborn of the Father of our Country and of a group of women who wished to perpetuate his memory.

When Mrs. McGee resigned April 23, 1928, Mrs. K. Kelly King was elected to fill the unexpired term, and has continued in office until this time (Feb. 1930). Mrs. King, the youngest member of the Old North State Chapter to be honored with the Regent's pin, has proven that a busy mother can be successful in realms other than the

home. Her mental alertness plus her unselfishness and devotion to the interest and success of the Chapter have truly made her worthy of the mantle of responsibility dropped to her shoulders.

The first and most important undertaking of the Chapter under the guidance of Mrs. King was the planning for and helping to make a success of the State Conference of the N. S. D. A. R. which met in Winston-Salem, in March, 1929, as a guest of the two Chapters. Much thought, time and patience as well as strength was expended by all those coöperating to make this yearly gathering an outstanding event, both in worthy accomplishments and delightful social affairs.

At each meeting throughout Mrs. King's Regency, the Chairman of National Defense has presented a paper dealing with the dangers threatening America, such as communism, etc., and has followed closely the programs outlined by the National Chairman of National Defense.

The Old North State Chapter entertained with the General Joseph Winston Chapter in honor of the Children of the American Revolution, and in June, 1929, invited that Chapter and the C. A. R. to be the guest of the Old North State Chapter at the Flag Day celebration, held in Washington Park. There amid a perfect setting the hearts of all were stirred with patriotism and loyalty for our country and flag as they listened to an address, especially appropriate for the younger guests of the afternoon, who graciously assisted in making the occasion colorful and entertaining. An interesting feature of the afternoon was the presentation of the Flag Alphabet, written by Mrs. R. L. Wall.

The Old North State Chapter has responded to all National requests. Each year boxes for Ellis Island have been cheerfully filled and sent with a great deal of interest. The Chapter encouraged the school children to seriously consider the "Duties of a Good Citizen" and offered a prize to the student who wrote the best paper on that subject. Not only has the Chapter endeavored to promote better citizenship, but made a great stride in helping to beautify the city itself, through the planning of hundreds of trees and shrubs.

The stone pillars, at the entrance of Washington Park, had not been completed, in that the archway in which the name Washington Park would appear, had not been erected. The Chapter had long felt her responsibility in finishing the gift and turning it over to the city in its perfection. The committee in charge, assisted by Miss

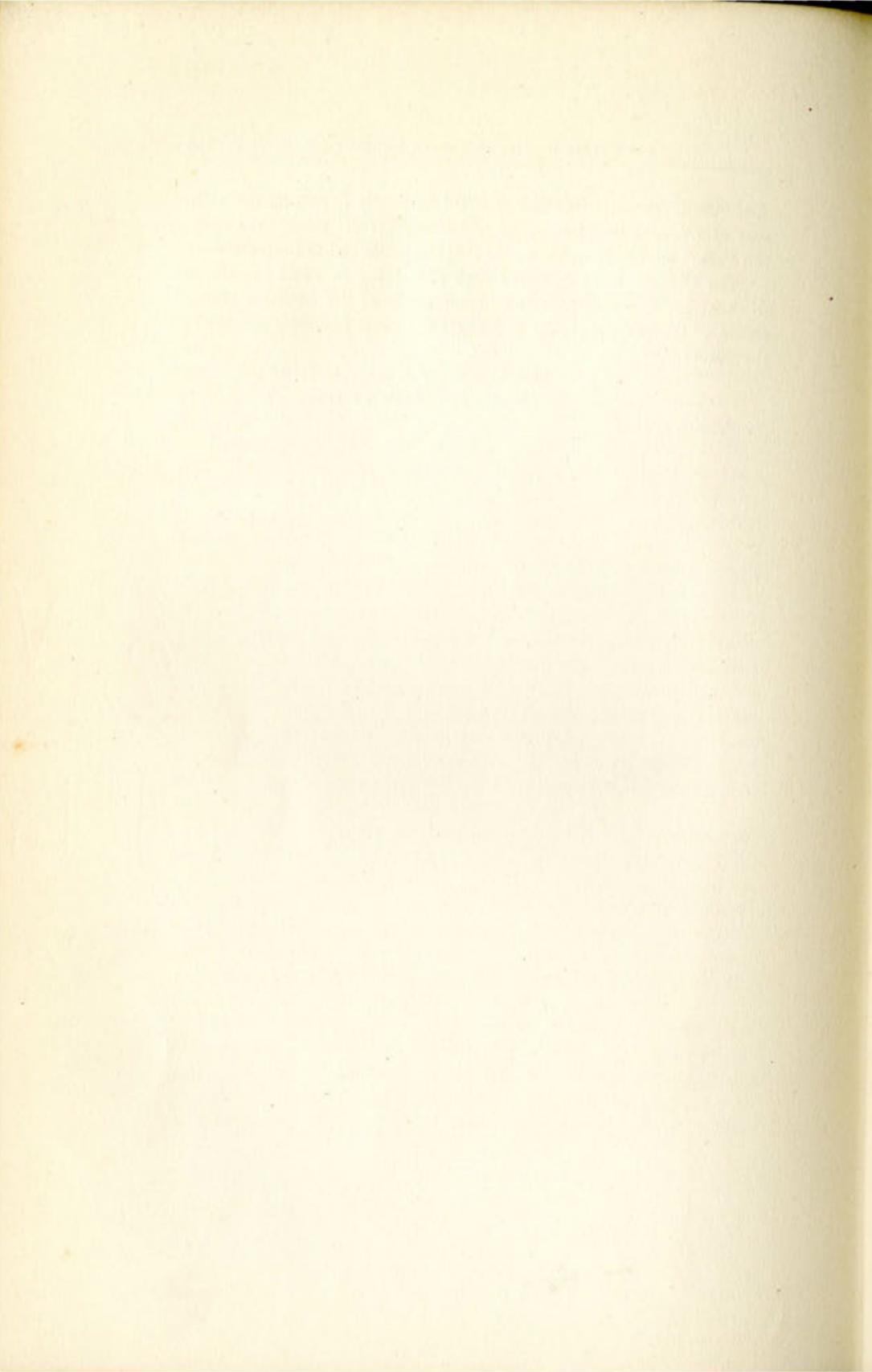
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Ada Allen, whose artistic ability aided in finally designing the archway of wrought iron tracery, in which appears the name "Washington Park," are happy to announce that the archway has been finished.

The Chapter has coöperated with Mrs. King in all of her efforts to make the Old North State Chapter proud of her heritage, enthusiastic of the present results and eager for great accomplishments in the future.

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