

# Highlands Highlights

MRS. H. G. STORY

## CHURCH NOTES

**Highlands Baptist Church**  
Rev. J. G. Benfield, Pastor  
10 a. m.—Sunday school,  
11 a. m.—Sermon,  
7 p. m.—B. T. U.,  
8 p. m.—Sermon.

**Highlands Methodist Church**  
Rev. J. S. Higgins, Pastor  
**Horse Cove:**  
10 a. m.—Preaching.  
**Highlands:**  
11 a. m.—Preaching.  
**Clear Creek:**  
2:30 p. m.—Preaching.

**Church of the Incarnation**  
Rev. A. Rufus Morgan, Rector  
10 a. m.—Church school.  
11 a. m.—Morning Prayer and sermon.

**Highlands Presbyterian Church**  
10:15 a. m.—Church school.  
11 a. m.—Worship.  
8 p. m.—Christian Endeavor.

## SILVER TEA FOR LIBRARY

The Hudson Library Association will give a Silver Tea on Tuesday afternoon, August 12, from 4 to 6 o'clock in the library annex for the benefit of the children's room of the Library. A cordial invitation is extended to everyone.

## EPISCOPAL AUXILIARY TO HOLD FOOD SALE

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Episcopal church will hold a food sale next Saturday from 10 a. m. until 6 p. m. in Mrs. Louis Edward's fruit stand on Main street, formerly Wiley's fruit stand. There will be homemade cakes, pies, cookies, jams, jellies, etc. Anyone wishing to contribute to the food sale or help with it in any way will please get in touch with Mrs. Jack M. Hall, chairman.

## GARDEN PARTY BY MR. AND MRS. MOLTZ

Included in the Highlands guest list for the garden party given by Mr. and Mrs. Carl Jerome Moltz and their daughter and son-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Walton Royal Johnson, at the Moltz summer home, Millmont at Lake Toxaway, last Sunday afternoon were Mrs. Cheshire Nash, Mrs. E. S. Trozdal, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur L. Bliss, Mr. and Mrs. George Townsend, the Misses Marguerite and Clare Ravenel,

Mrs. F. W. Altstaetter and Dr. and Mrs. J. K. Stoddard. The guest list also included friends of the hosts from Asheville, Blowing Rock and Cashiers.

The Highlands guests were agreed that the gardens are the most beautiful in this section of the state.

W. W. Vawtor, who spent a week here with his sister, Mrs. A. R. Harold and Dr. Harold, left Knoxville by plane on Saturday to return to his home in Minneapolis, Minn. Mr. Vawtor is a wholesale lumberman, and this was his first visit to Highlands. He liked the people here and the place and expressed a desire to return for another visit. The Harolds have as their present guests Dr. and Mrs. J. Morrill White of Miami, Mrs. White is a soprano soloist in one of Miami's churches.

New Simplex High production lamps have been installed in the projection room of Highlands School Theatre. This brilliant white light permits the presentation of pictures in true lifelike color values, and it is easier on the eyes of movie patrons.

Dr. and Mrs. Thomas Parker of Greenville, S. C., arrived Monday for a ten-day visit with Dr. Parker's aunts, the Misses Marguerite and Clare Ravenel. Dr. Parker volunteered for service in the U. S. Navy last fall and is stationed at Atlanta, where he is a member of the aviation examining board.

The exquisite white and pink gladioli with which the Presbyterian church was decorated last Sunday were the gift of Scott Hudson, of the Highlands Country Club, and were grown on the club grounds. Members of the church have expressed their appreciation for this thoughtful gift made through Mrs. Louis Edwards.

Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Sargent have as their guest Miss Frances Steloff, owner and operator of Gotham Book Mart in New York City.

Mrs. W. H. Cobb has returned from a several days' visit with her brother, A. B. Perry in Charleston, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Westbrook of Birmingham, Ala., whose wedding took place in Atlanta on Sunday, are spending their honeymoon here at Tricemont Terrace.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hicks and Mr. and Mrs. Earl Crunkleton and two children enjoyed a trip

## Tickets On Sale For Candida At Scout Hut

Miss Muriel Brasler, Broadway actress, will play the leading role of Candida in the George Bernard Shaw comedy to be presented by the Highlands Community Theatre in the school theatre here on Friday, August 8, at a matinee performance at 3 p. m.

Miss Brasler who is in her early twenties has already had a varied and successful stage career. She has played in summer theatres at Bar Harbor, Southampton, Long Island, the Red Bard at Locust Valley, L. I., and at the Renee Summer Playhouse in New Hampshire.

The Boy Scout hut on Main Street has been loaned temporarily for the use of the Community Theatre, and tickets are on sale at the hut between 11 and 12:30 each day. Composing the ticket committee are the Misses Harriet Zahner, Esther Cunningham, Mary Pugh, Anne Black, Sooky Terhune, Mrs. Russell and a few others acting under the direction of the Box Office Chairman, Winnie Eskridge.

Lucy Storm, formerly Lucy Trozdal of Savannah, a professional actress, has been secured to play the lead of Candida when the Highlands Community Theatre takes this play to Brevard on Tuesday, August 12. Miss Brasler will have to return to New York before the 12th and the Theatre is fortunate to have Lucy Storm succeed Miss Brasler as leading lady. Miss Storm has formerly played this part at the Royal Academy in London.

through the Smokies last Sunday with lunch at Gatlinburg, where they visited Mr. and Mrs. Thad D. Smith.

Dr. R. D. Bedinger, superintendent of Home Mission board, Asheville, had charge of the services at the Presbyterian church last Sunday morning. He and Mrs. Bedinger and their daughter, Miss Judith, were dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. Anderson.

Miss Sara Gilder had as her guests the first of the week, her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dudley Vaughn, of Birmingham, Ala.

Dr. and Mrs. Paul W. Sanger and children of Charlotte are visiting Mrs. Sanger's mother, Mrs. Clark Howell, at her summer home at the Country Club.

Mrs. Harry McCall of New Orleans has arrived to spend the remainder of the summer at her cottage on the Walhalla Road. Mr. and Mrs. J. W. George who occupied the McCall place during July have returned to their home in New Orleans.

## Ficklesimer Receives Degree At Mars Hill

Wilbur T. Ficklesimer, son of Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Ficklesimer of Highlands, is among the twenty-two receiving degrees from the Wake Forest-Meredith summer school at Mars Hill college Friday, August 8.

Mr. Ficklesimer will receive his A. B. degree from Mars Hill college at the graduation exercises. Dr. S. C. Mitchell, Professor at the University of Richmond will be the speaker of the day.

## Arthur Little's Career Varied And Active

Arthur Dillard Harmon Little, director of Highlands Little Theatre, of Thomasville, Ga., is the son of Dr. and Mrs. A. D. Little, who own a summer home in Highlands. He attended the University of North Carolina, and studied at George Washington University.

Before going into the theatre, Arthur traveled for a summer in Europe, and had a variety of business experiences.

While employed as chief clerk of the Graphic Arts Division of N. R. A., he attended night courses of the Clifford Brooks Academy of Stage Training and was cited as the most outstanding student.

His theatre career has been varied and active. He has dreamed of a permanent summer theatre in Highlands for years, and finding the demand for, and interest in, a theatre much greater than he expected, determined to return to Highlands to attempt the establishment of one.

Victor Smith, who has been assisting in the print shop at Oglethorpe University, spent the weekend here with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harley Smith. Victor plans to enter Oglethorpe University in September.

Mr. and Mrs. Jay F. Chapman and small daughter, Carol Ann, returned to their home in Florence, S. C., Tuesday after a visit here with Mrs. Chapman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Potts.

Miss Sarah Holbrook of Akron, Ala., and C. M. Ling of Dothan, Ala., were weekend guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Cook at Tricemont Terrace.

Mrs. Mike Dallet of Miami, Fla., and Mrs. D. B. Derenberger of Columbus, Ohio, are occupying Dr. Jessie Z. Moreland's cottage on Church street for the month of August.

General William R. Dear has returned to Petersburg, Va., after spending several days here with his family at "Yon-Way", the Dear summer home.

Miss Anne Alexander of Harrogate, Tenn., arrived Sunday for a ten days' visit with Mrs. Halworth Beale. Miss Alexander is dietitian at Lincoln Memorial University.

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# HISTORY OF HIGH HAMPTON

## Allison McKinney Recalls Great Grandfather's Records Of Valley

On his recent visit here Allison D. McKinney of Birmingham, Ala., great-grandson of James McKinney, one of the first settlers in the Cashiers Valley section, told how the town received its name and other interesting facts about that section in relation to High Hampton Estates and its purchase by the Hampton family of South Carolina.

Some of this Cashiers Valley history is from an old record book belonging to the McKinney family dated 1844; other parts are from signed affidavits. Mr. Frank Hill of Horse Cove also figures in the history.

From these sources we are informed that what is now beautiful High Hampton Estates is a part of the original lands owned by James McKinney, who brought his family from Little River, S. C., in the early 1830's to this fertile valley, later called Cashiers Valley after a horse owned by Pioneer McKinney and named Cash because of the large sums of money that had been offered for him, and from the fact that "Cash" roamed wild in this valley one entire winter, since he refused to be herded with the other horses in the fall to return to Little River.

## The Hamptons Of S. C.

The High Hampton lands were purchased by Christopher (Kit) Hampton, brother of General Wade Hampton, for a game preserve, and the Hampton brothers and sisters and their friends spent many pleasant summers at their shooting lodge at Cashiers Valley, coming on horseback from Walhalla, S. C., over a trail which later became the old Turnpike road. Among other South Carolina families who summered in that section at the time were the Haskells, Taylors, Prestons, Ravenels and Sloans. Dave U. Sloan, in his book "Foggy Days and How" or "The World has Changed", published in 1891, relates many interesting and amusing incidents as they occurred in that section more than a half century ago. Samuel Prioleau Ravenel of Charleston, father of the Misses Marguerite and Clare Ravenel, spent many summers as a young man in Cashiers Valley, and was later a large land owner in Jackson county as well as in Macon county.

## Gen Hampton Nominated Governor

In a sworn statement several years ago, copies of which are on file, Andrew C. Baumgarner of Cashiers Valley, tells of having sold produce at the Hampton home in his younger days and of having known the family well. Mr. Baumgarner said that General Wade Hampton was the guest of his brother, Kit, in the summer of 1876, when he was offered the nomination of Governor of South Carolina. Another affidavit by James Willis Bradley, also of Cashiers Valley, tells of having been employed at the Hampton place in 1876, when General Wade Hampton was on his usual summer visit to his brother, Kit, and that it was the General's custom to spend from two to three months each summer with his brother.

The statement by Allison McKinney, an authority of his uncle, Nathan McKinney who will be 94 years old this September, and Zebulon Vance McKinney, 81 the past June, that General Wade Hampton was with his brother Kit at Cashiers Valley in 1876 when the telegram was sent to him by courier from West Union, S. C., offering him the nomination for governor of

## Wavell's Successor



Gen. Sir Claude Auchinleck, 57-year-old Scot who directed the British campaign at Narvik, has succeeded Gen. Sir Archibald P. Wavell in command of Middle East forces. Gen. Wavell was transferred to India.

that state, is borne out by the above mentioned affidavits.

Mr. Bradley in his statement said he saw the negro messenger arrive on mule-back in the afternoon "about two hours by sun." However, General Hampton was visiting Squire Hill in Horse Cove on that day and Mr. Frank Hill, son of the Squire, remembers seeing the courier deliver the message to the General and also recalls seeing General Hampton and the courier ride off on mule—and horseback to West Union, whence the General went by train to Columbia to accept the nomination for Governor, to which office he was elected in November of that year, which put an end to the notorious carpet bag rule in that state.

If further proof of General Wade Hampton's residence in Cashiers were needed it could be found in open letter to "The Columbia Register" dated August 7, 1876, Cashiers Valley, N. C., which was published by that paper and in the Charleston News and Courier and quoted by Colonel R. J. Jaynes of Walhalla, S. C., in his address at the dedication of the Hampton Memorial Highway at Cashiers Valley on August 17, 1933.

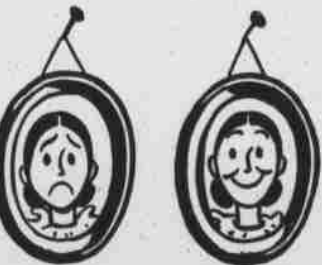
Of additional historic interest to this section are three other names and their sources; Horse Cove, so named because horses were pastured there before the Confederate War to graze on wild vetch and other pasturage growing in the cove in such abundance.

Sheep Cliff and Horsepasture River were named under similar circumstances. Pioneer McKinney, knowing that horses would not graze where there were sheep, put his sheep on the Cliffs and his horses on the river bottom lands, hence the names Sheep Cliff and Horsepasture River, handed down through the generations and still in use today.

R. D. Brendell, of Watanga, was a visitor in Franklin Monday. A subscriber to his county paper for many years, he says that Mrs. Brendell would "stop eating breakfast to read The Franklin Press."

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