

House in Horseshoe Was Long the Home of Gov. Williams

Member of Colonial Parliament, State Senator and University Head Died There.

MONUMENT NEARBY.

To give an added interest to the House in the Horseshoe it was for a time the home of Governor Benjamin Williams, one of the revolution that Middle North Carolina holds in memory. In 1774, when about 24 years old Benjamin Williams was elected a delegate to the convention which at Wilmington commenced the revolt against the mother country. This convention selected three delegates to attend the first Continental Congress in Philadelphia. He was in the convention in 1775 which provided for a defensive army for the colony, and he was made a lieutenant of the militia. He was in the Halifax convention in 1776 that formed the bill of rights, and in 1779 he was in the Colonial House of Commons, and the Senate in 1781, 1784, 1786 and 1789. He was also at other periods in the House of Commons. He was in the Legislature when the Federal constitution was adopted by North Carolina and when the University was established, and for four years he was head of the institution. In 1793 he was elected to Congress, and in 1799 he became governor of North Carolina. In 1807 he was again chosen to the Senate, then elected governor again, and then once more to the Senate.

Buried Near First Home.

Governor Williams had his first home on the ridge near the cemetery where he and his wife are buried, then he came over to the House in the Horseshoe, where he lived until his death in 1814. Few men have had so much wholesome influence in public life in so short a time as Benjamin Williams, and especially when it is remembered that much of his work was connected with freeing the colonies from the British domination and establishing the nation which has grown up on the modest beginning of colonial days.

Benjamin Williams married Elizabeth Jones, and they left one son who married Mary Chalmers, whose father was at one time the owner of the Horseshoe, a man of prominence and distinction. They left one son, but the descendants now are few, if any at all are living.

One of the buildings that comprised the home of Governor Williams when the family lived near the cemetery was moved later to the present home of Evelyn Harrington and made a part of the big establishment that the father of Evelyn Harrington built there years ago when that farm was one of the conspicuous places of the Deep River, where corn was raised by the thousands of bushels, hogs in droves, and slaves to handle the big operations filled the quarters with that picturesque interest that attended the valley in the older days.

The Harrington and the Horseshoe places adjoin each other, but on opposite sides of the river, and together cover an area of several thousand acres. The monument to Benjamin Williams, at the cemetery, erected a few years ago by Gen. Julian S. Carr, is about two miles across the river and the hills from the Horseshoe house.

John Wilcox, Clerk of the Courts of Moore County, now lives in the Horseshoe. The Wilcox family is an old one in the neighborhood, and it has been connected with local history for more than a century. The Wilcoxes are related to the Alstons, and to the other early settlers, as the community became a homogeneous people in the course of generations.

MARY ELLA BETHUNE GIVES BIRTHDAY PARTY

On the occasion of the seventh birthday, Little Miss Mary Ella Bethune entertained about 35 of her little friends at her home on Poplar street, Aberdeen, with a Hallowe'en party Tuesday afternoon. The main features of the afternoon were a "Peanut Hunt" on the lawn, followed by a Pumpkin contest in the house, prizes being given suggestive of Hallowe'en to the luck winners. After a very merry time, the little guests were served with ice cream, cake and candy, and appropriate favors as souvenirs to carry home with them.

SPENCE, PAGE AND BURT SPEAK AT SOUTHERN PINES

U. L. Spence, candidate for the State Legislature from Moore County, former Congressman Robert N. Page, and Struthers Burt, author, will talk to voters at the Carolina Theatre in Southern Pines at 8 o'clock this evening. They will discuss National, State and County issues involved in the present campaign.

STATE REGENT OF THE D. A. R.



Mrs. Charles R. Whitaker.

Daughters of Revolution to Commemorate Scenes of Fight for Freedom in Moore County

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down through the Sandhills to Drowning Creek, was disturbed all the time by fears of Fanning when he was not there.

Philip Alston had been made a colonel of the colonial militia that was formed or might be formed in the Deep River section, and he and Fanning became bitter enemies, and one never overlooked a chance to pay some attention to the other. The climax in the Horseshoe came in July,

1781, when Fanning made a raid on Alston at his home, which is now the House in the Horseshoe. Ultimately the success of the American army led to Fanning's departure from this country. Alston lived to become a member of the first State legislature of North Carolina, being in the Senate in 1785 and 1786. He was also clerk of the county court and for a brief period one of the justices. He was killed in Georgia some years later. The story of Alston is told in a little pamphlet by Judge Adams, of the North Carolina Supreme Court.

The Week's News in And About Aberdeen

Absent from the Teacherage over the week end were: Miss Mabel Robertson visiting relatives in Guilford College; Miss Bessie Lee Poole, visiting her parents at Clayton; Miss Venice Davenport, with her people at Sanford, and Miss Mary Stevens, visiting friends at Clinton.

Mrs. J. Talbot Johnson entertained last Tuesday afternoon at a small bridge party, honoring her guests, Mrs. Demotte and Mrs. Harry Hogr, of Englewood, N. J.

Miss Mary Wine and Miss Nedra Lanford are stopping at the Teacherage this week. They are the coaches who are putting on the home talent play, "Oh Doctor," which is to be played at the High School auditorium on next Friday night, with a cast of about 75 persons, composed of our students and young people in town.

Miss Louise Blue is visiting in Raleigh as the guest of her friend, Mrs. Mary McLean Marsh.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. George Burns, who live on Main street extension, a son, October 26th.

Miss Elizabeth Gaston, who is teaching music at Winterville, spent the last week end with Rev. and Mrs. Gaston.

Jack Johnson came home over the week end to see his sick father. Jack is attending school at Danville Military Institute now, has gained ten pounds since his entrance in the fall, and looks splendidly.

Mr. Johnson III. J. McN. Johnson has been quite ill with cardiac asthma for the past week, and unable to go to his office. He has been badly missed, and we hope it will not be long before he recovers his usual health.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith, who live on Johnson & Johnson's Mossiel farm, near Aberdeen, are rejoicing over the arrival of twins, a boy and a girl. Being red-hot Democrats the names of Alfred and Alfreda have been suggested as appropriate.

Miss Jane McGraw, who has been visiting relatives in the North for several months, has returned home for the winter.

Harold McKeithen, a rising young attorney of Winston-Salem, was in Aberdeen last Sunday, shaking hands with friends.

The Hallowe'en party given by the Christian Endeavor at the Presbyterian church's social rooms on last Saturday night was greatly enjoyed by

all those who attended. The guests came in masks and costumes, and much merriment was caused by the attendants in their regalia. After the unmasking delicious refreshments of fruit punch, fruit, cakes, etc., were served.

Mrs. Ella Just and Miss Bessie Bethune spent last Thursday in Raleigh, attending the Fair and doing some shopping.

Miss Elizabeth White, our music teacher, who has been in a Charlotte hospital recuperating from an appendicitis operation, is again back in Aberdeen, and has resumed her duties in the school.

Mrs. E. M. Medlin, accompanied by Mrs. Murdoch Johnson went to Geensboro last Tuesday on a shopping expedition.

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Wilson were called to Durham last Saturday on account of the death of Mr. Wilson's brother.

Orphanage Concert.

The concert of the Oxford Orphanage Singing Class was held at the School Auditorium last Friday night and was unusually good. A large crowd attended and much interest was shown in the fourteen orphans who did their part so nobly.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Schwartzman spent last Sunday in Reidsville.

Miss Mary Leach, Mrs. Ralph Caldwell, Mrs. Jackson and Miss Jane McGraw spent last Saturday afternoon in Fayetteville doing some fall shopping.

Mrs. George Martin and Miss Jeanette Leach, who have been visiting in Columbia for the past ten days, returned to Aberdeen the latter part of the week.

Miss LaNilta Wimberly had as her recent guest, Miss Katharine Alford, of Flora Macdonald College, a former school mate.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Wimberly entertained one night last week with a dinner in honor of Miss LaNilta Wimberly's guest, Miss Katharine Alford. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Suttenfeld, Misses Virginia Gaston, Katharine Alford and LaNilta Wimberly.

DR. OLIVE CHIROPRACTOR
Southern Pines.
9 to 12 A. M.

Two Lots Sold Near Country Club At Southern Pines

Emmett French to Build Home at Once on Attractive Site.

MISS HOLMES A BUYER

The progress that is being made on the Southern Pines Country Club grounds out toward the Robinson and Grover homes received fresh impetus this week with the sale by S. B. Richardson of two building sites. They are located on the hill close by the Robinson house and between that and the golf courses now building in the vicinity.

One of these lots goes to Emmett French, Southern Pines Country Club golf professional, who will build as soon as he can get material on the property. The other is taken by Miss Alice Holmes. As the maps for that region are not yet out, it is hard to tell the exact location of these sites, but they are to the right of the road running from Indiana avenue, out past Mrs. Wilkins' house to Grover's orchard, only farther up on the summit of the knobs out that way and overlooking most of the country for miles.

Work is going forward rapidly in that neighborhood, both on the golf courses and on the roads and drives, and John Powell says that as rapidly as other sales are negotiated, the funds realized will be used to further push the development along. The plans as laid out by Donald Ross and Irving Johnson afford one of the most interesting golf and building possibilities that can be created. The high hills give picturesque effect to the entire country involved. As these building sites are but a short distance from the Highland Pines Inn they afford all the convenience of location and all the public utilities.

VASS HIGH SCHOOL BOYS ORGANIZE Y. T. H. F. CHAPTER

Boys enrolled in the Agriculture Department met Friday, October 26, and organized the Vass-Lakeview Chapter of Young Tar Heel Farmers with the following officers:

Martin Cameron, president; Herman Parker, vice president; Joseph Matthews, secretary; Marvin Batchelor, treasurer; Clayton Evans, reporter; Advisor, H. L. Seagrove.

The Chapter immediately applied for its charter. Upon receipt of the charter the chapter becomes affiliated with the State organization of Y. T. H. F. The organization is State-wide. Of the 125 agriculture departments in the high schools of the State, each department has a chapter of Y. T. H. F.

Each chapter has a definite program of work. The Vass-Lakeview Chapter adopted as its program or work for the year 1928-29 the following:

1. Have regular meetings once each month.
2. Organize a thrift bank with 100 per cent of members as depositors.
3. The Chapter to conduct its own co-operative buying and selling organization.
4. Raise 75 per cent of members to degree of Farmer after completion of



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5. Give programs before the school assembly during the year.
6. Give a father and son banquet.
7. 100 per cent of members attend Y. T. H. F. camp at White Lake next summer.

LITTLE IMPROVEMENT IN CONDITION OF A. CAMERON.

Friends and relatives of A. Cameron of Vass are very much concerned over his condition. News came Sunday night that he was worse, and members of the family remained at his bedside the greater part of the night. He was brighter Monday morning,

and for the last few days little change in his condition has been noted. He is under the care of Dr. John Monroe and his staff at Central Carolina Hospital, in Sanford.



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