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OLD TIMES IN WARREN

(BY T. J. TAYLOR, D. D.)
NATIONAL CHARACTERS.

The sons of Warren have been prominent in national affairs. The list of Warren men who have been distinguished in the State and Nation is a long one. They have rendered valuable service as ministers of the gospel, at the bar, as military leaders, in legislative assemblies, and in business and industrial pursuits. Warren was represented by one of her worthy sons in the old Continental Congress, and since the adoption of the national constitution many of her sons have served as representatives and senators in the congress. Thinking that it might be interesting and informing I have decided for the next few weeks to give our readers sketches of Warren men whom have served in the National House of Representatives and the Senate. The first of these in point of time is

COL. BENJAMIN HAWKINS

Col. Benjamin Hawkins was a native of the neighborhood of old Bute Court House. The Hawkins home-stead included the lands now known as the Hawkins and Plummer places, South West of Warrenton. Here Col. Hawkins was born on the 15th of August, 1754.

His parents were Philemon, Sr. and Debra Hawkins. They were natives of Gloucester County Virginia. When the Hawkins family first came from England to the Colonies they seem to have settled in Gloucester, Virginia. Philemon Hawkins, Sr., was a man of remarkably strong character. His means were limited, he was raised to hard labor on his father's farm, and he only had a common school education. When he left Gloucester at the age of twenty he was only twenty years of age. He settled among Indians and the equally uncivilized half-breed white that are always found in a new country. He came to this section with the determination to better his condition in every respect. Being a man of high sense of honor, great courage and industry, he soon won fame and fortune that put him in the very forefront of his contemporaries. He had four sons—John, Benjamin, and Joseph, all of whom were the rank of colonel, and were distinguished as men of affairs in both public and private life. There were also two daughters, Delia, who married L. Bullock, and Ann, who married Micajah Thomas. Philemon Hawkins, Sr., was chief aid to Governor Tryon in the war of the regulators in 1772. He died in 1811 in the eighty-third year of his age. He has many descendants, many of whom have won distinction.

Col. Benjamin Hawkins, who was perhaps the most distinguished of the sons of Philemon Hawkins was, as I have already said a native of this county, having been born on the 15th of August, 1754. He died at his home in the Creek Nation, where he was superintendent of Indian affairs, on the 6th of June, 1816, in the sixty-second year of his age, having served his country in a public capacity thirty years.

His father and Mrs. Macon, the mother of Nathaniel Macon, together with other leading citizens, having established an academy near Bute Court House, of which Rev. Charles Pettigrew was principal, young Hawkins doubtless received his academic training in this school. Here he was prepared for college, but there were no colleges in this colony, and he nearer than William and Mary Virginia. Benjamin and Joseph Hawkins, and young Nathaniel Macon, were sent to William and Mary, and entered Princeton. Here they remained until the college was closed on account of the Revolutionary war. Col. Hawkins was in the senior class, and was distinguished for his scholarship in the sciences. He was especially proficient in French language.

When the College closed he and his father entered the army. As he spoke French fluently, General Washington was compelled to have much intercourse with French officers, and he not only spoke French, made Col. Hawkins a member of his military family. He was with Washington at the battle of Monmouth, and in many other trying situations, and always acquitted himself with honor. He was highly respected by the positions of honor and trust which he placed him.

In 1780 the North Carolina Legislature appointed Col. Hawkins to pro-

vide needed supplies for the State and the carrying on of the war. In this capacity he acted as aide-de-camp to Governor Nash. He, as representative of North Carolina, went to the Island of St. Eustatia, and purchased arms and munitions of war, which he placed on board vessels to be brought to this State, but the ships were captured by the British, and his valuable service was lost to the country.

When the war closed Col. Hawkins returned to Warren and took up the duties of peace. But he was too valuable to the country to be allowed to remain in retirement. Therefore, the General Assembly on the 13th day of May, 1872, elected him a member of the old Continental Congress for one year. The following year he was elected for a like term. It was during the latter year that General Washington appeared before the Congress at Annapolis, Maryland, to voluntarily lay down his commission as Commander in Chief of the American armies.

While serving in this Congress, he was unanimously nominated by the North Carolina delegation in Congress as agent to treat with the Cherokee Indians and all other Indians south of them. He was appointed Commissioner to do this delicate work. He was also appointed to treat with the Creek Indians. In 1786 he was again elected a member of the Continental Congress. After the adoption of the Constitution he was elected a senator from North Carolina to serve in the Senate of the United States for six years. He and Samuel Johnson were the first Senators to represent North Carolina in the Congress of the United States. He would have been reelected to the Senate, but President Washington wanted him to represent the Government among the Southern Indians, and although his friends opposed it, he accepted the appointment, and rendered valuable service to his country in this capacity. He continued in this position until his death, faithful to the Government, and at the same time treating the Indians with justice and kindness.

Col. Hawkins married late in life, and left a family of six children. Some time before his marriage he had intimated to a favorite nephew, who had assisted him in his office as Indian Commissioner, that he intended to make him his heir. After Col. Hawkins' marriage this nephew wrote him releasing him from this promise; notwithstanding this, when Col. Hawkins died he divided his estate equally between his wife, six children, and this nephew.

He was a man of remarkable ability, striking personality and fascinating manners and conversation.

THE LITERARY AND BUSINESS MEETING OF THE WARRENTON PHILATHEA CLASS

The Baptist Philathea Class held its monthly Business meeting and Literary meeting, Monday evening, April 2nd, at the home of Miss Effie Ellington, from eight-thirty to ten-thirty o'clock.

The meeting was called to order by the President. The roll was called by the Secretary, and each member answered to her name with a quotation from Longfellow. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The class appointed Mrs. B. C. Hilliard and Mrs. J. E. Rooker to go to Browns Church Sunday morning to try and organize a Philathea Class there.

After all business matters were attended to the Literary meeting was called to order by the President. The study of the evening was Longfellow's Evangeline. Different members of the class read the most important passages of Evangeline assigned them by the teacher of the Class, Mrs. V. L. Pendleton. After the program was completed delightful refreshments were served. The class adjourned at 10:30 o'clock with each member stating that the evening had been very pleasantly spent.

The next Literary meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. W. D. Rodgers, Jr., April 16th, 1917.

—REPORTER.

It is difficult to be always true to ourselves, to be always what we wish to be, what we feel we ought to be. As long as we feel that, as long as we do not surrender the ideal of our life, all is right. Our aspirations represent the true nature of our souls much more than our every-day life.—Max Muller.

ARCOLA ITEMS.

Mrs. Linda Arrington has returned after spending some time in Richmond, Va., and Louisburg. Her daughter, Mrs. Robert Jones accompanied by her little son Albert, Jr.

Mrs. M. P. Burt has returned to Louisburg after visiting her mother here for several days.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Odum and Miss Bettie Conn spent Sunday afternoon with relatives at Hollister.

Mr. Walker, Editor of the News-Reporter, was looking after the interest of his paper here one day last week.

Mr. Weldon Davis was a business visitor in Warrenton Monday.

Mrs. Mary Bobbitt, of Enfield, has returned to her home after a pleasant visit to her sister, Mrs. Rebecca Davis.

Little Miss Elzora Gupton spent Sunday night with her cousin, Miss Mary Gladys Capps.

Mrs. G. Claude Coleman is visiting her people in Halifax county for a few days.

Messrs. Robert Arrington, Willie King and Herbert Tharrington were callers in the home of Mrs. S. W. Duke Sunday night.

Mr. Landon Capps, who has been on the Border for sometimes as a member of the Louisburg Militia, is now with home people. We are glad to have him home and especially looking so well.

Mr. and Mrs. Billie Harris visited their people in Halifax county the past week-end.

Only a small number of pupils expected to attend County Commencement this year owing to the very busy season of the farmers, and nearly all of the pupils of this section are sons and daughters of the noble tillers of the soil.

The large storage house of Mr. R. L. Capps is nearing completion. The roads are now in very good condition. The mud has become dust in many places.

Mr. Frank Newell and Mr. Moses, of A. & M. College addressed the school and a number of patrons of this community on Pig Club work and other topics at the school building on day last week. The organization of the Pig Club was completed. Several new members were enrolled. The Poultry Club was also discussed and eggs and chickens were ordered for the members.

Misses Ruth Davis, Belle Harris and Lillian Hardy were visitors in our burg one day last week.

Mrs. Walter Robertson was in our town Tuesday.

U. S. MARINES LANDED ON VIRGIN ISLANDS

Washington, April 5th—Two hundred and fifteen United States Marines from Haiti and Santo Domingo were landed Saturday in the Virgin Islands, formerly the Danish West Indies, to form the first United States garrison in this newly-acquired island possession.

In peace or war these "Soldiers of the Sea" have been first in the protection of American interests and property on land or sea, even before we had an army or navy. Having been stationed ashore guarding American Legations abroad and the naval stations in our many island possessions for years, the garrisoning of the Virgin Islands is no new duty for the Marines.

Civil War in Cuba

Cuba's revolution is not suppressed. A battle between 800 government troops and 500 rebels last week, 13 miles from Santiago, was won by the government—Current Events.

GROVE HILL ITEMS.

The weather has opened up and the farmers are very busy getting their crops and gardens planted.

Several from around here attended services at Marmaduke Sunday.

Miss Ruth Davis spent Monday night with Misses Belle and Florene Harris.

Mr. Leon Powell, of Marmaduke, visited his aunt, Mrs. M. E. Davis, Sunday afternoon.

Misses Hope Powell and Ruth Davis attended service at Hollister Sunday evening.

Mr. W. T. Hardy took a business trip to Warrenton Monday.

We are glad to see the automobiles out again around here. The roads must be getting better.

Mr. Vernon Powell has recently opened up a department store at Grove Hill. We hope for him much success.

Mrs. Pattie Lambert and little son, Eugene, are spending a few days at Rosemary.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Johnston, of Littleton, visited her mother, Mrs. Peter Powell, Sunday.

Misses Lillian Hardy, and Misses Florene and Belle Harris spent Friday night with Mrs. W. T. Robertson.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Bugg and little son, Albert Davis, visited her mother, Mrs. M. E. Davis, Sunday.

Misses Lillian Hardy, Ruth Davis, Belle and Florene Harris took a flying trip to Arcola Monday afternoon.

There will be a pie party at Grove Hill school house Monday night April 9th. Everyone is cordially invited.

—VIOLET.

A REQUEST

All persons having attended N. C. State College of Agriculture and Engineering without graduation, regardless of the length of time of such attendance, are earnestly requested to send their address to Buxton White, Alumni Secretary, West Raleigh.

BUXTON WHITE.

STATEMENT

Of the Ownership, Management, Circulation, Etc., Required by the Act of Congress of August 24, 1912.

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State of North Carolina, County of Warren, S. S.

Before me, a Notary Public in and for the State and county aforesaid, personally appeared Howard H. Jones,

who, having been duly sworn according to law, deposes and says that he is the owner of the Warren Record and that the following is to the best of his knowledge and belief, a true statement of the ownership, management, etc., of the aforesaid publication for the date shown in the above caption, required by the Act of August 24, 1912, embodied in section 443, Postal Laws and Regulations, printed on the reverse of this form, to wit:

1. That the names and addresses of the publisher, editor, managing editor, and business managers are: Howard F. Jones, Warrenton, N. C.

2. That the known bondholders, mortgagees, and other security holders owning or holding 1 per cent or more of total amount of bonds, mortgages, or other securities are: Mrs. E. B. Jones, Guardian.

HOWARD F. JONES,

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 5th day of April 1917.

J. M. GARDNER,
(My Commission expires Apr. 4, 1919)

Make your train of thoughts arrive on schedule time.—Current Events.

PROGRAM

The Warren Union Will Meet At Warren Plains, April 27-29, 1917

FRIDAY

7:30 A. M.: Sermon by J. J. Marshall

SATURDAY

9:30 A. M.: Devotional Exercise conducted by C. N. Riggan, who will speak on the importance of song in worship

10:15 A. M.: Our Various Relations, by A. P. Mustian

11 A. M.: The Value of Doctrinal Preaching, G. W. Paschall

11:45 A. M.: Stewardship, E. R. Nelson

12:30 p. m.: Recess

2 p. m.: Family Religion, W. B. Morton

2:45 p. m.: Enlistment Work, J. P. Harris

3:30 p. m.: B. Y. P. U. Work, by J. E. Allen and J. L. Duncan

7:30 p. m.: Sermon, N. W. Bobbitt

SUNDAY SERVICES

11 A. M.: Sermon by W. B. Morton 1:30 p. m.: Sermon, E. R. Nelson

2:30 p. m.: Sunday School

T. J. TAYLOR

ANOTHER VETTRAN PASSES

James William Stewart, whose parents were James William and Lillie Robinson Stewart, was born in Alabama, Sept. 24, 1843, and died at his home in Six Pound township, Warren County, N. C., March 27, 1917, aged 73 years, 6 months and 3 days. His father was a native of Granville County, Va., and his mother was a North Carolinian. He was the last of the six children, the other having died twenty five or more years ago. His guardian, Richard Robinson, sent him to a military school in Alamance county, N. C., but at the out-break of the Civil war he was taken for drill-master, promptly and actively entered service, and distinguished himself as a brave soldier throughout that great and bloody struggle. His first real experience was in the battle of Bethel, and he was at Lee's surrender. He enjoyed the re-unions, and seemed to grow younger in spirits as he lived over again the days so fraught with deeds of valor, danger and death.

While in the army he was converted and soon thereafter joined the Methodist Episcopal Church, South, of which he was an active, useful, faithful member. He efficiently served as steward for many years; and at his death, was the senior member of the Warrenton Circuit Board. He was a familiar figure at the Quarterly Conferences and maintained a lively interest in all church affairs. His membership was at Hebron, a church he loved most devotedly and whose services he regularly attended. He was an earnest teacher in the Sunday school. This writer recalls a good meeting at the close of which Bro. Stewart's cup ran over, and he cordially praised the Lord.

He was attached to home, loved the farm, and provided well for his household. Having settled the place of his choice, he married in 1877 Miss Lizzie Robinson; and she with four of their six children, John, William, Malcolm and Robinson, survive him. They gave him constantly affectionate attention during his last illness of nearly two weeks.

When his pastor had preached out of the text, "Be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a Crown of life," he came forward and warmly assured him that he had enjoyed the message. The night before the end his anxious wife was comforted in hearing him sing, "When shall I see Jesus."

We believe that Bro. Stewart was a good, true man; that he had ripened in spiritual life, and that he was ready for his Captain's call to the last great Re-union.

R. H. BROOM.

THE EASTER ANGELS

God hath sent His angels
To the earth again,
Bringing joyful tidings
To the sons of men.

They who first at Christmas
Thronged the heavenly way
Now beside the tomb door
Sit on Easter day.

Angels sing his triumph,
As you sing his birth,
"Christ the Lord has risen,
Peace, good will on earth."

God has still his angels
Helping at his word,
All his faithful children,
Like their faithful Lord.

Soothing them in sorrow,
Arming them in strife,
Open wide the tomb doors
Leading into life.

Father, send thine angels
Unto us we pray,
Leave us not to wander
All along our way.

Let them guard and guide us,
Whereso'er we be
Till our resurrection
Bring us home to thee.

—Phillips Brooks.

TAX LISTERS, 1917

River—T. C. Alston
Six Pound—W. A. Shaw
Hawtree—J. D. Newell
Smith Creek—T. A. Baxter
Nubush—K. J. Cole
Sandy Creek—S. J. Pritchard
Shocco—W. A. J. Pinnell
Fishing Creek—L. W. Gupton
Judkins—J. J. Stallings
Warrenton—H. B. Hunter
Fork—W. E. Davis
Roanoke—H. L. Wall

NEWMAN ITEMS.

The Arrival of Spring

Oh, get out the harrow and get the plow,
And harness old Dobbin and Harry!
Then turn up the garden and mark it in rows.

Go cut the "Pertaters" and plant 'em in hills,
And sow lots of parsley for garnishing frills,
Put in som red peppers, and Onions for sauce,
Anr radishes plenty, both scarlet and "hoss."

Go bathe in the river and shingle your hair
Anr change to the duds that you annually wear!
Go haul off the garbage and put up the swing
And hail to the joyous arrival of Spring.

We all gladly welcome the Soldier Boys home.

Mrs. and Mrs. S. J. Cole and two children spent last Sunday with Mr. W. J. Cole and family.

Mr. J. M. Holloway from near York, visited in the home of Mr. J. D. Moss Sunday last.

The Sunday Scholl at Mt. Auburn Christian church was organized, Sunday, March the 25th, for this year. There were about 75 present Sunday; and all seemed to be interested in Sunday School work. We wish for this school much success.

Miss Virgie W. Cole was the guest of Miss Mamie Cole Sunday.

Mrs. Lucy Perkinson, from near York, visited Mrs. W. J. Cole last Sunday.

Miss Susie Spain, from near York, passed through last Wednesday enroute to Gold-Leaf, Va., to visit Mrs. Ed. Spain and Miss Susie Alford.

Dr. Hammon, of Palmer Springs, Va., was in our midst recently.

Mrs. J. D. Moss is visiting relatives in Virginia this week.

Mr. J. H. Cole, Jr., of Norlina R. F. D., spent last Sunday with Mr. R. M. Cole.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. King and little daughter Emma, and Mr. B. E. King, of Wise, spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. O. C. King and family.

Mr. J. B. Ellington was on our streets Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John King, of Ridge-way R. F. D. were the guest of their daughter, Mrs. O. C. King, Sunday.

Mrs. W. J. Cole and daughter, Miss Mamie, spent Friday with Mrs. Z. M. Newman at Norlina.

Encourage the habit of reading in the home by purchasing an occasional good book, and by subscribing to the Semi-Weekly Warren Record, which is a good paper for all the family to read.

Best Wishes

LILY.

RIDGEWAY ITEMS

Mesdames W. C. Mabry, J. E. Ban-zet and T. P. Grant attended the Betterment Association at Norlina Monday.

Mr. J. A. Meeder, of Popular Mt., was in our midst Tuesday.

Mr. Garing and Master George H. went to Henderson Monday.

Mr. Will Wyckoff spent several days with his parents. He has just returned from El Paso, Texas.

Miss Gracie Moore from Norlina spent Sunday with her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Brauer and daughter, Ida, went to Warrenton shopping Monday.

Mrs. M. B. Alston is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Davis Peck, in Warrenton.

Miss Lizzie Wesson, of Grove Hill, Va., is making an extended visit to her friend, Miss Nena Dortch.

Misses Ruth Petar, Rebecca Collins and Ava Alston were in Warrenton shopping Monday.

Misses Alice, Nellie and Grace Wyckoff, of Henderson, spent Sunday with their parents here.

Miss Pauline Lauterback was in our town shopping Tuesday.

Mrs. B. D. Moore returned from Henderson, where she has been staying with her sister, Mrs. O. O. White, about Six week.

FOR-GET-ME-NOT

SMITH CREEK PETITIONS

Smith Creek petitions for an election to determine the wishes of the citizens for a bond issue of Forty thousand dollars for good roads. A notice of said election appears in this issue of the Warren Record. Charles G. Mustian, Registrar; John H. Cole and Kasper Killian, Judges. Place of election, Harton's store.