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## OLD TIMES IN WARREN

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### NATIONAL CHARACTERS

#### NATHANIEL MACON.

In a former paper I endeavored to give a picture of the home and neighborhood life of Nat. Macon. In this I shall endeavor to present a picture of his public life.

This great commoner was born and lived and died in Warren County, and is regarded by many as the greater of our public men.

Mr. Macon spent his early life in the southern part of the county not far from old Bute courthouse, and attended the school conducted by Rev. Charles F. Pettigrew at that place. Here he commenced the study of the classics and was prepared for college. He entered Princeton college with Benjamin and Joseph Hawkins. These three young men lived in the same section of the county, attended the same neighborhood school, and together they entered Princeton college where they continued until that institution was closed on account of the Revolutionary War.

Mr. Macon entered the army and served under Washington in the North. When he entered the army he refused a commission as he preferred to serve as a private. Although he served his country in many public and exalted positions he was never an office-seeker, the offices always sought him, and that's the way it always should be. He did not serve his country for fame or wealth; she was in danger; her liberties were in peril and he gladly gave his services in her defense. He not only refused a commission in the army but also declined to accept pay for his services as a soldier. He loved his country as a devoted son loves his mother and gave the best that he had to her defense and to the promoters of her interest.

In 1783 and while in the army, without his knowledge or consent, Mr. Macon was elected to the Senate of the North Carolina general assembly from Warren county. His patriotism was of such a high order and his devotion to his comrades in arms was so great that he refused to leave the army for the honor of the public office. Finally, he yielded to the persuasion of his commanding officer and left the army to serve in the councils of his country where he had a long and brilliant career.

He served in the State Senate for six consecutive terms and won great distinction as a wise legislator and a patriot who put the welfare of the country before his private interests. About the time he retired from the Legislature he was united in marriage to Miss Hannah Plummer. He settled at Buck Springs and devoted himself to the improvement of his farm and the enjoyment of family life. But he was not permitted to remain in retirement. His services in the State Senate had been of such a character as to attract the people of the State to him as a man who could be trusted and whose ability fitted him for large service.

Therefore, in 1791 he was elected a member of the National Congress from his district and his services were so acceptable that he continued in Congress from the same district until 1818, a period of 24 years. From 1801 to 1806 he was Speaker of the House of Representatives. In 1805 on being re-elected Speaker of the House he made the following speech:

"Gentlemen: Accept my sincere thanks for the honor you have conferred upon me. Permit me to assure you that my utmost endeavors will be exercised to discharge the duties of the Chair, with fidelity, impartiality, and industry, and that I rely with confidence on the liberal and candid support of the House."

The brevity of the address, and it would be better if other would take it for a model, reminds me of his circular letter informing every Post Master in his district of the Declaration of the War of 1812. Here it is: "Washington, June 18th, 1812. Sir: War was declared against Great Britain yesterday."

In 1815 Mr. Macon was transferred to the Senate of the United States. This honor came to him unsought as all his honors came. He continued in the Senate until 1823 and then resigned because having passed his seventieth year he felt that he had reached a period when he ought to retire in favor of a younger man.

In 1825-26 and '27 he was elected Free term, of the Senate. In 1824 he received the 24 electoral votes of Virginia as Vice-President of the United States.

## WISE ITEMS

"Breathes there a man with soul so dead Who never to himself hath said, This is my own native land!"

This is a time when it behooves us to be patriotic; to teach our children patriotism and the nation's ideals, to teach them to love and honor the flag and to teach them the ideals that it stands for.

We would be ashamed to admit that a flag is conspicuous by its absence in Wise, were it not for the fact that steps have been taken to purchase one immediately.

At the parents meeting held at the schoolhouse on last Friday, at which time Dr. W. W. Taylor was to have made an address, but was unable to come. Mr. Craver urged that each child contribute something, if only one penny to a flag to be hoisted on the schoolbuilding. He said that he wanted every child to feel that they had an interest in it. He also appointed Miss Mary Perkins, Miss Cliffe Williams and Mrs. E. T. Perkins to solicit funds outside of the school. Any person wishing to show their patriotism by contributing may send their contribution to any member of this committee or to Mr. Craver. Let us make haste and demonstrate that there are a few patriots in Wise who would love to see the emblem of liberty flying in their midst.

Miss Mary Sally Perkins, of Oxford College and two friends, Misses Parker and Sherwell spent Easter with Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Perkins.

Easter Monday was exceedingly quiet and uneventful with us. Groups of serious-minded men gathered at the stores and talked over the war. In the evening Miss Viola Perkins entertained the teachers and the young people of the community numbering in all nearly fifty. Games were played and the festivities lasted until a late hour. It was with regret even then, that the young folks left for home.

About eighteen pecan trees have been set out at the school house. It will be interesting to watch them grow.

Commencement services will be held on the fourth Sunday morning at the church.

### HOW DID YOU TAKE IT?

Did you tackle the trouble that came your way

With a resolute heart and cheerful? Or hide your face from the light of day

With a craven soul, or fearful? Oh, a trouble's a ten, or a trouble's an ounce,

Or a trouble is what you make it; And it isn't the fact that you're hurt, that counts,

But early, How did you take it? —Edmund Vance Cook.

"Our ancestors came over in the May-flower," proudly announced little Miss Uppson, of Boston.

"Pshaw, that nothing," retorted the little miss from Indianapolis. "Our ancestors were the original settlers in the Garden of Eden."—Ex.

When he resigned his seat in the Senate, he returned to his home at Buck Spring and took up the duties of private life, hoping to spend his remaining years in the quiet enjoyment of domestic life.

The people were not willing to deprive themselves entirely of his valuable services. Therefore in 1898 he was elected a member of the Constitutional convention of which he was chosen President. To Mr. Macon and William Gaston, the one a Catholic and the other a Baptist in sentiment, is due the honor of putting into the Constitution of our State the article securing unto all men absolute liberty of conscience and religious liberty.

Mr. Macon only appeared in public once more. In 1836 he was elected on the Democratic ticket. He presided at the college of Electors and gave the vote of North Carolina to Martin Van Buren, the Democratic Candidate.

Including the six years that Mr. Macon spent in the State Senate he served in Legislative Assemblies forty-three years. This is probably a longer period than any other North Carolinian served in so distinguished a way.

He has no descendants of his own name and his daughter who married Mr. Eaton has no descendants. One of his daughters married a Mr. Martin. She may have left descendants. If she did not then the blood of Nathaniel Macon does not flow in the veins of any human being.

## RIDGEWAY ITEMS

Mr. and Mrs. Walter A. Overby spent Easter in Winston-Salem.

Messrs. Earnest Hecht and Arthur Dill, of Henderson, spent Easter Monday here.

Mrs. Davis Peck, of Warrenton, spent Friday night and Saturday with her mother, Mrs. M. B. Alston.

Mr. J. A. Meeder was in our midst Wednesday.

Miss Lizzie Wesson who has been visiting Miss Nena Dortch, returned to her home at Diamond Grove, Va., Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Mayfield, of Ome, were here Wednesday.

Miss Gracie Moore is visiting friends at Norfolk and Cape Charles, Va.

We are sorry to report that Mr. Nat Allen is very sick. We hope he will soon be well.

Messrs. Ivay Allen, of Louisburg and Eugene Allen, of Warrenton, were here to see their father this week.

Mr. Will Wyckoff and Misses Alice and Nellie Wyckoff, of Henderson, spent Easter with their parents.

Messrs. J. C. Brauer, Henry Hering and Paul Brauer went to Warrenton Monday.

Misses Edna Allen, of Louisburg, and Sallie Allen have been here this week to see their father.

Mrs. M. B. Alston has returned home from Warrenton, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Davis Peck.

Mr. A. Paschall, of Drewery, past through here Sunday.

Misses Clara and Freida Hecht, and Lena Sinn were here shopping Tuesday.

Mr. S. W. Neal, of Macon, was in our town Wednesday.

Mr. E. Kilian and sons were pleasant visitors at Mrs. L. M. Kilian's Sunday.

Mr. E. C. W. Hecht was in our town Wednesday.

FOR-GET-ME-NOT.

## GOVERNOR BICKETT CALLS TO RED CROSS SERVICE

Patriotic Men and Women Everywhere Urged to Form Red Cross Chapters and First Aid Classes.

Raleigh, April 10th—"The formation of Red Cross Chapters and First Aid Classes," said Governor Bickett in an interview today, "is one of the duties of every patriotic North Carolinian over sixteen years of age." The Governor calls attention to the fact that "while no field service is required of members of the American Red Cross, immediate help is needed to stock field and base hospitals with the necessities of military and civilian relief, to train those who enter or are contemplating entering any branch of military service, as well as those who remain at home or on the battle field."

"Already," said Governor Bickett, "there are scores of First Aid Classes being formed in every section of the State. Doctors are volunteering to teach classes in First Aid free of charge, while patriotic men and women are organizing such classes, life saving corps, industrial work, and other Red Cross work."

"The United States," said Governor, "is far behind other countries in this work. With our hundred million population we have a Red Cross membership of only 250,000, while Germany, with only two thirds of our population, has over five times our Red Cross membership, and Japan, with about half our population, has over seven times our Red Cross membership."

The Governor calls further attention to the fact that the American Red Cross is chartered by Congress, that it is the only volunteer agency for relief commissioned by the Government in case of war or overwhelming disaster, that the President of the United States is the president of the Society and that it reports to Congress and has its accounts audited by the War Department.

Every person interested in the formation of First Aid class or any phase of the Red Cross work is requested to write at once to the American Red Cross, Washington, D. C.

## LAST CHANCE FOR ILLITERATES

There's a rush of immigrants to escape the literacy test. Five hundred Portuguese arrived at Boston last week; the largest number that ever came on one ship. After May 1 all immigrants must be able to read in some language or they will not be admitted to these shores.—Current Events.

## CHURCHILL ITEMS

Mr. R. L. Bell went to Warrenton last Tuesday.

Mr. H. M. Gardner, from Keller, Ga., came home Saturday to spend the Easter holidays with his mother.

Messrs. Jim Bell, Walter Hatchercock of Warrenton attended the Easter Services at Churchill Sunday morning and visited "the girls" that afternoon.

Messrs. Andrew and Bud Harris, of Durham, are visiting their parents Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Harris, Sr.

Mr. Harvie Gilliland, of Rosemary, came home to spend Easter.

Misses Val Alston and Jonnie Mathews, teachers of Churchill School, left Friday to spend the week-end near Henderson.

The young people of this community regretted to see the rain yesterday on account of breaking the plans for a big picnic at Robinson's Ferry.

Mr. R. L. Bell spent Easter in the home of Miss Val Alston.

Misses Maude Sadler, Nannie Gardner and Mr. Jim Bell were pleasant visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Burrows.

Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Gardner, of Weldon, are visiting their parents this week.

Mr. Claude Coleman, of Rocky Mt., attended service at Churchill Sunday.

Miss Bertha Sadler, of Littleton, came home to spend Easter with her parents.

Mrs. Beck Shaw is still staying with her sister Mrs. Joyce Coleman who has been on the sick list for some time.

Mr. and Mrs. T. V. Allen, and Mrs. H. B. Harris spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Gardner.

Mr. and Mrs. I. A. Coleman spent Sunday and Monday with Mrs. Lucy Gardner.

Mr. Ed. Blajock, of Warrenton, visited Mrs. Ruth Huxter Easter.

Mr. Simon Gardner and Miss Alma Shearin were out riding Sunday afternoon in his brother's new Ford.

On account of the rain Sunday night the B. Y. P. U. was postponed.

The young boys of Churchill were "Rearing to go" to "Hobo Junction" Sunday afternoon. Think they should take another day for it instead of Sunday.

"DAISY."

## SOUR MILK FOR CHICKENS

The feeding of sour milk or buttermilk to fowls has been practiced with splendid results for years in the best farming and dairy sections of our country, yet we often hear persons say they think it is dangerous to feed this kind of stuff to fowls, and especially to growing chickens. We think that the reason some people have trouble in feeding is on account of carelessness in its handling. While it is true that the milk is soured to start with, yet it is possible, by leaving it in the hot sun, to let it get into such a stage that it is neither palatable nor wholesome, and is really injurious to anything that eats it. We have known many who thought that sour milk was sour milk, and that was all there was to it. They got into all kinds of trouble in feeding it. Bowel trouble ensued and, of course, the milk was condemned.

We fed sour milk for years with the most satisfactory results, both to laying hens and to growing chicks after they were six weeks old; but we had a strict method we followed for keeping things in a sanitary condition. We had iron vessels in which we fed the milk as a drink. When the weather was at all hot these were scalded out every other day, and the milk was changed every day. If any stale milk remained from the day before it was emptied out and fresh milk put in. This is the way it was given to old and young as drink. Then it was often used for mixing a damp mash. Just enough was added to make the mixture hold lightly together in a crumbly dough. The mash consisted of wheat bran, corn meal, middlings and ground oats. Under no circumstances was more fed than could be promptly cleaned up. The troughs were then rinsed and cleaned for the next time. The secret of success in the feeding of this most valuable milk feed lies in keeping things fresh and clean. When it is allowed to stand about, turning green and mouldy, it is time to look out.

—Southern Ruralist.

One of the first acts of the new Russian government is to abolish the death penalty. That may mercifully save some high personage from sharing the fate of Louis XVI. Imprisonment for life is now the extreme penalty.—Current Events.

## AFTON ITEMS

Mr. Banzette, "the chicken man," of Ridgeway, was in Afton Wednesday.

Mr. H. B. Hunter visited in Macon Tuesday.

Mrs. L. L. Fuller is slowly improving from a recent spell of rheumatism.

Jeff Williams and family of Warrenton, visited his brother, Mr. D. C. Williams last Sunday.

Mr. L. E. Thompson, of Macon, was a pleasant visitor in the home of Mr. H. B. Hunter Monday.

We understand that Mr. M. S. Dryden has bought Mr. Montgomery's property. We welcome him to our community and wish him success.

Mr. J. W. Burroughs and daughter, Miss Katie, spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Temple near Norlina.

Mr. Sam Davis, of Shocco, passed through Afton Tuesday enroute to Warrenton.

Our school closed last week with an Easter Egg hunt and our teacher, Miss Catherine Hedges, left for home last Friday.

Mr. L. L. Fuller went to Warrenton Monday.

Mr. A. H. Frazier was in Warrenton on business Tuesday.

Miss Victoria Williams was in Warrenton shopping last Saturday.

Mr. N. C. Burroughs and son Jermon, of Norlina, were pleasant visitors in the home of Mr. H. F. Reams since our last writing.

It was a great disappointment to all our school children that last Thursday was a rainy day as they had anticipated a big time at County Commencement.

Mr. H. G. Limer and little daughter of Elberon were pleasant visitors in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Fuller, last week.

Miss Annie Robertson spent the Easter holidays at her home near Littleton.

## AN OPPORTUNITY FOR PHYSICIANS

Only Practicing Physicians May Teach First Aid Classes. More Physicians Wanted for This Work.

As only qualified physicians in active practice can be teachers of First Aid Classes of the American Red Cross, this service comes to physicians as a most acceptable opportunity for rendering their country a most timely and needed aid, suggests the State Board of Health. It is believed by those most actively engaged in Red Cross Work that voluntary services on the part of the physicians to teach First Aid Classes will be the first move toward a more general interest in relief work, particular in personal equipment.

Mrs. Wm. B. Grimes, vice-chairman of the Raleigh Red Cross Chapter, says that wherever the doctors volunteer their services, there's no trouble in organizing classes, for there's always some good woman in a town or community who so feels the need of this work that she will give her time and services to form classes and see that they are organized according to Red Cross regulations. Mrs. Grimes feels that every woman in the State and men too, as for that matter, will want to avail themselves of this opportunity to become better equipped to serve their country in war or their homes and family in time of peace.

But Mrs. Grimes explains that this does not mean that women who become members of Red Cross Chapters or of First Aid Classes are under any obligation to volunteer to go on the field, in hospital work or elsewhere, but that its educational work as well as the making of supplies is for a greater efficiency and a state of preparedness which our country yet lacks.

A Red Cross-First Aid Course consists of not less than ten lectures and demonstrations of one and a half hour's duration each. In many places physicians are volunteering their services as instructors of these classes free, but where a class can well pay for such services it should do so. The text books are arranged so that one lecture will cover a chapter and there are various editions of text books for various classes of individuals, as Men's, Women's, Miner's, Police, Railroad and Industrial editions.

"Yes, gentlemen," said the geologist, "the ground we walk on was once under water."

"Well," replied the patriotic young man of the party, "it simply goes to show that you can't hold this country down."

## A DELIGHTFUL PARTY

### "YOUNGER SET" ENJOYS EASTER ENTERTAINMENT

The girls of the younger set entertained at the home of Miss Cate Monro Gardner on Easter Monday evening. The guest assembled about nine o'clock and a delightful evening was spent playing games and competing in various contests. In one of these Miss Agnes Henderson and Mr. Earl Macon were successful.

About eleven o'clock a tap on the door announced "bread and butter come to supper." The hostess lead the way into the dining room and the guest with their respective escorts followed.

Miss Agnes Henderson with Mr. Graham Boyd; Miss Gayle Tarwater with Mr. Robert Broom; Miss Will Jones with Mr. Frank Hunter; Miss Critchton Thorne with Mr. Van. Davis, also Messrs. John Tarwater, Bignall Jones, Douglas Henderson and Earl Macon.

The dining room was artistically decorated with red crepe paper, a big bowl of crimson tulips helped to develop the color scheme. Each guest found his place by an individual place card and then a cup of hot chocolate, cheese straws, pickle and beaten biscuits made the place worth searching for. Ice cream and cake followed with a generous bit of fun thrown in.

After refreshments the guests returned to the reception room and things were made lively by a "rooster fight" with a bowl of wild violets.

The fun was kept up until late at night when the guest departed all with a sincere good time speech for the hostess.

## GERMAN PRESS MUZZLED

Newspaper in Germany were not allowed, for two days to publish President Wilson's Address to Congress. Then they were permitted to print a garbled version, from which everything that showed Germany wrong had been cut out.

But the Address may yet reach the German troops and people. In France millions of true copies, translated into German, have been printed and are being dropped from aeroplanes that fly over the German lines by night.

German newspapers are filled with personal abuse of President Wilson, and false statements of the reasons why the United States went to war. These papers are particularly angered by the distinction the President makes, about Americans making war on the ruthless German government while remaining sincere friends of the German people. Nobody likes to have a sore spot touched, and German papers, controlled by the government, see in the distinction a force that may yet overthrow the "War Lord" in Germany as in Russia.

"That's good, that's splendid," said Private Secretary Tumulty, when he heard that French aviators were scattering copies of President Wilson's Address from aeroplanes over the German lines. We wish the German people to know that we are not their enemy, but only the enemy of their bad government.—Current Events.

## RESOLUTIONS OF LOYALTY

To the President and Secretary of the Navy of these United States: We, the undersigned representatives of not only the best thinking and abiding negro citizens, but the masses of the Negro Race, take this method of expressing the sentiments of the Negro people in our State and specially in this vicinity.

1st. That the Negro is loyal to the "Flag" of our country.

2nd. That we are citizens who stand ready to answer any call of the American Government by its President.

- C. H. Williamson,
- J. S. Wortham,
- P. H. Haley,
- M. F. Thornton,
- J. H. Green,
- Cyrus Green,
- J. S. Plummer,
- Rev. J. H. Hudson,
- W. M. Harris,
- R. P. Green,
- J. S. Green,
- J. T. Crosson,
- James Jordan,
- O. E. Ellis,
- O. M. Green,
- Rev. A. W. Jones,
- Rev. A. A. Thompson.

A small girl who was just having her first soda said, "O father, it makes my nose feel as if my foot was asleep."