

Along The Way

By Emily Killete



Many times modern conveniences are taken for granted. And, among these conveniences, but not often associated with the category, are our local doctors and hospital.

Oftentimes the public is asked to think of life without television, telephones, automobiles and air conditioning. But, add to that list local doctors and a county hospital. Duplin has been fortunate to have been served by a number of respected doctors in its early history and today. Along the Way began a reprint two weeks ago of an article by Dr. and Mrs. John D. Robinson of Wallace recalling the history of the medical profession of that area. This week features the third portion of the Robinsons' article entitled "Medical Doctors Who Have Served In Wallace." The article was first published in the February 24, 1955, issue of THE DUPLIN TIMES.

Medical Doctors Who Have Served In Wallace

Dr. Ben Robinson Graham
Dr. Ben Robinson Graham, oldest son of Dr. D. McL. Graham, and who by his father was named for his own medical preceptor, Dr. Ben Robinson of Fayetteville, was born November 23, 1868. His mother was Elizabeth Anne Murphy, daughter of Dr. Hanson F. Murphy of Pender County.

Dr. Graham attended the school conducted at Wallace by Mr. S.W. Clement, but, as may be said, was largely self-educated. Following a teaching experience in the public schools for two years and a clerkship employment in the general offices of the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad at Wilmington, he entered the Medical School of the University of Virginia, from which school he graduated in the Class of 1895. Shortly after graduation he returned to Wallace, and as Doctor Ben took over the practice of his father, then in failing health.

Dr. Graham continued in the active practice of his profession at

Fellowship Revival And Homecoming

Fellowship United Methodist Church will hold a revival Nov. 4-8. Services begin at 7:30 p.m. Sunday there will be refreshments at 6:30 p.m.

The revival speakers will be the Rev. Harvey Estes and the Rev. Gayla Estes. Special music is planned each night.

Homecoming services will be held Nov. 11 at 11 a.m. The speaker will be Donny Myers, a layman of Turkey United Methodist Church.

STROUD REUNION

The Kit-Cora Stroud Reunion was held on Oct. 21 at the Smith's Community Building near Pink Hill.

Approximately 45 attended and a delicious meal and nice time was shared by all.

Officers for the coming year are: President G.B. Stroud, Sec.-Treas Sheila Futrell.

The family is now looking forward to the next reunion and encourage all family members and friends to join them.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. L.C. Stroud of Pink Hill announce the birth of their daughter, Jessica Renee, on October 6, 1984 at Lenoir Memorial Hospital in Kinston.

The maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Norris of Kenansville. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Stroud of Albertson.

HALL FAMILY REUNION

The Hall family reunion is scheduled for Sunday, Nov. 4 at Potters Hill Community Building. All are urged to attend and bring a picnic lunch to be served at 1 p.m. Special singing is scheduled for the afternoon. Friends are invited to join for fellowship and the dinner.

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Wallace until 1915, when he moved to Wilmington, where he continued in active practice until his death which occurred on April 18, 1928. Both at Wallace and in Wilmington, Dr. Graham established for himself an extensive practice as a well beloved "family physician" and

professionally skilled diagnostician his reputation was outstanding.
In 1901 Dr. Graham married Edith Bolls of Wilmington, who as his widow, presently survives in that city.
Dr. Charles P. Graham of Wilmington, son of Dr. B.R. Graham, and fourth in line of direct medical descent, and a graduate of the University of North Carolina and of Harvard Medical School, today worthily upholds the reputation that tradition has attached to the name of Dr. Graham.
Dr. John William Carroll
Dr. Carroll was born in Magnolia

on February 19, 1878, the son of the late William Carr Carroll and Susan Colwell Carroll.
Dr. Carroll was graduated from State College in 1897 with a degree in Agriculture and remained at the college as a graduate instructor in dairying until 1900 at which time he re-entered the University of Maryland to study medicine and graduated in 1903. He then began his practice of medicine in Wallace and remained there until 1931 when he moved to Russellville, S.C. to practice. This was his home until the time of his death on May 4, 1951.
Dr. Carroll married the former

Mattie Eliza Dunn of Wake Forest who died on May 13, 1953. Dr. and Mrs. Carroll have two surviving children, Dr. John Williams Carroll, Dr., of Wichita Falls, Texas and Mrs. E.J. Johnson of Wallace. Dr. Carroll was a member of the Southern Medical Society and had served as first vice-president of the N.C. State Medical Society and as president of the Duplin County Medical Society. In South Carolina, he was a member of the S.C. State Medical Society. He served as president of the Berkeley County Medical Society and also president of the Coastal Medical Society. He was

a member of the staff and was on the board of directors of the Berkeley County Hospital. He was local surgeon for the ACL Railroad since 1916, both in North Carolina and South Carolina.
He was a charter member of the Wallace Baptist Church, of which he was a lifetime deacon. South Carolina, as well as North Carolina, recognized the worth of Dr. Carroll's profession. He had a full and happy life in that he lived for others. Dr. Carroll was a good mixer and his genial, sympathetic manner and kindly understanding won for him hosts of friends.

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