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SIR EVAN MACGREGOR Exercising the hereditary right of Clan Gregor, in accepting the Honors of Scotland, at Edinburgh Castle in 1822.

# THE HONORS OF SCOTLAND

The picture on the opposite page shows Sir Evan John Murray MacGregor of MacGregor, exercising the hereditary right of Clan Gregor, in receiving the Honors of Scotland (The Crown, the Sceptre and the Sword) when he escorted them from the Crown Room at Edinburgh Castle to the Palace of Holyroodhouse on the occasion of a visit by King George IV in 1822.

Sir Evan was the great grandfather of the present Chief of Clan Gregor, Sir Malcolm MacGregor of MacGregor, who with Lady Gylla MacGregor, were guests of the American Clan Gregor Society, at our 1952 Gathering in Washington, D. C.

The picture by Dennis Dighton, which was exhibited at the Royal Academy in 1824, now hangs at "Edinchip", Lochearnhead, Scotland, the seat of Sir Malcolm MacGregor.

Sir Malcolm claims Clan Gregor's hereditary right of escorting the regalia whenever it is moved. He has at "Edinchip" all of the clothing which Sir Evan MacGregor wore at the 1822 ceremony, including a kilt that is pleated on the floor and then tied up, the coat, waistcoat, powder horn, and other accessories, and the dirk given by Prince Charles Edward, "Bonnie Prince Charlie", to Major Evan MacGregor, who was his A.D.C. in the '45 Rebellion.

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Commodore George Allen Magruder, Sr. (1799-1871)

## OUR MAGRUDER COUSINS IN ENGLAND

by

#### THOMAS GARLAND MAGRUDER, JR.

Commodore George Allan Magruder, Sr., United States Navy, sprang from a distinguished sept of American Clan Magruder. He was a son of Thomas Magruder (1779-1830) of Prince Georges County, Md., and Elizabeth Bankhead; grandson of George Fraser Magruder (1738-1801) and Eleanor Bowie; great grandson of William Magruder (1701-65) and Mary Fraser and great, great grandson of Samuel Magruder (I) and Sarah Beall, daughter of Col. Ninian Beall.

Commodore Magruder's mother was the daughter of James Bankhead, Jr., of Caroline County, Va., and Christian Miller. James Bankhead's father was Dr. James Bankhead, Sr., who on Aug. 20, 1738, married Elinor Monroe, an aunt of James Monroe, third President of the United States.

One of Commodore Magruder's brothers was Maj. Gen. John Bankhead Magruder, "Prince John" of the Confederacy. Another was the Hon. Allan Bowie Magruder, West Point graduate, United States Commissioner at Winchester, Va., Major in the Confederate States Army, and father of the novelist Julia Magruder.

Commodore Magruder is believed to have been born in Port Royal, Va., in 1799. He died in England in 1871. His grandfather George Fraser Magruder owned a large plantation called "Blue Plains" on the Potomac River below Washington, D. C., and opposite George Washington's "Mount Vernon". He was a planter, slave owner and extremely wealthy for Colonial days.

About 1825, George Allan Magruder, Sr., married Maria Margaretta Swann, daughter of Caleb Swann of Cincinnati, Ohio. By this union there were five children: Maj. George Allan Magruder, Jr., Confederate States Army; Ella Bankhead Magruder; Elizabeth Bankhead Magruder, who died young; Helen Magruder who became Lady Abinger; and Henrietta Magruder, described as that "petite and graceful Henrietta Magruder" among the belles mentioned in the book, "Belles, Beaux and Brains of the Sixties".

George Allan Magruder, Sr., had four sisters, Isabella G. Magruder who married George P. Turner; Elizabeth Bankhead Magruder who married John L. Pendleton; Janetta Magruder who married Maj. Robert H. Poore; and Julianna Magruder. His brother, Gen. John Bankhead Magruder married Esther Henrietta Van Kapff, daughter of the German Consul in Baltimore, and his other brother, Allan Bowie Magruder, of Virginia, married first Elizabeth Timberlake and second Sarah M. Guillam.

The naval career of Commodore Magruder began Jan. 1, 1817, when he was appointed Midshipman from Port Royal, Va., and a month later ordered to report to the U.S.S. Franklin at Philadelphia. He subsequently served on the U.S.S. Congress; attended Naval School on the U.S.S. Washington at New York; served on the U.S.S. Grampus for duty in the West Indies.

Promoted to Lieutenant, April 28, 1826, he was ordered to the U.S.S. Vincennes at New York. Vincennes was part of the Pacific Squadron. In 1833, he was ordered to the U.S.S. Delaware, the following year to the U.S. Frigate United States and in 1837 to the U.S. Macedonian, and in 1838 to the U.S.S. Columbia about to sail for the East India station. In 1845, he was promoted to Commander and on Feb. 20, 1847, was assigned to the bomb vessel Vesuvius which was in Mexican waters from March 7 to the end of the Mexican War. During a part of this period, he served as Governor of Laguna and was highly praised by Commodore Perry.

On June 16, 1847, he commanded the Third Division of Artillery from the Vesuvius in an expedition of three officers and twenty-eight men against Tobasco under command of Commodore Perry. He later commanded the U.S.S. Union and U.S.S. St. Marys, Pacific Squadron.

On May 24, 1855, he was detached from ordnance duty and appointed Captain of the Fleet and Ordnance Officer, Mediterranean Squadron. He was commissioned a Captain on September 24, of the same year.

Detached from the Mediterranean Squadron, he was ordered to Washington and on September 24, 1860 was appointed Chief of the Bureau of Ordnance and Hydrography.

The late Peter H. Magruder, secretary of the United States Naval Academy, stated that as Chief of a Bureau in the Navy Department, Capt. Magruder had the relative rank of Commodore, as he was serving with Commodores Dupont, Maury and Barron, all four of whom were the Navy's chief advisors at that time. He also pointed out while Commodore Magruder was not a graduate of the Naval Academy of today, he may fairly be classed as a graduate of the "Navy School" which the Naval Academy was first named, as all the early graduates were titled.

Peter Magruder continues:

"At the outbreak of the Civil War, Commodore Magruder, being Southern born, tendered to the President on April 23, 1861, the resignation of his commission as Chief of Bureau of Ordnance and Hydrography, and as Captain in the United States Navy.

"To show the sterling qualities of this officer, I quote the following from his letter of resignation:

"I take occasion to assure you that my resignation from a service to which I was sincerely attached was the most painful of my life. The land of my birth had left the Union, to my deep regret, and as I could not find it in my heart, to bear arms against her, I was reluctantly constrained to act as I did, and while I state this I have no hesitation in saying that under no circumstances could I be induced to bear arms against the Constitution and the Flag I love."

The Navy Department detached Commodore Magruder from the Bureau of Ordnance and Hydrography on April 23, 1861, the date of his resignation. However, on May 15, he was ordered dismissed as of April 22, one day before his resignation was received.

Commodore Magruder and his family left shortly thereafter for Montreal, Canada, and later took ship to England.

George Allan Magruder, Jr., only son, however, remained in the United States and became an officer in the Confederate Army. At the time of his father's resignation from the Navy, he was a student at the Virginia Military Institute at Lexington.

Col. William Couper, executive officer at the Institute, in a recent letter, stated that George, Jr., matriculated July 25, 1859 and was declared a graduate as of December 6, 1861. He stood 25 in a class of 35. He entered the Institute with advanced standing. It is believed he is the George Magruder from the District of Columbia who attended the University of Virginia from 1853 to 1856.



HELEN LADY ABINGER



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In common with many cadets, he went with the Institute Corps to Richmond to train Confederate forces assembled there.

During the War, he was in the Artillery Service and served as 1st Lieut. of Magruder's Light Artillery and A.D.C. with his uncle Maj. Gen. John Bankhead Magruder in the Peninsula Campaign in the early part of the War.

When Gen. Magruder assumed command in Houston, Tex., on April 4, 1865, of the District of Texas, New Mexico and Arizona, he announced the officers of his staff and among them was Maj. George Allan Magruder, Jr., who was Chief of Artillery. His parole was signed at New Orleans at the close of the War and his address given as Richmond, Va.

After the War, he rejoined his father in England. He was married twice but had no children. He died in 1912, at his home 4 Pond Point de Longchamps, Paris, France.

In England, Commodore Magruder's three surviving daughters were famous beauties and belles of English society and all married British army officers. Henrietta married Howard Cockerill but had no children. They resided in London.

Ella Bankhead Magruder, youngest of the three sisters, married Robert James Burrowes of Stradone House, County Cavan, Ireland, where he was stationed as a British army officer. After his death, the home was occupied by his son Thomas James Burrowes until burned down by the Sinn Feiners during the Irish Rebellion. Another son was Maj. Robert Phillip Burrowes, veteran of the Boer War and World War I.

The other child of Ella Magruder Burrowes was Kitty F. Burrowes who married Thomas George Wills-Sandford of Roscommon, Ireland, who died in 1948. Mrs. Wills-Sandford now resides at Bournesmouth, England, where Chieftain Marshall Magruder visited her last summer during his trip to Europe.

Mrs. Wills-Sandford kindly sent the Clan a copy of a portrait of Commodore Magruder which was left her by her uncle Maj. George Allan Magruder, Jr., and which is reproduced in this issue.

Mrs. Wills-Sandford has a daughter and a son who was an air force pilot in World War II. He was captured by the Japanese at the fall of Singapore and was a prisoner on Sumatra until the close of the war.

She reports that her mother was very much interested in and often talked of her American connection.

Helen Magruder, the third daughter of the Commodore, was a renowned beauty, sportswoman and brilliant personality. A very interesting letter from her great grandson James Nicholson Wilson reveals many interesting facts about Lady Helen and her talented children.

Helen married, in 1863, Gen. William F. Scarlett, of Ft. William, Inverlochy, Scotland, the 3rd Lord Abinger, of distinguished lineage. Lord Abinger's uncle led the immortal Charge of the Light Brigade in the Crimean War.

Lord and Lady Abinger had four children who lived to maturity. Their only son was James Yorke Magruder Scarlett, born 1871, who became the 4th Lord Abinger upon the death of his father in 1892. He was a lieutenant, 2nd Battalion of Cameron Highlanders.

He died suddenly in Paris while at supper in Montmarte, Paris, on Dec. 11, 1903, and was buried on the 19th at Inverlochie Castle near Kingussie in Inverness County, where he owned 39,414 acres, and 1005 acres in Surrey, England. His personalty totalled more than £24,000.

The present title is held by Lt. Col. James Richard Scarlett, a collateral descendant, who is the 8th Baron Abinger. He was unmarried as of 1952 and his heir is his brother Capt. Hon. John Leopold Campbell Scarlett, of London, who kindly put the writer in communication with the present day descendants of Helen Magruder Scarlett.

Helen died in 1916 and her estate included income from property in Cincinnati, Ohio, which came to her from the Magruder family.

Helen's daughter Ella C. Scarlett was born in 1864. Her great nephew Mr. James Wilson, writes that she studied music in her youth and then took a medical degree in days when it was most unusual for a woman to do such a thing. For a time, she was medical advisor to the then Empress of Korea. She married Percy Hamilton Synge and died childless in 1937.

Helen's daughter, the Hon. Evalina Scarlett who married Maj. Henry Brook Tunstall Haverfield, was a remarkable woman in her own right. She ran the Woman's ambulance unit in Serbia during World War I.

Evalina was a leading suffragette and was on one occasion at least in the "dock" with Mrs. Sylvia Pankhurst. On another occasion she padlocked herself to the railings in Downing Street and for this she was jailed. After the death of her first husband she married a Col. Balguy, by whom she had no issue. She died of pneumonia in Serbia in 1920.

Evalina and Maj. Haverfield had two children, John Campbell Haverfield, who was killed in the Persian Gulf in 1916 during the first World War, and Brook Tunstall Haverfield.

About 1906, at the age of 17, Brook T. Haverfield went to Canada. He now lives on Sherborne Ranch in British Columbia. A letter from him reveals that his mother, the Hon. Evalina, did considerable research on her family. He now has in his possession the copy of a land grant to Col. Caleb Swann, after the Revolution, for 3900 acres of land in Louisiana. He also has a ribbon of the Society of Cincinnati, probably that of one of his Magruder ancestors, and other old family records.

Mr. Haverfield has two daughters, Joyce who married Boyce Gaddes in 1946, and Kitty who married Victor Wilson in 1940. He also has seven grandchildren.

Helen's third daughter and namesake, Hon. Helen Scarlett was born in 1866 and died in 1948. She was an extensive traveler and the Arabs of Morocco bestowed upon her the name "Zenib", which means Peerless One. She married, in 1885, Nicholas Charlton (1847-92) of Chilwall Hall, Notts, whose distinguished lineage can be found in "Burke's Landed Gentry" under the surname "Chirnside" formerly Charlton. They had one daughter, Dorothy Charlton, born 1887, who in 1908, married the Rev. Reginald Wellesley Wilson of Hatchery House, Barrasfordon-Tyne, Northumberland, whose lineage can be found in "Burke's" under "Wilson of Jerusalem Hill".

Rev. and Mrs. Wilson have two children, a daughter Helen Rosemary Wilson who married Percy Fox of Melsetter, Southern Rhodesia, by whom she had twin daughters in 1951, Annabella and Phillipa; and a son James Nicholas Wilson, whose letters have provided much of the data for this article.

Mr. James Nicholas Wilson married in 1938, Eileen A. Comber and they have

three children, Jane Scarlett Wilson, born 1939; Jule Ann Wilson, born 1941; and Nicholas John Wandesford Wilson, born 1944.

Of interest was Mr. Wilson's statement that Helen claimed descent from the Princess Pocahontas. This line may have come through the Swann or Bankhead connection, and further information is solicited in this regard.

So now it appears that descendants of Alexander Magruder of Maryland are to be found in England, Canada and faraway South Africa.

Many years ago, Mrs. Emily Gibson Dobie, great niece of Commodore Magruder, in company of her aunt, the novelist Julia Magruder, visited her English cousins.

# THOMAS SULLY'S PORTRAIT

# of

## MRS. HEZEKIAH C. MAGRUDER

The portrait on the opposite page is that of Mrs. Hezekiah Clagett Magruder, which was done in Baltimore, probably sometime between 1840 and 1850, by the famous portrait artist Thomas Sully (1783-1872).

Sully's most prominent painting, familiar to every school child in America, is that of "Washington Crossing the Delaware".

Mrs. Magruder, the former Wilhelmina Johnston, was the daughter of Dr. Johnston and Eleanor Clagett Johnston, and the wife of Hezekiah Clagett Magruder (1815-97), son of Dennis Fraser Magruder, of Baltimore, who in 1814 married Rebecca B. Clagett.

Dennis Fraser Magruder was the son of George Fraser Magruder (1738-1801) and Eleanor Bowie. George Fraser Magruder was the son of William Magruder (1701-65) and Mary Fraser.

Mr. and Mrs. Hezekiah Clagett Magruder are known to have had a daughter Fannie, who married Frank W. Craighead. The Editor is desirous of getting more information on the descendants of this couple.

Our appreciation for establishing the identity of Mrs. Hezekiah C. Magruder and for permission to use a reproduction in the yearbook goes to Mrs. Bartlett Arkell of New York City, present owner of the portrait; Mabel L. Eiseley, Registrar, The Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, Philadelphia, Pa.; Mrs. Henry W. Howell, Jr., Librarian; and H. Sanger, Research, The Frick Art Reference Library, New York City; Mrs. John Shapley, Curator of Paintings, National Gallery of Art, Washington, D. C.; William MacBeth, New York art dealer; and former Chieftain Herbert Thomas Magruder.

The portrait was exhibited in 1922, at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts, and in 1925, in Pittsburgh. It represents Mrs. Magruder in white, low-necked dress. Rose colored curtain and distant landscape are in the background.

Sully also is known for his "Marquis de LaFayette" in Independence Hall, Philadelphia; and for portraits of Presidents Jefferson, Madison and Jackson.



Mrs. Hezekiah C. Magruder

# THREE NINIAN MAGRUDERS

Evidence Tending to Show that Ninian Offutt Magruder (1744-1803) of Columbia County, Georgia, was not the son of Ninian Magruder II (1711-1756) and wife, Mary Offutt (Oct. 6, 1721-1780), of Prince George's County, Maryland.

#### By

#### MARTHA SPRIGG POOLE

Ninian Magruder, the son of Samuel Magruder I and his wife, Sarah Beall, had a son, Ninian, who had a son, Ninian. We shall call these Ninian I, Ninian II and Ninian III.

## NINIAN MAGRUDER I

Ninian Magruder I was the son of Samuel Magruder and his wife, Sarah Beall. He was born in 1686.

In 1695 a patent was issued to Ninian Magruder, of Calvert County, Md., for "Beall's Gift," a tract of 42 acres on the Patuxent River. This land was on assignment from Ninian Beall. Since Ninian Magruder was a lad of only nine years at the time, this may have been a gift—possibly to a grandson, certainly to a namesake.

About 1707, Ninian Magruder I married Elizabeth Brewer, daughter of John Brewer (II-GMB) and Sarah Ridgely, his wife. The Brewers and Ridgelys were prominent families in Anne Arundel County, Md.

As heir of his father, Samuel Magruder, Ninian I inherited the plantation of 300 acres that formerly belonged to his uncle, John Magruder, son of Alexander Magruder I, the immigrant, described as "the uppermost part of Alexandria." He also inherited one-third of lot #48 in Marlboroughtown, the other two sharing in this lot being his brothers Samuel and John. Samuel Magruder I's will was probated in 1711, so no doubt Ninian took up his residence at *Alexandria* soon after that date, and lived there until his death.

A few years later, in 1715, Ninian I, and his brothers, Alexander and Nathaniel, purchased from Charles Beall and Mary, his wife, and Thomas Fletchell and Ann, his wife, all of Prince George's County, about 1300 acres, part of a tract called *Friendship* in what later became Montgomery County. This land is described as "about a mile above the first falls of the Potomac", also as "lying between the Falls of the Potomac River and the branches of Rock Creek." A few years later, more of this tract was purchased by Samuel Magruder (the younger).

Various members of the four Magruder families—some of the four brothers, Ninian I, Alexander, Nathaniel and Samuel—went out as pioneers to this tract, which from then on was referred to as *Magruders' Purchase*.

Ninian I took part in a number of real estate transactions. In 1720 he sold to Basil Waring, Gent., the 42 acres which he had by patent in 1695, known as *Beall's Gift*. In this deed he is described as Ninian Magruder, Merchant. In 1725, he secured a patent for 300 acres, *Addition to Magruders' Purchase*. In 1731 he purchased *Honesty* (666 acres) and he also acquired another tract, *Grubby Thicket*, containing 333 acres.

Several of Ninian I's sons had moved to the northwest of what is now Washington, notably Ninian II, who had settled there, for in 1738 Ninian I deeds to his

son Ninian II "for love and affection all that plantation whereon he now dwelleth together with 300 acres of land." Should Ninian II die without issue, the land was to pass to Nathaniel and James (sons of Ninian I), except one-third part, which was to go to Ninian's wife during her natural life.

Ninian I died in 1751 leaving eleven children, 2,000 acres of land, 15 slaves and 864 pounds, 9 shillings and 3½ pence. His son James, who had stayed on with him at Alexandria (plantation, not town), inherited the home place, and was executor of the will. The remainder of his real estate was left to his other sons who had moved "up country", while his daughters received two negroes and personal bequests. His wife, Elizabeth Brewer, had died before him. Ninian I and Elizabeth had the following eleven children:

 Samuel, born 1708; (2) John, born 1709; (3) Ninian II, born 1711, of whom later; (4) Sarah, born 1713-14, married William Beall; (5) Elizabeth, born 1717, married Benjamin Perry; (6) Nathaniel, born 1721; (7) Rebecca, born 1726, married James Offutt; (8) Rachel, born 1726-27, married Thomas Clagett, Jr.; (9) James; (10) Ann, married Thomas Clagett, Sr.; (11) Verlinda, married Walter Williams (I).

#### NINIAN MAGRUDER II

Ninian II was born in 1711, the year his grandfather Samuel I died. He moved up to what became Montgomery County, and received as a gift from his father *Magruders' Purchase, part of Friendship*, a plantation of 300 acres. This gift was made in 1738, soon after the wedding of Ninian II and Mary Offutt, daughter of William Offutt II and his wife, Jane Joyce. William Offutt II was a large landowner and neighbor of Ninian II.

Evidently Ninian II prospered, for by 1753 he had acquired a considerable estate, as shown by the (Frederick County) Debt Books for that year in the name of "Ninian Magruder, Jr., of Ninian." His holdings were:

(i.) Part of Friendship and Addition to Magruders' Purchase, 300 acres (gift from his father, Ninian I); (ii.) Part of Pritchett's Purchase, 50 acres (bought); (iii.) Magruder's Lot, 100 acres, patented 1740; (iv.) Addition to Magruder's Lot, 50 acres, patented 1741; (v.) Black Oak Thicket, 150 acres, patented 1742; (vi.) Addition to Magruders' Purchase, 18 acres, patented 1746; (vii.) Part of Magruder's and Beall's Honesty, 83 acres, inherited by father's 1751 will.

In 1754 he patented *Resurvey on Black Oak Thicket*, 720 acres, and in 1755 was granted the *Second Addition to Magruder's Lot*.

Unfortunately, he died in 1756 at the age of 41, leaving no will. His wife, Mary Offutt, administered on the estate and by Nov. 1756, closed the account as follows: "To the widow, one third and the residue to be equally divided between the seven children (after Alexander Offutt's part of his father's estate is deducted)." This reference to Alexander Offutt is not explained. He was Mary Offutt's youngest brother and only two years old when his father died; possibly he had remained with Mary and Ninian II and at the time of Ninian II's death was still one year below his majority.

The seven children of Ninian Magruder II and his wife, Mary Offutt, (with some of their descendants) are as follows:

1. Elizabeth Magruder, born Nov. 2, 1738; evidently died young.

2. William Offutt Magruder, born Aug. 6, 1740 (of whom later).

3. Rebecca, who married Samuel Brewer Magruder and had these children: (1) James; (2) Ninian; (3) Samuel; (4) Walter; (5) Charlotte, married Kinsey Beall; (6) Mary, married Thomas Watkins.

4. Priscilla, who married James Suter. Their children were: (1) Mary Suter, who married first Septimus Taylor and second, Moses Jones. (Mary apparently had two daughters—Mary Taylor and Priscilla, wife of William K. Wall.) (2) Elizabeth Suter, married Isaac Christman.

5. Ninian III, of whom later.

 Mary, who married John Clagett and had these 8 children: (1) Mary Clagett, married William Glaze; (2) Ninian M. Clagett; (3) Samuel M. Clagett;
(4) John Clagett; (5) Rebecca Clagett; (6) Anna Clagett; (7) Nathan M. Clagett; (8) William M. Clagett, father of William O. Clagett and Elizabeth Clagett.

7. Ann, who married Samuel Clagett and had these 4 children: (1) William Clagett; (2) Samuel Clagett, Jr.; (3) Elizabeth Clagett, who married Aquilla Fisher; (4) Ann Clagett, who married Robert Clagett.

Ninian Magruder II's widow, Mary Offutt, and her children (headed by William Offutt Magruder, aged 16) continued to carry on where Ninian II left off. In 1762, following the coming-of-age of William Offutt Magruder, he made several deeds. To his brother Ninian III for love, good will and affection he gave "all that plantation whereon my father lived and at present my mother now dwelleth, together with 300 acres of land . . . laid out by my grandfather, given to my father." To Samuel Magruder 3rd he deeded 182 acres of Magruder's and Beall's Honesty, to Richard Todd, 30 acres of Black Oak Thicket. Mary Offutt Magruder, his widowed mother, renounced her dower rights.

The estate of Ninian Magruder II, son of Ninian I, was carried undivided on the Debt Books until 1770, when a division was made:

A. William Offutt Magruder took:

- a. Part of Magruder's Lot and Addition, 150 acres.
- b. Part of Resurvey on Black Oak Thicket, 484 acres.
- c. Second Addition to Magruders' Purchase, 50 acres.

B. Still listed to Ninian II's heirs were:

- d. Part of Friendship and Magruders' Purchase, 300 acres.
- e. Part of Pritchett's Purchase, 50 acres.
- f. Addition to Magruders' Purchase, 18 acres.

Mary Offutt Magruder, the widow of Ninian II, died in 1780, leaving will probated in Montgomery County, Oct. 14, 1780. No administration on this will was found. She left negroes to her son, Ninian III, and daughter, Anne, who also was to receive one-half of her personal estate. The other half was to be divided among her other children, William, Rebecca, Priscilla, Ninian III, and Mary. Ninian III was to be executor.

William Offutt Magruder fought in the Revolutionary War. Although he divided his birthright with his brother, Ninian III, he acquired other land, and in the census of 1790 had 25 slaves. He died in 1819 without widow or children. His inventory showed 18 slaves and about \$8,000. He also had 467 acres of land. His nephews, James and Samuel Magruder (sons of Samuel Brewer Magruder), administered on his estate. The heirs were the descendants of his five brothers and

sisters: (1) Rebecca Magruder; (2) Mary Clagett; (3) Priscilla Suter; (4) Ninian Magruder III, and (5) Ann Clagett.

In 1820 the administrators of William Offutt Magruder petitioned the Montgomery Court to divide his real estate among the heirs. It is from this case that the information here given was obtained. The court decided that the land was to be sold, and in 1832 it was purchased by Lewis G. Davidson, of Georgetown.

### NINIAN MAGRUDER III

We shall now go back to William Offutt Magruder's younger brother, Ninian III.

Ninian Magruder, III, the son of Ninian Magruder II and his wife, Mary Offutt, was probably born about 1750 on his father's plantation near Bethesda, Montgomery County, Md. In 1762 William Offutt Magruder made over to his mother and brother Ninian III the home place where they lived. In 1779 William Offutt Magruder made a second deed for this same land. In this the conveyance is described as "All that tract, part of a tract called *Magruders' Purchase*, which is part of a tract called *Friendship*, originally taken up by Charles Beall and Captain Thomas Fletchall and purchased of them by my grandfather Ninian Magruder (I) and by him given to my father Ninian Magruder (II), being the plantation where my father lived and the plantation where my mother and my brother Ninian aforesaid now dwelleth, 300 acres."

The occasion for this much more definitive deed was no doubt the case which was about to come up in Montgomery County Court over the boundaries of the various parts of *Magruders' Purchase*.

About 1784, Ninian III and his brother-in-law, James Suter (widower of Priscilla Magruder, sister of Ninian III) went a-courting the young Cooke heiresses. James Suter married Ruth Cooke and Ninian Magruder III married her sister, Rachel Cooke. Ninian Magruder III and Rachel Cooke had the following 4 daughters:

1. Elizabeth Magruder, married Benjamin Perry Feb. 1, 1804.

2. Rebecca Magruder, married Elbert Perry on Feb. 3, 1806.

3. Rachel Magruder, D.S.P.

4. Mary Ann Magruder married Thomas Contee Magruder April 22, 1812.

Following the death of his first wife, Rachel Cooke, Ninian III married Eleanor, probably about 1798. They had a daughter, Eleanor Magruder, born Dec. 14, 1799, but presumably she died young, as she is not mentioned as one of her father's heirs. There is good reason to believe that this second wife, Eleanor, was Eleanor Magruder, daughter of Col. Zadok Magruder and his wife Rachel. The reasons for this assumption will be discussed later.

The record of Prince George's Parish states that Ninian Magruder of Ninian was buried April 26, 1805. His widow, Eleanor, administered on his estate, which included 25 slaves and some \$8,000. The account was closed in 1808 with receipts given by the four daughters to Mrs. Eleanor Magruder, their step-mother.

Like his father and his grandfather, Ninian Magruder III acquired considerable real estate. His holdings at the time of his death were as follows:

A .- Part of Friendship, otherwise Magruders' Purchase, 300 acres. This was

the ancestral home of the two older Ninians, given to Ninian III by his brother, William Offutt Magruder, in 1779.

B.—That part of *Friendship* surveyed for Zachariah Magruder (son of Samuel Magruder, Jr., and Eleanor Wade), 145 acres, purchased from Ariana French, executor and devisee of George French of Georgetown in 1805.

C.—Part of Pritchett's Purchase, 50 acres, formerly property of Ninian Magruder II, given to Ninian III by his brother William Offutt Magruder, heir-at-law of Ninian II, in 1798.

D.-Addition to Magruders' Purchase, 18 acres (included with Pritchett's Purchase as noted above).

E.—Part of Resurvey on Honesty, 300 acres, purchased from Rev. John Bowie Magruder in 1796.

F.—*Partnership* (near Watts' Branch that runs into Potomac River), 205 acres, purchased from Abraham Young, of Prince George's County, in 1791.

G.—Resurvey on Lost Garter,  $34\frac{1}{2}$  acres (included with Partnership as noted above).

H.—Part of Owens' Resurvey, 1361/4 acres. Ninian Magruder III and his brother-in-law, Nathan Cooke, purchased this in 1798 from William Leach, in 1799 Nathan Cooke made over his share to Ninian III.

I.—Part of *Abel's Levels*, 16<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> acres (included with Owens' Resurvey as noted above).

J.-Part of *Resurvey on Addition to Magruders' Purchase*, 9 acres, purchased from Catherine Magruder, executor of Joseph Magruder in 1799.

Ninian Magruder III also had from his first wife, Rachel Cooke, the following :

K .-- Part of Cooke's Range, 100 acres.

L.-Part of Rattle Snake Den, 100 acres.

M.—Part of Needwood, 269 acres.

In 1813, Benjamin Perry and Elizabeth, his wife, petitioned Montgomery County Court to divide this 1783 acres among the four daughters. This was done. Following the division, Eleanor, the relict of Ninian III, in 1816 deeded her dower rights to Thomas Contee Magruder, the husband of her step-daughter, Mary Ann.

Rachel Magruder died unmarried in 1814 at the home of her step-mother, Mrs. Eleanor Magruder, "where she had for many years dwelt." In a noncupative will she left slaves to her sister, Mary Ann Magruder, to her step-mother, Mrs. Eleanor Magruder, and to her niece, Mira Magruder, daughter of Mary Ann Magruder and Thomas Contee Magruder.

In 1818 the Montgomery County Court divided the real estate of Rachel Magruder (the above-named daughter of Ninian III and Rachel Cooke) among her three sisters: (1) Rebecca Perry, wife of Elbert Perry; (2) Elizabeth Perry, wife of Benjamin Perry, and (3) Mary Ann Magruder, wife of Thomas Contee Magruder. Shortly after, they sold the land to Jesse Leach, Burgess Willett and Patrick Conner.

Eleanor Magruder died and was buried November 16, 1821, aged about 60. Her estate was administered by her brother, Robert Pottinger Magruder, who died in 1822, and in 1825 Zadock Magruder, 3d, her nephew, took over the administration. This dragged on until 1838, when Otho Magruder, Administrator of Zadok, 3d, completed the case by dividing Eleanor's estate among the heirs of her brothers and sisters, namely: (i.) Nancy Waters; (ii.) William Waters; (iii.) Elizabeth Belmear; (iv.) Rev. Thomas Read; (v.) Zadok Magruder 3d.; (vi.) Harry W. Dorsey; (vii.) Dr. Robert Pottinger Magruder.

Mary Ann Magruder, daughter of Ninian III and Rachel Cooke, married Thomas Contee Magruder, son of Samuel Wade Magruder. They had the following three children:

1. William Ninian (or Ninian William) Magruder, born Jan. 9, 1813, buried June 29, 1813.

2. Licurgus Thomas Magruder, born Dec. 5, 1815, presumably he died in childhood.

3. Mira Magruder; on Feb. 15, 1831, she married John W. Anderson.

Mrs. Mary Ann Magruder was buried Sept. 27, 1821, aged about 30 years. Her husband, Thomas Contee Magruder, died in 1822.

Another daughter of Ninian Magruder III and Rachel Cooke, Elizabeth Magruder, wife of Benjamin Perry, made a will which was probated in Montgomery County in 1863. She left to her daughter, Columbia Councilman, wife of Charles, the sum of \$200. The rest of her personal estate was to be divided among her two sons, Ninian M. Perry and Benjamin F. Perry, and her two daughters, Caroline R. Perry and Ruth A. W. Perry.

To the sons she left all her real estate on the Southwestern side of the River Road leading from Georgetown, "it being a part of the land which descended to me from my father, Ninian Magruder." To the daughters Caroline and Ruth she left the land on the right (northeastern) side of River Road, "it being residue of the land which descended to me from my father, Ninian Magruder."

Rebecca and Elbert Perry doubtless also left heirs, but the matter has not been investigated by this writer.

So much for the children of Ninian Magruder III. What about his widow Eleanor? Was she identical with the Mrs. Eleanor Magruder, about 60, whose burial on November 16, 1821, is recorded in the Records of Rock Creek Parish? The deceased was a daughter of Col. Zadok Magruder and wife Rachel as shown by the distribution of her estate.

As stated previously, there are strong reasons to believe that this Col. Zadok's Eleanor was Ninian Magruder III's widow. Here are some of them:

(1) Ninina III would have known Col. Zadok's Eleanor well, since her sister Rachel was the wife of Nathan Cooke, brother of Ninian's first wife.

(2) One of the witnesses to the non-cupative will of Ninian III's daughter, Rachel, was Elizabeth Belmear, another daughter of Col. Zadok Magruder, and hence might have been expected to be with a sister whose step-daughter lay on her deathbed in that sister's home.

(3) When Ninian III's granddaughter, Mira, daughter of his daughter Mary Ann and her husband Thomas Contee Magruder, became an orphan, Robert Pottinger Magruder, brother of Col. Zadok's Eleanor, was made Mira's guardian. Since Thomas Contee Magruder, Mira's father, had a number of brothers, it would have been logical to make one of them Mira's guardian, had it not been more logical to select for her guardian, the brother of her step-grandmother with whom she lived. When Robert Pottinger Magruder died in 1822—at which time his sister Eleanor also was dead—Lloyd Magruder, brother of Thomas Contee Magruder, was as a matter of fact appointed Mira's guardian.

(4) Among the slaves listed in the Inventory of Ninian Magruder III were the following: Frank, born 1784; Frank, son of Lucy, born 1804; Lucy born 1786, and Thomas Brooke born 1774. Among the slaves of Eleanor Magruder, daughter of Zadok who died in 1821, were the following: Frank, born 1786; Frank born 1804; Lucy born 1786, and Tom born 1774.

Therefore, from this investigation of the three Ninian Magruders, it is apparent:

(1) That the Ninian Offutt Magruder who went to Georgia was not the son of Ninian II and his wife Mary (Offutt).

(2) That the wife of Samuel Brewer Magruder was Rebecca Magruder, daughter of Ninian II and Mary.

(3) That the Mrs. Eleanor Magruder buried in 1821, was the daughter of Col. Zadok Magruder, and the widow of Ninian Magruder III.

(The research for this article was done in the court houses at Frederick and Rockville, Md., the Hall of Records, Annapolis, and with Maryland church records, by Miss Martha Sprigg Poole, Mrs. Rudolph J. Bopp, Mrs. O. O. van den Berg, and Miss Regina Magruder Hill.)

In connection with the preceding article, "Three Ninian Magruders", Miss Regina Magruder Hill, Clan Historian, has prepared the following data:

Research was started in 1947, when an application for membership in the Clan was received by the Registrar, Mrs. van den Berg, which resulted in the preceding article.

From the evidence obtained through this research it became apparent that Ninian Magruder, born 1744, who was called Ninian Offutt Magruder after he went to Georgia, was not the Third Ninian in line and the son of Ninian Magruder II and his wife Mary Offutt.

At the time Mrs. Sue Magruder became a member of the American Clan Gregor Society, the then Registrar, Mrs. Roberta Magruder Bukey, checked her application paper. On this application paper Mrs. Bukey wrote the following:

"Ninian Magruder assumed his mother's maiden name Offutt, Ninian

Offutt Magruder and Ninian Beall Magruder, two first cousins, went from

Montgomery County, Maryland, to Columbus, Georgia, in 1785."

Mrs. Bukey gave no source of information or authority for her assertion.

It was known then that:

Ninian Magruder I, born 1686, and his wife Elizabeth Brewer, had a son Ninian Jr., or II, born 1711, who married Mary Offutt. With the limited research which had been done by the date (1910) of the application mentioned above, it was natural to believe that Ninian Magruder, born 1744, who took the name of Offutt to be the 3rd Ninian in line and the son of Ninian Magruder II and Mary Offutt, as it was said he took his mother's maiden name.

Facts researched since reveal that:

Ninian Magruder I, (b. 1686) and his wife Elizabeth Brewer, had a son John (1709-1782) who married Jane —. To date the maiden name of Jane has not been determined. Could Jane have been an Offutt? Among the children given in the will of John Magruder is a son Ninian (date of birth not known, but his

brother Archibald was born 1751). Practically nothing is known to us of this Ninian Magruder. However, he was in the right generation to have been Ninian Offutt Magruder, who went to Georgia, and who married Mary Harris. He is also the only Ninian Magruder in this generation who has not been accounted for.

The trail becomes hot. Ninian Offutt Magruder's wife Mary Harris, was the daughter of Thomas Harris and his wife Sarah Offutt, she being the daughter of William Offutt and his wife Mary Brock. Did Ninian Offutt Magruder take the name of his mother-in-law, Sarah Offutt?

At times the genealogical job is a very difficult one until the key facts are known. In this case the following facts are yet to be determined:

a. The maiden name of Jane the wife of John Magruder (1709-1782). b. If their son Ninian *is* Ninian Offutt Magruder, and if not, to find and prove his parentage.

Any information will be gratefully received and should be sent direct to the Historian, Miss Regina Magruder Hill, The Highlands, Apartment 803, Washington 9, D. C.

This error in the assumption of the parentage of Ninian Offutt Magruder, in no way affects his descendants' membership in the American Clan Gregor Society. (See RULES of the A.C.G.A. Rule I, Section 2. "... those... bearing the surname Magruder who were born in the State of Maryland prior to the year 1812, the same being recognized as descended from the Scotch Immigrant, Alexander Magruder.") Nor does it affect their right to be a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution. His service in the Revolutionary War is correct. The fact that at present we are unable to correctly designate his parents, in no way affects this Revolutionary Service.

## JAMES EDWARD MAGRUDER

# Composer of Music

During the decades following the Civil War, the music publishing house of George Willig & Co., of Baltimore, offered various vocal and instrumental musical compositions under their copyright. Included in their list were the following piano solos by James E. Magruder.

Piano Solos: Clinging to the Cross; Pussy Schottisch; Mischief Waltz; Pensive Schottisch; Water Lily Polka; Veteran's March; A Voice from the Heart; Centennial Schottisch; Toilet March; and Bubble Waltz.

Also the following Vocal Compositions: Sweetest Kiss For You; and We None of Us Know One Another.

Several of the above compositions have recently come into the possession of former Chieftain Herbert Thomas Magruder who would be very glad to know the family line and ancestry of this James E. Magruder, who probably lived in Maryland in the 1870's.

Since receiving this contribution from former Chieftain Herbert Thomas Magruder research has determined that James Edward Magruder was the son of Jessie Hellen Magruder, Baltimore attorney, and his first wife Rebecca Penn; grandson of Edward Magruder and his first wife Ann Hellen; great grandson of Haswell Magruder and Charity Beall; great, great grandson of Samuel Magruder, 3rd, and Jane Haswell; and great, great, great grandson of Samuel Magruder, 2nd, and Eleanor Wade.

James Edward Magruder was a half-brother of Thomas Jefferson Magruder, of Baltimore, and a first cousin by half-blood to Robert Magruder, father of Herbert Thomas Magruder.

The data leading to the identity of James Edward Magruder was sent in by Mrs. George E. Davis, of South Carolina, whose husband was James Edward Magruder's nephew.

In Wood's Directory of Baltimore City, James Edward Magruder, professor of music, lived at 449 North Calhoun Street, in 1880.

# ASA BEALL OF CUMBERLAND, MARYLAND By William Wallace McKaig

Asa Beall, (1744-1845) of Cumberland, Md., was the great-grandson of Verlinda Magruder who married in 1712, John Beall (1688-1742), son of Alexander Beall, Emmigrant from Scotland, born 1649, died 1744. His will was probated in Prince George's County, Md., Sept. 6, 1744 (Liber L, folio 362). Verlinda Magruder was the daughter of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall, daughter of Colonel Ninian Beall.

Asa Beall was appointed Justice of the Peace in Cumberland by the Governor in January 1810 (Hagerstown Gazette of 1810), Clerk of the Circuit Court of Cumberland, 1817, member of the House of Delegates 1797, 1798, 1799 and 1806. He was probably one of the pioneers of Cumberland as his father, Richard Beall, who married Sarah Brooke, lived in Frederick County in that section which is now Montgomery County. His will was probated in Rockville, Aug. 19, 1778.

Asa Beall married in 1794, Elizabeth Beall, a cousin, daughter of Thomas Beall of Samuel, Jr., and Eleanor Brooke. Their daughter Priscilla Beall, born 1809, died 1885, married William Wallace McKaig.

#### McKAIG FAMILY

The McKaig family were of Irish descent. Patrick McKaig the first in Cumberland, was born in Cork, Ireland, in 1758. His father came to this country in 1759 and settled in Adams County, Pa. Three brothers came to Cumberland, Md., the first being William Wallace McKaig. Later he brought his brother Thomas I. McKaig. The third brother was Dr. Stuart McKaig. They were sons of Patrick McKaig of Pennsylvania, who married Rachel Star, granddaughter of Robert Stuart.

William Wallace McKaig, the first of the brothers who came to Cumberland, was born in New Lisbon, Ohio, January 2, 1806. He was admitted to the Bar in 1831, and was a member of the Ohio State Senate. He came to Cumberland in 1839. He was in the State Legislature in 1842, representing Allegany County, Md., and in 1855 was elected Mayor of Cumberland. There is a picture of him in the book, "The History of Allegany County." He married Priscilla Ellen Beall. She was born Sept. 5, 1809 and died Nov. 5, 1885. Both she and her husband are buried in Rose Hill Cemetery, Cumberland. They had four sons: William Wallace, born April 5, 1842, died Oct. 17, 1870; Thomas Jefferson; A. Beall, born Sept. 3, 1847, died April 9, 1886; and Merwin McKaig, born Aug. 28, 1849, died June 22, 1880. He was educated at Allegany County Academy and attended the University of Virginia. William Wallace McKaig married a Miss Hughes and had one son, Reggie who married in Salt Lake City. They had three children: William Wallace Mc-Kaig, George Hughes McKaig and Margaret McKaig, who was named for her mother.

Thomas Jefferson McKaig was born Mar. 17, 1840 and died Feb. 21, 1886. He married Ada Norman of Baltimore, born Aug. 5, 1845, died Jan. 15, 1890. They are both buried in Rose Hill Cemetery. They had no children. A. Beall McKaig never married.

Merwin McKaig married in 1880, Florence Worthington Pearre and had one son, William Wallace McKaig, now a resident of Cumberland, born 1882, who married Isabella Nash who died a few years ago. They had no children.

Mr. McKaig has furnished the following data.

"I, William Wallace McKaig, live in Cumberland in the old McKaig home on Washington Street just above the Court House and near Rose Hill Cemetery. In 1933 Kenneth Dann Magruder called on me and Mrs. McKaig. He writes about this call in "The Bard's Notes", Vol. L, No. 5, July 1933, on page 6. The home contains some striking family portraits and antique Beall heirlooms, including a mahogany desk inlaid with satinwood and held together with wooden pegs. This and some other furniture belonged to Thomas Beall, son of Samuel.

"When the Union Army marched into Cumberland my grandfather, William Wallace McKaig, was in New York forming the Consolidated Coal Company. My uncle, William Wallace McKaig, was in the Confederate Army, and another uncle, Thomas J. McKaig, was a Lieutenant in the Confederate Army, and at that time was on General Lee's bodyguard. My grandmother was at home with her two young sons Merwin and A. Beall. She got into a horse-drawn wagon and with her two small sons on each side of her, swam the team across the Potomac into Virginia to get away from the Union Army, who had seized her house and thrown her out, and used the house for a Union Headquarters. I have a photograph of the house with my father, Merwin, standing in front of it.

"The original Beall burying ground was where the Baltimore and Ohio Rolling Mill is now, and when that property was purchased by the City for the B. & O. R. R., my grandfather had the bodies moved to Rose Hill Cemetery.

"Thomas I. McKaig was born in Steubenville, Ohio, in 1804. He came to Maryland and took up his residence in Allegany County upon the West part of the Beaver River in the midst of an unclaimed forest, where Cumberland is now. He was brought up a Presbyterian but became a member of the Catholic Church. After he retired he made his residence at "Rockland Farm", Washington County, Md. He left Cumberland shortly after 1882 and resided in Hagerstown. He ran for Congress in 1848 but was defeated by William T. Hamilton. He was in the House of Delegates in 1854 and in 1859 was State Senator, and was a member of Congress in 1867. He served as a Colonel and then as Brig. Gen. of Maryland Militia.

"He married Verlinda Beall, daughter of Asa Beall and his wife Elizabeth. They had no children. After the death of his wife Verlinda, he married Margaret Ann Tilghman, daughter of Frisby Tilghman and Nina Lamar. They had two children, Frisby Tilghman McKaig and Nina Lamar McKaig. These children are mentioned in his Will made March 15, 1882 at "Rockland" Washington County. (Copy at Cumberland, Md., Liber F, folio 292). Excerpts from will: 'To my wife, Margaret A. McKaig, born Margaret A. Tilghman, the mortages she signed with me for \$5000, and her dower rights-at-law in my property. To the children of my present wife, all real and personal property. To my son Frisby Tilghman McKaig, my Library and the wish that he study law.' He names his daughter, Nina Lamar McKaig. The son was made executor. After his second marriage he moved to the South and the family was lost track of.

"Dr. Robert Stuart McKaig, the third brother, was born Mar. 4, 1802, died Nov. 28, 1883. He married Sarah McMahon, born Aug. 8, 1805, died July 23, 1872. They had two children, Robert Stuart McKaig, born April 1, 1849, died Aug. 31, 1870, and William McMahon McKaig, born July 29, 1845, died June 6, 1907.

"John Van Lear McMahon, born Oct. 18, 1800, died Aug. 2, 1871, the only son of William McMahon, was a brother of Sarah McMahon who married Dr. Robert Stuart McKaig. He drew up the famous Charter for the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad which relieved them from taxes on their property for eternity, and said Charter has been copied, more or less, by all the railroads in the United States. Johnny McMahon is in the group portrait in the Board of Directors Room of the B. & O. R. R. in Baltimore.

"One of the acts of General William Henry Harrison upon assuming the office of President in 1841, was to offer John Van Lear McMahon a seat in his cabinet. McMahon declined but this actually served to increase his strength and influence and he became Harrison's close unofficial advisor. When Tyler became President on Harrison's death (April 4, 1841) he reorganized the cabinet and asked Mr. McMahon to take the post of Attorney General. McMahon again declined. These facts are authenticated by the late Judge John Thomson Mason of the Maryland Court of Appeals, who wrote a biography of John Van Lear McMahon which was printed in Baltimore in 1879. In 1937 the Cumberland Sesquicentennial Committee placed a bronze plaque at the grave in his honor reading: 'Eminent Lawyer, Orator, Legislator, and author of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Charter. Educated at Allegany County Academy and Princeton University'."

#### ALPHEUS BEALL

Alpheus Beall, son of Asa Beall and Elizabeth Beall, his wife, was born in 1806 and died Sept. 8, 1883. He was a brother of Priscilla Ellen and Verlinda Beall who married Thomas I. and William Wallace McKaig. He was a member of the State Legislature in 1834.

Alpheus Beall married Anne Elizabeth Shriver, born June 20, 1822, died Jan. 22, 1872. They had seven children: Richard, born Aug. 31, 1811, died April 15, 1862; Walter; Howard, born July 28, 1846, died July 6, 1849; Lawrence John, born Oct. 15, 1851, died April 2, 1862; E. Anna, born 1853, died single; Bertha, born 1860, died single; and Helen, born March 3, 1856, died Jan. 7, 1939. All are buried in Rose Hill Cemetery.

Helen Beall married J. W. S. Cochrane who died in 1945. They had two children: Alpheus B. Cochrane, who died in 1933, and Ruth Cochrane, born 1886, who married in 1912, Colonel Frank E. Powell, U. S. Army Retired, who lives in Cambridge, on the Eastern Shore of Maryland. They have one daughter, Helen Beall Powell, born 1914, who married in 1935, Colonel William H. Wise, U.S.A.F.

Walter Beall, son of Alpheus, married first, Emily Johnson, born 1852, died

1875 and is buried in Rose Hill. She was the daughter of Colonel R. D. Johnson. Walter Beall went to Carlisle, Penn., where he died Sept. 22, 1905. They had a daughter, Emily Johnson Beall who died in Hagerstown, Md. Walter Beall married second, Amelia Given of Mt. Holly Spring, Pa.

Note: Authorities used in compiling this article in addition to the material received from Mr. William Wallace McKaig, of Cumberland, Md., and Colonel Frank E. Powell, of Cambridge, Md., were: "The Beall and Bell Families" by Lieut-Col. Fielder M. M. Beall, U.S.A.; wills and gravestone inscriptions copied by the Historian, Regina Magruder Hill, while on a trip to Cumberland in 1950; the History of Allegany County, Md., and the Year Book of the American Clan Gregor Society.

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# ALEXANDER BEALL, ALEXANDER MAGRUDER, and COLONEL NINIAN BEALL

Alexander Beall (1649-1744), Scottish Immigrant, married Elizabeth Coombs (died, 1743).

Their son: John Beall (1688-1742), married, 1712, Verlinda Magruder, daughter of Samuel Magruder, son of Alexander Magruder, Scottish Immigrant, and his wife Sarah, daughter of Col. Ninian Beall.

Their son: Col. Samuel Beall, called Jr., (1713-1778), married Eleanor Brooke, (born 1718), daughter of Thomas Brooke and Lucy Smith. Will of Samuel Beall, called Jr., was probated in Washington Co., Md., 1778.

Their son: Thomas Beall (1744-1823), married Verlinda Beall, his aunt, daughter of his grandfather, John Beall who died in 1742.

Their daughter: Elizabeth Beall (born 1772), married in Allegany County, Md., Feb. 6, 1794, her cousin, Asa Beall, son of Richard Beall and Sarah Brooke, the son of Samuel Beall, called Jr., and Eleanor Brooke.

# LLOYD BELT MAGRUDER AND HIS GREAT-GREAT GRANDSON THEODORE

## By WILLIAM L. MAGRUDER

The 1915 Year Book contains a discussion of the religious life under the caption "The Magruder Family Church Affiliations", written by Roberta Julia Magruder Bukey, a great granddaughter of Capt. Joseph Magruder.

My great grandfather Lloyd Belt Magruder, grandson of Capt. Joseph, was a Baptist and he helped build one of those New Salem churches Mrs. Bukey mentioned in her article.

Lloyd Magruder was born in Prince George's County, Md., Jan. 1, 1800, and later migrated to Kentucky, in the Bullitt-Nelson County area, where he married Nancy Overall on Jan. 7, 1830. They were members of the old Wilson Creek Baptist Church in a poor hilly district.

In 1839, John Overall, Nancy's father, and others including Lloyd Belt Magruder (all important members of the Wilson Creek Church) were empowered to build a new church in a more progressive neighborhood and it was named New Salem. It is now a modern brick building with all conveniences and in Nov., 1951, they celebrated their 150th anniversary with a pageant depicting the highlights of their history.

In Sept., 1952, with my wife Imogene, and my father Emmett M., 88 years old, who is a grandson of Lloyd Belt Magruder, we visited this Kentucky New Salem Church and observed the numerous names of the Magruder and Overall descendants inscribed on the tombstones in its cemetery. It is interesting to note that William Overall, son of John Overall, migrated to Missouri where he was among the 15 charter members who organized the New Salem Baptist Church in 1843.

Lloyd and Nancy moved to Missouri and settled in this New Salem Baptist Church neighborhood with their family of ten children, in 1847. They settled in what was then a forest area on several hundred acres of good upland. Some members of their descendants have lived on the same land for five generations of this Magruder family. Lloyd and Nancy were religious Kentucky and Missouri pioneers who raised their families to become good American citizens.

In concluding this brief account of Lloyd Belt Magruder, I choose also to honor the memory of one of his great-great grandsons, Sgt. Theodore Wyman Magruder, son of Alva B. and Elizabeth Magruder, who in his youth lived on the farm of his great-great grandfather Lloyd, where he conducted very outstanding vocational agriculture projects while he was a student in Troy High School.

Teddy was president of the Future Farmers Organization. During his senior year in high school, he received the Citizenship award. While in his first year at the University of Missouri College of Agriculture, he was called to the colors of his country. Within a few months, he was transferred to the European battle front where he was killed in action, Dec. 20, 1944, near Erching, France, during the advance of his regiment in Gen. Patton's great drive. After the close of the World War II, his body was transferred to the National Cemetery, St. Louis, Missouri.

Thus, at nineteen years of age, Sgt. Theodore W. Magruder had served well

his home, his church, and his country, fully worthy of his illustrious forbears in the lineage of twelve generations (listed on a chart by his uncle William L. Magruder, after the pattern of a family chart published in the year book of 1947, page 63, by W. C. Barrickman).

# DR. JESSE EWELL, V

# Grand Old Son of Virginia

## Founder of American Clan Gregor Society

Principal excerpts from the paper read by Dr. Nathaniel MacGregor Ewell, Jr., on October 16, 1953, the day the American Clan Gregor Society presented a bronze tablet to the Ruckersville Baptist Church to honor Dr. Jesse Ewell V, who was born 100 years ago. Dr. Nathaniel Ewell is a grandson of Dr. Jesse Ewell V.

"As I stand before you today, I am filled with both pride and humility when I realize that it was my grandfather, Dr. Jesse Ewell, who was the initiator of the founding of this society—The American Clan Gregor Society.

"Jesse Ewell V was born at Edge Hill in Prince William County, Va., July 30, 1853. He was the son of John Smith Magruder Ewell and Helen Woods Mc-Gregor, being of Scottish descent on both sides of the family.

"When Jesse was an infant his mother died, and he went to live with his grandparents, Dr. Jesse Ewell IV and Ellen MacGregor Ewell. His father remarried, but young Jesse had become very attached to his grandparents and continued to live with them. It was here that he heard and read much about his Scottish ancestry.

"Dr. Ewell was 8 years old when the War Between the States commenced, and in later years he told his children many tales of the happenings around his home during that time. He lived, at times, in the lines of both armies as they moved back and forth, and he vividly remembers seeing both his father and grandfather being captured and carried off as prisoners. His home was searched on numerous occasions because wounded soldiers were sometimes taken there, and at one time, his cousin, Gen. Richard Stoddard Ewell having been severely wounded at the Battle of Bull Run was brought to his home for care and recuperation. He remembered hearing cannonading at the Battle of Manassas, saw skirmishes between small units about his home, and carried water to Confederate soldiers when camped nearby. He told his children that as a youth, in riding horseback along the Carolina Road about dusk, he would often see ghosts in the distance. These ghosts were usually Federal soldiers who had been buried nearby, having been killed during skirmishes between Colonel S. Mosby and the Federals.

"Following the war Dr. Ewell attended private schools in the neighborhood, and when about 18 years old, he began reading medicine under his grandfather, Dr. Jesse Ewell IV. Money was scarce in that postwar period, but fortunately his cousin, Gen. R. S. Ewell had left a legacy to Jesse's grandmother which was to be Jesse's at her death. His grandmother released this legacy in order to permit Jesse to attend college and he studied medicine at Washington College in Baltimore where in 1875 he was graduated as Doctor of Medicine.

"He practiced medicine for several years at Aldie, Va., with his grandfather,

and then in 1882 he moved to Ruckersville, Va., to start out on his own. The following year he married Mary Jane Ish of Loudoun County, Va., and to them were born nine children. Three died in infancy, one drowned as a youth, and the remaining five live in this area today, and are: Mrs. Waller M. Hundley, Jesse Ewell VI, Nathaniel McGregor Ewell, Mrs. Allen L. Hord, and Mrs. John W. Hamilton.

"When Jesse and his wife set up housekeeping in Greene County, Dr. Ewell devoted much time to community work. He served for many years as Chairman of the County Red Cross and of the County Health Board. He was active in securing the first county Welfare Nurse and first Home Demonstration Agent. He also served on the local Draft Board during World War I, and at one time was Postmaster.

"Dr. Ewell was a successful practitioner, devoting long hours to his work, but not neglecting to keep abreast of medical advances. He was well known in this section of the State as being most successful with the treatment of Pneumonia and Typhoid Fever, and, at times, was sent for from the surrounding counties of Orange, Madison and Albemarle to treat such cases. He wrote several original articles on these subjects, among them, "The Use of Plaster in Pneumonia". He kept up with the latest medical views and trends by attending refresher courses and participating in Medical Societies, and he was a charter member of the North Eastern Virginia Medical Society, President of the Piedmont Medical Society (1906-07), and a member of the Medical Society of Virginia, and the American Medical Association.

"Dr. Ewell's wife, 'Mollie', as she was affectionately known, was Dr. Ewell's helpmate in every sense of the word. So far as possible she took over the care of the home and children, but she was never too tired or too busy to help with the sick patients or to welcome his friends.

"They were both lovers of mankind, and both had a very generous and kindly feeling towards the impoverished, and also to the colored race. There were many patients who, not being in a position to pay, were charged nothing, and others were charged only token fees. As far as the colored race, Dr. Ewell once said in a speech, 'It should not be forgotten by the white man of the South that in that fearful period of 1861-65 the white man went to the Army and left the colored man to take care of the loved ones at home. While this was often behind the northern lines, in no case was the trust betrayed and no colored man laid hands on a white woman or child except to protect them. Monument building in the South should not stop until one is erected to commemorate this fact.'

"Although Dr. Ewell was a man of science he did not neglect his religion, and religion was an important part of his life. The church records do not say when he was baptised, but they do show that he and his wife were received into the Pleasant Grove Baptist Church in April, 1892. In December, 1892, Dr. Ewell, with several other citizens organized the Ruckersville Baptist Church and Dr. Ewell was elected the first clerk and served in that capacity for 26 years.

"It was in Greene County that Dr. Ewell first conceived the idea of an American gathering of the descendants of Clan Gregor. He read much about the clan, their characteristics, and their trials and tribulations. He enjoyed reading especially Sir Walter Scott's works, "Rob Roy" and "The Lady of the Lake", and he could quote long passages from the latter. He had a great admiration for Scott whom he said was the patron saint of the Clan Gregor. He said, 'Sir Walter Scott is not only an historian but to a certain extent our creator; cut out what we have learned from his writing of our own people and we would be truly in the dark.'

"It so happened that one of his colleagues of Charlottesville, Va., our first Chieftain, Dr. Edward May Magruder, was called on several occasions as a surgical consultant. In riding horseback slowly over the roads they had time to discuss their families and common descent, and Dr. Ewell told of his dream of an American gathering of the MacGregor descendants. And so it was in June, 1909, a meeting was held in the home of Dr. Magruder, and the American Clan Gregor Society was born.

"Present at that meeting were: Dr. Ewell and his oldest daughter Mary Ish (Mrs. Waller Hundley), and Dr. Magruder and his brothers Horatio Erskine and his half nephew, Franklin. At that meeting Dr. Magruder because of his surname, was made chairman, and Dr. Ewell was made scribe, and an invitation was issued to 'all in America who have MacGregor blood in their veins', to join the group.

"Since then, the germ that was planted in Dr. Ewell as a boy, became dormant as a seed as he grew up, began to germinate and swell in Ruckersville, Va., put forth its first leaf in Charlottesville, Va., and has grown into a healthy tree in Washington.

"Dr. Ewell resigned as Scribe in 1918 because of failing health, but he was active as a physician until two days before his death. He died May 31, 1921."

Dr. Jesse Ewell was the son of John Smith Magruder Ewell and Helen Woods MacGregor, grandson of Dr. Jesse Ewell IV and Ellen MacGregor (her father, J. S. Magruder had the names of his children changed to MacGregor by act of the Maryland legislature) great-grandson of John Smith Magruder and Eleanor Hall, g.g. grandson of Benjamin Hall and Eleanor Murdock, g.g.g. grandson of Frank Hall and Dorothy Lowe, g.g.g.g. grandson of Colonel Henry Lowe and Suzannah Marie Bennett and g.g.g.g.g. grandson of Governor Richard Bennett and Henrietta Marie Neale.

Governor Bennett was acting Governor of Virginia under Cromwell from April 30, 1652 to March 1655. Henrietta Marie Neale was the daughter of Capt. James Neale, a loyal friend of Charles I and was with him on the scaffold. He with twelve other gentlemen received a mourning ring from the King and a lock of his hair. The Neales of Maryland still have the ring. Henrietta Marie Neale's mother was Queen Henrietta's "Lady in Waiting", and Henrietta Neale was a Godchild of the Queen.

Dr. Jesse Ewell was the son of John Smith Magruder Ewell, grandson of Ellen MacGregor, great grandson of John Smith Magruder, g.g. grandson of Nathaniel Magruder of Dunblane, g.g.g. grandson of John Magruder of Dunblane, and g.g.g. grandson of Samuel Magruder, son of Alexander the immigrant.

Again, Dr. Jesse Ewell, son of John Smith Magruder Ewell, grandson of Dr. Jesse Ewell IV, g. grandson of Squire Jesse Ewell, g.g. grandson of Col. Jesse Ewell of Bel Air, g.g.g. grandson of Charles Ewell of Prince William County, g.g.g.g. grandson of Charles Ewell of Lancaster Co., g.g.g.g.g. grandson of James Ewell who lived in Accomac Co. in 1668. According to Trachter, James Ewell was one of three brothers who came to America prior to 1668.

### PRESENTATION OF TABLET

Remarks of Gen. Marshall Magruder, Chieftain, in presenting the tablet on the 100th anniversary of Dr. Jesse Ewell's birthday:

A rare privilege has been extended to us today in allowing us to honor the memory of one of the many illustrious sons of the Old Dominion State. This son, born one hundred years ago, was a kindly, human and gifted soul.

In the field of medicine and public health, he gave without stint of his energy, courage and great foresight in fighting ignorance and superstition. Those battles finally enabled his county to have the great protection of vaccination against smallpox extended everywhere.

Public spirited and with a generous heart, especially for the underprivileged, he organized the Red Cross Society in his county. The inauguration of the Public Health Nurse was another one of his triumphs.

Where duty called he was present. Draft boards and other such volunteer work claimed his attention and serious thought. While these things claimed much of his time, still he had great talents in other fields.

Though not active in politics, he took great interest in the problems of the day; and was often friend and wise counselor of several Governors of his state, including Governors Lee, Montague and Stuart.

When on a visit one time to Richmond, his friend, State Senator Early, told him that Governor Stuart was anxious to make his acquaintance and urged that he be allowed to make an appointment. At last Dr. Ewell was prevailed upon to meet the Governor. At the introduction Governor Stuart said, "Dr. Ewell, you are a man I wanted to know. From what I hear, you are the Salt of the Earth."

While very modest about his accomplishments, he had a great pride in his MacGregor Lineage. It is said that when a small boy he had a squabble with a playmate, Lewis Berkeley, a descendant of Governor Berkeley of Virginia. Lewis finally reproached Jesse, drawing himself up and saying, "I will have you to understand that I am descended from a Governor." Jesse was quick to reply, "I am a MacGregor and descended from a King."

We MacGregors, of course, are proud of his MacGregor blood, which no doubt in our minds, was responsible for many of his gifted talents.

His mother having died early, he was raised by his grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Jesse Ewell, IV. His grandmother, Ellen, was very proud of her Maryland Kin and I understand that her love and influence helped to give Dr. Ewell such fierce pride in his MacGregor Scottish ancestors.

In our exercises here today and in the erection of a bronze tablet, we are but carrying out one of the prime missions of the Society of which Dr. Jesse Ewell initiated the founding thereof and was its first Scribe. That mission was "To gather Kindred together in Clanship and to Proudly Cherish the History of Their Ancestors".

It is therefore with great pleasure that the American Clan Gregor Society presents this bronze tablet to perpetuate the memory of our founder and also to honor this Grand Old Son of Virginia, through whom flowed MacGregor Blood.

#### To DOCTOR JESSE EWELL, born One Hundred Years Ago

## A TRIBUTE

#### PROLOGUE

"Time rules his ceaseless course. The race of yore Who danced our infancy upon their knee, And told our marvelling boyhood legends store . . . How are they blotted from the throngs that be !" (Lines from The Lady of the Lake—Sir Walter Scott)

## I

Here was a man whom human frailties called For aid and succor. It is oft recalled What skill and knowledge he combined To conquer pain of body and mind; Relieving grimly anxious and distrest. A courtly country doctor, of the blest, Who, following in his grandsire's noble calling In serving fellow man; he found enthralling. Through years when scars of war, yet sore, And broken spirits needed lifting more; Though not to dark despair or hopelessness Did fine folk of Virginia fall in their distress.

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In all the hamlets hereabouts and towns And in the mountains, he cared for on his rounds; Frail aged cheered as they came near the end. At little babies' births his nights to spend In homes sometimes remote; while outside tempest swirled, He brought them safe into this troubled world; Who, grown up, live to honor and to bless Him whom they so well loved, good "Doctor Jess." The magic of his always gentle hand And cheering word, so prized throughout this land That lies 'neath mountain Ridge of Blue. What power sustained this man of science true!

#### III

'Twas Ewell blood of heroes in his vein And a grandmother's pride of Scottish race and strain; Which handed down through each succeeding age Kept bright its lustre on our history's page. And so it was that the Jesse we revere Conceived the thought our clanfolk still hold dear To gather at a given time and place And thus prove pride of lineage and race.
His idea. See how wonderfully 't'as grown! Yet we would welcome all we call our own. Here this tribute now in honor we inscribe To him who first served Clan Gregor as its Scribe.

#### IV

Now come together here in this County Greene Where hallowed ground and names adorn the scene; Our hearts hold memories bright of one Who was a loyal and true son Of his beloved Country, State and race; Whose good name lives on in this place. We remember how in days 'lang syne' He touched a cord that hearts entwine. And though a span of five score years has run Since birth of this MacGregor worthy son, We meet in pride that we can speak his praise Whose hand the Great Physician holds through endless days.

HERBERT T. MAGRUDER

Written for the Gathering of American Clan Gregor Society at Ruckersville, Virginia, October 16, 1953.

## MACGREGOR

Come, list ye to a tale unfold, Its dauntless courage oft retold, Of Gregor's feats of fateful fame, Who would not glory in the name?

Back in Scotland's hoary past Lived Greg in stately splendor cast, A king was master of his fate, Chieftain, progenitor, potentate.

His clansmen dwelt in highland field, "My race is royal" on their shield, Their glorious badge a towering pine, "Lay on, spare not!" their motto fine.

Their sons performed each sacred trust, While cravens carried tales unjust, "Defend our honor", came the cry, "To arms with sword and dirk or die!"

The fiery cross blazed summons wide, Pipes brought the clan from every side, At Bannockburn and Glen Fruin ford MacGregor wielded knife and sword.

On mountain crag, in narrow glen, The war cries rose and fell and when The dawning light revealed the lists Victorious were the "children of the mists".

In noble deeds of Scottish fame, They fought their foes with sword and flame, And on the moors with heather weeded Their craven foes for quarter pleaded.

All unpossessed, the pine laid low, Their homes in ruins from torches' glow, Their names proscribed on pain of death, They would press on with their last breath.

Deported to a foreign clime, Espousing Stuart cause his crime, MacGregor toiled with ardent zeal, Recouped his family's fame and weal.

Here the pine tree found re-birth, Deep rooted in the rich, red earth, Its crown uplifted from the sod, Its branches thrust t'ward sky and God.

As long as men shall strive for right, As long as stars illume the night, In annals brave, in Scottish lore, MacGregor lives forevermore!

MIRIAM MCDONNELL HOLMES

# WE TOOK THE HIGH ROAD

## By ANNE PEYTON MAGRUDER

Believing the old adage that it pays to save the best for the last, Marshall and I planned to spend the last month of our Summer's visit to Europe in England and Scotland, which we sadly learned was not nearly time enough.

While on the continent, we had been in correspondence with Sir Malcolm, who was also taking a trip with Lady Gylla in Switzerland, and had planned to start our Highland Fling with the games at Braemar.

So we were in Aberdeen on September 3 where we were greeted with a telegram, "Welcome to Scotland. We are so looking forward to seeing you both. Please ring Lochearnhead 204". Signed MacGregor of MacGregor.

It was indeed gratifying to be welcomed so warmly. While in Edinburgh we had gone to the Scottish Tourist Bureau to pick up tickets we had written for, but we were told by a most friendly and cooperative Mr. Ian Anderson that Sir Malcolm had reserved seats for us.

From Aberdeen, we drove over the picturesque, rolling country, through small villages with their neat stone houses and flower gardens, nearby the famous vacation home of the Royal family, Balmoral, the spires of which could be seen above the high wall surrounding it and finally to the estate of the Lord Farquarson where the games were to be held.

The crowd was tremendous but most orderly and all in a holiday mood with their blankets and lunch baskets. Everywhere we went the people were well mannered; all seemed to be in good humor and friendly to strangers and eager to be of service if it was needed.

We spent a delightful and interesting day, watching the athletic games, dancing, piping and contests. The numerous bands of pipers with their swinging kilts were indeed a picture and when they all massed before the entrance of the Queen, it was really a sight to stir one's heart—whether Scottish or not.

However, the big thrill came when the Queen arrived with the Royal party and their house guests to occupy the Royal glass inclosure, about fifty feet from where we sat. She is equally as charming in her manner and looks as she has been reported to be, with a dignified graciousness that apparently appeals to all who see or meet her.

After a delightful visit in Edinburgh, it being Festival Week, we turned our travels toward Lochearnhead and Edinchip. We stopped for a day and night at Callendar so Marshall could explore the lochs in the Trossachs and have his first glimpse of MacGregor country.

When we arrived at Balquidder we found Sir Malcolm, or shall I say "Colum", and Gylla awaiting us with smiles of welcome. It was a lovely day and one could fairly drink in the tranquility of the peaceful country side. Far from the throngs and hubbub of modern life, it breathed of quietness and serenity.

Only a short drive and we were entering the estate. The seat is beautifully located on a slight rise with a clearing at the front affording an unobstructed view of the mountain ranges, the tip of a nearby loch and the herds of black-faced sheep, the particular breed that Sir Malcolm raises.

Surely, I thought, the builder of this house was a student of the Bible, for it was built of rock and rains could descend, waters come, and the wind might blow,

but it would not fall—a structure as solid as the Scotsman who planned it and inside as warm as a Scotsman's heart.

It takes a lot of living to make a house a home and this one utters a voiceless story of alive, vital, happy people. It is a veritable treasure house of interesting things, relics, mementos, portraits, cabinets with priceless treasures, and over all a warm friendliness prevails that is discernible to all who are welcomed at its hearth.

We spent three delightful days at Edinchip and were fortunate indeed to find their daughter and her two small children home for a visit. She is Anna Gylla Ellis, wife of a promising young architect of London and is called by the fascinating name of "Angyl". The little boy, all of three, with the dignified name of Giles, was soon on friendly terms with us and the five months' old daughter was another smiling angel called Gabriel.

We took a long walk over the estate where we felt at home among the towering rhododendron, azalea and mountain laurel. Sir Malcolm has laid out foot paths which led us by the steep banks of a burn that ran through the woods, under an umbrella of massive old trees, then into the open. Here we sat on a welcome bench and looked up to the mountains, blue with heather.

Back again and to the cutting garden. At one end in a shrine of shrubbery we found a stone bench placed so one could sit and feast the eyes on the flowers in the garden—dahlias as large as dinner plates, snapdragons, roses and many kinds familiar to us, with others of a true Scottish origin, unknown to Americans.

Some of these Sir Malcolm has literally brought into the home in the form of lovely water colors he had painted of his favorite species and they are excellently done. The stone bench is a memorial to Gylla's parents and is inscribed with the following:

> God be in my head and in my understanding; God be in my eyes and in my looking; God be in my mouth and in my speaking; God be in my heart and in my thinking; God be in mine end and at my departing.

Never have I felt it truer that God can be found in a garden.

Gylla took us for a lovely ride over the Braes of Balquidder to see the little church yard where Rob Roy and his family are buried. The countryside is as neat as if it had recently been brushed and combed and the hedgerows separating the different pastures make a pleasing irregularity in the pattern of it all.

At tea time one day, Gylla's lovely sister who lives nearby came to meet us and another day some charming neighbors were invited for tea. In between times, we spent delightful hours talking in front of the fireplace. Colum told us the history of the seat and the stories behind the many interesting portraits and pictures of their ancestors, the Rollos, MacGregors and Murrays, who played such prominent parts in the history of Scotland.

As I said before, we didn't have nearly enough time to see all we desired of Scotland so had to leave with regrets as we yet had Loch Lomond, Robert Burns and Wordsworth beckoning us. So we had to say farewell to our hosts with a deep feeling of appreciation for their hospitality and bringing with us a "Greeting of love for all our clansmen" from the MacGregors of Macgregor.

Later in London, we had the pleasure of spending an afternoon and evening

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with Angyl and her thoroughly nice husband. They afforded us an experience we will long remember—pub crawling—as the young folk in London call it, and it was like peeping through a keyhole into a book. We visited the King's Head, The Three Doves and the Duke of Windsor, each the epitome of the ultra in pub life, and it really was fun!

When we left England, we found a box of heather in our stateroom from Edinchip, to take to the clan for the closing banquet at the gathering. So all attending had a bit of Scotland from our friends and kinsfolk, the MacGregors.

Our two weeks in Scotland were just a "teaser" for more and I feel sure that Marshall will be wishing to return to that

> "Land of his sires What mortal hand Can e'er untie that filial band That knits him to that rugged strand."

## REV. ENOCH MAGRUDER THOMPSON Thirty Years Faithful Service

The Clan received with deep regret the resignation of the Rev. Enoch Magruder Thompson, Chaplain, who has faithfully served the Clan for thirty years.

In his final report, he stated that as deaths were recorded in the Clan, they were remembered at the early Communion Service at his church the following Sunday.

One of his last acts as Chaplain was to officiate at the marriage of Miss Colma Ione Myers and Mr. James E. Allgeyer.

A resolution of appreciation was adopted by the Clan and sent to Rev. Thompson.

The parish of the Church of the Nativity and Resurrection was established in 1903, and on Nov. 29, 1953, Rev. Thompson celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of the parish, of which he has been Rector since its founding.

## THE HOMES OF YESTERYEAR

## No. 1 of a Series

Home of Levi Magruder, son of Archibald Magruder and Cassandra Offutt, built about 1818. It is situated near Deatsville about 22 miles from Bardstown, Ky. There are three rooms and a hall across the front of the house, and two kitchens at the rear. One of his sons occupied one half of the house at one time, hence the two kitchens. Just outside the kitchen is the "Celler" dug outside of the house instead of beneath it, which is topped with a high mound of earth which keeps it cool.

Across from the kitchen is the Cobbler's cabin. His job was to make shoes for the family and slaves. This was quite a job as Levi had three wives and twentytwo children. The home has come down by direct descent to the present owner and occupant, Mattie Eleanor Magruder Manakee and her husband. Mrs. Manakee is the great-granddaughter of Levi Magruder. Mattie Eleanor has two children, Barbara and Wyman B. Manakee.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Descendants of Alexander Magruder, by whatever name, are requested to send in pictures of old homes for this series.



Home of Levi Magruder

## REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR

#### Mrs. O. O. van den Berg

#### NEW MEMBERS FOR 1953

- 1153—Walter Wyatt, 1702 Kalmia Road, Wash., D. C. Mr. Wyatt's parents were Sarah Caroline Hodnett and Walter Wyatt, Sr., and his three times great grandfather was Ayers Hodnett of Buckingham Co., Va., who married Mary MacGehee, she daughter of Edward MacGehee and Elizabeth de Jarnette.
- 1154—Mrs. Lemuel P. Fitch (Cora Garner), 102 N. 32nd Ave., Omaha, Neb. Mrs. Fitch is the daughter of John Angel Garner and Henrietta Frances Williams Hunter. Her MacGehee line is through Catherine Elizabeth de Jarnette and Edward MacGehee, through son Daniel who married Jane Brooke Hodnett.
- 1155—John Magruder Wolfe, 120 Merbrooke Lane, Merion, Pa. Mr. Wolfe's grandparents were Thomas Contee Magruder and Elizabeth Olivia Morgan, he son of Lloyd Magruder and Ann Holmes; he son of Major Samuel Wade Magruder and Lucy Beall.
- 1156—Mrs. Robert Beauregard Green (Elizabeth Ann Magruder), 2821 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, Md., daughter of John Baldwin Magruder and Catherine Dukes, he son of Edward Walter Magruder and his first wife Elizabeth Maria Mullikin; he son of Caleb Clarke Magruder I and Mary Sprigg Belt. The line is Thomas Magruder, Isaac, Nathan, John of Dunblane.
- 1157—Mrs. Lawrence Crawford Hunt (LeMerle Kelly), 1911 North St., Nacogcoches, Tex. Mrs. Hunt is descended from Virlinda Magruder, daughter of Samuel I who married John Beall, through son Col. Samuel Beall and Eleanor Brooke. Mrs. Hunt's grandparents were Thadeus Solon Beall (of Thadeus) and Carrie Elizabeth Boyd.
- 1158—Quayton Ray Stottlemyer, 509 Tulip Road, State College, Pa. Quayton's parents were Worth Brown Stottlemyer and Hazel Quay Beard; he grandson of Daniel, whose father David married Margaret Agnes Magruder, daughter of the fourth Samuel in line from Alexander Magruder, Immigrant.
- 1159—Miss Mattie Adaline Higgs, 417 N. Blount St., Raleigh, N. C. Miss Mattie's immigrant ancestor was Thomas MackGehee alias James MacGregor of Scotland, who died in King William Co., Va., in 1727. His granddaughter Anne married Nathan Womack in 1796. The parents of Miss Higgs were Martha (Pattie) Sherwood and James Allan Higgs.
- 1160—Miss Nell Myron Bruner, 1329 Lincoln Ave., Little Rock, Ark. Miss Nell's parents were Minnie Thrift who married Frank Lamar Bruner, she daughter of George Thrift and Cordelia McKenzie, he great grandson of Elizabeth Offutt who married Charles Thrift, she daughter of Elizabeth Magruder and William Offutt; she granddaughter of Ninian Magruder and Elizabeth Brewer.
- 1161—Mrs. Lamar Fields (Elizabeth Ashlock), 123 N. Elm St., Little Rock, Ark. Mrs. Fields' parents are Felecia Bruner, who married Brinly Ashlock. Mrs. Fields is the niece of Miss Nell M. Bruner and our member Mrs. Claud M. Simpson (nee Elisa Bruner).

- 1162 A-Mrs. William B. Hamilton Magruder (Lydia Wiseman), 420 Villita St., San Antonio, Tex., wife of the Deputy Chieftain for Texas.
- 1163—Mrs. Williston Roy Riggs (Julia G. Magruder), 636 Baring Drive, Houston, Tex., is in the fourth generation from Archibald Magruder whose wife was Cassandra Offutt through their son Archibald, Jr., who married Virlinda Swearingen. Their grandson Samuel Buckner Magruder and his wife Ella Letitia Hays were the parents of Mrs. Riggs.
- 1164—Mrs. Inman Williams Cooper (Janie Howard Drake), Mt. Ararat Plantation, Church Hill, Miss., whose Magruder line is from Alexander and his last wife Elizabeth traditionally Hawkins, through their first son Alexander who married Susannah Busey; their son Alexander married Elizabeth Howard, and their son Alexander married Elizabeth Ann Magruder, his cousin.
- 642 (renewal)—Miss Clarabel Drake, Mt. Ararat Plantation, Church Hill, Miss. a sister to Mrs. Cooper and Winbourne Magruder Drake.
- 1165—Mrs. James A. Hall (Viola Wright), 325 S. Candler St., Decatur, Ga., whose great grandfather was Ezakiel MacGregor, born in Scotland in 1784 who married Sara Mare. Their daughter Temperance married James Allen of Tennessee and their daughter Louise married James M. Wright. These last were the parents of Mrs. Hall.
- 1166—Mrs. James F. McGarry (Genevieve Lloyd Wolfe), 120 Merbrook Lane, Merion, Pa., whose parents are John Magruder Wolfe and Genevieve Monica Haymond. Her Revolutionary ancestor is Maj. Samuel Wade Magruder who married Lucy Beall, he son of Alexander, of Samuel, of Alexander.
- 701—Mrs. Irvin Myers (Ganavia W. Smith), 1116 E. 6th St., Tallahassee, Fla. Mrs. Myers' fifth (and Revolutionary) ancestor was Samuel Brewer Magruder who married his cousin, Rebecca Magruder. Her line from him is: his son Ninian, his son William W., his daughter Caroline Elizabeth; and her son William Glendale Smith who married Hattie Lillian Snider. These last are the parents of Mrs. Myers.
- 1167—Marion Mitchell Permenter, Jr., 2539 Park St., Jacksonville, Fla., is on the line of Ninian Offutt Magruder through his son George whose second wife was Susannah Williams. His grandmother was Mable Anita Magruder who married Shim Permenter, she daughter of George Mitchell Magruder and Lula Mable Bouchellon.
- 1168 A-Mrs. M. M. Permenter, Jr. (Lenore Jean Peacock), same address.
- 1169—Mrs. Max Reagan Woodward (Frances Drane), 1020 Leslie Ave., Sherman, Tex. Mrs. Woodward's parents are Walter Hugh Drane, Jr. and Mary Louise Brannan, both of Mississippi. Her great grandfather was Dr. William P. Drane, son of Cassandra Magruder who married William Drane; she daughter of Ninian Beall Magruder of Georgia, whose grandparents were Ninian Magruder the First and his wife Elizabeth Brewer.
- 1170—Hayward Benton Drane, Jr., Rt. 3, Box 359, Natchez, Miss., son of our member of the same name; his mother is the former Miss Louisa Catherine Sloan of Natchez. His line is through Ninian Offutt Magruder, Revolutionary officer, through son John who married Sarah Pryor; their daughter Eleanor married Hiram Drane, son of Cassandra Magruder and William Drane.

- 1171—Theodore Earl Drane, Rt. 3, Box 359, Natchez, Miss., is a brother of Hayward of the same address.
- 1172-Mrs. Delmar Franklin Weaver (Beula Thrift), 1100 Bishop Rd., Grosse Point, Mich., whose line is from Ninian Magruder I through son Corporal James and Mary Bowie, through their daughter Rachel who married Robert Thrift. Mrs. Weaver's parents were John Bowcock Thrift and Beula Eloise Bohrer.
- 1173—Mrs. F. Leonard Wailes (Mildred Thrift), Madison, Va., is the daughter of James Early Thrift and Sally Bowcock, he grandson of Rachel Magruder who married Robert Thrift.
- 1174—Mrs. Ezea Upshur Mitchell (Beula Hampton Micks), Orange, Va. Mrs. Mitchell's mother is Sally Watson De Jarnette whose mother was Evelyn May Magruder who married Elliott De Jarnette, she daughter of Benjamin Henry Magruder and his wife Maria Louise Minor, Benjamin being grandson of Corporal James Magruder, styled junior to distinguish him from James II, son of James of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall.
- 1175—Miss Rosemary Stokes-Johnson, Box 144, Hartman, Ark., is the daughter of our member Walter Richard Stokes, Jr. and granddaughter of Etta Stephens Stokes, whose line she follows to Chief Patrick MacGregor whose wife was the Lady Marion MacDonald.
- 1176—Wm. Drane Haddox Rodriguez, 507 Park Ave., Monroe, La., whose parents were Louisa Drane and Premitivo Rodriguez, she daughter of William Mc-Clure Drane and Amelia Washington Haddox; he son of Walter Harding Drane, born in Montgomery Co., Md., in 1798 and married Eliza Jane McClure. Mr. Rodriguez' fifth ancestors were Ensign Walter Harding Drane who married Mary — (she married as her second husband Samuel Sprigg), he son of Capt. Elias Harding whose wife was Elizabeth Beall, daughter of Elizabeth Magruder and her second husband William Beall of Thomas; she daughter of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall.
- 1177—William Premitivo Rodriguez, 507 Park Ave., Monroe, La. Midshipman William is the son of William Drane Haddox Rodriguez and his wife Edith Dupre Brown.
- 1178—Mrs. Presley Davis Shingleton (Verna Rebecca Jefferson), 302 Concord St., Clarksburg, W. Va. Mrs. Shingleton's great great great grandfather was Aaron Grigg who came from Scotland to New Jersey about 1764.
- 1179—Mrs. John Murray Embrey (Betty MacGregor), Stafford, Va. Mrs. Embrey is the daughter of our late member John Allister MacGregor and his wife, Bessie Knight, he great grandson of John Smith Magruder and his wife Eleanor Hall who had his children's names changed to MacGregor.
- 1180 Jr.-Charles Alaric Embrey, Stafford, Va.
- 1181 Jr.-John Murray Embrey, Jr., Stafford, Va.
- 1182 Jr.—Bessie Laurie Embrey, Stafford, Va. These three are the children of Mr. and Mrs. John Murray Embrey, Sr.
- 1183—Mrs. Paul Shumway Parsons, 2505 Purlington Way, Baltimore, Md., is the great granddaughter of General John Bankhead Magruder, C.S.A. whose wife was Henrietta Von Kapff. Their grandson Thomas H. Buckler married Marion Stevenson; these last the parents of Mrs. Parsons.
- 1184 Jr.-Marion Stevenson Parsons, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul S. Parsons.

- 1185—William Whann Mackall, 2611 Arlington Blvd., Arlington, Va., son of Douglas Sorrell Mackall of Langley, Virginia, and Lucy Hunter Chichester; he son of Brig. Gen. William Whann Mackall, C.S.A. and Aminta E. Douglas Sorrell; he son of Benjamin Mackall and Ann Maria Whann; he son of Capt. Leonard Mackall who married Catherine Beall, daughter of Brooke Beall and Margaret Johns; he son of Col. Samuel Beall and Eleanor Brooke; he son of Verlinda Magruder and John Beall.
- 1186—Rev. Reuel Lamphier Howe, Theological Seminary, Alexandria, Va. Rev. Howe is the son of Jane Corner Beall who married Lincoln Grant Howe; she daughter of Lewis Cass Beall and Jennie Corner Martin. His great grandparents were Jane Beall Magruder and Thomas Birch Beall; she daughter of Edward Magruder and Theresa Barron. Edward Magruder was son of Haswell Magruder and Charity Beall; Haswell being son of the fourth Samuel in direct line.
- 1188 Jr.—Robert Beauregard Green, 3rd, 2821 Calvert St., Baltimore, Md., is the son of Elizabeth Ann Magruder and Major Robert B. Green, Jr.; she daughter of John Baldwin Magruder and Catherine Dukes.
- 1189—Herbert Arthur Elliott, P. O. Box 353, South Hill, Va., son of Simon Wilson Elliott and Elizabeth Arthur. His fourth ancestor was Judith McGehee who married Simon Walton Jr.; she daughter of William McGehee and he son of Jacob McGehee who married Eleanor deJarnette; he son of Major James MacGregor who changed his name to Thomas MackGehee when he came to Virginia; he son of Patrick MacGregor of Clan Gregor in Scotland.

MEMBERS RECEIVED SINCE THE GATHERING, NOT INCLUDED IN ABOVE REPORT:

1190-Mrs. Thomas Garland Magruder, Jr., 2053 Wilson Blvd., Arlington, Va.

1191-William Ernest Offutt, Sr., 3454 Edison St., Arlington, Va.

1192-William Ernest Offutt, Jr., 3410 Edison St., Arlington, Va.

1193—Mrs. William T. McCormick (Lucy V. Offutt), 3418 Edison St., Arlington, Virginia.

1194-John Burruss Martin, 402 Lamont St., San Antonio, Texas.

1195 Jr.-John Burruss Martin, Jr., 402 Lamont St., San Antonio, Texas.

## REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

### REGINA MAGRUDER HILL

#### October 17, 1953

The Historian has signed 34 application papers, made several trips to Baltimore and Annapolis, where wills and church records were copied, and later typed and put into loose-leaf binders, and indexed. Abstracts of 211 Wills have been typed for the Clan Archives in the past three years. These are in addition to those which appear in the Year Books. A great deal of research work has also been done on several lines. Much work has been done on the Ancestral Charts by Thomas G. Magruder, Jr., Mrs. O. O. van den Berg, and myself.

I attended the first State Meeting of the Clan at San Antonio, Texas, on

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May 30, 1953. This meeting was arranged by the Deputy Chieftain for Texas. A report appears elsewhere.

The Historian sent lists of prospective members to the two Deputy Chieftains who held meetings this year, wrote many letters in connection with the meetings and typed follow-up letters which were sent to those who attended these meetings by the Registrar, Mrs. van den Berg. Lists of prospective members in the Headquarters' Office were sent to each State Deputy Chieftain who has been appointed to date.

Miss Martha Porter Miller, Assistant Historian, has done a fine job on the records of births, marriages and deaths occurring in the Clan, and I wish to thank her for this wonderful help.

The Historian wishes to report nine births, three marriages and eleven deaths, which have come to our attention since the last Clan Gathering. Others have been received since and are herewith included.

#### BIRTHS

- Fielding Merwin McGehee, born Dec. 23, 1949, and Louise Reba McGehee, born July 29, 1953, children of Mr. and Mrs. Fielding Merwin McGehee, their mother having been the former Helen Louise Ewell.
- James Winston Truett, Jan. 10, 1953, son of Mr. James M. and Mary Jane (Tucker) Truett, and great nephew of Mrs. Herman J. (Eleanor Tucker) Vanderbrook,
- Catherine Camper Pugh, Jan. 12, 1953, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Olin Sharp Pugh, and great-granddaughter of our first Scribe, Dr. Jesse Ewell.
- Stanley Koch Rhoades, born at Heidelberg, Germany, Feb. 12, 1953, son of Lt. Col. and Mrs. John Foster Rhoades and grandson of our Council member, Mrs. Rex Hays Rhoades.
- Michael Jon Berryman, May 29, 1953, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard D. Berryman and first great-grandson of Mrs. Merle Freeman (Doris Hill).
- Margaret Helen Myers, June 8, 1953, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Waring Myers, and first granddaughter of Mrs. Jesse Waring Gant Myers.
- Dennis Magruder and Thomas Stevenson Bowie, Feb. 23, 1953, twin sons of Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Dodge Bowie.
- James Carl Harvey, March 23, 1953. Son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Harvey, and grandson of our member from Oregon, Mrs. Carl Braun.
- Jo Ann Zimmerman, July 26, 1953, at Stuttgart, Germany, to Sergeant and Mrs. Robert Zimmerman. Jo Ann is the granddaughter of a former member Mrs. Jessie Zimmerman.
- Richard Bernard Muncaster, April 26, 1953, to Mr. and Mrs. William Thomas Muncaster. Richard is the grandson of John Edwin Muncaster.
- Ellen Margaret Mills, Sept. 19, 1953, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mills. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Joseph Penkert.
- Robert George Uebel, Nov. 24, 1952, to Mr. and Mrs. George Uebel. Robert is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rowland Stabler, and great-grandson of John Edwin Muncaster.
- Joseph Bernard Lynch, III, Nov. 23, 1952, to Captain and Mrs. Joseph Bernard Lynch, Jr. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. William Marion Magruder.

- Blair Duval Lummis, Oct. 21, 1953, to Mason Magruder Lummis and Shirley Duval Lummis, at Hot Springs, Ark. He is the first grandson of Col. and Mrs. Irwin Lummis.
- Edward Magruder Cook, Jr., Oct. 30, 1953, to Edward Magruder Cook and Joanne Craig Cook. Mr. and Mrs. Cook, as well as the grandmother, Mrs. Edward Cook of Arkansas, are members of the Clan.
- Nancy Lynn Loveless, Dec. 16, 1953, to Mr. and Mrs. William Eldridge Loveless, and first granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Eldridge Loveless.
- Jean Louise Donnally, Nov. 19, 1953, to Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Donnally. She is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Rochford Dwyer.

#### DEATHS

#### Clan No.

1003 Roy Swearingen Magruder, October 18, 1952.

- 1039 Carmen Eugene Stottelmyer, November 21, 1952.
- 78c Mrs. Mary Magruder Wade, Charter Member, March 1, 1953.
- 280 John Alastair MacGregor, June 26, 1953.
- 513 Major General Bruce Magruder, U.S.A., Retired, July 23, 1953.

42 William Woodward, September 26, 1953.

- 717 Mrs. Ellen MacGregor Miller, November 29, 1953.
- 999 Edgar Suter McCeney, Sr., August 1, 1953.
- 955 Robert Glendening Patterson, Sr.
- 1047 George Benton Stottelmyer, April 13, 1953.
- 373 William W. Hill, III, November 30, 1952.
- 357LM Mrs. Eugene Farr Rees, March 4, 1953.
- 731a George Silas Rees, April 30, 1952.

#### Close Relatives of our Clansmen:

Dr. Laidler Mackall, December 1, 1952.

William Talbott, July 31, 1953.

Merydith A. Higgins, February 10, 1953.

Mrs. Catherine Martin Henderson, March 22, 1953.

Mrs. Lingan Randolph, December 24, 1953.

### **RESEARCH COMMITTEE**

#### Director-REGINA MAGRUDER HILL, Historian

Assistant Director-THOMAS GARLAND MAGRUDER, JR., Editor

#### Members-STATE DEPUTY CHIEFTAINS

Members of the Committee will be asked to do specific work on various lines. This Research will be carried on by a search of Wills, Bible records, church and cemetery records, State and County vital records, census records, and land records.

When a case comes up at Headquarters, the Director will send available information, with notations on what is needed, to the State Deputy Chieftain, and he or she will be asked to carry on from there, reporting back to Headquarters.

The State Deputy Chieftain may know of a Clan member or some other person who may be able to help in obtaining the information desired. Individual Clansmen will also be asked to help in states where there is no State Deputy Chieftain at this time.

Articles on the trials, tribulations and victories of the families of Magruder-MacGregor blood who left their Maryland homes and went to other sections of the country to establish new homes, are also asked for. In such an article give the route taken, how they travelled, and where they finally settled and when, with a photograph of the new home if available. Such articles will make interesting reading for the Year Books and will give much valuable genealogical data. Sources of information with proofs of dates in each case should be given where possible.

The Master Chart of the Descendants of Alexander Magruder, Immigrant, showing his children, grandchildren and great grandchildren appears in this Year Book. Study this Chart carefully. If any errors in dates are found please send in the corrections, with proof of same, to the Director of Research. The Committee wants information as to the people on the Chart where it does not show whether they were married or not, with the name of the wife or husband, with any dates available, and the names of their children; and the names and addresses of any descendants you may know who are now living. Please give the source of information in each case. It is the aim of the Committee to have this Chart as complete and authentic as it is possible to make it.

The Headquarters has much information on several Magruder lines where one or two generations are missing connecting them with Alexander Magruder, Immigrant. Several of these are:

I. William Mills Magruder of Henrico and Powhatan Counties, Va., Patriot in the Revolution. We have a lot of information on this family. Samuel Magruder (called Sr.) (1687-1799) and his wife Eleanor Wade, had a son William Mills Magruder, given in the Will of his father. Could the above William Mills Magruder of Virginia be this son, or a grandson?

II. Zepheniah Magruder of Maryland, had a son Wade S. Magruder who married Polly Stanford, daughter of David Stanford of Virginia. Their children were: James, Zebediah, Amanda, Martha, Sarah, William, Zachariah, Obediah and Caroline. James Magruder, the oldest, born in Chesterfield County, Va., April 19, 1816, went to Indiana and married on Nov. 15, 1839, Ruth Stover, daughter of Joseph and Esther Stover of Wayne County, Ind. James died in Indiana Nov. 30, 1893. We have his descendants to the present time. Query: Who were the parents of his grandfather Zepheniah Magruder of Maryland?

III. Dr. Archibald Magruder of near Alexandria, Va. He had a daughter Sarah who married, before 1783, Christopher Osborne, born in Virginia in 1740. They went to North Carolina. We have many of their descendants. Query: Who were the parents of Dr. Archibald Magruder?

The above are only three of many interesting problems to be worked out.

### STATE UNIT MEETINGS

The first State Unit meeting was held in Texas on May 30, 1953, arranged by State Deputy Chieftain, Wm. B. Hamilton Magruder and his wife Lydia. It was held in La Villita, the little Spanish Town in San Antonio.

The meeting was held in Historic "Cos House". Twenty-seven Clansmen were present and those who were not already members were given a hearty invitation. Charts and pictures of Clan interest were on display. The meeting was preceded by a barbecue.

Mr. Magruder introduced Miss Regina Magruder Hill, Historian, who came from Wash., D. C., to represent the Chieftain, Brig. Gen. Marshall Magruder, who was in Europe. Miss Hill talked on membership, the needs of the Clan, and the Headquarters office.

Those attending this first State unit meeting were:

Mrs. Ethel Wynne Freeman, Dallas, Texas; Mrs. Mamie Wynne Cox, Dallas; Mr. William Adair Cox, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Riggs, Houston; Mr. and Mrs. Vernon P. Brown, San Antonio; John Randolph Martin, San Antonio, and his three children, Tina, Martha, and Randolph III; Randolph Magruder Martin, Nacogdoches; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sharman of Bandera and their children: Bill and Mary and Leonard Magruder Sharman; John Burruss Martin, of San Antonio and his three children, John Burruss Jr., Nancy Kathleen and Elizabeth Ann; Mr. and Mrs. William Magruder of San Antonio, and their daughter Miss Eleanor Magruder; Mr. and Mrs. Wm. B. Hamilton Magruder of San Antonio; and Miss Regina Magruder Hill of Washington, D. C. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Ware and Miss Clara Bell Smiley.

Plans are now being made for another get-together of all of the Magruder connections in and around San Antonio to be held sometime during the summer of 1954.

The second unit gathering was held in Port Gibson, Miss., June 21, 1953, and was arranged by Deputy Chieftain, Douglas Neil Magruder. It was held at "Idlewild", home of Mr. Magruder's sister, Mrs. Edgar D. Eaton.

Smith Coffey Daniel gave a talk on the Magruders whose descendants are now in Mississippi and discussed the line back to Alpine. Mr. Magruder Drake gave a talk about the early homes and plantations of the first Magruders.

Douglas Neil Magruder, Deputy Chieftain, gave a talk on the American Clan Gregor Society and the desire to have everyone in Mississippi a member. Those in attendance were: Mrs. Mary Lillian Peters (W.W.) Whitten, Macon, Miss.; W. Magruder Drake, Church Hill, Miss.; Mr. and Mrs. Percy McCaa, Port Gibson, and their children, Percy M. Jr., Nancy Ann, Charlie H., and Ruth; Mrs. Margaret McDougal Selden, Port Gibson, and her son and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Selden; Mrs. Frank Oscar Coleman and son, Frank Oscar, Jr., of Pittsburgh, Pa.; Miss Eleanor Magruder and Miss Lydia Magruder, of Jackson, Miss.; Mrs. Natalie Magruder Mobley, Yazoo City, Miss.; Mrs. Mary Daniell Bagnell, Port Gibson; Mrs. Laura Drake Satterfield, Port Gibson; George Lindsay Disharoon, Jr., Port Gibson; Charles Edward Barland and Mrs. C. E. Barland, Port Gibson; Miss Katherine Whitfield and Magruder (Mac) Whitfield, St. Louis, Mo.; Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Magruder and their children, Charles Herbert and Fred Augustine, of Jackson, Miss.; Smith C. Daniell, Port Gibson; Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Jones and daughter Sandra Lee of Brandon, Miss.; Mrs. V. H. Jones of Johns, Miss.; Mr. and Mrs. Silas T. Jones of Brandon, Miss.; Miss Cecelia Freeland, Port Gibson; Mr. and Mrs. Hayward B. Drane and son Theodore Erle of Natchez, Miss.; Mr. and Mrs. Alford Batton and children, Mary Drake and Alex Batton, of Port Gibson; Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Neil Magruder, and family, Alice Rosalie,

Anna Neil, Katherine Elizabeth, and Douglas Neil, Jr., of Indianola, Miss.; and Mr. and Mrs. Edgar D. Eaton and daughter Callie Neil Eaton of Port Gibson, who live at "Idlewild".

Plans are already under way for a similar meeting in the summer of 1954.

## THE PILGRIMAGE

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1953

This year we did something quite different for we traveled 100 miles southwest of Washington to Ruckersville, Va., in the foothills of the Blue Ridge Mountains.

The purpose was to celebrate the 100th birth date of Dr. Jesse Ewell V, born at "Edge Hill" in Prince William County, Va., on July 30, 1853, the son of John Smith Magruder Ewell and Helen Woods McGregor. He died May 31, 1921 and is buried in the Ruckersville Cemetery.

It was here that he conceived the idea of an "American Gathering" of the MacGregor descendants, and in June 1909 a meeting was held at the home of Dr. Edward May Magruder, Charlottesville, Va., and the American Clan Gregor Society was born.

Upon arrival at Ruckersville the members of the Clan went to the Baptist Church where services were held, led by the minister, the Rev. Charles Boyer and our Ranking Deputy Chieftain, the Rev. Daniel Randall Magruder.

Chieftain Marshall Magruder presented on behalf of the American Clan Gregor Society, a bronze tablet to the memory of Dr. Jesse Ewell V, which was unveiled by Mrs. W. M. Hundley (Mary Ish Ewell), eldest daughter of Dr. Ewell. The Rev. Charles Boyer accepted the tablet for the Ewell family and the Ruckersville Baptist Church. Mr. Buford Douglass rendered a solo "Only Remember"; a former chieftain, Herbert T. Magruder, read his original verses, "A Tribute to Dr. Jesse Ewell, Born One Hundred Years Ago"; and Dr. Nathaniel McGregor Ewell, Jr., read a history of his grandfather.

For a wonderful lunch and hospitality we are indebted to the following persons of the Ewell family: Mrs. W. M. Hundley, Mr. and Mrs. Allen L. Hord, Mr. and Mrs. John W. Hamilton, Capt. and Mrs. Nathaniel MacGregor Ewell, Sr., and Dr. and Mrs. Nathaniel MacGregor Ewell, Jr. Mrs. Hord was Helen Woods Ewell, Mrs. Hamilton was Susan Lavinna Ewell and Mrs. Hundley was Mary Ish Ewell: all daughters of Dr. Jesse Ewell V. Capt. Ewell is his son and Dr. N. M. Ewell his grandson.

After luncheon we left for a visit to "Frascati", an historical old house near Somerset, Va., and owned at one time by James Magruder who lost three sons in the Civil War.

From "Frascati" we drove to Orange, Va., to "Montpelier," the home of President James Madison. It was built in 1741 by his father. The garden, reputedly planned by L'Enfant, was restored by the late Mr. and Mrs. William du Pont, and is now owned by Mrs. Marion du Pont Scott, former wife of Randolph Scott, movie actor.

The American Clan Gregor Society is indebted to Mrs. John W. Hamilton for arranging the tours to these two historical homes.

#### WEDDINGS

#### JOSEPHINE WESTBROOK tO LIEUT. JOHN FRANCIS EWELL

Miss Josephine Westbrook, daughter of Lt. Col. and Mrs. Joseph Albert Westbrook, of Alexandria, Va., was married Nov. 22, 1952, to Lt. John Francis Ewell, son of Capt. and Mrs. Nathaniel McGregor Ewell, of Charlottesville, Va., at Fort Belvoir with Chaplain Lonnie Knight officiating.

In the absence of her father, who is stationed in Japan, the bride was given in marriage by Col. William O. Perry. The bride's sister, Miss Betty Lou Westbrook, was her only attendant. The bridegroom's brother, Dr. Nathaniel McGregor Ewell, Jr., of South Boston, was best man.

Lt. Ewell is the grandson of our first Scribe, Dr. Jesse Ewell. The bride was graduated from Beloit College, Beloit, Wis. She was a member of Kappa Delta sorority. The bridegroom was graduated from Virginia Military Institute.

#### COLMA IONE MYERS TO JAMES ERNEST ALLGEYER

At the Church of the Nativity and Resurrection Parish, Washington, D. C., Aug. 15, 1953, Miss Colma Ione Myers became the bride of James Ernest Allgeyer of Louisiana. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Jessie Waring Gantt Myers of Washington, a descendant of John Magruder of "Dunblane", whose grandson John Smith Magruder changed the names of his children to MacGregor.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. Enoch Magruder Thompson, Rector since 1903, when he established the Parish, the fiftieth anniversary of which was celebrated Nov. 29, 1953.

The bride was given in marriage by her first cousin, Alvin Elliott Gantt. Mrs. Yolande Gantt Praither, a first cousin, was matron of honor.

A reception was held in Falls Church, Va., at the home of the bride's aunt, Mrs. Edward Llewellyn Key Gantt.

Colma Myers Allgeyer is Deputy Scribe of the Clan and the first member to be married by its Chaplain, Rev. Enoch Magruder Thompson. Mr. and Mrs. Allgeyer will make their home in Washington.

#### MARY MERLE FREEMAN to LT. RUSSELL ANDREW BAKER, JR.

In the Chapel at Fort Myer, Va., Oct. 10, 1953, Miss Mary Merle Freeman became the bride of Lt. Russell Andrew Baker, Jr., U.S.A. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Father Daley.

The bride's niece, Mrs. Richard Danley Berryman of Savannah, Georgia, was matron of honor. Her brother, Robert Merle Freeman, escorted his sister to the high altar where the Catholic service was read.

Miss Freeman is the daughter of the late Francis Merle Freeman and Doris Therese Hill, and the granddaughter of Alexander Hill and Mary Matilda (Tillie) Sheriff, of Prince Georges County, Md. Lt. Baker is the son of Col. Russell Andrew Baker, Sr., stationed in Yokohama, Japan, and Mrs. Frances Carter Baker of Atlanta, Ga.

Lt. Baker is stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington State.



MAJ. GEN. BRUCE MAGRUDER Picture taken when he was Lt. Col. of Infantry, World War 1

#### PHYLLIS MAUDE GREGOR tO ROGER THEIRAULT

Miss Phyllis Maude Gregor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Gregor of Canandaigua, N. Y., became the bride of Roger Theirault, Airman 2c. of Sampson Air Force at Geneva, on Oct. 17, 1953. He is now stationed in Greenland. Mr. Theirault is from Bangor, Maine, and they will later make their home in Canangaigua. Phyllis is a member of the Clan.

#### NORMA JEAN GREGOR tO VICTOR EARL INSLEE

Miss Norma Jean Gregor, also a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gregor, became the bride of Victor Earl Inslee on Feb. 13, 1954, at the First Methodist Church in Canandaigua, N. Y. Mr. and Mrs. Inslee will make their home in Canandaigua. Norma Jean is also a Clan member.

#### BARBARA PAYNE tO RICHARD SCOTT PENKERT

A lovely afternoon wedding was held at the Catholic Church of the Nativity when Miss Barbara Payne became the bride of Mr. Richard Scott Penkert, on Sept. 19, 1953. The matron of honor was the bride's sister, Mrs. Peggy Tippett, and Don Collins was best man. The groom's two brothers, Larry and David, were ushers.

Miss Payne is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Payne, and Mr. Penkert is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Lawrence Penkert, and the great-grandson of Philip Hill and Sophia Magruder.

Mr. and Mrs. Penkert will make their home in Washington, D. C.

#### MARIAN WELLS tO JOHN GILES ROBERTS

Miss Marian Wells, daughter of Dr. Walter Augustine Wells, became the bride of John Giles Roberts of Chicago, Ill., on Feb. 5, 1954. The ceremony was performed in All Souls Unitarian Church, the pastor, Rev. A. Powell Davies, officiating.

Mrs. Roberts was graduated from Holton Arms and attended school in Florence, Italy. Mr. Roberts was graduated from the University of Michigan, and took his law degree at the University of Tulane. They will make their home in Washington.

#### MEMORIALS

#### MAJOR GENERAL BRUCE MAGRUDER

#### By MARSHALL MAGRUDER

Born Dec. 3, 1882 in Washington, D. C. His first suit was a little military uniform. It was not long before the Scottish blood of his ancestors (Bruces and MacGregors) inspired in him a great longing for the military profession. He began with a company in the District National Guard while attending high school. Appointments to West Point not being available he took the chance to try for a commission from the ranks of the Regular Army by enlisting in 1904. He won his commission through competition in 1907. After a service of over 40 years he retired in 1945 and lived in Winter Park, Fla. He died there July 23, 1953, and was buried in Arlington Cemetery.

Prior to World War I, his most interesting service was two tours in the Philippines. During this war he was called to Chaumont, France, to assist in organizing the G-2 Section of which he was executive officer. Outside of taking part in the Meuse Argonne offensive as a divisional staff officer, he continued on Gen. Pershing's staff until the end of hostilities. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal, Chevalier Legion of Honor, and Belgian Order of the Crown.

Prior to the second World War, he graduated with honor at the Staff and Command School at Ft. Leavenworth and became closely associated with the great Infantry School of Ft. Benning. As a member of the staff and Executive Officer he was able to employ his special talents to new fields. He became an Infantry tank specialist, commanded a Regiment of tanks at Fort Meade and later during the Louisiana Maneuvers commanded well over 100 tanks, the largest assembly up to that time. When the Armored Force was organized in 1940, he was called away from the Infantry to organize, train, and later maneuver our first Armored Division. From the knowledge obtained with it the Armored Force gradually organized 20 divisions for warfare in Europe. The Divisions spearheaded our Armies on all American fronts. Gen. Magruder's contributions to the vital tank questions having to do with communications, weapons, armaments, supplies and personnel, in those early days were sound, and paid off on the battle fields of Europe later.

At the close of World Wars I and II the American Clan Gregor Society paid special honor to its members who served. A bronze medal was given to each of our heroes and a Star placed on the two Clan Service Flags.

His father was George Corbin Washington Magruder, descendant of General George Washington's half and full brothers, William Augustine Washington and John Augustine Washington. His mother, Eleanor Anne Helen Marshall, was descended from the Bruces and Marshalls of Maryland, the latter lived across the Potomac River from Mt. Vernon. Strange as it may seem both his father and mother have direct lines back to Alexander (MacGregor) Magruder.

Both Bruce and Marshall sang in the choir at St. Albans Episcopal Church Cathedral Close, Wash., D. C. Bruce was a member of the American Clan Gregor Society, and was a 32nd Degree Mason. Ill health since his retirement prevented his attendance at Clan Gatherings. However his interest therein was intense.

Surviving him are: his wife, Ethel Marshall Magruder and her two daughters: Mrs. John Metts and Mrs. William W. White; his two sons, Captain Bruce Magruder, U.S.M.C. (Japan), and Capt. William Marshall Magruder, U.S.A.F. (Edwards Air Base, California); a brother, Brig. Gen. Marshall Magruder, U.S.A., Retired; and a sister, Eleanor Magruder Sharp of Biloxi, Miss.

## WILLIAM WOODWARD

In the death of William Woodward the world has lost a gentleman, business man and diplomat. Highly esteemed in business and social life, he served as a diplomat in the Embassy in London under Ambassador Joseph Choate. Returning to New York in 1903, Mr. Woodward entered the Hanover National Bank and



with birthday cake, at the celebration of his 80th birthday at his home "Concord" in Stafford, Va.

became its Vice-President, and was its President from 1910 to 1929, later becoming board chairman of the Central Hanover Bank and Trust Company. He terminated his bank connections two years ago, restricting himself to directorships.

Upon the death of his uncle, James Thomas Woodward in 1917, he inherited historic "Bel Air" in Prince George's County, Md., built about 1750 by Samuel Ogle, then Governor of the Province. Here at times he led the life of a country gentleman and owned and bred many purse winning race horses, including Gallant Fox, Omaha, and Johnstone, each a Kentucky Derby winner.

Mr. Woodward was born in New York City, April 7, 1876, the son of William Woodward, Sr. and Sarah A. Rodman. He attended Groton, and was graduated from Harvard in 1898. He received his law degree from Harvard Law School in 1901, and was admitted to the New York bar.

Mr. Woodward died in his home, 9 East 86th St., New York City, on Sept. 26, 1953. He is survived by his widow, the former Elsie Ogden Cryder, a son, William Woodward III, four daughters: Mrs. Edith Bancroft, Mrs. Elizabeth Prall and Mrs. Mary Sewell, all of New York, and Mrs. Ethel W. DeCroisset of Paris, France; ten grandchildren and a great grandchild.

Mr. Woodward was a member of the American Clan Gregor Society for many years, and served as a member of its Council since 1930.

The funeral was held Sept. 29, in St. James Protestant Church on Madison Avenue, with burial in Woodlawn Cemetery.

#### JOHN ALASTER MACGREGOR

John Alaster MacGregor was born on a farm near Stafford Court House, Va., June 10, 1869, the youngest child of John Ridout and Mary Eliza MacGregor.

He had five brothers, Ivan, Nathaniel, Rob Roy, Jerry and Charles, and five sisters, Helen Wood, Mary Inez, Susan Agnes, Rose Marie, and Pattie Belle.

During the Spanish War, he served as medical corpsman. In 1899, he married Bessie Knight, daughter of John Wesley and Betty Knight. He is survived by his widow, two sons, Alaric Ridout and Charles Alaster, seven daughters, Susan, Inez, Alene, Belle, Betty, Daisy Marie and Clara, and 17 grandchildren.

In his early years he farmed at Concord, his mother's home. At her death he bought the home place and remained there until his death, June 26, 1953. He was buried in the family cemetery. He was a member of Register Chapel Methodist Church, Stafford Court House. He taught the Adult Bible class and sang in the choir.

Mr. MacGregor served for several years as Deputy Sheriff of Stafford County. His two sons now are Sheriff and Deputy Sheriff.

He wrote many songs and poems, and on page 57 of the 1951 Year Book is the song "At The Close of Day" which he sang at the 1950 Gathering when he was 81 years of age.

John Alaster MacGregor was the son of John Ridout MacGregor and Mary Eliza MacGregor, grandson of John Smith Magruder and Eleanor Hall, great great grandson of Nathaniel Magruder and Margaret Magruder, great great great grandson of John Magruder of Dunblane.

#### MRS. ELLEN MACGREGOR MILLER

#### By her Daughter Estelle VIOLA MILLER HARRIS

Mrs. Ellen MacGregor Miller, born in Wash., D. C., July 4, 1877, the daughter of Ellen Hall MacGregor and Stephen Westley Markward, died Nov. 29, 1952. She was a member of the Clan for many years.

She was the great granddaughter of John Smith Magruder of "Dunblane" who had the names of his children changed to MacGregor, and his wife Eleanor Hall (born Clarke). In 1903 she married Dr. Leonidas Miller of Chicago, Ill. After the death of my father, March 15, 1908, mother returned with her children to Washington. Her two children are Oliver Sereno Miller and Estelle Viola Miller Harris, myself.

My mother was a member of the Church of the Good Shepherd in Washington, prior to coming to Baltimore. She and my father, Doctor Miller, worked together on a book compiled and written by my father, "The Planless or Institutional Life," a religious work. They used a hand printing press in compiling this book, which was published in 1902 and is now out of print. My mother conducted a convalescent nursing home in Washington for twenty years. She studied nursing at the old Sibley Hospital in Washington.

The Authoress (now deceased) Alice Maud Ewell and her sisters are my mother's cousins.

#### BENJAMIN OGLE LOWNDES WELLS

B. O. Lowndes Wells, brother of our Charter Member, Dr. Walter Augustine Wells, died Jan. 31, 1954 in Chevy Chase, Md. He was born in Bladensburg, Md., in 1880, son of Dr. Charles Augustine Wells and Mary L. Hyatt.

He is survived by his widow, Bertha Ross Wells; a daughter, Mrs. Bertha W. Caldwell, London, Eng.; a son, Charles C. Wells; a sister, Mrs. Rex Smith of Wash., D. C., and another brother, Robert Wells of Los Angeles.

#### GEORGE BENTON STOTTELMYER

George Benton Stottelmyer, born in Wolfsville, Md., Oct. 14, 1881, died in Georgetown Hospital, Wash., D. C., April 13, 1953. The son of Elias R. Stottelmyer and Anna C. Lentz, his grandmother was Margaret Agnes Magruder, daughter of the fourth Samuel Magruder in line, who married David Stottelmyer.

He attended George Washington University from 1932 to 1939, and was a graduate of Emerson Institute. On April 23, 1905 he married Mary J. Stenson, who survives him. He was retired from the General Accounting Office and from 1932 to 1951 was a teller at the General Accounting Credit Union. Besides his widow he is survived by two sisters, Mrs. Dessie Harp, Hagerstown, Md., and Mrs. Carrie Smith, Alta Vista, Md.

Funeral services were held at the Church of the Annunciation, Wash., D. C., with burial in Mount Olivet Cemetery.

#### MRS. LINGAN RANDOLPH

Mrs. Lingan Strother Randolph, 86, widow of a former dean of engineering at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, died Dec. 24, 1953 in Louisa County, Va.



Mrs. Randolph, the former Miss Fanny Robbins, was born in Cumberland, Md., Feb. 18, 1867, the daughter of Orlando Douglas Robbins and Fanny Schley Magruder Robbins. Her husband was a member of the VPI faculty from 1893 to 1918 and dean of engineering 1912-18.

She is survived by four children, James R. Randolph of Orange, N. J.; O. Robbins Randolph, Albemarle County, Va., Mrs. S. C. Deitrick, Nutley, N. J.; Lingan S. Randolph, Jr., Buffalo, N. Y., and a sister, Mrs. George H. Hocking, Baltimore.

Funeral services were held in Charlottesville and burial was in Prospect Hill Cemetery, Baltimore.

Mrs. Randolph was the great granddaughter of Dr. Zadok Magruder and Martha Willson, he son of Col. Zadok Magruder, of John of "Dunblane".

#### MRS. GEORGE H. HOCKING

Martha J. Robbins Hocking died in Baltimore on Jan. 10,1954. She was born in Lonaconning, Md., Aug. 20, 1871, the daughter of Fanny Schley Magruder and Orlando Douglas Robbins. Mrs. Hocking was the great granddaughter of Dr. Zadok Magruder and Martha Willson, he son of Col. Zadok Magruder, of John of "Dunblane".

Mrs. Hocking was a member of the Clan, Daughters of the American Revolution and Colonial Dames of America. She is survived by a son, William Robbins Hocking, and a daughter, Mrs. Mary Robbins Marbury; five grandchildren and ten great grandchildren.

#### JOHN RANDOLPH MARTIN

John Randolph Martin, father of two of our Clansmen, Randolph Magruder Martin and John Burruss Martin, and their third brother, J. Randolph Martin, died in August 1953. On Jan. 16, 1897 he married Anna Dalton Magruder, Clan member. She was the daughter of John Burruss Magruder and Hettie A. Kleinpeter.

All three sons survive as well as six grandchildren: Eleanor (Tina), Martha and Randolph III, children of Randolph Martin; and John Burruss, Jr., Nancy Kathleen and Elizabeth Ann, children of John Burruss Martin.

#### MRS. FRANCES GIBSON WELLS

Mrs. Frances Gibson Wells, wife of Dr. Walter Augustine Wells, died Feb. 6, 1954 in Georgetown, D. C. She was the daughter of Judge Henry R. Gibson and Frances Reed. Besides her husband Mrs. Wells is survived by two daughters, Miss Eleanor Wells and Mrs. John Roberts. Services were held in Christ Church, Georgetown, with burial in Ft. Lincoln Cemetery.

#### EDGAR SUTER McCENEY, SR.

Edgar Suter McCeney, Sr., a native of Prince George's County, Md., died Aug. 1, 1953, in Wash., D. C., age 79, after a short illness. He attended the Maryland Agricultural College, now part of the University of Maryland. He came to Washington about 1908 and was head of the bookkeeping department, American National Bank, now the Hamilton National Bank, until 1916. In that year he went to Upper Marlboro, serving with the Prince George's County Assessor's office until 1931. From that date he operated the family farm, "Thorpland Farm," near Upper Marlboro.

Surviving him are his widow, Mrs. Emily L. McCeney; three sons, Benjamin Bird McCeney of Silver Spring, Md., Edgar S. McCeney, Jr., Riverdale, Md., and George D. McCeney, Richmond, Va., and seven grandchildren.

Mr. McCeney was a member of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church, Leeland, Md., where funeral services were held August 3, 1953. Burial was in Rock Creek Cemetery.

#### WILLIAM W. HILL, III

William Wilson Hill, a veteran of World War II was born at the Hill homestead "Glen Way", Prince George's County, Md., April 19, 1904. He was the son of Edward Everett Hill and Catherine E. Coad, and grandson of Mary Thomas Magruder and William Wilson Hill. He was the nephew of our former Historian, Mary Therese Hill, who entered him as a Junior Clan member soon after it was formed. He is the last of this line to bear the surname Hill.

Mr. Hill died Nov. 30, 1952, at Mt. Alto Hospital, Wash., D. C. He is survived by an aunt, Mrs. L. V. Thompson of New Jersey, and an uncle, J. Allen Coad, St. Mary's County, Md. Also a number of first cousins among whom are the Clan Registrar and Historian, and Mrs. Dwyer, Mrs. Loveless, and Mrs. Freeman, all Clan members.

Mass was offered in St. Matthews Catholic Cathedral and interment in Arlington National Cemetery.

#### MRS. EUGENIA FARR REES

Mrs. Eugenia Farr Rees, life member of the Clan and widow of George Silas Rees, one-time Clan member, died March 4, 1953, in Beverly Hills, Calif. Mr. Rees died April 30, 1952.

Mrs. Rees was born in Leavenworth, Kan., July 24, 1869, the daughter of George Day Farr and Ann Trueman Phillips, she being the daughter of Henry Cox Phillips and Susan Bowie Magruder. She is survived by a brother, E. M. Farr, Staten Island, N. Y.

#### MRS. CATHERINE MARTIN HENDERSON

Mrs. Catherine Martin Henderson died on Mar. 22, 1953 in Louisville, Ky. She was the wife of Robert Henderson, a brother of two of our Clan members, Guy Russell Henderson, Deputy Chieftain for Kentucky, and Sister Mary Philippa Henderson of the Sisters of Loretta.

Mrs. Henderson was a member of the Bullitt County Woman's Club and the Catholic Church. The Club passed a Resolution at her death which read in part: "It has pleased God to call from us a very dear and beloved member. . . . That in her death the community has lost a loyal upright citizen and the Club a true and faithful member." She served as its president for several years and was an ardent worker until ill health prevented her attendance.

#### DR. LAIDLER MACKALL

Dr. Laidler Mackall, a native of Prince Georges County, Md., died Dec. 1, 1952, in Wash., D. C.

Born eighty-nine years ago at the farm, "Mattaponi," near Croome, Md., he was the son of the late Dr. Louis Mackall and Mary Laidler Bruce Mackall. The farm is yet in the possession of the family, but Dr. Mackall lived as a young man at the ancestral home, "Mackall Square" in Georgetown.

He was founder and member of the firm of Mackall Bros., wholesale and retail druggists, for fifty years until his retirement.

Survivors are his widow, Mrs. Evelyn Bowie Mackall; a son, Laidler B. Mackall, Washington attorney; a daughter, Mrs. Mary Bruce Prince, Norfolk, Virginia, and five granddaughters.

Burial was in Oak Hill Cemetery.

#### MERYDITH A. HIGGINS

Funeral services were held in Perry Point, Md., for Merydith A. Higgins, who died suddenly at his home there Feb. 10, 1953. Interment was in the Union Cemetery, Rockville.

He was the son of Clan member Walter Muncaster Higgins and the late Frances Cornelia Higgins. Surviving are his widow, Theo, and a daughter, Alice Cornelia. Also surviving is a brother, Walter Muncaster Higgins, Jr., of Portland, Ore. His youngest brother, Edward Wallace Higgins, died during World War II in China.

Mr. Higgins was the grandson of the late Mr. and Mrs. John J. Higgins, Rockville.

#### MARY SPRIGG BELT MAGRUDER WADE

## By Susie May Geddes van den Berg

"Little Mary Magruder", my pet name for her, was I think the most endearing person I have ever known; not only for her personality but for her nobility of character.

Orphaned in early childhood, first by the death of her mother Elizabeth Mullikin, and then by the loss of her father Edward Walter Magruder, after whose death Mary and her brother John Baldwin Magruder were taken into the home of their aunt Mrs. Charley Clagett, near Upper Marlboro, Md., Mary later went to Baltimore to live with Mrs. Archibald Smith Magruder, widow of her great uncle, and her daughters Libby and Bowdie. There she spent many happy years, before going to Wash., D. C., where she married Edward Ingersol Wade of Georgia, by whom she had one child, Ruth, now Mrs. Adrian Hughes of Baltimore.

The latter years of Mary's life were divided between the home of her daughter and "Cedar Hill", the home of her cousin Marguerite Duckett Clagett and her husband Joseph Addison.

Born in 1868, Mary Magruder died in May 1953 in the home of Mrs. Eleanor Bowie Carlson, near her beloved "Cedar Hill", leaving besides her daughter, two grandchildren and two great grandchildren. She was a Charter Member of the Clan and a member of Magruder Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution.

#### CARMEN EUGENE STOTTLEMYER

The tragic death of Carmen Eugene Stottlemyer occurred Nov. 21, 1952, in Waynesboro, Pa. Driving home from his office in a rainstorm, his car went into a skid, crashing into an oncoming automobile. He died two hours later, without having regained consciousness. He was born in 1912.

In the words of his mother, "The Clan has lost an interested member and I have lost a wonderful son."

Carmen Eugene is the son of the late Worth Brown and Hazel B. Stottlemyer. He is survived by his mother and a brother, Quayton Ray Stottlemyer, and an uncle, Claude Urban Stottlemyer, both Clan members, and an aunt, Miss Olga Stottlemyer.

#### ROY SWEARENGEN MAGRUDER

Roy Swearengen Magruder, 63, died Oct. 18, 1952, in Fort Worth, Tex., after a brief illness. His widow, Mrs. Helen Magruder, was in the same hospital at the time of her husband's death, having undergone surgery.

Born in Cleremont, Ky., Mr. Magruder was the son of Samuel B. and Ella Hayes Magruder. At the close of World War I, he moved to El Paso, Tex., where he resided 25 years, going to Fort Worth in 1945.

Mr. Magruder was an oil lease broker. He was a veteran of World War I, a member of the Baptist Church and Masonic Lodge. He belonged to the River Crest Country Club, Horseshow Club and the Petroleum Club of Houston.

Beside his widow, he is survived by a daughter, Catherine, and a sister, Mrs. W. R. Riggs, of Houston, a member of the Clan.

Funeral services were held in the Ray Crouder Chapel, with the Rev. H. Guy Moore officiating. Burial was in Rose Hill Cemetery.

#### WILLIAM RANDOLPH TALBOTT

William Randolph Talbott, husband of our Clan Member, Mrs. Laura Magruder Higgins Talbott, died July 31, 1953, at his home in Rockville, Md. Born at Poolesville, Md., sixty-five years ago, he was the son of the late William H. and Bertha Talbott.

Mr. Talbott, veteran of World War I, served with the 313th Machine Gun Battalion, 79th Division, in France, in the campaigns of Meuse-Argonne, St. Mihiel and Montfaucon. After World War I he served with the Veterans Administration for 30 years and was in charge of planning fifty new hospitals.

Mr. Talbott was past president of the Association of Federal Architects, past vice-president of the Montgomery County Historical Society, member of the Rockville Masonic Lodge and the Presbyterian Church.

Beside his widow, he is survived by a son, William Randolph Talbott, Jr., Roanoke, Va.; a sister, Mrs. Walter G. Ellison, Waynesboro, Va., and one grandson. Burial was in Rockville Union Cemetery.

## THE CLAN'S OLD GUARD

Charter members who were known to be living February, 1954. There were 131 original members in 1909-10.

- 111c Bowie, George Calvert, Washington, D. C.
- 49c Bubb, Mrs. Ralph H. (Elizabeth Cummins Magruder), Silver Spring, Md.
- 27c Ferneyhough, John Bowie, Richmond, Va.
- 60c Gantt, Miss Helen Woods, Washington, D. C.
- 162c Hill, Miss Fredericks Dean, Upper Marlboro, Md.
- 147c Hill, Miss Henrietta Sophia May, Upper Marlboro, Md.
- 101c Hundley, Mrs. W. M. (Mary Ish Ewell), Midlothian, Va.
- 50c Lesher, Mrs. William Anderson (Margaret Magruder), Washington, D. C.
- 135c Mackall, Mrs. Laidler (Evelyn Bowie), Washington, D. C.
- 129c Magruder, Miss Allavilla, Charlottesville, Va.
- 143c Magruder, Mrs. Edward May (Mary Cole Gregory), Charlottesville, Va.
- 128c Magruder, Miss Evelina, Charlottesville, Va.
- 178c Magruder, Oliver Graham, Washington, D. C.
- 198c Muncaster, John Edwin, Sr., "The Ridge", Derwood, Md.
- 75c Myers, Mrs. Jessie Waring Gantt, Washington, D. C.
- 204ac McDonnell, Prof. Henry Barnett, College Park, Md.
- 138c Norris, Mrs. J. T. (Helen Swan Bowie), Maryland
- 108c Sheriff, Mrs. Clement William (Wade Wood), Kenilworth, D. C.
- 169c Thrift, Miss Elsie Magruder, Madison, Va.
- 154c Vest, Mrs. George B. (Edna Sarah Muncaster), Washington, D. C.
- 44c Wells, Dr. Walter Augustine, Washington, D. C.
- 92c White, Mrs. Elizabeth Thrift, Bowling Green, Va.
- 220c Wood, Mrs. Grace MacGregor, Washington, D. C.

#### RANDOM NOTES

We congratulate our new member, Quayton Ray Stottlemyer, who has been offered a fellowship in the Graduate School of Pennsylvania State College. He will be there two years working on his Ph.D. in Chemistry.

Maj. Gen. Carter Bowie Magruder has taken command of the 24th Division in Korea, it was announced in Seoul on Oct. 26, 1953.

Headquarters was honored following the Clan Gathering by a visit from a new member, William Premitivo Rodriguez, who is attending the U. S. Naval Academy at Annapolis. He is a charming lad and the Registrar and Historian spent some very pleasant hours with him. He is most interested in family genealogy. He enjoyed looking at and studying the Charts. William will graduate in June when he is planning on being married in the Naval Academy Chapel.

Our member, John Frederick Dorman III, formerly of Louisville, Ky., moved to Williamsburg, Va., in November 1953, where he became assistant archivist of the William and Mary College Library. Mr. Dorman was graduated from the University of Louisville in 1950 and completed the work for his master's degree in librarianship at Emory University, Atlanta, Ga., before entering the U. S. Army in September, 1951. He and his mother, Mrs. John Frederick Dorman, reside at The Ludwell.

Robert McCormick, our Junior Member, was installed as Master Councilor of the George Fleming Moore Chapter, Order of DeMolay, at Hyattsville, Md., on Feb. 4, 1954.

Frank S. MacGregor is listed on the masthead of Harper's Magazine as president of Harper & Brothers, publishers.

"The Education of George T. Magruder" is the title of a story by Geoffrey Bush in the August, 1953 issue of Charm Magazine.

## ATTENDANCE AT THE GATHERING OF THE CLAN, 1953

#### †-Attended Pilgrimage at Charlottesville, Va.

\*-Guests

† Adams, J. Franklin, Mechanicsville, Md. Adams, R. Patrick, Baltimore, Md. †\*Anderson, Miss Willa, Ruckersville, Va. Barber, Mrs. N. P., Mechanicsville, Md. †\*Barber, Franklin, Mechanicsville, Md. Baugh, Mrs. Frederick M., Baltimore, Md. † Beall, Mr. and Mrs. Ninian Edward, Jr., Richmond, Va. †\*Boyer, Rev. and Mrs. Charles, Jr., Ruckersville, Va. †\*Boyer, Mistress Charlene, Ruckersville, Va. †\*Boyer, Mistress Cindy, Ruckersville, Va. †\*Bruns, Mrs. Allan, Charlottesville, Va. Bubb, Mrs. Ralph H., Silver Spring, Md. †\*Collins, Mrs. Lucy, Ruckersville, Va. Cox, Mrs. Merle LeRoy, Washington, D. C. <sup>+\*</sup>Doughtry, Mistress Caroline, Ruckersville, Va. †\*Doughtry, Master Sidney, Ruckersville, Va. †\*Davidson, D. N., Orange, Va. †\*Dawson, Mrs. Minnie, Ruckersville, Va. †\*Dean, Mrs. Lois, Ruckersville, Va. †\*Dean, Miss Sarah V., Ruckersville, Va. †\*Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. Buford D., Stanardsville, Va. <sup>†\*</sup>Douglas, Mrs. Marshall, Barboursville, Va. <sup>†\*</sup>Dudding, Mrs. Henry, Ruckersville, Va. +\*Dunlop, Mr. and Mrs. John L., Barboursville, Va. †\*Durrer, Mr. and Mrs. J. S., Ruckersville, Va. Duval, Mrs. Mary Brooks, Camp Springs, Md. Dwyer, Mrs. John Rochford, Bethesda, Md. †\*Estes, David, Ruckersville, Va. †\*Estes, Mrs. Harold, Ruckersville, Va. †\*Estes, Mrs. Minta, Ruckersville, Va. †\*Ewell, Mr. George S., Attica, Ind. †\*Ewell, George W., Attica, Ind. \*\*Ewell, Mr. and Mrs. John F., Falls Church, Va. †\*Ewell, Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel M., Sr., Charlottesville, Va. † Ewell, Dr. and Mrs. Nathaniel M., Jr., South Boston, Va. †\*Ewell, Master Nathaniel M., III, South Boston, Va. † Everett, Mrs. Hugh, Alexandria, Va. \*Everett, Mrs. George T., Alexandria, Va. †\*Fagan, Mrs. L. O., Stanardsville, Va.

Ferneyhough, Dr. and Mrs. Robert, Warrenton, Va.

- \*Garrioch, Piper James, Bethesda, Md.
- Gantt, Mrs. Helen Woods, Washington, D. C.
- Gantt, Alvin E., Arlington, Va.
- †\*Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. T. J., Somerset, Va.
- †\*Graves, Mrs. T. C., Stanardsville, Va.
- †\*Ish, Mrs. Betty, Leesburg, Va.
- †\*Ish, Miss Edna, Aldie, Va.
- †\*Ish, Edward, Philadelphia, Penn.
- †\*Ish, Miss Gertrude, Aldie, Va.
- †\*Ish, Milton, Leesburg, Va.
- \*Hall, Warner W., Arlington, Va.
- †\*Hamm, Mrs. Thomas E., Barboursville, Va.
- † Hamilton, Mr. and Mrs. J. W., Eheart, Va.
- †\*Haney, Mrs. Ennis, Ruckersville, Va.
- †\*Herndon, Miss Lottie, Ruckersville, Va.
- † Hill, Miss Regina Magruder, Washington, D. C.
- † Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest S., College Park, Md.
- †\*Holmes, Forrest S., Jr., College Park, Md.
- † Hord, Mr. and Mrs. Allan, Ruckersville, Va.
- Howe, Rev. and Mrs. Reuel L., Theological Seminary, Alexandria, Va.
- † Hundley, Mrs. W. M., Midlothian, Va.
- †\*Hutchinson, Miss Isabelle, Manassas, Va.
- †\*Hutchinson, Mr. J. O., Charlottesville, Va.
- †\*Hutchinson, Mrs. M. M., Charlottesville, Va.
- †\*Hutchinson, Robert, Manassas, Va.
- \*Kelley, Mr. and Mrs. Carl, College Park, Md.
- \*Kindness, Mr. and Mrs. Norman G., Washington, D. C.
- †\*Kirstein, Miss Agnes Durrer, Ruckersville, Va.
- †\*Lamm, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling W., Barboursville, Va. Laverty, Mrs. Janie A., Baltimore, Md.
  - Lipscomb, Dr. and Mrs. Harold R., Alexandria, Va.
- † Lummis, Mrs. Irwin, Charlottesville, Va.
- † Lummis, Miss Frances, Washington, D. C.
- † McCormick, Robert, College Park, Md.
- \*McDonald, Mr. James, Rockville, Md. McDonald, Mrs. John G., Rockville, Md.
- †\*McMullen, Mrs. Allegra, Barboursville, Va.
- †\*McMullen, Mrs. Myrtle, Barboursville, Va.
- Mackall, Mr. and Mrs. William W., Arlington, Va.
- †\*Marshall, Mrs. Mack, Charlottesville, Va.
- †\*Metz, Mrs. Jane Ewell, Triangle, Va.
- †\*Micks, Mrs. Sally deJarnette, Orange, Va.
- Miller, Miss Martha Porter, Washington, D. C.
- †\*Mitchell, Mrs. Clara M., Orange, Va.
- †\*Morris, Mrs. Will, Ruckersville, Va.

Galloway, Wm. L. K., Washington, D. C.

- † Muncaster, Miss Emma Waters, Derwood, Md.
- † Muncaster, Mr. John Edwin, Sr., Derwood, Md.
- † Murdock, Mrs. James, Washington, D. C.
- \*Murdock, James Henry, Washington, D. C.
- † Myers, Mrs. Jessie Woods, Washington, D. C.
- †\*Magruder, Miss Ann, Lexington, Va. Magruder, Judge Calvert, Cambridge, Mass. Magruder, Calvert, Jr. (Cambridge, Mass.), Washington, D. C.
- † Magruder, Rev. Daniel Randall, Hingham, Mass.
- † Magruder, Miss Evelina, Charlottesville, Va.
- † Magruder, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Thomas, Staten Island, N. Y. Magruder, Miss Jane Beall, Washington, D. C.
- † Magruder, Commodore and Mrs. John H., Jr., Charles Town, W. Va.
- † Magruder, Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Marshall, Atlanta, Ga. Magruder, Col. and Mrs. Marion Milton, Falls Church, Va. Magruder, Mr. and Mrs. Mercer Hampton, Upper Marlboro, Md.
- † Magruder, Dr. Rogert Gregory, Charlottesville, Va. Magruder, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Garland, Jr., Arlington, Va.
- † Magruder, Mr. and Mrs. William Marion, Lexington, Ky.
- † Magruder, William Yates Wemple, Staten Island, N. Y.
- <sup>†\*</sup>Naper, Harold, Eheart, Va.
  - Noble, Mrs. Dixie, Washington, D. C.
  - Owen, Mr. and Mrs. Claude Worthington, Washington, D. C.
- †\*Parrott, Miss Buford, Quinque, Va.
- †\*Parrott, Mrs. Charles, Ruckersville, Va.
- †\*Parrott, Mrs. O. J., Quinque, Va.
- † Pitts, Mrs. Charlotte, Brandywine, Md. Poole, Miss Katherine Riggs, Washington, D. C. Poole, Miss Martha Sprigg, Washington, D. C. Prevish, Master Donnie (Michael J.), Brandywine, Md. Prevish, Mrs. Esther Pitts, Brandywine, Md. Prevish, Mistress Nancy Guilford, Brandywine, Md.
- † Reynolds, Miss Anna Louise, Washington, D. C.
- †\*Reynolds, Miss Julia Sue, Arlington, Va. Rhoades, Mrs. Rex Hays, Washington, D. C. Rhodes, Mrs. Amelia A., Baltimore, Md.
- †\*Rhodes, Miss Isabelle Skinner, Baltimore, Md.
- †\*Rhodes, Miss Lenore, Baltimore, Md.
- Richardson, Mrs. Jessie Muncaster, Bladensburg, Md.
- \*Ryland, Mr. and Mrs. Robert A., Arlington, Va.
- \*Shands, Mrs., Arlington, Va.
- Sheriff, Mrs. William Clement, Kenilworth, D. C.
- †\*Shotwell, Mrs. India, Ruckersville, Va.
- †\*Sims, Mrs. Lucinda S., Ruckersville, Va.
- †\*Skinner, Miss Louisa, Aldie, Va.
- †\*Skinner, Mrs. Robert, Aldie, Va.
- †\*Skinner, Robert Ish, Aldie, Va.

Stabler, Mr. and Mrs. Rowland, Sandy Spring, Md.

- † Stephens, Mrs. Uel, Fort Worth, Texas
- † Stockham, Miss June L., Brandywine, Md.
- †\*Story, George W., Ruckersville, Va.
- † Talbott, Mrs. William Randolph, Rockville, Md.
- † Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Magruder, Richmond, Va.
- † Thrift, Miss Elsie M., Madison, Va. Tichy, Mrs. J. C., Jr., Silver Spring, Md.
- † van den Berg, Mrs. O. O., Washington, D. C.
- † Wailes, Mrs. F. L., Madison, Va. Walde, Mrs. William Lowe, Washington, D. C. Walker, Miss Letitia Dunnington, Washington, D. C. Walker, Miss Margaret Salisbury, Washington, D. C.
- † Waters, Mrs. Basil Worthington, Derwood, Md.
- † Waters, Miss Laura N., Derwood, Md.
- †\*Watson, M. L., Ruckersville, Va.
- †\*Weaver, Mrs. M. F., Shelby, Va.
- †\*Wine, Mrs. Elizabeth, Manassas, Va.
- † Wood, Mrs. Grace MacGregor, Washington, D. C.
- Woolf, Miss Elsie K., Washington, D. C.
- †\*Wright, Mistress Jean, Ruckersville, Va.

Most of the visitors at Virginia were relatives and friends of the Ewell family, and came to pay honor to their dear friend, Dr. Jesse Ewell.

#### AUTHORITIES FOR MASTER CHART

#### of the Descendants of

## ALEXANDER MAGRUDER

#### (1610 - 1677)

Descent through 1st Marriage of Immigrant.

For the Children of Generation II, See:

Will of Alexander Magruder, the Immigrant; Will 1677. Hall of Records, Annapolis, Md. Liber 5 A, folio 261. Photostat is on file in the Clan Archives, and printed in the American Clan Gregor Year Book, 1935, pages 48, 55.

For the Children of Generation III, See:

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Will of Samuel Magruder (1661-1711). Will Probated 1711. Hall of Records, Annapolis, Md. Photostat copy in the Year Book, 1928.

Also Will of his wife, Sarah Magruder. Will probated September 28, 1734. Hall of Records, Annapolis, Md., and printed in the Year Book, 1929.

## For the Children of Generation IV, See:

Will of Samuel Magruder, who married Eleanor Wade: His Will, Probated 1779. Hall of Records, Annapolis, Md., Liber A, folio 81. Also American Clan Gregor Society Archives Book on Wills, page 75.

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- Will of Ninian Magruder I, who married Elizabeth Brewer: His Will, Probated 1751. Annapolis, Md., Will Book No. I. Also Year Book 1926-1927, page 61.
- Will of John Magruder "of Dunblane" who married Susannah Smith: His Will Probated 1750. Annapolis, Md. Photostat copy in Year Book 1911-12, page 84.
- James Magruder who married Barbara Coombs: His Will Probated 1779. Annapolis, Md., Liber Box 13, folio 26.
- Will of William Magruder who married Mary Fraser: His Will Probated 1765. Annapolis Md., Liber T 1, folio 572, also Year Book 1936, page 61.
- Alexander Magruder (son of Samuel and Sarah), who married Ann Wade: Will Probated 1751. Annapolis, Md. Also in Year Book 1917, page 52.
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- Elizabeth Magruder, who married 1st Ninian Beall, Jr., and 2nd William Beall. Settlement of the Estate of Ninian Beall, Jr., Annapolis Md., Liber 33, folio 179 of Inventories and Accounts, Land Office. Also the Will of William Beall, Probated at Frederick Co., Md., March 30, 1756; Liber A, folio 89.
- Mary Magruder who married George Clagett: Will of her Mother, Sarah Magruder, Probated 1734.
- Eleanor Magruder who married Nehemiah Wade: Will of her Mother, Sarah Magruder, Probated 1734.

For the Children of Generation III descendants of Alexander Magruder, Immigrant and his wife Elizabeth (Hawkins?), See:

- Will of Alexander Magruder II (son of Alexander, 1610-1677), who married Susanna Busey: His Will Probated 1746. Annapolis, Md., and in Clan Archives there is a photostat copy.
- Will of Nathaniel Magruder, who married 1st Susannah Blizzard, and 2nd, Mary Jones: His Will probated 1734. Annapolis, Md., Wills, Liber I, folio 228. Also Year Book 1938, page 63.

For the Children of the Generation IV, 3rd Marriage of Immigrant, See:

- Ann Magruder who married Henry Trueman: His Will probated 1756, Annapolis, Md., Box 8, folio 52.
- Alexander Magruder III (son of Alexander II, b. 1673, and grandson of Alexander the Immigrant, 1610-1677), who married Elizabeth Howard: His Will probated 1799. Annapolis, Md. Photostat copy in the Archives of the American Clan Gregor Society.
- Elizabeth Magruder who married Robert Whitaker: His Will probated 1753. Annapolis, Md., Liber 28, folio 499.
- Priscilla Magruder who married Leonard Covington: Year Book 1917, page 62; and 1941, page 74.
- George Magruder who married Sarah ——: His Will probated 1800, Annapolis, Md., Wills, Liber T I, folio 450, also a Deed at Annapolis, Md., Liber HH, pp. 218-219, and also in the Year Book, 1938, page 71.

#### PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL GATHERING

#### October 16 and 17, 1953

A preliminary meeting of the Council was held at Headquarters on Oct. 15 to discuss the agenda for the meeting on October 17. Those present were: The Chieftain, Marshall Magruder; Rev. Daniel Randall Magruder, Claude W. Owen, Forrest S. Holmes, Mrs. Ruth Walde, Thomas G. Magruder, Jr., Mrs. Susie May van den Berg, and Miss Regina Magruder Hill.

The regular meeting of the Council was held Saturday, Oct. 17, at 10:45 A.M., the Chieftain, Brig. Gen. Marshall Magruder, presiding. Members of the Council present were: The Chieftain, Brig. Gen. Marshall Magruder; Commodore John Holmes Magruder, Jr., Rev. Daniel Randall Magruder, Herbert Thomas Magruder, William Marion Magruder, Thomas Garland Magruder, Jr., Henry Magruder Taylor, Forrest S. Holmes, Mrs. O. O. van den Berg, Miss Regina Magruder Hill, Mrs. Rex Hays Rhoades, Mrs. Ruth Walde, and Miss Anna Louise Reynolds.

After discussion the following motions were recommended to be presented at the Business Session in the afternoon:

No. 1. The following resolution was moved by William M. Magruder, seconded by Mrs. Rex Hays Rhoades: "Be it resolved that an Endowment Fund Committee is hereby created to establish an Endowment Fund. The objective of this Endowment Fund is for the acquisition of a headquarters for the preservation of the Society's Records, to be available for research and such other benefits as the Society may determine." The Chieftain is to appoint the members of this Endowment Fund Committee.

No. 2. Moved by William M. Magruder, seconded by Forrest S. Holmes, "Be it resolved that the funds heretofore carried in the name of the Committee for Future Planning be turned over to the Treasurer of the Society, to be disbursed by him with the approval of the Chieftain, for such purposes as the Council may designate. And that the committee heretofore known as the Committee for Future Planning be reconstituted as the Chieftain may direct."

No. 3. Mr. Taylor, Treasurer, brought up the subject of reinvesting the money in the Life Membership Fund. It was moved, seconded, and carried that such fund may be continued on deposit, or invested in securities legal for trust funds.

No. 4. Mr. Holmes, Chairman of the Nominating Committee presented the slate of officers for the coming year. He also presented the resignation of our beloved Chaplain, Rev. Enoch Magruder Thompson, who has faithfully served the Clan for a period of 30 years. Rev. Thompson's resignation was accepted with great regret. Rev. Reuel Lamphier Howe was nominated as Chaplain, the nomination was seconded and carried, and Rev. Howe's name placed on the ticket.

#### AFTERNOON BUSINESS SESSION, OCTOBER 17

The forty-fourth Annual Gathering of the American Clan Gregor Society was called to order October 17, at 2:30 P.M., by the Chieftain. The meeting was opened with prayer by the Ranking Deputy Chieftain, Rev. Daniel Randall Magruder.

The Resolutions recommended by the Council were presented in order by the Chieftain, seconded, and carried.

Motion No. 3 was presented by the Treasurer, seconded and carried.

Mr. Holmes presented the report of the Nominating Committee and the slate as presented was carried. The names of the officers elected will be found on page 5 under Officers.

Reports were given by the Treasurer, Registrar, Historian, Scribe, Chaplain, Editor, and the Chieftain and his Assistant. The report of the Treasurer, Mr. Taylor; and of the Treasurer of the Committee of Future Planning, Miss Regina M. Hill, appeared in full in the News Letter sent to all Clan Members in December, 1953. The report of the Registrar and Historian appear in full in this Year Book. Other reports were filed.

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