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Brig. General Marshall Magruder passed away on the morning of July 4, 1956, at Walter Reed Hospital. General Magruder was an earnest hardworking member of the Clan, having joined in 1919. He served as Ranking Deputy Chieftain from October 1950 to 1952, and as Chieftain from October 1952 until the time of his death. His funeral was from the Fort Myer Chapel with full Military Honors, and burial was in Arlington National Cemetery close beside his brother, Major General Bruce Magruder.

An appropriate memorial article on our highly esteemed and valued member will appear in the next issue of the Year Book.

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CHARLEMAGNE,  
King of the Franks and Emperor of Rome

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DESCENT  
*from*  
 THE EMPEROR CHARLEMAGNE  
*to*  
 MARGARET CAMPBELL  
*Mother of*  
 ALEXANDER MAGRUDER

A compilation based primarily upon the results of studies extending over many years, by our clan member No. 63—Mrs. R. S. Pope of Dunwoody, Georgia. The pertinent facts of each generation have been checked for specific page references. A sufficient number of these to prove the line are furnished from the following easily available books:

John S. Wurts' Magna Charta indicated	MC, Parts 1 & 2, 6, 7
Sir Douglas' Peerage of Scotland, vol. 1 indicated	PS
<i>a</i> Stewart—Duke of Albany, begins at p. 42	
<i>b</i> Bruce—Earl of Carrick begins at p. 316	
<i>c</i> Campbell—Duke of Argyle, begins at p. 84	
Cokaynes' Complete Peerage (1893) vol. V	CP
Betham—Genealogical Tables, (1795)	B.G.T.
MARSHALL MAGRUDER (Compiler)	

*Foreword*

Our beloved former Chieftain, Caleb Clarke Magruder in a scholarly article, written in the 1919 Year Book developed the influence of the Royal lines from the dawn of Scottish history on down in our MacGregor lineage; first through ancient Scottish Kings, then through intermarriage into the great line of ancient Pict Kings. This marriage of King Alpine's father with Urgusia represented the union of two of the most ancient, proud and Royal lines of that period. Through successive Scottish Kings, great Lords and Chiefs, the Royal blood flowed on down through the MacGregors to Alexander Magruder. Woven into this stream were the connections with other Royal Houses of Europe also.

While not wishing to discount, in any way, the impact of Royalty on the MacGregors ancestry on the paternal side, I do wish to kindle pride, as well, in the influence of Royal and other lines which have come down to us descendants of Alexander Magruder, through his mother—MARGARET CAMPBELL.

There are a number of our Charlemagne lines but the one assembled is a fair example of the many connections with Royal Houses and noble lines including Magna Charta Sureties. Our proven line, as shown to Charlemagne, connects us through him with known proven lines of Royal Houses of Europe.

Thus the old motto of our clan "Shrioghal Mo Dhream" (my race is Royal) is found to be true whether we are thinking of our genealogical ancestry on either Alexander's paternal or maternal side.

- MC 1935 0. Charlemagne was the greatest figure in the middle ages, King of  
 " 2176 the Franks and Emperor of the West, King of Lombardy and Italy,  
 " 2196 and in fact of all Christendom. He was "One of the nine Worthies."  
 " 1753 A great administrator, soldier, and champion of Christianity. He  
 " 1758 securely laid the foundations of his vast empires, being vigilant,  
 " 1828 sagacious and energetic, both as a ruler and commander. He fostered  
 " 2059 agriculture, trade, arts and letters with untiring zeal; clearing away  
 " 2187 forests, draining swamps, founding monasteries and schools, building  
 " 288 cities, constructing splendid palaces, as at Aix, Worms and Ingeheim;  
 " 40 and drawing to his court scholars and poets from all nations, being  
 himself proficient in science, as well as all hardy accomplishments.  
 A commanding figure, nearly eight feet tall, and of great physical  
 strength. He was b. 2 April 742 at Aix-La Chapelle and m. in 771  
 Hildegard, his 3rd wife, when she was 14. She was the dau. of Childe-  
 brand, Duke of Suabia. "Hildegard was fair, wise and good", the  
 mother of his 3 sons and 11 children in all when she died at the age  
 of 25 in 782.
- Their descendants are numbered in many of the Royal Houses  
 of Europe, inc. Geoffrey Plantagenet, who m. the granddaughter of  
 William the Conqueror, to the present (1955) Queen Elizabeth II.  
 On the other hand, their ancestors go back through Clovis the Great,  
 Old King Cole, the Caesars of Rome, etc. to Boadicea, British Queen,  
 who died AD 62. The entire span of years from AD 62 to 1955 of  
 20 centuries covers 73 generations. (See Table page 188, B.C.)
- MC 2196 1. Louis I, the Debonaire, 5th child of Charlemagne and Hildegard,  
 " 188 Roman Emperor 814-840, was b. at Casseneuil 778. He suc. his father  
 " 1741 814, died 840 and was bur. at Metz. He m. 2nd Judith. Her youngest,  
 " 2029 child was,  
 " 1758  
 " 1848
- MC 188 2. Charles II, the Bald, b. 823, King of France 840, Emperor 875,  
 " 2029 died in 878, having m. in 842 Hermintrudis (Ermentrude) dau. of  
 " 2196 Endes, Count of Orleans, she d. 869. By her King Charles had a dau.  
 " 1758 Judith b. 844, wife of Ethelwolf, and a son,  
 " 1741  
 " 1848
- MC 2029 3. Louis II, the Stammerer, King of France, b. 846, d. 879. By his  
 " 2196 2nd wife Adelheide, dau. of Ludolph, Duke of Saxony, he had,  
 " 1741  
 " 188  
 " 1848
- MC 188 4. Charles IV, the Simple, b. 879, d. 929. He became King of France  
 " 1741 in 893, and m. his 3rd wife Edgina in 918. She d. 948, was the dau.  
 " 2196 of Edward the Elder, son of ALFRED The Great, King of England  
 " 2029 (b. 849—d. 901), and descendant of Egbert, 1st King of England.  
 " 1848 Charles and Edgina had,  
 MC 188 5. Louis IV, d'Outremer, so named because he visited England in

- " 2029 his infancy, was King of France, b. 920 and d. 954. During his reign  
 " 2196 a war was waged with Hugh, the father of Capet. In 939 he m.  
 " 1741 Gerberga, b. 913—d. 969, widow of Gislebert, Duke of Lorraine, and  
 " 1848 dau. of Henry I, the Fowler, Emperor of the Germans. They had,  
 MC 188/9 6. Charles, Duke of Lorraine, b. 953, excluded from France, became  
 " 2029 Duke of Lower Lorraine. While waging war for the French throne  
 " 2196 with his cousin, Hugh Capet, he was taken prisoner and confined  
 " 1741 until his death in 993. He m. 2nd, Agnes, daughter of Henry, Count  
 " 1848 of Vermandois and Troyes, and his wife Princess Edgina, grand dau.  
 of King ALFRED The Great. Charles and Agnes had,  
 MC 189 7. Gerberga, Duchess of Brabant, who became the wife of Lambert  
 " 2029 Barbutus of Lorraine, first Count de Mons, who d. in 1015. They had,  
 " 2196  
 " 1741  
 " 1849  
 MC 189 8. Maud, wife of Eustace, Count of Bologne. They had,  
 " 2029  
 " 2196  
 " 1741  
 " 1849  
 MC 189 9. Lambert, Count of Lens, d. 1054, was m. to Adelaide of Normandy  
 " 1741 (sister of William the Conqueror). He was b. 1027 at Falaise. They  
 " 1892 had,  
 " 1849  
 " 2196  
 MC 189 10. Judith de Lens (niece of William the Conqueror) b. 1054, m.  
 " 1453 Waltheof II, Earl of Northumberland, son of Syward. He was  
 " 1705 beheaded in 1073. They had—11. Matilda of our line of descent (more  
 " 1741 later) and (11) Maud. After a brief sketch of her connections with  
 " 2030 two Magna Charta Surety Barons, will revert to—11. Matilda  
 " 1892 of our direct line.  
 " 2175  
 MC 189 (11) Maud m. Simon de St. Liz, Earl of Huntington and North-  
 " 1741 ampton. He was a Crusader to the Holy Land and d. 1115 at the  
 " 1849 Abbey of Charity in France. Their daughter Maud St. Liz as the  
 " 1893 widow of Robert de Tonbridge became the wife of William d'Albini  
 " 41 "The Briton", feudal Lord of Belvoir Castle, grandfather of the  
 " 2196/7 Surety William d'Albini, 3rd Baron. His son William-Meschines  
 d'Albini, d. 1167, 2nd Baron, father of William d'Albini the Surety,  
 was Lord of Belvoir Castle, 9th in descent from Louis IV, King of  
 France. He m. Marjory of Umfraville and d. May 1236. Isabel  
 d'Albini grand dau. of the Surety William d'Albini, d. 1301. She  
 m. Robert de Ross, who d. 1285. Robert was a grand son of the  
 Surety Robert de Ross, 4th Baron of Hamlake Manor, b. 1197—  
 d. 1227.

Our line continues through,

- MC 192 11. Matilda, d. 1131, dau. of Waltheof, sister of Maud (11). niece

- " 187 of William the Conqueror—b. 1027, d. 1086, m. in 1113 St. David I,  
 " 2030 the son of Malcolm III, King of Scotland. David I is a descendant  
 " 2196 of King Cole AD 125. Malcolm III's 2nd wife, Margaret, dau. of  
 " 2256 Edward the Exile, is a desc. of King ALFRED the Great, b. 849  
 " 1653 d. 901. St. David I, hallowed by the people but never canonized, was  
 " 2124 b. 1080—d. 1153 at Carlisle, King of Scotland from 1124 until his  
 " 190/1 death. He was a wise and just King. She and David had,  
 " 171-  
 177  
 MC 185 12. Henry, Prince of Scotland and Earl of Huntingdon. He was  
 " 192 b. 1110—d. 1152 during the life time of his father (St. David), to  
 " 1654 the universal grief of all Scotland. His wife, whom he m. in 1139,  
 " 2124 was Ada Warren, d. 1178, daughter of William de Warren, and 2nd  
 " 1755 Earl of Warren & Surrey and his wife Isabel Vermandois, the widow  
 " 1139 of Robert de Bellomont. (The spelling Warren and deWarren are  
 " 205 both used in these references.)  
 Note 1. Ada's brother William Warren, 3rd Earl of Surrey, m.  
 Adela Talvace and had only a dau. Isabel Warren. Isabel  
 m. Hameline Plantagenet, and their daughter Isabel was  
 the wife of ROGER BIGOD the Surety.  
 MC 52 Note 2. Isabel Vermandois had by her 1st husband a son—Robert  
 " 764/5 who m. Amica, the parents of Robert de Bellomont, 3rd  
 " 58 Earl of Leicester, who m. Petronella. They had Margaret,  
 wife of Surety SAIRE de QUINCEY. Their dau. Mabel  
 Hawise Bellomont m. William Meullent, 2nd Earl of Glou-  
 ceater, the parents of Amica Meullent (d. 1224) Countess  
 of Gloucester, the wife of the Surety RICHARD de CLARE,  
 d. 1217.  
 MC 192 Returning to 12, Prince Henry, Earl of Huntingdon and 9th  
 " 52 Earl of Northumberland, and Ada his wife—who were the parents  
 " 1654 of Margaret (she was wife of Humphrey de Bohun, her eldest son  
 was Henry de Bohun the Surety b. 1177) and also parents of  
 MC 192 13. David, Earl of Huntingdon, younger brother of Malcolm and  
 " 1654 William, Kings of Scotland, Knighted by King Henry II in 1170.  
 " 2125 He m. in 1190 Maud, eldest dau. of Hugh de Kevelioc, Earl of Chester  
 and sister of Hawise Meschines. He d. 1219 at Yardley in North-  
 amptonshire and was buried in Sawtry Abbey. Their daughter  
 MC 192 14. Isabel became the wif of Robert Bruce, 4th Baron of Annandale.  
 " 2125 He was the son of William Bruce, 3rd Baron, and had large estates  
 in both England and Scotland. He died in 1245 and Isabel in 1252.  
 They had,  
 MC 192 15. Robert Bruce, great-great-grandson of David I, King of Scot-  
 " 1609 land, b. 1210—d. 1295, who unsuccessfully contested for the throne of  
 Scotland—King Edward I, the arbitrator deciding in favor of John  
 Baliol. He m. in 1240 1st Isobel de Claire, b. 1226, daughter of  
 Gilbert de Claire the Surety. Their eldest son,  
 MC 192 16. Robert Bruce b. 1243—d. 1304, m. 1st 1271 Marjorie, daughter

- " 1609 of Neil Carrick and his 1st wife Margaret, dau. of Walter, High  
 " 64/5 Steward of Scotland, and they had 10 children. After his wife Mar-  
 PS 319 jorie's death, he resigned the Earldom of Carrick—brought to him  
 by her, in favor of his son. He m. 2nd after 1296/7 Alianore and  
 he died shortly before 4 Apr. 1304. He was bur. in the Abbey of  
 Holm Cultram. Of special interest is the m. of his dau. Mary Bruce  
 to Neil (also called Nigel) Campbell as his 3rd wife. She m. 2nd  
 after death of Neil in 1316, Alexander Fraser, Great Chamberlain  
 of Scotland and had issue. The most celebrated child of Robert Bruce  
 and Marjorie was his eldest son,  
 17. King Robert Bruce, 5th Earl of Carrick, b. 11 July 1274, d. June  
 7, 1329.
- MC 65 On 25 of Mar. 1306 was crowned King of Scotland. He  
 was the eldest of 3 brothers and 7 sisters, whose marriages with  
 leading families of Scotland proved a most important element in his  
 PS 319 success. The early years of Bruce were passed in Turnbury Castle,  
 MC 1610 in later years due to the misgivings of his aged father and his  
 " 193 friendship for King Edward I, the son joined the English court and  
 " 65 was adopted by the King. So young Bruce learned from the King,  
 BGT DCXXI who later became his mortal enemy, how to use his own arts and  
 " DCXIX weapons against him. King Robert Bruce d. 7 June 1329 and is bur.  
 in the Abbey Church of Dumfermline. By his 1st wife Isobel, dau.  
 of Donald, 10th Earl of Mar, he had only—
- PS 45 18. Marjory Bruce, dau. of King Robert Bruce and Isobel, m. in  
 " 319 1315 Sir Walter Stewart (his 2nd wife) 7th in descent from Allan  
 " 47 son of Flaad, Norman and the first High Steward of Scotland. Sir  
 MC 1610 Walter was the 2nd son of James Lord High Steward of Scotland and  
 " 66 Cecilia dau. of Patrick, Earl of March. Marjory died within one year  
 " 193 of the birth of a son, her only child, 1315/6. Sir Walter was b. 1293,  
 suc. in 1309, d. 1327. They had King Robert II, b. 2 Mar. 1315,  
 d. 13 May 1390. Walter m. thirdly Isobel Graham.
- PS 319 Just prior to Bannockburn, Walter brought noble aid to King  
 " 47 Robert Bruce, which greatly assisted in achieving the victory. He  
 was appointed to receive on the border Queen Elizabeth de Burgh—  
 2nd wife of King Robert Bruce and his daughters (Lady Mary and  
 Marjory by his 1st wife Isabella Mar) and other illustrious Scots,  
 released from captivity in England. So Walter became attached to  
 and m. Marjory in 1315.
- PS 319 In 1320 he became one of those patriots who signed the famous  
 letter to the Pope, asserting the independence of Scotland.
- PS 46 He d. 1326, 33 years old. Marjory and Walter had Robert,  
 MC 193 19. Robert II (High Steward) became the first King of that House.  
 PS 319 He was b. 2 Mar. 1315—d. 13 May 1390, a grandson of King Robert  
 " 48 Bruce 1st, who d. 1329. He was elected regent and finally succeeded  
 MC 1215 in 1357 to accomplish the freedom of King David II, taken prisoner  
 " 1530 by Edward in battle of Nevilles Cross 1346, and had conferred on  
 him the Earldom of Strathern for these services. King David, his



uncle, d. 1370 with no issue and the throne was opened up to Robert who was crowned in 1371 as King Robert II, thus becoming the first Stewart to hold the title. He m. 1st Elizabeth Mure dau. of Sir Adam Mure of Rowallan. King Robert II and Elizabeth had 4 sons and 6 daughters. They were the parents of both King Robert III b. 1337—d. 1406, and his bro. Robert, Duke of Albany, b. 1340—d. 1409.

*Note.* I will digress a moment and discuss the eldest son (20) then revert to our direct line the 3rd son, 20.

Note.

MC 193

" 1530

(20) John, afterwards King Robert III, b. 1337—d. 1406, m. before 1357, 1st Annabella Drummond, and had James, (became King James I) b. in 1394—d. 1437, m. Joan Beaufort, dau. of John Beaufort, son of \*John Gaunt, son of King Edward III.

\*John Gaunt's issue m. descendants of the Sureties Saire de Quincy and John Fitz Robert.

Returning now to the continuation of the direct line—

PS 56

MC 2125

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" 49

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20. Robert (3rd son of King Robert II and Elizabeth Mure), Duke of Albany, Earl of Nenteith and Fife, b. 1340—d. 419, m. 1st 9 Sept. 1361, Countess Margaret Nenteith (her 4th and Robert's 1st m.) He m. 2nd in 1380 Muriella Keith, d. 1449, eld. dau. of Sir William de Keith, Great Marischal of Scotland, and his wife Margaret Fraser. Robert became a Duke in 1348 and the Regent and Guardian of Scotland in 1388. Robert Duke of Albany, Regent of Scotland and Muriella had a 2nd dau.,

PS 57

" 84

" 88

" 90

" 332

" 507

MC 2125

21. Marjory Stewart m. Sir Duncan Campbell, his 1st m. He was son of Colin Campbell (11 generation), of Lochow and his wife Margaret a 2nd cousin. Duncan was created Lord by Act of Parliament at the instance of King James II in 1452. Duncan's father m. the sister (Margaret) of King Robert III Bruce's wife,—Annabella Drummond. Marjory Stewart was the granddaughter of King Robert II. Duncan was the first Campbell to assume title "Lord of Argyll." He was the King's Justiciary and Lord Lieut. of Argyll County. He d. 12 Aug. 1453 and is buried at Kilmun. He m. 1st Marjory Stewart, 2nd daughter of Robert Duke of Albany, Regent of Scotland, and had Sir Colin of Glenurchy and Archibald.

MC 2125

PS 88

22. Archibald Campbell, the eldest son d. before Mar. 1440, predeceasing his father. He m. 1st Elizabeth, dau. of John, 3rd Lord Somerville of Carnwath, 1st Earl of Lennox, and left a son Colin, Earl of Argyre.

PS 88

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23. Colin Campbell, the 2nd Lord succeeded his grandfather in 1453, was created 1st Earl of Argyll in 1457, High Lord Chancellor in 1483, Justiciary of Scotland, and d. in 1493. Prior to 1465 he m. Isabel Stewart, dau. of John Stewart, 2nd Lord of Lorn by charter from King James III.

MC 2125/6

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*Note:* As Lords of both Lochow and Lorn, the Campbells became overlords of Glenurchy, the ancient country of the Mac-Gregors. John Stewart is descended from Elizabeth Burgh—2nd wife of King Robert Bruce b. 1274, crowned King 1306,

and through her descended from William de Lanvallei the Surety.

Colin and Isabel's eldest son,

- MC 2126 24. Archibald Campbell, 2nd Earl of Argyle, Lord of Lochow and  
PS 89 Lorn, suc. in 1493. He became Lieut. Gen. of the Isle in 1500. This  
" 90 great Lord fell at Floddin Field 9 Apr. 1513. He m. Elizabeth, eld.  
dau. of John Stewart of Lorn and 1st Earl of Lennox. They had  
10 children, inc. Archibald who m. Lady Glamis, an ancestor of present  
English Queen's grandmother, and 17 times removed from Queen  
Elizabeth II. Their 4th son,  
PS 90 25. Donald Campbell, Abbot of Coupar in 1526, Lord Privy Seal  
" 336 to Mary Queen of Scots, Ancestor of Campbells of Keithock in  
MC 2126 Forfarshire,—he had five sons, one of whom was  
MC 2126 26. James Campbell, Baron of Abernchie and Laird of Keithock  
(Angus in Pershire). He m. Lady Mary Montifex and they had,  
MC 2126 27. Lady Margaret Campbell who m. Sir Andrew Drummond, 4th  
Lord of Ballichove, 1st—m. 2nd in 1605 Alexander Magruder, b. 1569.  
*Note:* See a genealogical memoir of the most noble and ancient House  
of Drummond by David Malcolm A.M. 1888 Washington,  
ref. checks m. of James and Lady Margaret.  
Also see p. 81 ACGS Year Book 1929, for proof of marriage  
Alexander Magruder. (Register of the privy council of Scot-  
land, Vol. 7, p. 600.)

They had—

- MC 2126 28. Alexander Magruder, b. in Pershire, Scotland, in 1610, d. at  
"Anchovie Hills" Md. in 1677, was an officer in the Army of Charles  
II, and was sent as a prisoner of war by the Cromwell Government to  
Virginia in 1651. He moved to Maryland in 1652, where he owned  
considerable land in then Calvert County, now Prince George's County.  
He m. 1st Margaret, dau. of Wm. Braithwaite, a member of the first  
General Assembly and Acting Governor of Maryland. His other  
wives were Sarah and Elizabeth. Elizabeth survived him.

The authorities listed below have been furnished by Mrs. R. S. Pope, for any one wishing to explore further the persons mentioned in this genealogy, or their connections. It is only a partial list of the many books bearing on the persons involved, which she studied in her 20 years of research concerning her MacGregor ancestors.

1. O'Harts Irish Pedigree Vol II.
2. Lives of Charlemagne (by contemporaries) Eginhard.
3. Charlemagne the First of the Moderns by Russell.
4. Charlemagne by Linkletter, another by Woodruff.
5. The Dark Ages by Oman.
6. The Dark Ages by Munro.
7. The Middle Ages by Hallam Vol I.
8. The History of France by Quizat.
9. The History of France by Goodrich.
10. The History of the Norman Conquest by Freeman.
11. The History of the Popes—World's Best Literature.

12. Annals of Gregory of Tours.
13. Magna Charta (Parts I to VI inc.) by J. S. Wurts. Particularly p. 691, Vol IV, wherein Olive Magruder Smith Pope is listed under descendants of Charlemagne. Also Vol VI p. 1498. Her proven descent—proves the clan.
14. Peerage of Scotland by Sir Robert Douglas.
15. The Story of Scotland by Alice Mure McKenzie—modern.
16. The Rise and Fall of the Steuarts by Alice Mure McKenzie.
17. Robert Bruce King of Scots.
18. History of Scotland. Hume-Brown.
19. History of Scotland by Andrew Lang.
20. Burkes Peerage and Baronage.
21. Records of the Priory Council of Scotland Vol VIII p. 600.
22. The Family of Hay by Colcock.
23. Castles and Keeps of Scotland by Frapre.
24. Bruce by *Linklater*.
25. History of Scotland by Mackintosh.
26. Your Family Tree by Kimball and Joudon.
27. History of Wales by Lloyd (which includes the Norman Barons on the border and the Conquest).
28. Froissarts Chronicles.
29. The Middle Ages by Duruy.
30. The Middle Ages by Bretano.
31. The Crusades by Belloc (tells of Hugh Magnus).
32. William the Conqueror by Russell (very fine).
33. Lives of Charlemagne by the Monk St. Gall.

# REVOLUTIONARY WAR SERVICE

*of the*

DESCENDANTS OF ALEXANDER MAGRUDER

*Compiled by the Historian*

REGINA MAGRUDER HILL

*Continued from page 57, Year Book published in 1955*

## PART II

Part I appeared in the 1955 Year Book, pages 51 through 57, and took in the 1st, 8th, and 9th child of Samuel Magruder and his wife Sarah Beall.

Part II, appearing in this book, takes in the 3rd child, "B-III", John Magruder "of Dumblane" who married, December 15, 1715, Susannah Smith.

References used are designated by the following symbols:

#—The Maryland Revolutionary War Militia List, on file in the Maryland Historical Society, Baltimore, Maryland.

\*—Revolutionary War Records Vol. I, by Brumbaugh and Hodges. D.A.R. Library.

A—American Clan Gregor Society Year Books.

B—Beall and Bell Families, by Lieut. Col. Fielder M. M. Beall, U. S. A. Ret.

M.A.—The Maryland Archives—Copy in D.A.R. Library.

N—Maryland Revolutionary Records, by Harry Wright Newman.

S—Scharff's History of Western Maryland.

H.—Heitman.

O.A.G.—Office of Adjutant General.

C—Calendar of Virginia State Papers.

D—Unpublished Revolutionary War Records by Hodges. D.A.R. Library.

A.C.—American Archives. D.A.R. Library.

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## PART II

"B-III"—MAJOR JOHN MAGRUDER "OF DUNBLANE" AND SUSANNAH SMITH

Their:

1st Son: Nathaniel Magruder (1716-1785), m. Margaret Magruder (1733-1795).

Patriot. Appointed July 3, 1776, Judge of and to hold elections in Prince George's County, Maryland. Ref.: A, p. 22; A.C., Series 4, Vol. 6, p. 1495, 1497.

2nd Son: Nathan Magruder (ab. 1718-1785), m. Rebecca Beall.

Patriot. Delegate from Lower Frederick Co., Md., to Provincial Congress of June 22, 1774, which sent representatives to the 1st Continental Congress in Philadelphia, Sept. 5, 1774. A member of Lower Frederick Co. Committee to carry into effect the Resolutions of the 1st Continental Congress. A member of the Committee of Correspondence and Observation for Lower Frederick Co., Md. Signed Oath of Fidelity and Safety for Montgomery Co., Md., on the list of Joseph Wilson, Returns of Jan. 19, 1778. Ref.: A, p. 58-60; S, Vol. I, p. 126; A.C., Vol. 3, Series 5, p. 1760.

They had sons—

1. Isaac Magruder (1755-1808), m. 1778, Sophia Baldwin.  
Patriot. Subscribed to Patriot's Oath.  
Private, in the 2nd Company, 29th Battalion, Montgomery Co. Md.  
Militia. Ref.: D, Vol. 5, p. 45, and Vol. 3, p. 35.
2. Dr. Jeffery Magruder (1762-1805), m. Susanna Magruder  
Private, in 7th Company, Middle Battalion, Montgomery Co., Maryland  
Militia. Ref.: #, p. 141; D, Vol. 5, p. 30.
3. John Beall Magruder (d. 1826).  
Private, 2nd Company, 29th Battalion, Montgomery County, Md.,  
Militia, Aug. 27, 1777.  
Patriot, Subscribed to Patriot's Oath in Montgomery Co., Md. Ref.:  
#, p. 137, 140; A, 1926-27, p. 34, 132.

Their:

1st Daughter: Elizabeth Magruder (Will 1799), m. Richard Burgess.

They had sons:

1. John Magruder Burgess m. Eleanor Magruder.  
Ensign, Baltimore County, Md., 1777. Appointed Major, Middle Battalion, Prince George's Co., Md. Militia, Nov. 13, 1779. 1st Lieut. in Company of Capt. John Hawkins Lowe. Ref.: #, p. 6, 73; A, 1911-12, p. 91.
2. Dr. Richard Burgess, m. 1782, Mary Coolidge.  
Enlisted in Flying Camp by Joseph Burgess. Ref. M.A. Vol. 18, p. 40.  
Private in Capt. Edward Burgess' Co., Lower District of Frederick Co., Md. Militia. Ref.: M.A., Vol. 18, p. 42.

2nd Daughter: Cassandra Magruder (1722-1808), m. 1751, Henry Hilleary.

They had sons:

1. John M. Hilleary, m. 1791, Verlinda Williams.  
Patriot, took Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance Montgomery Co., Md., 1778. Ref.: D, Vol. 3, p. 65.  
Private, Middle Battalion Montgomery Co. Militia, 1st Company. Ref.: D, Vol. 5, p. 36.
2. Henry Hilleary, Jr. (1760—d. single).  
Patriot, took Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance, 1778, Montgomery Co., Maryland. Ref.: \*, p. 2; D, Vol. 3, p. 57.  
Private, Middle Battalion 1st Company, Montgomery Co., Md. Militia. Ref.: D, Vol. 5, p. 36.

3rd Son: Col. Zadock Magruder (1729-1811), m. Rachel (Pottinger) Bowie.

Patriot, took Oath of Fidelity and Allegiance, Montgomery Co., Md., 1-19-1788;  
Made Judge of and to hold Elections for Montgomery County, Md., and  
was appointed Commissioner for Montgomery Co., Maryland, Sept. 6,  
1776. Ref.: D, Vol. 1, pt. 2, p. 23, and Vol. 3, p. 65; A, 1926-27, p. 34;  
A.C., Series 5, Vol. 3, p. 104, 173, 513, 1177, 1195.

Colonel of Upper Battalion, Montgomery County, Maryland, Militia. Ref.  
#, p. 8, 68; M.A., Vol. 16, p. 37, 373.

A TABULATION OF THE TABLETS AND MARKERS  
DEDICATED TO DATE (1955)*by the*

AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY

MARSHALL MAGRUDER

- 1924 Gathering. Ref. p. 16, 1924-25 Year Book. Placed 14 November—"In memory of John Magruder of Dunblane, b. 1694—d. 1750, and his wife Susannah Smith," in Saint Barnabas Church, Leeland, Prince George's County, Maryland. Presented and paid for by Caleb Clarke Magruder, III.
- 1925 Gathering. Ref. p. 86, 1924-25 Year Book, placed by Magruder Chapter, D.C.D.A.R.—"In memory of Samuel Wade Magruder, b. 1728—d. 1792, and his wife Lucy Beall, b. 1738—d. 1795". Presented and paid for by the Magruder Chapter.
- 1926 Gathering. Ref. p. 9 and 34, 1926-27 Year Book, placed in the Court House at Rockville, Maryland—"In memory of the Descendants of Alexander Magruder, Maryland Immigrant, bearing his surname, who served in the Revolutionary Army from Montgomery County, Md.". Donated and paid for by Caleb Clarke Magruder III.
- Note:* Since the placing of this tablet in 1926, a new Court House has been built nearby and the old court house is now used as the Police Court. The question has now arisen as to whether or not this tablet should be moved to the new Court House, a much more permanent structure. Views of clan members, particularly of those from Maryland, are desired by the editor.
- 1927 Gathering. Ref. p. 87, 1926-27 Year Book, a Bronze Tablet placed in Saint Barnabas' Church, Leeland, Md.—"In memory of Magruder Church Officials for Queen Anne Parish from its Organization to the outbreak of the American Revolution." Donated and paid for by Caleb Clarke Magruder, III.
- 1930 Gathering. Ref. p. 9, 1930 Year Book. Tablet placed in Saint Paul's Church, Baden, Prince George's County, Maryland—"In memory of the Magruders who served on the Vestry of St. Paul's Church from 1692 to 1799". Donated and paid for by the Rev. James Mitchell Magruder, Annapolis, Maryland.
- 1931 Gathering. Ref. p. 21, 1931 Year Book. A pine tree planted by our Society at "Mount Vernon", Virginia, as a "memorial tree to George Washington", "for his courageous resistance to oppression," by members of a clan whose forebears had suffered persecution for over 200 years, and to the many Magruders who rallied to the support of Washington against an unjust tyranny, including 31 from Montgomery County alone, not mentioning those from other counties in Maryland. The tree was donated and brought from "Glenmore", Virginia.
- 1931 Gathering. Ref. p. 7, 1931 Year Book. Bronze tablet placed 15 October, in the First Presbyterian Church at Hyattsville, Maryland—"In memory

of Alexander Magruder, immigrant, 1652, progenitor of the Magruder family in the United States, born Perthshire, Scotland, 1610, died "Anchovie Hills", Calvert County, Maryland, 1677. "'Come to me,' quoth the pine tree, 'I am the giver of honor.'" Donated and paid for by William Pinkney Magruder.

1932 Gathering. Soil from the various state capitals brought by members of the clan and sprinkled around the Memorial Tree, planted at Mount Vernon during the 1931 Gathering. For this interesting ceremony see article in the 1932 Year Book, p. 16.

1934 Gathering. Ref. p. 10, Year Book 1934. On October 20 a bronze tablet was placed in the State House at Annapolis, and dedicated "In memory of those descendants of Alexander Magruder who have held high public offices in Maryland"—Governors, Members of Congress, State Senators, etc. Donated and paid for by Mrs. Horatio Erstine Magruder at a cost of \$100.00.

1946 Gathering. Ref. p. 13 and 39, Year Book, 1947. On October 19, a Memorial Spruce pine tree, a gift of Mrs. Philip Hill Sheriff, was placed by the society, in Rock Creek Cemetery beside the wall leading from the Rock Creek Road to Old Saint Paul's Church. On December 7, 1946, a bronze tablet was placed beside the tree, "dedicated to the memory of Calvert Sheriff Bowie and his Gold Star Comrades on the Honor Roll for World War II of the American Clan Gregor Society." The tablet was presented by his grandmother, Mrs. Philip Hill Sheriff (Walter Ann McCormick). The Magruder Chapter of the District of Columbia participated in the ceremony. Names of his comrades inscribed are:

Norman Butler Briscoe, Kentucky  
 Roy Edward Buchanan, Texas  
 Edgar McGregor Clinkscales, Ohio  
 William Albert Fuller, D. of C.  
 Frank Gilbreath Hamilton, Virginia  
 Edward Wallace Higgins, Maryland  
 Garland McGregor, Jr., South Carolina  
 Ernest Pendleton Francis Magruder, Scotland

(Nephew of our Hereditary Chief, Sir Malcolm MacGregor on his mother's side. On father's side descended from Alexander Magruder.)

Lee Alexander Magruder, Kentucky  
 Joseph Shirley Major, Jr., South Carolina  
 Thomas Franklin Malone, Georgia  
 Randolph Magruder Martin, Jr., Texas  
 James Linwood Page, Georgia (later found alive)  
 Frank Pelham Stone, District of Columbia

The tablet was paid for by the Sheriff family. The material for the mounting of the bronze tablet and the work of setting it was the donation of Mr. Lawrence J. Penkert, father of our "Honor Roll Member" Lawrence J. Penkert, Jr., and by two of his young sons.

- 1948 Gathering. Ref. p. 34, 1949 Year Book. A visit was made to the "Memorial Pine" at Mount Vernon and a new picture of the tree obtained and printed in the Year Book.
- 1952 Gathering. Ref. p. 21, 1953 Year Book. The placing of large black iron numerals, 1715, on the chimney of the home of John Magruder "Dunblane," near Forestville, Prince George's County, Maryland. The cost of \$3.40, was borne by the society.
- 1952 Gathering. Ref. p. 21 and p. 60, 1953 Year Book. Placed October 18. Dedication of bronze tablet, placed on outside wall of McDowell Hall, St. John's College, Annapolis, Maryland—"To honor the Three Hundredth Anniversary of the coming to Maryland circa 1652, of Alexander Magruder, founder and progenitor of the Magruder family in America, and to the men of his blood who have been students at St. John's College", presented by the American Clan Gregor Society. On page 61 are 23 names of students. See also News Letter of October 1953. This tablet was paid for by the Clan, the cost being \$78.04.
- 1953 Gathering. Ref. p. 30-33, 1954 Year Book. Presentation and dedication on October 16, of a memorial bronze tablet, placed on the walls of the Ruckersville Baptist Church, Ruckersville, Virginia, on the 100th anniversary of the birth of Dr. Jesse Ewell, honoring his memory as one of the founders of our society. The cost of this tablet, \$75.00, was borne by the Society.

Pictures of these memorials and other interesting details concerning them are contained in the references to our Year Books.

A committee is being organized to draw up a policy to guide us in planning future memorials. The high cost of bronze tablets makes it impossible to honor by such means but a very few of our most distinguished members. Having surveyed our past activities in this field we should be able to make appropriate plans for the future.

Suggestions will be welcomed by members of the committee.

Marshall Magruder, *Chieftain*.

Committee members: Clarence William McCormick, *Treasurer*

Miss Regina Magruder Hill, *Historian*

Miss Cornelia Magruder Bowie, *Deputy Chieftain,*  
*D. of C.*



## HOMES OF YESTERYEAR

## HOME OF LEVI (LEVIN) MAGRUDER

## BULLITT COUNTY, KENTUCKY

In the Year Book of 1954, page 40, there is pictured the home of Levi (Levin) Magruder. We are featuring this home again and are including a photograph of Levi Magruder and of several of his descendants.

The property on which the Magruder home is located was purchased on December 13, 1811, by Joseph Aud of Nelson County, Kentucky, from Henry Crist and his wife Rachel. Crist was a Revolutionary General, an Indian fighter, one of the early settlers on Salt River in Bullitt County, a member of the Kentucky Legislature, and a Congressman from Kentucky. Joseph Aud was originally from Maryland. The deed describes the land as being 304 acres on "Rock Run" and shows the purchase price to have been \$1,300. (Bullitt County, Kentucky, Deed Book B, page 250.)

In 1814 Mr. Aud sold a tract of ten acres, called "Assumption Hill," and "adjoining the plantation the said Joseph Aud now lives on" to The Right Reverend Benedict Joseph Flaget, Bishop of Bardstown.

Joseph Aud must have built his home shortly after he acquired the land for the deed of 1814 shows that he was then living there. He died in 1815. (Appraisal of his estate is in Bullitt County Will Book A, page 220, dated October, 1815.) Mr. Wilhoite Carpenter Barrickman, a descendant of Joseph Aud and of Levi (Levin) Magruder and a life member of the American Clan Gregor Society, believes that the present home, or at least the main part of it, was built by Joseph Aud, since the house is almost one hundred and fifty years old.

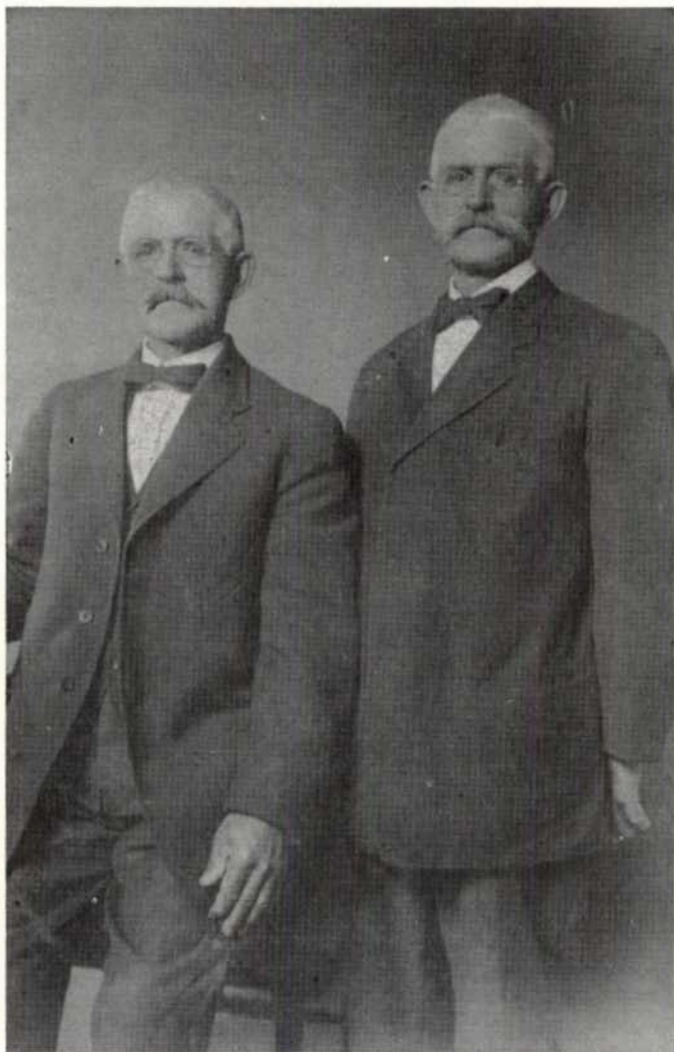
In 1818 the dower right of Ann Aud, widow of Joseph Aud, was set off as 126 acres beginning at two white oaks on the south side of Rock Run and including the chapel ground. (Bullitt County Will Book A, page 288.) In 1831, as a result of a request by Levi Magruder, the Bullitt County Court ordered that the dower of Ann Aud in land of Joseph Aud, deceased, her husband, be re-measured. The commissioners appointed for that purpose reported on October 10, 1831, that by actual survey the dower interest was determined in a tract of land containing 304 acres on Rock Run, "now in occupancy of Levi Magruder and Mrs. Sarah Blanford, giving to said Ann Aud 1/3 of improved and 1/3 of unimproved land, including 10 acres around the Chapel, and also including house and 1/3 of the apple orchard." (Bullitt County Will Book B, page 290.)

On March 11, 1830 Philip B. Troutman and his wife Ann, Ignatius L. Aud and his wife Nancy, and Henry C. M. Cartmill and his wife Mary had conveyed to Levi Magruder for \$1000 the tract of 304 acres on Rock Run, "being the same land conveyed by Henry Crist and wife to Joseph Aud, the ancestor of the parties of the first part, by deed Dec. 16, 1811 . . . reserving 2 acres conveyed to the Roman Catholic Church by Joseph Aud, which 2 acres lies within the boundary of the above described tract, and on which the Catholic Church or chapel stands." (Bullitt County Deed Book G page 185.)



LEVI MAGRUDER

1796 — 1868



DAVID A. (*seated*) AND EZEKIEL M. MAGRUDER

Twins—Born April 26, 1848

The difference between the two acres mentioned above and the ten acres deeded to Bishop Flaget in 1814 has not been resolved but it was on this tract that Saint John's Chapel, locally called Bullitt Chapel, was built and a cemetery laid out. Joseph Aud is buried there and also his daughter Elizabeth Aud, who was the first wife of Levi (Levin) Magruder. Levi(n) was a Protestant and a Mason, however, and when he learned that the church would not permit his being buried in the cemetery beside his wife, because it was consecrated ground, he laid off a plot of ground on his plantation adjoining the cemetery, built a wall of stone around it, and was buried there in 1868, with a headstone upon which is chiselled the Masonic Square and Compass. The entrance to "Levi's graveyard" was through a wrought-iron gate, made on the place by a Negro blacksmith. Mr. Barrickman writes: "I purloined one of the wrought-iron, hand-hammered nails with which the iron bars of the gate were attached."

He continues: "In the yard of his home were two fine old pear trees, perhaps nearly a hundred years old, when I was there twenty years ago. One was 'Bettie's tree' and the other was 'Rhoda's tree'; they were set out, my mother told me, by her grandfather when she and Aunt Rhoda Ann (Mrs. William O. B. McCarty) were little girls—about 1850. The 'cellar' which the 1954 Year Book mentions was, I think, dug by Joseph Aud, down to water level; it is about 30 feet deep and at the bottom was a vein of running water, in which milk, butter, fruit and vegetables were placed in crocks and jars for refrigeration."

It was in this house that Levi(n) Magruder, his three wives and his twenty-two children made their home. It is both interesting and gratifying to his descendants to know that this fine old Aud-Magruder home of pioneer Kentucky days is still in the possession of and occupied by one of their number, Mrs. Duke Manakee (Mattie E. Magruder), daughter of Ben Magruder (1852-1943), granddaughter of Archibald Ferdinand Magruder (1822-1909), and great-granddaughter of Levi(n) and Elizabeth Aud Magruder.

The pictures reproduced here are of Levi(n) Magruder (1796-1868); his twin sons by his second wife, David A. and Ezekiel M. Magruder, born April 26, 1848; and his and Elizabeth Aud's granddaughter, Elizabeth ("Betty") Magruder Lutes with her husband Philip Henry Henderson. Betty was the daughter of Elizabeth Zarilda Magruder who married William Lutes in 1849, and was the mother of our Deputy Chieftain for Kentucky, Guy Russell Henderson, of Sister Philippa Henderson of the Loretta Mother House, Nerinx, Kentucky, both members of the Clan, of Bessie (Henderson) Maraman and of Robert C. Henderson.

Levi(n) Magruder's granddaughter, Agnes Lucille Magruder, the only child of John Levi Magruder, one of the sons of Levi(n) and his third wife, loaned the photograph of her grandfather for this article.

Of the twin sons of Levi(n) and Catherine (Brown) Magruder, David A. Magruder (seated) was the father of William Marion Magruder, a former Chieftain and now a State Deputy Chieftain for Kentucky, who loaned the photograph of the twins. Sister Philippa Henderson loaned the picture of her parents.

The history of the Aud-Magruder plantation was furnished by Wilhoite Carpenter Barrickman of Austin, Texas, whose grandmother, Letitia (Magruder) Carpenter, was the eldest daughter of Levi(n) and Elizabeth (Aud) Magruder.

### "RIDGEVIEW"

*The Henderson Home, Shephardsville, Bullitt County, Kentucky*

This home was built by David Henderson, father of Philip Henry Henderson who married Elizabeth ("Betty") Magruder Lutes granddaughter of Levi(n) Magruder. Philip Henry was born in this house and died here, in the same room in which he was born, on March 10, 1948, nearly 93 years ago. Mr. Henderson was of Scotch descent, but due to the fact that his father was left an orphan in Kentucky when the family was attacked by Indians as they were coming into Kentucky from North Carolina, all records were lost. Mr. Henderson was born July 1, 1855, the son of David and Sara Jane (Buckman) Henderson. Philip Henry Henderson made farming at "Ridgeview" his life work. The family celebrated the Centenary of his birth on July 1, 1955.

"Ridgeview" has been in the family for over a hundred years. The original house of logs was built in 1810, and a part of it is still standing at the back of the pictured house, which was built in 1905. This home is the birthplace of Sister Philippa, Guy Russell and Robert Henderson. Guy Russell and Robert have always lived at "Ridgeview" where they farm the land and raise registered South-down sheep, and cattle.



"RIDGEVIEW"

*The Henderson Home, Shephardsville, Bullitt County, Kentucky*



ELIZABETH "BETTY" MAGRUDER LUTES  
1858 — 1939

*and her husband*

PHILIP HENRY HENDERSON  
1855 — 1948



## 50th ANNIVERSARY GATHERING

OCTOBER, 1959

The Chieftain and members of the Committee urge every member to start plans to attend the 50th Anniversary Gathering of the Clan in October, 1959. The Special Committee to make arrangements for this Gathering are: Mr. Claude W. Owen, Mr. Herbert Thomas Magruder, Mr. Douglas Neil Magruder, and Mr. Wm. B. Hamilton Magruder. The Committee is working to make this an outstanding Gathering and YOUR presence is essential to help make these plans a grand success.

Car pools could be arranged of members and those eligible to membership in a given locality. In this way it would make it much less expensive to come from a distance. A bus party could be made up and those using the bus could all gather at a given city or town through which the bus travels. Reduced fares could no doubt be arranged for a party coming all the way through to Washington.

Another way to help is to work for membership among your family and those eligible who are not of your immediate family and talk up coming to the Gathering in 1959 with them. Let 1959 be a Banner Year in Attendance from your State.

## ENDOWMENT FUND

Three years ago at our annual gathering an Endowment Fund committee was appointed with the hope that something constructive could be done at once toward providing for the permanent records of the Clan. Last year when a letter was sent out to every member of the Society asking for contributions for this purpose, the response was very slight. Of course, with our Scotch natures it is difficult for us to loosen up on our purse strings, but this is a matter so much to our interest that we ought not hesitate.

As we all know, our Society is celebrating the first fifty years of its existence in 1959. It is unfortunate that an Endowment Fund was not begun in the early days. The work of the Society has been carried on with slender resources all through the years. How much more effective our activities could be and how much could be added to our enjoyment and inspiration of belonging to the Clan Gregor if we had adequate finances.

So, why should we not come to our fiftieth anniversary with a substantial fund already started. Please send your contribution *now* to the Chieftain, and also mention the Society in your will, so that for all time you will have a share in the work of the Clan Gregor.

DANIEL RANDALL MAGRUDER

*Chairman, Endowment Fund Committee*

When making your Last Will and Testament insert the following provision:

I give, devise and bequeath to the Endowment Fund of the American  
Clan Gregor Society, Incorporated, a corporation organized under the  
laws of the District of Columbia, the sum of \$.....



## STATE UNITS

*Virginia Organizes State Unit*

The Deputy Chieftain, Mrs. Helen Ewell Hord, of Ruckersville, Virginia, sent out invitations for the Virginia members of our Clan to meet at a picnic on June 2nd. The meeting place was to have been at the South River Picnic Camp on Skyline Drive, but unfortunately it rained in torrents from very early morning all through the day. This practically broke up the meeting, but the Hord and Ewell clansmen were well represented, and Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Holmes. Mrs. Susie May van den Berg, and Miss Regina Magruder Hill, drove down from Washington, to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Hord, where a delightful picnic lunch was served. Following the luncheon a meeting was held and the Virginia State Unit was organized, and Mrs. Hord was authorized to make plans for a meeting in June 1957, at which time a more permanent organization can be formed and officers elected. Great interest is being aroused over this event and it is the hope of the Deputy Chieftain that this Unit will become an active influence in Clan affairs.

## CLAN PICNIC

*District of Columbia and Maryland*

Invitations were issued by our Chieftain, General Marshall Magruder and Mrs. Magruder, to Clansmen in the District of Columbia and nearby Maryland and Virginia to attend a box-lunch get-together picnic in the Mansion at Parklawn, Montgomery County, Maryland, on Saturday, June 9th. Twenty-one of our members and nine of their friends attended. To the great disappointment of everyone, because of illness, General Marshall and Ann Magruder could not be with us.

This picnic was for the purpose of laying the foundation for a State Unit to be formed in the District of Columbia and in Maryland. Another meeting is planned to be held in both States to effect the permanent organization of these two units.

## THE VALUE OF GENEALOGY, PAST, PRESENT AND FUTURE

### *Where to Find Data and How to Prepare It*

REGINA MAGRUDER HILL

"Genealogy is an account or history of the descent of a person or family from an ancestor; enumeration of ancestors and their children in the natural order of succession; a pedigree." This definition was given in an article by Nellie Grant Ross in the American Clan Gregor Society Year Book, 1941.

Many persons think of genealogy as being concerned wholly with the remote past. Nothing could be further from the truth, however. *Your* genealogy begins with *you*. And the records a genealogist uses are, on the whole, the same records which are important to us in many situations here and now.

Genealogical records play an important part in our lives through the present day needs for establishing eligibility for social security, in the settlement of estates, in transferring our real estate, and in claiming government benefits for military service; every birth, marriage and death must be recorded in government offices; every ten years each person residing in the United States is enumerated in the census of population. Genealogy is concerned with much more than the joining of an ancestral organization.

Even so, however, the genealogist is most especially concerned with our heritage—with the people and events of the past and with the records concerning those people and events.

To perpetuate the memory of his ancestors, one must know something about them and write it down for future generations. Do not think that your ancestor had to do something heroic to be worthy of mention in the annals of our history. It was the plain, simple, homely things that made up his span of life (as they make up ours) and his participation in the routine events of the years was, in its way, just as important as that of the leaders of the time. It is the information concerning where they lived, what their homes were like, what they did, that tells us what kind of people our ancestors were.

Each reader of this article can help to preserve the history of his country and of his family by writing down all that he knows about his family's past and by investigating its history in the records the individual members left behind. This article is designed to help him find where the records concerning his ancestors are located.

A genealogist should have a curious, inquiring mind, the initiative to investigate every clue that he turns up, an understanding of the historical background of the period and area in which his ancestors lived so that the records found can be properly evaluated, and in addition should possess an elusive quality best described as genealogical instinct—an ability to guess who and where and when and why, and on the basis of that guess, to be able to find records to prove the guess correct.

### *Where to Find Genealogical Data and How to Prepare It*

In collecting records keep in mind these four essentials of family history: Who? When? Where? Why? And also remember that information about a

family is of no permanent value unless the source of the data is given. When interviewing a relative give his or her name and the date of the interview; when consulting a printed book give the author, title, date and place of publication, volume number (if more than one) and page number; when consulting manuscript court records give the name of the book and its location and the volume and page numbers. The importance of citing sources of all information cannot be stressed too highly.

The searcher who is just beginning to gather information should want to write down all that he knows and then to ask his relatives for further recollections about the family. When all that the close relatives can contribute has been assembled, he is ready to go to other sources.

Among the most authentic sources of genealogical data are wills, court and chancery suit papers, deeds and land grants, church records of baptism, marriages and burials, family Bibles, and birth and death certificates. Other good sources are cemetery records, tombstone inscriptions, applications for pensions for military service, old letters and the population census schedules. The searcher should be sure to make exact copies or full abstracts so that no important data will be omitted.

But first it will be well for the searcher to consult materials which are in print and can be located in libraries. In many localities throughout this country historians and antiquarians have gathered together much information about the settlement, early history and families of their county or city. The books which they have published tell us much about our ancestors. Many county histories contain biographical sketches of local citizens in which details of their ancestry are given.

Although no full account has been written of most families, it is frequently possible to find a genealogy which mentions one's ancestors. The searcher who finds such a book is quite fortunate, but if he wishes to trace all his ancestors he will very soon discover that the sources to be discussed hereafter will have to be consulted before he is finished.

*Wills.* In abstracting a will be sure to include the date it was written, the names of executors and witnesses and the date of probate. Take down all names mentioned and the relationship to the testator when given. Note what each heir receives, especially when land is willed, giving the acreage and location of the land (county and state) and its name if stated. In all cases head the abstract with the location and name of the book or court record, the volume number and the page on which the record is found.

*Court and chancery suit papers.* Litigation relating to debts, estates or contracts often tells us much about the way our ancestors lived and of their financial affairs. A suit concerning an inheritance is of particular value since it gives the names of heirs and points out family relationships. The papers filed in connection with suits will vary but there is usually a statement by the plaintiff setting forth his complaint and an answer or answers of the defendants.

*Deeds and land grants.* Land grants are the records of the conveyance of tracts of land by the governmental authority in which all unclaimed and unoccupied land is vested to a settler or other purchaser. Deeds are the subsequent transfers of those tracts from one person or group to another. The land grant to a tract is usually made only once but the tract may be deeded many times thereafter.

Deeds are important genealogically for several reasons. They sometimes describe the descent of land and thereby connect several generations.

The possession by one man of a tract of land previously owned by another person frequently indicates possession by inheritance if there are no deeds showing acquisition of the property. The possession by Samuel Magruder (son of Alexander the immigrant) of "Alexandria" and "Dunblane", which had been willed to his brothers James and John, is good reason in the absence of any deeds to assume that both brothers died unmarried and without heirs. [See Year Book, 1935, p. 48 and 49.]

Deeds may also contain the name of a man's wife who is not mentioned in any other record.

*Church records.* Not all churches keep detailed records of their members but much information about our ancestors can be obtained from the parish registers of the Roman Catholic and Episcopal Churches, the minutes of Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian and other Protestant churches, and from the records of the Friends (Quaker) Monthly Meetings.

*Family Bibles.* The data entered in family Bibles gives much valuable information about births, deaths and marriages. Examples of the family records in the Bibles of several Magruder families have been published in the Year Books. Among others, that of Ninian and Grace (Townsend) Magruder is in Year Book, 1931, pages 69-71, and that of Levi (Levin) Magruder of Bullitt County, Kentucky, is in Year Book, 1934, pages 82-83.

*Birth and death certificates.* In the South during the colonial period the Anglican (Episcopal) Church was generally established by law and records of births and deaths were kept by it in an official as well as a religious capacity. After the American Revolution there was no legal requirement for the recording of births and deaths and it was not until after 1850 that individual states passed laws requiring that such records be made and forwarded to a central repository. In recent years considerably more information has been added to these records.

*Cemetery records and tombstone inscriptions.* Most large public cemeteries have records of the persons interred in them giving the date of burial and location of the grave. Such information is helpful to the genealogist when no monument giving dates of birth and death has been erected, since it usually identifies the approximate time of death.

If a gravestone has been erected, the searcher should be careful to copy the wording exactly, using straight or slanting lines to separate the lines of the inscription.

*Applications for military pensions.* The declarations made by former soldiers and their widows who became eligible for pensions awarded by the United States government are preserved at the National Archives in Washington, D. C., together with other papers relative to their claims. Much family and biographical information can be obtained from these records. The searcher should take notes on all statements relating to family, military service and places of residence. The depositions of other persons filed in support of the claim are often clues which help to identify the pensioner.

The record of the last payment of a pension generally gives the death date

of the pensioner and if the payment is made to the widow, it shows that she was living at that time. Photostatic or photographic copies of pension records can be secured from the National Archives.

State Pensions for Revolutionary War Service will also help in establishing membership in the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Society of the Cincinnati, and similar societies. Pensions of the War of 1812 are often of help in establishing proofs for membership in such societies.

*Old family letters.* Correspondence between members of a family was not so frequent a century ago as it is today. Events in the life of a family over a period of several months may be mentioned in a single letter—births, marriages, deaths and incidental references to the health of kinfolk. Many times an old letter is the only proof of a son or a daughter.

*Population census schedules.* The United States censuses of population are taken every ten years. From 1790 through 1840 the census records give the name of the head of the family and the number of persons residing with him in designated age groups.

The 1790 census of each state for which the schedules have been preserved was published by the United States government and is available for examination in most libraries. The later censuses, through 1870, are kept at the National Archives in Washington, D. C., but microfilm copies of the census from 1830 to 1880 are for sale and have been purchased by many libraries.

The 1850 census was the first to give the name and exact age of each member of the household.

The 1880 census gives even more information of value to the genealogist: such as the state in which the parents were born.

### THE A.C.G.S. NEEDS ASSISTANCE

Throughout the United States there are many families descended from the Clan Gregor in Scotland. There are Gregors, Grigars, MacGregors, MacGrigors, Gregoys and Grigorsons unnumbered; there are thousands of descendants of James MacGregor of Virginia who changed his name to Thomas MacGehee; there are other families of MacGregor descent who changed their surname when our name was proscribed; and besides all these there are many more lineal descendants of the daughters of Clan Gregor who now bear other surnames. All these persons, descended through both paternal and maternal ancestors, are eligible for membership in the American Clan Gregor Society.

Although the Magruder of Maryland and Virginia organized the A.C.G.S. and most of the present members are descended from Alexander Magruder, the Maryland immigrant, the Clan files contain names of hundreds of unplaced Magruders.

There is much genealogical work to be done. During the past few years charts have been prepared showing the descendants of Alexander Magruder. All information in the Clan archives has been used in preparing the charts and much additional research has been done. There is still much work to be accomplished, however, before these charts can be considered complete.

Some of the members of the MacGregor Clan will receive requests from time to time for help in locating needed information to complete lines. Specific ques-

tions will be asked about specific persons, and it is the hope of those compiling the Charts that much help will be received in this way.

It is hoped that our State Deputy Chieftains will organize their State Units, where practicable, to assist the Clan Headquarters in extending this work. They should seek information needed to complete lines of descent from their earliest ancestors to migrate to their state. If specific information is desired as to what is needed from a particular state unit a special request will be sent to the State Deputy Chieftain.

When such a request is received, and the person to whom the request is sent is unable to supply the information from personal knowledge or records at hand, it is hoped he will try to get in touch with someone who may be able to help, either by letter, telephone or a visit. The assistance of persons living in county seats or the state capital will be particularly helpful since they have access to the official records in the court houses and public offices.

#### *The Present and the Future*

So far we have dealt with the past, with our ancestors; but there is great need to preserve the records of the present and of the future. Many will say "why bother to keep family Bibles and family records now, when we have such a wealth of vital statistics being kept by the States?" Did you ever stop to think that fires still occur, and that this was the cause of most of the destruction of records in former years? The New York State Capitol had a disastrous fire some few years ago when many valuable records were lost.

Each family should keep its Bible or family record books and pass the Bible on to the next generation. Make provision in your Will for the passing on of the Family Bible. In this way the younger generations will come to attach great value and reverence to the Family Bible. Many of our ancestors when going to a new part of the country to make their homes, would take the Family Bible even though they had to leave something else behind.

#### *Bible Records*

Family Bibles should give more than just the records of the names, dates of birth, marriage and death of the various members of a family. The record should tell where the person was born and where he died and where he was buried, and the relationship between the people inscribed therein. In recording the children head the record with the name of their parents, then give the birth, marriage and death date of each child and whom they married, with where they were married. In sending a Bible Record for proof of a line copy the record just as it appears in the Bible, or better still, send a photostat if that is possible.

#### *Wills*

A Will should give the Christian and maiden name of the wife, and the names of all of the children; not merely say "my dear wife", or "my dear wife Jane"; or "my children". There are times when a Will is the only way in which to prove that a man married a certain woman, and that he had children of certain given names. If a son or daughter has already been provided for mention should be made of the fact in the Will, as this will prove that there was another child or children, not otherwise mentioned in the Will. It is also a help to a genealogist

if a Will gives the names of the parents of the wife, and if other people are mentioned in the Will, the relationship is given to the maker. If property is inherited from the father of the maker of a Will, give the name of the father. In a Will and also in Bible and Family records, if a person is known by a "pet" name, be sure to give the "given name" of such a person as sometimes there is no connection between the two names. A child may be named Margaret Jane and called Sue. There would be no way to know that her given name was Margaret Jane. (I know of such a case.)

If our ancestors in the first four or five generations had put such information in their Wills the work on the Charts of the Descendants of Alexander Magruder would have been much easier.

Young people are not interested in genealogical data and ask few questions about the older generations, but it is our duty to provide the genealogical data to be used by these young folks, and by future generations, when they come to the realization of the importance of such data, and want to trace their ancestry in order to belong to an organization, or for use in Old Age Pensions, settlements of estates and in other legal procedures.

#### *Queries*

In the American Clan Gregor Year Books of 1951, page 48, and of 1952, page 45, you will find some specific questions on the early Magruder families. If the members of the Clan will study these queries it may be that someone will be able to give an answer, or at least a clue, on these problems.

In the 1951 Year Book, page 49, is a query on the parentage of James Magruder who married as his 2nd wife Eleanor Harwood. We have been able to prove his parentage. He was the son of Samuel Brewer Magruder and his 1st wife Rebecca Magruder (a cousin). Samuel Brewer married 2nd, in 1808, Eleanor Waring.

The Historian will greatly appreciate any help in solving these questions so that the persons involved may be properly placed on the Charts. Please note the new address of the Historian: Miss Regina Magruder Hill, The Briarcliff, 1862 Mintwood Place, Apartment 201, Washington 9, D. C.

### OF INTEREST TO MEMBERS

SET OF CLAN YEAR BOOKS PRESENTED

*to the*

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

COLLEGE PARK, MARYLAND

At a meeting of the Prince George's County Historical Society on January 20, 1956, the American Clan Gregor Society presented to its library a complete bound set of the Clan Year Books. This set was a gift of Mrs. Allen L. Hord of Ruckersville, Virginia, a daughter of our first Scribe, Dr. Jesse Ewell, V, and the presentation was made in accordance with a resolution offered by Miss Cornelia Bowie and unanimously passed at the October, 1955, Clan Gathering.

It was a cold night and cars with chains were needed to negotiate the sleet, but a warm welcome was given to the MacGregors who accompanied their Chieftain



to the meeting, held in the Society's new home, the Calvert Mansion House at Riverdale, Maryland.

General Marshall Magruder made a short talk indicating the influence of the descendants of Alexander Magruder on the history of Prince George's County, particularly in its early days. He also mentioned the work presently being done by the American Clan Gregor Society through the historical studies appearing in its Year Books.

Among the members of the Clan present at the meeting were Mr. and Mrs. Forrest S. Holmes, Mrs. Ruth Ashley Walde, Dr. Walter Augustine Wells and Mr. Forrest Dodge Bowie.

#### BLADENSBURG, MARYLAND

Our fellow Clansman, J. Ninian Beall, of Washington, D. C., contributed an article entitled "Original Name of Bladensburg," to the *Maryland Historical Magazine*, in March, 1955, pages 72-73), pointing out that the earliest land transfers give the name of the settlement at the forks of the Eastern Branch of Potomac River as Beall Town.

The tract upon which Bladensburg is located was called "Black Ash" or "Black Oak" and was owned by John Beall (1688-1742) who married Verlinda Magruder (1690-1745). Among the purchasers were Samuel Magruder, Sr., who bought one lot on 13 December 1728 (Prince George's County Deed Book M, page 378) and William Beall who bought lot 22 of one acre on the preceeding day (Book M, page 392).

#### SURPLUS YEAR BOOKS

All Year Books remaining on hand from previous years have been assembled and checked with our future requirements. There are many members who may desire to obtain books of particular years to complete their sets or for other reasons. We can supply books for 1920, '21, '22, '28, '29, '30, '31, '33, '34, '40, '41, '45, '46, '48, '50, '52, '54, and '55. Some are very scarce and therefore more valuable. Write the Chieftain and tell him which year or years' issue, and how many you desire, and he will tell you the cost. You can save transportation of them by picking them up at the Gathering in October, or when you are in Washington. Give advance notice as to your requirements and date desired.

#### THE SCOTS GUARD'S REGIMENTAL BAND CONCERT

Members of the Clan residing near Washington, D. C., had several opportunities during the past year to enjoy Scottish associations.

In October and again in December, 1955, the Scots Guard's Regimental Band with Massed Pipers and Highland Dancers played concerts in Washington under the auspices of the English-Speaking Union. The stirring performances aroused the pride and patriotism of the descendants of Scotsmen who attended.

#### "ROYAL SCOTLAND"

On January 20, 1956, Miss H. Pattullo, whose historic home in Crail, Fifeshire, is now owned by the Scottish National Trust, showed her colored films entitled "Royal Scotland" at the Sulgrave Club in Washington. The lecture which was also sponsored by the English-Speaking Union followed a delightful tea. The pictures of Queen Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh in their Thistle Ceremonial Robes



and the Honors of Scotland were superb and the clear colored pictures of the royal palaces, historic castles and scenes of the west Highlands were of great beauty and held the interest of Clan members attending. Mrs. Ruth Ashley Walde was the moving spirit in informing Clan members of the lecture. Others who were there were Dr. Walter Augustine Wells, Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Marshall Magruder, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Magruder, Mr. John Magruder, Mrs. Rex Hays Rhoades, Miss Martha Poole, Miss Catherine Poole, Miss Pauline L. Mackey, Mrs. Thelma Magruder Clay and Miss Amy Belle Hunter.

#### HERBERT CLARENCE BRADSHAW

One of our Clansmen, Herbert Clarence Bradshaw, has just published a 960-page book *History of Prince Edward County, Virginia*. (Richmond: Dietz Press, 1955). According to the prospectus issued by the publisher:

"Had the county selected its biographer, it could not have chosen a man better adapted through his career experiences to have done full justice to the subject. A native, his interest still is rooted in the soil in his co-ownership with his brother, C. W. Bradshaw, of farms in Prince Edward County.

"Born in Rice, Prince Edward County, Virginia, November 7, 1908, Herbert Clarence Bradshaw is the son of Herbert Leslie Bradshaw and Dell Garnett Bradshaw. He married Mildred Elizabeth Cunningham of Millbank, Prince Edward County, and he has dedicated his book to her and their three children Kate Weaver, Herbert Cunningham and Elizabeth Scott.

"Receiving his B. A. degree from Hampden-Sydney College and his M.A. from the University of Virginia, Mr. Bradshaw followed the teaching profession, first in McGuire's University School in Richmond, then as principal of the Darlington High School in Prince Edward County, and later as principal of the Emporia Public Schools. He is now associate editor of the Durham, N. C., *Morning Herald*. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa and Omicron Delta Kappa.

"His humane interests lie in work for the blind and the tubercular. He now serves on the North Carolina State Commission for the Blind and is president of the Durham County Tuberculosis and Health Association. He is a member of the board of trustees of the Durham Public Library. A former chairman of the deacons of the Watts Street Baptist Church, Durham, he is chairman of the program committee of the Yates Baptist Association and a member of the committee on Social Service and Civic Righteousness of the North Baptist Convention."

The Clan is proud to number another author and historian among its members and to commend his contribution to the history of Virginia and, in part, to the history of the Clan. Many members of the McGehee family are mentioned in the volume.

Copies of *History of Prince Edward County* can be obtained from The Dietz Press, 109 East Cary Street, Richmond 19, Virginia, at \$10.00 per copy.

Miss Rosemary Stokes-Johnson, daughter of Walter Richard Stokes and Rose Camille Hays, will become the bride of John Benton Dyke on August 7, 1956. Rosemary is a student of the University of Arkansas and will receive her bachelor of arts degree on June 2nd. She is a member and past president of Pi Beta Phi Sorority, and a member of the American Clan Gregor Society.

*Theodore Erle Drane*, another of the Clan's young members has received his degree in Agriculture from the State College of Mississippi, and also his commission as Second Lieutenant in the army. He was chosen as an international farm youth exchange student and will go to India for six months. His mother writes: "Recently we had as a guest over the weekend a fellow student from India. The experience was very gratifying and we hope our son will represent us as well."

*The Magruder Chapter, D.C.D.A.R.*, was the winner in the "United States Flag Scrap Book Contest" which was conducted this past year by the State Committee on the Correct Use of the Flag. Our Chapter and Clan member, Mrs. Dixie M. Noble, collected the material and made the beautiful book which won on every point in the contest. The prize was a large Flag of the United States, which was presented at the District of Columbia State Conference in March. Magruder Chapter is very proud of this Flag Book and of the Flag, which we are enjoying using at our chapter meetings.

After 33 years in "distinguished service" here, *Dana King Gatchell* will retire on June 15 as professor of home economics at Auburn Polytechnic Institute. Miss Gatchell joined the staff at Auburn in June 1923, and has taught continuously since that time. She plans to make her future home in Birmingham, Alabama.

Dr. Ralph B. Draughon, API president, in commenting upon her work at Auburn had this to say: "Miss Gatchell has taught by precept and practice the art of gracious and fine living to all women who have come to the Auburn campus, be they club women, farm women, professional women, or women students."

"I know of no one who has had higher standards, or who has devoted so much intense labor over and above the call of duty to your teaching and the thousands of other activities in which you have been engaged," he wrote in a letter accepting her resignation. "Certainly, those whom you have taught and those of us who have worked with you over the years will never forget you as a great teacher and wonderful, loyal friend. You have brought honor and beauty and a high sense of duty to your labors, and we cannot find proper words to express our appreciation."

*Thomas Garland Magruder, III*, was graduated in June, 1956, from the Medical School of the University of Nebraska, situated in Omaha. He received his early education in the public schools, and is a graduate of the Fishburn Military School at Waynesboro, Virginia, and of Hastings College, at Hastings, Nebraska. He will interne for one year at the Hospital at Omaha.

Dr. Magruder is the son of Thomas Garland Magruder, Jr., of Arlington, Virginia, and Alice Alline Allen of White Sulphur Springs, Virginia. He is married and has a small daughter, Laura Ann Magruder.

1955 ANNUAL GATHERING  
AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY

## FRIDAY, THE 21ST OF OCTOBER

*Pilgrimage in the District of Columbia*

- 10:30 a.m.—Registration, St. Margaret's Episcopal Church,  
Connecticut Avenue and Bancroft Place, N.W.
- 11:00 a.m.—Annual Church Service at St. Margaret's Episcopal Church.
- Noon —Lunch at The Highlands, Connecticut Avenue and California St., N.W.
- 1:00 p.m.—Inspection of "Clan Headquarters," Apartment 803, The Highlands  
Susie May van den Berg and Regina Magruder Hill, in charge.
- 3:00 p.m.—Assemble in the Music Room of "Dumbarton Oaks," a cultural research  
center of Harvard University, 1703 32nd Street, N.W., where C.  
Virginia Diedel will give a short talk on the center and on a former  
owner, Edward Magruder Linthicum, a Georgetown philanthropist.

## SATURDAY, THE 22ND OF OCTOBER

*Sheraton-Park Hotel, Connecticut Ave. and Woodley Rd., N.W., Washington, D. C.*

- 10:00 a.m.—Registration in the west end of the Lobby.
- 10:00 a.m.—Council Meeting in the Mural Room.
- 2:00 p.m.—Annual Business Meeting in the Mural Room.
- Call to order by the Chieftain, General Marshall Magruder.
- Invocation by the Chaplain, Rev. Reuel Lamphier Howe.
- Memorial Service.
- Reports of Society Officers.
- Reports of Committees.
- Unfinished Business.
- New Business.
- Nomination and Election of Officers.
- Annual Address of the Chieftain, General Marshall Magruder.
- Announcements.
- Adjournment.
- 6:00 p.m.—Registration in the east end of the Lobby, where dinner tickets may be  
picked up and dues may be paid.

SATURDAY EVENING

*Sheraton-Park Hotel, Connecticut Ave. and Woodley Rd., N.W., Washington, D. C.*

ANNUAL DINNER in the Burgandy Room

6:30 p.m.—Members and friends to take their seats.

7:00 p.m.—Piping in of the Chieftain and Guests.

Grace.

Piping in of the Haggis.

Chieftain's Salute to "Absentee Guests."

Address, Mr. Norman G. Kindness.

Social Hour.

Songs and dances for the evening under the direction of

Mrs. Ruth Ashley Walde

ENTERTAINERS

James Garrioch

Miss Pauline L. Mackey

Wm. L. K. Galloway

Robert D. McMillen

Frederick W. Turnbull

Frank J. Govan

Andrew Patterson

George M. Kerr

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COMMITTEE to arrange for the 1955 GATHERING

Forrest Shepperson Holmes, *Chairman*

Emma Waters Muncaster

C. Virginia Diedel

Susie May van den Berg

Regina Magruder Hill

Ruth Ashley Walde

Thomas Garland Magruder, Jr.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE ANNUAL GATHERING

OCTOBER 21ST AND 22ND, 1955

## PILGRIMAGE

OCTOBER 21

The 46th Annual Gathering of the American Clan Gregor Society began at 10.30 A.M., with the registration of members and friends in the foyer of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, located at Connecticut Avenue and Bancroft Place, N.W., in Washington, D. C. At 11 o'clock we went into the church for the Annual Church Service, which was conducted by our Chaplain the Rev. Reuel Lamphier Howe, assisted by our former Chaplain the Rev. Enoch Magruder Thompson. Rev. Howe gave a very inspiring and challenging talk.

From the church we walked two blocks to "The Highlands" Apartment House, where luncheon was served to 50 persons. After luncheon we visited the 8th floor, Apartment 803, "Clan Headquarters." Mrs. van den Berg and Miss Hill, in whose home the Headquarters is located, had a very interesting display of charts, books, pictures, records, etc. The time here was all too short, when it was announced that we must leave for "Dumbarton Oaks," a cultural research center of Harvard University, 1703 32nd Street, N.W., where C. Virginia Diedel gave a delightful lecture on this center and on a former owner, Edward Magruder Linthicum, a Georgetown Philanthropist.

The afternoon sun was sinking when the members and their guests departed from this historical place to their various abodes.

SATURDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 22ND

## MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING

Anna Louise Reynolds, *Scribe*Colma L. Allgeyer, *Deputy Scribe*

The Council Meeting was held in the Sheraton Park Hotel in the Mural Room, on the morning of the 22nd. Those present were: General Marshall Magruder, Chieftain and the following members of the Council, Rev. Daniel Randall Magruder, John Holmes Magruder, Jr., Miss Cornelia Magruder Bowie, Mrs. Susie May Geddes van den Berg, Miss Anna Louise Reynolds, Mrs. Mabel Taylor Rhoades, William Marion Magruder, Miss Emma Waters Muncaster, Forest S. Holmes, Mrs. Ruth Ashley Walde, B. Hamilton Magruder, Miss Regina Magruder Hill, Thomas Garland Magruder, and Clarence William McCormick.

The main business had to do with finding suitable space for the Clan Archives, surplus year books, and other property not actually required in the day to day work of the Registrar and Historian in their quarters. This problem had arisen on account of the necessity for these officers to move to new lodgings. Being made aware of this situation in July, the Chieftain appointed a "Headquarter Committee" to study the problems presented and make a report including recommendations to be placed before the Gathering for action. The report of that committee follows:

"Report of a Special Committee named by the Chieftain to inquire into working

space requirements for the Registrar and Historian and storage requirements for records, achieves and other Clan property.

The Committee has discussed the matter with the various members of the council that could be reached. It is also aware of the debt of gratitude which the Clan owes to these faithful officers.

The committee wishes to present to the council the following conclusion:

1. That the present membership and income of the Clan will not permit it, at this time, to obligate itself for rental of space for Clan records, Archives and other property.
2. That the committee questions the propriety of establishing a precedent of the Society paying for space for this purpose, since in past years such space has been given gratis.
3. That until such time as the income from the Endowment Fund permits, or increase in membership permits, the space requirements for Clan records, archives and property be handled as heretofore on a year to year basis of storage space volunteered gratis by the Clan officers or members.

4. In order to alleviate some of the burden now on the Registrar and Historian, the following is suggested for council consideration:

A. Creation of the office of Archivist who would provide for the storage in a safe and accessible place, at home or office, of all old Yearbooks, records, archives, books, gifts and articles, not in everyday use.

B. All current Yearbooks to be placed in the hands of the Editor and those needing them in their work to requisition same from the Editor and a record of the disposition of all Yearbooks be kept by the Editor.

C. All stationery, pamphlets and printed matter in current use to be placed in the hands of one officer, possibly the Assistant to the Chieftain, and all officers to requisition needed supplies from said officer.

The Council also can explore the possibility of space for Clan archives in "Riversdale," the old Calvert mansion near Hyattsville, Maryland.

The Committees understands that there is a possibility that the Maryland Park and Planning Commission through the Prince George's County Historical Society will give free space in the mansion for Clan archives provided said archives are housed in proper locked receptacles.

Respectfully submitted,

Clarence W. McCormick, Chairman

C. Virginia Diedel

Thos. G. Magruder

After a very careful discussion of the various factors involved and of the recommendations of the committee, the Council voted to accept the report with the recommendations and that the Chieftain report them for action to the business session in the afternoon.

#### BUSINESS SESSION

SATURDAY AFTERNOON, OCTOBER 22

The afternoon Business Session opened with a memorial service. A large Cross had been appropriately placed in the room, with places on the arms for candles. The Chaplain, assisted by Miss Hill and Miss June Lippincott Stockham,

conducted the ceremony. As the name of each departed member was called, Miss Hill read a short eulogy, while Miss Stockham lighted and placed a candle in its proper place. At the end there were lighted candles along the entire length of both arms of the cross. The eulogies were particularly inspiring and the short ceremony quite impressive.

The separate recommendations of the Council were taken up in turn, voted on, and each one finally approved. However, after the third recommendation was passed, Mrs. Esther Pitts Previsch stated that she would be glad to allow the society the use of a basement room in her apartment building (Woodbine), 2839 27th Street, N.W., Washington, for the archives and other property, etc. On the motion of Miss Hill this most generous offer was accepted and Mrs. Previsch duly thanked.

Miss Cornelia Magruder Bowie, a member of the Prince George's County Historical Society, told us that this Society had agreed to offer some space at its headquarters in "The Old Calvert Mansion," at Riverdale, Maryland, for the storage of certain records, trophies, etc., of the American Clan Gregor Society. No rental would be charged for this space, but the Clan would have to furnish suitable cases for the storage of the material. In addition, the Mansion would be available for committee meetings, luncheons, etc. Miss Bowie stressed the point that since the forefathers (including Alexander Magruder, the Immigrant), of many of the present members of the Clan had lived in this County, she thought it all the more befitting that we accept the offer of this space. She concluded by saying that Henry Clay wrote the "Missouri Compromise" in this Calvert Mansion.

Mr. Hamilton Magruder made a motion that we accept the offer of space from the Prince George's County Historical Society, for a depository for archives and other articles belonging to the Clan Gregor Society; until such time in the future that the Clan has a place of its own. This motion was seconded by Mrs. Rex Rhoades, voted on and approved.

It was decided to leave the choice of the selection of an Archivist to the Chieftain.

A resolution was passed changing the make-up of the nominating committee, by adding the name of the immediate past chieftain each year, in the present case adding the name of Commodore John Holmes Magruder, Jr.

The resignations of two of the most valuable officers those of Editor, Mr. Thomas Garland Magruder, and Treasurer, Mr. Clarence William McCormick, were read.

Miss Bowie made an appeal for a set of the Year Books to be donated to the Prince George's County Historical Society. Mrs. Allen Hord (nee Helen Woods Ewell) of Ruckersville, Virginia, offered to send practically a complete set of Year Books for presentation to the Prince George's County Historical Society in memory of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Jesse Ewell. Note: a complete set was assembled and the presentation was made by the Chieftain.

The Chieftain brought up the disposition of two special gifts, one for \$300 and another for \$100, given by two of our members in connection with the moving of our Headquarters. The donors names were finally revealed as Mr. Wm. Hamilton Magruder and Mr. Nathaniel Magruder. After a discussion in which Hamilton took part, it was decided to defray the cost of moving out of the Highlands from this special fund and to place the remainder in the General Fund. This has been accomplished. Details will be included in the Treasurer's report for October 1956.



*Reports of Officers:*

*Registrar*, Mrs. O. O van den Berg, reported 22 new members. Detailed report showing serial number of each member with a brief outline of descent appears elsewhere. We now have 315 Junior Members of the Clan who are the children and grandchildren of members of the Clan. Of this number 52 have papers on file, and they have paid dues in the past, but are no longer required to do so until they reach the age of 18 years. It is the hope of the Society that all 315 of these Junior Members will join the Clan as Adult Members when they are 18 years of age.

*Historian*, Miss Regina Magruder Hill, reported 16 births, 11 deaths among our members and 6 among relatives of members, and 4 marriages. A detailed report and memorials appear elsewhere in this book.

*Treasurer*, Mr. Clarence William McCormick, reported the following breakdown of funds on hand on October, 1955:

General Fund .....	\$1571.25	
Research Fund .....	288.72	
Endowment Fund .....	1287.11	
1959 Gathering Fund .....	100.00	
Special Fund in connection with Gifts in moving Headquarters .....	400.00	
Hamilton Magruder, \$300		
Nathaniel Magruder, 100		
Checks not deposited—11.00.....	11.00	
		\$3658.08
Bills on Hand — \$851.67.....		851.67
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Balance .....	\$2806.41	

This report was received with thanks for his fine efforts in getting results. The Chieftain was directed to have the funds audited within a reasonable time following the Gathering. This was accomplished by him personally and no irregularities found.

*Nominating Committee*, Mr. Thomas Garland Magruder, Chairman, reported that Mr. McCormick had been persuaded to continue as treasurer for a while longer, and the slate was presented as prepared without change, voted upon and passed. The only officer who was changed was the Editor, who is now Mr. J. Frederick Dorman, III.

Mr. Thomas Garland Magruder was appointed Director of Membership, and Mrs. John Rochford Dwyer was appointed Assistant to the Historian.

Business being disposed of the Chieftain read his annual address:



## SOME HERITAGES OF THE ENGLISH SPEAKING PEOPLES IN THEIR STRUGGLES FOR FREEDOM

In 2nd World War—

Sir Winston Churchill told in immortal words of "Their Finest Hour," when with their backs to the wall, they would fight on the beaches, in the fields, in the streets, etc., and remain free. That's what they thought freedom was worth.

In 1776—

Much earlier, our forebears of prerevolutionary days, declared that they would pledge "their fortunes, their lives, and their sacred honor" to remain free. Here again—no price was too high.

In 1215—

We are all familiar also with the part played by six of Alexander MacGruder's Baronial Ancestors in 1215, when they assisted in wresting the "Magna Charta" from King John.

In 1745—

But I wish to remind you today of an event that took place in 1745 by our Scottish MacGregor Kinsman. I ran into it when researching the descent of our Hereditary Chief's line. Robert MacGregor, 21st Chief, had assembled the MacGregor Clan to follow Prince Charles, in his effort to regain the Stuart Throne from the House of Hanover (George II). The King's minister, Gordan, was sent to entreat Chief Robert and his clan to lay down their arms and promised in the name of his Highness (the German King) to restore their name "MacGregor" and grant other favors. Think what a tempting offer this was to our "nameless" Clan. But there was no hesitation, no indecision, or equivocation when the Chief spoke. And this was what he told the minister:

"Tell your King that he and his Clan appreciated the honor, but having embarked in this affair they could not desert the cause, whatever they might suffer. That on the one hand, though his Highness might love the treason, he must need hate the traitors; and on the other hand, they would justly incur the odium of their own party: That therefore, *they chose rather to risk their lives and fortunes and die with the characters of honest men, than live in infamy, and hand down disgrace to their posterity.*" It was not until 1774, when Sir John Murray MacGregor, XXII Chief, and 1st Baronet, nephew of Old Chief Glencarnock, finally secured an act in favor of the members of the Clan Gregor, repealing the suppression of their names. But wasn't that speech of Old Chief Glencarnock's worth the cost? Could any example be more appropriate for us today, in illustrating courage, integrity, and forth-rightness?

These few examples indicate clearly the great value placed upon freedom by the English Speaking people. It is a common heritage we share. It's something our own kith and kin have helped to build and leave us.

Our present day concept of the basic freedoms of man as an individual and his dignity; our ideas of judicial processes; relations of man to man and nation to nation; have all been developed mainly by people who speak our common language and in general have similar ideals, steeped in much the same tradition.

We should be proud of our heritages, love of freedom, courage, and integrity and in our English Speaking Race which contributed so generously of them. United we stand—Divided we fall.

#### THE ANNUAL DINNER of THE 46th GATHERING

In contrast to last year the weather was excellent as the members assembled in the lobby of the Sheraton Park Hotel around 6 o'clock and after chatting with friends strolled into the Burgundy Room. There was an exciting interest in the air, especially as a piper would strike a few notes to test his pipes.

Promptly at 6:30 p.m. the doors were opened on the West side and four pipers in full Scottish dress piped the Chieftain and our special guests to their places at the head table. Then while standing our Chaplain spoke the Grace.

Mrs. Ruth Ashley Walde had worked up the entertainment which had plenty of surprises and pep. We all thank and congratulate Mrs. Walde on the success of the entertainment features during the dinner.

We had hardly finished the first course when the pipers began a special and thrilling piece, for entering the hall appeared Miss Pauline Leigh Mackey, lovely in white robes and bearing the Firey Cross—calling the Clan members to Gather. She was hailed with enthusiasm—and rightly so, because in her blood was a strain of that gay Scottish rebel—Rob Roy MacGregor.

During the main course was presented a special event this year—the "Addressing of the Haggis." First, the lead piper Major James Garrioch, appeared, then Mr. Andrew Patterson, custodian of the Haggis, followed by Mr. James McCorkle carrying the Scotch on a tray, while the other pipers, Mr. Wm. L. K. Galloway and Frederick W. Turnbull, followed. The Haggis was placed on a small table. Mr. Andrew Patterson, waving his huge knife, stood beside it, while the other members of the group arranged themselves in a semi-circle behind him. The pipers quieted down—then Mr. Patterson in Robert Burns' best Gailic and accompanied by the movements of his knife—Addressed the Haggis. All were very serious in executing their parts, still their antics and costumes created lots of merriment.

#### ADDRESS TO A HAGGIS

Fair fa' your honest, sonsie face,  
Great chieftain o' the puddin'-race!  
Aboon them a' ye tak your place,  
    Painch, tripe, or thairm:  
Weel are ye wordy o' a grace  
    A lang's my arm.

The groaning trencher there ye fill,  
Your hurdies like a distant hill,  
Your pin wad help to mend a mill  
    In time o' need,  
While thro' your pores the dews distil  
    Like amber bead.

His knife see rustic Labour dight,  
 An' cut you up wi' ready sleight,  
 Trenching your gushing entrails bright,  
     Like ony ditch;  
 And then, O what a glorious sight,  
     Warm-reeking', rich!

Then, horn for horn, they stretch an' strive:  
 Deil tak the hindmost! on they drive,  
 Till a' their weel-swallow'd kytes belyve  
     Are bent like drums;  
 Then auld Guidman, maist like to rive,  
     'Be thanket! 'hums.

Is there that owre his French *ragout*,  
 Or *olio* that wad staw a sow,  
 Or *fricasee* wad mak her spew  
     Wi' perfect sconner,  
 Looks down wi' sneering, scornfu' view  
     On sic a dinner?

Poor devil! see him owre his trash,  
 As feckless as a wither'd rash,  
 His spindle shank, a guid whip-lash,  
     His nieve a nit;  
 Thro' bloody flood or field to dash,  
     O how unfit!

But mark the Rustic, haggis-fed,  
 The trembling earth resounds his tread,  
 Clap in his wale nieve a blade,  
     He'll mak it whistle;  
 An' legs an' arms, an' heads will sned,  
     Like taps o' thrissle.

Ye Pow'rs what mak mankind your care,  
 And dish them out their bill o' fare,  
 Auld Scotland wants nae skinking ware  
     That jaups in luggies;  
 But, if ye wish her gratefu' prayer,  
     Gie her a Haggis!

Throughout the dinner Mr. George M. Kerr at the piano and Mr. Frank J. Govan winding his way among the tables and singing and playing on his accordion furnished delightful entertainment which kept everyone in a gay humor. After the coffee we enjoyed watching Miss Mackey and Mr. McCorkle execute some fancy Scottish dances. There were songs in which the entire company took part such as "MacGregor's Gathering."

The Chieftain presented the guests at his table: The President of the Saint Andrews Society, Mr. Marcus F. H. Greenhorne and Mrs. Greenhorne; Mr. Nor-

man G. Kindness, guest speaker, and vice-president of the Saint Andrews Society, and his wife, Mrs. Kindness; Ex-Chieftain William Marion Magruder, and his wife; Rev. Daniel Randall Magruder, Ranking Deputy Chieftain; Rev. Reuel L. Howe, Chaplain; and Mrs. Marshall Magruder.

The Chieftain saluted the "Absentee" Guests and read the list:

Commodore Cary W. Magruder, R. I.  
Miss Dana Gatchell, Ala.  
Mrs. Marion Myrl Harrison, Ohio  
Mrs. Herbert Tutwiler, Ala.  
Mr. Lauch Magruder, Tenn.  
Mrs. Robert W. Fuller, D. C.  
Mr. M. Hampton Magruder, Md.  
Mr. Winbourne Magruder Drake, "Mt. Ararat," Miss.  
M. Guy Russell Henderson, Ky.  
Miss Mary Adelaide Jenkins, Md.  
Mr. Edward K. Gregor, N. Y.  
Mr. Henry Magruder Taylor, Va.  
H. A. Elliott, Va.  
Dr. Nathaniel MacGregor Ewell, Va.  
Mr. James Drane, Texas  
Mr. Ninian Edward Beall, Jr., Va.  
Miss Martha Porter Miller, D. C.  
Mrs. Wm. B. Hamilton Magruder, Texas  
Mr. Herbert T. Magruder, N. Y.  
Mr. J. Frederick Dorman III, D. C.  
Mrs. Margery Magruder Mobley, Va.  
Mrs. Hugh Everett, Jr., Va.  
Mrs. Kent C. Nicodemus, Md.  
Mr. Nathaniel Magruder, Fla.  
Mr. Claud W. Owen, D. C.

New members were asked to stand as their names were read, and were made welcome. Charter Members and Life Members were also asked to stand.

The Chieftain then introduced the guest speaker, Mr. Norman G. Kindness, past president of the St. Andrews Society of Washington and an engineer of note, who spoke on the Present Economic Condition in Scotland. Mr. Kindness and his wife had recently returned from a visit to Scotland. His vivid and humorous description added a great deal to his interesting address.

It was pleasing to note that quite a large number of young people were present and they seemed to be thoroughly enjoying the social hour of songs which followed and were loath to leave. However giving Mrs. Walde a vote of thanks for her entertainment program, all joined hands and sang "Auld Lang Syne." Thus ended the 46th Gathering of Clan Gregor.

## REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR

MRS. O. O. VAN DEN BERG

*From December, 1954 to October 22, 1955*

- 1216 Mrs. Delbert Clinton Peet, 401 South Flood Street, Norman, Okla. Mrs. Peet and her father, Lewis Beall Parsons, were born in Iowa; her grandfather Ambrose Parsons and his wife Susannah Beall were born in Kentucky. Zachariah Harding, whose wife was Nancy Evans, was her great-grandfather and he was the son of Leonard Beall and his wife Eleanor Magruder, she the daughter of Zachariah Magruder and Sarah \_\_\_\_\_ and granddaughter of Samuel Magruder, called Sr., and his wife Eleanor Wade.
- 1217 James Andrew Drane, Jr., 522 South Hickory Street, Pecos, Tex. Mr. Drane is the three times great-grandson of Cassandra Magruder who married William Drane, son of James Anthony Drane of Maryland. Cassandra was a daughter of Ninian Beall Magruder and his wife Rebecca Young and granddaughter of Samuel Magruder, 3rd, and his wife Margaret Jackson. Mr. Drane has carried his Magruder line back to Archibald Campbell, 2nd Earl of Argyll, of Scotland, whose wife was Elizabeth Stuart.
- 1218 Elijah Steel Drake, 116 Ulman Street, Bay Saint Louis, Miss. Mr. Drake is the grandson of Susannah Priscilla Hawkins Magruder who married Benjamin Michael Drake and son of James Perry Drake who married Clara Bell Wailles. His line goes back to Alexander Magruder, the immigrant, and Elizabeth Hawkins.
- 1219 Mrs. Philip David Shupe (Ivie Parthenia Jefferson), Lake Gordon Drive, Box 116, Lake Hamilton, Fla. Mrs. Shupe's ancestor, Aaron Gregg, came from Scotland to New Jersey in 1764 or earlier, and died in Wilmington, Del. His son, William Gregg, was born in New Jersey in 1766, married Sarah Smith in 1797, and died near Wheeling, W. Va., in 1828. Their daughter Mary (Polly) was born in Carmichael, Pa., and married Benjamin Shepherd in 1821. Their daughter Mary Ruhanah married in 1855 Alexander Barber Gorden, who was born in Inverness, Scotland, in 1827. Their daughter Mary Belle married James Newton Jefferson in 1877 and they are the parents of Mrs. Shupe.
- 1220 Brother Eric Magruder, C.F.X. (born Harry Augustus Magruder), Mount Saint Joseph College, Baltimore 29, Md. Brother Eric is the son of Arthur Ancil Magruder and his wife Leora Summers. He was son of Joseph Felix Magruder and his wife Ella Whelon. He was son of Levi (Levin) Magruder, born in 1796 and died in 1868 in Bullitt Co., Ky., whose first wife was Elizabeth Aud (1796-1839). He was son of Archibald Magruder of Kentucky and his wife Cassandra Offutt. Archibald fought in the War of the American Revolution.
- 1221 Mrs. John Austin Watson (Vara Caine Kramer), R.F.D., Waynesburg, Pa. Mrs. Watson's ninth ancestor was William Gregg who was born in Scotland or Ulster Ireland and died in Christiana Hundred, Del., in 1687.

- Her sixth ancestor was Ann Gregg who married her cousin Richard Gregg; both were born in Loudoun Co., Va. Mrs. Watson's parents are George Reppert Kramer and his wife Bessie Priscilla Dillinger, both of whom are living. Other family names in her line are Jones, Stevenson, Eberhart and Curle.
- 1222 Mrs. Malcolm Donald McDonald (Mary Frances Drane), 2550 English Avenue, Macon, Ga. Mrs. McDonald is on the line of Ninian Beall Magruder who married Rebecca Young, daughter of William Young, Sr., of Maryland. Their daughter Cassandra married William Drane; their son John Drane married Matilda Blanche Shaw; their son James William Drane married Hannah Frances (Frank) Hamphill; their son Thomas Jefferson Drane married Eleanor Sisson, each born in Mississippi. They are the parents of Mrs. McDonald.
- 1223 Lt. Cmdr. Page Bowie Clagett, Locust Hill Farms, Mitchellsville, Md. Commander Clagett's line stems from the marriage of James Magruder a son of Samuel I, and his wife Barbara Coombs. His great-grandmother was Cornelia Weems Magruder, daughter of Dennis Magruder, Jr., who married George French Bowie. Their son John Mullikin Bowie married Sally Cary Page of Virginia and their daughter was Cornelia Bowie who married Thomas Fielder Bowie Clagett who was born at "Weston," Upper Marlboro, Md. They were the parents of Commander Clagett.
- 1224 Mrs. David Chew Stephenson (Sarah Page Clagett), R.F.D., Mitchellsville, Md. Mrs. Stephenson is the sister of Commander Page Bowie Clagett.
- 1225 Leander Glenn Jackson, 2720 East County Road, Odessa, Tex. Mr. Jackson's first American ancestor was Major James MacGregor, alias Thomas Mack Gehee, whose grandson Daniel McGehee married Jane Brook Hodnett in 1770. Mr. Jackson's parents were Leander Gallatin Jackson and his wife Missouri Blankenship. Other names in the line are Williams, Glenn and DeJarnette.
- 1226 Jr. Donald Francis Jackson. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Leander Glenn Jackson.
- 1227 Lt. Cmdr. Richard H. Mansfield, Jr., Durham Drive and River Road, Bethesda, Md. Commander Mansfield has two Magruder lines. Fielder, son of Haswell Magruder, married Matilda, daughter of Dr. Jeffery Magruder, whose parents were Nathan Magruder and his wife Rebecca Beall. His great-grandparents were Captain Edward Magruder of Union Valley, Prince George's Co., Md., and his wife Laura Elizabeth Wilson.
- 1228 John Francis Ewell, 112 Luray Ave., Front Royal, Va. Mr. Ewell's line is from John Magruder of "Dunblane," Prince George's Co., Md., through his son Nathaniel and his son John Smith Magruder, whose children became "MacGregors" through an Act of Maryland's Legislature in 1821.
- 1229 Mrs. Liford Leroy Gibson (Mary Dean Magruder), 860 Ratcliff Street, Shreveport, La. Mrs. Gibson's great-grandparents were William Willson Magruder (1795/7-1867) and his wife Mary Susan Williams. Their son Henry Clay Magruder married Roberta Campbell of Winchester, Va., and

- their son Robert Wilson Magruder married Johnie Priscilla Dean of Shelbyville, Tenn. They are the parents of Mrs. Gibson.
- 1230 Walter Dulany Addison, Mitchellsville, Md. Mr. Addison's line is from James Magruder and his wife Barbara Coombs, through their son Enoch and his son Dennis Magruder, whose son Dennis, Jr., married Eleanor Beane Mullikin. Their daughter Cornelia Weems Magruder married George French Bowie and their daughter Ellen Moylan Bowie married Francis Girault Addison. They are the parents of Mr. Addison.
- 1231 Mrs. Lester Colby Mauldin (Ada Belle Drane), Box 102, Forrest City, Ark. Mrs. Mauldin is a sister of Mrs. Malcolm Donald McDonald, whose Clan number is 1222.
- 1232 Mrs. James George Fiala (Helen Margaret Fisher), 1822 Park Road, N.W., Washington, D. C. Mrs. Fiala's grandmother was Roberta Bowie Magruder who married Joseph Thompson. Their daughter Helen Magruder Thompson married Charles E. Fisher. They are the parents of Mrs. Fiala. Her uncle is The Rev. Enoch Magruder Thompson, our own former beloved Chaplain.
- 1233 Mrs. Elmer Francis Cassel (Nellie Lowe Turner), 4102 Rosemary Street, Chevy Chase, Md. Mrs. Cassel's great-grandmother was Matilda Ann Hilleary who married Jacob Fetchig. She was daughter of William Hilleary and his wife Margaret Perry and granddaughter of Jamima Magruder who married Joseph Perry. Jamima was daughter of William Magruder and his wife Mary Fraser.
- 1234 Ernest Clifton McGehee, 2207 Lee Highway, Arlington, Va. Mr. McGehee stems from William McGehee, son of Major James MacGregor, of Scotland, alias Thomas Mack Gehee, and William's son John who married Ann Groves in 1746. She was daughter of John and Frances Groves. Mr. McGehee's parents were George Campbell McGehee and his wife Mildred Hughes and his grandparents were Andrew Jackson McGehee and his wife Mary Jane Hambleton.
- 1235 Mrs. William Hutcheson Craig (Margaret Magruder), Quarters 4316, Fort Meade, Md. Mrs. Craig is the daughter of our Chieftain, Brig. Gen. Marshall Magruder and his wife, Ann (Peyton) Magruder. Her line is from Colonel Zadok Magruder, son of John Magruder of "Dunblane," Prince George's Co., Md.
- 1236 Miss Amy Belle Hunter, 3730 W Street, N.W., Washington, D. C. Miss Hunter is the daughter of James Hillen Hunter, son of Ann V. Magruder and Edward Scott Hunter. Ann was the daughter of William Magruder and Leona Benton and granddaughter of Samuel Brewer Magruder and his wife Rebecca Magruder.
- 1237 Peyton Marshall Magruder, 757 Malaga Avenue, Coral Gables, Fla. Peyton is the son of our Chieftain, Brig. Gen. Marshall Magruder. His line is from Dr. Zadok Magruder through his son Zadok who married Rachel Cooke. Their son Julian married Margaret Anne Johnson, a descendant of Augustine Washington. Peyton's grandparents were our beloved Clansman George Corbin Washington Magruder and his wife Eleanor Anne Helen Marshall.



- 125M Mrs. Gustave Villaret, Frances Fenwick Griffin, Mt. Vernon P.O., Va. Mrs. Villaret's parents were Mary Edelwise Marshall and Robert Bryan Griffin; her maternal grandmother was Caroline Magruder Hill, Charter member #99, who married Richard (Dick) Hanson Marshall. Caroline's parents were Richard Thomas Hill and his wife Eliza Fenwick, he the son of Philip Hill and his wife Sophia, whose parents were Thomas Magruder and his wife Mary Clarke, who were married January 4, 1800. The line is from John Magruder "of Dumblane." Mrs. Villaret was transferred to Adult Membership but keeps her original number, 125.

*The following have become members since October, 1955*

Number

- 1238 Master Sgt. Lloyd Belle Breshears  
 1239 Mrs. James Alonza Gannon  
 1240 Mr. Charles Howard Candler  
 1241 Mr. Donald Richard Magruder  
 1242 Mr. Robert Clifton McGehee  
 1243 Mr. William Woodward Martin  
 1244 Miss Mary Louise Martin  
 478 Mr. James Woodward Martin (Reinstated)  
 1245 Mr. Fred Forrest MaGruder  
 1246-A Mrs. Fred Forrest MaGruder  
 1247 Mrs. John Roberts (Marion Wells)  
 1248 Mrs. George Andrew Lund (Elizabeth Magruder Greig)  
 1249 Mrs. Floyd Lankford (Corrie Clagett)  
 1250 Mrs. George H. Raffie (Renan Beall)  
 1251 Mrs. Mathew L. Lagler (Barbara Martin)  
 Genealogical lines of the above will appear in the next issue of the Year Book.

*A Correction:*

In the 1954 Year Book, page 41, Clan Number 1129, the marriage date of Ann and Nathan Wormack should be 1771.

## REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

REGINA MAGRUDER HILL

There have been sixteen births and four marriages during the past year. Eleven deaths occurred among our membership and six among relatives of members. Your Historian attended the funeral of the Rev. James Mitchell Magruder in Annapolis, and of Mr. John Edwin Muncaster in Rockville.

At the opening of the Business Session on Saturday afternoon a Memorial Service was held, it being the first such service that the Clan has ever had. There was a white Cross decorated with sprays of Maiden-Hair Fern and containing a candle for each of the deceased. The Chaplain, Rev. Reuel L. Howe, opened the service with Prayer followed by the reading of a tribute to the three officers and a member of the council who were among the deceased; then followed the reading of the names of the other deceased members and their relatives, and the lighting of a candle as



each name was read. Miss June Stockham assisted the Historian by lighting the candles. Reverend Mr. Howe closed the service with Prayer and the reading of a Psalm.

*The following tributes were read:*

Reverend James Mitchell Magruder, Doctor of Divinity, has passed from our ken, but the memory of his strong personality lingers vividly with those of us who knew and loved him.

Born of gentle forebears, he was in appearance and bearing thoroughly an aristocrat. He was descended through his Scottish Ancestor from many Kings.

His friends could be counted by the hundreds. His enemies were few, if any. His home life was exemplary, and his life in the Service of his Maker was not only an example but an inspiration. Truly he "Walked with God, and he talked with God." He earned his place in his "Father's House" for all eternity.

*Susie May Geddes van den Berg.*

We pay tribute at this time to Robert Lee Magruder, an early member of the Clan and one of our former Ranking Deputy Chieftains.

Robert Lee Magruder was friendly and cordial and was of a kindly, loving disposition. He was a deeply religious man and not only loved his Church but had a deep love for his family and his friends. The American Clan Gregor Society meant much to him and he contributed many articles to its archives. He greatly enjoyed attending the early Gatherings until pressure of work kept him away. After his retirement last year he was making plans to become active in the Clan and to attend this Gathering when his Heavenly Father called him Home. We who knew him shall miss him and his charming friendly letters.

*Regina Magruder Hill.*

John Edwin Muncaster, a Tribute.

In his eye there was a merry twinkle that betokened friendliness and cordiality. His handclasp was sincere, his greeting warming and genuine, and though in his softly modulated voice there was a suggestion of shyness, even a slight faltering, it seemed as though the pleasure he found in just being friendly made it difficult at times for his words to catch up with the rush of his inmost feelings.

John Muncaster was truly an intellectual—not a pedantic sort so that his thinking be undisturbed. He enjoyed life. He was a voracious reader; and his mind a precious storehouse. How successfully and how entertainingly he could reach back into its inmost recesses to relate experiences and impressions of earlier years, and how eagerly we listened!

But gifted with a good mind and a keen imagination, he was not a dreamer; for there was a practical side to his nature that found expression in the multiple activities of farm life. The "Ridge" was a responsibility. It was also an inspiration; for there his ancestors had made their home and raised their families. He would do no less; and the constant demands on his time, his energy and his ingenuity were met in good spirit, worthy of the pioneer tradition he cherished. His neighbors valued and sought his advice and

learned by his example. He was rated high among Montgomery County men who lived by and on the land.

Fortunate indeed in the choice of his life's partner; his efforts were sustained by her love and her talents in life, and by the inspiration of her memory. His family became his pride, and in the breadth of his widened circle there was room for all his clanfolk.

No one ever knew how much pleasure he found in these Clan Gatherings, for like the lawn after a shower he soaked up the refreshment he found in contact with kinsmen. If he did not often 'hold forth in meeting', as the saying is, his spirit was sustained and enriched. There was little he missed.

Now he has come to the end of his course and has crossed over to join those of blessed memory. We miss him. But we would not ask that his handclasp with life eternal be loosened. Our pride in him dries our tears. Another worthy clansman has become a precious memory.

*Herbert T. Magruder*

It is fitting that we pay tribute to William Ernest Offutt, Sr., who was for a short time a member of our Council. Few of us had the opportunity of being acquainted with him as he was with us only once, when we had the Rob Roy Picture showing, but those who met him found him cordial and likeable. The Council sustained a loss when he passed away.

*Regina Magruder Hill.*

*Other members for whom candles were lighted and whose memorials appear elsewhere in this book were:*

Black, Mrs. Henrietta Kingsley Cummings, December 3, 1954. Clan number 130.

Cox, Mrs. Mamie Wynne, May 5, 1955. Clan member No. 356.

Higgins, Mr. John James, October 15, 1955, Clan member 561.

Magruder, Mrs. Edward Greenville, May 5, 1955, Clan member, Associate 889.

Magruder, Lt. Col. Wilson Kent, September 14, 1955, Clan member 681.

Maynard, Mrs. Henrietta Marie Clarissa Follansbee Maynard, December 17, 1954, Clan member 239.

Wailes, Mrs. Mildred Thrift, December 12, 1954, Clan member 1173.

*Relatives of our Members:*

Addison, Mr. Joseph, July 15, 1955, father of Mr. Joseph Addison, Jr., a new member of the Clan.

Ames, Mr. John Fisher Ames, July 20, 1955, father of Mr. Charles Fisher Ames, Clan member 888.

Galloway, Harry L., February 27, 1954, husband of our deceased Charter Member 165c, Mrs. Virginia Ferneyhough Galloway.

McCormick, Miss Eliza (Ida), October 15, 1955, sister of our deceased member Mrs. Philip Hill Sheriff, and aunt of our treasurer, Clarence William McCormick, member 1062; of William McCormick Brooks, member 811; and of Mrs. Charlotte McCormick Pitts, member 1100.

Magruder, Miss Helen, April 25, 1955, sister of our former Chieftain, William Marion Magruder, member 711.

Rhodes, Mrs. Amelia Adams, January 19, 1955, sister of our Councilman John Franklin Adams, member 722; Mrs. Wm. P. Barber, member 928; Mrs. Jane Adams Laverty, member 398; and Mrs. Adelaine Adams Magill, member 781.

#### BIRTHS

- Baker, Russell Andrew, III, February 12, 1955, to Russell Andrew, Jr., and Mary Merle Freeman Baker, she being a member of the Clan. Russell III, is a grandson of Mrs. Doris Hill Freeman, also a member of the Clan.
- Baugh, Beverly Bond, May 1, 1955, to Mr. and Mrs. Frederick H. Baugh, Jr. Beverly is the first granddaughter of Mrs. Frederick H. Baugh, Sr., a member of the Clan.
- Cook, Craig Campbell, July 29, 1955, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Magruder Cook and grandson of Mrs. Mary Emma Magruder Cook. Craig's parents and his grandmother are all Clansmen.
- Cook, Robert William, Jr., June 19, 1954, to Robert Wm. and Jean Randolph Higgins Cook. Robert is the first grandchild of Col. and Mrs. Jesse Higgins. Robert's mother and grandfather are members of the Clan.
- Donally, Daniel Joseph, June 27, 1955, to Daniel and Jean Elizabeth Dwyer Donally. He is the first grandson of John Rochford and Elizabeth Hill Dwyer, who is a Clanswoman.
- Ewell, John Francis, Jr., October 5, 1955, to Mr. and Mrs. John Francis Ewell. His father and grandfather, Nathaniel MacGregor Ewell, are also Clansmen. John Francis Ewell, Jr. and Walter Ewell Pugh are great grandsons of Dr. Jesse Ewell.
- Green, Christopher Magruder, December 29, 1954, to Robert Beauregard and Elizabeth Ann Magruder Green, she a member of the Clan.
- Harvey, Terryl Ann, October 16, 1954, to Mr. and Mrs. James Harvey, and a granddaughter of Mrs. Ella Lloyd Magruder Braun, a Clan member.
- Killam, David Thomas, January 5, 1954, to Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Lloyd Killam of Honolulu, T. H. He is a grandson of our life member from Honolulu, Lloyd Randolph Killam.
- Knight, William Wilder, June 13, 1955, to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. W. Knight. His mother, the former Beverly Randolph, is a former Clan member.
- Loveless, Kenneth Hill, August 10, 1955, to William Eldridge Loveless and his wife Helen, he being a former member of the Clan. Kenneth Hill is a grandson of John Eldridge and Marjorie Hill Loveless, the later being a Clan member.
- Magruder, Andrew Alexander, January 10, 1955, to Joseph Hull and Marjorie Evelyn Saunders Magruder, and grandson of Col. Lloyd Magruder a Clansman. His father is a former member of the Clan.
- McGarry, Susan Lloyd, November 26, 1954, to James F. and Genevieve Lloyd Wolfe McGarry. Her mother is a member of the Clan.
- McGehee, Susan Claiborn, December 5, 1954, to Dr. Fielding and Helen Elizabeth Ewell McGehee. Susan is a great-granddaughter of Dr. Jesse Ewell.
- Mansfield, John Magruder, September 3, 1954, to Lt. Comdr. Richard H., Jr., and Mary Louise Reitz Mansfield. His father and grandmother, Mrs. Richard H. Mansfield (Lilly Magruder), are both Clansmen.

Pugh, Walter Ewell, February 3, 1955, to Olen and Louise Campher Ewell Pugh, she being a member of the Clan. Walter Ewell Pugh is a great grandson of Dr. Jesse Ewell.

These children are entered as members of the Clan as they are the children and/or grandchildren of members. They do not pay dues until they become eighteen years of age and enter into the Adult Membership.

### MARRIAGES

#### *Mary Jeannette Toll to Maurits Peter Kesnar*

Miss Mary Jeannette Toll, daughter of Mrs. Hilda Wells Toll, of Kokomo, Indiana, became the bride of Mr. Maurits Peter Kesnar, of Carbondale, Illinois, in a double ring ceremony in the chapel of Emanuel Episcopal Church, Champaign, Illinois, on June 24, 1955. Father Burgomaster officiated at the ceremony with the members of the two families and close friends as guests. The bride was given in marriage by her uncle, Howard Hilleary Wells. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. Howard H. Wells and their daughter, Sarah Hilleary Wells; Mrs. Mima Wells, grandmother of the bride; and the bride's mother, all of Kokomo, Indiana.

Mary Jeannette was graduated from the University of Illinois the preceding Saturday with a major in anthropology. Mr. Kesner, a Korean veteran, will be employed as a laboratory technician in a Decatur, Illinois hospital, and the couple will make their home in that city.

#### *Miss Margery Ivolue Muncaster to George Fred Hazelwood*

The marriage of Miss Margery Ivolue Muncaster to George Fred Hazelwood took place at Emmanuel Episcopal Church in Cumberland, Maryland, on March 5, 1955. The Rev. H. Maunsell Richardson officiated, and the Right Reverend Noble C. Powell, Bishop of the Diocese of Maryland, blessed the marriage.

The bride is the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Walter James Muncaster of Cumberland, and is a member of the Clan, Number 215.

Mrs. Hazelwood is a graduate of Allegany High School, the Baldwin School, Bryn Mawr, and Wellesley College, Wellesley, Mass. She was a member of the Junior Volunteer Service Corps, is a member of the Allegany County Bird Club, the Allegany County Historical Society, Cumberland Branch of the American Association of University Women, and until her resignation was employed by WCUM as traffic manager.

Mr. Hazelwood, who was born and educated in England, came to the United States in 1911, and is now a business man in Cumberland holding many offices of importance and trust. He is also Junior Warden of Emmanuel Episcopal Church. He has a son, George Fred, Jr., who acted as best man for his father.

#### *Alice Jean Magruder to Roland Ashley Timberlake*

Double ring wedding vows were solemnized for Miss Alice Jean Magruder and Roland Ashley Timberlake at 5 o'clock Saturday afternoon June 11, 1955, in the Trinity Episcopal Church, at Victoria, Texas. The Rt. Rev. Everett H. Jones celebrated the nuptials.

The bride was escorted to the altar by her brother, Alexander Leonard Magruder. She is the daughter of Mrs. Alexander Dalton Magruder, of Victoria,

Texas, and the late Mr. Magruder, and the bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Henry Timberlake of Linn, Texas.

Miss Cynthia Ann Timberlake, sister of the bridegroom, was maid of honor, and Walter Watson Magruder, a brother of the bride, was best man.

A reception took place at the Victoria Country Club immediately after the wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. Timberlake will make their home at 181 Clover St., Chula Vista, California, where Mr. Timberlake is an ensign in the Navy.

*Diane Elaine Farris to John William Freeman*

The marriage of Miss Diane Elaine Farris to John William Freeman was solemnized on February 6, 1955 at Las Vegas, Nevada. Diane is the daughter of Alfred S. Farris and Mildred Eugene Engh; Mr. Freeman is the son of John (Jack) Merle Freeman and Genevieve Jack Hunt, of Glendale, California, and grandson of Mrs. Doris Hill Freeman and the late Merle Freeman, of Langley Forrest, Virginia.

Diane and Jack both graduated from the Herbert Hoover High School in Glendale, and she is an accomplished pianist. John William is now a Corporal in the Marine Air Corps, and was named "Marine of the Month" for July 1955, at the El Paso Marine Base. Jack and Diane will make their home in Glendale.

## MEMORIALS

MRS. MAMIE WYNNE COX

Mrs. Mamie Wynne Cox, historian, newspaperwoman, author, and club-woman for more than fifty years, died at her home in Dallas, Texas, May 12, 1955. Mamie Staunton Wynne was born in Huntsville, Texas, the daughter of John Magruder Wynne and Mary Delthis Adair Wynne. On June 17, 1896, she married William David Cox.

Mrs. Cox spent many years in Dallas where she was an active member of the Dallas Historical Society, Daughters of 1812, and the United Daughters of the Confederacy, Dallas Writers Club, Texas Poetry Society, and related organizations. She was a member of the American Clan Gregor Society and, while she could not come to the Gatherings in Washington, she loved to be among her Clan kin, and she and her son attended the first State Unit Gathering of the Clan which was held in San Antonio, Texas, May 31, 1953.

The author of many feature articles which gained recognition in weekly and monthly periodicals, she is probably best known for her book *The Romantic Flags of Texas*. Published in 1936 as an authentic history, it won many favorable reviews, and was used by Selznick-International Studios for research in the movie *Gone With the Wind*. Other books written by Mrs. Cox include *A Love Story of Mineral Wells* and *The History of the First Twenty Years of the Sam Houston State Normal Institute and Historic Huntsville*, a collector's item. Her story *Where the Raven Came to Rest* won a gold medal award from the Texas Woman's Press Association in 1931. In October, 1939, she was awarded a silver bowl by the United Daughters of the Confederacy for historical research.

Mrs. Cox apparently inherited much of her writing ability since her mother, Mary Adair Wynne, gained considerable literary recognition.



ROBERT LEE MAGRUDER, JR.

1889 — 1955

After graduating from the Sam Houston Normal Institute, Mrs. Cox taught for a while in Temple, Texas, High schools.

As associate editor of the *Temple Daily Tribune*, she became known for a daily feature, *Through My Study Window*. Her newspaper background included assignments as society editor, court reporter and editorial writer.

She was president of the Texas Woman's Press Association for two terms and poet laureate of the Texas Division of the United Daughters of the Confederacy for three years.

Survivors include a son, William Adair Cox of Dallas, Texas, a sister, Mrs. Tyler Haswell of Bryan, Texas, two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by the Reverend Bertram L. Smith, with burial in Laurel Land Memorial Park.

MRS. EDWARD GREENVILLE MAGRUDER

1870-1955

Final rites for Mrs. Edward Greenville Magruder, local historian, were held on May 7, 1955, at the First Baptist Church of San Angelo, Texas, with burial in Fairmont Cemetery. The Reverend James Leavell officiated. Mrs. Magruder, the former Bettie Guyler Ward, was born in Austin, Texas, January 2, 1870, and died at her home in San Angelo, May 5, 1955. On July 4, 1889, at Wallis, Texas, she married Dr. Edward Greenville Magruder, a grandson of Patrick Magruder, the first Librarian of Congress. She was an Associate Member of the Clan.

Mrs. Magruder came to San Angelo with her husband in 1906 and that same year Dr. Magruder built an eight-bed tuberculosis sanatorium near their home. He died in 1929.

As Historian of the Mountain Remnant Brigade, an organization of soldiers of the War Between the States, and of the Texas Society, United Daughters of the Confederacy, Mrs. Magruder's collection on the Civil War was among the most comprehensive in San Angelo. Shortly before her death she had been engaged in writing a history of the Texas navy.

Mrs. Magruder's father settled Ward Ben, a small community named in his honor, near Houston.

Survivors include three daughters, Margaret Vashti Magruder of San Angelo, Mrs. Hazel M. Baskerville of Dallas, and Mrs. Dorothy M. Buchanan of Bryan, Texas, all three members of the Clan, and a son, H. Ward Magruder of Houston.

ROBERT LEE MAGRUDER, JR.

1889-1955

*A Tribute by his sister, Florence Magruder Johnson*

Robert Lee Magruder, Jr., of Chipley, Georgia, passed away on August 8, 1955, at the hospital in LaGrange, Georgia, where he had been confined since June 16. He had been ill since March. Funeral services were held on the 9th at the Chipley Methodist Church, with The Reverend Robert Lyle, pastor, assisted by The Reverend Roy Etheridge and The Reverend Andy Bonner, conducting the services. Burial was in the family lot in the Chipley Cemetery.

Lee was born in Columbus, Georgia, November 27, 1889, the son of the late Robert Lee Magruder, Sr., and Nannie Ben Gates. After his retirement from the



Seaboard Air Line Railroad, at Columbus, in December, 1954, he came to Chipley to make his home with his sister. He had thirty years service with that railroad. Survivors are a sister, Mrs. Florence Magruder Johnson of Chipley; two nieces, Mrs. Frances Johnson Murrah of Winter Park, Fla., and Miss Elizabeth Magruder of New Smyrna Beach, Fla.; two great-nephews, Robert L. Murrah of Atlanta, Ga., and Kenneth F. Murrah of Winter Park, Fla.; an aunt, Mrs. Mattie Ammons, of LaGrange, and an uncle, Harold Magruder of Chipley.

Lee was a member of the Amercian Clan Gregor Society and for a number of years was very active in its work. He served the Clan as Scribe, Ranking Deputy Chieftain and as a member of the Council. He submitted several articles for the *Year Book*, including an article on his father, Robert Lee Magruder, Sr., and "The Georgia Magruders." He contributed two very valuable documents to the Clan, "Hezekiah Magruder, His Ancestry and Descendants," and "Descendants of Hezekiah Magruder in World War II."

He loved being a member of the Clan and had expected to attend the Gathering in October, 1955, to renew old friendships.

"We bow in humble submission to the will of Him, who doeth all things Well." But, we shall miss him so much.

#### LT. COL. WILSON KENT MAGRUDER

1903-1955

Lt. Col. Wilson Kent Magruder died at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D. C., on September 14, 1955. He was a member of an old Maryland family and was born in Hyattsville, on November 6, 1903, the son of the late Cassius Clay and Agnes Harrison Magruder.

A veteran flyer, he took up aviation as a hobby while a civilian, flew his own cub plane and served for several years in the Marine Aviation Reserve before entering the Air Force with a commission.

Well known in the community, Col. Magruder had a wide acquaintance in several organizations in which he was active and in civilian Government agencies. He was a member of the American Clan Gregor Society.

After attending public schools in Hyattsville, he studied at George Washington University. He held positions in the Government Printing Office, and the Federal Security Agency, the Commerce Department. In 1928 he accepted a position with the Panama Canal Printing Office, and while in Panama he met Juanita Carabeo Forsman, whom he married in 1932, in Washington, D. C.

He served tours of duty with the Air Force. After receiving his commission in 1942, he was a Captain and a Major with the Eighth Air Force in the European Theater of Operations until 1944, when he served at the Pentagon in Washington, D. C. In 1952 he was called to active duty in the office of the Assistant Chief of Staff, G-4.

Col. Magruder was active in several organizations, including the United States Aggies Rifle and Pistol Club, of which he was president in 1953. In that year he won the National Rifle Association championship. His other memberships included the Masonic order, in which he belonged to the Federal Lodge; Columbia Chapter, Columbia Commandery Knights Templar, of which he was eminent past commander; and Almas Temple of the Shrine. He was also a member of the Henry C.



Spengler Post No. 12 of the American Legion, National Sojourners No. 3, and the Franklin Technical Society.

Col. Magruder's illness led to his retirement from the armed forces on June 30, 1954.

He is survived by his widow; a daughter, Mrs. Ethel Roberts and a son, Charles Forsman, both by the previous marriage of his wife; two grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Anna Minerva Graves; and four brothers, Fielder Thomas, Lewis Edward, Irie Bryan and Cassius Clay Magruder, Jr.; two sisters, Harriett Lucille Magruder and Martha Agnes Magruder, predeceased him.

Col. Magruder was a nephew of William Pinkney Magruder of Hyattsville, Maryland and descended from Samuel Magruder and Eleanor Wade, through the line of Fielder Magruder who married his cousin Matilda Magruder.

HENRIETTA MARIA CLARISSA FOLLANSBEE MAYNARD

1864-1954

*By Her Daughter, Pauline Maynard Trout*

Henrietta Maria Clarissa Follansbee was the daughter of Joseph Vinton and Henrietta Susan Webb Follansbee. She was born in the home place at Gambrills, Maryland, December 18, 1864, and died there on December 17, 1954, just one day before her ninetieth birthday. She married Richard H. Maynard, March 27, 1894.

All of her life she was active in Church and community work until a short time before her death. She established a Mission Sunday School on the "Edgewood" property which she inherited while my brothers and I were children and where we moved about 1904. About 1913 or 1914 we moved from "Edgewood" back to the old home place at Gambrills. Mother taught the Sunday School and persuaded the Rector of St. Stephen's Church to hold services there every Sunday night. This Mission later developed into St. John's Chapel at Gambrills, for which mother gave the grounds. She contributed generously of her time, energy and money to this Chapel at Gambrills. Mother did much charitable work in the community and many times went with the Red Cross nurse from Annapolis to visit the sick and destitute families. During the first World War she was very active in Red Cross work.

Mother was a member of the American Clan Gregor Society and greatly enjoyed attending the early Gatherings and reading the *Year Books*. She was particularly interested in the Magruder Chapter D.A.R. in Washington, D. C., as she was exceedingly proud of her Magruder ancestry. Since she was already a Charter member of the Anne Arundel County Chapter, D.A.R. when Magruder Chapter was formed and could not be a member of both, she insisted that I become a member of Magruder Chapter. Mother was first Vice Regent of the Anne Arundel County Chapter after its organization on November 13, 1911, and was its historian for years. After she resigned this office she was a consulting historian and was often called upon to make impromptu talks on historical subjects. She always seemed to have data on historical events at her fingertips, and I believe that she was at times guest speaker at other Chapters' meetings. On several occasions she was sent as delegate or alternate to the Continental Congress of the D.A.R. in Washington. She prepared many papers as the result of original research and some

of these were accepted for the National D.A.R. files. She was an avid student, especially of history, and had a remarkable memory until the day of her death.

She took an active part in the celebration of the Severn Parish Centennial in 1945 (St. Stephen's is the Mother Church of this Parish), and prepared the data for the celebration in 1946 when The Cross at the Chapel of Ease of this parish was erected by the Anne Arundel County Chapter.

Her children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren, as well as her many relatives and friends, will miss her greatly and will remember her in their hearts always.

MRS. F. LEONARD WAILES  
1875-1954

Mrs. Mildred Thrift Wailes, widow of F. Leonard Wailes, died at her home in Madison, Virginia, December 12, 1954. Funeral services were held by the Reverend David Lewis and the Rev. Paul Heines of Piedmont Episcopal Church in Madison, of which she was a lifetime member.

"Pete," as she was affectionately called by her family, was born at "Rockland," near Charlottesville, in Albemarle County, Virginia, on April 6, 1875, the daughter of Sally Bowcock and James Early Thrift. She attended private schools and was graduated from Klienburg, a school for girls in Nelson County, Virginia, conducted by the Misses Wailes, the students taking their final examinations under the University of Virginia professors. An ardent reader and lover of books and of learning, she taught for a number of years.

She spent many winters in Washington, D. C., with her brother, the late John Bowcock Thrift, and was married at St. Stephen's Episcopal Church in that city on November 22, 1916 to Frank Leonard Wailes, a well known attorney of Salisbury, Maryland. She lived in Salisbury until his death in November, 1953, and then returned to Madison, Virginia, to make her home with her sister, Elsie Magruder Thrift.

She was always interested in the American Clan Gregor Society and whenever she could do so attended its meetings with her sister, who is a charter member.

A quotation from *The Madison County Eagle* at the time of her death manifests her lovely character: "Mrs. Wailes' beauty, her splendid mind, which remained brilliant until she died, and her vast personal charm, endeared her not only to relatives but to every one who knew her. The death of a truly great lady has brought wide-spread sorrow to those who knew and loved her."



MRS. F. LEONARD WAILES

1875 — 1954

## CORRECTIONS TO BE MADE IN THE YEAR BOOKS OF 1953, 1954 AND 1955

*Please make these changes in your copy*

- 1953—Page 52—Name should read Alexander Dalton Magruder.  
 Page 66—No. 1087, Change Alice to Allie.  
 Page 65—No. 995, Change Brake, Mrs. Harold to read: Griffith, Mrs. Harold.  
 Page 65—No. 994, Change Halliday to Holliday.
- 1954—Page 23, 3rd paragraph from bottom of page, Change Columbus, Georgia to read Columbia County, Georgia.  
 Page 59—Under "The Clan's Old Guard" add:  
 No. 88—Ewell, Jessie, Jr., Ruckersville, Va.
- 1955—Page 78—Top of page, the 1st line should go above the heading "Mrs. Henrietta Kingsley Cummings Black," as it is the last line of the article on page 77.

## ATTENDANCE AT THE GATHERING OF THE CLAN, 1955

- Addison, Mr. and Mrs. Walter W., Mitchellsville, Md.  
 Allgeyer, Mr. and Mrs. James E., Washington, D. C.  
 \*Ballard, Miss Judy, Baltimore, Md.  
 Baugh, Mrs. Frederick H., Baltimore, Md.  
 Bopp, Mrs. Rudolph J., Chevy Chase, Md.  
 Bowie, Miss Cornelia Magruder, Washington, D. C.  
 Bubb, Mrs. Ralph, Silver Spring, Md.  
 \*Cainon, Mrs. Cutler J., Washington, D. C.  
 \*Cissil, Miss Alberta, Washington, D. C.  
 Clagett, Mr. Page Bowie, Mitchellsville, Md.  
 Cox, Mrs. Merle LeRoy, Chevy Chase Md.  
 Craig, Col. and Mrs. William H., Fort Meade, Md.  
 \*Curtis, Miss Jane P., Manassas, Va.  
 \*Curtis, Mrs. Mary R., Alexandria, Va.  
 Daniell, Mr. Smith Coffee, Port Gibson, Miss.  
 Deneen, Miss Florence, Chicago, Ill.  
 Dwyer, Mrs. J. Rochford, Bethesda, Md.  
 Everett, Mrs. Hugh, Jr., Alexandria, Va.  
 Ferneyhough, Dr. and Mrs. Robert, Warrenton, Va.  
 Fiala, Mrs. James George, Washington, D. C.  
 Galloway, Mr. William L. K., Washington, D. C., Clan Piper  
 Gannon, Mr. and Mrs. James Alonzo, Washington, D. C.  
 Gantt, Mrs. Helen Woods, Washington, D. C.  
 Gassaway, Miss Helen Muncaster, Baltimore, Md.  
 Gassaway, Miss Rosalie Hanson, Baltimore, Md.  
 \*Garioch, James, Bethesda, Md., Major Piper  
 Gittings, Miss Sarah Elizabeth, Arlington, Va.  
 \*Hawkins, Mrs. M. L., Washington, D. C.  
 Hill, Miss Regina Magruder, Washington, D. C.

- Holmes, Mr. and Mrs. Forrest S., College Park, Md.  
Holmes, Mr. Forrest S., Jr., College Park, Md.  
Hord, Mrs. Allen S., Ruckersville, Va.  
Howe, The Rev. Reuel L., Alexandria, Va.  
Hunter, Miss Amy Belle, Washington, D. C.  
Hunter, Francis Key, Washington, D. C.  
\*Kindness, Mr. and Mrs. Norman G., Washington, D. C.  
Loveless, Mrs. John Eldridge, Washington, D. C.  
Lummis, Mr. and Mrs. Irwin L., Shadwell, Va.  
Lummis, Miss Frances L., Washington, D. C.  
Mackall, Mr. and Mrs. William Whamm, Vienna, Va.  
Mackey, Miss Pauline, Washington, D. C.  
Mansfield, Mrs. Richard H., Bladensburg, Md.  
Milwit, Mr. Jacob, Washington, D. C.  
Milwit, Mrs. Virginia Diedel, Washington, D. C.  
Muncaster, Miss Emma Waters, Washington, D. C.  
Murdock, Mrs. James, Washington, D. C.  
Myers, Mr. Waring Gantt, Washington, D. C.  
Magruder, Lt. Gen. and Mrs. Carter Bowie, Arlington, Va.  
Magruder, The Rev. Daniel Randall, Hingham, Mass.  
Magruder, Mr. Donald Richard, Arlington, Va.  
Magruder, Mrs. William Eldon, Lexington, Ky.  
Magruder, Mr. and Mrs. J. Maynard, Arlington, Va.  
Magruder, Mr. and Mrs. James M., Baltimore, Md.  
Magruder, Miss Jane Beall, Washington, D. C.  
Magruder, Mr. John, Arlington, Va.  
Magruder, Comdr. John Holmes, Jr., Washington, D. C.  
Magruder, Miss Marion, Arlington, Va.  
Magruder, Mrs. Marion Milton, Falls Church, Va.  
Magruder, Brig. Gen. and Mrs. Marshall, Washington, D. C.  
Magruder, Dr. and Mrs. Roger Gregory, Charlottesville, Va.  
Magruder, Mr. and Mrs. Roy, Washington, D. C.  
Magruder, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Garland, Arlington, Va.  
Magruder, Mr. William B. Hamilton, San Antonio, Tex.  
Magruder, Mr. and Mrs. William Marion, Lexington, Ky.  
\*McCorkle, Mr. and Mrs. James, Arlington, Va.  
McCormick, Mr. Clarence William, University Park, Md.  
McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. John G., Rockville, Md.  
McGehee, Mr. Ernest Clifton, Arlington, Va.  
McGehee, Mr. Robert Clifton, Arlington, Va.  
\*McGregor, Mr. and Mrs. Frank, Washington, D. C.  
\*McGregor, Miss Helen, Washington, D. C.  
\*McGregor, Mr. Thomas W., Washington, D. C.  
Noble, Mrs. Dixie M., Washington, D. C.  
\*Paterson, Mr. Andrew R., Washington, D. C.  
Pitts, Mrs. Charlotte McCormick, Brandywine, Md.  
\*Pitts, Mrs. Jean Melson, Brandywine, Md.  
Poole, Miss Katherine Riggs, Washington, D. C.

- Poole, Miss Martha Sprigg, Washington, D. C.  
Prevish, Mrs. Esther Pitts, Lanexa, Va.  
Reynolds, Miss Anna Louise, Washington, D. C.  
Reynolds, Miss Julia R., Arlington, Va.  
Rhoades, Mrs. Rex Hays, Washington, D. C.  
Richardson, Mrs. Jessie Muncaster, Bladensburg, Md.  
\*Sikes, Miss Ruby E., Arlington, Va.  
\*Smith, Mrs. Alma Guthrie, Bethesda, Md.  
Stabler, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Rowland, Silver Spring, Md.  
Stockham, Miss June Lippincott, Lanexa, Va.  
Talbot, Mrs. William Randolph, Rockville, Md.  
\*Taylor, Miss Dorothy M., Baltimore, Md.  
Thompson, The Rev. Enoch Magruder, Washington, D. C.  
Thrift, Miss Elsie Magruder, Madison, Va.  
\*Turnbull, Mr. Frederick W., St. Andrews Society, Washington, D. C.  
van den Berg, Mrs. O. O., Washington, D. C.  
Walde, William, II, Washington, D. C.  
Walde, Mrs. Ruth Ashley, Washington, D. C.  
Walker, Miss Letitia Dunnington, Silver Spring, Md.  
Walker, Miss Margaret Salisbury, Silver Spring, Md.  
Waters, Mrs. Basil Worthington, Derwood, Md.  
Waters, Miss Laura Ann, Derwood, Md.  
Wood, Mrs. Grace McGregor, Washington, D. C.  
Woolf, Miss Elsie K., Washington, D. C.

There were probably others attending who failed to register.

\*Denotes Guests.