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MACGREGOR OF GLENGYLE



Arms used by the members of the Glengyle branch of the MacGregors and the Clan Dugal Ciar, including the family of Rob Roy, whose father was Chieftain of Glengyle.

Drawing by Sue S. Macgregor

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COUNCIL MEETING

October 15, 1971

The Council Meeting was called to order by the chieftain, Mr. R. James Macgregor, who asked Dr. Roger Gregory Magruder to read a letter from our Chaplain, the Rev. Daniel Randall Magruder, who was unable to attend this year's gathering, and thus to lead us in the Invocation. The business of the Council then began. The following members were present: Mr. R. James Macgregor, Mr. Frank R. McGregor, Mrs. Joseph C. Tichy, Jr., Mrs. William C. Stokoe, Jr., Cdr. John Urquhart, Dr. Nathaniel Ewell, Jr., Mrs. Sue Macgregor, Dr. William C. Stokoe, Jr., Mr. John P. McAdams, Mr. Arthur Peter, Jr., Mrs. John E. Loveless, Mr. Edward Passano, Miss Evelina Magruder, Mr. William E. McGregor, Dr. Roger Gregory Magruder, Mr. Gordon Stick, and Mr. Arthur Lecky.

It was moved and carried that the minutes be accepted as published in the Yearbook.

Mr. McAdams, Chairman of the 1971 Gathering, reported that all arrangements were going as planned and a successful weekend seemed assured.

The Registrar, Mrs. Tichy, reported 16 new members and 3 members who were reinstated. It was announced that the Registrar was most anxious to have any changes of address involving members both for her records and for the use of the Yearbook editor.

In the absence of the Historian, Mr. McGehee, his report was read by the Registrar. There have been 3 births, 5 marriages and 11 deaths reported in the past year.

The Librarian, Mrs. Macgregor, reported that many books have been donated to the Clan Library, and that the complete list will be published in the Yearbook.

The Treasurer, Cdr. Urquhart, reported that the current balance in the general checking account is \$324.48, in the savings account of the General Fund, \$3,208.31. The Charity and Education Fund shows a balance of \$3,828.25, and the Marshall Magruder Library Fund, \$2,187.27. The motion was made and carried that the Treasurer's report be accepted.

Our Editor, Miss Haden, was unable to be present at the Council meeting. The Chieftain made a statement in her absence thanking her for her splendid work on the Yearbook.

Dr. Roger Gregory Magruder, reporting on the Edward May Magruder Scholarship Fund, announced that this year's recipient of the \$500 award will again be Mr. M. O. Fidler, now in his second year as a medical student at the University of Virginia. The balance remaining in the Principal Account of the Fund is \$3,925.58. Dr. Magruder noted that any member of the American Clan Gregor Society, or a son or daughter of a member, making application to the Medical School, may apply for this scholarship.

The Chancellor, Mr. Peter, proposed an Amendment to the By-Laws which would insure the deductibility of contributions to the Charity and Education Fund in the event that sometime in the future the Society should be held to be a private foundation. The Amendment is attached. The motion to accept the Amendment was made and carried.

The Chieftain moved that the Assistant Chieftain be given the authority for any expenditures during next year to cover the Gathering, the printing of the Yearbook and other necessary expenses. This motion was carried.

Mr. Frank McGregor spoke to the need of the donation of money for the purchase of equipment for the Clan Gregor Pipe Band. Dr. Stokoe reported that we now have more than 18 men completely outfitted in MacGregor uniforms but that some of those purchased as long ago as 1963 were wearing out and would need to be replaced.

Mr. William McGregor moved that, as two members, Judge Hugh B. Campbell and Mr. Wilfred J. Gregson, were prevented by illness from attending the gathering, telegrams might be sent to them assuring them of the Society's good wishes. The motion was carried and Mr. McGregor was appointed to carry this out.

The following slate was presented by the Nominating Committee:

R. James Macgregor	Chieftain
Frank R. McGregor	Ranking Deputy Chieftain
Mrs. William C. Stokoe, Jr.	Scribe
Mrs. Joseph C. Tichy, Jr.	Registrar
Hiram T. McGehee	Historian
John G. Urquhart	Treasurer
Rev. Daniel R. Magruder	Chaplain
Dr. Nathaniel M. Ewell, Jr.	Surgeon
Arthur Peter, Jr.	Chancellor
John P. McAdams	Librarian
Miss Eunice B. Haden	Editor

Trustees

Gordon M. F. Stick 1969-1972
John M. MacGregor 1970-1973
John Kennedy Magruder 1971-1974

Nominating Committee

John Kennedy Magruder
John M. MacGregor
Harry W. Blunt

The slate was accepted as presented and a unanimous vote was recorded. There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth A. Stokoe, Scribe

1971 Amendment to the Rules of
American Clan Gregor Society, Inc.

At the meeting of the Council of American Clan Gregor Society, Inc. held on October 15, 1971 at Fredericksburg, Virginia, the following Resolution was adopted.

RESOLVED, that Rule VII, Section II of the Rules of The American Clan Gregor Society, Inc. be amended by adding thereto the following new Sub-section e:

Subsection e. *Requirements of Section 508(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 binding on trustees.* Any other provisions of the Rules notwithstanding, the trustees of this Fund shall distribute its income for each taxable year at such time and in such manner as not to become subject to the tax on undistributed income imposed by Section 4942 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws. Any other provisions of these Rules notwithstanding, the trustees of this Fund shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941(d) in the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws; nor retain any excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws; nor make any investments in such manner as to incur tax liability under Section 4944 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws; nor make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945(d) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, or corresponding provisions of any subsequent Federal tax laws.

And, be it further Resolved that this Amendment be effective immediately upon its adoption according to the Rules of the Society.

I certify that the above is correct.

Ruth A. Stokoe, Scribe

GENERAL MEETING

OCTOBER 16, 1971

The General Meeting of the Sixty-second annual Gathering of the American Clan Gregor Society was called to order by the Chieftain, Mr. R. James Macgregor.

The Chieftain called upon Mr. Joseph C. Tichy, Jr., to read a letter from the Chaplain, the Rev. Daniel Randall Magruder, in lieu of the blessing.

The reading of the minutes was suspended since they were published in the Yearbook.

The minutes of the Council meeting were presented and approved as read.

It was moved and carried that a telegram should be sent to the Rev. Daniel Randall Magruder conveying the Society's good wishes.

The Chieftain called upon the Registrar, Mrs. Tichy, to introduce the new members and the wives or husbands who were in attendance at the Gathering. They included Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Stratton, Mr. and Mrs. Russell B. Gregg, Mr.

and Mrs. Franklin C. Austin, Mr. and Mrs. David Zeiser, Mr. and Mrs. T. Latimer Ford, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ferneyhough, Mr. and Mrs. David Livingstone, and Mrs. Nan MacGregor Heinowski. Members at the Gathering for the first time were: Dr. and Mrs. Max Woodward, Mr. and Mrs. James Woolley, Mr. and Mrs. L. Burns Magruder, Dr. and Mrs. C. H. Magruder, and Mrs. Aven Miller.

Mr. Hugh Fuller suggested that friends of the Society who lend their assistance to ensure the success of the Gatherings should be recognized in some way. Mr. William E. McGregor moved that a resolution should be written naming those persons and thanking them for their help. The Chieftain suggested that this be read at the banquet and asked Mr. McGregor to draft such a resolution for presentation at that time. The motion was carried. The resolution is attached. (See*)

The Chieftain asked that members give him within the next few months any suggestions they might have concerning the location of next year's Gathering.

Dr. Stokoe asked members present to recognize with standing applause the splendid work of the Chieftain and Mrs. Macgregor in planning and carrying out this year's Gathering.

The Chieftain introduced the old and new officers and Council. He also asked for a motion of appreciation to Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Blunt, absent in Scotland, for their work for the Society during the past year. This motion was carried. Mr. Gordon Stick was asked to write the Resolution of Appreciation which is attached.

The Chieftain then read a telegram from Mr. and Mrs. Blunt expressing their good wishes for the success of the Gathering.

Mr. Frank R. McGregor and Dr. Stokoe spoke to the need of the band for more MacGregor uniform equipment.

Mr. Arthur Lecky presented a stone given by Mr. James M. Keir to be used as a MacGregor rallying point. The brass plate attached to the stone reads: "From the site of the old house of 'Glengyle', Scotland, the ancient home of the Dugald Ciar MacGregors from R. James Macgregor to James M. Keir, 1969."

Mr. John McAdams thanked the membership for making his task of Gathering Chairman such an easy one.

There being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth A. Stokoe, Scribe

*RESOLUTION

On behalf of the American Clan Gregor Society may we take this opportunity to express our thanks for your gracious contributions to the enjoyment of the Clan Gatherings.

Your verve, vivacity, and terpsichorean abilities have added immeasurably to past gatherings. It is our fond hope that you will continue to attend our gatherings and let it be known to all those present that we consider these "friends" to be true MacGregors - may they flourish forever.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS the American Clan Gregor Society, its Council and its members have enjoyed and profited greatly for many years by the outstanding, enthusiastic, and faithful devotion of Harry and Edith Blunt in all possible ways for the benefit of Clan Gregor, and WHEREAS they are now out of this country abroad at the time of the 1971 Gathering of the Clan in Fredericksburg, Virginia, now therefore BE IT RESOLVED that the Clan Gregor Society expresses its great appreciation and gratitude to Harry and Edith Blunt for their dedication, and expresses also the fact that their presence is greatly missed at this Gathering. And BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this Resolution be presented to Harry and Edith Blunt and a copy spread upon the minutes of the Society.

MESSAGE FROM THE REGISTRAR

Associate Membership

This is to remind you that husbands and wives of lineal members may join the American Clan Gregor Society as Associate Members and enjoy the same privileges as the full members, except the doubtful privilege of being Chieftain. The associate member's initiation fee is only \$10.00 and the dues are the same as those of a lineal member, \$5.00 per annum.



AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC.

General Checking Account

Deposited in The First National Bank of Sandy Spring, Maryland

Balance as of October 1, 1970	\$ 545.94
Receipts	6359.00
Total	\$6904.94

Expenses

1970 Gathering	\$3281.80
Grandfather Highland Games	135.00
Chief's Farewell Dulles A/P	40.00
Printing	618.53
Bass Drum (includes painting)	255.36
Stamps and Office Materials	40.00
Year Book	2160.18
Registrars Expenses	19.59
Addressograph plates	25.00
Refund to John M. MacGregor in lieu of Life Membership	5.00
Total Expenses	\$6580.46

Balance as of October 1, 1971	\$ 324.48
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John G. Urquhart, Treasurer

Marshall Magruder Library Fund

On deposit in the Saving Institution of Sandy Spring, Maryland

Balance as of October 1, 1970	\$2065.20
Donation by "Angus Macgregor"	22.00
Interest credited: April, 1971 @4¼%	\$51.93
October '71 @4½%	48.14
Balance as of October 1, 1971	\$2187.27

John G. Urquhart, Treasurer

Savings Account of The General Fund

On deposit in the Saving Institution of Sandy Spring, Maryland

Balance as of October 1, 1970	\$2768.51
Deposits: \$200.00	
100.00	300.00
Interest credited: April, 1971 @4¼%	\$69.20
October, 1971 @4½%	70.60
Balance as of October 1, 1971	\$3208.31

John G. Urquhart, Treasurer

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CHARITY AND EDUCATION FUND

On deposit in the Saving Institution of Sandy Spring, Maryland

Balance as of October 1, 1970	.....	\$3365.00
Deposits:	\$230.00	
	60.00	290.00
Interest credited:	April, 1971 @4¼%	\$87.03
	October 1971 @4½%	84.22
		171.25
Balance as of October 1, 1971	.....	\$3826.25

John G. Urquhart, Treasurer

Dr. EDWARD MAY MAGRUDER MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

At the University of Virginia

September 30, 1971

Principal Account — University Code 6642

Balance: October 1, 1970	.....	\$3715.00
Additions during the year:		
Gifts to the Fund	.....	210.58
Balance: September 30, 1971	.....	3925.58
Approximate Market Value at June 30, 1971	.....	\$6645.39

Income Account — University Code 5396

Balance: October 1, 1970	.....	\$ 329.24
Additions: Income earned	.....	283.32
Deductions: 1970-71 Scholarship Awards	.....	500.00
Balance: September 30, 1971	.....	\$ 112.56

A Scholarship Award of \$500.00* has been made to Mr. M.O. Fidler, a second-year medical student for the 1971-72 Session.

*In anticipation of further income from the Fund during the 1971-72 scholastic year.

Note: Any member of the American Clan Gregor Society, or a son or daughter of a member, making application to the Medical School, may apply for this scholarship award. If such is done, the student should notify the Chieftain of the Society, as soon as possible. The Chieftain should then contact the Chairman of the Scholarship Committee at the Medical School.

R. Gregory Magruder, M.D., Chairman

REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR

Margaret B. Tichy

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- 216 – Sessford, Mabel Claire MacGregor, 5806 Greenlawn Drive, Bethesda, Md. 20014. Reinstated
- 840 – Waters, George A., 278 Westbridge Drive, Berea, Ohio. Reinstated.
- 895 – Magruder, Alan Willett, 304 N. 11th Street, Indianola, Iowa 50125: he the son of Willett C. Magruder, Clan No. 95. He was registered as a child.
- 1396 – Kurz, Claire Sessford (Mrs. Charles Kurz) 5806 Greenlawn Drive, Bethesda, Md. 20014. Reinstated.
- 1598 – Gregorie, Charles C., Post Office Box 33, Macon, Georgia 31202: he the son of Charles Colcock Jones Gregorie and Bertha Asmer Giddens; he the son of Charles Colcock Gregorie and Helen McIver Colcock; he the son of Dr. Thomas Hutson Gregorie and Martha Hetty Gillison; he the son of Alexander Frazier Gregorie and Esther Hutson; he the son of James Gregorie and Ann Ross. This James was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, 1740.
- 1599 – Morris, J. Wilson, 14 Third Street, N.E., Washington, D.C. 20002: he the son of George A. Morris, Jr., Clan No. 1597.
- 1600–1612 (See: 1970 Yearbook, p. 21)
- 1613–1617 (See: 1971 Yearbook, p. 25)
- 1618 – Gregg, Russell Boyd, 2001 Woodberry Street, W. Hyattsville, Md: he the brother of Frances Gregg Delahoyde, Clan No. 1212.
- 1619A – von Heisermann und von Hohenlohe, Julian, 1150 Fifth Ave., New York, N.Y. 10028: he the husband of Marion Blunt von Heisermann und von Hohenlohe, Clan No. 1474.
- 1620 – McGehee, William Neidlinger, Jr., 3115 N. Perry Street, Arlington, Va. 22207: he the son of William Neidlinger McGehee and Lucile Kimbrough; he the son of Jonn Boykin McGehee and Lucretia Lane; he the son of Edward Thomas McGehee and Clara Apperson Owen; he the son of Edward McGehee and Betsy Owen; he the son of Jacob McGehee and Sarah Collier; he the son of Edward MackGehee and Elizabeth deJarnette; he the son of Thomas MackGehee born James MacGregor in Scotland.
- 1621 – MacGregor, Peter B., 919 Old Farm Road, Charlottesville, Va. 22903: he the son of Douglas D. MacGregor, Clan No. 1437.

- 1622A — MacGregor, Carolyn H., 919 Old Farm Road, Charlottesville, Va. 22903: she the wife of Peter B. MacGregor, Clan No. 1621.
- 1623 — Livingstone, David Hugh, 2215 Mendota Drive, Richmond, Va. 23229: he the son of Blanche Harrison Livingstone, Clan No. 1496.
- 1624 — Ford, Janet Williams (Mrs. T. Latimer Ford), 1906 Ruxton Road, Baltimore, Md. 21204: she the daughter of William Gover Williams and Mary Louise Cecil; he the son of William Gover Williams and Matilda Dare Linthicum; he the son of Theodore Williams and Caroline Gover; he the son of Osborne Williams and Elizabeth Magruder; she the daughter of Jeremiah Magruder and Mary Tyler; he the son of James Magruder and Barbara Coombs; he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall; he the son of Alexander Magruder the immigrant.
- 1625 — Wheeler, Howard Raymond, 7718 Bardstown Road, Fern Creek, Kentucky 40291: he the son of Buford Minor Wheeler and Gertrude F. Riley; he the son of C.C. Wheeler and Sarah Ann Reasor; she the daughter of James Allen Reasor and Mary Corbin; he the son of Josiah Reasor and Elizabeth Allen; she the daughter of James Allen and Mary Marquiss; she the daughter of William Kidd Marquiss and Eleanor Magruder; she the daughter of John Magruder and Jane Offutt; John Magruder descendant of Alexander Magruder the immigrant.
- 1626 — Morris, George Alan, III, 126 Harbor View Lane, Largo, Florida 33540: he the son of George Alan Morris, Jr., Clan No. 1597.
- 1627 — Stratton, James David, 2165 Sharon Lane, Charlotte, N.C. 28211: he the son of James McGowan Stratton and Anna Aikman; she the daughter of John Aikman and Jeanie or Jane McGregor who was born in Glasgow, Scotland.
- 1628 — Heinowski, Nan Macgregor, 1630 W. 28th Street, Lorain, Ohio 44052: she the sister of R. James Macgregor, Clan No. 1462 and David H. Macgregor, Clan No. 1478.
- 1629 — Gardner, Nancy P. (Mrs. Malcolm Gardner), 1201 South Scott Street, #510, Arlington, Va. 22204: she the daughter of Henry Thompson Parrish and Nancy Armistead Clarke; she the daughter of James Edwin Clarke and Lucy Thomas McGehee; she the daughter of Thomas B. McGehee and Lucy Ann Armistead; he the son of James McGehee and Martha Atkinson; he the son of William McGehee and Miss Forrest; he the son of Jacob McGehee and Eleanor deJarnette; he the son of Thomas MackGehee born James MacGregor in Scotland.
- 1630A — Campbell, Thelma Welles, 1626 Queens Road, Charlotte, N.C. 28207: she the wife of Hon. Hugh B. Campbell, Clan No. 1604.
- 1631 — Ferneyhough, Henry Hutton, Deaver Road, Wyncote, Pa. 19095: he the son of Dr. Robert E. Ferneyhough, Clan No. 202.

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Stratford Hall
Birthplace of Robert E. Lee

Photo by Margery M. Richardson



Procession to the Memorial Service

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Memorial Service
St. James Episcopal Church, Montross, Va.

Photo by Betty Lecky

"HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 1971 GATHERING"

Celebrating
The Three Hundredth Year of the Anniversary of the Birth of
Rob Roy MacGregor
by Evelina Magruder

Wordsworth, upon visiting the grave of this famous highlander, wrote the following lines in a poem to his memory:

*"And, had it been thy lot to live
With us who now behold the light,
Thou would'st have nobly stirred thyself,
And battled for the right."*

Let us recall the highlights of our celebration of the birth of Rob Roy MacGregor, our renowned clansman, before they fade into the past.

On this third year of our return to the Sheraton Fredericksburg Motor Inn, our welcome was assured in large letters on their signboard, and we knew that we would enjoy the splendid cooperation of its staff throughout our stay.

A gala preface to the Gathering, at which friendships were enriched amid tables lavish with delicious food and stimulating drinks, was the cocktail party given by our new Chieftain, Robert James Macgregor and his wife, Sue, to council members and other clansfolk arriving before the regular program. The event increased the warm feeling of kinship which permeated the next few days.

And so to dour business. The council members convened the following morning to attend to clan affairs and to select the necessary items to be presented at the General Meeting.

This accomplished, everyone assembled for a trip by bus to "Stratford Hall", the well known birthplace of General Robert E. Lee. Upon arrival, we were fortified by a delectable plantation luncheon, before touring the house, surrounding gardens, outside kitchen, smokehouse, schoolhouse, lumber house, coach house-stable, and original law offices of Thomas Lee, the builder. This eighteenth century Georgian mansion is preserved in magnificent fashion and furnished with antiques typical of the period. It rises with commanding dignity overlooking the vast fields and woodlands surrounding it, with age-old trees watching over the gardens. The outside kitchen is equipped with an unusual assortment of interesting and appropriate wares of all kinds, and given a touch of reality by the addition of the proper dried foods and flowers. The Robert E. Lee Memorial Foundation has provided cabins, tucked in the woods adjoining the grounds, for the use of its state directors during the annual business meetings. It was inspiring to sense, even for a short while, the gracious living of the period displayed by this old family estate.

We continued on a few miles to St. James Episcopal Church, at Montross, Virginia, where Rev. H. M. Richardson, a clan member, in the absence of our beloved Chaplain, Rev. Daniel Randall Magruder, conducted most impressively the customary memorial services honoring our members who have departed during the past year. As the names were called our chieftain's wife, Sue Macgregor, placed a white carnation in the beautiful wreath of pine and ilex leaves, made by her. Afterwards, the wreath was placed on the grave of John

Washington Harvey, of direct lineage from Scotland, who was buried in the cemetery, while our piper, Bill Stokoe, paced slowly back and forth, piping "Flowers of the Forest".

Back at our Inn, after a rest and dinner, we were entertained by the breathtaking escapades of Rob Roy in Walt Disney's film story of his life, "The Highland Rogue". No wonder he captured the imagination of writers, poets and film producers as the most renowned highlander of them all. Through foaming torrents, over lofty crags, enveloped in highland mists, we followed him as he fought to bring justice to his clan. After the movie, Frank McGregor took charge of the Ceilidh and brought out the talents and humor of individual members. Later, we lingered with great interest, over a group of artifacts, relevant to our clan history, which, thoughtfully, had been assembled by our chieftain and his wife. As we adjourned, we noticed that our invincible clansmen and clanswomen experienced in Scottish country dancing were assembling prior to swinging into action.

At the General Meeting the next morning, several relics for our archives were presented to our Society. One was an original post card, decorated with a red St. Andrew's cross bearing a summons to the first Gathering in 1909 at the National Hotel in Washington, D.C. The other was a stone brought from Glengyle in Scotland by our present chieftain and bearing a plaque denoting its history. When the business, which is recorded by the secretary and published elsewhere in this Year Book, was completed, we settled to enjoy a tour of the MacGregor country in Scotland, as presented in color slides taken by our chieftain's wife. With pictures, beautiful in composition and coloring, they guided us over the extent of the original MacGregor holdings, as far west as Glen Strae, through the intervening territory, north to Glen Lyon, south along Loch Lomond, and east to the last shrinkage of their possessions around Lochearnhead. Thus we were given a knowledge of the physical setting in which Rob Roy led his colorful life. As this delightful entertainment ended, we gathered in the Fredericksburg Room to enjoy a buffet luncheon of varied and plentiful delicacies, while soft strains floated on the air from an Autoharp skillfully played by Ellen Slaughter.

The activities of the afternoon were left to our choice. One group gathered in the chieftain's suite to assemble decorations, designed by Sue Macgregor, for the Annual Banquet.

The final celebrations began as we gathered Saturday evening at the reception, prior to the banquet. We were received by our Chieftain, in full dress MacGregor attire, and his wife in a charming silk gown of the Rob Roy tartan. As always, the flash of tartans in kilts and sashes bedecked the splendour of the evening. The "mountain dew", which flowed so generously, heightened our enthusiastic conversation to such an extent that it was difficult to heed the skirl of the bagpipes beckoning us to the banquet hall. There, the tartan of Rob Roy MacGregor held precedence over all. It swung from the center of the head table. Individual tables were adorned with decorations proclaiming "Rob Roy, the Warrior"; these consisted of miniature targes, back to back, supporting a red and black checked swatch of Rob Roy tartan, flanked at sides and base with sprays of pine and heather. Individual printed programs were embellished with significant emblems of our clan. All members assembled, a quartet of pipers and drummer escorted the officers and honored guests to the head table. This distinguished group was led by our Chieftain and his wife.

At this point, let us emphasize the magnificent gift that fate has bestowed upon our Society, in the acceptance of its chieftaincy by Robert James Macgregor, with the responsibilities of this office shared by his charming and talented wife, Sue Macgregor. For years, this couple has worked diligently to develop our clanship, spurred by an insatiable interest in history and heritage. For this Gathering, they planned every phase with intricate and appropriate details for the accomplishment of a celebration representative of its theme. When we were presented with handsome prints of Rob Roy Macgregor, hand-tinted by Sue Macgregor, we were particularly touched and appreciative.

We deeply regretted the absence of our Chaplain, the Rev. Daniel Randall Magruder, who, for so many years has opened this occasion with a blessing. In his stead, Dr. William C. Stokoe, Jr., graciously expressed our thankfulness. When the haggis and scotch were brought in, again our Chaplain's well-known figure was missed. However, Burns' "Address to a Haggis" was ably delivered by a friend of the Society, Mr. Roderick L. Murray. We were fortunate to have a native Scot who had mastered the intricacy of this ode, and performed the ceremony in a spirited and impressive manner. We then sampled a taste of the haggis, personally made by Sue Macgregor, and found it a delicious appetizer, to precede the well-planned and enjoyable "MacGregor's Dinner".

<p>Cockie Leekie Soup Haggis Angus Roast Beef with Neeps and Tatties Served with American Salad, rolls & coffee Scottish Trifle</p>

During the evening cables from Scotland were read, bringing best wishes from Edith and Harry Blunt, and also from our Chief, Sir Gregor and Lady MacGregor.

An impressive event was the role call of the Houses and Septs of Clan Gregor, whose representatives stood as their names were read. Also, guests representing other clans were requested to rise and present themselves.

The speech of the evening, "A Memorial to Rob Roy", was written by James M. Keir. (See p. 27) Due to illness, the Keirs were unable to attend this Gathering and the memorial was delivered with feeling by his close friend, Arthur S. Lecky.

We were again beguiled by the lilting tones of Karen Macgregor, our chieftain's daughter, as she sang "Braes of Balquidder" to her own accompaniment on the guitar. Then the Pipe Band led by Greg O'Brien, Pipe Major, strode into action and one of the selections was "The Young MacGregor", a tune written in honor of the 21st birthday of the Chief, Sir Gregor, by one of the foremost pipers of Scotland. Towards the close of the evening, Scottish songs were feelingly rendered by Mr. David Long. Especially was our blood fired by "MacGregor's Gathering" and when he ended with "MacGregor despite them, shall flourish forever", all the kilted MacGregors rose, placed one foot on the table and raising one arm aloft, shouted lustily (See photo).

Clasping hands and swaying to the rhythm of "Auld Lang Syne", we sang to the piano accompaniment of Mrs. Thomas G. Ferris and thus voiced our farewell to our sixty-second Gathering.



An old painting of a Highland Toast

A TRIBUTE TO ROB ROY MC GREGOR

by James M. Keir

Worthy Chieftain, fellow Clansmen, and Guests:

I feel it to be a great honor to have the privilege of addressing you on the subject of a tribute to Rob Roy McGregor. It is doubtful if there is a clansman in all the turbulent history of Scotland who has attracted so much attention, both from the point of view of his many exploits, as well as his protection and guidance given to so many of his persecuted fellow clansmen.

Rob was born March 7, 1671 in the ancient house of Glengyle, at the western end of Loch Katrine. He was in the direct line of the chieftain of the sept known as the Dugald Ciar. It is not clearly known how the founder, Dugald Ciar Mohr acquired his property, but apparently he was recognized as the rightful owner. (The word C-i-a-r signifies gray or dark features and should not be confused with the word C-a-e-r, which means a fortress and gives rise to the family name of Ker or Kerr.)

He was the younger son of Lt. Col. Donald McGregor, chieftain of Glengyle, fifth in descent from Dugald Ciar. In later years Rob became the tutor of his nephew, Gregor McGregor, called Glune Dhu which means "black knee", this name resulting from a black spot on his knee. This Gregor later became chieftain of Glengyle.

Rob grew up to manhood under the bitterest conditions of persecution and repression. The name McGregor was completely proscribed and death was the punishment for anyone bearing the name. Also, the landed nobility had been commissioned to hunt down with fire and sword "the thieving McGregors who had so long been engaged in violent acts of bloodshed and raping." The truth of the matter was that the Dukes of Athole and Montrose and others of the chiefs of the powerful and numerous clans incited the McGregors to commit acts of vengeance on the enemies of the former, and offered the McGregors the booty thus made available as their reward. Further provocation was given the McGregors by failure to legally record and describe the extent of their lands. However, the powerful chiefs who frequented the court recorded their own lands and included therein the McGregor properties. The poor McGregors only knew to hold their lands by "coire a glaive" (right of the sword). It was under these extreme conditions that Rob grew to manhood. He was a physically powerful man, very broad and heavy of shoulders, muscular of arms and legs. An outstanding feature of his manly build was the unusual length of his arms. It has been reported that he could stand up straight and tie the garters on his stockings below the knee. Such a length of arm must have done him a wonderful service when engaged in a sword fight in the later precarious years of his life. He had a heavy shock of crispy red hair which earned him the name "Roy", meaning "Red".

In the early years of his manhood he, like many of the Highlanders of that period, was engaged in many forays against the enemies of his clan, and even bringing back home much booty in the form of cattle and goods. However, there has never been one mention, even by his enemies, of any act of cruelty, unjustified bloodshed, treachery or cowardice. Indeed, there are numerous instances where he went out of his way to protect and help the poor and oppressed.

About this time he gained the friendship of the Duke of Argyle, the chief of the powerful Campbell clan. Probably he was inclined in this direction on account of his mother being a Campbell. He adopted the name Robert Campbell in order to comply with the law which forbade the use of the McGregor name. The fact that this friendship arose was an indication that the Duke regarded him as a trustworthy person. During his life he had always been used to raising and selling cattle and this led him into the business of collecting and driving them south into the English markets. This business at first prospered and with the profits he did much to help many of his less fortunate clansmen. Many stories are in existence which give an insight into this side of his character. One of these is his annual gift of a fat cow and a sheep to the impoverished minister of his parish.

However, all good things come to an end. One season, after driving a large herd down to England, the prices dropped out of the market and the money he received was insufficient to repay the Duke of Montrose for the animals Rob took away with him. In addition, his partner absconded with most of the money that was left. When Rob returned to Scotland with no money he was made aware of the warrant that had been issued for his arrest on the charge of embezzlement. From this time on he was a hunted man. He had trustworthy members of his clan and an incomparable knowledge of all the glens and caves where he could find refuge and as a consequence he always baffled his pursuers. In fact, the situation changed and Rob became the aggressor. He was completely insuppressible. On one occasion he was surrounded and made prisoner and was being taken away for summary trial and execution. He was riding on horseback strapped to a man whose life he had saved on some previous occasion. Rob whispered in the man's ear to consider that he could now repay the debt that he owed to Rob. As a result the man loosed the belt and allowed Rob to slip from the back of the horse while fording the river Forth. Rob swam under water in the darkness of night and regained the shore. He made good his escape by knowing all the countryside so well and he knew where he could receive the support of his fellow McGregors. This is a well known exploit of his and often referred to.

Another well known exploit was his adventure with Graham, who was the collector of rents for the Marquis of Montrose. Graham met all the tenants at a pre-arranged Inn where they came to make their payments over a two day period. Toward the end of the first day Rob, with a group of McGregors, surrounded the Inn and made Graham a prisoner. Rob took all his rent money and record book and next day he continued to collect the rent money for which he issued valid receipts. He then sent a financial statement to the Duke in which he credited those rent payments he had received toward the losses Rob had suffered at the hands of the Duke and the losses his wife Helen Mary had sustained when she had been evicted from her home which had been set on fire.

Eventually pardoned, Rob survived many vicissitudes and gradually declined into a relatively quiet life in his later years. However, he established the practice of levying blackmail for the protection of animals and property from thieves and robbers. Some writers have hinted that Rob stole cattle if the owners did not contribute to his levy but no clear cut cases have been presented. It was always considered as rendering a public service to blacken the character of the McGregors.

As the years rolled on the harsh laws against the clan Gregor slowly were relaxed and Rob continued to live quietly in his house at Balquhiddy, and as his end was nearing he requested that his piper should play the old Celtic tune "We Return No More". He had passed on before the piper finished. His body was interred in the old churchyard of Balquhiddy in 1734.

He was greatly lamented among all those ordinary folks of his countryside, particularly the poor and weak and lonely, to whom he had put forth a kindly and helping hand in times of stress and adversity.

I feel sure that if Rob Roy were alive today he would be highly regarded as a gentleman and a great social leader in whom the electorate had complete confidence. Unfortunately, his multitudinous traducers and detractors have done their dirty work. I should feel greatly gratified today if what I have said will deal a resounding blow at the forces of evil trying to blacken the character of Rob and his fellow countrymen.



Rob Roy's Grave with the
newly installed railing.

Photo by Harry W. Blunt.

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There were reported, between the 1970 Gathering and the 1971 Gathering, 3 births, 5 marriages, 11 deaths of Clan members, and 2 deaths of relatives of Clan members. Since the 1971 Gathering, news has reached us of 2 additional marriages and 2 additional deaths of members. All are included here.

BIRTHS

deWilde, Holland, born January 11, 1971, daughter of Sally Boyd (Stockdale) and David M. deWilde; granddaughter of Mrs. Lee E. Beaird (Clan No. 1022).

Lermond, Andrew Clive McAllister, born June 23, 1971, son of Nereda Ruth (Sandy) and William L. Lermond; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Blunt (Clan Nos. 1257 and 1339-A).

Weakley, Amy Louise, born June 17, 1970, daughter of Sharon Ann (Stabler) and Gary Ellis Weakley; great-granddaughter of the late Mrs. Margaret Magruder Muncaster (Clan No. 585 LM).



Andrew C.M. Lermond

MARRIAGES

Barrack — Branson

On December 4, 1971, Miss Betty Anne Barrack and Joseph Holmes Branson III (Clan No. 1521) were married in a candlelight service in the old Lebanon Baptist Church, Alfonso, Virginia. The reception following was held at the Windmill Point Yacht Club.

Eaton — Jones

The marriage of Miss Calley Neil Eaton to Dr. Alfred Leonard Jones was solemnized on April 10, 1971, at St. James Episcopal Church in Port Gibson, Mississippi. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Fannie Magruder Eaton (Clan No. 576) and the late Edgar D. Eaton. She made her debut with the Delta Debutante Club in Greenville, Mississippi, and following her graduation from Randolph Macon Woman's College in Virginia worked as a research chemist with Merck, Sharp and Dohne Research Laboratories in Rahway, N.J. Dr. Jones is director of Mental Health Consultation Center and is also in the private practice of psychoanalysis in New York City where they will reside. A reception was held at 'Idlewild', the home of the bride's mother, in Port Gibson.

McCaa — Flowers

The marriage of Miss Ruth Magruder McCaa, daughter of Mrs. Clyde Nelson, Jr. and the late Percy Malcolm McCaa, took place in Livingston, Alabama, on March 27, 1971. Miss McCaa is a granddaughter of Mrs. Fannie Magruder Eaton of Idlewild, Port Gibson, Mississippi (Clan No. 576) and the late Edgar D. Eaton.

Mc Caa — Mc Daniel

Miss Nancy Ann McCaa and Quitman H. McDaniel, III, pledged their wedding vows at St. James Episcopal Church in Port Gibson, Mississippi, on August 7, 1971. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Clyde Nelson, Jr. and the late Percy Malcolm McCaa and the granddaughter of Mrs. Fannie Magruder Eaton (Clan No. 576). Miss McCaa attended Randolph Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, Va., and is now a student in the College of Environmental Design at Louisiana State University where she is a member of Alpha Lambda Delta, honorary scholastic fraternity; Scotchguard, ROTC auxiliary; and Delta Gamma Sorority. She is also a President's List scholar. The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Quitman H. McDaniel, Jr., of Pascagoula, Mississippi. He attended Hinds Junior College and Mississippi State University where he was affiliated with Kappa Alpha Fraternity. The couple will be at home at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge.

MARRIAGES

MacGregor — Wheelright

On July 3, 1971, Susan Clark MacGregor, daughter of Presidential Assistant and Mrs. Clark MacGregor of Minnesota and Washington, D. C., was married to Joseph Storer Wheelwright, son of Dr. and Mrs. Henry J. Wheelwright of Lenox, Massachusetts. The bride is a graduate of Vassar College. The groom was graduated from Yale University. They composed their own wedding ceremony and exchanged their own vows. The marriage was performed by Bishop John Walker of the Washington Cathedral. The wedding was held in the garden of the home of the bride's parents. As the ceremony ended there was a burst of sound from bagpipes playing "Scotland the Brave." The couple plans to reside in East Thetford, Vermont. The father of the bride is Clan No. 1413.

Stabler — Weakley

Miss Sharon Ann Stabler and Mr. Gary Ellis Weakley were married on December 13, 1969. The bride is the granddaughter of the late Mrs. Margaret Magruder Muncaster Stabler (Clan No. 585 L.M.).

Mills — Maslak

The marriage of Miss Margaret Anne Mills, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Duncan Mills of Richmond, Virginia (Clan Nos. 1366-A and 1365), to Richard Burton Maslak of Elizabeth City, North Carolina, took place on December 19, 1970 in the Corinth Methodist Church in Richmond. The groom is the son of Mrs. Wesson Paul Mottola of Santa Fe, New Mexico. Out of town guests included the groom's grandmother, Mrs. Charles Burton Twiford of Elizabeth City, North Carolina, and the bride's grandfather, Dr. James Leroy Mills of Norfolk, Virginia. Mr. and Mrs. Maslak are making their home in Richmond.

AN OLD GAELIC BLESSING

May the roads rise to meet you
And the wind be always at your back;
And may the Lord hold you
In the hollow of his hand.



Mrs. Richard Burton Maslak

DEATHS OF MEMBERS

Cook, Mrs. Edward Henry, Clan No. 399, on January 4, 1971. (See p. 38)
Ferneyhough, Dr. Robert E., Clan No. 202, on February 6, 1971. (See p. 39)
Heim, Mrs. Evelyn Gregory, Clan No. 1308, on August 3, 1971.
Henderson, Sister M. Philippa, Clan No. 874 L.M., on June 29, 1971. (See p. 44)
Holmes, Forrest S., Clan No. 932-A L.M., on November 6, 1971. (See p. 40)
Miller, Charles Francis, Clan No. 1150, on February 7, 1971. (See p. 44)
MacGregor, A.S., Clan No. 1557, on September 23, 1970.
MaGruder, Charles F., Clan No. 1255, on October 29, 1971. (See p. 41)
Magruder, Miss Roasalie S., Clan No. 105, on February 22, 1971.
Morris, George A., Jr., Clan No. 1597, on February 12, 1971. (See p. 42)
Pendleton, Miss Gertrude O., Clan No. 444, on October 3, 1970.
Prettyman, The Hon. E. Barrett, Clan No. 1352, on August 4, 1971. (See p. 43)
Stabler, Mrs. Robert R., Clan No. 585 L.M., on March 16, 1971. (See p. 44)

DEATHS OF RELATIVES OF MEMBERS

Graves, Mrs. Florence Killam, of Seattle, Washington, on September 9, 1968.
She was a sister of Lloyd R. M. Killam, Clan No. 803, and is survived by one daughter and two sons.

Pritchette, Clyde Estes, the father of Mrs. Arthur S. Lecky (Clan No. 1565-A), died on January 22, 1971, at the age of 89 years.

MEMORIALS

Mary Emma Magruder Cook

Mrs. Edward Henry Cook died in Dunn Loring, Virginia, on January 4, 1971. Nee Mary Emma Magruder, she was born on March 17, 1881, at Woodstock, Virginia, the daughter of Henry Clay Magruder and his wife, Roberta Campbell Magruder. Mary Emma Magruder graduated from Farmville Normal School (now Longwood College), Farmville, Virginia. She devoted much of her life to the teaching profession. At an early age she became a member of the Presbyterian Church.

In 1903 she moved with her family to Prairie Grove, Arkansas, and taught for several years in the Public shcools of Newata, Indian Territory, now the state of Oklahoma. On June 30, 1920, she married Edward Henry Cook. Her husband died in 1940. Mrs. Cook was principal of the elementary schools of Prairie Grove, Arkansas, for twenty years, retiring at the age of 70 years. She became blind several years before her death, but retained a lively interest in current events, family and friends. She is survived by her daughter, Mrs. Paul C. Lawrence (the former Jane Campbell Cook), and her son Edward Magruder Cook, a Lt. Col. of the Army Corps of Engineer Reserves, three step-daughters, nine grandchildren, and a sister, Mrs. Claiborne R. Mobley, the former Margery Magruder. Mrs. Cook was buried at Prairie Grove, Arkansas, by the side of her late husband.



Robert E. Ferneyhough

Doctor Robert E. Ferneyhough, a member of the American Clan Gregor Society for 62 years, died on February 6, 1971, at Staunton, Virginia, after a heart attack. He was buried in Warrenton where he had resided.

Robert E. Ferneyhough was born at Sligo, an estate owned by his greatgrandfather in Fredericksburg, Virginia. He was a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and the United States College of Veterinary Surgeons in Washington.

Dr. Ferneyhough was a practicing veterinarian from 1908 until he retired last year. For many years, beginning in 1909, he was a veterinarian for the Southern Railway. During WW II he was an officer. He pioneered in using portable X-rays and frequently loaned his equipment to Warrenton area hospitals until they acquired their own. He was appointed by three Virginia governors as a member of the State Board of Veterinarian Examiners. Dr. Ferneyhough was a member of the Virginia Academy of Sciences, the United Hunts Racing Association, Black Horse Camp of Sons of Confederate Veterans, American Legion, Rotary, Warrenton Hunt, and was named the first Life Member of the Virginia Gold Cup Association.

Surviving are his wife, the former Katherine Gray; a daughter, Mrs. Mae Wagner; a son, Henry H; two grandchildren, and one great-grandchild.



Forrest S. Holmes

Forrest S. Holmes, retired former Seed Analyst for the State of Maryland and former head of the State Seed Test Laboratory, died suddenly on November 6, 1971 at his home in College Heights Estates, Maryland.

Born in Pulaski County, Virginia, in 1884, Mr. Holmes graduated in 1907 from the Virginia Polytechnic Institute and obtained his masters degree from that college in 1912. He later did graduate work at Johns Hopkins University before service in France in WW I as a Lieutenant of Field Artillery.

In 1912 he moved to College Park, Maryland, to take charge of stone fruit investigations for the Maryland Agricultural Experiment Station. He later became State Seed Analyst, and was elected secretary and then president of the Official Seed Analysts of North America, a branch of the American Association for the Advancement of Science. He represented the United States at the International Conferences of Seed Analysts at the Hague in 1931 and at Stockholm in 1934. He retired at the end of 1954.

Mr. Holmes took an active part in civic affairs in Prince Georges County, Maryland. He helped organize the College Park Volunteer Fire Department and subsequently served as treasurer and trustee of that organization. He participated in activities leading to the incorporation of the City of College Park in 1945, and served as Supervisor of Elections there from 1950 to 1965. In addition he had been secretary of the Prince Georges County Historical Society and Assistant to the Chieftain of the American Clan Gregor Society.

Mr. Holmes is survived by his wife, the former Miriam N. McDonnell, two children, Margaret H. Kelley of University Park, and Forrest S. Holmes, Jr., of College Heights Estates, and two grandchildren. Interment was in a family burial plot at Claytor Lake in Pulaski County, Virginia.

Charles F. MaGruder



Charles F. MaGruder was born on October 26, 1911, in Washington, D.C., and passed away on October 29, 1971, in Miami, Fla. while visiting his son. He was the son of Fred F. Magruder (Clan No. 1245).

Charles F. MaGruder worked for the U.S. Government Printing Office from 1928 until his retirement in 1968. He was a member of Typographical Union No. 101 and of the Government Printing Office Alumni Association. For 22 years he made his home in Mitchellville, Md., and was a member of the Mount Oak United Methodist Church where he held the position of financial secretary for several years. He had also been active in 4-H and local school activities. He is survived by his wife, Julia Peak MaGruder (Clan No. 1256-A), a daughter Colleen MaGruder Pierson, a son Donald Lewis MaGruder, and four grandsons, Terry Lee Pierson, Thomas Lee Pierson, Michael Lewis MaGruder, and William Charles MaGruder.



George A. Morris, Jr.

George A. Morris, Jr., member of a distinguished newspaper family, died on February 12, 1971, while vacationing in Central America. Apparently, he suffered a heart attack while swimming off Roatan Island, Honduras.

Mr. Morris was owner of the Morris Publishing Company of Sheffield, Ala., and publisher of the Standard and Times of Sheffield and of the Tishomingo County News of Iuka, Mississippi. His father, George A. Morris, Sr., was editor of the Evening Appeal and later assistant publisher of the Commercial Appeal, both in Memphis.

A native of Jackson, Tenn., George A. Morris, Jr., attended the University of the South at Sewanee, Tenn., and the University of Heidelberg, Germany. He was a veteran of WW II, and a Lt. Commander in the Naval Reserve. He had been active as a Scoutmaster and was a deacon of the First Presbyterian Church. Just before his death he had been elected president of Sheffield Rotary Club, but never learned of his election.

He is survived by his wife, Carolyn Hogue Morris of Sheffield, and two sons, Dr. George A Morris, III, of Clearwater, Fla., and J. Wilson Morris, assistant city editor of the Washington Daily News, and by his mother, Mrs. John Ozier of Sommerville, Tenn.



E. Barrett Prettyman

The Honorable E. Barrett Prettyman, Senior Judge of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia, a prominent figure in Washington judicial affairs for more than 35 years, died on August 4, 1971. Judge Prettyman was the first Washington lawyer to become the Court of Appeals' Chief Judge.

E. Barrett Prettyman was born in Lexington, Virginia, on August 23, 1891, the son of Forrest Johnston Prettyman, Chaplain of the Senate during the Presidency of Woodrow Wilson, and his wife, Elizabeth Rebecca Stonestreet Prettyman. Mr. Prettyman earned a law degree at Georgetown University, after obtaining the BA and MA degrees from Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, Va. He had been a public school teacher and principal before earning his law degree, and served in WW I as a Captain of Infantry. From 1929 to 1932 he was president of the weekly Montgomery Independent in Montgomery County, Md. Following a period of law practice, he became Special and then General Counsel for the old Bureau of Investigation before becoming Corporation Counsel in Washington from 1934 to 1936. In 1935, he had joined the faculty of the Georgetown University School of Law. He returned to private practice from 1936 until 1945, when he was nominated for the Court of Appeals by President Truman. He became Chief Judge of this Court in 1958.

Judge Prettyman served on over 12 judicial and Presidential committees, usually as Chairman. He was a leader in calling a special institute to draw up uniform standards for sentencing of criminals, and under his leadership the District Legal Aid Agency was formed to provide free counsel for those too poor to retain lawyers. The Honorary LLD was awarded to him by the Georgetown University Law School in 1946 and by Randolph-Macon College in 1961. He was a Trustee of Randolph-Macon College, American University, The Institute of Municipal Law Officers, and Group Hospitalization and a Director of Goodwill Industries. He had been the president of the Washington Board of Trade and of the Bar Association of D.C. He was the Chancellor of the American Clan Gregor Society from 1964-1971.

He is survived by his wife, the former Lucy Courtney Hill of Baltimore; two children, Courtney (Mrs. George A. Paddock, Jr.), and E. Barrett Prettyman, Jr.; two grandchildren; a brother, Charles Wesley Prettyman; and two sisters, Mrs. Leon Jourlmon of Portland, Oreg., and Mrs. Luther W. White, II, of Alexandria, Va. He was buried in Rockville.

MEMORIALS

Sister M. Philippa Henderson

Sister M. Philippa Henderson, Life Member of the Clan, passed away on June 29, 1971, after an extended illness at the Loretto Motherhouse, Nerinx, Kentucky. She had been a member of the Sisters of Loretto for over sixty years. She was a native of Bullitt County, Ky., and descended from a distinguished line of ancestors. A sister of Guy Russell Henderson, former State Deputy Chieftain for Kentucky of the American Clan Gregor Society, she was always intensely interested in the Society and its activities.

Sister M. Philippa taught in schools of the Sisters of Loretto for many years and at one time was principal of St. Benedict School, Louisville, Ky. After her retirement from teaching, she was in charge of the Museum at Loretto Motherhouse, Nerinx, Kentucky. She liked people, made friends easily, and kept in touch with a wide circle of friends and former students until the time of her death. She is survived by her niece Miss Ailene H. Maraman, Clan No. 1571, a sister, Mrs. Bess H. Maraman of Louisville, Ky., and a brother, Robert Henderson of St. Petersburg, Fla.

Charles Francis Miller

Charles Francis Miller was born December 11, 1888, in Bethesda, Maryland. He was the son of the late Julian Hite Miller and his wife, Anna L. Offutt Miller.

Mr. Miller died February 7, 1971, at Charlottesville, Virginia. His wife, Laura Pagan Miller, survives him.

Margaret Magruder Muncaster Stabler

Mrs. Robert R. Stabler, Sr., the former Margaret Magruder Muncaster, a Life Member of the Clan, died on March 16, 1971. Her residence had been on Bentley Road, Sandy Spring, Md.

She is survived by one daughter and two sons, Mrs. Wilhelmina Ubel, Robert R. Stabler, Jr., and John E. Stabler; nine grandchildren; one great grandchild; two sisters, Mrs. Jessie Richardson and Miss Emma Muncaster; two brothers, John E. Muncaster, Jr., and William T. Muncaster.

Mrs. Stabler was buried in the Friends Cemetery, Sandy Spring, Md.

A REPORT ON THE 16th ANNUAL
GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN GAMES
Linville, N.C., July 10 and 11, 1971

The 1971 Grandfather games were well attended by members of the Clan. Many who followed the MacGregor tartan in the parade were not members of the Society, but we hope that they will be by next year.

The Society tent was beautifully managed by Betty and Arthur Lecky and was truly a "hospitality tent" for all MacGregors and their friends.

The MacGregor trophy for the "Tossing of the Sheaf" was won again this year by Ronald Short from Hope Mills, N.C.

The weekend finished again with a lovely party at the home of John and Alice Williams on Grandfather Lake.

If you have not been to the Games, put it on your calendar for 1972 and make your overnight reservations well ahead of time.

American Clan Gregor Society Members Attending The Games
Including husbands, wives, and children
(listed in order of registration)

Mr. and Mrs. R. James Macgregor
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur S. Lecky
Mr. and Mrs. Rob Roy MacGregor
Mari-Anne MacGregor
Ian H. MacGregor
Roberta Kay MacGregor
Gylla Ann MacGregor
James W. MacGregor
Miss Mary Ewell Hundley
Mrs. Josiah Hundley
Mrs. Henry W. Samford
Mr. and Mrs. Julian von Heisermann
Mr. and Mrs. Harry W. Blunt
Mr. and Mrs. William McGregor
Sandy McGregor
Ann McGregor
Hon. and Mrs. Hugh B. Campbell
Mr. and Mrs. James M. Keir

Dr. and Mrs. Donald C. McCollum
Mr. and Mrs. John P. McAdams
Dr. and Mrs Robert B. Murdock
Miss Kathleen Murdock
Capt. and Mrs. Loren F. Cole
Susanne Marshall Cole
Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Fuller
Rev. and Mrs. H.M. Richardson
Col. John M. MacGregor
Dr. and Mrs. Christopher H. Magruder
Jim Magruder
Chris Magruder
Tom Magruder
Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred J. Gregson
Mr. R. Alan Temple
Mr. and Mrs. John Horter Williams
Mr. Burch I. Williams
Mr. Kent L. MacGregor

THE GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES
FOR 1972

will be held on JULY 8 and 9

at
Linville, North Carolina



L. to R.: The Chieftain and the Assistant Chieftain, R. James Macgregor and Harry W. Blunt.



Our Chieftain holding the Clan Gregor Society Trophy, a silver quaich

Photos by
Dr. Malcolm A. Ferguson

A MACGREGOR BENEFACTION

by John P. McAdams, Clan Librarian

One January day, while passing through Derry, New Hampshire on my way to ski at Franconia Notch, I was surprised to notice MacGregor Park and the Derry Library building donated by one Henry F. MacGregor. In my usual hurry to get to my destination, I did not stop and it was not until a year and a half later on my way to the Blunts at New London, New Hampshire, that I made my first visit to the library building. The sun shown through a beautiful stained glass window at the rear depicting a full achievement of the MacGregor arms and supporters. In side panels were pairs of claymores crossed under shields, also in dazzling color. The library had thousands of books, a fine reading room and a for-sale table. After purchasing several old Navy books for 10¢ each, I met Assistant Librarian Marjorie F. Stearns and inquired about the MacGregor who made this utopia of libraries possible. Mrs. Stearns found old news clippings from The Derry News from which the following events were extracted:

A Rare Offer (2 July 1926)

A wonderfully generous offer has been made to the town of Derry, by Mrs. Elizabeth S. MacGregor, widow of Henry F. MacGregor of Houston, Texas. Following her husband's expressed wishes and desires, she, as one of the executors, purchased the old Boyd Estate on East Broadway and will present it to the town as a gift, if the town will accept it. She and the other executors propose to improve the premises by making a modern library building of the house and making the lawns over into a handsome park.

Special Town Meeting (6 July 1926)

Over 300 legal voters attended a special meeting at Adams Memorial Hall to accept the 30,000-volume library and park. The moderator read the warrant and called upon Attorney B. T. Bartlett to explain to the meeting the plans suggested by the donors of the gift. The plan was to lay out and maintain a public park, to build a library building and to provide a sum of money to maintain the library. At this point Frank McGregor moved to accept the gift, the motion was passed and Mrs. Elizabeth MacGregor was given a rising vote of thanks. All in all, the meeting had taken only about 15 minutes.

Corner Stone Laid (16 October 1926)

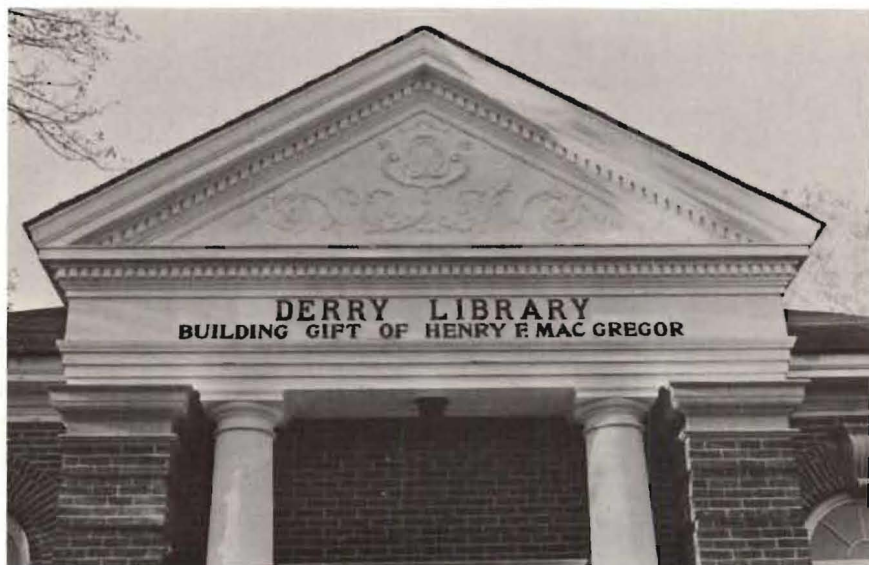
The corner stone of the new MacGregor library building was placed in position on Saturday afternoon. The trustees of the MacGregor Benefaction had invited the Grand Masonic Lodge of New Hampshire to lay the corner stone. After remarks from Mrs. Elizabeth MacGregor, Librarian Miss Elsie Gaskin, and the rendering of the selection "Our New Hampshire," the Masonic body came forward to officially lay the corner stone. The stone contained a steel box in which were placed extracts from dictations taken from Mr. MacGregor relating to the benefaction. Also placed in the box was information about the early pioneer of Derry, James MacGregor, for whom the park was named "Pioneer Park", and the wording planned for a bronze plaque.

MacGregor Building for Derry Public Library Dedicated (14 January 1927)

Friday evening the new MacGregor library building for the future home of the Derry Public Library was formally dedicated with impressive and interesting exercises. The weather was so unpleasant and disagreeable that only 200 dedi-



Derry Library Building
(the MacGregor Benefaction)



Detail of Library Pediment

Photos by
Conrad Quimby,
The Derry News



Stained glass Windows in Library at Derry, N.H.



The MacGregor Memorial Plaque

Photos by
Conrad Quimby,
The Derry News

cated souls could travel through the heavy snow to the new building. Architect George G. Adams of Lawrence was present as was the contractor for the building, Mr. W. S. Rainford of Manchester. These men and their able assistants did excellent work and Mrs. MacGregor and the associate trustees were abundantly satisfied with their job. Mrs. MacGregor told of the life and life work of Mr. MacGregor and of his connection with the newspapers and railroads at Houston, Texas. He had already given that southern city a large park and wanted to do something for Derry, the site of his early childhood. Mrs. MacGregor presented the keys to Selectman John A. Taylor in turning over the building and park to the Derry township.

Henry Frederick MacGregor was born in Londonderry (an adjacent township to Derry), New Hampshire, the fourth son of Lewis A. and Augusta Blodgett MacGregor, who were descended from the early settlers in the area. As a boy he loved to play on a huge rock in Londonderry. This rock has now been moved to Derry and is situated in Pioneer Park. He went to Texas at the age of eighteen and, without funds and among strangers, by dint of his determined effort worked himself through clerkships to an outstanding position in the community where he was everywhere respected for his ability and fair dealing. He was a leader in the business and social life of the city of Houston and was involved in the political life of the state and nation. MacGregor was described in *The Derry News* for his typical family traits as a "worthy son, imbued with the spirit of the pioneer settlers of Derry in whom was mental and moral strength, rigid honesty, dependability and unswerving devotion to responsibility." An outstanding feature of the library room is the large portrait of Henry MacGregor painted in oil by Mrs. MacGregor.

Today the MacGregor Benefaction is in constant use. Aside from the library building, the Derry War Memorial stands in Pioneer Park and The MacGregor Park bandstand is the site of many concerts. The 1971 season included two concerts by the 39th Army Reserve Band and an un-named rock band. The Park has been the site of art shows, religious services, and other civic events. The library building is used for meetings by the Derry Womans Club and the Barber Shoppers harmonize there every Monday evening.

The MacGregors have their own Clan and gathering in New Hampshire. Mrs. Lillian MacGregor Cote left two pictures at the library which I have not yet seen of the last MacGregor Clan meeting which was held at Beaver Lake in 1971. She indicated that these meetings are nothing more than family gatherings or picnics for local MacGregors.

There are other MacGregor points of interest in the area such as a road in Londonderry known as The MacGregor Pass, the MacGregor melodeon, a gift to the Daughters of the American Revolution, and a MacGregor stained glass window in the First Parish Church of East Derry.

When the North Wind blows and the home fires roar, I'll feel the white slopes of New Hampshire calling, and in passing through Derry, I'll be stopping again for a visit to MacGregor Library.

All Clan members are invited to visit the MacGregor Building in Pioneer Park on their next trip to New Hampshire and to meet the Librarians.

(Editor's Note: See pages 67-68 for genealogical data on this New Hampshire MacGregor family.)

EISENHOWER OF CULZEAN (Scotland of Course)

Foreword

Dwight D. Eisenhower, according to some of our best genealogists, was, through a Magruder ancestor, eligible for membership in the American Clan Gregor Society. So it is of particular interest to us that in 1970 John Murdoch MacGregor, then Chieftain of our Society and President of the Scottish American Heritage, Inc., was present and participated in the dedication of the Eisenhower Memorial room in Culzean Castle, Scotland. The following is his report concerning that occasion.

On the 25th Anniversary of VE Day, May 8, 1970, a room in Culzean Castle, Maybole, Scotland, was dedicated to the perpetual memory of Dwight D. Eisenhower in recognition and appreciation of the Scottish people for his war services. The room is on the first floor, which is part of the "Great House" opened to the public.

It was in Culzean that General and Mrs. Eisenhower enjoyed his lifetime use of the spacious flat making up the top floor of the castle, as a gift of the National Trust for Scotland for his contribution to the winning of World War II. The present was expressed thus, "Here in our country there is a home for you in your lifetime." Of his many honors this touched him most deeply. He referred to it as, "My home in Scotland."

The Earl of Wemyss and March, the long time President of the National Trust, stated, "In Eisenhower of Culzean, if I may so call him, one can identify the irrepressible country boy (born in Texas, raised in Kansas) — who rose inevitably to supreme command — and went on to bear the awesome burdens of the Presidency —" he then went on to say, "But it was as a plain man from the Mid-west — a man with a ready grin and a friendly greeting — that he went to worship in the parish kirk at Kirkwold and walked among his fellow-citizens of Maybole." In 1959 President Eisenhower visited Culzean and the castle became the White House during his stay. The Presidential colors, as well as the British standard, flew from the battlements — a rare and happy symbol of unity.

The present castle was built in 1777-1792 for the 10th Earl of Cassillis by Robert Adam, Scotland's greatest architect. The same artist designed many of the interior features such as the oval staircase (on which the May 8th ceremony took place), the round drawing room and several magnificent plaster ceilings. The property, consisting of the castle and extensive grounds, which have recently become the very first Country Park in Scotland, was presented to the National Trust in 1945 by the Fifth Marquess of Ailsa and his family. It was described in its early days as "ane proper house with very brave yards."

The Act of Parliament which created the National Trust for Scotland defined its purposes as, "The promotion of the permanent preservation for the benefit of the Nation of lands and buildings of natural beauty and architectural or historic interest." When anything becomes owned by the Trust it must, if possible, be put to some useful purpose. Some of the many uses have been and are; a school of practical gardening (Castle Douglas at Threave); a bird sanctuary (St. Kilda); an inspiringly beautiful stretch of West Highland scenery (Five Sisters of Kintail in Western Ross); historic battlefields (grim Culloden Moor of 1745 and Bannockburn of 1314), and forty or fifty other worthy schemes too numerous to mention here.



Culzean Castle from the Sea
(The Eisenhower apartment was in the large Round Tower)



John M. MacGregor presenting President Nixon's letter to Lord Wemyss.
L. to R.: Brig. Sir James Gault, Mrs. John S. D. Eisenhower, Ian Robinson, Sir James Ferguson of Kilkerran, Lord Wemyss, Lord Bute, and John M. MacGregor

Now let us return to Culzean. The deed of the gift of the Castle to the Trust provided that the top storey be set aside as a national guest flat. The plan to offer it to General Eisenhower was adopted officially by the Executive Committee of the Trust. Who first advanced the idea of the Eisenhower Memorial room is uncertain, but a contributing element to its success, about which there is no uncertainty, is the great interest, initiative and generosity of Brigadier Sir James Gault. Gault was Eisenhower's military assistant during the war. As the General's personal representative in the United Kingdom until "Ike's" death he knew Culzean well and had a heavy responsibility for the care and use of the Eisenhower Apartments. Once the plan to create the room was accepted Sir James permitted no one involved – and no one whom he could recruit – to forget the project or fail to support it with zeal. It was he who, with two other officers of the National Trust, attended the meeting of the Scottish American Heritage, Inc., of New York (hereafter called the "Heritage") when the decision to underwrite the room was made. His enthusiasm was contagious. Later at the dedication it was he who made the really moving speech in appreciation of the General.

The Heritage is a charitable tax exempt New York Corporation having the basic purpose of sustaining and improving the amicable relations existing between the United States and Scotland by any action within its charter. It also has many objectives in common with the National Trust. It furnished the finances needed to establish the Memorial Room and many of the memorabilia which go to recreate a room similar to those used by the General while Supreme Commander. Others helped. President Nixon sent by Colonel John M. MacGregor, President of the Heritage, two flags made especially for the room – one a United States Presidential Flag and the other a five-star general's flag. Also in the care of the same messenger was the famous "Eisenhower Cup" on perpetual loan from the Steuben Glass Company. This is a large crystal bowl or vase decorated around the outside with sculptured glass vignettes which depict the General's life from a boy in a Kansas wheat field to the Presidency. Also on long-time loan are a desk and chair actually used by the General during the war and several other items of a personal nature sent by the Eisenhower Museum and Library at Abilene, Kansas.

Unfortunately, the General's son, Ambassador John S.D. Eisenhower was detained by official duties in Brussels and so was unable to be present at the dedication ceremonies. His wife came to represent the family and General Andrew Goodpaster, Supreme Allied Commander of NATO, was there to deliver the official oration.

The top leadership of the Trust and their ladies were there to do honor to the occasion: Lord Wemyss, Lord Bute, Mr. J.C. Stormouth Darling, Mr. Robin Prentice, Admiral Sir Angus Cunningham Graham, and a hundred other dignitaries of the Trust, the British Army and Navy, the government, etc., with or without titles, who were exceedingly anxious that the dedication be a great success. It was!

The dedication ceremony was presided over by Lord Wemyss, President of the Trust. He told very briefly some of the steps taken to acquire the castle and later the room being christened and then went on to introduce the speakers. General Goodpaster made the principal address, stressing the "greatness and goodness" of General Eisenhower. The Marquess of Ailsa spoke for the donors of the castle and expressed satisfaction on what had been accomplished.

Brigadier Sir James Gault warmly and informally praised his late "Chief" and thanked the Trust for doing justice to his memory. Lord Bute modestly reported the establishment of the shrine, and thanked all who had contributed to it's being and promised further refinements. Colonel MacGregor presented, and upon the request of Lord Wemyss, read the letter from President Nixon. He then introduced Mr. Wallace S. Jones and Mr. Arthur Nash, respectively the Secretary and Treasurer of the Scottish American Heritage, who joined him in an expression of thanks for the kindly reception and generous hospitality as well as for the unusually pleasant experience of having been invited to become associates in such a worthwhile program of international good will.

Even the West Coast Scotland weatherman gave the dedication a perfect day for the Gathering to honor a man in reference to whom some one has said "his five star humanity marches on."

The Memorial room becomes more popular each month. During 1970 the castle (not including the Country Park) was visited by 76,492 people from all over the world. In 1971 we are told the count was near 90,000.



The Oval Hall and Staircase
Culzean Castle

I HEARD THE PIPER

James R. Maxwell

Part II

(continued from 1971 Yearbook, p. 70)

The morning of August 20th, 1967, found me again on the bus from Prestwick to Glasgow; once more to try to find the way back to the place where my ancestors had lived. This time I had a copy of the Scots Ancestry Report as an aid, and I was to visit the places known to my ancestors in the city and also many others known from song and story.

Again I reached St. Enoch Square with the old hotel looking down on a place busy with people who were to be kind and helpful to me. Below my hotel window a tiny street passed beneath the hotel. On the side a flower vendor had set up shop. By strange quirk of fate that street was named Maxwell.

As I walked the ways and by-ways of this old city I must have passed the places through which my ancestors walked. Each day was an adventure of its own; I met many people who tried to help me in my search. Some of them come to mind often. How well I remember them: the fare collector on the bus to Calderwood who, when I found myself on the bus going in the wrong direction, stopped the bus going the right way and put me on it; the girl on the bus down Suchiehall Street from Glasgow University who had me ride with her to St. George Square so we could talk; the Police Constable who walked with me so I would not get lost on a small side street and to make certain I was on the proper bus to St. Enoch Square; the keeper of the Gallery of Antiquities who helped me with old maps and told me much of the rich past of Glasgow; the greenskeeper in Glasgow Green who turned on the water of the fountain of Queen Victoria so I could photograph it. These and many more are my memories of Glasgow. Still my search had been vain, for I found no trace of my ancestors or other relatives.

My cousin, Betty, and her husband, Robbie, took me out into the country. I had my first real look at the face of Scotland known to many in song and story. We visited Scott country and the impressive, quiet lochs. We drove through tiny villages and past farms like tiny jewels set in the green and heather covered Bens to the magical Loch Lomond. The loch made famous by the song whose words, "the wee birdies sing and wild flowers spring," creates an awesome spectacle. The majesty of Ben Lomond rising in the mist behind the tranquil waters of the loch makes you think the world had left you behind in a land of enchantment. We drove past massive Stirling Castle, through the village of Callender, and into the mists on the Moor of Rannoch.

We crossed the silent moor to the haunted glen, the glen, silent, misty and unreal, the glen in which the haunting sound of the ghostly piper is reportedly heard, the glen of the massacre of the McDonalds by the Campbells: Glen Coe, a misty, silent place that appears to be far from the mortal earth. Many who live in Scotland will not enter that glen by night and others not at all.

As we drove the mists swirled, rose and fell, first revealing then concealing the heather and thistle covered hills. As in a dream we passed through that glen devoid of all habitation but for the inn at the falls of the Coe River. Since the massacre, the glen has remained as it is today, silent, hallowed ground.

I took leave of Glasgow and journeyed south by rail to Carlisle and my cousin, Mary. Here in this old city I was again to walk the path of history. I

visited Carlisle Hall, the great castle which was often the center of the Border feuds and wars. This was the castle where Mary, Queen of Scots, was a prisoner of Elizabeth of England and from which Kinnamont Willie Armstrong made his escape. Carlisle, located on the main way between Scotland and England, sits in the midst of much history and folklore. Cousin Mary and her husband, Ronnie, took me deep into the surrounding Fels to Keswick, the Lake District, to Lanecost Priory, and to Hadrian's Wall.* I was able to stand at Lea Hill turret and gaze out into the green hills, northward to Scotland. I stood alone where the Legions of Emperor Hadrian had stood many centuries before. Not as they stood, strangers in a strange and hostile land, unwanted, cold, and lonely, but as a son who had found his way home.

Happy were the days I walked the quiet streets and lanes of old Carlisle. Streets through which had passed many persons who changed the course of history. Ice-age man, the Druids, the Legions of Rome, Arturos the Saxon, the Norman, the Scot, the Celt, the English, all passed this way, each leaving a mark in the sands of time, for here in this border city the fortune of Scotland rose and fell like a tide passing and returning, pausing only for moments before changing.

I left Carlisle with mixed feelings, but I knew I would return some day. The train wound its way through the rolling hills of the lowlands to Edinburgh, a city alive with people from around the world. The Edinburgh Festival was in progress. The streets were crowded by day with shoppers and by night with festival goers.

Prince's Street Gardens stretched green and flowery with the castle far above. At night the ancient castle stood out, its silent battlements stark against the moonlight sky. The sounds of pipers drifting on the cool night air could be heard in the gardens. By day the gardens' flower beds drew strollers by the score. High above all rose Scott's monument, a masterpiece of skilled craftsmen of a bygone day.

On the Royal Mile I decided to buy a ticket to the Tattoo to be held that night at the Castle Esplanade. I walked along the Mile, past houses and shops which had inspired tales now long remembered.

That evening as I walked up the Mound to the castle for the Tattoo, a cold wind sent clouds racing past the rising moon. The old castle, aglow with floodlights, stood like a silent sentinel, guarding the city far below. Two girls had been at the ticket window at the time I had bought my ticket. As it happened my ticket was between those two sisters. They had brought a large lap rug and offered to share it to ward off the chill of the night wind. After the Tattoo we went out on the Royal Mile to the Jacobite Tea room, a tiny place that knew of the dreams of men who aspired to put Prince Charlie on the throne and the horrors of those who survived the bloody defeat.

I spent countless hours walking the streets of the old city and the new city in Edinburgh, streets steeped with tales of men and events that changed the lives of many. I did not know it then, but I would return to Scotland — this next time to find the road into the misty past and to the place my MacGregor ancestors had lived.

(To be continued)

*(Hadrian visited Britain in 119 AD. He built the wall from the Solway to the Tyne in the year 120 AD. It ended at Newcastle-on-Tyne.)

THE ROAD BACK
Part II
by Edith Lloyd Blunt

Last year under this same title I wrote a short article using information gleaned from Thomas Garland Magruder and Margery Richardson. This year I am writing again because in the fall of 1971, Harry and I also followed "the road back" and I am anxious to give to others some directions which will make it easier for them to find the old Magruder places in Scotland.

First, may I suggest, rent a car in Edinburgh and head for Crief via Perth. Plan to spend the night in Crief, there are a number of excellent hotels in the area, but if you want a family welcome go to the Kingarth, owned and run by Mr. and Mrs. Roderick MacGregor.

After settling in your hotel, start back toward Perth on the main road. About two miles out of Crief you will pass on your left a combination gas station and flower shop, 1¼ miles beyond you will come to a cross roads, turn right; the sign says, "To Kinkell." Follow this winding road until you reach another crossroad (sign says, "Old Perth to Crief Rd."); turn left. In less than a half mile you will see two or three small houses facing the road. Beside the nearest one is a narrow lane between the woods and fields which leads down to the Belliclone farm house. It is believed that some of the stones used in building this house came from the ruins of the former dwelling where Alexander Magruder (the emigrant) was born.

The day that Harry and I visited the house Mr. and Mrs. Ian Ritchie, the present occupants, were not at home, but at the newest little house facing onto the "Old Perth to Crief Rd." we found a Mr. Robert Buchan who seemed to know quite a bit about the local history. He was born on the Belliclone property and pointed out that it was a fairly large piece of land. His house and the other two we had passed along the road are all on Belliclone. The Ritchie house, Mr. Buchan told us, used to be called "Nether Belliclone" meaning lower. It is on the under side of the hill. As a boy he had plowed the fields and with his father had found the foundation ruins which they believed to be those of the original house. Mr. Buchan is a man worth talking to when you are in the area.

A few miles from Belliclone is the old Madderty Church, probably the parish church of the Alexander Magruder family, but there are no readable Magruder markers in the graveyard.

The next step along the road back is to Craigneich (meaning Rock of the Raven) which was the birth place of Alexander Magruder the elder, father of the American immigrant. To reach Craigneich, go back as you came to Crief, go through the town and on to the little village of Comrie. In Comrie take the left fork just beyond the Esso station, cross the river Earn and follow the signs to Braco until you come to a sign pointing left to Muthall. Take this road and the third farm on the left is Craigneich. (There is a little sign on the garden gate.) This house is now occupied by some people named McKinnon and though it looks very old indeed, it is not the house in which Alexander the elder was born. The Factor at the Drummond Estate offices in Muthall told us that practically none of the houses in the area predate the '45, and by that time of course our Magruder ancestors were long gone.



Belliclone Farm House, 1971



Craigneich Farm House



Mr. & Mrs. Roderick MacGregor and the
Kingarth Hotel in Crief

Photos by Harry W. Blunt

Craigneich lies at the entrance to Glen Artney, which is truly Magruder country. Tom Magruder tells me that he has proof of Magruders there (or Magruthers as it was some times spelt) as early as 1447. The Magruders moved into this territory probably after being driven out of Glen Orchy along with other MacGregors. In Glen Artney the Magruders became tenants of the Drummonds but somehow seem to have maintained their identity with the MacGregors and were never listed as a sept of the Drummonds. Miles and miles of the property around Glen Artney still belong to the great Drummond estate.

In the 1971 Year Book, page 71, it is mentioned that Alexander the elder was Chamberlain to Lord Drummond. Lord Drummond was the brother of the Chief of that Clan, not the Chief as I there stated.

Near the army camp outside of Comrie is an ancient churchyard called "Tullichettle" (meaning "mound of sleep") here can be found both MacGregor and Magruther graves. Members of the last Magruther family in Glen Artney are buried here. Their tombstone tells its own sad story.

Perhaps it is time that the American Magruders of Clan Gregor put some sort of marker in this area before the name is forgotten altogether in Glen Artney where they lived for over two hundred years.

Note: The research which led to the finding of the Magruder places in Scotland was done by Thomas Garland Magruder. Here is what he wrote us about Belliclone:

BELLICLONE

Bellyclone is mentioned in the "Charters of Inchaffray Abbey." The proper name is Baile mo Chloan, probably a long forgotten missionary. Another derivation is Baile Mo Gille Eoin-Hamlet of St. John's servant. BaleMacGillon mentioned in 1200; Bal MacGillon, Bal Gilhon, Balmagillon, 1339; Balmacgillone, 1444; Balmaclone, 1609.

The whole western part of Maderty parish was still, in the 16th century, an open moor called indifferently the Moor of Maderty or of Bellyclone. The population at that time appears to have been considerable even allowing for some exaggeration in a law pleading of 1559 that,

"Andrew Drummond of Bellyclone pat furth one great pairt of the native tennentis and puir lauborasis of the saidis town and landis to the noumer of personis or thairby men, wiffis, barnis and servandis quhilkis were be him to utter heirship and beggerte and as thigand thair meit in the cuntrie."

Gilbert, Earl of Strathearn granted lands of Balmakgillon to the Abbey of Inchaffray A.D. 1210. Inchaffray was erected into a temporal lordship A.D. 1609. The lands of Bellyclone were included in the grant to John Drummond, eldest lawful son of James, Lord Madertie.

-----"Charters of Inchaffray Abbey."

JOHN MACADAM

The Road-BUILDER

John Loudon Macadam, the most enlightened road-builder of his time, was born in Ayr, Scotland, in 1756, the youngest of ten children. His father's forebears were the MacGregors. At the time the clan was outlawed, one of them, a Gregor MacGregor, took refuge in Galloway but was captured and executed, whereupon his son changed his name to "Macadam."

The Macadams were related to the aristocracy in Ayrshire and the Stewartry, but John's father was not wealthy. He had sold much of his estate and built a house for his family at Languine, near Carsphairn, only to have a disastrous fire destroy the new home.

When John Macadam was 14 years old, his father died and John was sent to live with an uncle in New York. In a few years, John had established himself in business. He and his uncle were instrumental in founding the New York Chamber of Commerce and at the age of 18 years John Loudon Macadam was elected its treasurer.

About 1780, John married Gloriana Margaretta Nicoll of Long Island who is described as "a young lady of wealth, beauty and wit." In 1783, he brought his wife and two children to Scotland and bought a house at Sauchie in Ayrshire.

He was appointed deputy-lieutenant of the county, a position which entailed some travelling about. While he rode, bumping over loose stones and into the pot-holes, his mind began to devise a new method of road building. He began his experiments in 1810.

In 1815, he was appointed Surveyor General of the Bristol Turnpike Trust and this gave him the opportunity to use his own method of road building.

Macadam directed that a road should be wide enough for coaches to pass each other in safety; should rise in the center just enough to allow rain water to drain off, but should be without the high "crown" which often caused carriages to tip over; and should be built of stones small enough to pass easily through a ring measuring 2 inches in diameter. There was much opposition even though he estimated that his method of resurfacing a road would cost only twopence per square yard. However, public demand for his type of roads increased. First the city streets and then the turnpike roads were being "macadamized", and a new word had entered our language.

With the advent of good road surfaces, use of the roads increased and a fleet of mail coaches equipped with accommodations for passengers was inaugurated. In 1830, thirteen coaches left Liverpool each twenty-four hours for Glasgow, thirty-nine for Edinburgh, and three for Inverness.

John Loudon Macadam was offered a knighthood in 1834, but declined on account of age and it was conferred on his son, James. Sir James Nicoll Macadam had succeeded his father as General Surveyor of the Metropolitan Turnpike Roads.

John Loudon Macadam retired to Moffat where he had spent many happy childhood hours at the home of his grandmother. He died there in 1836 at the age of 81 years and according to his own request was buried in his grandmother's grave.

CIVIL WAR LETTERS

of Colonel John Bowie Magruder, CSA

Transcribed by Miss Allaville Magruder

(Published here are the final two letters which Col. Magruder wrote to his immediate family during the War Between the States. Continued from 1971 Yearbook, p. 80)

Head Quarters 57th Va.
May 23, 1863

Dear Henry —

Your letter was received a few days since & read with much pleasure — I was much amused by your account of your recent military campaign & experience in performing picket duty —

You ask for an account of my military exploits, around Suffolk etc but as I fear lest it should prove to be a twice told tale, (for you have no doubt read my long letter to Glenmore recounting all that was worth mentioning), I will forbear, & simply refer you to that for further information — Upon leaving Suffolk we came by long daily marches to Richmond, where we remained for about a week, refitting the Command with clothing, accoutrements, shoes, etc etc, & then moved to this point, which is about 2½ miles from Hanover Junction, where we have been for three or four days — We will move from here within a week, & will go either to Fredericksburg where the right of Lee's Army rests, or to Culpepper C. H. where his left is encamped — stopping perhaps for a few days at Louisa C. H. — It is Lee's purpose to keep a large body of troops at this point all the time, to guard against Yankee Cavalry raids, & to act as a rear guard for his army — by a forced march too they could join him in abundant time to participate in any engagement on the Rappahannock — We are now awaiting the arrival of D. H. Hill's (new) Division of troops from North Carolina, & as soon as this Divn. arrives, & takes our place, Pickett's Divn. will move forward — I enjoyed myself much while stationed near Richmond, visited the city very frequently, saw many old friends & acquaintances, & spent all the money I could get — Everything bears the very highest price — Among other things I paid \$110 — for the simple making & trimming an uniform coat — \$45 for a pair of shoes — \$10 per day board at the Hotel — & \$5 per day for my horse at the livery stable — How in the world the people of Richmond manage to live I can't well see — Beef is \$2 per pound & everything else in proportion — I was much interested by your account of a little flirtation with Miss Bronaugh (not Brenoir) — & shall look forward with much interest to a continuation of its history in your next letter — You are mistaken on two very material points with regard to her however — for if she has a brother younger than herself, then there are four children instead of three, for I am acquainted with two of her brothers William & Frank, both older than herself — & 2dly. her father was poor & not "wealthy" as you were informed — & if her family have lost "a good deal" by the yankees they must have lost everything they were ever worth — She is a very sweet girl, I doubt not; & why should she be less interesting because she is poor? Have you taken any more boat

rides — Your last was the occasion of a very romantic affair & I was much interested in your account of it — Surely Miss B. did not forget to thank you for your presence of mind & prompt deliverance of her from such imminent danger — And so Hogue claimed the hand of the Brunette at last — & having gotten possession retained it — Has he been to see Miss Lizzie W- yet? I prophesy that when he forms her acquaintance, the Brunette will be forgotten — mais nous verrons — I recd. a letter from Evy the other day which informed me that a party was to be given to you & Hogue at Glenmore on the Friday before Whitsuntide — You must see to it that Miss Lizzie is there & write me how she & Hogue get along together — Miss B. will of course be in attendance for your gratification & surely it would be no party if Miss Fannie Morris is not present — If Horatio was not so much taken with Miss Fannie, it might prove dangerous for you to invite Miss B — I would like above all things to be present & see you all coupled off as you desire, to-wit — Hogue and Miss Lizzie — Horatio and Miss Fannie — & yourself & Miss B — Could I be there I would play the host & allow you to pay undivided attention to Miss B — but I have no idea whatever that I shall enjoy that pleasure — I have been visiting in this neighborhood a good deal — Went to the Hanover Academy yesterday — a good many ladies are staying there — Shall go to Mrs. Morrises this evening — Several are staying there — from the latter place on the day after my arrival I received a most magnificent bouquet, which is still entirely fresh & very fragrant — Have you forgotten your old sweethearts, Miss Roberta Hamilton & Miss Jennie Watson — By the way when I was in the Green Springs Miss J. Watson belabored you very severely for not keeping your promise & stopping there as you came back — I told her that Hogue and I insisted on your stopping but you would not, except on condition that we would also — that, we could not do — I hope you are studying well & progressing rapidly for you are backward in your education & time lost now can never be regained — I earnestly hope therefore that you are studying closely & diligently — Has Horatio gone to school yet: & how is Hogue studying — Write very soon to

Your affectionate brother

J.B. Magruder

Direct to Hanover Junction — if we leave before your letter arrives, it will be forwarded —

Head Qrs- 57th Inf-
May 27. 1863

Dear Julia —

I received your long & interesting letter sometime since, & would have answered it sooner had not laziness & a great aversion to writing combined to prevent it — but will try & do better in future, & will now write you a longer letter than I would have done had I written sooner — At the time that yours was recd. I had an independent command composed of three Regts of Inf. (the 11th, 17th, & 57th, Va) 4 pieces of artillery with the requisite number of artillerist & a

company of cavalry, & was posted on the White Marsh road leading from Edenton N.C. to Suffolk, & about 4 miles distant from the latter place. Skirmishes with the yankees were frequent & of almost daily occurrence — but little being gained therefrom by either party beyond the taking of a few prisoners & the wounding of an occasional man — On two occasions however (for I held this road with this force for three weeks, & until Longstreet voluntarily raised the siege of the place —) the yankees advanced upon me in considerable force — their first regular attack was made with a force about equal to mine — then after a fight of short duration was driven back to their breastworks in great confusion & disorder, with little or no loss to my own force — On the third day thereafter, they advanced upon me with overwhelming numbers, Murphy's Brigade (4 Regts & Corcoran's Irish legion (6 Regts) of Inf- 3 full batteries of light artillery, Spier's Regt. of regular U.S. Cavalry & Dodge's Regiment of mounted riflemen with two pieces of "Horse Artillery" — (The distinction between "horse Arty." & flying Arty. is that in the former each cannoneer is mounted — in the latter they are on foot — the former can be carried from one position to another, unlimbered & brought into action in less than half the time it requires for the latter — in the Mexican war, the former was known as flying Arty.) — Their force was ascertained from prisoners — My command fought with distinguished gallantry, playing sad havoc with their ranks, driving them back in terror & dismay, reaping many of the material fruits of victory such as overcoats, oil-cloths, blankets, havresacks, coffee &c &c together with several watches & a good deal of money, taken from the persons of the dead, — The Maj- Genl. Commdg. wrote me a highly complimentary letter congratulating me on the brilliant result of the engagement & directing me to convey to my command a sense of his high appreciation of their gallantry — You have no doubt seen the general order issued by me to my troops — as it was published together with a brief account of the engagement in one or more of the Richmond papers & in one of the Lynchburg dailies — A full account of these engagements was sent to Glenmore & if you have not yet seen & read them, you will no doubt at no very distant day — After their 2d. advance the yankees accommodated themselves to the "circumstances, by which they were surrounded", & permitted me to remain in peaceful occupation of my position until ordered to fall back by Longstreet, which took place about 10 days after their 2d. attack — not a single hostile gun was fired in my front afterwards — By long & tedious marches we reached Richmond, where we remained for about a week — Here I enjoyed myself exceedingly — visited the city almost daily — renewed my acquaintance with many of the Richmond ladies — formed many new acquaintances — equipped myself anew — & spent all the money I could lay my hands on — About a week since we moved to our present camp — about 2 miles from Hanover Junction — where I have had a perfectly delightful time — I had not been here 24 hours before Mrs. Morris (formerly Miss Winston, daughter of Edmund Winston), sent me a perfectly magnificent bouquet & a pressing invitation to visit her — which I of course lost no time in doing — Other ladies were there & hours passed as minutes — Willie Jones too lives but a short distance off — of course I have called on her — & on yesterday I rode 14 miles to visit — who do you suppose — guess — a young & blooming "vidder" — Cousin Rosalie Winston — I need hardly say that I did not regret my ride — Of course she wore black — and no jewelry — for her husband has been dead but a short time — It would require fifteen sheets of foolscap to tell you the half of my observations & the fourth of what occurred —

so I will not attempt it — Suffice it to say that she has a magnificent farm and a beautiful home — is as pretty, interesting, fascinating, agreeable & winning as ever — On taking leave she gave me a lovely bouquet — with every variety of “rose” contained therein, & no other flower — which I actually brought home with me (although it was as large as my hat), & have now just at my elbow — its fragrance is delightful — Don’t grow restless & uneasy, for I am not going down there again — She inquired after you, E-S-Papa - Mama - H.H. Ned - Jim - Mason - Sal’ Hal - Nan- Rand- & I believe every body else — I volunteered & gave her about one half of your last letter with regard to her new cousin Henry Tyler — Promise me to burn this sheet — for I ought not to tell you our conversation — Tell Mr. T. I was offered \$600- for my horse the other day — \$400 additional wouldn’t have purchased him — Lee’s Army will move into Pennsylvania — or will at least start for Pa about the 12th of June — Grand preparations are now being made — Keen & Gilmer, candidates for the Legislature from Pittsylvania — are staying with me now — came yesterday — will address the Sovereigns at 10. A.M. this morning — they have just come in — are talking now & putting my thoughts to rout — So I must stop — Kiss little Henry.

Your affectionate brother

J.B. Magruder

(Colonel John Bowie Magruder was mortally wounded in Pickett’s Charge at the Battle of Gettysburg and died on July 5th, 1863. A biography of Colonel Magruder was published in the Year Book of The American Clan Gregor Society containing the Proceedings of the Fourteenth Annual Gathering, 1923.)

GENEALOGICAL SECTION



To forget one's ancestors is to be a brook without a source; a tree without a root. —

Old Chinese Saying.

BLOOD RELATIONSHIP IN THE MAIN CLAN LINES

Extracted by Prof. Maxcy R. Dickson

Question: You referred to the Highlanders: what is the position with regard to the clan system, is there really a blood relationship in the main clan lines?

Answer: I should say very definitely, "No," to the question, but such an answer requires some elaboration and explanation. If you look in books dealing with the Scottish clan system, such as the present Lord Lyon's revision of Frank Adams' *Clans, Septs and Regiments of the Scottish Highlands*, you will find between the lines quite a distinction between the family of the chief, such as the Mackintosh, or the MacNab, and those who bear his name. If you search farther and look up the pedigrees of the chiefs in the *Peerage* or the *Landed Gentry*, you will see that the chief's pedigree is given there in detail, but there are no signs of connections of descent for all bearing his name. In the parlance of the genealogists, the chief is the eponymous, the name founder of the clan. I do not question the descent of various chiefs, more than I would query the descent of any other notable family; but I do question very greatly the idea that, for instance, all MacPhersons are connected by blood with the chief of Cluny MacPherson. I think it much more likely that in the early days of the clan, there were besides the family of the chief, branches of his line which occupied a more and more lowly position; in addition to these truly blood members, there were many persons who wanted protection and who joined themselves to the clan and took the name of the chief, being his men. In fact we can find plenty of instances where such things did occur, and where broken men, *i.e.* persons whose own clan had suffered disaster, joined up with a more successful clan and took its name. This will account for the enormous number of Macs in the world, whose connections with the chief of their name is not even tenuous; it does not exist.

I would, however, make one exception to this observation, and that would be with the MacGregors. This clan, as is well known, was subjected to severe persecution during the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries; indeed during the years 1603-61 and 1693-1774 they were not allowed to use their own surname. For instance, the famous Rob Roy lived all of his life as an outlaw in the eyes of the law. Yet when the ban on the MacGregors was lifted, 826 persons came forward to name their chief and to acknowledge themselves as MacGregors.

Another point is, that if the idea of all members of the clan being blood relations is untrue, it yet serves a marvellous purpose. It helps the ordinary Scotsman who perhaps cannot trace beyond his great-grandfather, to feel that he descends from men of fame, whose exploits are recorded in the annals of the clan, *i.e.* in the annals of the chief's family. Had such an idea of clanship occurred to the Smiths, Jones, Browns, and Robinsons, how much stronger would English social life and feeling be.

L.G. Pine, *Heraldry, Ancestry and Titles: Questions and Answers*. pp.69-70

THE MALLOCH FAMILY NAME

MacGregor of Balhaldies

"This family are understood to be descended from the House of Roro. Their appellation in Gaelic is 'Mac Ian mhallich,' or son of John with the Bushy Eyebrows, and a traditional account of the origin of this name is given in a memoir by Lieutenant Alexander MacGregor, Innerhaddon, formerly in the Royal East Middlesex Militia. It is recounted that the daughter of a certain MacGregor of Ardeonig on Loch Tay, on the murder of her father, by order of one of the Campbell Lairds of Glenurchy, became heiress of the property, and that to protect her rights she resolved to seek a husband. 'With this view she set out for Roro to solicit the protection of one of his sons, and the first to whom she had made the proposal refused her suit, but she was not to be easily defeated, and turned to another half-grown lad, saying that perhaps this 'Fear-na-Mail-each dubh' (alluding to his black eyebrows) would take her, to which he consented, and to this circumstance his descendants owe the name of Malloch.'

"The Obituary mentions:—

"1523 Feb: 9. Death of John Malloch McHustone, at Tullicheamin, he was buried in Killin."

From this we gather that the immediate ancestor of the Mallochs was named Hugh."

*Extracted from the "History of the Clan Gregor"
compiled by Amelia Georgiana Murray MacGregor.*

(Miss MacGregor's 2-volume history is now out of print and is an exceedingly rare book. Our Society owns a copy of the book and it is available for study and research in the Marshall Magruder Library. — Editor's note.)

THE MCGREGORS OF LONDONDERRY AND GOFFSTOWN, N.H.

"Robert McGregor was from Goffstown, and son of Rev. David McGregor who was the son of the Rev. James McGregor, the first Minister of Londonderry. Robert McGregor was born in 1749 and died on September 16, 1816. He resided at Goffstown at the commencement of the Revolution and was a Lieutenant in the company of Volunteers from that town at the alarm as to Ticonderoga in June 1777. In the following month he was aide to General Stark at the battle of Bennington, and continued his Aide through the exciting campaign that closed with the surrender of Burgoyne. After the war, he returned to Goffstown and became a successful merchant, noted for his energy and public spirit. He was the originator and builder of the first bridge across the Merrimack in New Hampshire, called 'McGregor's Bridge, which crossed the river at Manchester above the Stark Mills and ended near Colonel McGregor's house, still standing (1866) on the west bank of the river.' He was also one of the leading proprietors and directors of the Blodgett Canal afterward known as the Amoskeag Canal."

Ref:

(*The Military History of New Hampshire*, A Report of the Adjutant General of the State of N.H., published 1866. Vol. II. page 319.)

MORE ABOUT NEW HAMPSHIRE MCGREGORS

The Rev. James McGregor, first Minister of Londonderry, N.H., was born in Ireland in 1677. He married August 29, 1706, Maryann Cargill, in Londonderry, Ireland. There is a record that a lot of 9.2 acres was laid out for him in Londonderry, N.H., in 1720. An additional 60 acres was recorded in his name in March 1721, and on October 29, 1723, he bought a farm of 250 acres. He died March 5, 1729. Although it is stated that he had 10 children, there is ready information on only one of them. The 3rd child and third son of the Rev. James and Maryann (Cargill) McGregor was David born Nov. 6, 1710. He married Mary Boyd (b.1723,d.9-28-1793) and had 9 children. He was called to the ministry of the Londonderry Church (Scotch Presbyterian) on March 14, 1733. He died May 30, 1777.

The 2d child of the Rev. David McGregor, was Robert, born in Londonderry in 1749, who settled in Goffstown, N.H. in 1777. It was this Robert who was the Revolutionary Patriot. He married Elizabeth Reid (b.1766,d.1847) and had nine children. The following belong in his family:

1. David, b. 2-18-1789, d. 1-16-1829 at Cape Verde.
2. George, b. 10-11-1791, d. 6-29-1837 at New York;
3. Maria, b. 10-1-1792, d. 3-25-1883; m. a Mr. Cogswell;
4. Eliza, b. 8-23-1794; d. 8-8-1882 in Princeton, Mass. She married in 1821 or 1822 to Timothy Hall;
5. Robert, b. 9-14-1796, m. Mary Haven of R.I. and had issue:
 - David, b. 1-12-1817; d. 5-17-1891, m. 1st: Marietta Nesmith, m. 2d: Mary E. Corning
 - James, b. 1821; m. 1st: Sarah Stone, 2d. Delia Lapare
 - Amos, b. ; m. 6-1-1848, Catherine R. Forsaith
 - Robert, died at sea; m. Harriet L. Holt
 - William, b. 2-9-1832, d. 12-9-1882 in Derry
 - Alexandria
 - Elizabeth, died in Manchester
 - Frances, m. 1st: Mr. Thompson; 2d. Mr. Holmes
 - John A. b. 7-3-1830; d. 4-2-1899 in New Boston.
6. James, b. 10-19-1798
7. Mary Ann, b. 10-29-1800
8. John, b. 1-16-1803
9. Daniel, b. 3-28-1806; d. in 1899; m. Elizabeth Tucker of Derry and had issue: Allan, Edward, Lizzie, Lucy, and Helen.

References: *History of Goffstown, N.H.* by George P. Hadley, published 1922, Vol. 1 and Vol. II, p. 306-7. *Londonderry, N.H.* by Browne, published 1911, Vol. I, p. 89; Vol. 2, pages 62, 63, 84.

FROM LONDONDERRY, N.H., VITAL RECORDS

Lewis A. McGregor, born 8-12-1812;
Lewis Aiken McGregor married 11-30-1843 to Augusta Watts Blodgett;
Augusta W. Blodgett, born 7-21-1818, child of Joshua and Sarah (Vickery) Blodgett;
Lewis A. and Augusta W. McGregor had: James L., Isaac B., Frank P., *Henry F., and Belle D.;
Henry F. McGregor* married Elisabeth Stevens. No children.
*(The Derry, N.H., benefactor)

MY MOTHER

by Herbert Thomas Magruder

One of my earliest impressions of my mother was that she was very tall, but by fourteen I far over-topped her and in the later years of her life, with shoulders bent by the cares and responsibilities which she bore uncomplainingly, she settled down even more in stature. In her youth and middle age her hair was black and she wore it brushed back rather severely so that her naturally high brow was exaggerated. Her eyes were brown, deep set and kindly. Her nose was large with a marked bridge, and her mouth was generous in contour with fine white teeth. Her strength of character could be seen in her chin which was always held high, and her carriage was that of a gentlewoman with a gait slow and deliberate. Mother's hands were large and the well shaped fingers evidenced her skill as a pianist. In girlhood she had received the finest training at the Peabody Conservatory. Her speaking voice was gentle and well modulated, giving evidence of her breeding and greatness of heart. She seldom raised her voice even for emphasis and the scolding of her children, when necessary, was given in a firm even tone. There was no sarcasm in her nature. She was always frank and outspoken in expressing her convictions, and, reserved rather than emotional, avoided argument.

Mother dressed conservatively. Her dresses were long and usually high at the neck and made in subdued colors. Seamstresses came to our home for several days each spring and fall, and many came to do plain sewing as well as dress-making. Mother seldom bought dresses readymade and found pleasure in selecting materials, linings and patterns for gowns to her liking.

As long as she lived my mother's home was her life. She was an efficient manager, well experienced in marketing. She made two trips a week to the Lexington Market in Baltimore, Md., and there she bought wisely and generously. She found much pleasure in entertaining with an emphasis on a bountiful table. Her family was always well fed, even in later years when funds were low.

Throughout her life Mother practised the adage, "To have a friend one must be a friend." She was neighborly and generous. At Christmas time mince pies of her own baking were distributed to friends. Often she took into her home those in need of shelter and cheering. Her family connection was large and she held a rare loyalty to her own folks, especially her elders.

Mother had been born Elizabeth Rebecca Thomas on September 24, 1857, and she married my father, Robert Magruder, on September 11, 1877. She was devoted to her husband, always planning for his comfort and pleasure. His favorite dishes were included in arranging meals, and she strove to see that an atmosphere of peace and harmony prevailed when he was at home. Her love and affection were shown by deeds rather than words for she was not given to pretty speeches or amorous ways. Father's spending habits concerned her greatly and this serious difference in their outlook on life resulted in a tendency on her part to restrain his enthusiasms whenever possible.

To her children she was a splendid example of fortitude and awareness of duty. She made no appeal to emotion or sentimentality, but was content to set a good example. Unlike my father she did not spend much time reading. Her Baltimore Sunpaper was her daily reading and that she read completely. She had attended a girl's finishing school but had not studied further and was not able to help us much in the preparation of lessons, especially in mathematics or lan-

guages. Her training had been for a sheltered life concerned with the management of her household and in that field she succeeded magnificently.

Mother never relished country life having been reared in the city yet the demands upon her energies of maintaining Glengyle were met and filled uncomplainingly. She engineered a move into the city during the coldest winter months, and for several years while we children were still young we rented several rooms in a boarding house maintained by Mrs. Baker on Mount Royal Avenue not far from the section of the city where my mother had grown up. There in uncomfortably crowded quarters she kept house in a simplified style and enjoyed the company of her relatives and the other features of city life in which she found pleasure.

Mother's religion was deep seated and sustaining. She practised her beliefs and was content to rely on those fundamentals of her faith which she had been taught. She did not care for profound theological discussion. Religious observances in our home were confined to father's asking a blessing before meals and to the recital of our prayers at Mother's knee before retiring. She regularly attended service at the church in Arlington, but did not join my father in his management of church affairs. She did not linger to visit at the church door at the close of the service, but delighted in entertaining others for Sunday dinner.

As Mother grew older she made fewer friends and became more centered within the confines of her household. An introvert by nature, unlike my father, she worried a great deal. She was not, however, given to brooding and always seemed self contained.

In our early years when servants were plentiful at low wages, Mother had no difficulty in surrounding herself with competent help. She knew how to do things herself, however, and that knowledge was most useful when in later years she found it necessary to spend more of her time preparing meals and in house-keeping duties. She did not complain though she had ample cause. Instead she adjusted her life to new unaccustomed surroundings and carried on, making our place of abode, whether simple flat or modest cottage, a home.

Mother's heart was big enough to find a place for each of her six children. A seventh child, Florence, died in infancy. She had no favorite though she came of necessity to rely upon her two eldest sons, so different in their personal characteristics. Hamline, the elder, was sober, conscientious, hardworking and thrifty. He learned early the habits of saving and sacrifice, and was a standby to whom she frequently turned. Her second son, the writer, less energetic, was catered to and waited upon by his mother, and remained longest in the family home unmarried. For her two daughters, Ethel and Helen, she held great affection and pride; and concern over the future of her two younger sons, Robert and Donald, kept them always close to her heart. Nothing gave her more pleasure than to have all of her children around her and it was given to her to have most of them nearby. Her affection and loyalty embraced those whom her sons and daughters married, and when the family home was broken up, Mother went to live in a small apartment on the top floor of Hamline's house, later moving to the home of her daughter, Ethel Tompkins. She was ill only a few days at the end, dying at 67 in her daughter's home on the morning of Easter Day, April 20, 1924. Thus for her was immortality gained. Mother's life was one of service to others — her own kin. Her life illustrated unquestionably the great truth of the scriptural assurance — "Greater love hath no man" She gave her life ungrudgingly to her family.

NOTEWORTHY NEWS

THE CHIEF MOVES AGAIN

After two years in the States our Chief returned to the British Isles to take charge of all recruiting for the Army in Scotland. This was an ideal assignment in many ways. The MacGregors were assigned lovely quarters in Edinburgh and they were only an hour-and-a-half drive from Edinchip. After being away so long they were delighted to be able to spend week ends in their own beautiful home. The boys' school in Mid Lothian was close by, too, which meant being able to see them more often.

But, "A soldier's life is terrible hard,"
says Alice",

and so it is. Barely settled in Edinburgh, Col. Sir Gregor was ordered to London to take command of the Scots Guard Regiment. This is an important assignment and one which he no doubt has always hoped for and we congratulate him. But what is a feather in the cap for the Chief is, to use her own words, a domestic disaster for Lady MacGregor. Once again she must pack up and go, this time to crowded London where no quarters are provided, and be far again from the boys and nice weekends at Edinchip!

FOREIGN STUDY

Richard Byrd Hart Ewell, son of Dr. Nathaniel M. Ewell, Jr., our Clan Surgeon, spent 6 weeks of the summer of 1971 at the American Institute for Foreign Study at Antibes, France.



Edward K. Gregor, Jr., is shown on the right
at a class in Scottish country dancing
in Irondequoit, N.Y.

Photo by Irondequoit Press

CORRECTIONS

- 1971 Yearbook, page 71: The occupants of Belliclone were in 1970 and still are Mr. and Mrs. Ian Drummond Ritchie.
- 1971 Yearbook, page 24: Clan #1588; In the next to the last line, change the word "brother" to read "nephew".
- 1971 Yearbook, page 24: Clan #1589; In the next to the last line, change the word "brother" to read "nephew".
- 1971 Yearbook, in the Roster of Members:
Horsey, Mrs. Helen P.; Clan #1372, should read:
Horsey, Mrs. Richard McSherry,

Magruder, Evelina; change zip code to 22902.
- Magruder, Thomas G., Jr.; Clan #824 LM, change address to:
331 North Henry Street,
P.O. Box HS
Williamsburg, Va. 23185
- Richardson, Rev. & Mrs, should show initials as H.M.

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