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#### COUNCIL MEETING

#### October 4, 1975

The Council meeting of the American Clan Gregor Society was called to order by the Chieftain, Frank R. McGregor, at 9:30 a.m., October 4, 1975. Twenty-two members were present, thus constituting a quorum. They were: Frank R. McGregor, Joseph C. Tichy, Jr., Mrs. William C. Stokoe, Jr., Mrs. Joseph C. Tichy, Jr., Mrs. John E. Loveless, John G. Urquhart, the Rev. H. M. Richardson, Arthur Peter, Jr., John P. McAdams, Miss Eunice B. Haden, Douglas Neil Magruder, Mrs. Duncan Mackenzie, Ashby Canter, the Hon. Hugh B. Campbell, Miss Virginia Tyler, Edward Passano, Sr., Mrs. Loren F. Cole, William E. McGregor, Thomas Offutt, Harry W. Blunt, Gordon Stick, and Mrs. Charles Kurz, Jr. Also attending were Willet Clark Magruder and Wilfred Gregson.

The meeting began with a prayer led by the Rev. Richardson.

The Scribe, Mrs. Stokoe, read letters from Archibald McGregor and Mrs. Herbert Thomas Magruder.

The Treasurer, Mr. Urquhart, presented his report. There is a balance, as of October 1, 1975, in the General Checking Account of \$1,632.40; in the Savings Account of the General Fund, \$5,835.06; in the Marshall Magruder Library Fund, \$102.88, and in the Charity and Education Fund, \$3,604.88. His report was accepted as read.

Mrs. Tichy, the Registrar, reported that in the past year we have added 45 new members and reinstated 4.

The Historian, Mrs. Loveless, reported that there have been 3 births, 3 marriages and 9 deaths of members this year. There have also been 4 deaths of relatives of members.

The Librarian, John McAdams, gave a report announcing the transfer of the Marshall Magruder Library to Hearst Hall on the grounds of the Washington Cathedral. The books have been classified and shelved and are ready for use as references but are not available for borrowing. The regular hours are Wednesdays in the daytime and evenings by appointment. Donations of books and furnishings have been received and are gratefully acknowledged. Librarians are Dr. and Mrs. Charles Kurz, Jr., Mrs. Harry W. Blunt, Mrs. Joseph C. Tichy, Jr., Miss Virginia Tyler and Mr. and Mrs. R. James Macgregor.

The Edward May Magruder Scholarship Fund at the University of Virginia reports a balance in the Principal Checking Account as of September 30, 1975, of \$18,784.09. In the Income Account the balance was \$1,020.73. No scholarship award has been made at this time for the 1975-76 session.

The Trustees report was given by Gordon Stick. He stated that the Trustees recommend that the Society make a donation from the Charity and Education Fund to the Washington Cathedral of \$315 for the use of the library room in Hearst Hall, and authorize an additional donation of \$420 for 1976. He also reported that the Trustees recommend a gift of \$500 to the Edward May Magruder Scholarship Fund. This would leave a balance of \$2,369.88 in the Charity and Education Fund. It was moved and passed that this action be taken.

John McAdams gave a brief report as Gathering Chairman. He stated that there are 263 persons attending the banquet and that this is the largest gathering in recent years.

Under new business Harry Blunt moved that subsection b under Section III in the Bylaws, dealing with the functions of the Council, be inserted as part of the recently reprinted Bylaws. This section was left out inadvertently when the copy was prepared for the printers. The motion passed.

He also moved that the Chieftain shall be allowed 4 personal guests of his own choice at the banquet and that these shall be in addition to the special guests

who are usually invited by the Society. This motion was also carried.

In another motion he moved that the Society authorize payment of \$150 for the plaque to Alexander Magruder which is to be placed at Belliclone during the American Clan Gregor Society Bicentennial Pilgrimage. The motion was carried.

A motion was then made and passed that the Society continue to sponsor the Grandfather Mountain Highland Games but leave the sponsorship of any other Highland Games in the hands of the State Deputy of the state in which the games take place.

The Nominating Committee report was then presented by Harry Blunt and

accepted by the Council.

The Chieftain adjourned the meeting at 10:55 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth A. Stokoe, Scribe

#### GENERAL MEETING

October 4, 1975

The General Meeting of the American Clan Gregor Society was called to order at 3:45 p.m. on October 4, 1975, by the Chieftain, Frank R. McGregor.

The Scribe, Mrs. William C. Stokoe, Jr., read the minutes of the Council

meeting and they were approved as read.

The outgoing Chieftain then installed our new Chieftain, William E. McGregor, who expressed his gratitude and happiness at being so honored and presented to his predecessor a memento of his years as Chieftain.

The new Chieftain announced his selection of Joseph C. Tichy, Jr., as his Assistant Chieftain, and, there being no further business, adjourned the meeting at

4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ruth A. Stokoe, Scribe

#### AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC.

Nominating Committee Report, Oct. 4, 1975

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John M. MacGregor, Chairman

John Kennedy Magruder

Harry W. Blunt

Prior to the official opening of the meeting the members of the Council were distressed to learn that Archibald McGregor, due to his wife's health, had resigned as Ranking Deputy Chieftain and had declared himself unavailable for election to the chieftainship at this time. When Frank R. McGregor, Chieftain, received this word earlier in the year he had appointed William E. McGregor to fill the vacancy as Ranking Deputy for the 1975 term.

-Editor's Note

## AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC.

### General Checking Account

### DEPOSITED IN THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF SANDY SPRING, MARYLAND

## RECEIPTS

Balance as of October 1, 1974	\$ 1,232.74 3,262.50 80.00 700.00 150.00 8,000.00 86.17 7.50 4,366.43 50.00 44.64 30.00 \$18,009.98
LAI ENDITORES	
Dr. Edward May Magruder Scholarship Fund at the University of Virginia	\$ 8,000.00 72.00 102.88 54.50 162.45 86.17 24.36 4.81 24.00
Transferred to C & E account.  Pipe Band Society Directory, printing cost Insurance for Library Virginia Scottish Games Stationery. Washington Cathedral Year Book Grandfather Mountain Highland Games	7.50 50.00 608.00 50.00 53.00 224.12 315.00 1,925.21 183.94
1974 Gathering Bethesda Business Service Postage Key Chains Total Expenditures Total Receipts	3,866.43 57.95 332.05 173.21 \$16,377.58 \$18,009.98
Balance as of October 1, 1975	\$ 1,632.40

#### AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC.

#### SAVINGS ACCOUNT OF THE GENERAL FUND

On deposit in the National Permanent Federal Savings and Loan Association, 5700 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, D. C.

Balance as of October 1, 1974	The state of the s
Life Memberships:	
L. B. Magruder \$150.00	
Samuel H. S. Magruder \$150.00	300.00
Balance as of October 1, 1975	\$ 5,835.06

John G. Urquhart, Treasurer

#### MARSHALL MAGRUDER LIBRARY FUND

On deposit in the National Permanent Federal Savings and Loan Association, 5700 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, D. C.

Balance as of October 1, 1974	
Donations	701 7 340040
Sale: Year Books	98.83
Duncan MacGregor (Piggy Bank)	40.00
Refund on Library opening	34.80
Balance as of October 1, 1975	\$ 3,123.11
Due General Checking Account for Library Opening:	
To be transferred after October 1, 1975	\$ 102.88

John G. Urquhart, Treasurer

### AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC.

## CHARITY AND EDUCATION FUND

On deposit in the National Permanent Federal Savings and Loan Association, 5700 Connecticut Avenue, Chevy Chase, D. C.

Balance as of October 1, 1974	\$10,187.34
Interest	219.04
Donations	1,198.50
Total	\$11,604.88
Paid to Edward May Magruder Medical	
Scholarship Fund at the University of Virginia	8,000.00
Balance as of October 1, 1975	\$ 3,604.88

#### DR. EDWARD MAY MAGRUDER MEDICAL SCHOLARSHIP FUND

## At the University of Virginia

(Founded in 1927 by the A.C.G.S.)

September 30, 1975

Principal Account—University Code	Principal	Account—l	Iniversity	Code	6642
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Balance: October 1, 1974 ......\$10,784.09

Additions during the year:

Balance: September 30, 1975 ......\$18.784.09

Approximate Market Value at June 30, 1975 ...... \$21,545.20

Income Account-University Account 5396

Balance: October 1, 1974 ......\$ 207.73

Additions: Income earned......813.00

Deductions: ..... —0—

No Scholarship Award has been made at this time for the 1975-76 session.

R. Gregory Magruder, M. D., Chairman

#### AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC.

Donations to the Charity & Education Fund from October 1, 1974 to October 1, 1975

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Mr. and Mrs. Page B. Clagett

Mrs. James Keir

Mr. and Mrs. Nestor J. MacDonald

Mr. and Mrs. Winfield S. Mayne

Cdr. and Mrs. Henry L. Phelps

Some of the above donations were made in memory of:

James Keir

Rosalie S. Magruder

Herbert T. Magruder

#### REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR

#### Margaret B. Tichy

New Members: 45

- 1751A Mackenzie, Duncan Henry, Kintail Glebe, Bel Air, Md. 21014: he the husband of Ann Stick Mackenzie, Clan #1554.
- 1752 Tripp, Ruth B. (Mrs. O.W.) 413 S. 12th Street, Salina, Kan. 67401: she the daughter of Ernest George Herman Beyer and Julia Cora Mundy: she the daughter of Samuel Hillis Mundy and Mary Emily Hogue: she the daughter of Thomas Elwood Hogue and Ann Gregg: she the daughter of Elijah Gregg and Phoebe Spencer: he the son of Caleb Gregg and Hannah Warford: he the son of John Gregg and Ruth Smith: he the son of Thomas Gregg and Dinah Harlan: he the son of John Gregg and Elizabeth Cooke: he the son of William Gregg; hern in Scotland in 1616.
- Hunt, Caroline Candler (Mrs. Lowry W.) 568 Academy Street, Madison, Georgia 30650: she the daughter of Samuel Charles Candler and Mary Frances Godfrey: he the son of Warren Apin Candler and Sara Antoinette Curtwright: he the son of Samuel Charles Candler and Martha Bernetta Beall: she the daughter of Noble Phelix Beall and Justinia Dickinson Hooper: he the son of Gen. Frederick Beall and Martha Peyton Beall: he the son of Col. Thaddeus Beall, Sr., and Jane Amelia Beall: he the son of Josiah Beall and Millicent Bradley: he the son of John Beall and Verlinda Magruder: she the daughter of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall: he the son of Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.
- 1754 Scott, John M., 5204 N. Agnes, Kansas City, Mo. 64119: he the son of James S. Scott and Jeannette B. Aikman: she the daughter of John Aikman and Jane McGregor born in Scotland in 1849.
- Bruns, Mrs. Jean R., 1402 Ruffner Road, Alexandria, Va. 22302: she the daughter of O. Robbins Randolph and Jean Graham McAllister: he the son of Lingan Strother Randolph and Fanny Robbins: she the daughter of Orlando Douglas Robbins and Fanny Schley Magruder: she the daughter of Jonathan Wilson Magruder and Mary Galloway Lynn: he the son of Dr. Zadock Magruder and Martha Willson: he the son of Col. Zadock Magruder and Rachel Pottinger: he the son of John Magruder and Susannah Smith: he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall: he the son of Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.

- Magruder, Walter Haswell, 11101 Ardwick Drive, Rockville, Md. 20852: he the son of Thomas Haswell Magruder and Margaret Jane Van Sise: he the son of Samuel Fielder Magruder and Annie Fletcher Brooke: he the son of Haswell Magruder and Adaline E. Boyd: he the son of William Magruder and Elizabeth Hilleary: he the son of Haswell Magruder and Charity Beall: he the son of Samuel Magruder III and Jane Haswell: he the son of Samuel Magruder, Sr., and Eleanor Wade: he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall: he the son of Alexander, the immigrant.
- 1757A Magruder, Mary Louisa (Mrs. Walter H.) 11101 Ardwick Drive, Rockville, Md. 20852: she the wife of Walter Haswell Magruder, Clan #1756.
- Harkins, Bobbye R. (Mrs. John P.) 4065 Boxwood Circle, Jackson, Miss. 39200: she the daughter of William Walter Roberts and Drusilla Walker: she the daughter of Joseph Buchanan Walker and Berilla Brown: he the son of Solomon Walker and Mary Boggan: he the son of Asa Walker and Catherine Magee: she the daughter of Solomon Magee and Elizabeth Weathersby: he the son of Phillip Magee and Mary Butler: he the son of John McGehee and Ann Moore: he the son of William McGehee: he the son of Thomas Mack Gehee and Mary Mumford.
- Bartlett, Leah Clagett Ford (Mrs. Bradford) 3236 Peace Valley Lane, Falls Church, Va. 22044: she the daughter of Walter Baldwin Ford and Arrietta Maude Beall: she the daughter of Otho Richard Beall and Alice Maude Thompson: he the son of Washington Jeremiah Beall and Mary Ann Magruder: she the daughter of Dennis Magruder and Mary Ann Beard: he the son of Enoch Magruder and Meek Wade: 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.
- 1760A Bartlett, Adm. Bradford, 3236 Peace Valley Lane, Falls Church, Va. 22044: he the husband of Leah Ford Bartlettt, Clan #1759.
- Small, Catherine Boon Magruder (Mrs. Whitmell) 617 East Maple, El Segundo, Cal. 90245: she the daughter of John Baldwin Magruder, Sr., and Catharine M. Dukes: he the son of Edward Walter Magruder and Elizabeth Maria Mullikin: he the son of Caleb Clarke Magruder and Mary Sprigg Belt: he the son of Thomas Magruder and Mary Clarke: he the son of Isaac Magruder and Sophia Baldwin: he the son of Nathan Magruder and Rebecca Beall: he the son of John Magruder and Susanna Smith: he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall: he the son of Alexander, the immigrant.

- O'Keefe, Helen Scott (Mrs. Robert J.) 155 Sunny Drive, Pittsburgh, Pa. 15236: she the sister of John M. Scott, Clan #1754, see above.
- 1763LM Magruder, Samuel H. S., 18 Copeland Street, Watertown, Mass. 02172: he the son of Lloyd Burns Magruder, Jr., and Beatrice Hardcastle Lowell: he the son of Lloyd Burns Magruder and Mary Blue Hull: he the son of Dr. George Lloyd Magruder and Belle Burns: he the son of Thomas Contee Magruder and Elizabeth Olivia Morgan: he the son of Lloyd Magruder and Ann Holmes: he the son of Samuel Wade Magruder and Lucy Beall: he the son of Alexander Magruder and Ann Wade: he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall: he the son of Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.
- McNish, Capt. Thomas M., 2064 Pine Forest Drive, N.E., Altanta, Georgia 30345: he the son of Edgar Mann McNish and Mary Elenora Kinsey: he the son of Thomas Horatio McNish and Emma Mann: he the son of William Dean McNish and Julia Stump: he the son of Horatio McNish and Susan Dean: he the son of David McNish and Elizabeth Lewis. McNish is accepted as a Sept of the Clan Gregor.
- Boone, Martha Forbes (Mrs. William E.) Whiltshire Knoll, P.O. Box 365, Waldorf, Md. 20601: she the daughter of George Frank Forbes and Eugenia Lee Hall: she the daughter of Nicholas Snowden Hall and Lucy Estelle Gill: he the son of Col. Francis Magruder Hall and Rosalie Eugenia Carter: he the son of Francis Magruder Hall and Ann Elizabeth Snowden: he the son of Col. Francis Magruder Hall, Sr., and Mary Hill: he the son of Richard Bennett Hall and Margaret Magruder: she the daughter of James Magruder, Jr., and Cave King: he the son of James Magruder, Sr., and Barbara Coombs: he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall: he the son of Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.
- Markanich, Nancylee MacGregor (Mrs. J.M.) 10110 Crestwood Road, Kensington, Md. 20795: she the daughter of Joseph Henry Harding and Nannie Bowie MacGregor: she the daughter of John Francis MacGregor and Florence Ellen Wallace: he the son of Nathaniel Mortimer MacGregor and Susan Euphemia Mitchell: he the son of John Smith Magruder and Eleanor Hall Clark: he the son of Nathaniel Magruder and Margaret Magruder: he the son of John Magruder and Susanna Smith: he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall: he the son of Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.
- 1767 Bash, Rosalie MacGregor (Mrs. Ivan C.) 60 Lafayette Road, West, Princeton, N.J. 08540: she the sister of Nancylee MacGregor Markanich, Clan #1766, see above.

- Shewman, Marguerite Little (Mrs. Robert F.) 12417 Dunedin Lane, Apt. 101, St. Louis, Mo. 63141: she the daughter of Robert Henry Little, Sr., and Ethel Marguerite Beyer: she the sister of Ruth Beyer Tripp, Clan #1752, see above.
- Little, Ethel Beyer (Mrs. Robert H.) 1001 Calhoun Street, West Liberty, Iowa 52776: she the sister of Ruth Beyer Tripp, Clan #1752, see above.
- 1770 Fitzgerald, Donald F., 10009 Carter Road, Bethesda, Md. 20034: he the son of John Thomas Fitzgerald and Dolly Petrie: she the daughter of William Petrie and Mary McGovern who were born in Edinburgh, Scotland. Petrie is an accepted Sept of the Clan MacGregor.
- Wood, W. Lee, Jr., 877 Shades Crest Road, Birmingham, Ala. 35226: he the son of Walter Lee Wood and Katherine Baker: he the son of Judge Thaddeus Alonzo Wood and Ruth Aurelia Drane: she the daughter of Hiram Walter Drane and Colie Pierce Spencer: he the son of Hiram Drane and Eleanor Magruder: he the son of William Drane and Cassandra Magruder: she the daughter of Ninian Beall Magruder and Rebecca Young: he the son of Samuel Magruder III and Margaret Jackson: he the son of Ninian Magruder and Elizabeth Brewer: he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall: he the son of Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.
- 1772 King, Dr. Merrill J., Jr., Vinal Road, West Rockport, Maine 04865: he the son of Merrill Jenks King, Sr., and Dorothy Marion Bell: he the son of Harry Harwood King: he the son of Lysander King born in Nova Scotia in 1830: he the son of Alasdair King, born in Nova Scotia 1805, died at sea: recognized by letter by Sir Gregor MacGregor as a member of his Clan.
- 1773 Tripp, John S., 74 Wheatland Drive, Hampton, Va. 23666: he the son of Mrs. O. W. Tripp, Clan #1752, see above.
- Magruder, Miss Clemmie, 5119 4th Ave., Kenosha, Wis. 53140: she the daughter of Augustin Freeland Magruder and Helena Corbett Ingram: he the son of William Wailes Magruder and Clemmie Arepsa Henry: he the son of Augustin Freeland Magruder and Juliet Harriett Abbey: he the son of John Hawkins Magruder and Eliza Biggs Wailes: he the son of Leonard Magruder and Susanna Priscilla Hawkins: he the son of Alexander Magruder III and Elizabeth Howard: he the son of Alexander Magruder II and Susanna Busey: he the son of Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.

- 1775 Nowell, Alice MacGregor (Mrs. William P.) 6007 67th Ave. Apt. 6, Riverdale, Md. 20840: she the daughter of William Brayshaw MacGregor and Alice Douglas Wallach: he the son of John Francis MacGregor and Florence Ellen Wallace: see line of Nancylee Markanich, Clan # 1766 above.
- Boswell, Grace MacGregor (Mrs. Charles C.) 16505 Sylvan Drive, Bowie, Md. 20716: she the sister of Alice MacGregor Nowell, Clan #1775, see above.
- 1777 Eaton, Anna L. MacGregor (Mrs. Bronson W.) 348 Seventh Street N.E. Atlanta, Georgia 30308: she the daughter of Robert Bruce MacGregor and Anna Louise Fox: he the son of John Francis MacGregor and Florence Ellen Wallace: see line of Nancylee Markanich, Clan #1766 above.
- Peterson, Anita L. (Mrs. Douglas E.) Field Street, Norwalk, Conn. 06851: she the daughter of Allister Archey MacGregor and Marjorie Joyce Stevens: he the son of Alexander MacGregor and Angie Currie: he the son of Murdoch MacGregor and Elizabeth MacArthur: he the son of Duncan MacGregor and Margaret Munroe of Scotland.
- Marshall, The Hon. Elliott, Box 856, Front Royal, Va. 22630: he the son of James Markham Marshall and Maria Minor De Jarnette: she the daughter of Elliott Hawes De Jarnette and Evelyn May Magruder: she the daughter of Benjamin Henry Magruder and Maria Louisa Minor: he the son of John Bowie Magruder and Sarah B. Jones: he the son of Capt. James Magruder, Jr., and Mary Bowie: he the son of Ninian Magruder and Elizabeth Brewer: he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall: he the son of Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.
- Cullum, Maj. Richard Owen, 601 Bjornstadt Street, Ft. Benning, Georgia 31905: he the son of Earl Owen Cullum and Emma Louise Hudgins: he the son of Earl Wilson Cullum and Ruth Owen: she the daughter of William Brackett Owen and Elizabeth May Wallace: he the son of David Owen and Matilda Smith: he the son of Lt. William Owen and Susannah Cardwell: he the son of Col. Brackett Owen and Elizabeth McGehee: she the daughter of Jacob McGehee and Eleanor De Jarnette: he the son of Thomas Mack Gehee of Scotland.
- Bostelman, Claire Kurz (Mrs. William J.) 4520 Bishopmill Circle, Upper Marlboro, Md. 20870: she the daughter of Dr. Charles G. Kurz, Jr., and Mabel Claire MacGregor Sessford: she the daughter of Dr. Harry Weeden Sessford and Mabel Claire MacGregor: she the daughter of John Francis MacGregor and Florence Ellen Wallace: see line of Nancylee Markanich, Clan #1766 above.

- Roberts, Charles Wayne, 2097 Superior Ave., So. Charleston, W.Va. 25303: he the son of Glenn C. Roberts and Glenna Louise Cox: he the son of Charles S. Roberts and Rocene Lema Mullins: she the daughter of Andrew Jackson Mullins and Laura Belle Adkins: she the daughter of Samuel Adkins and Hanna Greer Trivett: she the daughter of Isaac Newton Greer and Nancy Norris: he the son of William Greer and Hannah Cartwright: he the son of Benjamin Greer and Nancy Wilcoxen: he the son of John Greer and Ruth Sheppard: he the son of John Greer and Mary Hanks: he the son of James Greer and Elinor Rae: he the son of Henry Greer and Mary Turner. This Henry Greer died in Ireland in 1675.
- 1783A Kane, Richard Robbins, I Hillside Ave., Towson, Md. 21204: he the husband of Eleanora Kane, Clan #1268.
- 1784 Chaffiot, Mrs. Martha MacGregor, 210 Due East Ave., New Smyrna Beach, Fla. 32069: she the daughter of John Francis MacGregor and Florence Ellen Wallace: see line of Nancylee Markanich, Clan #1766 above.
- Etheridge, Mrs. Mary Roberta MacGregor, 208 Due East Ave., New Smyrna Beach, Fla. 32069: she the sister of Mrs. Martha MacGregor Chaffiot, Clan #1784, see above.
- 1786 Gray, McGregor, Box 119, St. Michaels, Md. 21663: he the son of Charles Harold Gray and Helen Lenore McGregor: she the daughter of William F. McGregor and Augusta Rosenquist: he the son of Farquhar MacGregor and Elizabeth Kellwan McKenzie: he the son of John MacGregor and Catherine Matheson married in Scotland in 1809.
- MacGregor, Donald, 625 Sorrento Ave., Temple Terrace, Fla. 33617: he the son of Wilbur Clyde McGregor and Grace H. Davis: he the son of Harlan Page McGregor and Lucy M. Baggs: he the son of William McGregor and Elizabeth Gregg Hall: he the son of John McGregor and Susanna Blakeley, both born in Scotland.
- MacGregor, Walter F., 5333 Abbott Ave. So., Minneapolis, Minn. 55410: he the son of Alexander MacGregor and Nellie Barrett: he the son of William MacGregor and Mary Jane MacKenzie: he the son of William MacGregor and Margaret Taylor: this MacGregor was born in Scotland in 1793.
- Bowling, Alexander W., Jr., 19 Norman Place, Cranford, N.J. 07016: he the son of Alexander Worthington Bowling, Sr., and Ellen Lee Young: she the daughter of Livingston I. Young and Louisa Gwynn: she the daughter of William Henry Gwynn and Jane Berry: he the son of Bennett Gwynn and Susanna Hilleary: she the daughter of Henry Hilleary and Cassandra Magruder: she the daughter of John Magruder of Dunblane and Susanna Smith: he the son of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall: he the son of Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.

- Thomas, Lawrence D., 6219 Burgoyne, Houston, Texas 77027: he the son of Clarence A. Thomas and Gene Hunt: she the daughter of Lawrence Crawford Hunt and LaMerle Kelly: she the daughter of James Allen Kelly and Laura Exa Beall: she the daughter of Thaddeus Solon Beall and Caroline M. Boyd: he the son of Thaddeus Beall, Jr., and Mary Jones: he the son of Thaddeus Beall, Sr., and Amelia Jane Beall: he the son of Samuel Beall and Eleanor Brooke: he the son of John Beall and Verlinda Magruder: she the daughter of Samuel Magruder and Sarah Beall: he the son of Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.
- 1791 Thomas, Hunt Beall, 1911 North Street, Nacogdoches, Texas 75961: he the brother of Lawrence D. Thomas, Clan # 1790, see above.
- 1792A Thomas, Cheryl Sparks (Mrs. Lawrence D.) 6219 Burgoyne, Houston, Texas 77027: she the wife of Lawrence D. Thomas, Clan #1790.
- MacGregor, Norman Fox, Jr., Barranca 45, San Miguel De Allende, GTO Mexico: he the son of Norman Fox MacGregor and Julia Beidleman Hughes: he the son of John James Gregor MacGregor and Jeanie MacArthur: he the son of Gregor MacGregor and Susanna Robertson: he the son of John MacGregor and Katherine Frazer. John MacGregor was born at Loch Katrine in 1750.
- Allensworth, Beverly Ann, 3020 Frontier N.E. Albuquerque, N.M.: she the daughter of James A. Allensworth and Joan Mackey: he the son of Orville Ross Allensworth and Catherine Sage: he the son of James Elias Allensworth and Hattie Elizabeth McGregor: she the daughter of George S. McGregor and Alice D. Fleck: he the son of William McGregor born in Delaware in 1805. Accepted by the Council on Oct. 12, 1973.
- McGehee, Frank H., 105 Dana Road, Natchez, Miss. 59120: he the son of Prentiss Troy McGehee and Annie May Hartman: he the son of Micajah Cicero McGehee and Ella Lumpkin: he the son of James Madison McGehee and Rebecca Ann Jones: he the son of James McGehee and Zelpha Downs: he the son of Samuel McGehee and Olive Muse: he the son of Edward McGehee and Elizabeth De Jarnette: he the son of Thomas Mack Gehee.





Mrs. Frank R. McGregor Cuts the Ribbon



Entrance to Hearst Hall On Washington Cathedral Grounds



A Glamour Girl On Librarian's Staff



In the Library
The Very Rev. Francis B. Sayre, Jr.
and Chieftain Frank R. McGregor

Photos by John McAdams

#### REPORT OF THE LIBRARIAN

#### John P. McAdams

The year 1975 was an eventful one for the General Marshal Magruder Memorial Library. Our complete collection of books, records, and historic papers were moved to Room 251, Hearst Hall on the grounds of the Washington Cathedral. The full library committee met in the Tabart Room of Hearst Hall on February 9 of this year to plan the future operation of the library and to decide upon a system of classification and cataloging of our books and records. The committee consisted of Chieftain and Mrs. Frank McGregor, Cdr. and Mrs. John Urquhart, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Blunt, Mr. and Mrs. James R. Macgregor, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Kurz, Miss Virginia Tyler, Dr. and Mrs. William Stokoe, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tichy, and Mr. and Mrs. John McAdams. The committee decided to operate the library as a service to the Clan, to the Washington Cathedral, and to the public as a reference (not a lending) library of historic and genealogical records. It was decided that the library should have regular hours on Wednesday afternoons and Monday evenings, as well as special openings by appointment.

A "Grand Opening" was held on Sunday afternoon, April 6th in the Blue Room of Hearst Hall which was attended by over forty members, guests, and friends including the Very Reverend Francis B. Sayre, Jr., Dean of the Washington Cathedral. After appropriate remarks by your librarian a ribbon was cut by Mrs. Frank McGregor, the wife of our Chieftain, to symbolize the occasion. Then the group was escorted on an inspection tour of the building and library facilities.

Since the opening, 66 persons have visited, used or worked in our library. The library has been opened for 36 days and evenings up until Friday, September 24th, when the library was especially open for those who came from out-of-town to attend the 1975 Gathering. The Library is the permanent residence for the Clan's pig, "Porky" who has been successful in collecting funds amounting to \$5.35 through generous contributions from users of the facility.

The Library contains a cross-reference catalog which provides quick location to articles, names, events, and photographs in all of the Clan yearbooks up to and including 1963. Yearbooks for 1969 and 1970 have also been cross-referenced in the catalog. The entire library collections of over 500 volumes have been listed and cataloged using a unique system, by Dr. and Mrs. Charles Kurz. One valuable old volume, 'Old Scottish Regimental Colours,' by Andrew Ross has been rebound and restored at a cost of \$52.50. Other old and rare books need restoration including the famous 'History of the Clan Gregor', and 'Costumes of the Highland Clans'. Estimates to rebind these volumes have exceeded \$150 each and funds will have to come from individual contributions with the donor's name affixed inside the front cover of each restored volume.

We have been fortunate in receiving donations during the past year as follows:

- Books: 1. Primitive into Painter, William B. O'Neal: donated by Mrs. Woodruff Weaver:
  - 2. Jousting in Maryland: donated by Mrs. Eleanora Kane;
  - 3. Webster's New International Dictionary (unabridged): donated by Mrs. John P. McAdams;

Doorknocker with Clan Coat of Arms: donated by Mr. Harry Blunt in memory of Mrs. William H. Lloyd;

Two chairs including a beautiful cherrywood library chair: donated by Mr. and Mrs. Page Clagett in memory of Miss Cornelia Bowie;

A mahogany chair with green leather seat: donated by Mrs. Harry Blunt. Carpeting in Library: donated by John P. McAdams.

The library will continue to be open on Wednesday afternoons from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in Room 251 of Hearst Hall. Evening hours are available only by appointment. To use our Library you may visit Hearst Hall on Wednesday afternoons or call the following Assistant Librarians for an appointment:

Daytime hours:	Dr. and Mrs. Charles Kurz	_	530-0332
-	Mrs. Edith Blunt	-	652-1681
	Mrs. Joseph Tichy		EV 46529
	Miss Virginia Tyler	_	OL 48016
Evening hours:	Mr. and Mrs. James Macgregor	_	365-0450



John P. McAdams Clan Librarian 1971-1975



#### **EVENTS OF THE GATHERINGS**

9:00 A.M. - Registration - Lobby, the Sheraton Inn

9:30 A.M. - Council Meeting

12:00 Noon - Clan Reception

12:30 P.M. - Banquet

2:15 P.M. - Members' Meeting

5:00 P.M. - Trip Orientation and Pipe-Off Party

Music by the Pipe Band of the American Clan Gregor Society J. Gregory O'Brien, Pipe Major

Haste Ye Back

#### BANQUET PROGRAM

Piping in the Clan Society
Pipe in the Chieftain of the American Clan Gregor Society
and Honored Guests
Toast to the President of the United States
U.S. National Anthem
Toast to Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth the Second
British National Anthem
Toast to the Chief
Grace by the Clan Chaplain

#### BANQUET

Introduction of Honored Guests
Toast to the Clan Gregor
Toast to All the Other Clans of Scotland
Toast to the MacGregor Bicentennial Pilgrimage to Scotland
Remarks by the Chieftain
Memorial Service
The Clan Gregor Society Pipe Band
"MacGregor's Gathering" by Mr. David Long

"Auld Lang Syne"



The Registration Desk



The Pipe Band Entertained Photos by Eunice Haden

#### A TOAST TO THE CLAN GREGOR

Given by Thomas G. Ferris

Ladies and Gentlemen: I am going to tell you something about the MacGregors that has never been heard before at a Gathering of the American Clan Gregor Society —

You have all heard that the name MacGregor was proscribed as a punishment to the rebellious clan. The truth of the matter is the MacGregors, because of the nature of their work, had long recognized the value of an alias. To introduce yourself as a MacGregor to a stranger was to immediately put him on his guard (a definite disadvantage if you are about to steal his cattle). As a result, there was great pressure on Parliament to pass a law requiring that MacGregors use their real name. Such a bill was introduced in Parliament and referred to a committee which included a MacGregor who was, of course, using an alias and was not known to be a MacGregor. He convinced the committee that a Bill to require MacGregors to use their real name made no sense. The committee rewrote the Bill as an Act of Proscription banning the use of the name MacGregor. When the Bill was reported back, no one bothered to read it, and the members of Parliament passed it not realizing that it had been changed. The MacGregors were delighted.

It was not long before the error was discovered. There was an immediate move to repeal the Act, but the MacGregors, by clever lobbying, managed to delay repeal for many years and it was not until 1775 that the Act of Proscription was finally repealed. Contrary to what you have been led to believe, there was no rush by those who had changed their names to resume the name of MacGregor. Some still recognized the advantages of not being recognized as a MacGregor, and a few had even forgotten what their name had been. As a result, there are today thousands of MacGregors who do not bear the name of MacGregor.

Over the years the Clan has become respectable — with a few notable exceptions. You have built the largest and most active clan society in the United States and we non-MacGregors have come to admire and respect you. So here's to the Children of the Mist, whatever your names may be!

#### TOAST TO ALL CLANS

Will you join me in toasting the Clans of Scotland. May they all continue to Flourish like the MacGregors.

## TOAST TO THE 1975 MACGREGOR PILGRIMAGE TO SCOTLAND Given by John G. Urquhart

When Sir Gregor bold from Edinchip, the Hereditary Chief of the famous Clan Gregor, issued his summons to his kinsmen in North America to gather in fair Scotia on the shores of Loch Earn and acknowledge fealty to him, your indefatigable chairman, Lord Jim, ably assisted by his charming wife, Sweet Sue, nobly responded to the challenge and, through countless hours of dedicated effort, have put together this Pilgrimage not only of MacGregors, but of many other kindred spirits with Scottish heritage. This historical occasion might be termed an "invasion in reverse".

I propose this toast to them all and may Godspeed attend their every endeavor: To Jim, Sue, the members of the Clan and their friends who are going on this Pilgrimage: Good Luck and a Safe Return. Ladies and Gentlemen, Raise your glasses!

## ATTENDANCE AT THE 1975 GATHERING

## Reston, Va.

Mr. & Mrs. James Allensworth (Joan)	
Adm. & Mrs. Bradford Bartlett (Leah)	
Mrs. Rosalie MacGregor Bash	N.J.
Mrs. Ayleene Wallace Bennett	D.C.
Mrs. Martha MacGregor Berron	Mexico
Mr. & Mrs. Harry W. Blunt (Edith)	Md.
Mrs. Claire S. Bostelman	Md.
Mrs. Elizabeth MacGregor Boswell	Md.
Mike Boswell	
Mrs. Mary G. Brooke	Md
Miss Diana G. Browne	
Mrs. Herschel M. Browne (Frances).	
Mrs. Jean Bruns	
Judge & Mrs. Hugh B. Campbell (Thelma)	N C
Mar Brane Conner	Md.
Mrs. Perry Cannon	Md.
Mr. & Mrs. Ashby Canter (Florence)	
Mrs. Edward Stuart Carter (Martha)	D.C.
Mrs. Martha MacGregor Chaffiot	Fla.
Mr. & Mrs. John Clagett (Martha)	N.J.
Mr. & Mrs. Charles C. Clark (Carol)	Va.
Capt. & Mrs. Loren F. Cole (Ann)	Fla.
Mrs. Merle L. Cox (Corinne)	Md.
Mrs. Harold Donnelly	
Jamie Easter	Md.
Mrs. Anna MacGregor Eaton	Ga.
Mrs. Roberta MacGregor Etheridge	Fla.
Capt. & Mrs. John Ferguson (Mary)	Va.
Dr. Malcolm S. Ferguson	
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Ferris (Marge)	Md.
Mrs. Dolly Fitzgerald	
Mr. & Mrs. John Fitzgerald	Md
Lt. Col. & Mrs. Fleming-Parsons of Cumbernauld	Va
Miss Dawn Fleming-Parsons	Va
Mr. Tarlton Fleming-Parsons	
Mr. & Mrs. Hugh Fuller (Georgia)	
Robbie Fuller	
Mrs. Graciela Graham	
Mr. & Mrs. Edward K. Gregor (Marilyn)	
Mr. & Mrs. Wilford J. Crosser (Lillian)	N.I.
Mr. & Mrs. Wilfred J. Gregson (Lillian)	Ga.
Mr. & Mrs. Willed J. Gregson II (Nathy)	va.
Lt. Col. & Mrs. E. Phillips Grier, Sr. (Julia)	va.
Miss Kathryn Guy	
Miss Eunice Haden	D.C.
Mrs. Nan MacGregor Harding	Md.
Mr. & Mrs. Henry V. Harris III	
Mrs. Bruce Helenby	Md.
Mrs. Elizabeth Magruder Henshaw	
Col. & Mrs. F. P. Hill	Va.

Diane MacGregor Hood
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Horsey (Helen)
Mrs. Mildred Huffman
Mrs. Josiah Hundley (Justina)
Miss Mary Ewell Hundley
Mr. & Mrs. Lowry Hunt (Caroline)
Mr. & Mrs. Ralph Ingram (Lucille)
Mr. & Mrs. James Jarrett (Elizabeth)
Mr. & Mrs. Charles W. H. Jeffress (Jean)
Mr. & Mrs. Carl Johnson (Myrtle)
Mr. & Mrs. David R. Johnston
Mr. Lloyd Killam Hawaii
Mrs. Grace Fuller Knowles
Dr. & Mrs. Charles Kurz (Claire)
Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Lecky (Betty) S.C.
Mr. & Mrs. William Lermond (Ruth)
Andrew C. Lermond Md.
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip Lightfoot (Ruth)
Mr. & Mrs. Henry R. Long (Ruth)
Mrs. John E. Loveless (Marjorie)
Lt. Col. & Mrs. Mason Lummis (Shirley)
Col. & Mrs. Moncure Lyon
Mr. & Mrs. Clark MacGregor
Miss Eugenia MacGregor Mexico
Mr. & Mrs. Donald MacGregor (Lorena)Fla.
Mr. Norman Fox MacGregor Mexico
Mr. & Mrs. R. James Macgregor (Sue)
Mr. & Mrs. W. Gordon MacGregor
Mr. & Mrs. William E. MacGregor (Joanne)
Mr. & Mrs. Duncan Mackenzie (Anne)
Mrs. Margaret MacGregor MagieIll.
Robert MacGregor Magie
Mr. & Mrs. D. Neil Magruder (Marjorie) Miss.
Miss Evelina Magruder
Mr. & Mrs. L. Burns Magruder, Jr. (Beatrice) Del.
Dr. & Mrs. R. Gregory Magruder (Eleanor)
Mr. & Mrs. Willett C. Magruder (Alice)
Mrs. Nancylee MacGregor Markanich Md.
Mrs. Lyda Mathis S.C.
Mr. & Mrs. Winfield S. Mayne (Ann)
Mr. & Mrs. Junius McCartney (Evelyn)
Miss Betty McCowan
Mr. & Mrs. C. Coleman McGehee (Caroline)
Mr. & Mrs. Frank H. McGehee (Jo Berta) Miss.
Miss Ann McGregor
Mr. & Mrs. Frank R. McGregor (Louisa)
George H. McGregor
Mr. Robert P. McGregor
Sandy McGregor
Mr. & Mrs. William E. McGregor (Lou)
Rev. & Mrs. C. Stewart McKenzie (Mary Lee)

Miss Anna Lora Miller
Mr. & Mrs. John W. Miller
Mr. & Mrs. F. Duncan Mills (Vivian)
R. Adm. & Mrs. Frank P. Mitchell (Louise)
Mr. & Mrs. James H. Monroe (Pinkie)
Blaise Morgan
Miss Emma Muncaster Fla.
Mr. & Mrs. Roderick Murray (Paula)
Mrs Alice MacGregor Nowell
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Offutt (Josephine) Md.
Mrs. Newton B. Parker (Cary)
Mr. & Mrs. E. M. Passano (Mildred)
Mr. E. Magruder Passano
Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Peter (Mary) Md.
Miss Edith Peter Md.
Miss Martha Peter
Miss Mary-Jane Pollock
Miss Katherine R. Poole
Mr. & Mrs. William Quay (Sunny)
Cdr. & Mrs. Thomas R. Rawlings
Cur. & Mrs. Thomas K. Kawlings
Mr. & Mrs. James Reid (Senga)
Rev. & Mrs. H. M. Richardson (Margery)
Mrs. Jesse Richardson Md.
Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Robertson, Sr
Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Robertson, II
Mr. & Mrs. Edward Robinson (Eleanor)
Mr. & Mrs. Roscoe Ruddle (Bonnie)
Mrs. Henry W. Samford (Alice)
Mr. & Mrs. G. Mitchell Shaulis (Doris)
Miss Elizabeth Shaw
Mrs. Eleanor Shriver
Frank Shucer
Mr. Blair Slaughter
Miss Ellen Slaughter
Mrs. Louise Slaughter Md.
Patricia Stephenson
Mrs. Myron B. Stevens
Mr. & Mrs. Gordon M. F. Stick (Ann)
Mrs. William C. Stokoe (Ruth)
Dr. & Mrs. J. David Stratton (Hila)
Mr. & Mrs. Frank Taylor (Alice)
Miss Lucy Ann Taylor
Mrs. Mary A. D. Taylor
Miss Susan Taylor
Mr. & Mrs. Clarence Thomas (Gene)
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Thurtle
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph C. Tichy, Jr. (Peggy)
Min. Vincinia Talan
Miss Virginia Tyler
Karl Tyson
Mr. & Mrs. John G. Urquhart (Mary Tyler)
Miss Alice Velez

Miss Ann Velez
Miss Katie Velez N.J.
Mrs. Lucy Ann Velez N.J.
Mrs. Ruth VernerFla.
Mr. & Mrs. Francis V. Walker Md.
Mr. George W. Walker Del.
Miss Katerine Walker Md.
Miss Letitia Dunnington Walker Md.
Miss Meg Walker Md.
Mr. Michael F. Walker Md.
Mr. & Mrs. Lorne Ward (Mary)
Miss Laurin Watkins Miss.
Mr. & Mrs. Wesley Watkins Miss.
Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Watson (Karen)
Mrs. Raymond John Wean III (Susanne)
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Webster (Doris)
Robert Webster III
Mr. & Mrs. Phillip R. Wheeler (Anna) Va.
Mr. & Mrs. Vernon R. Young (Margaret) Texas
Mr. & Mrs. David Zeiser (Bonnie)Ohio

## ABSENTEE GUEST LIST, 1975

Mrs. Roy W. Blair	Miss Ruth J. MacGregor	
Mr. Forrest D. Bowie	Mrs. Herbert T. Magruder	
Mrs. Andrew J. Browett	Mr. & Mrs. Archibald McGregor	
Mrs. Thomas L. Brown	Mr. Frederic M. Pannebaker	
Mrs. Mary C. Cummings	Mr. John E. Peters	
Dr. Nathaniel McGregor Ewell, Jr.	Mr. Eugene C. Rivers	
Mrs. John W. Hamilton	Mr. John M. Scott	
Dr. Merill J. King, Jr.	Capt. Francis D. Shoemaker III	
Mr. Wily W. Knighten	Mr. Galen L. Stone	
Mr. John Murdoch MacGregor	Mr. Robert G. Stone	
Mr. & Mrs. Kent L. MacGregor	Mrs. Henry M. Taylor	
Miss Margaret A. MacGregor	Mr. Robert C. Webster III	
Mrs. Mario Ventura		



William E. McGregor

William E. McGregor, the newly elected Chieftain of the American Clan Gregor Society, is, after twenty three years of residency, a self-proclaimed native of Charlotte, N. C. He was, however, born and educated in Pennsylvania, where his McGregor immigrant ancestor arrived in 1770.

With the exception of thirty-four months in the U.S. Air Force during World War II, Bill has devoted his life to working in the field of design, having started at seventeen doing retail store displays. His designs have been shown in House Beautiful, Southern Living, Good Housekeeping, Family Circle and Interior Design magazines. He is President of the Carolinas Chapter of the American Society of Interior Designers, a member of the National House of Delegates of the American Society of Interior Designers, and Vice-President and President-Elect of the Hezekiah Alexander Foundation for the restoration of the Hezekiah Alexander House (circa 1780).

His interest in his Scottish heritage extends beyond his membership in the American Clan Gregor Society as he is also a member of the St. Andrews Society of Washington D. C. and the St. Andrews Society of the Carolinas and is a past President of the Robert Burns Society of Charlotte.

A good Churchman, Bill is a past member of the Parish Council of St. Patrick's Cathedral in Charlotte and presently serves as an usher. He is also co-chairman of the committee for renovation of the Cathedral.

Both Bill McGregor and his charming wife, the former Mary Louise Rutledge (a practicing pediatrician in Charlotte) are well known to many of our Clan Society members. They have attended the last eight consecutive gatherings and been in charge of the tent at the Grandfather Mt. Games for a number of years.

Their two children, William E., Jr., (Sandy) and Ann are also active Junior members having helped out at Grandfather Mt. Games and gone on the pilgrimage to Scotland last fall.



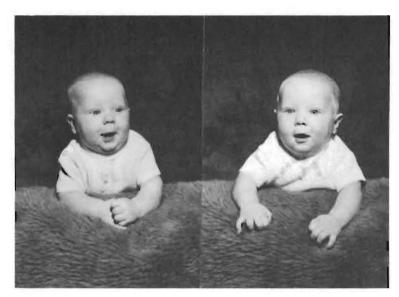
#### REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

#### Marjorie H. Loveless

There were reported, between the 1974 Gathering and the 1975 Gathering, 3 births, 3 marriages, 9 deaths of Clan Members, and 4 deaths of relatives of Clan Members. Since the 1975 Gathering, news has reached us of 3 additional births, 4 additional marriages, 3 more deaths of Clan Members, and 2 more deaths of relatives of Clan Members.

#### BIRTHS

- Burch, Christopher Lawrence and Randall Scott, born June 18, 1975: twin sons of Larry Spruill Burch and Janet Harshfield Burch; great-grandsons of Mrs. Marjorie Hill Loveless, Clan No. 779.
- Hill, Martha Ellen Inge, born July 30, 1975: daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Inge Hill II; granddaughter of Mr. Thomas Bowen Hill, Jr. (Clan No. 1507-A) and of Mrs. Mildred Ellen Abrams Hill (Clan No. 1509).
- Laws, Crane Dunbar, born July 14, 1975: son of John K. Laws and Anna Wade Laws (Clan No. 1657).
- Mills, Philip MacGregor, born Oct. 29, 1975: son of Duncan M. and Cornelia H. Mills; grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Francis D. Mills, Clan Members Nos. 1366-A and 1365, respectively.
- Shaulis, Malissa Ranay, born Nov. 10, 1975: daughter of George and Virginia Shaulis: granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Mitchell Shaulis (Clan No. 1587).



Randy and Chris Twin sons of Larry and Janet Burch



Martha Ellen Inge Hill

### MARRIAGES

### Burke - Stevenson

Miss Rue Elizabeth Burke to Mr. Alfred B. Stevenson, Clan No. 1678, on July 6, 1974.

### Ebel - Muncaster

Miss Janice Marie Ebel to Mr. Ralph O. Muncaster on January 4, 1975, in Boulder, Colo. (See p. 40)

### Joiner - Muncaster

Miss Rosa Ruth Joiner to Mr. Francis Riggs Muncaster on August 2, 1975, in Baton Rouge, La. (See p. 40)

### Magruder - Harris

Miss Eleanor Murray Magruder, Clan No. 1566, to Mr. Henry Pratt Upham Harris III, on May 24, 1975, in Charlottesville, Va. (See p. 41)

### Marion - Magruder

Mrs. Rebecca Ward Marion to Mr. Thomas Garland Magruder, Jr., Clan No. 824-LM and past Chieftain, on February 6, 1975, in Williamsburg, Va.

### Wade - Laws

Miss Anna Gwendolyn Wade, Clan No. 1657, to Mr. John K. Laws, on October 12, 1974, in Mississippi. (See p. 40)

### Williams - Sharman

Mrs. Alice Ijams Williams, Clan No. 1494-A, to Mr. James Sharman, in the summer of 1975.

### AN OLD GAELIC BLESSING

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

### Ebel - Muncaster

Miss Janice Marie Ebel was married to Mr. Ralph Olsen Muncaster, on January 4, 1975, in Boulder, Colorado. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Ebel of Boulder. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Muncaster of Woodstown. He is a graduate of the University of Colorado and is owner-manager of Muncaster and Associates, a graphic arts-illustrating service. He is a grandson of John and Alletta Muncaster, Charter Members of the American Clan Gregor Society.

### Joiner - Muncaster

Miss Rosa Ruth Joiner was married to Mr. Francis Riggs Muncaster on August 2, 1975, in Baton Rouge, La. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walton B. Joiner, of Baton Rouge. Mr. Muncaster is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Edwin Muncaster, Jr., and the grandson of John and Alletta Muncaster, Charter Members of the American Clan Gregor Society. The young couple is living in Baton Rouge, La.

### Wade - Laws

The wedding of Miss Anna Gwendolyn Wade to John Kohlsaat Laws was solemnized at 4 p.m. October 12, 1974, at "McGregor," the antebellum home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Edward Barland. The Rev. David N. Daniels, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Port Gibson, Miss., officiated. Soft music was played by Miss Flo Ruth Barland.

The bride was given in marriage by her cousin, Charles Edward Barland, Miss Linda Sanderson attended the bride as Maid of Honor, and Mr. John K. Laws, Jr., served his father as best man.

Mrs. Laws is the daughter of the late Thomas Magruder Wade, Jr., and his wife Mary Gwendolyn Webb.

Mr. and Mrs. Laws will make their home at Brusly, La., where he is engaged in farming activities.



Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pratt Upham Harris III

Magruder - Harris

Miss Eleanor Murray Magruder was married to Mr. Henry Pratt Upham Harris III on May 24, 1975, at Christ Episcopal Church in Charlottesville, Va. The reception was held at Farmington Country Club. The bride is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Roger Gregory Magruder of Farmington, Charlottesville, Va. She is the granddaughter of Dr. and Mrs. Edward May Magruder of Charlottesville (cofounder of the American Clan Gregor Society). On the maternal side, Eleanor is the granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Alexander Mosely of Quanah, Texas. Eleanor graduated from Foxcroft School in Middleburg, Va., and received a B.A. degree from Sweet Briar College in 1974.

The bridegroom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pratt Upham Harris, Jr., of Brookville, L.I., N.Y., and Holderness, N.H. He is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Pratt Upham Harris of Brookville, L.I., N.Y., and of Mrs. E. Miller Johnston of St. Louis, Mo., and the late Mr. Johnston. He received a B.A. degree from the University of Virginia where he was commissioned in the Army Reserve and where he is currently enrolled in the Darden School of Business Administration.

### DEATHS OF MEMBERS

- Bartlett, Rear Admiral Bradford, Clan No. 1759, died Dec. 2, 1975: Husband of Leah Ford Bartlett. (See Memorial, p. 44)
- Earthman, Mrs. Henry B. (Eliza), Clan No. 1012, died Nov. 7, 1974.
- Gardner, Nancy Parrish, Clan No. 1629, died July 24, 1975: Wife of Mr. Malcolm E. Gardner.
- Hunt, Mrs. Lawrence C., Clan No. 1157, died March 23, 1975: Mother of Mrs. Gene Hunt Thomas.
- Jefferson, Miss Rena B., Clan No. 1399, died August 16, 1974: Sister of Mrs. Presley D. Shingleton, Clan No. 1178. (See Memorial, p. 44)
- MacGregor, Mr. Donald D., Clan No. 1527, died Jan. 30, 1975: Husband of Phyllis Sanders MacGregor. (See Memorial, p. 45)
- MacGregor, Mr. Robert Mercer, Clan No. 1603, died Nov. 22, 1974: Brother of Mrs. William A. Magie (Margaret), Clan No. 1720, and Great Uncle of Robert MacGregor Magie, a Junior Member. (See Memorial, p. 59, 1975 Yearbook)
- Magruder, Rev. Daniel Randall, Clan. No. 1130-L.M., died Aug. 7, 1975. (See Memorial, p. 46)
- Mobley, Mrs. Natalie Magruder, Clan No. 1656, died April 3, 1975.
- Parke, William G. II, Clan No. 1608, died Nov. 4, 1975: Husband of Katherine Morrill Parke. (See Memorial, p. 47)
- Powers, Sarah Parlett, Clan No. 1375, died Sept. 11, 1975: Wife of Mr. Joseph H.
  Powers, sister of Mrs. Dorsey W. Offutt, Jr., Clan No. 1389, Mrs. Richard
  M. Horsey, Clan No. 1372, and Mr. N. Edward Parlett, Clan No. 1734.
  (See Memorial, p. 48)
- Vest, Edna Muncaster, Clan No. 1540, died Dec. 24, 1974: Wife of Mr. George B. Vest, daughter of Dr. Steuart B. Muncaster. (See Memorial, p. 49)



# OCOORIALS

### Admiral Bradford Bartlett

Retired Navy Rear Admiral Bradford Bartlett, 74, a former commander of the old Naval Ordnance Factory in Alexandria, Va., died on December 2, 1975, in Fairfax Hospital. He was a resident of Falls Church, Va. A son and grandson of naval officers, he was born at the U.S. Naval Academy while his father was head of the engineering department there.

Bradford Bartlett was graduated from the Naval Academy in 1922, and in the late 1920s he was gunnery officer on the light cruiser *Marblehead* and commander of U.S. gunboats on the Yangtze River in China. During World War II, Bartlett commanded the troop transport *Neville*, which made several strategic landings at Makin, Kwajelein, Eniwetok and Saipan Islands.

After retiring in 1952, Admiral Bartlett devoted much time to historical groups. He was a president of the Society of Descendants of the Knights of the Most Noble Order of the Garter and a member of the Society of the Cincinnati, the Society of Colonial Wars, the Society of Mayflower Descendants, and of the American Clan Gregor Society. He was a member and served as a vestryman at St. Davids Episcopal Church on Macomb Street, N.W., in Washington, D.C. There was a funeral service at St. Davids Church and also in the Naval Academy Chapel, with burial in the academy cemetery.

Admiral Barlett is survived by his wife, Leah Ford Bartlett, a member of the Clan.

### Rena Belle Jefferson

Miss Rena Belle Jefferson died in Clarksburg, W. Va., on August 16, 1974, after a long illness. She was born in Moundsville, a daughter of the late Rev. James Newton and Mary Belle Gordon Jefferson, and was a descendant of families prominent in the early settlement of West Virginia.

A resident of Clarksburg, she was well-known in business circles locally and throughout the state as an accountant and income tax consultant.

Miss Jefferson was a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Clarksburg, and also a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution, the Daughters of American Colonists, and the American Clan Gregor Society.

She is survived by one sister, Mrs. Presley Davis (Verna) Shingleton of Clarksburg, and five nephews, James Robert Shingleton of Toronto, Canada, Lt. Col. Gordon Davis Shingleton of Fort Belvoir, Va., and Gerrardstown, Philip David Shupe of McLean, Va., William Jefferson Shupe of Melbourne, Fla., and Paul Gordon Shupe of Merritt Island, Fla.



Donald D. MacGregor

Donald Duncan MacGregor, 56, a lifelong resident of Park Falls, Wisconsin, and a member of the business community there for almost thirty years, died on January 30, 1975, following a short illness. He was born August 4, 1918, in Park Falls, where he spent his youth and received his education. He graduated from Stout State University and on May 11, 1940 married Phyllis Sanders at Stillwater, Minn.

Following service with the U.S. Navy during World War II, Don returned to Park Falls and, with his brother, took over operation of the Park Falls Herald which was owned by J. L. McGregor. Under Don's guidance, the small country print shop and weekly newspaper became one of the larger lithographic shops in Northern Wisconsin and the name was changed to MacGregor Litho, Inc., of which Don was president. He was active in community affairs. A past president of the Wisconsin Press Association, he was a Mason, a Shriner, a member of the Board of Directors of North Central Technical Institute at Wausau, Wis., and was on the Board of Visitors of Stout State University, Menominie, Wisconsin.

He is survived by his wife, Phyllis, two daughters: Mrs. Douglas (Stephanie) Benson of Coon Rapids, Minn., and Mrs. Will (Christie) Claypool of Marine-on-St. Croix, Minn.; one son, Don Dee MacGregor, Route 2, Butternut; a sister, Mrs. James Welty of Park Falls; two brothers: Howard of Park Falls, and Rob Roy of Ridgewood, N.J.; and three grandchildren.



The Reverend Daniel R. Magruder

Daniel Randall Magruder, the 89-year-old dean of priests of the Episcopal Diocese of Boston, died August 7, 1975. A Mass was celebrated for him at All Saints Church, Ashmont, by the Right Reverend Morris F. Arnold, Bishop of Massachusetts.

A native of Annapolis, Maryland, Father Magruder attended St. John's College there and was graduated in 1915 from the Episcopal Theological Seminary in Cambridge, Mass.

In 1917 he joined the French Army to run a Canteen for soldiers. After the Armistice he returned to his parish in Cambridge until 1921 when he was called to be rector of St. John the Evangelist in Hingham, Mass., where he remained for thirty years. After retiring in 1951 he became an honorary assistant at All Saints, Ashmont, Mass., and was serving in that capacity at the time of his death.

Daniel Magruder was well known to many members of The American Clan Gregor Society. He was Chieftain from 1956 until 1958 and Chaplain from 1958 until 1972, when he was elected Chaplain Emeritus.

A Salute, page 59 of the 1973 Year Book, says: His record of service to the Clan in both offices is impressive. The first in the Society to don the kilt he started a fashion which has brought color and glamour to our Gatherings. As Chieftain he also started the now accepted custom of a before-banquet reception. (Those early receptions he financed out of his own pocket, but now they are part of the banquet ticket.) He was founder of the Endowment Fund which, although no longer called by that name, is the basis for the Society's now growing investment assets. (In his will he left a generous gift to the C. and E. Fund.)

During his fifteen years as Chaplain, Father Magruder attended thirteen consecutive Gatherings. His prayers and blessing added dignity and beauty to our functions and his Memorial services touched our hearts. Last but not least, for thirteen years his rendition of Burns' "Address to a Haggis" brought cheers from our members and guests alike at every banquet.

Daniel Magruder was never married. He is survived by three nephews: Calvert Magruder, Jr., of Sewickley, Pa., Robert Stuart Magruder of Tamworth, N.H., and Michael Magruder of Cambridge, Mass.



William G. Parke II

William G. Parke II was born in Scranton, Pa., December 12, 1915, the son of Nathan G. and Olive Bemis Williams Parke. He graduated from the High School in Forty Fort, Pa., then studied agronomy at Cornell University and conducted his own nursery business. In World War II he was a Medical Technician with the Army Medical Corps for 4¾ years, serving in France and Germany. He lived in Woodstock, Vermont, for thirty-five years and had been a nurse's assistant at the Veterans Hospital in White River Junction, Vt., where he died on November 4, 1975, after a long illness.

Bill Parke was an Episcopalian and devoted much time to his church. He was superintendent and teacher in the Sunday School; he became Crucifer; and sang in the church choir at St. James Church in Woodstock. Besides his church, he was interested in children, stamps, woodworking, flowers and all of the great out-of-doors. He was an enthusiastic member of the American Clan Gregor Society.

He is survived by his wife, Katherine Wilder Morrill Parke and his mother, Olive B. W. Parke, both of Woodstock; a son, William G. Parke III of Pittsburgh, Pa; two brothers, Nathan G. Parke III of Portsmouth, R.I., and David Maxwell Parke of State College, Pa.; and a sister, Mrs. Nancy R. Carrere of Los Angeles, California.



Sarah Parlett Powers

Sarah Parlett Powers, aged 64, wife of Joseph H. Powers of Brookeville, Montgomery County, Maryland, died of a heart attack on September 11, 1975, at the Montgomery General Hospital. She was the daughter of the late Luther Parlett and the late Annie Offutt Parlett of Granite, Baltimore County, Maryland.

Mrs. Powers had been employed as a secretary in the General Services Administration for about 20 years, and was then recommended to serve on the White House staff for the then Mrs. Kennedy's Fine Arts Department, a six-person staff. She retired from Federal Service in 1962.

Mrs. Powers was a member of Janet Montgomery Chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and served as the chapter editor for a number of years until her death. She was also a member of St. Peters Church at Olney, Maryland, and was an active member of the sodality at that Parish.

She is survived by her husband, a retired Professional Supervisory Engineer in the Bridge Division of the U.S. Department of Transportation.

Other survivors include two sisters and a brother who are members of the American Clan Gregor Society: Mrs. Dorsey Worthington Offutt, Jr., Mrs. Richard McSherry Horsey, Jr., and Noah Edward Parlett. A second brother, Luther Offutt Parlett, and several nieces and nephews also survive.

### Edna Muncaster Vest

Edna Muncaster Vest was born in Washington, D. C., on December 10, 1902, the daughter of Dr. Steuart B. Muncaster, a Charter Member of the Clan. She attended the Misses Eastman's School on Massachusetts Avenue and was graduated in 1921 from National School of Girls. On April 21, 1925, she married George B. Vest, General Counsel of the Federal Reserve Board, in St. Johns Episcopal Church across Lafayette Square from the White House.

She was a long-time member of the American Clan Gregor Society and of the Colonial Dames of Virginia. During World War II she was a Captain of Red Cross Nurses' Aides at Garfield Hospital. An enthusiastic tennis player, she played many years at Columbia Country Club. She was also much interested in bowling, continuing until about two years before her death. She enjoyed bridge and played frequently. In the last twenty years she and her husband have enjoyed numerous trips to Europe, Canada, and other places.

Mrs. Vest's death occurred on December 24, 1974. In addition to her husband she is survived by two sons, Steuart E. of Vienna, Va., and George B., Jr., of Athens, Ga., and four grandchildren — three boys and one girl.

(Written by Helen Gassaway)

### DEATHS OF RELATIVES OF CLAN MEMBERS

- Boswell, Charles C., Sr., died May 8, 1975: Husband of Elizabeth MacGregor Boswell, Clan No. 1776; Father of Charles C., Jr., and Michael J. Boswell, Mrs. Thomas M. Woods (Charlotte E.), Mrs. Franklin D. Hood (Diane M.); and grandfather of seven.
- Browne, Herchel M., died May 6, 1975: Husband of Mrs. Frances Browne, Clan No. 1550, and father of Miss Diana G. Browne, Clan No. 1737.
- Edelen, Benjamin M. III, died September 16, 1975: Twin brother of Mary Boarman Edelen, Clan No. 1349; husband of Rosalie Edelen, father of Benjamin M. 4th, William B., Turner A., Alan B. and Margaret Edelen; brother of Gardiner and W. Fairfax Edelen and of Gladys E. Williams.
- Ezell, Willie Robert, died on February 11, 1975: Husband of Mrs. Sadye Taylor Ezell; brother of Mrs. Henry W. Samford (Alice), Clan No. 1439, and of Mrs. Mary E. Dugger.
- McConnell, Louise Ezell, died June 24, 1974: Wife of Ernest Franklin McConnell and a life-long resident of Brunswick County, Va. She was the sister of Mrs. Henry W. Samford (Alice E.), Clan No. 1439, and of Mrs. Mary E. Dugger.
- Wheeler, Robert Rood, only son of Philip Rood Wheeler and his wife, Anna Ericson Wheeler, Clan No. 691, died on February 24, 1975, two days after his 40th birthday. He was the grandson of Mr. Larse Ericson and his wife Elizabeth Magruder Ericson and of the late Mr. and Mrs. William Alfred Wheeler of Jericho, Vermont, where Robert was buried.

# GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES July 12 and 13, 1975

### By William E. McGregor

More than 70 Clan and Society tents ringed MacRae Meadow at the 20th Annual Grandfather Mountain Games and Gathering of the Clans, lending a Camelot-like air to the scenic grandeur of the setting. Banners, flags, pennants and all types of heraldic devices formed the background for the colorful tartans worn by the resplendently clad lads and lassies. This is the largest clan gathering in the world in point of attendance. It usually attracts more than 70,000 people.

Nestor J. MacDonald, President of the Games (and Honorary Member of the American Clan Gregor Society) introduced the Honor Guests: His Grace the Duke of Atholl, and Lt. Col. Malcolm Robert Wallace of that Ilk. On Sunday morning following the Kirkin, the massed bands led the Parade of the Tartans, rallying the men of the clans behind 73 respective tartans, a most inspiring sight. Approximately 30 MacGregor men and boys marched in the Parade of the Tartans. Immediately following, the Heads of the Clans and Societies met in Council to discuss and decide plans for the coming year. It was announced that 7 additional Clans will be represented in 1976.

The American Clan Gregor Society, in the absence of Chieftain Frank R. McGregor, was represented by William E. McGregor, Ranking Deputy Chieftain. The Register at the Clan Tent was signed by 107 clan members and guests. Many of the guests indicated a desire to become members of the ACGS and information regarding membership will be sent to them. The hospitality of the Clan Gregor tent was extended to the Honor Guests and other Clan and Society leaders. Many of them visited our tent and partook of the refreshments so amply prepared by Carol Snyder, Mary Lou McGregor, Betty Lecky, and other ladies of the Clan.

The ACGS trophy for the Sheaf-toss was won by Mr. Ron Short, of Winston-Salem, N.C., with a toss of 22 feet 8 inches which topped the old record by 1 foot. Peter Hoit of Florida placed second, and Fred Vaughn of South Carolina was third.

A new arrangement of Clan Tents, ringing the track rather than the periphery as in years past, afforded members an unobstructed view of center field events. All agreed it was a much more satisfactory arrangement and it received enthusiastic praise at the Council Meeting.

On Sunday afternoon, the official announcement of the ending of the Games was met with regret and promises to return in 1976 for a bigger and better Gathering.

The 1976

Grandfather Mountain Highland Games

Will be held

July 10 and 11

Linville, N.C.



The Chieftain and Family at Grandfather Mountain L to R: Sandy, Ann, Lou, and Bill McGregor

Photo by Floyd Simmons

## ALEXANDRIA (VA) HIGHLAND GAMES

Guests at MacGregor tent	July 19, 1975
Joseph Booner	Va.
Cisi Campbell	Scotland
Mrs. Jean Campbell	Scotland
Lee Ann Coles	
Isabell Cortes	
Virginia Dunham	
Francis M. Elliott	
Hugh Fuller	
Paul Gregg	
Mr. & Mrs. Wilfred J. Gregson	Va.
Robert Hay	
Elizabeth Howell	
Gylla MacGregor	
Mari-Ann MacGregor	
R. James Macgregor	Md.
Rob Roy MacGregor	
K. Ch. Mackay	
Mr. & Mrs. Junius McCartney	
Frank R. McGregor	
Jean McGregor	
Russell C. McGregor	D.C.
James Stewart McLeod	
Jarrett Mead	
Joy Douglas Middleton	
Josie Montgomery	Va.
J. Lawrence Muir	Md.
Kay Murray	Va.
Mrs. Roderick Murray	Va.
Mr. & Mrs. Henry Osborn	Va.
Mary V. Parlett	
Kenneth S. Parrott	Va.
Mr. & Mrs. David Phillips and Jennifer	N.Y.
Mrs. William Quay	Md.
Mrs. Carlyle C. Ring, Jr., and Rusty Ring	Va.
Lila Ruddle	Texas
Mrs. Roscoe Ruddle	Va.
Mrs. G. Mitchell Shaulis	Va.
Blair Slaughter	Md.
Ellen Slaughter	Md.
Dorothy M. Smith	Md.
Dr. & Mrs. William C. Stokoe, Jr.	Md.
Bruce K. Stradon	******
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph C. Tichy, Jr	
George B. Troup	Va.
Margaret Van Dyne	Va.
Brig. Joseph Andrew Watkins	England
Donald Greer Welsh	
Jean Black Yardumian	Va.

### BEL AIR PLANTATION - PRINCE WILLIAM COUNTY

By Dr. William E. S. Flory

On a hilltop above the Neabsco Creek in eastern Prince William County, Virginia, stands Bel Air, seat of the Ewell and Weems families. The base of the house is believed to have been constructed around 1673 as a fortress protection for Potomac River settlements against the marauding Indians. Charles Ewell, a tobacco merchant, planter, and businessman of Dumfries, Virginia, remodeled in 1740 the three-foot thick stone foundations and built on them a two story brick structure in the Queen Anne and earlier styles. The silting-up of the once-flourishing port of Dumfries and its attendant increase in swamp fever, apparently induced Ewell to relocate his family to his 1100 acre tobacco plantation upcountry. The house has survived for almost two and one-half centuries virtually unchanged, and has recently been designated by the State of Virginia as an Historic Landmark and by the Federal Department of the Interior as a National Landmark.

Rescued from imminent collapse in the late 1940's, the house has been painstakingly restored, inside and out, during the past quarter of a century, as my private residence. It is furnished in antiques for modern livability, representing all of the periods of history which the house has seen. Its two hundred twenty-five acres of lawn, pastures, gardens and woodland are now in the midst of Dale City, a Washington suburb of 30,000 population. In its present situation and appearance, Bel Air is a far cry from Maude Ewell's commentary in 1931, recalling an earlier writer's description of it as "a charming Colonial derilect." Miss Ewell continued:

And that is just what it is.

In spite of the great nearby Highway it is too far back in its own pinewoods and its own road is too bad. Various people have tried living there since Ewells and later the Weemses went away; but the old-time society is gone, with none to take its place. Parson Weems and his father-in-law, Colonel Jesse Ewell, sleep well in the usual burial ground not far way, but most people prefer the living for company. Bel Air seems one more case of glory forever departed.

Colonel Charles Ewell, the founder of Bel Air, with his wife, Sarah Ball, was prominent in Church, civic, and pre-revolutionary affairs in Dumfries. Their daughter, Mariamne, marrried Dr. James Craik, Washington's personal physician and Surgeon-General of the Revolutionary army. Their son, Jesse, took over Bel Air, and is remembered prinicipally as a businessman, planter, socialite, friend and classmate of Thomas Jefferson at William and Mary, and, in the words of another author, "...an eccentric [revolutionary] colonel of Virginia, who did some severe marching but who seemed never to have the fortune to get up in time for battle." Jesse married his cousin, Charlotte Ewell, and from this union came children whose names are remembered and revered to this day, including physician Dr. James Ewell, and Dr. Thomas Ewell (the father of General Richard Stoddert Ewell of Civil War fame, and Benjamin Stoddert Ewell, long-time president of William and Mary). This Jesse and Charlotte Ewell were, according to Miss Mary Ewell Hundley, the grandparents of another Jesse Ewell who married

Ellen MacGregor October 23, 1827, and had a son John Smith Magruder Ewell who married Helen Woods MacGregor November 2, 1852. John S. M. and Helen W. M. Ewell were the parents of Dr. Jesse Ewell of Ruckersville, Va., who was co-founder of the American Clan Gregor Society.

A daughter of Jesse and Charlotte Ewell of Bel Air, Fannie, married Mason Locke Weems in 1795, who is more familiarly known as Parson Weems — Episcopal clergyman, book-peddler and purveyor of culture from New York to Georgia, and author of religious tracts, almanacs, and biographies. Parson Weems took over Bel Air from his mother-in-law in 1808-9, and lived there with his own and his wife's extensive family until his death in 1825. The Parson, a highly controversial figure even today, was the author of the first biography of George Washington, which introduced many adulatory anecodotes, including that of young George's cutting his father's cherry tree and of his physical prowess exemplified by his ability to throw rocks across the Rappahannock River.

Following the death of Parson Weems, Bel Air was apparent used only

irregularly and occasionally as a residence.

Even before the Parson's death, his wife, complaining of the isolation of Bel Air and yearning for the bright lights of Dumfries, insisted on spending the winters in the Town. After the Civil War, it came into the possession of George Round, who rehabilitated and redecorated it, intending that it be a summer vacation place, but it was ignored by his family as being too isolated and far from Manassas. In the late 1920's, some structural repairs were made, but thereafter, the house was vacant, except for occasional squatters, stranded hunters, and vandals. At the time the full-scale restoration was commenced, in the late 1940's, the house had been abandoned to ghosts and snakes. It was without doors and windows and open to the weather. Its chimneys had fallen in, the walls were crumbling and punctured, and its exquisite woodwork had been ripped off and scattered around the place. The entrances to the house were blocked by trees and undergrowth. The Ewell and Weems family cemetery behind the house was lost to brush and man-high honeysuckle. The stones were identified, cleared, and restored only after seven years of effort.

The rescue, restoration, and frequent public showings of Bel Air Plantation have had the effect of reminding the people of burgeoning Prince William County of the contributions which the Ewells and Weems families made in the history of the County, State, and Nation.

(The smaller illustration is a photo of items which belonged to Colonel Jesse Ewell of Bel Air and which are still in possession of the Ewell family: — a Hepplewhite game table; the sword he used during the American Revolution; a silhouette of Col. Ewell; and a copy of "Life of Washington," by his son-in-law, Parson Weems, published circa 1806. Also shown is a Daguerreotype of Dr. Jesse Ewell of Ruckersville, Va., his great-great-grandson. — Editor's Note)



Bel Air Plantation House



Ewell Family Memorabilia

### GENEALOGICAL SECTION



The search for hidden ancestors Is an alluring quest Which never gives its devotees A single moment's rest; To all whose minds are in a groove, Or prone to slothful ease, We recommend the exercise Of climbing family trees.

-Minerva Isabel Freeman, 1925

### MYSTERY GIRL



Ann Selina Magruder

Born: March 3, 1842 or 1843; Died: December 3, 1912; Married: December 24, 1860, to William Henry Sweeney. Her Mother's maiden name is believed to have been Simpson. That is all that is known. Can anyone identify her parents?



Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowen Hill, Jr.

The Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowen Hill, Jr., was celebrated in Montgomery, Alabama, on September 22, 1975, at a dinner party hosted by their children: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bowen Hill III, Mr. and Mrs. James Sinkler Hickson, Mr. and Mrs. Luther Abrams Hill, and Mr. and Mrs. William Inge Hill II.

Mrs. Hill (Clan No. 1509) was nee Mildred Ellen Abrams. She is a descendant of Thomas MackGehee (James MacGregor) of Scotland. Mr. Hill is Clan No. 1507-A.

### ATTENTION !!!

### CORRECTION 1976 YEAR BOOK

Please correct the following dates on the geneology chart page 59.

Birthdate of Patrick Magruder change from 1786 to 1768

Birthdate of Samuel Wade Magruder change from 1718 to 1728

If you have a 1954 Year Book also correct the Samuel Wade Magruder birthdate on the 4 generation chart in the back of the book. If you have a loose copy of the Alexander Magruder 4 generation chart do check to see if the Samuel Wade Magruder date is correct, some apparently were corrected, some were not.

Edith Blunt

Editorial Committee

### Theophilis Magruder By Edith L. Blunt

In response to my request for further information at the end of the article entitled "Magruder Train" (page 75, 1975 Year Book) I received a helpful letter from our member Brice M. Clagett in which he said:

"It seems obvious that Theophilis and Edmond Magruder were the two eldest sons of Patrick Magruder (son of Major Samuel Wade Magruder), listed — apparently incorrectly — in the 1936 Year Book, p. 56, as having been killed on their way from Missouri to California.

"Patrick Magruder was a Congressman and later clerk of the House of Representatives and Librarian of Congress, and knew the Madisons well (see 1920 Year Book, p. 26), which fits in perfectly with the material about Theophilis' youth....

"Since Patrick Magruder's first wife Sarah Turner, the mother of these sons, had a Clagett mother, I am most interested in learning everything I can about them..."

After studying the available material, I am convinced that Mr. Clagett is correct and that the information in the 1936 Year Book stating that Theophilis and Edmond were killed on the way to California is incorrect.

So, we arrive at the following genealogical chart: —

Alexander Magruder, Immigrant
born in Scotland 1610
died in Maryland 1677
m. Margaret 2nd Sarah 3rd Elizabeth
Samuel Magruder m. 1686 Sarah Beall
ь. 1661
d. 1771
Alexander Magruder m. Ann Wade
b. 1706
d. 1751
Maj. Samuel Wade Magruder m. Mary Beall
b. <del>1718</del> -1728
Will 1792
Patrick Magruder m. Sarah Turner
b. #786 1768
d. 1819
heophilus Magruder m. Fidus Edmond Magruder m. Elizabeth Morrow
b. 1799 Stuart b. 1801
d. 1886 d. 1895

Some references say "Richard Theophilus," one says, "Theophilus Richard," most say just "Theophilus" or "Theophilis," but all dates and names of places and relatives match, proving all to be the same person.



The MacGregor Tour

### THE MAC GREGOR BICENTENNIAL PILGRIMAGE

#### Eunice B. Haden

October 4, Saturday — The timetable for the flight to Scotland was: Depart at 8:30 p.m.: Steak dinner at 9:30 p.m.: Lights out at 11 p.m.: Lights on at 2:00 a.m. EST, because we were nearing Scotland where it was already 7 o'clock in the morning of October 5th: A continental breakfast was served and then about 8 a.m. we landed in a rainstorm, Sir Gregor and Lady MacGregor were there at Prestwick Airport awaiting us.

October 5, Sunday — There were optional tours of Ayr, Alloway and the Burns cottage, or a Clyde-side drive that forenoon, and a trip to Glasgow Cathedral and Museum in the afternoon. One hundred and eighty of us had arrived by air. Twenty-five more joined us in Glasgow. Eleven were from Mexico. All met at the Grosvenor Hotel Sunday evening for a High Tea of cold ham, salad, french fried potatoes, scones, and cold Scotch pancakes with butter, jam and honey, and tea. (You would be surprised. Eaten with jam, the cold pancakes were really delicious.)

October 6, Monday — We departed early in four chartered buses which had been named after the MacGregor glens for this occasion: Glen Gyle, Glen Lyon, Glen Strae and Glen Orchy. We were taken via Dumbarton and the west side of Loch Lomond to Glen Fruin where there is a rustic monument at Strone. This monument overlooks the Glen where the MacGregors in 1603 outwitted an ambush planned by the Colquhouns. Though the MacGregors won the battle, they lost their name. So, as a wreath of pine was laid at the monument, our Chaplain spoke of "this place of victory which turned into a Glen of Sorrow."

We returned to the loch-side road, turned west at Tarbet to Arrochar, then around the north end of Loch Fyne to Inveraray. The Duke of Argyll had invited our tour group to visit his seat, Inveraray Castle, one of the largest and most beautiful in Scotland, and a fine example of the earliest Gothic revival architecture of Adam design. Of particular note in the 200-room castle was the Armoury Hall where the ceiling displays the Arms of eight Campbell Clans all of which recognize the Duke of Argyll as their High Chief. The Duke greeted us and gave us copies of a transcript of the Act of Proscription against the MacGregors, the original of which is in his collection. A month after we were there, a disastrous fire destroyed a third of Inveraray Castle. (See p. 90) But, on October 6th all was well and we ate our box lunches on the doorstep of the Castle's carriage entrance.

Next, we drove via Glen Aray to the north end of Loch Awe. Near Dalmally is Glenorchy Kirk where we saw some ancient MacGregor gravestones. After a coffee break at a nearby Inn, we continued via Loch Tulla, Rannoch Moor, and Glencoe, all around Loch Leven to North Ballachulish, and to our hotels in Fort William. Located on Loch Linnhe, the town of Fort William is an important center for touring the Western Highlands. In 1690, a stone fort was built there by order of William III (William of Orange) for whom it was named.

(Note: The very heavy lines on the map of Scotland mark the extent and route of the tour.)



At Battle Monument, Glen Fruin
L to R: Rev. H. M. Richardson, Wm. E. McGregor,
R. James Macgregor, and Wm. C. Stokoe
Photo by Eunice Haden



Inveraray Castle
Photo by Joseph C. Tichy



The Duke of Argyll Greets MacGregor Tour Members in his Armoury Hall Photo by Eunice Haden

### TRANSCRIPT OF ACT OF PROSCRIPTION

Commission under the Signet, in name of King James the VI, to Archibald, Earl of Argyll, against the Clan Gregor, Dated at Haliruidhous, 24 February 1603.

Stating that whereas "the disorderit and wicked thevis and lymmaris of the Clangregour guha hes sa lang continewit in murthour, bluidsched, thift, reif, sorning and oppossioun vpoun our peaceable and guid subjectis" had in February instant "in oppin hostilitie, enterit within the Lennox, quhair in maist barbarous and cruell maner thay have murdreist and slane sax or sevin scouir of our honest and peaceable subjectis, without respect to man or bairnes," and had "herryit the haill cuntrey" to the displeasure of God, contempt of the King's authority, and slander of the whole nation, if the offense should remain unpunished. Therefore "we and lordis of our secrett counsall, hes resolvit and avowed that this viperous and vnhappy generatioun salbe followit, huntit, and persewit, with fyre and suord. ay and quhill thay be extirpat and rutit out, and expellit the haill boundis of our dominionis." For that purpose making Archibald, Earl of Argyll, justice and commissioner within the bounds of Argyll and Tarbat, with power to convene the inhabitants, pursue all of the name of McGregor, apprehend them, and execute justice on them according to the laws, and to prosecute them with fire and sword and all kind of rigour and extremity, and never leave off the pursuit of them until they be utterly expelled from the said bounds; and to warn the justices of the neighbouring bounds to which the said "limmaris" might flee; to levy a hundred "able fechtand men" within the said bounds, with warlike provisions, appoint chiestains, and commanders, &c., and that these be ready to meet with the forces to be raised by the other justices at the head of Lochrannoch, on the sixth day of April next to come and concur with them in the pursuit of the said limmers. With power to appoint watches, and as he might need to employ some men "quha ar not ansuerable to our lawis," promising they should not be challenged while so employed, only that he must be answerable that they did not "reif, sorne, herry, nor oppress the countrey, nor tak meit and drink bot for reddy and present payment." With power to the barons and gentlemen to lay on a stent for the support of said forces. And charging all the inhabitants to concur with the Commissioner and follow his directions in the pursuit of the Clan Gregor, "vnder the paine of tinsall of lyfe, landis and guidis."



Ruins of Urquhart Castle on Loch Ness



Cemetery near Dalmally
Photos by Eunice Haden

October 7, Tuesday — We drove north through the Great Glen which divides Scotland from Northeast to Southwest with a series of lochs and glens. Near Stronenaba we saw where the commandos of World War II trained. At Fort Augustus we crossed to the west side of Loch Ness, the largest loch of the Great Glen. There was not even a ripple on Loch Ness, let alone a monster. During a stop at an "overlook", some walked down a steep slope to inspect the ruins of Urquhart Castle, while others picked wild blackberries. We reached the town of Inverness in time for lunch at the hotels where we would spend the night. That afternoon the four buses took turns visiting the woolen mills of James Pringle, Ltd., and the Culloden Battlefield and Museum. (On April 16, 1746, the last hopes of Prince Charles to regain the throne for the Stuarts were crushed on Culloden Moor.) At the Memorial Cairn, we laid a wreath as our Chaplain said an appropriate word of prayer.

Inverness was the Capital of the Highlands in the 6th century and the seat of the High King of the Picts. The Ness River divides the town and there are several bridges across it, with a street along each bank of the river. The Alexandra Hotel was near the shops and the Post Office, yet the windows of the dining room looked out at the river. I liked it there.

October 8, Wednesday — This day we zigzagged generally southeastward. The Cairngorm Mountains were on our left and we passed by many forests. There is great reforestation activity in Scotland, and trees in all stages of growth. In Glen Garry I saw the rockiest hillside ever seen. Near Blair-Atholl we toured Blair Castle, the home of the bachelor Duke of Atholl. Situated in the forest-clad Highlands, Blair Castle was built in 1269. It contains 32 rooms and a superb collection of china, lace, jewelry, furniture, and armour, including a MacGregor bagpipe played at Culloden.

After lunch we drove along Loch Tummel to the favorite view of Queen Victoria. It is a beautiful place known as the "Queen's View."

Wednesday night was spent at Pitlochry where the hotels were small and we were divided among four of them. The Atholl Palace Hotel where I stayed was set in large grounds away from the town.

October 9, Thursday — Leaving Pitlochry at 9 a.m., we drove to Aberfeldy and along Loch Tay (110 mi. long) in "Children of the Mist" country. There was a coffee break in Killin, then we continued through Glen Dochart and Strathfillan to the cemetery by St. Fillan's Chapel (founded by Robert Bruce). Here a wreath was placed at the grave of Capt. Gregor Boyach MacGregor who was the one chiefly responsible for obtaining removal of the proscription against the name of "MacGregor" in 1775. The prayer of our Chaplain voiced our thankfulness for this man: "Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, as we lay this wreath in memory of Capt. Gregor Boyach MacGregor, we do it with thanksgiving for his work in getting through Parliament the restoration of the name and the tartan of MacGregor. We come from a country hardly born when he died, a country to which his clansmen had often fled, a country where we may own land in our own names, so that no longer are we either landless or nameless. For this we give our thanks. Amen."

On this drive we passed the ruins of a house, "Coire Coarach" (pronounced "Corry Hurick"), where Rob Roy once lived. Only the chimney remains standing. It was cloudy all day and we saw why the outlawed clan could rightly be called "Children of the Mist."

The Highland Glens seemed lonely. Houses were few and far between. Now and then we would pass a neat small stone cottage, the home of a shepherd, we



Lochearnhead



Ancient MacGregor Gravestone near Glen Gyle House

Photo by Margery Richardson



The Rushing Waters of the Dochart at Killin, Perthshire

supposed, because there were sheep grazing on every hill. We were in Scotland when the heather is usually in bloom and the hills should have been pink with it. However, in 1975 Scotland had an unusually warm summer and the heather bloomed early. It had already faded and turned brown before our arrival. Occasionally, we saw some in a private garden which was still at its prime. To miss seeing the heather at its best was a great disappointment.

On the long rides, those to whom rhymes come easily began to compose limericks about our experiences. Here is the one written by our piper, William C.

Stokoe:-

These MacGregors came down on Strathearn
Not to pillage and murder and burn
But to lay an odd wreath
Pull up heather and heath
And mak' all the local folk girn.

(Note: Girn means "grin" in Scotland.)

We drove back through Crianlarich, Glen Dochart, and Ardchyle, then via Glen Ogle to Lochearnhead where we had lunch. From Lochearnhead we continued via Crieff to Dunblane where everyone could be quartered at the Dunblane Hydro Hotel which would be our headquarters for four nights.

Thursday night the Council members were entertained by Sir Gregor and Lady MacGregor of MacGregor at Edinchip and were privileged to meet Sir Gregor's mother, the Hon. Lady Gylla MacGregor of MacGregor, and other members of the family. The rest of the travellers were entertained by a full Scottish Ceilidh in the Hotel Ballroom under the direction of Jimmy McLeod and his band.

October 10, Friday — Like most of the days, the mists hung low this morning, but disappeared as soon as the sun was high. The rest of the day was beautiful. We drove through Rob Roy country, passed the Lake of Menteith, the only pond in Scotland which is called a "lake," to Aberfoyle, and Kinlochard, then to Stronachlachar on the west side of Loch Katrine which is the source of the water supply for the city of Glasgow. From this point, one group hiked to the northeast end of the loch to see Glengyle House where Rob Roy was born in 1671, a roundtrip of at least six miles. From Stronachlachar, the buses followed Rob Roy's route west along Loch Arklet to Loch Lomond's east side at Inversnaid on Craig Royston, once Rob Roy's property. Beside a waterfall, which cascades into the loch at this point, there is a hotel where many of us had lunch. That afternoon, we hurried back through the old Magruder-MacGregor country to Crieff and thence to Belliclone (or Bellyclone) Farm.

Helen Horsey (Mrs. Richard M.), a descendant of Alexander Magruder has

keen memories of that day. Let her tell it:



Loch Katrine



Loch Lomond at Inversnaid
Photos by Margery Richardson

### "OUR VISIT TO BELLICLONE FARM"

"One of the most memorable days on our Bicentennial Pilgrimage was on October tenth, when we visited the ancestral farm estate, Bellyclone (or Belliclone), the site of the birthplace of Alexander Magruder (b. 1610).

"That morning four of my family rented a car in order to go to the Antartex Company a few miles from Dunblane, then to lunch at the Gleneagles Hotel. From the hotel we would hurry to join our tour members at Belliclone House.

"As it happened, the tour bus was late, and we arrived there over an hour before the tour group arrived. Mr. and Mrs. Ian Drummond Ritchie, the present occupants of the farm, gave us a warm welcome. Mr. Ritchie told us that to his knowledge this farm has been in the Drummond family for many centuries. Alexander Magruder's mother, Margaret Campbell, was the widow of Andrew Drummond when she married Alexander MacGruder (the elder). At her death, the property descended to her son by Andrew Drummond.

"It was such a delight to walk around the grounds, looking over the fields and taking pictures while eating an apple from a tree on the farm. Mrs. Ritchie served us tea and cake in the living room in front of a glowing fireplace. (The Road Back, written by Mrs. Harry Blunt for the Year Books of 1971 and 1972, gives a fine description and also pictures of Belliclone House.)

"Then the tour bus arrived, and after a colorful ceremony, our Pilgrimage group left a bronze plaque to be placed on the house. Mr. and Mrs. Ritchie were pleased with the plaque which has the following inscription:

### BELLICLONE

NEAR THIS SITE STOOD THE BIRTHPLACE OF ALEXANDER MAGRUDER, BORN 1610, THE SON OF ALEXANDER MAGRUDER AND MARGARET CAMPBELL. HE EMIGRATED TO AMERICA, CIRCA 1652, WHERE HE BECAME A PROMINENT CITIZEN OF THE COLONY OF MARYLAND. AS PART OF THE MACGREGOR BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION, THIS MARKER WAS ERECTED, BY THE AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY FOUNDED IN 1909 BY THE DESCENDANTS OF ALEXANDER MAGRUDER.

9 OCTOBER 1975

### Our Chaplain's prayer at Belliclone:

"Heavenly Father, as members of the Bicentennial Pilgrimage of the American Clan Gregor Society, we dedicate this plaque in memory of the birthplace of Alexander Magruder, a post-scripted Scot, a prisoner of war, an indentured servant in the colonies of America, but always a Scot, who, in spite of difficulties before him, was able to overcome them, as he had the hills of his birth. As Abrahan of old set out to answer the call of service to Thee, so Alexander Magruder, in his service in the colonies, was able to found, not a new nation, but a grateful and responsible people, who now look back in gratitude and thanksgiving, not only for his birth, but for his life in which he overcame his humble beginning. For all of this we express our grateful thanks, as we dedicate this plaque commemorating the birthplace of Alexander Magruder. In the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen."



Dr. R. G. Magruder and Neil Magruder hold Memorial Plaque

Photo by J. C. Tichy

October 11, Saturday — In the forenoon, Sir Gregor met with members of the council to review plans for the banquet that evening. Others shopped or

played golf.

For the sightseers, the most interesting building in Dunblane was the Episcopal Cathedral. Dedicated to St. Blane and St. Laurence, it has a tower obviously built separately in three stages of construction all much earlier than the church. The first four storeys of the tower are Norman (c. 1100), and may have been used as a tower of defense. The tower does not stand parallel with the nave, but does project into the south aisle. The Lady Chapel, reached through a door in the north side of the choir, is next in age to the tower. It is "early pointed" in style with a groined roof worthy of notice. It was probably used for worship while the cathedral was being constructed.

Saturday evening, the MacGregor Bicentennial Reception began at 7 p.m. and was followed by the formal Commemorative Banquet and Program, hosted by Brig. Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor, Baronet, and Lady MacGregor

and their two sons.

At 7:45 p.m. members of the clan and their friends started to file into the

banquet hall and take places at the long tables.

At 8 p.m. the head table was piped in to dinner by Pipe Major MacDonald and Sergeant Banks, Scots Guards. The Clan Chiefs were the last to file in and as they were announced at the door, the pipers began a tune appropriate to each one. Last to enter was The Chief of Clan Gregor with his two sons. (The frontispiece of this Year Book is a photograph of them.)

Here is the list of tunes:

Piping in of Top Table
Colonel and Mrs. Fletcher
The Earl and Countess of Mansfield
The Duke of Atholl
The Duke and Duchess of Argyll
The Hon. Gylla,
Lady Mac Gregor of MacGregor
Lady MacGregor of MacGregor
The Chief and his two sons

The Nut Brown Maiden
The Glendaruel Highlanders
The Earl of Mansfield
The Atholl Highlanders
The Campbells are coming
The Piper's Cave

The Hills of Perth
The Young MacGregor

As soon as everyone was in his place, the Rev. H. M. Richardson said the following beautiful grace:

"In the midst of our Bicentennial Pilgrimage to Scotland, good Lord, we pause to express our gratitude. We are indeed thankful for many things:

For the graciousness of our Chief and his Lady,

For the welcome expressed by our guests' presence this evening,

For the good weather, with which we have indeed been blessed,

For Thy kind Providence over those many things for which we are too inarticulate to express,

For all of this we say "Thank You," and ask that Thou wilt bless this food to our use and us to Thy service, and make us always mindful of the needs of others. Amen."



Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor and his son
Malcolm met with members of our elected Council
Photo by J. C. Tichy



Presentation of Gift to Jim and Sue Macgregor

Standing, L to R: Jim Macgregor, Bill McGregor, Sue Macgregor;

At Head Table, L to R: The Hon. Lady Gylla MacGregor, The Duke of Atholl,
Lady MacGregor of MacGregor, The Duchess of Argyll, Sir Gregor MacGregor,

Mrs. William E. McGregor, The Duke of Argyll

All continued standing until after Sir Gregor had proposed the Loyal Toasts:

The Queen
The President of the United States of America
The President of the Republic of Mexico

The Toasts concluded, we seated ourselves and enjoyed a fine dinner of Smoked Salmon, Royal Game Soup, Roast Grouse, Scottish Trifle, and coffee.

When coffee and liqueurs had been served, the pipers played the first sets. (A set is a group of tunes.) As soon as the pipers had left the room, Mr. R. James Macgregor proposed, and we drank to, the health of The Chief and his family.

After a short pause, Sir Gregor made a short address. That was followed by several songs by Mr. lan MacGregor. Then Mr. Alastair M. Dunnett proposed the toast to the Clan Gregor:

"Sir Gregor, Distinguished Guests, Clansfolk and Friends: I am honored to be asked to join a Gathering of Highlanders in this place. Not only Highlanders, but special Highlanders, and you have you own real and right noble clan Chief among you, with many of his clansfolk and kin. I am honored to be asked to participate in your welcome home, and to greet you as you see something more of Scotland and then prepare to go back again to those distant places. Carry back there the virtues your fathers learned long ago as they ran panting and barefoot and happy, I'm sure, on the Braes of Balquhidder and Glen Lyon and Glen Gyle and Glen Strae. One of the virtues, I'm sure, was merely that of survival. It's a great thing for the MacGregors to teach other people in these days; and to lay aside the bitter memories of the years you had when merely to endure was a miracle.

"The world is full of new ideas moving about, and we have our share of them in Scotland. For great things are afoot in this old country. But there are no new virtues. The old ones still prevail, like the ideas of clan and kin, of friendship and good will, of patriotism and loyalty, of expectation and hope, and honesty. These are qualities, I think, which people expect to find here, and it is not bad that we should be thought of for these virtues.

"I am often in your country these days, and I find a telephone directory in Los Angeles with more MacGregors in it than there are in the heartland of the clan. In Norfolk, England, there are 16 MacGregors, and only 10 in Gloucester. What a scattering that is. What a terrible, terrible diffusion, and yet what a force of common purpose ready to be drawn together in good causes. I think that is what you are doing in these clan groups, because you go back. You don't become a pressure gorup, or an alien political wedge, or a violent intrusion, but a warm association of citizens of the world putting their hands to the tasks nearest to their doors.

"And, you know, for all its hardships and difficulties in the past, and there have been many, Clan Gregor today is fortunate. The Clan is still here, where it belongs. The Pine is ever green. And, there is great whispering of hope in the topmost branches of Ard Choille — the High Wood. So when you travel back, you bear our hopes as well as your own; and in very

full measure, we'll do the same for you. They say it is a hard world, and like enough it is, but we did not become the people we are through getting things easy.

"Let torrents pour there, let the great winds rally; Snow silent fall, or lightning blast the pine; That light of home shines warmly in the valley And exiled son of Scotland, it is thine.

"So in this spirit, let's drink to that. Let's dedicate a glass to the cause and the idea that tonight is nearest to your hearts. Will you rise with me and salute — Clan Gregor!"

Mr. William E. McGregor, Chieftain of the American Clan Gregor Society, made the reply. Then, he called Jim and Sue Macgregor to the center and presented to them a gift from the tour members. It was an exquisite set of decanter and glasses in the thistle pattern and was given in appreciation of all of their work in planning the tour.

The pipers played another set, and at the conclusion of their playing we watched an ancient traditional ceremony. Pipe Major MacDonald returned to the room and approached the head table. He saluted The Chief, received from him a dram in a silver quaich, and drank it down. (And that was "paying the piper.") This concluded the dinner.

After an interval (during which the floor was cleared for dancing) the dance music started, some for modern dances and some for Scottish country dances. Later there were more songs by Ian MacGregor.

Thelma Campbell (Mrs. Hugh B.) said of the banquet, "It was a sparkling occasion, like being a part of a fairy tale with all the pageantry." And, Ann Cole (Mrs. Loren F.) remarked that she had never expected to be dining with so many wearing tiaras as were there that evening. It was indeed gala and altogether a great success.



Malcolm MacGregor Shows his gift to his Grandmother.
(The ACGS tour group presented a sterling silver Julep Cup
of American 18th Century design to each member of The Chief's family.)

Photo by Jessie Richardson

October 12, Sunday — The famed Braes of Balquhidder (pronounced Balquidder) are the steep-sided valleys leading north from Loch Voil and Loch Doine and the River Lochlarig. Recorded history has MacGregors living in Balquhidder area before the time of Robert Bruce (b. 1306 – d. 1329).

Balquhidder Parish is the traditional home of the MacGregors. The Auld Kirk, now in ruins, dates from 1631. It was built on the site of an earlier 13th century kirk known as "Eaglais Beag" or "Little Church," which was visited by King James on August 28, 1506. Near the entrance to the Auld Kirk are the graves of Rob Roy MacGregor, his wife, (Helen) Mary, and two of his sons. A wreath was laid there by R. James Macgregor, past chieftain of A.C.G.S. and a direct descendant of Rob Roy.

After the wreath-laying ceremony, the Clan members entered the new Kirk, built 1855, and took seats. They filled it. For that morning service, the congregation had kindly given the use of their church for the MacGregor Memorial Service. Only the Pastor and the Vestrymen of the parish were present. There followed an inspiring service conducted by The Rev. Donald R. Fraser, M.A., B.D., Minister of Balquhidder. The First Lesson was read by Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor, and the Second Lesson was read by William E. McGregor, head of the American Clan Gregor Society. The sermon, preached by the Rev. H. Maunsell Richardson, A.B., S.T.B., M.Div., Chaplain to the Clan Gregor Society in America, summed up the reasons for our pilgrimage and is quoted:—

## "LET US NOW PRAISE FAMOUS MEN AND OUR FATHERS WHO BEGAT US"

Ecclesiasticus 44:1

"As our hereditary Chief read these stirring words from Scripture, certainly in the minds of us all, there must have been echoing the word "Heritage." As the faithful Jews of years ago looked back on their trials and tribulations in their travels, so, too, for us, there has been the realization and appreciation of the fact that character is molded by the exigencies of testing situations. As the early Christians realized, it is by faith in Jesus Christ, and in a vision of a future that shall be, put to the test of actual living conditions that we find the internal ability to overcome the obstacles which are so frequent in the path of life. Out of this condition, there has arisen the great realization that noone can win a spiritual inheritance for someone else. The promised land has to be won, every inch of it, by individual effort. Ours is the responsibility of conquering our own temptations, cultivating our own spiritual lives, learning patience, gentleness, and all the lessons of love, for ourselves. No one can do this for another person.

"Certainly in Clan Gregor we all realize the necessity of overcoming obstacles, objections, and temptations which are met in life. It is our heritage that we have the sturdy and basic realization that life's road is not merely a smooth motorway giving us an easy and quick connecting line between our beginning and our ending. Our Clan history makes it clear that the road can indeed be a rocky one.

"It is one of the great ironies of history that the English King most Americans confuse and call a Saint (because of the Bible issued under his authority), James I, as James VI, King of Scotland, in one of his last acts before leaving to take the throne of England, in April of 1603, signed and delivered to the Scottish Council an Act: "proscribing the clan utterly and decreeing that under pain of



Ninian MacGregor at Grave of Rob Roy Photo by Harry Blunt



Our Piper and Chaplain at Balquhidder Church

Photo by Eunice Haden

death no one should bear the name MacGregor." And still later, from Greenwich in 1611, we find him offering a special bounty of between 100 marks and 1,000 pounds to anyone who would kill certain named MacGregors, with the additional promise of a free pardon to any MacGregor who would slay another MacGregor of the same rank!

"Mr. James MacGregor, who cited these facts in his address to those gathered here at Balquhidder on the occasion of the unveiling of the Rob Roy memorial in 1890, then continued in these words, 'I make bold to say that no tyrant the world has produced, not even Nero of Rome (remember this was said a half century before Hitler) could have been guilty of grosser acts of violence and cruelty than King James exercised toward the MacGregors. It is no wonder that the MacGregors, brought to destitution and driven to despair, rebelled, and sometimes had recourse to illegal means of revenging themselves upon those who had despoiled them of house and home. The persecution continued for some years, but a remnant of the MacGregors was saved.'

"It was not in the years of intense persecution, but afterward, when much of the story of cruelty and deprivation had become the talk of the fireside, that Rob Roy came upon the scene. Nursed as he undoubtedly was on the story of the Clan, he grew up to be that strange mixture of kindness and generosity as a friend, of roughness and unpleasantness as an enemy. Living in a time when might made right, he sought to do what was right for him and the clan. We cannot say for sure, from this distance, when he was Rob Roy "the brute," or the "Robin Hood," but at least we can be sure that he was of the stuff which makes for

legend and history.

"Nearly two decades before Rob Roy, many of the MacGregors had joined the wave of emigration to the colonies. It was not necessarily a voluntary going, either, for some were sent as prisoners of war and indentured servants to the land of Virginia and Mary-land. The story of their success is known to us all, but for the MacGregors of America, there developed one of the most contradictory of all historical facts: George III and Lord North, the two great villains in the eyes of the American colonists, at the instigation of Captain Gregor Boyach MacGregor, passed through Parliament in 1775 an act which restored and legalized the MacGregor name and clan. Just think of what this meant:

The King whom many miscall a Saint, proscribed us.

The King whom many have derided, restored to us both name and clan! While our nation celebrates the 200th Anniversary of its War of Independence, 200 of us have returned to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the restoration of our legitimacy!

"It is this kind of strange and ironic contradiction which has made us what we are. Our heritage, both of the rugged land out of which we sprung and to which we have returned as pilgrims, and the events which surround our history, make us conscious of the responsibility we bear. We are indeed grateful for those who stayed in the land and kept the name alive in its native home. We are grateful to those who emigrated to the land of the free and grasped the opportunities for both service and success. We have returned with joy and thanksgiving that even proscription could not wipe us out.

"Today the American Clan Gregor Society stands as the largest and liveliest such society in the States, and with the recognition of this, there must also be the remembrance that with all such size and leadership there is the added responsibility of always representing in truth that for which you stand. The Rev. Peter Marshall, the virtual voice of Scotland in our Nation's capital for many

years, once said, "The Scot is willing to fight for principle, and he believes in a God who will not do for him what he can do for himself."

"It is with this in mind that we realize the place of honor is always the hardest place, where the most difficult and strenuous must be done, where the heaviest burdens of responsibility must be carried. In short, it is the realization that WE ARE CALLED TO THE CHALLENGE OF DOING GOOD IN SUPERIOR WAYS. It is not in the victory alone that we are involved, but in the very battle itself which produces the victor.

"As a dynamic and concerned group of Scots, we have returned to this place of memory and legend. We have indeed come to 'Praise famous men, and our fathers who begat us.' Indeed we have come to honor our roots, but we have also come fully aware of our responsibility, not only to The MacGregor, but to God Himself, and all our fellow men. In truth, our hymn expresses our conviction:

"Faith of our Fathers living still In spite of dungeon, fire and sword: O how our hearts beat high with joy When e'er we hear that glorious word.

Faith of our Fathers, we will love Both friend and foe in all our strife And preach thee, too, as love knows how By kindly deeds and virtuous life.

Faith of our Father, holy faith We will be true to thee til death."

At the conclusion of the church service a bronze plaque to commemorate the occasion was presented by R. James Macgregor, Chairman of the Pilgrimage. The plaque will be set permanently in a wall of the church vestibule. The inscription on this plaque is as follows:

1775 (Pine Tree) 1975

THIS KIRK MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF CLAN GREGOR FROM AMERICA AND SCOTLAND MET THIS SABBATH DAY TO GIVE THANKS TO GOD IN COMMEMORATION THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ACT OF PARLIAMENT WHICH RESTORED THE NAME OF MACGREGOR ON 22 MAY 1775. HIS MAJESTY KING GEORGE III GAVE THE ROYAL ASSENT, REPEALING THE ACTS OF SUPPRESSION AND THE PENAL STATUTES AGAINST THIS CLAN.

> 12 OCTOBER 1975 'S RIOGHAL MO DHREAM



Procession to MacGregor Mausoleum
Photo by Harry Blunt



Pipe Maj. MacDonald and Sgt. Bank of Scots Guards



After the Services

L to R: Edith Blunt Lady MacGregor of MacGregor Malcolm and Ninian MacGregor

Photos by Marjorie Loveless



The Chief's Family at Home
L to R: Ninian MacGregor, Lady MacGregor, Sir Gregor MacGregor,
The Hon. Lady Gylla MacGregor, and Malcolm MacGregor
Photo by J. C. Tichy



Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor and William E. McGregor at entrance to Edinchip

Photo by Harry Blunt

Ancient objects which we saw were the sculptured St. Angus Stone (c. 750-850 A.D.) that stood at the altar of the old Kirks and upon which couples were married, the Font (c. 1200-1400 A.D.), the 1684 Bell of the Auld Kirk, a Gaelic Bible and New Testament, and the 200-year-old Offering Ladles hand-carved of wood which are still in use.

Not far from Balquhidder Kirk, at Auchtoo is the mausoleum of the MacGregors of Landrick and Edinchip, built about 1830. The buses stopped there and waited while wreaths were placed at the tombs of Sir John Murray MacGregor, and Sir Malcolm MacGregor of MacGregor who helped form our American Clan Society and who was the father of the present Chief of Clan Gregor.

The party divided for lunch, half going to the Lochearnhead Hotel and half to the nearby Auchraw Hotel.

Sunday afternoon, all members of the Pilgrimage were received most graciously by Brig. Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor, Baronet, and Lady MacGregor and their family at their charming home, Edinchip, near Lochearnhead. Many precious MacGregor memorabilia were on display at Edinchip and all had been marked clearly, as were the portraits and other paintings, to increase our enjoyment of them. Among the family portraits by the outstanding artists of Scotland were two beautiful ones by Raeburn. One of those is a portrait of Sir Evan John Murray MacGregor as a youth. Roses were still in bloom in their garden and many took a walk through the gardens and glen to get a view of the loch. When the last of our buses was to leave, the Chief's whole family and the pet dog walked down to the road to wave goodbye.





Doune Castle
Photo by Precision, Ltd.



Ruined Abbey at Dunfermline
Photo by Harry Blunt



Entrance to Edinburgh Castle
Photo by Jessie Richardson

October 13, Monday — On our way to Edinburgh we stopped to visit four outstanding historic buildings:—

Doune Castle is one of the largest and best preserved specimens of 14th century domestic architecture in Scotland. The huge keep-gatehouse rises to a height of 95 feet. The master lived in the keep over the portcullis which controlled entry and exit and thus could prevent "treachery by guests." Since Roman times the Valley of the Teith River has been regarded as a gateway to the mountains, and in the Middle Ages the two great routes from Edinburgh to Inverlochy and from Glasgow to Perth intersected at Doune. It is very likely that strategy played a part in the choice of the site for Doune Castle, a traditional stronghold built 1381-1401 by the Stewarts (Stuart). Gregor MacGregor of Glengyle, Jacobite Colonel of the MacGregor Regiment, was put in command of Doune Castle by Bonnie Prince Charlie.

Next, there was Stirling Castle, a great fortress and Royal residence on a rocky crag overlooking the Forth Valley. The present castle dates from the 15th and 16th centuries. It is now a museum and a gorgeous collection of regimental silver and trophies is housed there.

We passed near the site of the Battle of Bannockburn where on June 23, 1314, Robert Bruce defeated an English army and took possession of Stirling Castle. That victory established Bruce on the throne of Scotland.

At Linlithgow, an ancient Royal Burgh, we saw the ruins of the Royal Palace where both James V and his daughter Mary, Queen of Scots, were born. The palace dated from 1424, and was accidentally destroyed by fire in 1746.

West of South Queensferry, we stopped to visit Hopetoun House, the home of the Hope family, the Earls of Hopetoun (more recently the Marquesses of Linlithgow). Started in 1696, it was rebuilt and enlarged in 1721-1754 by William Adam and his sons John and Robert and is known as Scotland's greatest Adam mansion. It is a tremendous mansion full of fine *objets d'art*. Something about it, the plan of the building and the size, reminds one of Versailles, but Hopetoun House is the prettier of the two.

In Edinburgh, an evening at Dalhousie Castle provided much merriment when we were given only a bib and dirk to eat a 6-course Jacobean feast of soup, fish, roast meat, potato, salad, and roast chicken, with a mug of mead to drink. Between courses, the staff, dressed in 17th century costumes, entertained us with songs.

October 14, Tuesday — We made the usual tour of Edinburgh Castle where there is an exceptionally beautiful War Memorial. The oldest building there is St. Margaret's Chapel, the small oratory built in Norman style for Margaret, the Saxon Queen of Malcolm III. From the castle we rode down the Royal Mile to the Palace of Holyrood House. (An excellent article on the Royal Mile was written by Eleanora Kane and published in the Clan Year Book in 1970.) Edinburgh has a fine Portrait Gallery and Museum of Antiquities.

October 15, Wednesday — An all-day tour took us south to the Border Country with stops at Traquair House (a Stuart home), Abbotsford (the home of Sir Walter Scott), Melrose Abbey where the heart of Robert Bruce was buried after it was brought back from the Crusades, and Dryburgh Abbey. Luncheon was at a hotel near the ruins of Dryburgh Abbey.

The first stop was at Traquair House, about which Ruth and Bill Stokoe have written a beautiful description, which I quote: —

"Traquair House in Peeblesshire has a magic not equalled in any house or castle visited on our tour. Holyrood Palace is still haunted by the dark deeds done in that little supper room, but in 1566 when Sir John Stuart of Traquair was her Captain of Guards, Mary must have found the low-ceiled King's Room here a peaceful haven for a moment in the gathering storm. Urquhart Castle may have a glimpse of Nessie as she rises from the long blue loch, and the courtyard of Doune Castle may still echo to the tramp of men and the clash of arms; but Traquair drowsing in the late autumn forenoon, and specially opened for the MacGregor Pilgrimage by its 20th laird, Peter Maxwell-Stuart, has domestic charm as well as the visible marks of long and illustrious history.

"Since 1107, this oldest inhabited house in Scotland has stood secure in its fold of border hills where the Quairburn flows into the Tweed. Each age has added to its fabric, its furnishings, or its legend — not least the romantic last Jacobite chapter. The great bear gates have stayed shut since Culloden, for no Stuart king has come back again. Yet the house awaits the return, and in its gold and white gem of a chapel a service might be held at a moment's notice, only a step from the secret stairway to the Priest's Room above. Every sight a visitor has of Traquair, its three-thousand volume 18th century library, its venerable harled exterior, its magnificent trees and park, outdoes the color photographs in the souvenir guidebook." — Ruth and Bill Stokoe.



Traquair House

Photo by Harry Blunt

October 16, Thursday — Another all-day tour took us north across the Firth of Forth. At Dunfermline, which was the capital of Scotland for six centuries, we saw the ruins of the Benedictine Abbey founded in 1072 by Queen Margaret. In the year 1070 when the Saxon Margaret married King Malcolm Canmore, Dunfermline was the Royal residence and burying place of the Scottish kings. She it was who introduced Roman rites and practice into the previously Celtic Christianity. When the eastern section of the abbey was being rebuilt in 1818, the bones of Robert Bruce (with a severed breastbone) were discovered before the high altar, and were reburied in front of the pulpit. A modern parish church has been built over the site of the abbey choir. Around the new tower, spelled out in masonry, are the words "King-Robert-the-Bruce."

Across the street from the abbey in Dunfermline, is the house where Andrew Carnegie was born. His father's looms occupied the first floor and the family lived above the weaving room until they migrated to America.

After a luncheon at Perth, we continued to near Forfar, where we were given a guided tour of Glamis Castle, the birthplace and girlhood home of the Queen Mother Elizabeth of England. Her father was the Earl of Strathmore. Though the day was bright, the air was sharp. The chill from the stone walls pierced my warm clothing and my feet ached from the cold of the stone floors. I noted that the cold dank air was ruining many of the paintings and prints. Though it is historically interesting, I found Glamis less than charming.



"Getting exhausted together."

Photo by J. C. Tichy

October 17, Friday — This was a free day for shopping.

That evening we were joined by several hundred local Scottish Clan members for a formal dinner at the Assembly Hall, which is only opened for special occasions. The hall is noted for its chandeliers which are reputed to be the most beautiful in the world. Sir Gregor MacGregor of MacGregor attended with his Lady and his mother, The Hon. Gylla MacGregor of MacGregor. With the gentlemen in kilts and the ladies wearing long tartan skirts, or sashes of their tartan, it was a colorful finale.

Highlights among the events of the evening were:

Presentation by Dr. Michael MacDonald, Curator of the Scottish Tartan Society, to the ACGS:

"Sir Gregor, Chieftains, and Gregarach:

"I am here representing the Scottish Tartan Society. We have a fragment of an old MacGregor sash which Joseph Dunbar has confirmed as being about 1860 date, so it is about 100 years old, but like the well known Hollywood film star, armies have marched over it. I think it is very appropriate that you should have this for the ACGS.

"I was rather scared to come amongst you MacGregors as a MacDonald, so I am wearing this evening a tartan which you are also entitled to wear — The Strathearn District Tartan. It is very much the District Tartan of the Magruders, who come from just half a mile away from where the Tartan Society is based in Comrie. There is a little churchyard near Comrie called Tallykettle where there are many Magruders buried.

"I think it is very appropriate that I drape this MacGregor sash around General Marshall Magruder's daughter. Thank you."

#### Acceptance by Ann Magruder Cole:

"On behalf of the General Marshall Magruder Memorial Library, I am very grateful to have received this lovely gift."

# TOAST Given by Alberto MacGregor

"Sir Gregor, Mr. William E. McGregor, Chieftain of ACGS, Ladies and Gentlemen:

"A poet has said that the good brief is twice as good. Someone has also said that the best part of a speech is the end. Therefore, following is a very few words in the name of the Mexican members of the Clan, and I am included, who have come from the other side of the ocean to this Gathering of the fraternity on soil of our common name and origin.

"We extend a most cordial invitation for exactly 200 years, on October 5, 2175, at 7 p.m. sharp. Our descendants will meet in the City of Mexico, at a place that will be opportunely announced, for another Gathering as marvelous as this one.

"But, until that date arrives — a toast to MacGregors Past, Present and Future all over the world. Salud!"

# FAREWELL REMARKS by SIR GREGOR MACGREGOR:

"Tonight sees, sadly, the end of a memorable occasion, the first time that the ACGS, and I hope the first of many, that the Society members have come in force back to the land of their fathers. I cannot begin to tell you the amount of pleasure it has given to all of us in Scotland to welcome you and to see you all here.

"You've been blessed by wonderful weather — don't expect it next time — you have traveled far and wide in your pilgrimage. Indeed, I think it might be put into verse:

"There once was a group from Clan Gregor
Who raced through the Glens and the heather
Putting wreaths on the graves
Of relatives and knaves,
And getting exhausted together."

"Well, I hope you enjoyed getting exhausted together. It has been a wonderful experience for all of us in Scotland to see you here. I hope that not only has this been a memorable trip for all of you, but that you have found fulfillment in visiting Scotland like this. I also hope it is something which you will remember all your lives, and I do hope it will not be too long before you all come back again."



October 18, Saturday — We left Edinburgh in a dense fog which made driving difficult and slowed our buses, but we were delivered at the Prestwick Airport in plenty of time. Our luggage was taken there in a moving van! The flight home took about two hours longer than the eastward flight. This was due to the head winds which are faced in the westward flight. A tired but happy crowd debarked at Dulles Airport in Virginia about 7 p.m., Eastern Standard Time.

(Editor's Note: The following recollections of the trip, written by two Clan members, add a great deal to the record.):—

# MEMORIES OF MY TRIP TO SCOTLAND FOR THE MACGREGOR BICENTENNIAL PILGRIMAGE:

"Back in Mexico City, I am trying to write something about the trip to Scotland, because I did not have a single minute to do it while I was traveling, and I wish I could really express how I enjoyed it, how interesting it was, and how I liked it.

"Now, it is just like a dream, my beautiful trip to Scotland. I really wish to be a writer or a poet to describe all the great memories I have about it. It was more than I expected, it was something really great, to travel through and to see the beautiful things of the land of my ancestors.

"All the trip was very well planned. Everything worked out fine, and also among all the beautiful things I saw, what I appreciate more was the chance I had to meet all my "Mac Gregors cousins" from the United States and from Scotland. It was great to share two weeks traveling, talking and laughing with all of them.

"Since we first arrived to Glasgow, we had beautiful weather. We were really lucky to have it all the time, because the only time we saw the fog, was the last day we were in Edinburgh and it was also something very pretty to see.

"I can't tell what I liked best or amazed me more, because I liked everything, and I was amazed with the beauty of the land. The countryside is marvelous with all the mountains, hills, creeks, rivers, falls, and of course the "Lochs." All of them are magnificent in size, color and beauty. Lots of water everywhere, like crystal, transparent and pure. All the lochs are surrounded by mountains with lots of trees, different colors, red, green, yellow, brown, etc. The heather is a beautiful bush, all covered with small flowers, pink and lilac. I would love to go back to see all the land covered with it. I did not see very many and I thought it was very pretty.

"The villages are very picturesque, so neat and pretty. Even the cattle and the sheep are different from the ones I have seen, the sheep with "Black Faces" (I think this is also their name). It was also very striking for me to see the way they are marked, coloring their wool different colors so they know to whom they belong. I saw also lots of ponies, something unusual to see. I am a city girl and that is why I am not used to seeing things like this in a big city like Mexico.

"The castles, palaces and houses we visited are magnificent. The ruins of Urquhart Castle are great and the site is gorgeous overlooking Loch Ness. All the tales about the Monster are exciting. I love to hear all these stories about ghosts, monsters, etc., and there are lots of them in Scotland.

"I enjoyed very much the banquets and the Scottish dances afterwards, the chance to meet and get acquainted with all the Scots. It was a great honor to meet Sir Gregor Mac Gregor of Mac Gregor and his family, the pretty Lady Fanny and the children and of course the sweet Lady Gylla and all the Lords and Ladies that attended the banquet.

"The afternoon we went to visit Sir Gregor at Edinchip was something to remember. The place where the house is located, surrounded by beautiful mountains, with the view of Loch Earn, the gardens...and the two bagpipers making the "Round" of the house while all the guests were arriving. Well the scenery and everything was out of this world!

"The cities we visited are very interesting, with the beautiful castles, their palaces, and houses—everything with lots of history.

"Well, I think I was very lucky because I had the chance to see the land of my ancestors, visiting all the places where they lived and died, and also finding out that "Rob Roy" was not just a Fairy Tale, because many times I have wondered if it was a personage of Sir Walter Scott's novels.

"So these are my unforgettable memories of this beautiful trip to the land of my ancestors, "Scotland".

Eugenia Mac Gregor México, D.F. November 12, 1975"



"To unravel centuries of the history of a clan and then to give the opportunity to retrace, through glens, by lochs and bens, over braes and moors, the location of salient events in this history, is a work of genius. To Sue and Jim Macgregor and Claire and Charles Kurz we are forever indebted for such a feat. Delightful echoes of our entire visit to the land of our ancestors constantly fill my thoughts. However, to me, the focal point of our tour was found at Balquhidder, where the grave of Rob Roy lies near the Balquhidder Kirk, in which a service was held and our voices rose to its roof in thanksgiving for such a pilgrimage. To seal our loyalty to the past we placed a plaque in the porch of the kirk, commemorating our visit. Finally, after visiting the mausoleum nearby, where the first Hereditary Chief of the American Clan Gregor Society, Sir Malcolm MacGregor, is buried with other MacGregor Chiefs, we were entertained at Edinchip, the ancestral home of our present Chief, Sir Gregor MacGregor, and Lady MacGregor, and our pilgrimage was brought to date in royal fashion.

Evelina Magruder"

#### Nestor J. MacDonald Receives New Honor

The American Clan Gregor Society, in its sixty-seven years of existence, has only voted three Honorary memberships, two of which were for Helen and Nestor MacDonald, so we take pride in the fact that Nestor is the newly elected President of the Scottish American Heritage, Inc.

One of the most active and popular figures in major Scottish related activities in the U. S., "Mac," as he is affectionately known, is President of the celebrated Grandfather Mountain Games, Linville, N. C., deputy high Commisssioner of the Clan Donald Society of the U. S., past President of the St. Andrews Society of the State of New York and a trustee of the Clan Donald Lands Trust. The trust recently acquired 15,000 acres of ancestral land on the Sleat Peninsula of the Isle of Skye, as a global homeland for the Clan. The tract was formerly the estate of the late Lord MacDonald, Clan Donald High Chief.

While long dedicated to his Scottish heritage, "Mac's" interest in the Clan Donald project in Skye has special significance, because he was born December 15, 1895, on Sleat in Armadale where stands Armadale Castle, the ancient seat of the Sleat MacDonald Chiefs. The castle will become the focal point of the Clan MacDonald World Center.

"Mac" grew up in New York City. In 1916 he joined Great Britain's Royal Flying Corps as a fighter pilot and was wounded in action. After the war he took correspondence courses at Columbia, Alexander Hamilton Institute and the International Correspondence School while joining the manufacturing firm of Thomas & Betts as a salesman in 1921. He became President of the company in 1955 and chief executive officer five years later. He has been board chairman since 1965.

In 1927 he married Helen E. Johnson of Syracuse. They have two daughters and three grandchildren.

# The Fire at Inveraray Castle

On November 5, 1975, the great historical Inveraray Castle, ancestral home of the Chiefs of Clan Campbell, the Dukes of Argyll, was partially destroyed by fire of unknown origin. The third floor and its contents were lost, but almost everything on the first and second floors was saved. Also saved were the Clan records and genealogies. However, smoke and water did much damage, and were particularly damaging to oil paintings. It is said that a fine portrait by Gainsborough was lost. It is estimated that the structural damage alone exceeds two million dollars, while the insurance maximum obtainable in Scotland is set at only four hundred thousand dollars.

Members of Clan Campbell and its septs throughout the U.S.A. acted at once to start a campaign to raise funds for the restoration of Inveraray Castle. Judge Hugh B. Campbell, who is also a member of our A.C.G.S., is active in that effort, which is being managed through a tax exempt Foundation, The Jacob More Society, at 1906 Montezuma Way, West Covina, California.

For the second year, Eunice Haden, our editor, was invited to speak to the Utah Genealogical Association in Salt Lake City, and on November 1st, 1975, addressed their annual convention on the subject, "Early Migration Routes East of the Mississippi River." This concluded a series which she had started for that association in July 1974.

#### Good News

Archibald and Thamar McGregor, due to Thamar's health, moved from Baltimore to 809-10th Ave., N., Jacksonville, Alabama, during the winter of 1975. We were glad to get word recently that Thamar has been very much better since the move. (See mention of Archibald's decision not to be available as Chieftain this year. Bottom of page 15.)

#### Dividends

Anne E. Wheeler (Mrs. Philip R.) writes that: "My mother used to say that there are *Dividends* from aging, and now I have evidence of it. In October I received from the Ruth Brewster Chapter, D.C., DAR, a 50-year pin with an ancestor bar reading: '1st Lt. Hezekiah Magruder'. My membership started in 1921 as one of the members of Magruder Chapter, D.C., DAR, which later disbanded.

"Another recognition of which I am justly proud is a letter from the Mt. Vernon Place United Methodist Church stating that I had been an acceptable member for 55 years.

"Maybe it does pay to grow old, but the real good fortune is that I still have good health and *some* ambition."

# —.—.—.—.—. Historical Marker Dedicated

A bronze historical marker was placed on the ancient Magruder Black-smith Shop on May 13, 1975, by the Bottony Cross Chapter, Maryland DAR. The inscription reads: "Known to have been standing in 1767, the smithy was probably built by Ninian Magruder who died in 1751 and whose initials are carved in the chimney." At the ceremony, the Colors were presented by the First Maryland Regiment of Militia, the official guard of the Maryland Bicentennial Commission, which depicts the Revolutionary War period in authentic uniforms and military procedures; and Montgomery County Executive James P. Gleason, spoke about the special value of Magruder's Blacksmith Shop, one of the few pre-Revolutionary War structures left standing in the county.

This small stone building, which stands at the corner of River Road and Seven Locks Road in Montgomery County, Md., has been converted into a home and the blacksmith's stone hearth is now the fireplace of the dwelling.

#### Memorial in Dumfries, Va.

A further living memorial to the distinguished Ewell-Weems family, and a constant reminder of the debt we owe them and other early patriots of Prince William County, was the dedication on May 11, 1975, of the Weems-Botts Museum in Dumfries, Virginia. The Museum building, has, as its core, a rare example of a true story-and-a-half commercial structure of half-timber and nogging construction believed to date to the mid-1700's. The property had been owned by Parson Weems from 1798 to 1802, and may have served as his book store. In 1974 the structure, in an advanced state of decay resulting from years of abandonment and neglect, was purchased by the Town of Dumfries. The Town leased it for a token annual payment to Historic Dumfries Virginia, Inc., a non-profit educational organization supported by contributions from the public. The Society restored the building, is furnishing it, and is landscaping and developing the acre and a half site as a public park to be dedicated in 1976 as a Bicentennial project. The Museum will be open daily to the public, starting in the Spring of 1976. The Society has a Bicentennial publications program, which features research papers on the history of the people and places of eastern Prince William County, and to date includes several papers on the life and works of Parson Weems.

A principal purpose of Historic Dumfries Virginia is to make known to today's citizens of Prince William County the contributions of the early settlers, and to remind the descendants of the early settlers of their roots in this area; accordingly, the Society welcomes Ewell and Weems descendants and their friends to visit the Museum. It invites them to assist in the work of the Society with contributions of funds and family articles suitable for furnishing the Museum or for display in the Museum. The Society will also welcome gifts of genealogical information and records on the Ewells and Weemses for inclusion in its Archives.

Dr. William E. S. Flory

#### The Oldest Tree

Scotland claims to have the oldest tree in Europe. It is the yew tree in the churchyard of the village of Fortingall near Loch Tay in the Central Highlands. Arboreal experts say that this yew tree is over 2,000 years old. It is now leaning to one side and has to be propped up, but it is still growing. There is a notice attached to the railing around the tree to tell its story.

## The World Scottish Festival

If you would like to thrill to the sight and sound of over a thousand pipers and drummers playing in unison, go to the Tattoo of the World Scottish Festival in Toronto. Last August we were there and saw the parade through the city, and the first performance of the tattoo. It was unforgettable. There were drills by the military bands of the Black Watch, of Canada's 48th Highlanders, other Pipe Bands from Canada, the United States, the British Isles, and New Zealand, the Royal Fiji Military Band, and the Regiment of Gurkhas, the natives of Nepal who were trained by the British in India, but now live in Hong Kong.

Six girls carrying lighted torches reminiscent of the flaming pine knots of old led the nearly 2,000 bandsmen as they entered through a simulated castle portcullis. Later the girls danced Scottish country dances to the music of the massed bands. The Mounted Toronto Police put on a spectacular riding performance in time to the music of their own pipe band.

The usual athletic, dancing, and piping competitions were held in the two days following the opening.

The World Scottish Festival will be repeated in the summer of 1976 at the stadium of the Canadian National Exposition Grounds in Toronto. The performance on the second night would probably be better than that on the first night which was their "dress rehearsal". Better order your tickets early.

-Е. В. Н.

# TARTANS IN THE FASHION NEWS

All over the world the use of the Scottish tartans in women's fashions has been increasing in the last eight or nine years.

Clanswomen, of course, favor the use of their tartan and many of those who visited Scotland on the MacGregor Bicentennial Pilgrimage ordered short or long skirts while on the tour.

Besides that, the various plaids have caught the fancy of many who have not a drop of Scottish blood in their veins. In October 1971, at a style show in Washington, D.C., "The Latest" was a long evening skirt of silk tartan material worn with a white long-sleeved and ruffled blouse. It was an obvious copy of the traditional evening attire of our clanswomen. This was, in fact, three years after news had reached us that tartans were "the rage" in Paris.

Country Life, a magazine published in London, issued a "Scottish Number" in August 1968, which reported that in the Paris dress collections tartans and kilts were much in evidence that season. Patou was using the tartan in evening suits. Jacques Helm was showing a floor-length shawl of tartan. A strip of plaid had been inserted in an olive green coat. Short pleated skirts seemed universally popular. Sometimes the kilt had been copied faithfully; sometimes it had been adapted. Dior was showing one made of sequin-covered material! The fashion writer called the kilt, "\* \* that easy-going skirt that is worn by both sexes from the cradle to the grave. It knows no time limit."

Dr. Nathaniel M. Ewell, Jr., Clan Surgeon, and wife, Mildred, spent six weeks in England and Scotland in the spring of 1975, doing genealogical research on her family. They toured by car and found a number of homes and tombs of the ancestors as well as other points of interest. They also visited friends made by Dr. Ewell when he was an exchange doctor at the University of Edinburgh in 1969.

#### INTERNATIONAL GATHERING OF THE CLANS IN 1977

There will be an International Gathering of the Clans held in Edinburgh in May 1977, under the chairmanship of the Earl of Elgin (The Bruce). The events of the first week will take place in Edinburgh beginning on Sunday, May 1st. In the following week, beginning on Sunday, May 8th, the clansmen will disperse to their traditional territories.

#### The Father of VITAL STATISTICS

It was Thomas Cromwell (1485 - 1540), Vicar General of King Henry VIII, who introduced the now world-wide custom of registering all births, deaths, and marriages.

#### A GRANDDAUGHTER OF ROB ROY

Near Amenia, New York, there was a lead mine which in April 1777 was being worked to obtain the metal for the Colonial Army. In a history of that area, the following statement is made:—

"\*\*\*, and they employed John McDonald, an experienced miner from Scotland, who appears to have come over for the purpose of aiding the people in their struggle. \*\*\* This John McDonald was of the distinguished Highland family of McDonalds, and his wife the granddaughter of Rob Roy MacGregor, one of Walter Scott's heroes. Mr. McDonald was the father of John McDonald, well known in Dutchess County, N.Y., 50 years ago, and of Miss Anne McDonald.

"The McDonald burying-ground is in the N. W. corner of Old Amenia near the Row School-house." —

"Early History of Amenia, N.Y.," by Newton Reed, publ. 1875, page 66.

# SCOTTISH PROVERBS

"There's nocht sae queer as folk."

"A bird in the hand's worth twa fleein' by."

#### STATEMENT OF EDITORIAL POLICY

The policy of the Editors of the Clan Yearbook for the past 10-15 years has been guided by three major considerations:

1. To hold costs to what the Society can afford.

2. To include data from the families of as many <u>different</u> members as is possible.

 To print death notices about persons from the immediate family of a member, <u>but</u> to publish Memorials about <u>clan members only</u>, except in very unusual circumstances such as about a non-member who has contributed very definitely to the activities and welfare of the Society.

A real effort is made to have the Yearbook ready to mail early in the spring of the year. To do so, the deadline for the receipt of material for publication must be set at 1st of December.

THE EDITOR

#### NOTICES

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