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View of "Big Muddy" from the Bluff at Natchez.

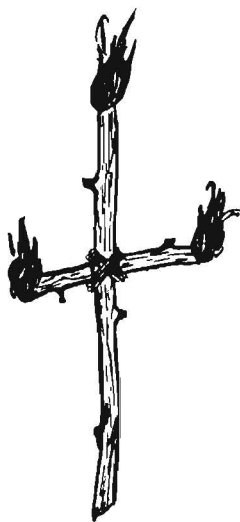


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"Indian Mound" at Natchez.

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The 78th Annual Gathering  
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will be held  
at the Fort Magruder Inn  
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on  
October 30 and 31, 1987

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Plan Now to Attend.  
We hope you will be there!



AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC.  
COUNCIL MEETING

October 24, 1986

In the absence of the Chieftain, Dr. Russell C. McGregor, the Ranking Deputy Chieftain, Mr. Abbey W. Magruder, Jr., opened the Council Meeting in the Esplanade Room of the Hotel Eola in Natchez, Mississippi at 0910, October 24, 1986. He asked the Chaplain, the Reverend H. M. (Ray) Richardson for an invocation, which was delivered in inspirational style.

As the first order of business, the Scribe asked for changes or corrections to the minutes of the 1985 Council Meeting as published in the Yearbook. There being no changes, the minutes were approved.

The new Treasurer, Winfield S. Mayne, made his report which will be published in the Yearbook. The Assistant Chieftain has been handling the treasury since the demise of our long-standing Treasurer, John Urquhart. Win reported that future reports will contain greater detail on expenditures. The total assets of the Society are \$65,450.00 consisting of \$5000 cash and the Special Account Fund (\$6092), Charity and Education Fund (\$4258), Marshall Magruder Library Fund (\$19,876) and General Fund-Invested Asset (\$23,367) and a balance of \$6000 on the sale of lots gifted by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Tichy, Jr. for the benefit of the Charity and Education Fund. The Treasurer was asked what would happen when the certificates of deposit fell due. They will be divided among the various funds established. The Treasurer's report was accepted.

The Registrar, Fran (Mrs. Herschel M.) Browne, reported that, as of the Council Meeting, there had been during the year, 40 new members (35 lineal, and five associate), two members were reinstated, one former Junior member became a lineal member, and one regular member became a Life Member.

Peg (Mrs. J. C.) Tichy, acting as Historian due to the death of Letitia Walker, reported briefly that there had been nine births to members, seven marriages, and 13 deaths of members. Four deaths of relatives were reported. The full report is delivered to the General Meeting.

Helen (Mrs. W.) Garrett read the report of the absent Editor of the Yearbook, Kathleen (Mrs. R. C.) McGregor, giving details of the production of the yearbook and announcing that the deadline for the 1986 Yearbook would be January 1, 1987. She concluded her report with an appeal for more pictorial contributions.

The Assistant Chieftain, Mr. Joseph C. Tichy, Jr. next gave his report. There are presently 643 members with 565 paid up. A new directory of members will be published next year. Next year's Gathering will be held in Williamsburg, VA at the Magruder Inn on October 30-31. For 1988 reservations have been made at the Brown Palace in Denver, CO. The following year, Annapolis, MD will be the site with the exact location still under exploration. In 1990, the Gathering will be held at the Sheraton Inn in Santa Rosa, CA.

Joe reported that next year's Grandfather Mountain Games will be held on July 11-12. This year's Games were supported by a record turnout of ACGS members. Fifteen other Highland Games were graced with Clan Gregor tents and attendance.

Due to absences, the Trustees did not meet this year and Win Mayne was unable to make a report.

Judge Hugh Campbell reported for R. Gregory Magruder that the Edward May Magruder Fund has a balance of \$51,200 with cash gifts of \$2000 totalling \$53,200. The University of Virginia did not award a scholarship for this college year but did award the scholarship for 1985-86 to R. W. Bock. Hugh did not have any information as to the reason for this lapse.



Abbey Magruder then read the report of the absent chieftain, Russell McGregor, which will be published in the Yearbook. In the discussion which followed, the recommendation for inclusion of telephone numbers in the directory was rejected as presenting an impossible problem for the Assistant Chieftain due to the mobility of the members – and their failure, often, even to report their new addresses, let alone telephone numbers. However, the telephone numbers of the officers will be included. The Chair additionally pointed out that the future of relations with the (Scottish) Clan Gregor Society would continue to need close and careful continued monitoring. He noted that there were two tents at the Grandfather Mountain Games, ours and the tent for the CGS.

Turning to unfinished business, he asked our Chancellor to discuss the question of contributions to the Clan Gregor Center in Scotland as supported by our Chieftain. William E. MacGregor, Jr. reported that IRS rulings are becoming increasingly liberal in interpretation of tax-deductible status to contributions overseas, quoting the 1980 Paris/Montessori case which permitted donations to the Montessori School of Paris, France, to qualify. However, details still have to be worked out and the membership will be advised as soon as practicable. There followed a discussion of the Clan Gregor Center, its location and intent. No concrete decisions as to the form of support were reached and the Council will continue to monitor developments before giving guidance to members.

Lou (Mrs. William E.) McGregor provided the Council with the results of her study of the parameters for a handbook for State Deputy Chieftains, as requested of her by the Chieftain. Her report, since it was purely informational, did not require approval but will be used as the basis for continuing development of the State Deputy Chieftain system. Discussion made it apparent that the roles of the State Deputy Chieftains need further definition, but it was agreed that they have a key role in the vitalization of the American Clan Gregor Society and the expansion of its base across the nation. A motion to formalize this action was defeated. The matter was left in the hands of the Chieftain, but the general consensus indicated a strong Council support for the goals of the effort to expand. It was agreed that further action at this Gathering should lie with the State Deputies Meeting.

Frank McGehee reported for the Gathering Committee that 188 have signed up as attendees and 175 will attend the dinner. The Acting Chieftain gave him thanks for a fine job, well done, and expressed his appreciation.

Joe Tichy reported the latest on the library. He is exploring with the Montgomery County (MD) Historical Association the sharing of quarters in Rockville, the county seat. There are good possibilities there but nothing is certain or sure. Mr. E. (Ned) Magruder Passano, Jr. added that there was an alternative of sharing space with the Society of Colonial Wars in Baltimore, MD. Both possibilities will be pursued. Abbey stressed the need, during all negotiations, to maintain the integrity and ownership of the ACGS collection. Joe and Ned said that the offerers had expressed a similar desire.

Also under old business, the Chancellor asked what had happened to the plan to place an ACGS advertisement in *The Highlander*. Joe Tichy promised that he would remedy this oversight and place one there this year.

Lou McGregor reported that there are still copies of the cookbook available and that sales for the year (now clear profit) would amount to \$110 which would be turned over to the Treasurer.

Under New Business, the Assistant Chieftain reported the failing health of the Addressograph and alternative cures. To stick to the old technology will require a shift to plastic plates and a minimum expenditure of \$1800. The company has gone the computer route and a new machine will cost in the neighborhood of \$2200. Discussion followed on the relative merits of computers and software as opposed to the mechanical Addressograph machine. Joe was authorized to spend up to \$3000 on the successor equipment.

Linked with this expenditure is the proposal of our Chieftain – with the approval of the Council, for the publication twice a year (instead of the four times proposed by the Chieftain) of a Newsletter. (Total cost estimate: \$900 to \$1080 the first year and \$600 in following years.) Both proposals can only be met with an increase in dues. The Council approved raising the dues to \$25 and an increase in the cost of Life Memberships of \$50 per category to be effective for dues on January 1, 1987 and for Life Memberships, after a grace period, on April 1, 1987.

As a bit of old/new business, Joe reported that he had discovered a wind-resistant, light-weight, tent which answered our long-time search for a viable tent for use at Highland Games, etc. The budget has long held monies for this purpose and the expenditure of \$404 was approved. Mason Lummis noted that the colors, by the rules of heraldry, should be blue and white.

The Nominating Committee Chairman, past Chieftain William McGregor, reported a slate for the following year. The Nominating Committee was asked to serve again for the coming year. The Acting Chieftain, in the name of the Chieftain, named Joe Tichy again as Assistant Chieftain. The choice was acclaimed by the Council.

A motion for adjournment was entertained and approved.

Respectfully submitted,  
McGregor Gray, Scribe



## GENERAL MEETING

October 25, 1986

The General Membership Meeting of the 77th Gathering of the American Clan Gregor Society was called to order by the Ranking Deputy Chieftain, Abbey W. Magruder, Jr., at 0940 in the Esplanade Room of the Hotel Eola in Natchez, Mississippi. The Chaplain, Reverend Ray (H. M.) Richardson, delivered the Invocation.

The minutes of the Council Meeting were read by the Scribe, McGregor Gray.

The slate of candidates was presented by the Nominating Committee, approved and declared elected:

Dr. Russell C. McGregor	Chieftain
Abbey W. Magruder, Jr.	Ranking Deputy Chieftain
McGregor Gray	Scribe
Fran (Mrs. Herschel M.) Browne	Registrar
Helen (Mrs. William) Garrett	Historian
Winfield S. Mayne	Treasurer
Rev. Ray (H.M.) Richardson	Chaplain
Dr. Mary Louise Rutledge	Surgeon
William E. McGregor, Jr.	Chancellor
Maggie (Mrs. Thomas A.) Gregg	Editor
Dr. William C. Stokoe	Piper
Lt.Col. Mason M. Lummis	Librarian

The acting Chieftain then read the report of the Chieftain, Dr. Russell C. McGregor, noting that the Chieftain had also directed remarks to the Council, which he summarized.

The Registrar reported on new memberships and introduced those new members who were present, and those members who were attending an Annual Gathering for the first time.

The Historian's report was presented by Peg (Mrs. Joseph C.) Tichy. In fuller detail it will be published in the Yearbook.

The Gathering Chairman, Frank McGehee, reported on the attendance at the Gathering. He was greeted with warm applause of appreciation. Abbey thanked the McGehees for the wonderful party hosted for the ACGS at their home. The Assistant Chieftain noted that Frank had stepped into the shoes of the late Ray (Homer R.) Wise and, despite difficulties, had done a marvelous job.

Joe continued his report noting the pending acquisition of a tent for use at Highland Games or other occasions. He also discussed plans for future Gatherings, 1987 in Williamsburg, VA; 1988 in Denver, CO; 1989 in Annapolis, MD; and 1990 in Santa Rosa, CA. He gave the membership the latest information on the Library and its possible relocation to Rockville, MD, where it will be more available for use than in the past.

The new membership fees as approved by the Council were announced and explained: The initiation fee remains the same but the annual dues have been increased. Initiation fees and Life Membership fees go into the General Fund whose principal is not touched but whose interest income is used to run the Society.

Abbey reported that the Gathering had received word from Fletcher Cole that his wife Anne was recovering from surgery and that "Everything was going fine – no worries!" He and Joe told of the amusing telephone message received through the desk receptionist from Fletcher, "No Gathering will be successful" which made no sense until one added a K in front of, and a W after the NO.

There being no unfinished business, Abbey proceeded to new business. To a suggestion that Jane Sweeney, the Librarian of the Montgomery County Historical Society (a Magruder) be given an honorary membership in the ACGS when our library is in place, Joe Tichy said that it could be arranged.

The Trustees moved to donate \$560.00 to the Dr. Edward May Magruder Medical Scholarship Fund. The motion was seconded and passed.

Stuart Gregg read an account of the Samuel Grier connection with the early history of Natchez as relayed to the Gathering by Dorothy Grier Vorhees. It was a tale of the Civil War, its tragedies and heroism.

There followed announcements about events at the Gathering: the Pipe Band Concert, the State Deputies Meeting, etc.

Shortly thereafter the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,  
McGregor Gray, Scribe





## REPORT OF THE CHIEFTAIN

DR. RUSSELL C. MCGREGOR

TO THE ACGS

OCTOBER 24, 1986

TO THE COUNCIL AND THE GENERAL MEETING

I regret very much that Kathleen, Russell, Andrew and I are unable to be with you for the 77th Gathering of the American Clan Gregor Society. The University of Maine has a new President and the administration is being reorganized. I must remain on the job during this transition period.

I want to thank Abbey Magruder, the Ranking Deputy Chieftain, for assuming the duties of the Chieftain at this Gathering. I know that each one of you will give him your full support.

I want to extend my special greetings to our four new Council members: Robert Blanck, Alhambra, California; Mason M. Lummis, Alexandria, Virginia; Thomas A. Gregg, Isle of Palms, South Carolina; and Anna Laws, Port Allen, Louisiana. My thanks to our retiring Council members for their loyal service to the Clan: Hugh B. Campbell, Helen Garrett and Julian von Heisermann.

In my second annual report to you, I would like to comment on our progress toward the seven goals I proposed a year ago.

Our first goal is to **become a truly national organization**. It is happening! We are on our way! Manchester, New Hampshire; then Atlanta, Georgia; and now Natchez, Mississippi. Each of these Gatherings has been a distance from our traditional base in the Middle Atlantic States. Each has been successful in taking us around the country. Our next outreach will be to Denver and then San Francisco, returning to the East Coast in the odd years in between. Truly, we are beginning to serve our members on a national scale.

Our second goal is to **organize ourselves for a better focus on educational, historical, genealogical, and social activities**.

I would like to suggest that we have more programs of an educational, cultural, and historical nature at our Gatherings, and more articles for the Year Book.

We have a real treasure in our seventy-five years of genealogical records. These need to be computerized and made available to the growing number of American genealogists, both amateur and professionals. I would also like to see genealogical discussions at the Annual Gathering. I know the interest is there. Are there any volunteers to establish a Genealogical Division within the ACGS that could hold annual meetings at our Gatherings?

Our third goal is to **expand our membership**. It is growing. Wherever we hold our Annual Gathering it provides a stimulus to membership in that particular area of the country. For example, I have had the privilege, in recent months, of approving the applications of a number of our clansmen (and women, too!) who reside in the great State of Mississippi!

We have many potential members who share our pride of ancestry and who want to join us in preserving and enjoying our rich cultural heritage. Let's go find them!

Our fourth goal is to **improve communication among our members**. An Annual Gathering is not enough! We need to encourage state, regional, and local gatherings.

We need a national newsletter, on a quarterly basis to start with, that will keep us abreast of events and aid us in the pursuit of our goals. I believe that we may have a volunteer who is willing to start the newsletter, and I hope that we will get started soon. I

would urge that we begin modestly with this newsletter focusing directly on our membership. Further, I would encourage a close working relationship between the editor of the newsletter and the editor of the Year Book. Let's do it!

Essential to the support of state, regional and local gatherings for ACGS is the availability of membership lists. I would suggest that we provide our Assistant Chieftain whatever help is needed to insure that each Deputy Chieftain has a current membership list for his or her state.

Our fifth goal is **to increase our treasury**. This will help our communications and our national activities.

My special thanks to Win Mayne for assuming the role of Treasurer. We are pleased to have our finances in such competent hands.

I value the efforts on the sale of Clan materials. I hope that they will be continued and expanded because they contribute to our Treasury and bring satisfaction to our members.

Our level of dues should be commensurate with the services we are providing to the membership. An increase is needed.

However, our financial future as a Clan should not rest solely on the annual dues. We need to establish an endowment that will provide a stable and permanent source of revenue. It will also provide an opportunity to make gifts to the ACGS, including bequests, thereby enriching the lives of the givers with a greater sense of participation in the future of our Clan. We need to begin planning that endowment **now!** The first step will be to clarify our status as a charitable organization under the Internal Revenue Code. I have requested our Chancellor, Bill MacGregor, to set us on the right track.

Our sixth goal is **to build a strong and enduring relationship with the Clan Gregor Society in Scotland**. Our dedication to the preservation of Clan Gregor's heritage will always include moral and financial support to the beloved land of our origins. The quality of our relations with the CGS, and its leadership will ever determine the extent of that support. But, we must never be neglectful of our basic loyalty.

Our seventh goal is **the establishment of a Clan Gregor Archive and Visitor Center in the United States**. This will be a place to store and to display our memorabilia and study our historical and genealogical records. This Center will become a reality through private donations from individuals, corporations, and foundations. I welcome your suggestions and ideas on how we might work together to translate this dream into reality.

In summary, I believe we have made tidy progress on our seven goals this year, I thank you all for your support and your generous acts of good faith on behalf of our Clan.

## TO THE COUNCIL

A word about our requirements for lineal membership. I hold to the opinion that the eligibility for lineal membership as stated in Article III, Section I of our by-laws continues to serve us well. At our seventy-fifth anniversary gathering, our Hereditary Chief, Sir Gregor, admonished us not to place excessive reliance on documented genealogical records. Many of our clansmen are not able to provide irrefutable documentary evidence of their descent.

As your Chieftain, it is my practice in considering applicants to request that the Registrar conduct a careful review of the documents presented by the applicant, and to check these against the genealogical records of the Clan. In addition, we request the endorsement of an existing member whenever possible. Wherever genealogical records fall short (in some cases they do not exist) we inquire after other evidence that provides a reasonable presumption of descent.

We have an exceptional Registrar. I want to express my appreciation for the diligence and accuracy of Fran Browne in the performance of her duties. As a result of her

careful attention to detail we have been able to resolve all questions concerning applicants and it has not been necessary to turn anyone down during the last two years. If, at any time, we have doubts concerning the validity of an application, it is my intention to bring the matter to the Council.

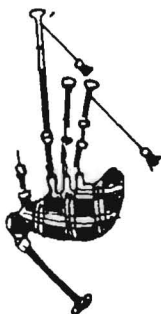
What about the year ahead? I ask that you, as a Council, approve the following actions:

1. Agree to an increase in our annual dues as proposed by the Assistant Chieftain.
2. Approve the publication and distribution of the first edition of the Handbook for Deputy Chieftains as proposed by Lou McGregor. The handbook should include such items as:
  - change the term from “State Deputy Chieftain” to “Deputy Chieftain.”
  - permit the area of geographic responsibility for the Deputy Chieftain to be a State, **or** a region of several States, **or** an area within a State. (This is in conformity with our present practice.)
  - responsibility for the recruitment and retention of members to be assumed by the Deputy Chieftain for his area.
  - encourage the Deputy Chieftains to promote Clan activities in their area including participation at highland games and scheduled events such as lectures and dinners.
3. Establish a newsletter to be distributed to all members that will contain items about the members and their activities, relating to the goals and purposes of ACGS. The immediate objective should be the production of at least two mailings between now and the 78th Gathering next year.
4. Approve the proposal for the reestablishment of the ACGS library, as recommended by the Assistant Chieftain. I am grateful to Joe Tichy for his efforts in finding a solution to this problem.
5. Request the publication of a new directory of the membership as soon as feasible, listing the members by state, as well as alphabetically, and containing telephone numbers for all members.
6. Appoint Joseph C. Tichy, Jr. to be Assistant Chieftain for the coming year and express to him our deep and abiding gratitude for his guidance, his good service, and his continuing hard work on behalf of our officers and our members.

Thank you for your kind attention to this report. Once again, I want you to know how deeply I regret not being with you.

May the wisdom of your deliberations be equal in strength to the kinship that binds us together.

S'Rioghal Mo Dhream!  
Russell C. McGregor  
Chieftain



TREASURER'S REPORT  
 AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC.  
 STATEMENT OF  
 ASSETS AND LIABILITIES  
 Fiscal Year ending Sept. 30, 1986

ASSETS

Checking Accounts – 2	
Montgomery County National Bank, Red Oak, Iowa . . . . .	\$ 117.31
First Federal Savings & Loan of Moore County, Southern Pines, NC . . . . .	\$ 4,829.52
SPECIAL ACCOUNT FUND . . . . .	\$ 6,092.54
CHARITY & EDUCATION FUND . . . . .	\$ 4,257.62
MARSHALL MAGRUDER LIBRARY FUND . . . . .	\$19,875.96
GENERAL FUND – INVESTED ASSETS . . . . .	\$23,367.28
Balance remaining on sale of Avon, NC lots gifted to AGC Society by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph C. Tichy, Jr. (due C&E Fund) payable \$2,000.00 each January of 1987, 1988 & 1989 . . . . .	<u>\$ 6,000.00</u>
TOTAL ASSETS . . . . .	\$65,540.23

LIABILITIES

No known liabilities . . . . .	\$ .00
NET WORTH of Society . . . . .	\$65,540.23

AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC.

SPECIAL ACCOUNT FUND

Balance on deposit in National Permanent Bank, Washington, D.C. 9-30-85 . . . . .	\$ 3,286.93
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Receipts

Interest . . . . .	\$ 220.61
Balance on deposit in Savings Account No. 802142 in the Montgomery County National Bank 9-30-86 . . . . .	\$ 3,507.54
12% portion of \$20,000.00 Certificate of Deposit in National Permanent Bank, Washington, D.C. . . . .	\$ 2,400.00
12% of Certificate of Deposit interest due 10-27-86 (estimated) . . . .	<u>\$ 185.00</u>
Total Asset value of SPECIAL ACCOUNT FUND 9-30-86 . . . . .	\$ 6,092.54

Memo: This account utilized for Pipe Band, Clan Tent, Banner, etc.



# AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC.

## CHARITY & EDUCATION FUND

Balance on deposit in National Permanent Bank, Washington, D.C. 9-30-85 . . . . .		\$ 3,247.07	
<u>Receipts</u>			
Donations (Contributions & Memorials) . . . . .	\$ 325.00		
Interest . . . . .	\$ 185.55		
1986 payment on sale of Tichy Lots at Avon, NC . . .	<u>\$ 2,000.00</u>		
Total Receipts . . . . .	\$ 2,510.55		
Less contribution to—Dr. Edward May Magruder			
Medical Scholarship Fund . . . . .	<u>\$ 2,000.00</u>		
Net Receipts . . . . .	\$ 510.55	\$ 510.55	
Balance on deposit—Savings Account No. 802169, of the Montgomery County National Bank, Red Oak, IA . . . . .		\$ 3,757.62	
Balance in checking account—National Bank, Washington, D.C. . . . .		<u>\$ 500.00</u>	
Total value of C&E Fund on Sept. 30, 1986 . . . . .		\$ 4,257.62	

# AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC.

## MARSHALL MAGRUDER LIBRARY FUND

Balance on deposit—National Permanent Bank, Washington, D.C. 9-30-85 . . . . .		\$10,263.04	
<u>Receipts</u>			
Donations . . . . .	\$ 75.00		
Sale of Tee Shirts . . . . .	\$ 199.00		
Interest . . . . .	<u>\$ 685.61</u>		
Total receipts . . . . .	\$ 959.61		
Less amount paid to ACGS checking to cover library rent . . . . .	<u>\$ 176.60</u>		
Net Receipts . . . . .	\$ 782.92	\$ 782.92	
Balance on deposit in Savings Account No. 802150 of the Montgomery County National Bank . . . . .		\$11,045.96	
41% portion of \$20,000.00 Certificate of Deposit of National Permanent Bank, Washington, D.C. . . . .		\$ 8,200.00	
41% of Certificate of Deposit interest due 10-27-86 (estimated) . . . .		<u>\$ 630.00</u>	
Total value of Marshall Magruder Library Fund cash assets as of Sept. 30, 1986 . . . . .		\$19,875.96	

# AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY, INC.

## GENERAL FUND INVESTED ASSETS

Balance on deposit in National Permanent Bank,  
Washington, D.C. 9-30-85 . . . . . \$12,217.42

### Receipts

Initiation Fees, Junior, Associates, &  
Life Memberships . . . . . \$ 1,130.00  
Interest earned 9-30-85 to 9-30-86 . . . . . \$ 772.64  
Total receipts . . . . . \$ 1,902.64  
\*\*Less 1985 interest transferred to checking . . . . . \$ 877.78  
Net Total Receipts . . . . . \$ 1,024.86      \$ 1,024.86

Balance on deposit in Savings Account No. 803479 of the Montgomery  
County National Bank, Red Oak, Iowa 9-30-86 . . . . . \$13,242.28  
47% portion of \$20,000.00 Certificate of Deposit of the  
National Permanent Bank, Washington, D.C. . . . . \$ 9,400.00  
47% of Certificate of Deposit Interest due 10-27-86 (estimated) . . . . \$ 725.00  
Total Value of General Fund –  
Invested Assets as of 9-30-86 . . . . . \$23,367.28

\*\*Interest income earned by this account is periodically deposited to the checking account and used in the operation of the Society.

– Winfield S. Mayne, *Treasurer*



## REPORT OF THE REGISTRAR

Frances A. Browne

- 2211 POPLETT, Carolyn Osborne (Mrs. Ray E.), 225 F. N. Kenilworth, Oak Park, IL 60302: she the daughter of Hester McGaughey and Ray Patton Osborne, and sister of George H. Osborne, Clan #2194.
- 2212 LETSON, Mary Elizabeth Osborne (Mrs. Joseph W.), 420 North Winter Street, Yellow Springs, OH 45387: she the daughter of Hester McGaughey and Ray Patton Osborne, and sister of George H. Osborne, Clan #2194.
- 2213A GREGG, Dorothy M. (Mrs. E. Stuart, Jr.), 22 Wing Shell Lane, Hilton Head Island, SC 29928: she the wife of E. Stuart Gregg, Jr., Clan #1739LM.
- 2214A BLANCK, Marilyn M. (Mrs. Robert L.), 812 North Hidalgo Avenue, Alhambra, CA 91801: she the wife of Robert L. Blanck, Clan #2023.
- 2215A WOOLLEY, Patricia R. (Mrs. James E., Jr.), 7109 Misty Morn Drive, Charlotte, NC 28215: she the wife of James E. Woolley, Jr., Clan #2050.
- 2216 MOORE, Dorothy L., P.O. Box 504, New Smyrna Beach, FL 32070: she the daughter of Ellen Ann Davis and Francis Marion Haley; he the son of Lula Magruder and Peter Dennis Haley; she the daughter of Nancy Jane Moberly and Dr. Francis Marion Magruder; he the son of Elizabeth Jane Aud and Levin (Levi) Magruder; he the son of Cassandra Offutt and Archibald Magruder, Sr.; he the son of Jane Offutt and John Magruder; he the son of Elizabeth Brewer and Ninian Magruder; he the son of Sarah Beall and Samuel Magruder; he the son of Margaret Braithwaite and Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.
- 2217 MAGRUDER, John A., 3 Glen Street, Brattleboro, VT 05301: he the son of Samuel B. Magruder, Clan #787.
- 2218 GREGG, E. Stuart III, 20 Sally Port Road, Hilton Head Island, SC 29928: he the son of E. Stuart Gregg, Jr., Clan #1739LM.
- 2219 PINCHBECK, Dale Gregg (Mrs. Jay), Box 730, Route 150, Cambridge, ME 04923; she the daughter of E. Stuart Gregg, Jr., Clan #1739LM.
- 2220 LANGBERG, Linden Magruder (Mrs. Jon K.), 209 Harmony Street, New Castle, DE 19720: she the daughter of Samuel B. Magruder, Clan #787.
- 2221 MCGREGOR, James J., Jr., 8 Lawndale Avenue, Saugus, MA 01906: he the son of Jessie Carter and James Jenkins McGregor, and brother of Jessie McGregor Neale, Clan #2179.
- 2222A PINCHBECK, Jay, Box 730, Route 150, Cambridge, ME 04923: he the husband of Dale Gregg Pinchbeck, Clan #2219 above.
- 2223A MANGERIE, Betty Ann (Mrs. Donald A.), 7170 Dunhill Terrace, Atlanta, GA 30328: she the wife of Donald A. Mangerie, Clan #1875.
- 2224 EMPKIE, Timothy Mayne, 14 Taber Avenue, Providence, RI 02906: he the son of Mary Elizabeth Mayne, Clan #1914, and Frederick D. Empkie, Jr.

- 2225 CLAY, James Powell, Jr., Route 3, Box 216A, Hutchinson, MN 55350: he the son of Thelma Frances Magruder, Clan #744, and James Powell Clay.
- 2226 BROWN, Roberta Edith, 113 Stratford Avenue, Fredericksburg, VA 22401: she the daughter of Alma Jane Kyle and Richard Collins Brown III; he the son of Edith Barnsley Prosser and Richard Collins Brown. Here the line joins that of Frances A. Browne, Clan #1550.
- 2227 VEST, Steuart Edward, 2514 Lakevale Drive, Vienna, VA 22180: he the son of Edna Sarah Muncaster, Clan #154, and George Burnley Vest.
- 2228 McGREGOR, Russell Charles, Box 373, R.D. #2, Rome, NY 13440: he the son of Lena Tillie Kuhn and Lewis Austin McGregor; he the son of Annie Kriedler and William Howard McGregor; he the son of Helen Van Valkenburgh and William McGregor of Ontario, Canada. Family tradition of Scottish heritage of the McGregors.
- 2229 BELKNAP, Lee Mays (Mrs. William B., Jr.), 22605 Wood Shadow Lane, El Toro, CA 92630: she the daughter of Edna Ferguson and Ralph R. Mays; she the daughter of Estella Magruder and Harry D. Ferguson; she the daughter of Mary Wineow and Jacob Neff Magruder; he the son of Margaret Neff and Burgess Magruder; he the son of Matilda Margaret Snowden and Josiah Beall Magruder; he the son of Sarah Beall and Zachariah Magruder; he the son of Eleanor Wade and Samuel Magruder, Sr.; he the son of Sarah Beall and Samuel Magruder; he the son of Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.
- 2230 VITTUM, Stephanie E. (Mrs. Daniel W., Jr.) 100 Woodley Road, Winnetka, IL 60093: she the daughter of Mary Elizabeth Mayne, Clan #1914, and Frederick Donald Empkie, Jr.
- 2231 LONGNECKER, Richard S., 4203 Lake Terrace Drive, Kalamazoo, MI 49008: he the son of Ina May Hukill and Francis Arthur Longnecker; he the son of Grace Mayne and William Andrew Longnecker; she the daughter of Ruth Ellen Mangum and Winfield Scott Mayne. Here the line joins that of Winfield Swift Mayne, Clan #1682.
- 2232 CLAY, Michael Magruder, 35 Spring Court, Charlottesville, VA 22901: he the son of Mary Lee Darby Black and James Powell Clay, Jr., Clan #2225 above.
- 2233 MacGREGOR, Hannah, 122 Gear Road, Rochester, NH 03867: she the daughter of Pauline Frances Wiley and Malcolm Glover MacGregor, Clan #2138.
- 2234 PEIRCE, Amanda MacGregor (Mrs. Stanley D.), P.O. Box 841, Portsmouth, NH 03801: she the daughter of Pauline Frances Wiley and Malcolm Glover MacGregor, Clan #2138.
- 2235 BRADSHAW, Eleanor Hoey (Mrs. Leon S.), 720 Club House Road, Salisbury, NC 28144: she the daughter of Delle Wilson and Franklin Ernest Hoey; she the daughter of Della Gibson and James Edgar Wilson; she the daughter of Laura White Benton and S. Alfred Gibson; she the daughter of Martha Ann Wooding and Nelson Moore Benton; she the daughter of Elizabeth Drane and John Edward Wooding; she the daughter of Alletha Magruder and

- Walter Drane; she the daughter of Rebecca Young and Ninian Beall Magruder; he the son of Margaret Beall Jackson and Samuel Magruder, 3rd; he the son of Elizabeth Brewer and Ninian Magruder; he the son of Sarah Moore Beall and Samuel Magruder; he the son of Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.
- 2236 GAY, Harold M., Jr., R.D. 1, Box 1329, Bangor, PA 18013: he the son of Dorothy Emiline Rankin and Harold M. Gay, Clan #2003.
- 2237 GAY, James Newton II, 213 East Hughbert Street, Norman, OK 73069: he the son of Dorothy Emiline Rankin and Harold M. Gay, Clan #2003.
- 2238 PETERSON, Richard Douglas, 3228 Forest Park, Fort Worth, TX 76110: he the son of Anita Lois MacGregor, Clan #1778, and Douglas Eugene Peterson.
- 2239 GREGG, Donald Waid, 656 Channing Drive, NW, Atlanta, GA 30318: he the son of Audrey Ben Weeks and Buren Waid Gregg; he the son of Mary Telitha Floyd and Arnold Waid Gregg; he the son of Susan Frances Dingler and John Nelson Gregg; he the son of Amelia H. Cotton and John Nelson Gregg of South Carolina, and area known to have been settled by Scots, Greggs in particular.
- 2240 SANDERS, Nolan Stephen, Route 1, Adairsville, KY 42202: he the son of Maxine Sharp and Clyde Nolan Sanders; he the son of Martha Susan Kees and Clyde Loren Sanders; she the daughter of Minnie Gregory and Will Kees; she the daughter of Susan Wier Tilford and John S. Gregory; he the son of Rosanna Walker and Godfrey Gregory; he the son of Richard Gregory who left Virginia and moved to Kentucky by 1800. Family tradition of Scottish ancestry.
- 2241 PALMER, Sarah Waring (Mrs. Harding), 6348 Crestline Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32211: she the daughter of Eva Lillian Whatley and Henry Goven Waring; she the daughter of Mary Alford Leigh and William Michael Whatley; she the daughter of Eleanor ("Nelly") Drane and Anselm Bagga Leigh; she the daughter of Cassandra Magruder and Col. William Drane; she the daughter of Rebecca Young and Ninian Beall Magruder; he the son of Margaret Jackson and Samuel Magruder III; he the son of Elizabeth Brewer and Ninian Magruder; he the son of Sarah Beall and Samuel Magruder; he the son of Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.
- 2242 MAGRUDER, Don Deville, 3226 Old Jacksonville Road, Tyler, TX 75701: he the son of Katharine Ethelle Horton and Ray Deveille Magruder; he the son of Mary Gladys Fulton Denson and Ray Deveil Magruder; he the son of Elizabeth Jane Hankin and Laurence L. Magruder; he the son of Mary Jane Simmons and John W. Magruder; he the son of Elizabeth Harper and John (Jack) Magruder; he the son of Elizabeth Billingsley and George Alexander Magruder; he the son of Mary Billingsley and Nathaniel Jones Magruder; he the son of Sarah ——— and George Magruder; he the son of Mary Jones and Nathaniel Magruder; he the son of Alexander Magruder, the immigrant.
- 2243 GRIER, John A., 2515 Windsor Road, Baltimore, MD 21234: he the son of Isabella Moncreiffe Zink and Marshall George Grier; he the son of Josephine Butler and Elmer Lord Grier; he the son of Mary Jane Thomas and



James Alexander Grier; he the son of Elizabeth Patterson and James Grier, who was born in Ireland.

- 2244 McGEHEE, Roger Lane, Jr., Route 1, Box 83, Madison, MS 39110: he the son of Anna Mayes Jolly and Roger Lane McGehee, Sr., he the son of Annie Lou Laird and Erasmus Russell McGehee, Jr., the parents of Leasie McGehee Watkins, Clan #1449.
- 2245 BALL, Lulu McGehee, 500 North Commerce, Apartment 201, Natchez, MS 39120: she the daughter of Sarah Scott Epperson and James Henry McGehee; he the son of Josephine Amazon Cotton and George Addis McGehee; he the son of Sarah Ann Wilkinson and Mumford McGehee; he the son of Rebecca Van Buckholtz and George McGehee; he the son of Demarius (Olive) Muse and Samuel McGehee; he the son of Elizabeth deJarnette and Edward McGehee; he the son of Ann Bastrop and Thomas MackGehee, born James MacGregor in Scotland.
- 2246 BALL, John Tyler, 111 Overton Drive, Natchez, MS 39120: he the son of Lulu McGehee Ball, Clan #2245 above.
- 2247 McGEHEE, Patricia Ann, 1024 Jefferson Avenue, New Orleans, LA 70115: she the daughter of Anna Faye Hardin and Vernon Bromfield McGehee; he the son of Wessie Bromfield and Robert Marshall McGehee; he the son of Josephine Amazon Cotton and George Addis McGehee. Here the line joins that of Lulu McGehee Ball, Clan #2245 above.
- 2248 McGEHEE, Mary Louise (Mrs. Jack R. Hyatt), 33 Orange Avenue, Natchez, MS 39120: she the daughter of Teresa Cecilia Wacker and James Claude McGehee, Jr., he the son of Mary Elizabeth Cook and James Claude McGehee; he the son of Norah L. Lumpkin and William Calvin McGehee; he the son of Rebecca Ann Jones and James Madison McGehee. Here the line joins that of Frank H. McGehee, Clan #1795.
- 2249 McGEHEE, H. Bowmar, Jr., P.O. Box 353, Meadville, MS 39653: he the son of Dorothy Clark Simmons and Herman Bowmar Mayes McGehee; he the son of Mary Elizabeth Cook and James Claude McGehee. Here the line joins that of Mary Louise McGehee, Clan #2248 above.
- 2250 MAGRUDER, Warren Bell, Eolia, MO 63344: he the brother of Willene Brady Magruder Douce, Clan #1518.
- 2251 MacGREGOR, Kenneth L., 68 Hostein Drive, Ancaster, Ontario, Canada L9G 2S7: he the son of Christina Tressa MacKenzie and John William MacGregor; he the son of Janet B. Brown and John MacGregor; he the son of Margaret McLaren and James MacGregor; he the son of Christian Gow and William MacGregor; all the MacGregor ancestors were born in Scotland.
- 2252A MacGREGOR, Doris G. (Mrs. Kenneth L.), 68 Hostein Drive, Ancaster, Ontario, Canada L9G 2S7: she the wife of Kenneth L. MacGregor, Clan #2251 above.
- 2253 SANDERFIELD, Margaret Pruett (Mrs. Jerry, Jr.), P.O. Box 262, Athens, IL 62613: she the daughter of Eileen M. Pruett, Clan #2186.
- 2254 GROGAN, Mary Jack Kenney (Mrs. Wesley H.), 1792 Lake Harbin Road,

Morrow, GA 30260: she the daughter of Annie Rochelle Strickland and Harvey Gregg Kenney. Here the line joins that of Dorothy E. Kenney, Clan #1996, her sister.

2255A MacGREGOR, Helen D. (Mrs. Robert W.) 284 Bretton Woods Drive, Coram, NY 11727: she the wife of Robert W. MacGregor, Clan #2111.

2256A PALMER, Harding, 6348 Crestline Drive, Jacksonville, FL 32211: he the husband of Sarah Waring Palmer, Clan #2231 above.

797 BERTHOLF, June Stockham (Mrs. Ward L.), 376 Franklin Road, Tequesta, FL 33469: she the daughter of John Kenneth Stockham and Sarah Esther Pitts Stockham Prevish, Clan #796. Mrs. Bertholf was a minor member and was given this clan number as a very young child.

**Reinstated:**

1331 GREIG, Pickett M., 83 Hamilton Avenue, (Box 146), Jamestown, RI 02835.

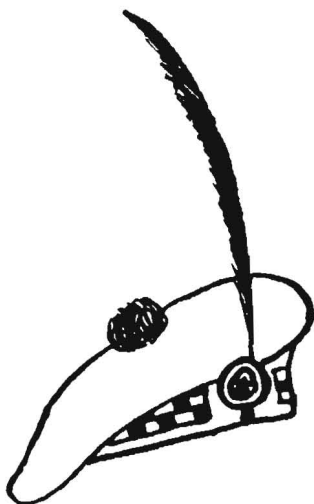
1398 MAGRUDER, Lauch M., Jr., 15 Eastbrooke, Jackson, MS 39216.

**Life Member:**

1890LM Francis V. Walker

**Junior Member:**

Troy T. Sanderfield



## REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

Margaret B. Tichy

Since the last Gathering of the American Clan Gregor Society there have been reported 12 births, 9 marriages, 13 deaths of members and 7 deaths of relatives of members.

### BIRTHS

BURTON, Patricia Marie, born March 16, 1985, the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. David Burton, grand-daughter of William and Patricia Woolley Burton, great-grand-daughter of James E. and Vivian Woolley, Clan nos. 1430 and 1434-A, and grand niece of James E. Woolley, Jr., Clan no. 2050.

MACGREGOR, Niall William, born April 4, 1986, son of William E. MacGregor III and Shawn E. MacGregor; grandson of William E. MacGregor, Jr. and Joanne L. MacGregor, Clan nos. 1740 and 1940-A.

MAGELSEN, Jens Erik, born January 18, 1986, son of Evelyn Zeller and Nels Magelssen, grandson of Ruth Walker Zeller, Clan no. 1654, and great nephew of George W. Walker, Clan no. 1696 and Robert M. Walker, Clan no. 2019.

MARKANICH, Dustin Charles, born March 2, 1986, son of Kenneth Lee Markanich and Jennifer Dick Markanich, grandson of Nancylee Harding Markanich, Clan no. 1766 and great-grandson of Nannie MacGregor Harding, Clan no. 369.

PARADISE, Everett McGehee, born May 8, 1986, grandson of Jo Berta and Frank H. McGehee, Clan no. 1795.

SIVERTSEN, Elizabeth Marie, born August 1, 1985, the daughter of John B. Sivertson and Sydney Wood Sivertson, Clan no. 2098.

SONNENBERG, Neal Martin Magruder, born December 12, 1984, son of Martin James Sonnenberg and Elizabeth Magruder Sonnenberg, grandson of Elizabeth and John B. Magruder, Jr., Clan no. 1882.

STOKOE, Nathaniel Lee, born April 4, 1986, the son of Caroline Lee and James Stokoe, grandson of Dr. & Mrs. William C. Stokoe, Jr. Clan nos. 1385 and 1584-A.

STRATTON, Christopher Robert, born January 27, 1986, son of Robert David Stratton and his wife, Vicki, grandson of Hila and Dr. J. David Stratton, Clan no. 1627.

WALKER, Jefferson Douglas Greene, born January 14, 1986, grandson of Faye B. and Thomas Walker, Clan no. 2126.

WUELKER, Christine Victoria, born August 28, 1986, the daughter of Charlotte Donnelly and James Francis Wuelker, grand-daughter of Harold I. and Ellen T. Donnelly, Clan no. 2129LM.

ZELLER, Jesse Robert, born January 13, 1986, son of Robert Zeller, Jr. and his wife Ann Bailie Zeller, grandson of Ruth Walker Zeller, Clan no. 1654 and great nephew of George W. Walker, Clan no. 1696 and Robert M. Walker, Clan no. 2019.





Jens Erik Magelssen



Dustin Charles Markanich



Elizabeth Marie Sivertsen



Jesse Robert Zeller

## MARRIAGES

### *Donnelly-Wuelker*

Charlotte Radcliffe Donnelly and James Francis Wuelker were married November 9, 1985. Charlotte is the daughter of Harold I. and Ellen T. Donnelly, Clan no. 2129LM and grand-daughter of Alice Peyton Taylor and Frank M. Taylor, Clan no. 998.

### *Drane-Hight*

Cynthia Lee Drane, Clan no. 1904 and Joe Wesley Hight were married August 30, 1986. Cynthia is the daughter of Dr. J. Wauzer Drane Clan no. 1862 and great grand-daughter of the late Hiram Walter Drane, Clan no. 640.

### *Greaves-Hodge*

Mary McGregor Greaves, Clan no. 1722, became the bride of Dr. Charles Hodge, V, on August 2, 1986.



Mr. and Mrs. Peyton Magruder Cole

### *Honomichl-Cole*

On September 20, 1986, Beth Afton Honomichl became the bride of Peyton Magruder Cole, Clan no. 1688LM, at Holy Trinity Church in Oxford, Maryland. The Rev. H. M. Richardson, Chaplain of the American Clan Gregor Society, officiated. Following the ceremony, guests were taken to dinner across Chesapeake Bay on a Champagne Cruise. Peyton is the son of Capt. & Mrs. L. Fletcher Cole, Clan nos. 1107 and 1661-A and the brother of Loren F. Cole, Jr. Clan no. 1694LM and Mrs. Raymond J. Wean, Clan no. 1645LM.

*Lee-Stokoe*

Caroline Lee and James Stokoe were married April 20, 1985 at the home of Dr. & Mrs. William C. Stokoe, Jr. in Silver Spring, Maryland. Jim is the son of the Piper for the Society, Dr. William Stokoe and Mrs. Stokoe, Clan nos. 1385 and 1584-A.

*Moyer-Ewell*

Carrington Waddell Ewell, son of Dr. & Mrs. Nathaniel McGregor Ewell, Jr., Clan no. 936, of Charlottesville, VA and Miss Catherine Foster Moyer, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Richard Weil Moyer of Crozet, VA were married on August 31, 1986 in the University Chapel on the grounds of the University of Virginia in Charlottesville. Following the ceremony, a reception was held at "Castle Hill" in Cismont.

The bride is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania and until her marriage was assistant director of the real estate unit of the New York City Office of Business Development. The groom has a Masters in Fine Arts degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and at present is assistant to the general manager of the Michigan Opera Theater in Detroit. He is the great-grandson of the co-founder and first Scribe of the American Clan Gregor Society, Dr. Jesse Ewell of Ruckersville, Virginia.



Mrs. Michael Riley Alef

*Shaddock-Alef*

On December 21, 1985, at All Saints Episcopal Church, Tupelo, Mississippi, Marjorie Kate Shaddock became the bride of Michael Riley Alef. Marjorie is the daughter of James Otis and Alice Magruder Gordon, Clan no. 966. She is the granddaughter of Marjorie Murphy and Douglas Neil Magruder, Past Chieftain of the Society, Clan no. 588.

Marjorie and Mike are both graduates of the University of Mississippi and now live in Tupelo. She has a degree in special education and is teaching in the Saltillo Elementary School. Mike has a degree in Marketing and is employed by Action Industries.



Mr. and Mrs. Richard Alan Huff

*Stabler-Huff*

Patricia Lynn Stabler and Richard Alan Huff were married at 2:00 P.M. in St. John's Church, Olney, Maryland on Saturday, September 29, 1986. Patricia is the daughter of Robert Rowland Stabler, Jr.; granddaughter of Margaret Muncaster Stabler, Clan no. 585; great-granddaughter of John Edwin Muncaster, Charter member no. 198 and Alletta Waters Muncaster, Charter member no. 199. The reception following the ceremony was held at the bride's home.

*Wheeler-Spencer*

Charlotte Ann Wheeler and Thomas Allen Spencer were joined in marriage Saturday, the 28th of June 1986 in Manassas, Virginia. They are making their home temporarily in Richmond, Virginia. Thomas is the grandson of Doris Shaulis, Clan no. 1587.

## DEATHS OF MEMBERS

- DAVIS, Mrs. Hulon McGregor, Clan no. 1590, died May 31, 1986. She is survived by one son, a daughter and a nephew, Robert P. McGregor, Clan no. 1707.
- FULLER, Lt.-Col. Robert W. III, Clan no. 1555, died August 30, 1985. He is survived by a son Hugh Fuller, Clan no. 1560 and a daughter, Nancy, Clan no. 1909.
- HAMILTON, Mrs. Susan Ewell, Charter member no. 23 and a daughter of Dr. Jesse Ewell, died September 27, 1986. She is survived by eight nieces and nephews, five of whom are members of the Society.
- LANYON, Mrs. Elizabeth MacGregor, Clan no. 2180, died August 5, 1986. She is survived by a daughter, Elizabeth Lanyon, Clan no. 2181.
- LITTLE, Mrs. Ethel Beyer, Clan no. 1769, died September 27, 1985. She has a daughter, Marguerite Shewman, Clan no. 1768 and a sister, Ruth Tripp, Clan no. 1752, among her survivors.
- MACGREGOR, Duncan, Clan no. 2167 died September 12, 1985.
- MACGREGOR, Ian R., Clan no. 1602, died in August 1985.
- MOBLEY, Claiborne Riggs, Clan no. 1864-A, died January 5, 1986. He is survived by his wife, Margery Magruder Mobley, Clan no. 486 and a daughter, Margery Mobley Swanson, Clan no. 956.
- TALBOTT, Mrs. Laura Magruder Higgins, Clan no. 219, died December 3, 1985. She is a cousin of Margery Richardson, Clan no. 215.
- URQUHART, John Goode, Clan no. 1606-A, died December 20, 1985. He is survived by his wife, Mary Tyler Urquhart, Clan no. 1515 and three children. John was Treasurer of the Society for many years.
- WALKER, Miss Ann Letitia Dunnington, Clan no. 806, died August 13, 1986. She served the Society as Historian for six years. She is survived by many nieces and nephews, four of whom are members of the Society.
- WILEY, Robert L. M. Sr., Clan no. 1558, died November 2, 1985.
- WISE, H. Ray, Clan no. 2206-A, died January 23, 1986. He is survived by his wife, Ann Greer Wise, Clan no. 2137.

## DEATHS OF RELATIVES OF MEMBERS

- DRANE, Walter Earl, father of Dr. J. Wauzer Drane, Clan no. 1868, died January 25, 1985.
- FULLER, Mrs. Robert W., died January 9, 1985. She was the wife of Lt. Col. Robert W. Fuller III, Clan no. 1555 and the mother of Hugh Fuller, Clan no. 1560 and Nancy Fuller, Clan no. 1909.
- MCGOWAN, Mrs. Dewey Marie Patterson, died September 18, 1986, the mother of Kathleen McGregor, Clan no. 1941-ALM and grandmother of Junior Members, Russell C. McGregor, II and Andrew McGregor; and, mother-in-law of our Chieftain, Russell C. McGregor.
- PANNEBAKER, Frederic MacGregor, Jr. died January 18, 1986. He was the son of Eva and Frederic MacGregor Pannebaker, Clan no. 1391.
- SHOEMAKER, Col. Francis D., husband of Suzanne Shoemaker, Clan no. 1506 and father of Maj. Francis D. Shoemaker, Clan no. 1687, Dr. Judith Shoemaker, Clan no. 1721 and Suzanne Shoemaker, Clan no. 1591.
- STRADLEY, Leighton P. Jr., father of Leighton P. Stradley III, Clan no. 1938, died August 31, 1986. He is also survived by his wife, Catherine W., three daughters, six grandchildren and one great-grandchild.
- WALKER, Mrs. Mary Melinda, mother of Thomas Walker, Clan no. 2126, died September 7, 1986.





# MEMORIALS

*Mrs. Hulon McGregor Davis*

Mrs. Hulon McGregor Davis, widow of Horace Davis, of Charlotte, NC, died May 31, 1986. She was the daughter of the late Albon Verado McGregor and Josephine Aurelia Nichols McGregor. Mrs. Davis was a native of Sheffield, AL. She was a member of Christ Episcopal Church and Saint Mary's Guild at St. Peter's Episcopal Church. She had been a member of the American Clan Gregor Society since 1970. Her McGregor ancestors lived in Halifax County, VA as early as 1752. Survivors include one son, Horace Davis, Jr.; one daughter, Miss Hazel McGregor Davis; three grandchildren, Horace Davis III, Mrs. Lynn Davis Proctor and Mrs. Susan Davis Hamilton; and one great-granddaughter, Emily Gretchen Davis.

*Mrs. Susan Ewell Hamilton*

Mrs. Susan Ewell Hamilton, widow of John William Hamilton, daughter of co-founder, Dr. Jesse Ewell and Mary Jane Ish, died September 27, 1986 at the Methodist Hermitage Home in Richmond, VA at the age of 91. She was a Charter member no. 23 and was given an honorary Life Membership in 1977. Her only son, Frank Gilbreith Hamilton, died in 1944 in the Phillipine Islands in World War II. A daughter, Helen, died in infancy.

Mrs. Hamilton was a graduate of Farmville Female Institute and taught in the Virginia public schools for many years. Her love of people made her well liked and much admired. She was buried with the traditional sprig of pine in her hand. She is survived by the following nieces and nephews who are all members of the Society. Dr. Nathaniel Ewell, Jr., Hon. John F. Ewell, Mrs. Louise Pugh, Mrs. Jessie Mendez, Miss Mary Ewell Hundley, Josiah Hundley and a number of grand nieces and nephews.





Mrs. Ethel Beyer Little

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Mrs. Ethel Beyer Little, widow of Robert Henry Little, died September 27, 1985. She was born March 17, 1896 in West Liberty, Iowa, the daughter of George and Julia Beyer. She was a graduate of Cornell College, Iowa with a degree in music. She taught music at Cumberland University in Lebanon, TN for two years. After her marriage in 1923 she lived in Camden, AK where she raised her three children. In 1943 the family returned to West Liberty where they founded the Iowa Memorial Co. Mrs. Little served as receptionist and bookkeeper until her retirement in 1980. She served as organist for the West Liberty United Methodist Church for forty years. Mrs. Little loved to travel, was extensively well read on British history and was very proud of her Scottish heritage and her membership in the Society. She is survived by two daughters, Barbara Ann Nichols and Marguerite Shewman; one son, Robert, a step-daughter, Mabel Mullins; four grandchildren, two great-grandchildren and two sisters, Ruth Tripp and Lillian Scott.

*Claiborne Riggs Mobley*

Claiborne Riggs Mobley, 86, a retired broadcaster, writer and producer for the Agriculture Department's Farm Credit Administration, died January 5, 1986. Mr. Mobley was a free-lance writer and staff member of WLS-AM radio in Chicago before moving to Washington in 1939 to work for the Farm Credit Administration, writing and producing radio and television programs.

Mr. Mobley served in the 142nd Field Artillery in France during World War I and during World War II he was commanding officer of the Army's 21st Special Service Company in North Africa and Italy for almost three years. He served as a Selective Service officer and was an intelligence officer for the D.C. National Guard. He was also a member of the Fairlington Presbyterian Church and taught the adult Bible class there for many years. He attended the Arkansas Technical College before joining the Arkansas National Guard. Mr. Mobley helped establish the Ozark Christian College, where he was director of extension. Besides his wife, Margery Lockhart Magruder Mobley, he is survived by a daughter, Mrs. C. F. Swanson, Jr., two brothers and three grandchildren.

*Mrs. Laura Magruder Higgins Talbott*

Mrs. Laura Magruder Higgins Talbott died December 3, 1985 at the age of 97 in Rockville, MD. She was the daughter of Laura Cook Muncaster Higgins, a Charter member of the Society. She and her sisters and cousins, among them Margery Richardson, attended many Gatherings and at the time of her death she was still a member of the Society. Mrs. Talbott was a very out-going person, full of vitality with an excellent sense of humor. She was a member of many organizations but was especially interested in the DAR and the American Clan Gregor Society. Her husband, William Randolph Talbott died in 1953. She is survived by a son, William R. Talbott, Jr. and two grandchildren.



John G. Urquhart

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John Goode Urquhart, 79, a retired Navy Commander and career Navy officer, died December 21, 1985 in Bethesda Naval Hospital.

Born in Washington, Mr. Urquhart attended Western High School and graduated from the U.S. Naval Academy in the class of 1928. He remained on active duty for 26 years, serving tours in Panama and China and in the Pacific during World War II. He was also commanding officer of the USS Alcona, a Naval supply ship based in Norfolk, VA.

After retiring from the Navy, Mr. Urquhart joined the United Services Life Insurance Company where he worked for 17 years. He retired in 1971. He participated in a number of community organizations and held a variety of positions including president of the St. Andrew's Society of Washington, financial officer of the Augustus P. Gardner Post 18, American Legion and a member of the Grand Longe F.A.A.M. of Washington. He was also an active member of All Saints Episcopal Church in Chevy Chase, the Kenwood Country Club and the Army-Navy Club.

Mr. Urquhart is survived by his wife, Mary Tyler; three children, Robert G. Urquhart, Jennifer C. Urquhart and Helen G. Urquhart and one brother, James.

John was a member and Treasurer of American Clan Gregor Society for sixteen years. He felt very close to the Society and enjoyed the Gatherings where we all met again and again and each time discovered new friends and renewed our ties with old ones.



Letitia D. Walker

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Ann Letitia Dunnington Walker, a member of several of the oldest families in Washington, D.C., whose ancestors include Secretary of State James G. Blaine, died of cancer August 13, 1986.

The first member of her family to come to America was Col. Ephraim Blaine who was on the staff of General Washington. She was also descended from John Alden. Members of her mother's family were early Scottish and English settlers in Prince William County, VA. One of the first aldermen of the city of Washington, Charles Dunnington, was her great grandfather.

Miss Walker was Administrative Assistant to the General Counsel of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation until 1952 and then become Administrative Assistant and Secretary for the Master Printers Section, Printing Industries of America, Inc. until her retirement in 1966. A talented musician, she sang in several local church choirs and played the organ, most recently at Church of Christ the King, Silver Spring, MD. She was a member of the Sodality of the Shrine of the Most Blessed Sacrament, the Christ Child Society, Religious of the Eucharist, Judge Lynn Chapter, DAR, Alumnae Association of Notre Dame of Maryland and the American Clan Gregor Society, serving as Historian. Miss Walker is survived by six nephews and nieces, twenty-eight great and twenty-five great, great nephews and nieces.





**HAWTHORNE: 1814.** A typical Southern planter's home, Hawthorne was built in the Federal period. It contains unusual architectural features and is furnished with family heirlooms and Natchez-made antiques. Home of Mr. and Mrs. Hyde Dunbar Jenkins. National Register.

*The following story, very appropriate for our Gathering in Natchez, was read by E. Stuart Gregg at the General Meeting of the Gathering. It was compiled by Joseph Tichy from information supplied by Dorothy Vorhees, herself a Grier.*

### A TALE OF TWO CITIES

We knew when we decided to Gather in Natchez that we would run into a nest of McGehees and a den full of Magraders, but we were surprised to learn of a story in the history of Natchez which we thought would interest you.

This concerns a young Sam Grier who came here from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania in 1836, apparently to study medicine. He was sponsored by Dr. John Jenkins. Dr. Jenkins did not rely only on his physician's skill to support his family. He owned the great plantation, Elgin, an extensive agricultural operation. As a wonderful coincidence, he was also the Great-Great-Great Grandfather of Sonny Jenkins, our host at Hawthorne yesterday afternoon.

Young Sam Grier trained in farm management and animal husbandry while acquiring medical knowledge from Dr. Jenkins. From his still-existing letters to his brother, Mathew, we know that he thoroughly enjoyed the experience and life on a southern plantation.



Armed with his doctor's diploma and a sound grounding in farming, Sam in due course obtained a plantation of his own, Glen Mary, near Natchez. To this place, in 1857, he brought a bride, Johanna Stowers, then a girl of seventeen. To them were born two daughters, Mary Stone Grier and Jane Newman Grier.

Sam's little family were to know only a few years of peace together. Mississippi seceded from the Union just months after Jane's birth. The military movements around Natchez engulfed their home and Glen Mary was burned down in 1864. As a physician from Pennsylvania, residing in the confederacy, Sam was torn between the two causes. As a consequence, when Grant laid seige to Vicksburg, Sam tendered his physician's services to both camps, passing between the lines quite often. Tragically, he contracted Typhus and died from that disease shortly afterward.

So in 1864 Sam's family was not only homeless, but fatherless. Under these circumstances, brother Mathew came to the rescue. Mathew was a Presbyterian minister in Wilmington, North Carolina, but he took his family back to Philadelphia when the war started, traveling down through Georgia and then up through Tennessee, Kentucky and Ohio to reach Pennsylvania. Johanna Grier and the two fatherless children traveled all the way from Natchez to Philadelphia where Mathew and his wife, still childless, welcomed them with open arms.

It is always a shock to leave your home at a youthful age, especially when you were raised in the deep South. Grier family tradition has it that as the train rolled into Pennsylvania the blinds were lowered on the windows so the little girls wouldn't know they had been transported out of the Confederacy.

Some of the descendants of Sam and Johanna Grier and their daughters now belong to our Society.



## 1986 GATHERING



(Photo by: Frank H. McGehee)  
Heraldic banners by Jo McGehee decorate lobby of Eola Hotel, Natchez, MS.

## HIGHLIGHTS OF THE 1986 GATHERING

by Marilyn Blanck

"It was a dark and stormy night". . . . Some bad fiction and at least one very good party opened under these circumstances as a large and convivial group of American Clan Gregor Society members converged on Natchez, Mississippi, and sloshing down unfamiliar roads after dark in a heavy rain storm, assembled on the evening of October 23rd at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. McGehee, who with Mrs. Homer R. Wise, served as co-chairmen of the Gathering.

The McGehee's contemporary home was decorated with autumn foliage for this "opening night" cocktail party, where MacGregors filled the tented patio as well as the house for libations and samplings of delightful Mississippi culinary favorites, prepared by Mrs. McGehee and her friends. As the party waned, the rain seemed to slacken, allowing the Natchez-newcomers to make their way to a variety of restaurants for independent dinners. The converted railway passenger terminal attracted several, who discovered that the "train hasn't stopped here for a long, long time."

Friday morning brought almost 200 MacGregors to the lobby of the Eola Hotel for registration and to view with pleasure a pair of scarlet Scottish lions, many colorful clan banners and especially a large wall hanging portraying the Clan Gregor emblem – all designed and painted by JoBerta McGehee. These "props" imparted a bit of the flavor of the Great Hall of an ancient castle to an already pleasant, tasteful interior space.

After greeting friends not seen since the last Gathering, we boarded three chartered buses and drove to Trinity Episcopal Church, the oldest church building in Natchez (1822) and the second oldest protestant Episcopal church in Mississippi. We were saddened to hear the names of thirteen Clan Society members lost since the last Gathering, including Homer R. Wise of Natchez, who was to have served as Gathering Chairman. Because of unfavorable weather, we were unable to place the memorial wreath upon his grave. Instead, Chaplain Ray Richardson presented it to Mr. Wise's family at the luncheon held in the Church Hall following the brief service and coordinated by the women of the Church.

Following lunch we visited three exquisite antebellum homes, with each of our buses guided by a docent from one of the local garden clubs. Colonnaded, Greek Revival "Dunleith", (ca. 1856), a National Historic Landmark, demonstrated a happy juxtaposition of English and French antique furnishings with a modern color scheme, producing a light, sunny effect. "Rosalie", (ca. 1820), on the National Register, and headquarters for the Union Army during the War Between the States, had special significance for Ranking Deputy Chieftain Abbey W. Magruder, Jr., in that his great, great-grandmother grew up there in the days before the War. A Bible displayed in the library of "Rosalie" is open to the page which records her birth and that of her two sisters. "Rosalie" is now owned by the Mississippi Chapter of the DAR. Final stop on the tour was "Hawthorne", also on the National Register, the Federal period home of ACGS members, Mr. and Mrs. Hyde Dunbar Jenkins. (Mrs. Jenkins is a McGehee.) They were gracious hosts for cocktails and displayed great tolerance and forbearance toward the throng of tartaned folk who trooped up their steps, possibly bringing a bit of "outdoors" inside on their damp shoes. As the final hors d'oeuvres vanished from the appetizing display in the Jenkins' dining room, MacGregors began to board the buses for return to the Eola Hotel.

After a quick dinner "on our own", we met once more, this time for a very special ceilidh, where our own John Masterson shared the stage with a local Gospel choir, "The Voices of Hope", Amos D. Polk, Director. Enthusiastic, yet precise and sensitive renderings of traditional and contemporary gospel songs stirred some MacGregors to clap in



rhythm with the choir and prompted extended applause and encores. (Let us hope that as we meet in various parts of the United States, we are again able to utilize skilled regional musicians to exemplify the multicultural nature of our land, and to remind us that it takes all of us, regardless of origin, to produce "America".)

Saturday morning called us to our annual business meeting, a report of which appears elsewhere in this Yearbook. Luncheon in the Promenade Room of the hotel afforded an opportunity for deepening of friendships and comparing notes on our various travels and other topics of mutual interest. Fortunately for our schedule, Saturday's weather was excellent; the storm had moved on.

Under clear, blue skies, at 3 PM, the Clan Gregor Pipe Band led the assembled clans folk down Main Street two blocks from the hotel to the Natchez City Park, where all enjoyed a crisply performed concert of Highland favorites by the band and dancers. Seen around the perimeter were many local residents, some of whom expressed interest in the Scottish clan societies, of which they were unaware until this time. A particularly friendly gesture was the band's special "serenade" in front of "Evans-Bontura" house, presently being used by the Society of Colonial Dames, where many of their members and guests had gathered on the porch and balcony to enjoy the entertainment.

Saturday evening's banquet was attended by a large group of new ACGS members, plus a significant contingent from the State of Mississippi, pointing up how important it is to assemble in different parts of the nation in order to broaden our range of membership. In the absence of Chieftain Russell C. McGregor, who was kept at home by business commitments, the chairman of the evening was Ranking Deputy Chieftain Abbey W. Magruder, Jr. The haggis was duly addressed and dissected by the Hon. Hugh B. Campbell; the pipe band and dancers performed smartly, with pipe Major O'Brien accepting his "pay" of whiskey in a silver quach proffered by Abbey Magruder. New members and first-time attendees were astonished and delighted with the Society's custom of kilted gentlemen standing on their chairs and placing a foot on the table as they raised their dirks on high in toast to the eternity of Clan Gregor. After songs by John Masterson, including a new one about the questionable merits of haggis, all those assembled joined hands in "Auld Lang Syne" before adjourning to the "After-party Party" on the hotel's top floor.

Despite a rather limited space, some Scottish Country dancing developed, along with other demonstrations which appeared to be of more Caribbean and Argentinian origin, albeit with a Mississippian slant! A clear night allowed sparkling views of the Mississippi River, the lights of Natchez and surrounding towns, while conversations ranged from light to serious. Some talked of future plans for the Society, as others delved into such esoterica as the nature of roadways to remote New Mexican villages. We are a varied lot! The pipes were heard to play tunes on no list of "official music" – **Blue Moon?** – and the drums beat out rhythms most un-Celtic. One by one the celebrants said "Good Night", and another Gathering of the American Clan Gregor Society was at an end.

We are from widely separated regions and with a wide range of backgrounds, but, through the Society, we share our common identity as children of the "outlawed clan".

After the Gathering the following letter to the Editor appeared in the Natchez Democrat:

"APPLAUSE FOR GREGOR CLAN"

To the Editor:

Plaudits go to Jo and Frank McGehee and their co-workers who arranged to bring the Gregor Clan Reunion to Natchez!

I have just returned from the parade and concert in the bandstand area on the Bluffs, and what a thrilling experience it was. The band, wearing the colorful kilts of their

forebears and playing the bagpipes and drums, was beautifully disciplined, both in their music and their marching. The lovely "lassies" who performed for us to their music, were an additional treat.

I sincerely hope the Gregor Clan Reunion was successful and that they will return again and again to our town. Their presence here gave us so much pleasure.

I weep that I do not have a drop of Scottish blood in me."



Off to see Natchez: Former Chieftain L. Burns Magruder, Jr., Donald MacGregor of Canada, Mrs. Geo. F. (Anne) McGregor, Mrs. L. Burns (Beatrice) Magruder, Jr., and others.



Waiting for tour buses in front of Eola Hotel in Natchez French Quarter.

(Photos by: Geo. F. McGregor)



Rev. Richardson conducts Memorial Service at Trinity Episcopal Church, Natchez, with Capt. & Mrs. Howard T. Bierer assisting.



Delightful luncheon served by the Ladies of Trinity Episcopal Church, Natchez.



"A Moment of Rest at Hawthorne"

Maggie Gregg, Marilyn & Bob Blanck, Hon. Hugh Campbell & Thelma, Rev. Ray Richardson and Anne McGregor.

(Photos by: Geo. F. McGregor)





"Dunleith" (ca. 1856)



"Rosalie" (ca. 1820)



"Hawthorne" (ca. 1814)

(Photos by: Geo. F. McGregor)



Clan Gregor Pipe Band on the way to Natchez City Park.

(Photo by: Marilyn Blanck)



Scottish Dancers entertaining in Natchez City Park.

(Photo by: Marilyn Blanck)



Pipe Band serenades Natchez at Evans-Bondurant House.

(Photo by: Helen MacGregor Garrett)



The Pipe Band & Troy Sanderfield, our Flag-Bearer, lead the parade to Natchez City Park.



Assembling for the Banquet.



Our Co-Chairmen of the 1986 Gathering, Frank & Jo McGehee.

(Photos by: Geo. F. McGregor)



Former Chieftain Bill McGregor with our new Treasurer Win Mayne and his lady, Ann.



George & Anne McGregor on the way to the banquet.



The Hon. Hugh Campbell "Addressing the Haggis" observed by Abbey Magruder, Ranking Deputy Chieftain; Beatrice Magruder; and John Masterson.



Our busy Asst. Chieftain Joe Tichy with a few words about the entertainment.

(Photos by: Geo. F. McGregor)



Our Chaplain, the Rev. H. Ray Richardson and his lady, Margery.



Millie and Paul Gregg enjoying a quiet moment at the banquet.



Mrs. Abbey W. (Lillian) Magruder, with Former Chieftain L. Burns Magruder, Jr., and his lady, Beatrice.

(Photos by: Geo. F. McGregor)



# ATTENDANCE AT THE 1986 GATHERING

## Natchez, Mississippi

Mr. James Allensworth . . . . .	NM
Mr. & Mrs. John T. Ball . . . . .	MS
Mrs. Lou M. Ball . . . . .	MS
Rev. & Mrs. Emmett H. Barfield, Jr. . . . .	MS
Mrs. June S. Bertholf . . . . .	FL
Capt. & Mrs. Howard Bierer . . . . .	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Blanck . . . . .	CA
Mr. & Mrs. William E. Boone . . . . .	MD
Mrs. Herschel Browne . . . . .	VA
Miss Diana Browne . . . . .	NY
Mrs. Daysidel Bruister . . . . .	MS
Hon. & Mrs. Hugh B. Campbell . . . . .	NC
Mrs. Agnes M. Coleman . . . . .	MS
Mrs. Wentworth Corley . . . . .	MS
Miss Ernestine Cropper . . . . .	MS
Sqd. Ldr. & Mrs. R. W. Dalton . . . . .	England
Mrs. Charles N. Dodds . . . . .	AR
Mr. & Mrs. Harold Donnelly . . . . .	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Dozier . . . . .	CA
Mr. & Mrs. Frederick W. Drane . . . . .	LA
Dr. J. Wanzer Drane . . . . .	AL
Mr. & Mrs. Dewey Dutton . . . . .	WA
Mrs. Fannie M. Eaton . . . . .	MS
Mrs. Mary E. Empkie . . . . .	FL
Mr. Joseph Foss . . . . .	CA
Mr. & Mrs. William Garrett . . . . .	NJ
Mr. & Mrs. McGregor Gray . . . . .	NC
Mr. & Mrs. E. Stuart Gregg, Jr. . . . .	SC
Mr. & Mrs. E. Stuart Gregg, III . . . . .	SC
Capt. & Mrs. Paul C. Gregg . . . . .	FL
Cdr. & Mrs. Thomas A. Gregg . . . . .	SC
Mr. & Mrs. Edward K. Gregor . . . . .	NY
Miss Heather Gregson . . . . .	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Wilfred J. Gregson . . . . .	GA
Mr. & Mrs. Wilfred J. Gregson II . . . . .	VA
Mr. & Mrs. Cecil H. Grider . . . . .	GA
Mrs. Mary Jack Grogan . . . . .	GA
Mrs. John Harkins . . . . .	MS
Miss Mary Ewell Hundley . . . . .	VA
Mr. Jack Hyatt . . . . .	MS
Mr. & Mrs. Hyde D. Jenkins . . . . .	MS
Miss Dorothy Kenney . . . . .	GA
Mrs. H. Gordon Kenney . . . . .	GA
Mr. & Mrs. John K. Laws . . . . .	LA
Mr. & Mrs. Arthur S. Lecky . . . . .	SC
Mrs. Ralph C. Lovitt . . . . .	MS
Lt. Col. & Mrs. Mason M. Lummis . . . . .	VA

Mr. & Mrs. Bruce M. MacGregor . . . . .	Canada
Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth MacGregor . . . . .	Canada
Mr. & Mrs. Robert W. MacGregor . . . . .	NY
Mr. & Mrs. Russell C. MacGregor . . . . .	NY
Mr. & Mrs. William E. MacGregor, Jr. . . . .	MN
Mr. & Mrs. Abbey W. Magruder, Jr. . . . .	MS
Mr. & Mrs. Abbey W. Magruder III . . . . .	MS
Mr. & Mrs. D. Neil Magruder . . . . .	MS
Mr. & Mrs. D. Neil Magruder, Jr. . . . .	SC
Mr. & Mrs. Don Magruder . . . . .	TX
Mrs. E. H. Magruder . . . . .	MS
Mr. & Mrs. L. Burns Magruder, Jr. . . . .	MA
Col. & Mrs. Samuel Magruder . . . . .	MS
Mr. Samuel Magruder, Jr. . . . .	MS
Mr. & Mrs. Donald A. Mangerie . . . . .	GA
Mrs. Wanda Marickle . . . . .	MD
Hon. & Mrs. E. D. Marshall . . . . .	VA
Miss Kristina Mathews . . . . .	
Miss Renee Mathews . . . . .	
Mr. & Mrs. Winfield S. Mayne . . . . .	MO
Mr. & Mrs. Duncan S. McGehee . . . . .	LA
Mr. & Mrs. Frank H. McGehee . . . . .	MS
Miss Mary Lou McGehee . . . . .	MS
Miss Patricia McGehee . . . . .	LA
Mr. & Mrs. W. Clay McGehee . . . . .	LA
Mr. & Mrs. William T. McGehee . . . . .	MS
Dr. & Mrs. William R. McGhee . . . . .	KY
Mr. & Mrs. George F. McGregor . . . . .	NC
Mr. & Mrs. William E. McGregor . . . . .	NC
Mr. & Mrs. F. Duncan Mills . . . . .	VA
Mrs. Frances M. Nelson . . . . .	MS
Mr. Edward Neidorhoffer . . . . .	MS
Mrs. Mable Odeneal . . . . .	MS
Mr. George Osborne . . . . .	GA
Mr. & Mrs. Harding Palmer . . . . .	FL
Miss Catherine M. Passano . . . . .	MD
Mr. & Mrs. E. Magruder Passano, Jr. . . . .	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Edward M. Passano . . . . .	MD
Miss Sarah R. Passano . . . . .	MD
Miss Tamara Ann Passano . . . . .	MD
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Poirrier . . . . .	MS
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Proudfoot . . . . .	NC
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Rev. & Mrs. H. M. Richardson . . . . .	MD
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OLD MARYLAND VICTORIAN GETS NEW LIFE:  
Restoration of the Daisy Magruder House, Rockville, Maryland

by Virginia Grier

Built by a builder as his own home in 1890 in the high Queen Anne style so popular at the time, with the finest materials used throughout, the house at 114 West Montgomery Avenue is historically the Edwin West House. The West family occupied it for nearly twenty years, but to the people of Rockville this is always the Daisy Magruder House. There were not more than 900 to 1,000 residents of the town when the Magruders moved from their farm in the section of the County now known as Glen Hills (1909), but "my father knew just about everybody," Miss Daisy reminisced in a 1965 newspaper interview. Her father, Winfield Scott Magruder, was judge of the Orphans' Court. Her mother, Ella/Eleanor, was also born a Magruder. Through both parents Daisy was descended from that early Scottish settler who played such an important role in the development of Montgomery County.

After her mother's death Daisy kept house for her father, living in the Montgomery Avenue home for sixty years. It was located at the junction of four main roads – a convenient place for townsfolk to drop in for tea, cake, and exchange of local news. Daisy's cakes were famous, so much so that she supplemented her income after her father's death by baking to order. The MARYLAND WAY cookbook contains her Lady Baltimore cake recipe.

She was active in the Rockville Women's Club, a staunch supporter of the Methodist Church all her life, and she found time for painting. Miss Daisy had studied art at Audubon College, Ohio, as a young girl. She was always surprised when people wanted to buy the colorful oil landscapes hanging in her home.

Her will left the Methodist Church, next door, an option to buy her property which they did in 1971. As their contribution to the inter-faith organization set up to serve the poor, the Methodists allowed Community Ministries of Rockville to use Magruder House for offices. Community Ministries of Montgomery County, organized later among other county churches, shared the building and together they developed new and innovative ways to meet the needs of the poor. A leaking roof and unrepairable furnace forced the Ministries to find space in another old home, the former Methodist parsonage. The Magruder House has been vacant for several years. What is to become of this once beautiful home?

To preserve this architectural treasure, a Rockville landmark, and put it to the service of the community, the United Methodist Church has undertaken a total renovation, offering Community Ministries (of Rockville and Montgomery County) a 20-year lease if they can raise half the cost, estimated to be \$150,000. Little change has been made to the inside of the house with its handsome oak millwork. The exterior is being restored as it was nearly a hundred years ago.

Would Daisy Magruder approve? I think she would!

A brief genealogy of Miss Daisy follows:

DAISY VALERIA MAGRUDER, b. 28 April 1881, d. 9 October 1970, spinster. She was one of five children, three of whom died in infancy, and had one brother, Walter. She was the daughter of WINFIELD SCOTT MAGRUDER, b. 16 July 1848, d. 20 May 1935, one of many children, m. ELLA/ELEANOR MAGRUDER, b. 30 March 1854, d. 29 April 1913, daughter of John Wesley Magruder and Anna Minerva Hardesty. Winfield was the son of SAMUEL WADE MAGRUDER, b. 19 July 1812 in Bethesda, Maryland, d. 4 November 1887, m. Martha Riley, one of eight children of Isaac Riley,

b. 29 October 1819, d. 20 February 1872. Samuel was the son of WARREN MAGRUDER, b. 15 April 1777, d. 1 October 1834, twelfth (!) child, m. Harriett Holmes. Warren was the son of SAMUEL WADE MAGRUDER, b. 1728, d. 20 July 1792, m. Lucy Beall, and lived at "Locust Grove." Samuel was the son of ALEXANDER MAGRUDER, b. 1706, m. Ann Wade.

Information on Miss Daisy, her ancestors and Daisy Magruder House was graciously provided by the Montgomery County Historical Society.

Photographs of Daisy Magruder House were provided through the courtesy of Peerless Rockville Historic Preservation, Ltd.





SAMUEL WADE MAGRUDER'S HOUSE  
"LOCUST GROVE"

Locust Grove, the red brick "mansion" built between 1773 and 1781 by Samuel Wade Magruder, recently received a new lease on life when it was acquired by the Chevy Chase Savings and Loan, restored and opened as the Magruder House branch office of that institution. Located at 7340 Westlake Drive across from Montgomery Mall in the area called West Bethesda, the house is built on a tract of land once called Magruder's Discovery which Major Magruder inherited from his father in 1751.



"Locust Grove"  
After Restoration.





"Locust Grove"  
Before Restoration.

Locust Grove remained in the hands of Samuel's descendants until 1853, when it was sold at public auction to William Orndoff. In 1891 it was acquired by the Tenallytown and Rockville Railroad Company, a trolley car corporation, which had great plans for developing a new town centered around Locust Grove. When these plans failed to materialize the company lost the property as a result of mortgage foreclosure in 1898. Since then Locust Grove has had numerous private owners.

Samuel Wade Magruder, the original owner of Locust Grove, was an influential citizen in the early days of Montgomery County, Maryland. He was the son of Alexander Magruder and Ann Wade. Samuel was a lieutenant in the French and Indian War, and during the American Revolution he served as a captain in the 29th Battalion of Militia of Frederick County, Maryland. Later, after Montgomery County was formed from a part of Frederick County, he served as a major in the 29th Battalion of Militia of Montgomery County. Between 1759 and 1770 he was inspector at Rock Creek Warehouse, near Georgetown, and from 1777 to 1790 he was judge of Montgomery County Court.

The above was compiled from stories in the Washington Post, the Montgomery County Advertiser and from information furnished by Chevy Chase Savings and Loan.

# THE BATTLE OF THE CRATER

PETERSBURG, VA.

JULY 30, 1864

COLONEL THEODORE GREGG'S  
(Commanding 45th Reg't, Pa. V.V.)

PERSONAL REPORT TO HIS  
COMMANDING OFFICER

Headquarters  
45th Regiment, Pa. V.V.  
Before Petersburg, Va.  
August 9, 1864.

COLONEL:

I have the honor to inform you that on the 30th day of July 1864, at half past three o'clock, A.M. while on Picket Duty in front of the Rebel fort mined by Col. Pleasant's, 48th Pa. Vols., I received orders from you through Capt. E. T. Raymond, one of your Aides-de-Camp, to leave a strong line of skirmishers in front of the enemy works, under command of an efficient officer, and to march the remainder of the regiment back to the edge of the woods in the rear of the works as soon as possible, as the mine was to be immediately sprung.

The effective strength of the 45th Regt. Penna. Vet. Vols. was *two hundred and ten men*. I left one hundred men on the skirmish line, under the command of Captain A. J. Fessler, of R Company, and marched the remaining one hundred and ten men back to the woods mentioned.

Immediately after the explosion of the mine, I received orders from you, through Captain Peckham, to follow the 4th Rhode Island Regiment to the scene of action.

We marched by the left flank through the covered way. On arriving at the front line of works, I gave the command to march double quick across the field to the Rebel fort, now blown up. In crossing the field we were exposed to a severe fire from the enemy's works on our right and left; the whole space was literally swept with cannister, grape and musketry. Many were wounded while crossing the field. On arriving at the mined fort, I attempted to march the regiment by the right flank across it, in order to charge a Rebel battery stationed at some buildings at the rear of the Rebel works, but found it impossible to do so, as the crater formed by the explosion was some two hundred feet in length, fifty feet in breadth, and from thirty to thirty five feet in depth.

The crest of the crater and mined slopes and parapets were covered with the dead and dying and wounded of the first and second divisions of the Ninth Army Corps. The crater and entrenchments in rear of the fort was filled with soldiers of different regiments. I then received orders from Captain Peckham to march by the left flank and form a line of battle under cover of the parapets, in rear of the fort, in order to make a charge in rear of the enemy lines of works so as to make a diversion in favor of our Brigade, which was to charge forward the moment they saw the colors of the 45th Pa. V.V. At the same time I received orders from General Bartlet, who at that time had command in the ruins of the fort, to charge a battery in our immediate front. I attempted to do so with my small command, which by this time had been reduced to about eighty or ninety men and seven officers.

As we advanced the enemy opened on us with batteries stationed at several different points on our right and left flanks and in front, accompanied by a heavy fire of musketry

from the rifle pits. As the other troops in the front did not advance to our support we were compelled to fall back into the entrenchment around the ruined fort. Generals Bartlet and Griffin, Captains Peckham, Raymond, Brown and myself and other officers made every effort to rally the troops in the crater and entrenchments to charge forward but found it impossible to get them to do so.

I then received orders from Captain Peckham to form the 45th and await further orders, as the Negro Brigade was to charge the works on our right. We heard the cheering of the men as they dashed forward, but in a few moments the works were filled with Negro troops, having been compelled to fall back. A Major of one of the Negro regiments placed his colors on the crest of the crater, and the Negro troops opened a heavy fire on the Rebels who were at that time charging on the mined fort. In a few moments, the Rebel force, headed by several desperate officers, dashed into the pits among us, when a terrible hand to hand conflict ensued, both parties using the bayonet and clubbing their muskets.

A large Rebel officer, who appeared to be in command of the Rebel force, rushed me, seizing me by the throat, and at the same time raising his revolver to my head ordered me to surrender. After a sharp struggle, I succeeded in taking the revolver from him, knocked him down with it and *run* him through with my sword leaving him dead upon the spot. (NOTE)

Captain Richards of Company G while gallantly rallying his men was fired upon by a Rebel and seen to fall. He was a noble officer and will long be remembered by all who knew him. Lieutenants Vanvallen, Seely, Campbell, Gilbaugh and Eyde behaved nobly during the conflict. While the brief contest raged, the Negroes in the crater kept up a heavy fire of musketry on the advancing foe compelling them to take shelter.

Many of our brave men being killed and wounded and the enemy pressing us hard, we were compelled to fall back into the crater, in order to save our little band, while the Negroes kept up a heavy fire of musketry on the Rebels outside the fort.

I found General Bartlet inside the crater and told him that the enemy had gained the entrenchments on the right of the fort and were preparing to drive us out of the crater. He then ordered me to act as Brigade Officer of the day and try to rally every man to the defence of the crater. General Bartlet and one of his Aides-de-Camp, a very gallant and praise worthy officer, did everything in their power to rally the troops inside the crater but found it impossible, as the men were completely worn out and famished for water. He at last succeeded in rallying some twenty five or thirty of the Negroes who behaved nobly, keeping up a continual fire of musketry, thereby holding the Rebels on the right of the fort at bay and keeping them from entering the crater. I requested General Bartlet to leave the fort and try to gain our first line of works. He told me that it would be impossible to do so and that he would remain in the fort until the last, and ordered me to make every man, as well as every officer, do their duty and to give him the name of every officer who refused to rally the men.

We felt confident that another charge would be made by our troops upon the enemy on our right and our hopes were to hold the fort until the expected charge was made.

Through the exertions of General Bartlet, myself and other officers, we succeeded in forming most of the men around the crest of the crater, and all were determined to defend the fort to the last.

The crest of the fort was swept with cannister and grape shot from the batteries; in the meantime they opened up a heavy bombardment with their mortar batteries. They had a perfect range of the crater, therefore almost every shell exploded in the midst of the dense mass of men that filled the crater, killing and wounding many of our brave soldiers at every explosion.

It soon appeared impossible to hold the fort as our men were overcome with the



excessive heat and our ammunition was nearly exhausted. We at last succeeded in obtaining several hundred rounds from the dead and wounded in the fort.

The enemy made several attempts to charge upon the fort but were driven off at the point of the bayonet. They succeeded in killing and wounding a great many of our men through the crevices and breaks in our fort.

Our soldiers used blouses, knapsacks and everything that could be found to fill up these spaces.

The suffering for want of water was terrible. Many of the Negroes volunteered to go for water with their canteens. A great many were shot while attempting to get over the works; a few, more fortunate than others, succeeded in returning with water, to the great relief of their suffering comrades.

I was ordered by General Bartlet to have a stand of colors placed on the fort, to show our friends our position. About noon the bottom, sides and almost every part of the crater was covered with dead, dying and wounded, causing pools of blood to be formed at the bottom of the crater.

Finding it impossible to obtain water without great loss of life, General Bartlet ordered a traverse cut through the works in order to let the men pass through without being seen by the enemy. After a great deal of exertion, we succeeded in getting several Negroes to undertake the work, who were placed under charge of Lieutenant Seely. About the hour of two o'clock, P.M. the loss of life was terrible; there was death below as well as above ground in the crater. It appeared almost impossible to sustain life, from the intense heat of the sun.

General Bartlet received a note from General Griffin that the fort was to be evacuated, and he had better try and save himself and those in the fort by falling back to our former lines. The color bearer and color guard of the Pa. 45th Vet. vols., with the exception of Corporal Haynes, who had been killed, succeeded in gaining our works and joined the command under Captain Fessler, who was left in command of the skirmish line detailed from my regiment to hold the works we occupied before storming those of the enemy. Many of the men were killed in falling back to our lines; a great many wounded, and many who found it impossible to escape, were captured. I left the crater about the hour of two P.M. and joined the remainder of the regiment that was left in the skirmish line. General Bartlet, Captain Dibeler and Lieutenant Seely, Pa. 45th, V.V. and several Officers of the Negro regiments were in the crater at the time I left. My intention was to secure water for the General and his suffering companions and return, but after running from the crater to our lines, under a terrible fire of musketry, I became completely exhausted and found it impossible to return. Captain Trout volunteered to take a party of men and, if possible, to take water to them. Before the good work could be accomplished, the entire command began falling back, and shortly after, the crater was surrendered to the enemy.

I charged upon the enemy works with one hundred and ten men. Of that number, six were killed, twenty two wounded and thirty nine missing. Among the missing are Captains Dibeler and Richards, and Lieutenants Vanvallen, Catlin and Seely.

I am pleased to say that all the officers and men that were with me in the engagement are deserving of great praise for their noble conduct and bearing.

Great praise is also due Captain Fessler and Lieutenant Chessman for their efforts in endeavoring to rally the Negroes and other troops while retreating back across the front line works occupied by the skirmish line of the 45th Regt. Penna. Vet. Vols.

NOTE: - Captain Dibeler of Co. B was attacked by two Rebel officers, his sword taken from him and he was a prisoner, until one of them insulted him by a remark, when he rushed on the Rebel, took back his sword and killed the officer by striking him a heavy blow across the back of the neck.

(Signed)

I am Colonel  
Your most obedient Servant  
Theodore Gregg, Captain  
Commanding Regiment

TO:

Colonel Z. R. Bliss, Commanding  
First Brigade, Third Division  
Ninth Army Corps.

NOTE: – Theodore Gregg did not sign his reports with any rank above Captain until the official commissions caught up with him. Oddly enough his Commissions as Major, Lt. Colonel and Colonel all reached him after the battle of the crater. (R.C.B.)

Editor's Note: Colonel Theodore Gregg was the great-grandfather of our ACGS Registrar, Mrs. Herschel M. (Fran) Browne. Colonel Gregg's report was given to Fran by her father, Richard C. Brown.

## THE 1986 GRANDFATHER MOUNTAIN HIGHLAND GAMES AND GATHERING OF THE CLANS

Text and Photo by Alan R. Gregg

Blow ye winds in the mornin',  
Blow ye winds aye yo,  
Clear away the runnin' gear  
And blow, boys, blow!

Trad. Scottish Sea Chanty

Blow she did lads and lasses! 121 MPH winds clocked in early Sunday morning, July 13th, at the summit of Grandfather Mountain. Down below MacRae's Meadow resembled the cluttered deck of a hurricane-blown clipper ship with shredded tents flapping madly and hard working crews of Games officials and kilted volunteers salvaging those tents yet undamaged. As the winds subsided to the level of small craft condition two, the slightly delayed Parade of Tartans commenced. And through it all MacGregor was there! Despite a windy drizzle reminiscent of Glen Orchy in October MacGregors from around the country boldly strode forth through the mist.

In quiet contrast the 31st Annual Grandfather Mountain Highland Games and Gathering of Scottish Clans saw one of the largest crowds in recent years invade the Linville, NC area on Saturday, July 12th. A bonnie morning saw the two American Clan Gregor Society tents manned bright and early. A total of 78 people signed our register throughout the day, 38 of whom were clan members. There was nae a moment when our tents were not busy. An excellent lunch of cold meats, pasta salad, home-baked desserts and a variety of cooling liquids was provided through the efforts of many willing hands and generous contributions to the refreshment fund by members and guests. With what might possibly be a record day in terms of information dispensed, cookbooks, clan histories and T-shirts sold, we all retired to our respective abodes for a well deserved rest before the evening's activities.



. . . only to find . . . Sunday morning! Due to the inclemency of Mother Nature and for the safety of all, a wise decision was made by Games officials and our own Abbey Magruder, President of the Games, to remove all tents from MacRae's Meadow. This was accomplished in about an hour and the day's program began. After the Parade of Tartans, an impromptu meeting of ACGS members resolved that it was perhaps better to move our activities indoors. Another windy drizzle confirmed the decision, and, collecting all the MacGregors we could find, we were off to Tom and Maggie Gregg's croft on Sugar Mountain for lunch. Included in our group were our hard-working Assistant Chieftain Joe Tichy and his wife, Peg; two former Chieftains and their wives, D. Neill Magruder and Marjorie and Bill McGregor and Lou; and, a newcomer, Michelle Gregg, the author's bride.

But for Sunday's weather, this year's Games might well have been the largest ever. With many folks foregoing overseas vacations, Saturday proved to be an unbelievably busy day for all the tents. ACGS, for one, certainly benefited by the visit of a strong contingent of McGehees (18 or 20) from Ohio. On the whole, 120 clan societies and Scots-American organizations provided sponsorship. The list of individual sponsors and patrons for the games grows every year.

As always, the ACGS tents were a center of hospitality, camaraderie and fun. With hard work, careful planning and outstanding clan spirit we proved that the American Clan Gregor Society is one of the finest. Looking around, it is easy to appreciate what a wonderful group of people we have. To place the blame where good blame should go, we thank: Art and Betty Lecky, Don and Betty Mangerie, Win and Ann Mayne, Neil Jr. and Carolyn Magruder, Jim and Alice Gordon, Hugh and Thelma Campbell, Verne and Jane Gregg Pulling and to Abbey and Lillian Magruder for their many efforts and warm hospitality. To those whose names I have been remiss in mentioning, our thanks are equally and graciously given. We cannae do it all! But then, there is always next year! Come and make yourselves known!

## AMERICAN CLAN GREGOR SOCIETY



Tom, Maggie and Alan Gregg, Carolyn and D. Neil Magruder, Jr., and Visitors at the Clan Tent, 1986.



Helen and visitors at Clan Gregor Tent, "Bonnie Brae", Millington, NJ 1986.

## A SCOTTISH DAY AT BONNIE BRAE

by Helen MacGregor Garrett

Bonnie Brae is a private non-profit organization founded in 1916 which offers a year-round program of residential and state approved special educational services to neglected and abused New Jersey adolescents.

At Bonnie Brae eleven to eighteen year old youngsters find the love, professional guidance and healing assistance they so desperately need to get back on track and back into their own homes, schools and communities.

On June 15, 1986, Father's Day, Bonnie Brae celebrated its 70th birthday with an all day event which was called "A Scottish Day at Bonnie Brae." The grounds are especially well appointed and situated in a rural setting at Millington, New Jersey.

Among the attractions were several Clan tents with members from the surrounding area representing their respective clans. Bill and I were pleased to set up our American Clan Gregor Society tent and, from an attendance of around three thousand we had many people visit our tent to find their sept.

The weather was glorious and among the popular events were the children's races which were organized by our daughter Deidre, the Father's Day invitational and the father and child race.

The day was an outstanding success and Bonnie Brae has approached those who took part in the planning and activities to do so again in 1987.

## NEWS OF OUR MEMBERS

James W. McDaniel, Jr., Clan No. 2148, of Sacramento, California, has been elected to a second term as Chief of the Caledonian Club of Sacramento, having served as its first Chieftain in 1984 and 1985. Current membership totals 224, included in which are several Gregor families. In addition, James is a Charter Member of the St. Andrews Society of Sacramento which was incorporated in 1985. On June 13, 1987, he will serve as Chieftain of the Sacramento Valley Scottish Games which will be held at Dixon, California. The Sacramento Highland Games have been held since 1877. Congratulations and best wishes for continued success!

In May, 1986, William E. MacGregor, Jr., and his wife Joie, Clan Nos. 1740 and 1940-A respectively, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, hosted the activities of the American Clan Gregor Society tent at the Scottish Country Fair and Games held at MacAlester College, St. Paul, Minnesota. This has been an annual event for many, many years and judging by Bill and Joie's smiles is one enjoyed by all.



Bill & Jo MacGregor manning ACGS Tent at Scottish Country Fair, St. Paul, MN May 1986

Also in May of 1986 was the Scottish Weekend held at Glasgow, Kentucky. Among those present were Mrs. Nola T. Willeford, Clan No. 2110, of Adairville, Kentucky, and her grandson, Joshua Willeford. Joshua took part in the children's events and is seen below Turning the Caber.



Joshua Willeford – “Turning the Caber” at Glasgow, KY Scottish Weekend, May 1986.

Don't Forget!  
The Grandfather Mountain Highland Games  
and Gathering of Scottish Clans for 1987  
will be held July 9th through July 12th  
Linville, North Carolina



## CORRECTIONS TO THE 1986 YEARBOOK

- Page 23 – Under Stabler, Jenny Marie, add the following: Jenny Marie is the great granddaughter of Margaret Muncaster Stabler, Clan no. 585 and great-great granddaughter of John and Alletta Muncaster, Charter members nos. 198 and 199.
- Page 25 – Under Stabler – Havener, change entry to read: Miss Alisa Ann Stabler married John Havener on September 21, 1985. Alisa is the granddaughter of Margaret Muncaster Stabler, Clan no. 585 and great-granddaughter of John and Alletta Muncaster, Charter members, nos. 198 and 199.
- Under Walker – Stabler, add the following: John is the son of John Edwin Stabler and the grandson of Margaret Muncaster Stabler, Clan No. 585.

## NOTICES

### PLEASE REMEMBER:

All changes of address should be sent promptly to the Assistant Chieftain, since he mails the Yearbooks.

All records of births, marriages and deaths must be sent to the Historian in time to be received before the Gathering, if they are to be included in the next yearbook.

Material for the Yearbook should be sent to the Editor, in typewritten form, by January 1st. Photographs, with full identity of persons, are especially welcome. This information should include where and when taken, the name of the photographer and the return address.

Applications for membership and any correspondence concerning membership should be addressed to the Registrar.

Dues and correspondence concerning dues should be sent to the Assistant Chieftain.

Genealogical and family history manuscripts dealing with Clan members, their ancestors and descendants are welcomed by the Editor. Such material should be organized in the format specified by the National Genealogical Society.

A very special thank you to all the Clan members who have helped me in the preparation of this Yearbook.

– The Editor

Another wee reminder: –  
Event: The 78th Annual Gathering  
Place: Williamsburg, Virginia  
Time: October 30 and 31, 1987



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