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J. S. H. Good, April 16, 1947

Mrs. Greenlee D. Letcher, December 23, 1947

J. Henry Showalter, November 29, 1947

Honored in fellowship  
Cherished in Memory

Mr. Good was a long-time resident of Dayton, Va., but had removed to Cincinnati, Ohio, shortly before his death, which occurred in that city at the age of 78. His son Carter is on the faculty of the University of Cincinnati and his daughter Virginia has for some years been a teacher in the Cincinnati schools. His son Warren is connected with the University of Michigan. Mr. Good himself was a teacher for many years in the schools of Rockingham County. In 1910 or 1911 he compiled "Songs of the People," published by the Ruebush-Kieffer Company of Dayton. This work, made up of various state songs and other favorites, has had a wide circulation, especially in the schools of Virginia.

Katherine Seymour Paul, eldest child of Judge John Paul, Sr., and his wife, Katherine Green Paul, was born in Harrisonburg in 1876; lived in Lexington after her marriage to Capt. Greenlee D. Letcher, lawyer, youngest son of John Letcher, war governor of Virginia. She is survived by her husband and a son, Col. John S. Letcher; a sister, Mrs. J. H. Flynn of Pittsburgh, and two brothers, Judge John Paul, Jr., of Harrisonburg, and Seymour Paul of the Panama Canal Zone.

Mr. Showalter died at his home in West Milton, Ohio, at the advanced age of 83. He was a native of Rockingham County, Va., third son and fifth child of John A. and Susannah Miller Showalter. His father was a well-known singer and teacher of singing classes; his brother, A. J. Showalter, was a distinguished teacher and composer, head of large publishing houses in the southern states. Another brother, J. M. Showalter, still living in Rockingham, is also a musician. J. Henry Showalter wrote many popular songs for church and Sunday-school and published 40 or more music books.

## ROCKINGHAM RECOLLECTIONS, 1874 AND LATER

The following interesting story was written for the *Recorder* by James O. Myers, a Rockingham native, who for many years has been a resident and large landowner of Canada. He located in Saskatchewan in 1896, but for some time past has made his home in the city of Vancouver. He is an older brother of John C. Myers, superintendent of Rockingham public schools.

As a boy I lived on a farm on the Valley Turnpike, two miles north of Mt. Crawford, Rockingham County, Virginia.<sup>1</sup> Our house was on a terrace about a dozen yards from the pike. The terrace was faced with a stone wall, on top of which was a low picket fence. Here was a safe grandstand view for a small lad beginning to notice things on the outside and there was much to be seen on the old pike in those days. Harrisonburg was then the southern terminus of the Valley Railroad and passengers, mail and freight moved by horse drawn vehicles by our farm between Harrisonburg and Staunton.

The four-horse stage coach on regular schedule carried passengers, mail and express. Most of the freight was hauled in heavy covered wagons drawn by six horses with brass bells on their hames. Their musical chimes carried well and brought little folks from play. Even the circuses moved under their own horse power.

I well remember the caravan of Old John Robinson's "Greatest Show on earth," with all their equipment, caged animals, sleeping coaches, and in the rear big elephants shuffling along in the dim light of the summer night to show in Staunton next day.

Abe (a colored boy who lived with us), an expert on circuses, saw to it that I got out of bed in time to see this night parade.

In the fall droves of cattle, driven in separate bands by men on foot, would be passing our place for hours and hours from the grazing lands of West Virginia on toward Harrisonburg, to be distributed to the feed lots of Valley farmers. This was the day of the old toll gates, with their long poles extending out over the pike at a threatening angle for all travelers to see and heed. When Father drove past toll gates without stopping to pay his toll my young head figured that he must be a very important man, but later I learned he paid by the quarter. People traveled on foot; many were foreigners with strange clothes and speech and musical instruments, organ grinders and their trained monkeys.

Mother, always busy, bothered with canvassers, peddlers,

folks wanting something to eat or drink, would say, "This house is too close to the pike." I knew she was right, but it did not prevent me from enjoying the parade that passed by; and from the wall by the front yard I had my first glimpses of the outside world.

Mr. Kemper, the Superintendent of the Valley Turnpike Company, lived in Winchester. No modern railroad magnate inspected his right of way with more swankiness, than Mr. Kemper when he rolled by in his shining omnibus drawn by six prancing white horses in gleaming harness, guided by the skilled hand of a veteran stage driver, hero to all youngsters. Through the broad windows the white-bearded superintendent could be seen with his assistant and black man. Most men wore whiskers then, no particular style, short and bushy, wide and wavy, long and pointed.

Prominent citizens wore stove-pipe hats and long black coats, rode or drove sleek horses.

I shall always remember Mr. Andrew Shutters, merchant of Mt. Crawford, a middle aged portly bachelor. He came along the pike frequently behind a span of bays in open top buggy, the seat of which he filled. He wore a long, black coat, flowered vest, high silk hat, wing collar and expensive gauntlets. He greeted all, but to the ladies that silk hat was raised with such graceful, elegant flourish that he stands out in my memory as a most colorful figure. I always liked to visit his store with Mother. He was all bows and smiles and always gave me a stick of red striped candy out of his big glass jar. I noted when I was in the store only with Father he was not so generous.

On the South Main Street in Harrisonburg the fine homes were set well back in spacious shaded lawns, their tall pillared porticos guarded by cast iron gray-hounds. On the street the wooden Indian offered you cigars in front of tobacco stores. If thirsty you went to the big covered spring on Court House Square, down limestone steps, and drank cold water from an iron dipper, fastened to the wall with chain. Melon venders were busy on August Court, as everyone ate water melons around the Court House and left rinds on the grass.

There were no banks in Harrisonburg<sup>2</sup>. A few years later Mr. L. C. Myers opened the First National Bank, north of the square and worked in one small room over a plain pine counter. Hon. John T. Harris was our Member of Congress.

I was old enough for school in the fall of 1874, so one morning with lunch pail and slate, McGuffey First Reader and Webster Speller, I got up behind Father on old "Jim." We left the pike near home and turned west on Dayton road between zigzag rail fences. The road was narrow and bumpy. We passed the homes of E. Pence on right and Fred Ritchie on left and soon came to Ed. Shifflett's blacksmith shop, at edge

of woods, then a mile through oak woods to clearing of several fields to right where lived Mr. Hale, close to Harmony School. I got off on a slab that leaned against the fence. Father talked to the teacher, Mr. Abe Sager, a few minutes and I was left with the bunch of youngsters, most of them strangers.

Harmony was a small log school house, rough inside as well as outside, had some large home-made desks, balance plain benches, shelves for lunch pails, pegs for coats and hats. My first lesson in McGuffey's First Reader was a picture of a fat farm animal and the three lines—

Is it an ox?

It is an ox.

It is a fat ox.

I was not sure of the meaning of the word, but it was an easy one and I was satisfied. I had learned my letters and simple words at home and I thought school was going to be a snap, so I listened to the older classes reading the delightful stories in the McGuffey's Series and reciting the multiplication tables, etc.

At noon we small boys played in the woods across the road, gathering armfuls of oak leaves in fence corner. After gathering a huge pile we climbed on the fence and jumped in. The older boys played "Two-Cornered Cat," and the girls with their own games played behind the school house. When the noon hour was up the teacher came to the door and called out the word, "Books." The word was repeated all around the school and we filed in. Later the teacher had a small hand bell which he rang from the doorway, but the clearer tone of the bell sounded as doleful as "Books" when it terminated some interesting game. I liked school and walked the two miles morning and night. On very bad evenings Father came for me on a horse. After fall work was done on the farms the older boys and girls came in and the schoolroom was filled. I had to give up my big desk and sit with others on a bench along the wall and put my books on a shelf behind. I attended a month's summer school at Harmony with Miss Eliza Shaver as teacher. The following winter J. S. Funk was our teacher. These are the family names that patronized Harmony School: Shifflett, Suter, Ritchie, Wright, Hale, Kizer, Flory, Miller, Shank, Early, Wenger, Kirikoff, Bird and Pence.

We moved to Broadway early in March 1876 and I finished the session at the Seminary under Zachariah Samuels. He was an elderly man and very eccentric and not well suited for small children. The "Old Seminary" was a half mile south of Broadway and was a larger and more comfortable frame building, sided with up and down boards and battens plastered

and ceiled inside, had ample desks and room for classes, blackboards and map of the world. In the front yard four tall walnut trees formed a large square; behind the school were some acres of a thick growth of cedars, hence the name, "Cedar Grove Seminary." At the foot of the play ground was a stone blacksmith shop (still standing) run by Andy Crist and Wallace Minnick. It was the ambition of young ball players to knock the ball over the shop and score a home run.

John Cootes taught the next session at the Seminary and was married to a Miss Reed during winter holidays. Miss Mary Jane Wood was our next teacher and John W. Frazer presided at the Seminary the next two sessions. Here is a list of names of those attending school at the Seminary: Kline, Bowman, Shank, Pennybacker, Rhodes, Zigler, Sites, Spitzer, Crist, Myers; and from Broadway: Alexander, Wilson, Flick, Kennedy, Sullivan, Westcott.

Going to school one morning, Mr. John J. Bowman, then an elderly man, walking along to the mill said, "You are going to school by my place; fifty years ago it was the other way round. I went up by your farm to school, mostly through woods, in a little log house behind the Shaver home." That would have been about the year 1830. Mr. Bowman was born and raised at the old Bowman home several hundred yards up the Creek from the present mill, home of David C. Cline, when I was a boy. The original old Bowman Mill was still standing in 1876, a huge log structure, three stories high, built in pioneer days and demolished in 1877.

Besides a grist mill, it contained heavy machinery for pressing flax seed; also wool and flax fiber machinery. In the yard was a cider and sorgum mill, and an old up and down saw mill used a few years by David Cline. As a boy I was much interested in this unique machine. The water wheel was of under shot type with a strong crank that operated the saw when the gate was lifted at the bottom of the flume. There was a roar of rushing water playing on the wheel and the large frame that contained the saw raised and lowered with a slow uneven gait, but with a sense of much concentrated power. David Cline used to laugh when he said he could eat his supper while the saw sliced off one board. It soon fell in disrepair and went the way of the old mill.

Many children were coming of school age west of Linville Creek. The old wire bridge and railroad track were a menace to small children on foot. In 1881 Lone Oak School was built about a mile and a quarter southwest of the old Seminary. Medford Spitzer laid the stone foundation work. Abe and Joe Rhodes were the carpenters and Miss Etta Miller was the first teacher. Dick Ashby taught the next winter and followed the old custom of boarding around among the pat-

rons, usually a week at each place, thereby saving the price of board. This became unpopular and was discontinued. Miss Bettie Brenneman was the third teacher and boarded at our place, paying six dollars per month for room and board. If I remember right her salary was one hundred dollars for the five months' session, that being the school year at that time, beginning early in November and continuing to the latter part of March.

During the summer of 1883 a move was made for a graded school in Broadway, chiefly through the enthusiastic and untiring spirit of C. E. Bargebaugh, a native of Rockingham and a graduate of Richmond College. A two-story, frame structure was built in front and adjoining the old school building. It was late in starting and only two lower rooms were finished and the new graded school opened after the new year, 1884, with C. E. Bargebaugh, principal, E. W. McMullen, intermediate teacher, and Miss Lucy Fishback primary teacher. The remainder of this building was finished and in several years was a five-room school with more than a hundred pupils.

Mr. Bargebaugh soon started a Literary Society, which continued for years and grew in interest; and nights open for the public were well attended and sometimes crowded. One special event was "Literary Night," with a special program and one or more books required for admission. Folks came from far and near and we took in a load of books, some of doubtful value, such as old Government Reports, but many good ones, and we had started a library.

Mr. Bargebaugh was a man of pleasing personality and high ideals and the youth of Broadway and vicinity owe much to his tireless work for better education. He was born and raised near Cootes Store, and taught for many years in the schools of Rockingham.

In my school days school houses were heated by cast-iron, wood-burning stoves near the center of the building. The teacher was fireman and caretaker. If convenient, he had a boy near by to make fire early on cold mornings. The stove would get hot at times and scholars on seats near it would have to move. Wood was furnished by patrons from their wood lots and was delivered at the school yard in long sticks and was cut into stove length by the older boys, bringing their own axes from home, as the school ax was always in bad shape and the butt of many disparaging remarks. There were no power saws. A wooden pail with water was on a shelf, with tin wash basin and tin cup on nails beside it. When the pail was empty two boys would bring water from the nearest spring or well, and on returning would serve water around to the whole school. Part of Friday afternoon was given to songs, readings and declamations, and visitors were welcome.

Many will remember "The Old Oaken Bucket," "Lazy Ned," or "The Boy Stood on the Burning Deck." Most of the clothing was made at home and foot wear at local shoemakers. Boys wore cowhide top boots and any one passing by on the road would know classes were changing by the tramp of those heavy boots. Proud was the youngster when he could step out in his first pair of red top boots. Like today the most popular game at school was ball. The favorite was "Round Town." Other ball games were "Andy Over," "Bull Pen," and "Cat Ball." "Prisoner's Base," marbles, racing and jumping were other games.

One winter at Lone Oak stilts came in suddenly. Boys and some girls went to school on stilts. They wanted to see how high they could walk above the ground. Some morning a new record was set only to be broken in a few days by a more venturesome lad, who had to take off from the top of a fence. The high stilts became shaky and wobbly. After a bad crash or two the fad ended as suddenly as it had started.

The first snow was a delight to youngsters. Hammer and saw were heard in barn or wood shed putting together various kinds of sleds, hoping for a hard crust and fast coasting on the hill. Favorite among the older boys was the "Yankee Jumper." With a few nails, some small bolts, odds and ends of lumber, two handy boys could turn one out in half a day and evening. The first essentials were two long slim poles from the woods—white-oak or hickory. These were the runners. The seat was built on the heavy ends. Just forward the poles were shaved small and bent upward for the shafts. With a lively horse and a bell or two a couple of boys could go places. They were fine over fields, through grass or stubble, after light snow fall, and on the road where expensive cutters would hit the bumps or sink in soft places the jumper would glide over without a jar. What it lacked in style it made up in speed and comfort.

During my first school days I used to hear from older boys some terrible yarns how certain teachers would thrash pupils. As was the custom, my teachers kept some light switches on hand. They usually snapped with the first whack over a heavy coat, raised some dust, a little excitement, but no damage. But offenders were often kept in after school hours and when questioned next day about the only answer was a grin.

Country school buildings were used for all neighborhood meetings and entertainments. There was no dancing. Young folks got together often for singings and spelling matches. Mr. John A. Showalter taught singing throughout the district, usually on Saturday afternoon, then singings Sunday afternoon or evening, often supported by one of his sons, all of whom were talented musicians. There were singings by

local leaders, S. R. Kline, J. P. Miller and others. I heard Timothy Funk on several occasions. A spelling match was a welcome event in the neighborhood. If not too far, every one walked. If in some outlying district, two or more would meet and go horse back, many times through woods. Old fashioned tallow candles would be lit and hung on the wall in their tin-back holders as folks began to arrive. There was much laughter and gaiety. Girls would look their best with hair fixed up. Boys would don their Sunday ties and there was a hum of sociability. Two captains would choose sides and the match would be under way. After an hour or two of spelling a new champion may emerge. Again there is much laughter and talking, finding out where the next match will be. Candles are dying down, some flickering, others out. All go out into the night to horses left tied to the school yard fence. Usually they are just as you left them. In mounting you find one saddle stirrup too long. That is soon fixed. All ride off into the night, and Virginia nights can get dark; with the road back through the woods, the black-out is complete. No friendly headlight, but the horse can see and take you home, as an extra feed and warm stall awaits him.

Some of the outlying schools where singing and spelling matches were attended were these: Bush Valley, Wampler's, Newtown and Shirkey's. Union and the Seminary, which were about the center of this group, seemed to excel in meetings of all kinds, with singings, spelling bees and Sunday Schools.

There were debating clubs, discussing such questions as, "The pen is mightier than the sword"; "A dog is more protection to man than his gun"; "The beauties of nature are more pleasing to the eye than the works of art." Gaiety of the country side flowed freely and the humor was robust. Pranks at times, crude, were harmless.

Boys, returning rather late, were passing a country store, found it closed, halloed! The storekeeper, always looking for business, opened his bedroom window, was asked if he kept good cigars? "O, yes indeed" he replied. "Why keep them? Why don't you sell them?" was the rejoinder as the boys rode off.

I recall to mind many old names and places up and down Linville Creek, the banks well screened with willows, ideal for swimming in summer, skating in winter, and at times good fishing; drives on the hot dusty, crowded back road on Sunday bound for camp meeting at Cherry Grove.

In the fall folks drove long distances from adjoining counties to attend big meetings at the "Old Creek Church," and put up with friends for the night. The old revival meetings in Broadway, the impassioned sermons and wonderful singing;



when old folks rode in rock-a-ways, the family in a spring wagon, the young folks horse back.

I have jotted down some memories of school days in Rockingham. Later when I read that the "Little Red School House" was a great United States institution, the bulwark of liberty and freedom in America, I felt that I had really missed something.

The fortunate youngsters of the "Little Red School House" lived in the more prosperous North and West. My first school days in Rockingham were in the period of reconstruction in the South and there was no red paint or paint of any other color for the country school. No doubt the plain unpainted school played its part.

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June 16, 1947

1. The Myers homestead was the second one on the Pike northeast of Mt. Crawford, the first one being the Roller place where the road crosses Cook's Creek. Both are on the northwest side of the Pike, now U. S. Route 11. Just northeast of the Myers house a road leaves the Pike and runs across the hills in a northwest course, passing the site of old Harmony school house. Further on it crosses Cook's Creek and after passing over another hill enters the Harrisonburg and Warm Springs Turnpike a short distance northeast of Bridgewater at the point where a large frame church formerly stood. The Myers place is somewhat less than two miles from Mt. Crawford.

2. For a chapter on the banks of Harrisonburg and others in Rockingham County, see Wayland's History of Rockingham (1912), pages 387-393. For many years, beginning in 1888, Mr. L. C. Myers was cashier of the First National Bank, Harrisonburg. It had been in operation for a number of years prior to that date.

## DIARY OF W. H. AREHART

(1863)

Second Instalment

(Spelling and punctuation follow the original)

January, 1863

Thursday, 1.

Ordered 3 days cooked rations to prepare for a march.

Friday 2.

Left camp at 7 O. C. A. M. Passed through Timberville, Brocks Gap, wending our way for Moorefield. Halted our column few hours at South Fork, where we suppered and fed our horses.

Saturday 3.

Reached Moorefield an hour. By there finding the enemy formed in line of battle, our batteries opened on them but to little effect for several hours, and returned. Encamped some 4 miles of Moorefield.

Sunday, 4.

Laid still today 8 miles south east of Moorefield, Hardy County.

Monday 5.

Started for the Valley. The command reached Benj. Trumbo's at 9 O. C. and encamped here. Col. Harman gave me permission to go home and return on the ———.

Tuesday 6.

Today at home recruiting of our hard trip.

Wednesday, 7.

Reported to my company in camp at New Market.

Thursday 8.

Moved our camp about 400 yards.

Friday 9th—Wednesday, 14th

In camp near New Market.

Wednesday 14th.

Started on a scout for Jefferson County. Took down the Page Valley. Camped 17 miles of Front Royal.

Thursday, 15.

Passed through Front Royal. Encamped 10 miles down the Shenandoah River from Front Royal.

Friday, 16.

Left at 1 O. C. A. M. Took down the river to Berry's Ferry thence up the pike to Woodville, from there near Berryville and across to the Winchester pike. Returned and encamped near Cedarville.

Saturday, 17.

Took through New Town and encamped near Woodstock.

Sunday, 18.

Reached camp at New Market about 4 O. C. in the afternoon.

Monday, 19.

In camp at New Market.

Tuesday, 20.

In camp at New Market. Detailed to go to Ant Betsey's for oats. Remained at home for the night.

Wednesday, 21.

Arrived in camp this morning at New Market about sun-up.

Thursday, 22nd.

to

Friday, 30th.

In camp at New Market.

Friday, 30.

Moved camp about  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile up the creek from Mt. Jackson.

Saturday, 31st.

to

Sunday, Feb. 8th.

In camp at Mount Jackson.

Sunday, 8.

Started after sunrise down the valley 2 miles below Woodstock, protecting a wagon train hauling metal from Columbia Furnace.

Monday 9.

Laying on reserve picket below Woodstock without any tents. The snow about 4 inches deep.

Tuesday, 10th.

Returned to camp. John Reece got little booscy. His gun accidentally went off and the ball very nearly striking Sam Craun.

Wednesday, 11th.

to

Saturday, 14th.

In camp at Mount Jackson.

Saturday, 14.

Went on picket. Found our pickets at Woodstock but our company went to the 4 mile house, and picketed at Fishers Hill.

Sunday 15.

On picket at Mount Olive, on the North Mountain road. Being a very cold day.

Monday 16.

On picket at Mount Olive and snowing all day. A great many citizens passing through the line driving there stock off to rear.

Tuesday, 17.

A scouting party made their appearance, but as our pickets fired on them they skedaddled.

Wednesday, 18.

On picket at Mount Olive on the North Mountain road.

Thursday, 19.

Relieved this evening and went in camp at Mt. Jackson.

Friday, 20.

In camp at Mount Jackson. Myself and Moses Sylvius went to Uncle Wm. Filsmires and got a nice supper.

Friday, 21st.

to

Thursday, 26th.

In camp at Mount Jackson.

Thursday, 26th.

7th and 11th Regt. captured 200 prisoners below Woodstock.

Friday, 27.

In camp at Mount Jackson.

Saturday, 28.

Our Regt. received orders at evening to come to Woodstock in haste. As we got near Woodstock we received orders the enemy retired and to go in camp.

**March, 1863.**

Sunday, 1.

In camp near Woodstock. Our wagons did not get up till 4 O. C. in the evening.

Monday, 2.

In camp near Woodstock. Very cold today. John W. Huffman came to camp and made an application for a final discharge.

Tuesday, 3.

This morning I left camp at Woodstock about 10 O'clock and went home by stopping at Mr. Branners. I did not get home till next morning at daylight.

Wednesday, 4.

Left home today about 4 O'clock P. M. Reached Mr. William Filsmires at 9 O. C. in the evening and there went to bed and had a very good nap.

Thursday 5.

Reached camp this morning at daylight. Early this morning ordered to mount our horses. Down the pike we took. There we found the enemy in force of 2 Regts. Cavly., 2 Regt's. Inf. and some artillery. We remained there a while and returned to camp.

Friday, 6th.

to

Sunday, 15th.

In camp at Woodstock.

Sunday, 15.

Our company went on picket at Fishers Hill.

Monday, 16.

On picket at Fishers Hill, on approach by the enemy.

Tuesday, 17.

On picket at Fishers Hill. Supported by Co. G. of 12th Regt.

Wednesday, 18.

On picket at Fishers Hill. A party of Yankee scouts approached at 12 O. C. in Strasburg, but did appear in front of our pickets.

Thursday, 19.

At 9 O. C. after night our pickets was ordered to report to the Regt. at Mt. Jackson. Reached Mt. Jackson about daybreak.

Friday, 20.

Our Co. and Co. K was detailed to take a raid with Capt. McNeil through Western Virginia, but report to Gen. Jones at Lacey Springs for instructions. The Gen. ordered us to camp near Lacey Springs.

Saturday, 21.

Left home this morning at 7 O. C. in company with Washington Neff and C Bowman. We found the company near Sparty.

Sunday, 22.

This evening I went along with Mr. Martin Holsinger home. Also went to Mr. Drivers. Stayed all night.

Monday, 23.

Returned to camp this morning directly after sunup.

Tuesday, 24th,  
to  
Sunday 29th.

In camp at Sparty in Mr. Mauzy's woods.

Sunday, 29.

Left camp at Sparty at sunup. Went to Strickler's Mill and from there we went home. Left home at 11 O'clock in the evening. Reached camp at 1 O. C. and found William Etinger in camp.

Monday, 30.

This evening I was taken with a spell of sick headache. Lieut. Keller taken me to shell carrier and went to bed and had a good nights rest.

Tuesday, 31.

This evening William Etinger run away from the guards. The guards fired 2 or 3 but did not hit him. Nearly the whole company turned out to hunt him, but did not get him.

April, 1863.

Wednesday, 1.

Returned to camp this morning at sunup from Mr. Jacob Etinger's.

Thursday 2.

Our company ordered from near Sparty to Dayton.

Started at middle afternoon. Camped 2 miles above Harrisonburg on the Dayton road.

Friday 3.

Reached Dayton about dinner time. Camped in Paul's woods.

Saturday, 4.

In camp near Dayton. Drilled twice today. Onced on foot and on horseback.

Sunday, 5.

Today I attended Tunker's meeting at Garber's Church. Returned to camp about the middle of the afternoon.

Monday 6.

Drilled this afternoon in sight of Dayton. Pleased the ladies of Dayton very much.

Tuesday, 7th.  
to  
Monday, 13th.

In camp at Dayton.

Monday, 13.

Left camp this morning at 9 O. C. with 6 men to gether still caps. Was ordered to proceed to Mrs. Hile Billhimers and others in the direction of Keezletown. Stayed all night at Mr. George Bowmans.

Tuesday, 14.

Left Mr. Geo. Bowman's this morning at 9 O. C. Delivered our stillcaps to Harrison jail and then returned to camp at Dayton.

Wednesday, 15.

Very rainy morning. Left camp after sunrise and moved below Harrisonburg, where we camped for the night. Cold, rainy night.

Thursday, 16.

Left camp near Harrisonburg, on Mr. Irick's farm at 3

O. C. P. M. Went home in company with Mr. John Saring. Reached home about sundown.

Friday 17.

Started after sunrise and reported to our Regt. at Tenth Legion.

Saturday, 18.

Moved camp from Tenth Legion to widow Smith's woods near Harrisonburg. Myself and Lieut. Keller went to Mr. Holsinger's and from there to Shirkey's and taken on a good dinner.

Sunday, 19.

In camp 2 miles from Harrisonburg, on widow Smith's farm.

Monday, 20.

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Tuesday, 21.

Gen. Jones started to the mountains with his brigade. The 12th Regt. left camp near Harrisonburg at 9 O'clock and camped for the night in the mouth of Brocks Gap, at Cootes Store.

Wednesday, 22.

This morning the Regt. moved off at 8 O'clock. Marched in the direction of Moorefield. Camped for the night at Lost River. I was on picket at Mathias, the road leading to Moorefield, passing by Howard's Lick.

Thursday, 23.

Left camp at Lost River this morning early. Marched to Moorefield, and raining. Passed by Howards Lick and camped for the night in sight of Moorefield.

Friday, 24.

This morning I was detailed to take charge of Gen. Jones' pack mules. Remained in Moorefield all day. The Regt. marched to Petersburg and crossed the river with much difficulty. Camped 3 miles north of Moorefield.

Saturday, 25.

Left camp at Moorefield with the mules at daylight. Crossed the S. branch 2 miles below town in a canoe. Mules and horses had to swim. We then packed up the mules and marched in the rear of the 7th Regt. to Greenland. There we attacked the Yankees.

Sunday, 26.

Continued marching in the rear of the 7th Regt. Halted after crossing the Alleghany mountains, about 1 O'clock and fed in Al. Co. The 12th Regt. went to Oakland and captured the guards there. I camped beyond Cheat River. ("Al. Co." was evidently Allegany County, Md.)

Monday, 27.

Continued marching, crossing the line into Monongalia Co., Va. Met the 12th Regt. 10 miles from Morgantown. Got to Morgantown about 2 O'clock. Crossed the Monongalia river and fed. Marched off at dusk.

Tuesday, 28.

The brigade moved in the direction of Fairmont, Marion Co. There we encountered the enemy, numbering 500. After the fight we marched in the direction of Clarksburg.

Wednesday, 29.

We continued our march to Bridgeport. There we captured 47 Yankees. We then continued our march in the direction of Phillippi, Barbour Co.

Thursday, 30.

This morning Capt. McNeil with his company and broken down horses started in the direction of Beverly, Randolph Co. The mules marched in the rear. After marching 23 miles we encamped for the night.

May, 1863

Friday, 1.

This morning we marched off by sunup. Capt. McNeil's company in advance. After marching 22 miles striking Rich Mountain we encamped for the night.

Saturday, 2.

We started this morning for Beverly, crossing Rich Mountain reaching Beverly by 3 O'clock. We then continued our march in the direction of Huttonsville. Encamped 4 miles south of Beverly.

Sunday, 3.

This morning the pack mules were ordered to report to Col. Harman. After the broken down horses were started to the valley we marched 2 miles S. of Huttonsville, then encamped.

Monday, 4.

Col. Harman with portion of his Regt. left camp near Huttonsville and crossed Rich Mountain. After marching 26 miles we encamped. The packed mules marched in the rear all day.

Tuesday, 5.

We are on the march again in rear of Col. Harman with a portion of his Regt. Reached Weston at 4 O'clock and joined the Regt. Camped near Gen. Imboden's forces.

Wednesday, 6.

We left camp near Weston this morning for Westunion 26 miles from Weston in Dodridge Co. There were about 500 Yankeys, the 11 Regt. which was in advance.

Thursday, 7.

This morning the 11 & 12 Regts. and Wicher's Battalion moved off in the direction of Harrisville in Ritchie Co. There were (were) Yan. (Yankees?) We captured 13 of them.

Friday, 8.

The whole command left camp near Harrisville and moved in the direction of Parkersburg. A few Yanks were picked up on our march today.

Saturday, 9.

We are on the march again. Crossed Hugh's river and moved towards Oilville on the little Kanawha River in Wirt County, 30 miles from Parkersburg.

Sunday, 10.

We left Oilville this morning and a portion of command marched in the direction of Havensburg, the Co. seat of Calhoun. The other part in the direction of Glenville in Gilmon Co. We camped at Hannahs Fork.

Monday, 11.

We are again on the march and reached Glenville by 12 O'clock. Here also the Yankees had fortification. We went 5 miles south of the place and encamped.

Tuesday, 12.

Left camp near Glenville and marched in the direction of Sutton on Elk river in Braxton Co. Our course for 16 miles was Cedar creek. Snakes we dispatched nearly 200 of them.

Wednesday, 13.

We left camp near Sutton. Our course was in the direction of Summersville in Nicholas County. Crossed birched river, making 20 miles today we encamped.

Thursday, 14.

We started this morning for Summerville and reached it by 12 O'clock. Crossed the Galla (Gauley) river where we encamped.

Friday, 15.

We are on the march again in the direction of Lewisburg in Greenbrier Co. Camped as soon as we found ground enough with grass on.

Saturday, 16.

Left camp at Meadow-bluf immediately after sunup and marched until 12 O'clock. Then encamped for the night 2 miles beyond Lewisburg.

Sunday, 17.

Left camp 2 miles beyond Lewisburg about 3 O'clock and arrived at the White Sulphur Springs at sundown. The distance 11.

Monday, 18.

Left White Sulphur Spring at 7 O'clock and arrived at

Calihan spring about 12 O'clock. The distance 10 miles and camped for the night.

Tuesday, 19.

Left camp before sunup. Arrived at the Hotsprings about 12 O'clock. The Reg. did not halt until we got to the Warmspring. Distance 27 miles, and went in camp for the night.

Wednesday, 20.

Left camp at 7 O'clock. March 28 miles without making halt. Camped for the night 4 miles from the Parkersburg road.

Thursday, 21.

This morning the Reg. moved off by 6 O'clock and arrived at Striplers Springs at 11 O'clock. Camped  $1\frac{1}{2}$  miles below Mt. Solon.

Friday, 22.

After breakfast the Reg. marched of. very brisk in the direct (direction?) of Harrisonburg passing Bridgewater and Dayton and reached there old camp below Harrisonburg about 11 O'clock.

Saturday, 23.

This morning at 9 O'clock we was ordered to pack up to moved camp. We march off at 11 O'clock and went into camp  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles above Harrisonburg on the Port Republic road.

Sunday, 24.

Myself and J. F. May got permission to go to our homes. We left camp at 8 O'clock and reach home  $\frac{1}{2}$  past 12 O'clock and ordered to proceed to the residence of W. L. Neff and bring him to camp at once.

Monday, 25.

I remained at home until 12 O'clock. Then started for camp. Arrived about sundown. I then found Capt. Sipe in camp and all the boys that was left at Lewisburg.

Tuesday, 26.

Remained in camp. Received my militia money of a downing. The amount was \$333.60 and paid \$33.60 for collecting.

Wednesday, 27.

In camp near Harrisonburg. Mustered in for pay at 5 O'clock A. M. I sent home with J. K. Ritchie one black mare place of the one I lost in the mountains.

Thursday, 28.

In camp. The company was paid off for the month of March and April. About 1 O'clock the company marched to headquarters and voted. The poles were open from 9 to 4 O'clock.

Friday, 29.

In camp near Harrisonburg. Left camp at 9 O'clock with permission to go home and return in 24 hours. Reached home at 4 O'clock and remained at home all night.

Saturday, 30.

Left home today at 12 O'clock. Met Mr. Jacob Filsmires in Timberville. We reached camp 1 mile above Harrisonburg about dusk.

Sunday, 31.

In camp near Harrisonburg. Performed 3 hours duty during the day and relieved at 6 O'clock. Myself and C. Bowman left camp at dusk with our horses and went to Mr. G. Bowmans and grazed nearly all night.

June, 1863.

Monday, 1.

Left camp near Harrisonburg at 6 O'clock. Arrived at Kieylens Store and grazed 2 hours. Camped for the night at Conrads Store. (Conrad's Store is now Elkton.)

Tuesday, 2.

6 O'clock this morning the Reg. moved off in the direction of Culpepper C. H. passed through Stanardsville about 12 O'clock and camped for the night 5 miles from Madison Court House.

Wednesday, 3.

Casper joined the company this morning. By daylight 5 miles from Madison C. H. The Reg. moved off at 6 O'clock crossing Roberson river and passed by Madison C. H. and camped for the night  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles S. W. of Culpepper.

Thursday, 4.

In camp today near Culpepper Courthouse. We are ordered to clean up our guns and sabres for inspection next day at 6 O'clock A. M.

Friday, 5.

After review returned to our old camp. This morning we left camp at 6 O'clock. Marched  $2\frac{1}{2}$  miles below Culpepper C. H. There was gen. review supposed to be 13000 Cavl. and attended by a great many citizen.

Saturday, 6.

This morning we were ordered to cook 3 days rations. At 4 O'clock in the afternoon we left camp 8 miles below Culpepper C. H. and encamped near Brandy Station.

Sunday, 7.

In camp 2 miles east of Brandy Station. Capts. Sipe and Capt. Ford & Lieut. Auburn was appointed to value the horses of this Regt. My horse a sarrel was valued \$617.00.

Monday, 8.

Today we had a general review of Stuarts Cavalry. Gen. Lee was present and reviewed the Cavalry. Gen. Lee is an aged man of about 65 (56) years of age, very pleasant appearance.

Tuesday, 9.

The enemy commenced crossing the river at Beverly's Ford early in the morning with a heavy force of Cavalry. Our Regt. charged them twice about 8 O.C. where St. Randolph, Polk Ritchie and Danl. Gowl was wounded. Charged 3 times more between the hours of 12 & 2 where Erasmus Myers was wounded.

Wednesday, 10.

Our Regt. ordered on picket. Our squadron is picketing

at Beverly's Ford. The enemy making no demonstration for crossing.

Thursday, 11.

Still on picket. The enemy very peaceable. The enemy picketing on the east side of the river and we on the west side.

Friday, 12.

Relieved from picket this morning about 10 O'clock A. M. Returned to our former camp. Yankees appeared to be very quiet.

Saturday, 13.

Orders this morning to be ready to march at sunrise. We took down towards Beverly's Ford, About a Regt. of Yankee Cavly crossed. They soon returned and we returned to camp about  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile above our former camp.

Sunday, 14.

Orders this morning to support the pickets. We took down the road  $1\frac{1}{2}$  mile below Brandy. Remained there till 3 O'clock. The Yankees did not cross the river. We then returned back to our former camp.

Monday, 15.

The 12th Reg. was held in reserve as grand guard  $\frac{1}{2}$  mile west from Brandy Station. No demonstration were made today by enemy. We were ordered to cook 3 days rations and be ready to march at moments warning.

Tuesday, 16.

This morning the Regt. marched off at sunup. We marched the distance of 15 miles. Camped for the night 1 mile north of Hazel River.

Wednesday, 17.

This morning the Regt. moved off in the direction of Water Lieu bridge. Crossed the Rappahannock river about 10 O'clock. Passed through Warrenton and then struck a N. W. direction. Camped 1 mile E. of Salem.



Thursday, 18.

This morning the brigade moved off by daylight in the direction of Upperville, Fauquier Co. After the Middleburg road we then struck for Snigersville. Marched till 12 O'clock in the night and raining. Camped near Bloomfield, Loudon Co.

Friday, 19.

Marched off this morning at 7 O'clock in the direction of Sniger Gap. After arriving to said gap the enemy advanced. Gen. Jones Brig. followed up in the direction of Allde. Camped at Uniontown. Raining all night.

Saturday, 20.

Our Regt. ordered on picket at Goose Creek 2 miles from Uniontown. The Yankees charged our pickets early in the morning.

Sunday, 21.

The enemy passing our picket posts in direction of Upperville. At 1 O. C. our brigade was ordered to Upperville. Arriving near Upperville we found the enemy in large force. Our brigade at once charged them but failed in driveing the enemy. Camped in Ashby near Paris Gap.

Monday, 22.

The Cavalry marched off this morning at 8 O. C. from Ashbys Gap. Our brigade moved along the right of the pike. The enemy retreating rapidly. We pursued them below Middleburg without any engagement. Our brigade moved back to Rector's cross roads and encamped.

Tuesday, 23.

This morning Jones brigade moved in the direction of Snigersville. The 12th Regt. was ordered on picket at the Pothouse. Our reserve camped near Uniontown. The enemy appeared before our pickets past today.

Wednesday, 24.

This morning our Regt. was relieved and moved off before sunup. We met the brigade at Snigersville. The 12th Regt. was then ordered to Charlestown on picket. We came

through Snigers Gap. We reached Charlestown about 4 O'clock and occupied our old stand where we camped last fall.

Thursday, 25.

On picket below Charlestown. The Yankees come to our line the second time with a flag of truce. Gen. Hills division crossed the Potomac river today.

Friday, 26.

Still remaining on picket. No demonstrations were made yet. 8 citizens came to our lines today. Reported there was Yanks on the Maryland hights.

Saturday, 27.

On picket near Halltown. The Yankees extended there pickets on Boliware. Also reported Slocums Core. Marched on the Maryland Hights yesterday. Crossed the Potomac at the point rocks.

Sunday, 28.

Still on picket on the Charlestown and Harpers Ferry road. It is reported the Yankees are leaveing the Maryland Hights, moving in the direction of Sharpsburg.

Monday, 29.

This morning we extended our pickets opposite Haultown. About 12 O'clock the Yankees appeared in front of our post. Fired several shots. Our pickets returned the fire.

Tuesday, 30.

This morning at 4 O'clock Ad. Harman & Lieut. Baylor with 60 men made a dash into Harpersferry. Captured 1 Lieut. & 21 privates horses and equipments and killed 2. Our com. still remained on picket.

July, 1863.

Wednesday, 1.

This morning at 10 O'clock our company was relieved from picket by Capt. Fords company. We then reported to the Regt. 3 miles above Charlestown on the Berryville road. Daniel Garber started to Rockingham this evening.

Thursday, 2.

In camp 3 miles from Charlestown. At 3 O'clock the news came the Yankees left Harpersferry and the Maryland Hights. Capts. Sipe, Grandstaff and Ad. Harman went to the ferry this evening.

Friday, 3.

All the companys ware out of camp excepting Comps. H & K. Some ware on picket. Others on a scout & some plundering. 8 or 10 men of Company H ware on the same expedition.

Saturday, 4.

Our company & Co. K left camp at 7 O'clock. Ordered to Maryland to cut oats. A portion of the Co. went on a scout as far as Burlin. Returned and camped at Halltown.

Sunday, 5.

This morning our company left camp near Halltown to return to the Regiment. We met Captain Woodard and his train. We ware then ordered back to the ferry to load up and to camp this evening. Arrived about 6 O'clock.

Monday, 6.

Yesterday evening the Yankees approached the ferry numbering 300. Burnt the ridge. Moved camp today 1 mile N. W. of Charlestown. The Reg. left camp at 7 O'clock. went to Halltown and remained there till 1 O'clock, then returned to camp.

Tuesday, 7.

In camp on the Smithfield road 1 mile from Charlestown. Today the Yankees came to Harpersferry and Maryland Hights. With considerable force Cavalry, infantry and artillery fired on our picket but did not cross the river.

Wednesday, 8.

Silas Holsing started home today. In camp as mention day previous. Raining very fast in the morning. After it quit raining heavy canonading in the direction of Sharpsburg, Maryland.

Thursday, 9.

Our company was ordered to Martinsburg. Left camp at 5 O'clock and marched several miles beyond Leetown and camped for the night.

Friday, 10.

Marched of. this morning 7 O'clock and arrived at Martinsburg at 9 O'clock, then ordered to picket the Tuscarra & Hedgesville roads.

Saturday, 11.

Relieved from picket tody and ordered to camp near Charlestown. Left Martinsburg at 5 O'clock and got to camp at about 9 O'clock in the night.

Sunday, 12.

In camp near Charlestown and been on duty. No news from Lee's army today. Branson Grandstaff joined the company today. Also Buck Fitch.

Monday, 13.

In camp and raining nearly all day. Half past five O'clock Co. H and C ware ordered on picket at Ashbeys Gap. We marched till 11 O. C. in the night and camped near Millwood, the distance of 16 miles.

Tuesday, 14.

In hands of enemy near Millwood. Marched to Berry's Ferry. Remained there few hours and returned to Reg. Got to camp at 5 O'clock. Our Regt. was engaged today. Col. Hamen was mortally wounded and left in the . . . .

Wednesday, 15.

In camp near Charlestown. This morning our Regt. joined the brigade at Charlestown. Skirmishing commenced at 8 O'clock near Halltown. Our skirmishers fell back within 1 mile of Charlestown. Gen. Jones then ordered up the artillery and the 12th, 6, 7, 11 Regt. ware there and drove the Yankees back to Halltown.

Thursday 16.

Today our Regt. was relieved from picket by the 11th Regt. and then returned to camp at Rippen 4 miles from

Charlestown on the Berryville road. Today Gen. F. Lee brigade fought the Yankees near Shepherdstown. Drove them back.

Friday, 17.

This morning the 12th Regt. is ordered to Leetown. Gen. F. Lee brigade left camp about 8 O'clock. Arrived at Leetown 11 O'clock. 2 O'clock we returned to camp at Rippen.

Saturday, 18.

This morning the 12th Regt. been ordered blow (below) Charlestown to support the pickets. At 4 O'clock P. M. our Regt. relieved the pickets of the 7th Regt.

Sunday, 19.

Today Co. A, B, G. & H. were kept in reserve while the other companies were on picket. 5 O'clock P. M. our Regt. was relieved by the 11th Regt.

Monday, 20.

In camp at Rippen. The men were ordered to have their horses shod today. All the wagons of Regt. were turned over to the Brigade excepting a few.

Tuesday, 21.

This morning the 12th Regt. went on picket. Left camp at Rippen at 7 O'clock. Company H picketed at Keeses Ford. Before leaving camp P. Holsinger was accidentally shot in the leg.

Wednesday 22.

Still remaining on picket at Keeses Ferry. This morning the Yankees posted their pickets on the opposite of the river. The pickets are in speaking distance.

Thursday, 23.

This morning we left our picket post at Keeses Ford by sunup. Then fell back to Rippen. At 3 O'clock P. M. Company H. & C. went on picket. Our line extended from Rippen to the Martinsburg road.

Friday, 24.

Remaining on picket today 5 miles from Charlestown.

Occupying the same position as day before. At 9½ O'clock we ordered to fall back and join the Regt. where it may be. We did not get to it until 8 O. in the evening at the 4 mile house Shenandoah County. Casper is left back with squad of men from the Co.

Saturday, 25.

This morning our whole army is moving up the valley. At 5 O'clock P. M. myself, Casper J. May, S. Bowman, S. Ryman and Mr. Massa left the Regt. at Edinburg. Permitted to go home. We approached at 11 O'clock.

Sunday, 26.

Left home this morning at 6½ O'clock. Arrived Newmarket at 9 O'clock. We then crossed the mountain and fell with the Regt. in Page Valley at the south river. Camped for the night on the Hocksville 2 miles from Liewray.

Monday, 27.

This morning Jones Brigade moved off at 7 O'clock in the direction of Sperrville where we approached at 5 O. P. M. Camped for the night 1½ miles from Sperrville on the Culpepper road. Gen. Ewel Core was camped near this place.

Tuesday, 28.

This morning we marched off in the direction of Culpepper C. H. passing through Woodville and crossed the Hazel river. Reached Culpepper at 1 O'clock P. M. the distance of 20 miles. This evening the 12th Regt. ordered on picket on the Rectorsville road.

Wednesday, 29.

In camp 4 miles below (below) Culpepper. All laying about and drying their clothes from rain evening before. No news of importance. Everything seems to be quiet. Jones brigade moved below . . . .

Thursday, 30.

This morning the 12th Regt. was ordered to support the pickets. We were kept 1 mile in rear as reserve. The 7 Regt. are picketing today. All quiet along the lines.

Friday, 31.

Today the 12th Regt. were held as grandguard from 8 O'clock A. M. to 4 O'clock P. M. Returned to camp.

(To be continued)

## GRATEFUL ACKNOWLEDGMENT

On September 1, 1947, Mrs. Edwin A. Hering of Harrisonburg sent to the Society her check for ten dollars to be used as the Executive Committee deems most appropriate in forwarding the work and objectives of the Society. This timely gift is sincerely appreciated and will be handled with due consideration. Mrs. Hering for years has been president of the Turner Ashby Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, is a charter member and trustee of our Society, and has been most active and successful in enlisting the interest of her friends in the work of the Society and in adding to its membership. She has a deep and abiding interest in local history as well as in everything that pertains to the War Between the States and the notable men and women connected therewith.

## BOB RUSSELL'S SCHOOL REPORTS

Recently Mr. Robert E. L. Russell of Baltimore has presented to the Society a number of old school report cards, mounted on stout sheets of uniform size and bound in a handsome book cover. These cards are printed forms on which Bob's scholastic grades in the Harrisonburg Graded School from 1885 to 1891 are reported. They were preserved by Bob's mother, Mrs. Louella Gaines Russell. For the first couple of years the principals signing the reports were W. W. Robertson and C. E. Kregloe, in this order; then for most of the time the cards were signed only by the teachers; but the last one is signed by C. E. Barglebaugh, principal. The teachers signing, successively, from first to last, were the following: Fannie Conrad, Annie T. Shands, Gussie Patterson, E. Strayer, Mary L. Conrad, and Mary Chrisman. It may be remarked, incidentally, that Bob's grades were excellent.

MEN FROM ROCKINGHAM COUNTY  
AND HARRISONBURG WHO LOST THEIR LIVES  
IN WORLD WAR II

Copied from the Official List in the County-City Clerk's Office.

## KIA—Killed in Action.

Adkins, Robert Lee, staff sergeant	KIA
Andes, Paul Driver	KIA
Andes, Roy Harold, 2d lieut.	Accident
Armentrout, Layton Clifton	KIA
Armstrong, Marion J., 1st lieut.	Accident
Baker, Hensel Wright, Jr., Sergeant	KIA
Bassford, Joseph H., sergeant	Illness
Bennett, Samuel Thornton	Accident
Berry, Charles J.	KIA
Billhimer, Hiram Walter	Accident
Blackburn, Beverley Sydnor, 2d lieut.	KIA
Blackburn, John Francis, Jr., 2d lieut.	KIA
Blankenship, Walter Roudolph	KIA
Blosser, Lee Roy	KIA
Bowman, Thomas Newton, 1st lieut.	KIA
Boyers, Milton A., staff sergeant	KIA
Branum, William H., 1st lieut.	KIA
Carrier James E., staff sgt.	Illness in Japanese prison camp
Claybrook, Clarence Andrew, lieut. (navy)	Illness
Click, David H., sergeant	KIA
Coffman, Franklin W., corporal	KIA
Compton, Lloyd G., 2d lieut.	Accident
Cratin, Willard Joseph, technical sergeant	KIA
Crawford, Griffin Burns (Negro), steward's mate	KIA
Crider, William L.	KIA
Cromer, Ernest E.	KIA
Cupp, Orville L.	KIA
Curry, Dee Lloyd, sergeant	KIA
Davis, Cecil B., sergeant	KIA
Dean, George Gilbert, Jr.	KIA
Dean, Raymond Miller	KIA
Dean, Stanley R.	Illness
Donovan, Gladstone W.	KIA

Earman, Elwood W., corporal	KIA
Earman, John Miller, 1st lieut.	KIA
Eastham, Kenna Granville, colonel	Illness
Flick, Fred Wilbert	KIA
Forren, Walter A.	KIA
Fravel, Marcus Lanier, fireman 1/c	KIA
Fulk, Forrest E., sergeant	KIA
Garber, Richard Lynwood	KIA
Gardner, Harry C., master sergeant	Accident
Gaynor, Clayton Cook	KIA
Getz, Owen Monroe	KIA
Gibson, Carl F.	KIA
Good, Benjamin R.	KIA
Gooden, Frank W.	KIA
Gooden, Leonard Douglas, seaman 2/c	KIA
Gooden, Ray C., staff sergeant	KIA
Gooden, Statten Henry, Jr., flight officer (army)	KIA
Harmon, Winston Winsboro, technical sergeant	Accident
Harrison, Jacob L., corporal	KIA
Hausenflook, Luther Allen, Jr., captain	KIA
Heatwole, Dwight Everette, staff sergeant	KIA
Hering, Robert Taylor, lt. colonel	KIA
Hilbert, Waldo B.	KIA
Hodge, Herman Leonard, sergeant	KIA
Hodges, Calvin T.	KIA
Hogshead, Ray Edward	KIA
Holsinger, Lawrence M.	KIA
Hoover, Franklin Flory, sergeant	KIA
Howdyshell, Wilbert L.	KIA
Huffman, Boyd Winston, corporal	KIA
Hughes, Walden Allen, staff sergeant	KIA
Hummel, Richard Malcolm, technician	KIA
Kersh, Edgar Orlin, 1st lieut.	KIA
Kibler, Virgil D.	KIA
Kiser, George C.	KIA
Kite, Francis C.	KIA
Knighten, Woodrow W.	KIA
Knupp, Orville Lee	KIA
Knupp, Robert G., Jr.	KIA
Koch, Robert Glenn, seaman 1/c	Illness
Kyger, Lewis Cleveland, fireman 2/c	KIA
Lam, Millard H.	KIA
Landes, Ray W.	KIA
Leap, Carl, sergeant	KIA

Lee, Carl D., staff sergeant	KIA
Lipscomb, Henry Powell	KIA
Logan, John R., III, corporal	KIA
McDaniel, John W.	KIA
McDonaldson, Conrad M.	KIA
Mcadows, Harold V., corporal	KIA
Miller, Charles Clifton, staff sergeant	KIA
Miller, Edwin Kenneth	KIA
Miller, Paul H.	Illness in Japanese prison camp
Moubray, Ted F., staff sergeant	KIA
Myers, Benjamin Allen, technical sgt.	
Myers, Edgar Rudolph	KIA
Neff, Dwight Lee, corporal	KIA
Neff, Paul O., sergeant	KIA
Painter, Edwin Douglas, merchant seaman	KIA
Piner, Clarence Weslcy, corporal	
Pirkey, Weldon A.	KIA
Prichard, Benjamin Wilson, corporal	KIA
Propst, Charles E., staff sergeant	KIA
Raines, Joseph Philip, seaman 1/c	Accident
Reid, Grover Hampton, sergeant	Accident
Rhodes, Jacob Clarke, sergeant	KIA
Riggleman, Earmin Dow, sergeant	
Rinaca, Ben H., sergeant	KIA
Roach, George W.	KIA
Rodgers, Herbert N.	KIA
Royer, Marvin Nelson	KIA
Sager, William J.	KIA
Settles, Durwood Chestlee, 2d lieut.	KIA
Shank, Otho M.	KIA
Shank, William Winston, 1st lieut.	KIA
Sherman, Nathan G.	KIA
Shifflett, Ernest R.	KIA
Shirkey, Owen E.	KIA
Showalter, Gabriel Hugh, corporal	KIA
Strole, Trenton Atwood, sergeant	KIA
Stroop, Biedler W., sergeant	Accident
Trobaugh, Clark Lester, Jr., corporal	KIA
Trobaugh, George D.	KIA
Tuckson, Lawrence (Negro), staff sgt.	Accident

Wampler, Woodrow W., sergeant	KIA
Warble, Lawrence Lenwood	KIA
Way, Marlin W.	KIA
Weaver, Raymond H., sergeant	Accident
Whetzel, Russel F.	KIA
White, Benjamin F., Jr.	KIA
Will, Gilmour M., Jr., staff sergeant	KIA
Williams, Miller	KIA
Wood, Homer Andrew	KIA

FOR THOSE AT HOME AND ABROAD  
WHO PRIZE PEACE AND SECURITY  
IN A LAND OF LIBERTY  
THEY DIED

#### A WORD TO RESEARCHERS

If you are in need of atlases, local or family histories, write the Rockingham County Historical Society, Harrisonburg, Va. We can probably aid you in procuring atlases of Augusta, Page, Rockingham, and Shenandoah, histories of these and other counties, and family histories of the Beerys, Bowmans, Funks, Harrisons, Lincolns, Stricklers, Washingtons, Wengers, and other families.

The address of Mrs. Nela Raines Mower has recently been changed from 1955 Benedict Circle, St. Albans, W. Va., to 1631½ E. Washington Street, Charleston, W. Va.

Mrs. John B. Ray, in a communication of November 11, 1947, gave her address as 2316 W. 17th Street, Wilmington, Del. It was formerly 3211 Van Buren Street, in the same city.

## YANKTON IN SHENANDOAH

By W. O. Mowbray

About the year 1880 a satellite of one of the New England constellations of stars dropped into the town of Broadway, Rockingham County, Virginia, from the little state of Connecticut. His name was E. D. Root and subsequent events proved that he was a valuable asset to any community in which he chose to cast his lot. It soon became whispered around at women's afternoon teas, at men's business meetings, and by street corner sages that this Mr. Root was worth a million dollars and was looking for an investment. Excitement soon reached fever heat and many were the dreams of great industries and sudden and fabulous wealth of the citizens.

Four miles to the west of Broadway is Cootes Store, located at a great water gap where the North Fork of the Shenandoah breaks through North Mountain. This is one of the points designated as the site of one of the Great Power Dams—a contributing cause of nightmares to Senator Norris—and is a gateway to the National Forest area of Virginia. Inside the gateway is a great stretch of arable region known as Brocks Gap. At the date of the advent of Mr. Root, much of it was covered by virgin forest. Thither he wended his way and purchased thousands of acres of forest land. His next step was the founding of the town of Yankton by settlers from his native state of Connecticut. Prominent among these settlers were Austin Hyde, Dr. Clutteur and Capt. Hall, who was a polished English gentleman of rank.

Mr. Root built a palatial residence in Broadway and established a weekly newspaper "The Broadway Enterprise" with Capt. Hall as manager. Soon an army of woodmen were put to work transforming the forest into building material. Transporting the finished product a distance of ten miles on horse-drawn vehicles over dirt roads was a stupendous task and contributed in a large measure to the final collapse of the undertaking. Today a magnificent highway connects the town of Broadway with her sister town of Petersburg, W. Va. The depopulated lumber town of Yankton, near by the highway, has fallen into decay, whilst U. S. Forest Rangers from their observation towers, keep vigil over the ashes of the dreams of a man of vision and wealth. And yet a certain school of philosophers will attempt to demonstrate to the world that there is no such thing as "luck."

The great financial panic of 1893 came with terrific force and Mr. Root's business enterprises were caught in the vortex of the financial under-current. The wheels of industry

creaked on their spindles, slowed down gradually and then come to a standstill. Mr. Root collected a few of the fragmentary remains of his fortune and located in another section of the state. Austin Hyde who had married a lady of one of the First Families of Va. (F.F.V.), a daughter of Dr. John Cootes, returned to his native state of Connecticut with his family and after his death a few years later, his widow and children returned to Virginia. Capt. Hall located elsewhere and finis was written upon the story of the Yankton Empire in Virginia.

### A ROYAL GRANT

On June 29, 1947, Mr. A. C. Finter of Stanley, Va., a charter member of the Society, made a gift of the royal grant, nicely framed, issued on May 12, 1759, to Valentine Sevier, for 290 acres in Long Meadows, then in Augusta County, now in Rockingham. The grant is signed by Francis Fauquier and was issued under authority of King George II. The boundaries of the tract are described as follows: "Beginning at three pines Corner to Thomas Moors Land on the north side of the north Fork of the long Meadow and running thence south thirty eight Degrees West Two hundred and seventy six poles to Two pines and south Eleven Degrees East two hundred & Eighty poles to a Black oak on the Top of a Ridge North Twenty two Degrees East four hundred and sixty five Poles to or near a line of Thomas Moors Land and North West eighty poles to the Beginning."

The consideration was a small sum of money, indistinct, and "the importation of four persons to Dwell within this our said Colony and Dominion whose names are William Fults, Barnaby Cahil, Margaret Clan, and Isabella Gibbons."

The first name may be William Fulter, the third Margaret Clore, or something else. The other two are plain, as given above.

Several years prior to 1759 Valentine Sevier (his name is spelled Sevear in the grant) had established a tavern on the main trail at or near the site of the present village of Tenth Legion. The tract herein conveyed to him was two or three miles northwest in the Long Meadows, at or near his old home, where his son John, later famous, had been born in 1745.

## THIRD INSTALMENT FROM THE FIRST MINUTE BOOK OF ROCKINGHAM COUNTY COURT

At a Court contd & held for Rockingham County Tuesday 25th Day of May 1779

Present

Daniel Smith	Abraham Smith
William Mcdowell	Anto Reader
Reuben Harrison	John Fitzwater
Isaac Hankle	Michael Coger
Geo Boswell	James Dyer
John Davis	Jno Thomas
Wm Herring	Benja Harrison

Gent Justices

Josiah Davisson Gent: being appointed Collector of the Taxes for the ensuing Year entered into Bond with Security for the due Collection &c of the same.

Ruddle vs Johnston PC  
 Same vs same PC  
 Fowler vs Campble A—A—  
 Stunkard vs Mullen agd  
 Breedings vs Fulk & Oler time for Bill  
 Alderson vs Murray Bill & Time  
 Sellers vs Doolen PC  
 Monsey vs Vanpelt time for Answer  
 Dillings vs Milsops Bill & Time  
 Boyles vs Hewit plea jd  
 Brock vs Williams plea jd  
 Baker vs Miller by plt dismiss  
 Miller vs Baker contd : on plea  
 vs McNeil  
 Conrad vs Keisel J:W:E:  
 Powers vs Harper N:G: contd  
 vs same N:G: contd  
 Brewster vs Hansberger nonsuit  
 Monsey vs Lincoln contd for awd  
 White vs Smith J:W:E:  
 Smith vs Copland NG contd  
 Morris vs Smith agd  
 Shanklen vs Chissum agd: Def:s Costs

Foaland vs Humbles Att: & time for  
 Bill vs Conrod wt procla vs Michael  
 Beal vs Pitner J W E  
 Fudge vs Bush J W E  
 Lincoln vs Monsey contd: for Awd  
 Huston vs Henderson PC  
 Rodgers vs Wood P C  
 Price vs Runckle J W E  
 Commonwealth vs Ramboe Judt  
 Williams vs Fariss P C  
 Vance vs Kyser agd  
 Erwine vs Shull P C  
 Kyser vs Vance agd  
 vs same agd  
 Branders vs Burns A P C  
 Commonwealth vs Davis fined  
 vs Vance cleared from Fine paying Costs  
 vs Peninger N G jd  
 vs Owe N G jd  
 vs Curtner N G jd  
 vs Shipp [?] contd  
 Crow vs Cravens Bill and Time  
 Huston vs Stevenson's Exers Bill & Time  
 Smith vs Humble C O  
 Smith & Ux vs Megart A C  
 Forsythe vs Bear agd  
 Petitions  
 Timberlake vs Dever contd Deft

The following Process returned from Augusta not served to this Court agreeable to the Act of Assembly viz

Graham Qm vs Smith Debt  
 Skidmore vs Aberman Case  
 Hite vs Bumgardner peto  
 Bowyer vs Denniston peto  
 vs Eaker peto

Ordered that the necessary Process issue on the said Suits

Michl Coger Gent is appointed to take the List of Tithables in his own Company William Nalle to take the List in Capt Frasser's Company George Boswell in Capt Rush's Company, Wm Herring in Capt Hewits & Capt Cravens Company Gawen Hamilton in his own Company, Henry Ewing in Capt Baxter's Company, John Thomas in Lincoln's Company John Fitzwater in Capt Baggs Anto Reader in Capt Ruddles Company William McDowell in Capt Birds Company, Daniel Smith in Capt. Smiths Company, James Dyer in Capt Davis's Company, & Isaac Hanckle in Capt Johnstons Company.

present Gawen Hamilton, Henry Ewing

Robt Davis Gent: took the Oath of a Justice of the peace & the Oath of a Justice of Oyer & Terminer & of a Justice in the County Court in Chancery which is ordered to be certified. present Robt Davis

Henry Lung the other Exer of the last Will & Testament of Henry Lung deceased having refused to take upon himself the Execution of the Will & Barbara the sd Widow having relinquished her right to the Administration the same is granted to Michl Coger Gent with the Will annexed who having entd into Bond wi Security & made Oath according to Law Certifi is granted him

Ordered that Jacob Bear Jacob Myer William Kite & Henry Null or any 3 of them being first sworn do appraise the sd: Estate

John Bowman is appointed Overseer of the Road in the room of John Bear O that the usual Tithables work under him.

James McVey is appointed Overseer of the Road from Archd Hopkin's Mill to Nehemiah Harrison's O that the Tithables within 2 miles on each side of the road work under him.

John Herdman being summoned to answer the presentment of the grand Jury against him & it appearing that he was Overseer of another Road Ordered on his motion that the fine be remitted

Robt: Cravens is appointed Guardian to Robt: Cravens an Infant Orphan & heir at Law of John Cravens deced to defend a Suit brot agt him by Jno: Crow in Cha

Marshal vs Gustard left to the Arbitra of Abram Smith Danl Smith John Thomas & John Fitzwater whose Award to be the Jud' of Court

Owern vs Rutherford submitted to Abraham Smith Robt Cravens & Reuben Harrison whose decd to be the Jud' of Court

Henry peninger Henry Stone his Security severally acknowledged themselves indebted unto Patrick Henry Esq the Gov the sd peninger in the Sum of one Thousand pound & the said Stone in the Sum of five hundred pounds of their Lands & to the said Pat Henry & his Successors rendered yet upon this Condition that if the said Henry peninger shall make his personal Appearance at the Court to be held for this County in Aug next & shall not depart without leave of the Court then the above recognizance to be void.

Christo Owe & Henry Stone his security severally acknowledged themselves indebted to Pat Henry Esq Govr the said Christopher in the Sum of one Thousand pounds & the said Henry in the Sum of five hundred pounds of their respective Lands & Tenements Goods & Chattels to



be levied & to the said Govr & his Successors rendered Yet upon this Condition that if the said Christo Owe shall personally appear at the Court to be held for this County in Augt next & shall not depart without Leave of the Court then this recognizance to be void

Anto Curtner & Henry Stone severally acknowledged themselves indebted to Pat Henry Esqr: Govr: the said Anto in the Sum of one Thous pounds & the said Henry in five hundred pounds of their respective Lands &c to be levied & to the said Govr & his Successors rendered Yet upon this Condo: that if the said Anto: Curtner shall personally appear at the Court to be held for this County in Augt: next & shall not depart without leave of the Court then the above recognizance to be void

Deeds of L. & Release from Gerard Erwine & Elizabeth his Wife to John Givens was proved by the Witnesses as to the said Gerard & O to be recorded.

The last Will & Testament of Anto Lewis was further proved by Ann Denniston another of the Witnesses thercto & O to be recorded And William Campbell one of the Executors therein named having entered into Bond & made Oath according to Law Certificate is granted him.

Order'd that William Campbell Andrew Shankland William Morris & Andrew Hudlow or any three of them being first sworn do appraise the said Estate.

Order'd that Ralph Loftus pay Samuel Dunn for 3 Days Attendance as a Witness vs Erwine, Jacob Piercey 3 Days Geo Piercy 3 Days . . . Jacob Malcolm 3 Days & coming & returning 16 miles, Thos King 3 Days Elizabeth Shipman 3 Days Thos McDowell 3 Days John McVey 3 Days Cat McVey 3 Days Edwd Weldon 3 Days Jno Craford 3 Days Hugh Dever 3 Days Thos Fulton 3 Days Jno Fulton 3 Days Wm Chesnut 2 Days Mary Murray 3 Days Gawen Hamilton 3 Days, Dan'l Smith 3 Days Abraham Smith 3 Days

On a Majority of the Justices being present & conformable to a Resolution of the Court in March last, for fixing a place for the Court house the several Members having proposed three different places a Majority were for fixing it on the plantation of Thomas Harrison near the head of the Spring.

Joseph Hall is appointed Constable in the room of Elliot Rutherford O that he be sumd to swear in

On the motion of Wm Greg Orderd that the Church Wardens bind out Mary Gregg Orphan of Thos Greg until she comes of Age to the sd William

On the Moto of Adam Butt Orderd that Catherine Cloverfield Orphan of Jno. Cloverfield be bound by the Church Wardens to the sd Butt until she comes of Age

Deeds from Gerard Erwine & Wife to John Givens was produced in Court & offered to be proved by the Witnesses thereto whereupon the sd Gerard Erwine by his Attorney objected to their being proved alledging they were fraudulently obtained & moved that Witnesses might be examined as to the Manner in which they were obtained on which the Court went into the Examination of several Witnesses on hearing of which they were of Opinion that the Deeds should be admitted to record

Ordered that Benja. Harrison & Henry Ewing Gent examine & settle the Estate Acco of Alexr Herring deced

John Davis William McDowell & Jno. Fitzwater & Benj Harrison Gent are appointed Commissioners to let out the building of a Courthouse of Stone 36 feet Long by 26 in Breadth one story or 12 feet in high with a partition at one End twelve feet wide to be devided into two Jury Rooms with two Angle fire places in each of the Jury Rooms as also a prison built with square Logs 12 In. thick in inside, 18 feet Square in the Clear & walled with Stone 2 feet thick in the lower Story & the Wall 18 Inches thick in the upper Story.

Ordered that the Court be adjourned till the Court in Course

Daniel Smith

At a Court held for Rockingham County Monday the 28th June 1779

Present

Daniel Smith	Abraham Smith )	Gent: Justices
Henry Ewing	Benja Harrison )	
Gawen Hamilton	John Thomas )	

Deeds of L. & Release were acknowledged by Andrew Shankland to James Gilmore & O to be recorded

On the Motion of Peter Shaver Ordered that the Church Wardens bind out Alexr Huston a base born Child untill he comes of Age to said Peter Shaver to learn the Trade of a Shoemaker.

Tunis Vanpelt & Margaret his Wife she being first privily examined acknowledged their Deed of Bargain & Sale to Holton Monsey O to be recorded

Milderberger Exer of Sybert vs Henry Reburn Atta: ret'd: agd

John Fowler vs Chas Campbell Joseph Smith Spl Bail Comisns for the privy Examina of Chas Daillys & Philip Daillys Wife to John Hunter & Jacob Trumbo being ret: & O to be recorded

Appraismt: of William Shankler's Estate ret'd. & O to be recorded

Thomas Bryan acknowledged his Deed of B & Sale to Holton Monsey & O to be recorded

Josiah Davidson Esqr the present Sheriff being called on to undertake the Collection of the taxes for this present Year, refused the same by which he is deprived of his Office agreeable to the Act to explain & amend the Acts for providing a Supply of Money for publick Exigencies the Court proceeded to nominate another person to the Office of Sheriff & thereupon unanimously voted that Abraham Smith Jno Gratten & Geo. Boswell Esqr. be recommended to his Excellency the Governor to serve in that Office.

Knox vs Bear Geo Keisel Spl Bl:

Bill of Sale from Jno Riley to Wm. Campbell proved by Josuah Davidge one of the Witness & O to lye for further proof.

O that the Sheriff pay John Poage his accot: for running the Devission Line between this County and hampshire out of the Depositum in his Hands

O that Abraham Smith Esq hire an Express to send down the recommendation of Sheriffs to his Excellency the Govr: & that the Expense be paid by the Sheriff out of the Depositum in his hands.

Thomas Harrison & Sarah his wife (she being first privily examined) acknowledged their Deed of Bar: & Sale to Godfrey Haga O: to be recorded

Jacob Nicholas & Barbara his Wife she being first privily examined acknowledged their Deed of Bar: & Sale to Godfrey Haga O to be recorded

The Commissioners appointed to let the building of the Courthouse & Jayl are empowered to choose a Spot not less than two Acres for the public Buildings & take Deeds for the same in the Name of the Justices & their Successors for the Use of the County from Thos Harrison the proprietor together with the Liberty of Stone & Timber from the sd Harrisons plantation for the said Buildings.

Ordered that the Court be adjourned to the Court in Course.

Daniel Smith

At a Court held for Rockingham County Monday the 26th Day of July 1779

Present

Danl: Smith  
Henry Ewing  
John Fitzwater

Abraham Smith  
William Mc:dowell  
Benja: Harrison

A Commission from under the hand of his Excellency Thos. Jefferson Esq dated the xvij Day of July Instant directed to Abraham Smith Gent to be Sheriff for the County of Rockingham was produced & read in Court whereupon the said Abraham Smith with John Gratten Henry Ewing John Hinton David Rolston George Chrisman Francis Kirtly &

Jesse Harrison his Securities entered into Bond & was sworn into the Office of Sheriff

Gawen Hamilton & William Smith took the Oath of Deputy Sheriffs which is order'd to be certified

The last Will & Testament of Francis Hughes deced was proved by the Oaths of Abraham Bird & Isaac Runnion two the Wits: & admitted to Record Whereupon Aaron Hughes the Exer therein named having entd into Bond with Security & was sworn according to Law & Certificate is granted him &c

O that George Ruddell Robt: Rutherford Nicholas Cairn & Christo Painter or any three being first sworn do appraise the sd Estate

On the Complaint of Daniel Wierback Orphan of . . . . for bad usage ordered that Henry Collier his Master be summoned to the next Court to answer the sd Complaint

Francis McBride being taken by Warrant for speaking Words disrespectfull to the Government & present Constitution & examined before the Court & Witnesses examined as to the premises it is the Opinion of the Court that the said Mc:bride be bound to appear at the grand Jury Court to be held for this County in November next himself in the Sum of one Thousand pound wt two Securities in the Sum of five hundred pounds each

Whereupon the sd Francis Mc:bride wt James Colhoon & Geo Chrisman his Securities severally acknowledged themselves indebted to Thomas Jefferson Esqr Governor the said Francis McBride in the Sum of one Thousand pounds and the sd James Colhoon & George Chrisman in the Sum of five hundred pounds each of their respective Lands & Tenements Goods & Chattels to be levied & to the sd Governor & his Successors rendered Yet upon this Condition that if the sd Francis McBride shall personally appear at the grand Jury Court to be held for this County in Novr next & shall not depart without leave of the Court then the above Recognizance to be void

John Brown James Floyd John Hinton severally acknowledged themselves indebted to his Excellency Thomas Jefferson Esq Governor &c in the Sum of one hundred pounds each of their respective Lands & Tenements Goods & Chattels to be levied & to the said Governor and his Successors rendered Yet upon this Condition that if the said John Brown James Floyd & Ester Hinton Wife of sd John Hinton shall personally appear & give Evidence at the grand Jury Court to be held in Novr next on behalf of the Commonwealth agt Francis McBride then the above recognizance to be void

The last Will & Testament of George Zimmerman als Carpenter decd was returned into Court & proved by the Witnesses thereto whereupon Ann Zimmerman George Zim-

merman & Adam Zimmerman the Executors therein named having entered into Bond wt: Security & made Oath according to Law Certificate is granted them

Ordered that Joseph Rutherford junr James Laird Felix Gilbert & James Brewster or any three being first sworn do appraise the sd Estate

Ordered that the Sheriff pay James Butcher for going & returning from Wmsburg Express for the Sheriffs Commission Ninety pounds out of the Depositum in his hands

Henry Ewing Gent returned his List of Tithables

Ordered that the Court be adjourned till the Court in Course

Daniel Smith

At a Court held for Rockingham County on Monday the 23d: Day of Augt: 1779

Present

Daniel Smith

Reuben Harrison

William Nalle

George Boswell

Isaac Hankle

Thomas Hewitt

Isaac Hankle Gent: retd: his List of Tithables.

Daniel Smith Gent: retd: his List of Tithables

Estis & Long to Boswell privy Examina retd & O to be recorded.

Report of the Viewers appointed to view the Lane between Handel Vance & John Kyser retd & O to be recorded

Deed of Bargain & Sale from Jno Poage & Mary his Wife Thos. Poage & Amy his Wife to Valentine Seftall was proved by the Witness's as to the sd John & Thomas Poage & O for Ded to examine Mary & Ann their Wives

Geo Boswell Gent retd his List of Tithables

Deed of Bar & Sale from David Ralstone & Ann his Wife she being first privily examined were acknowledged to Robert Mathews & O to be recorded

Jacob Copeland & Ann his Wife she being first privily examined acknowledged their Deed of Bar. & Sale to Robt Mathews O to be recorded

Sebastian Marts acknowledged his Deed of Barg: & Sale to Thomas More O to be recorded

L & Release from Robt Scott & Martha his Wife to Philip Armbrister was proved by the Witnesses & privy Examina of the sd Martha returned & O to be recorded w the sd Deeds

Willm Nalle Gent returned his List of Tithables

Michael Coger Gent: returned his List of Tithables

present John Davis & Robt Davidson Gent

Nathaniel Scott acknowledged his Deed of Barg. & Sale to Daniel Fraley & on the Motion of Andrew Hudlow O to be recorded

Gawen Hamilton Gent retd his List of Tithables

John Harrison & Elizabeth his Wife she being first privily examined acknowledged their Deed of Barg & Sale to John Warren O to be recorded

Thomas Harrison & Sarah his Wife she being first privily examined acknowledged their Deed of Barg: & Sale to Jno Warren O to be recorded

Thomas Hewitt Gent retd: his List of Tithables

Deeds of L & Release from Adam Shearman & Catherine his Wife to Peter Roller were proved by Geo Boswell & Thos: Hewitt two of the Wits & O to be certified

Henry Peninger having made Informa: that Gerard Erwine propagated some News tending to raise Tumults & Seditions in the State it is the Opinion of the Court that he be bound over to the grand Jury Court to be held in Novr next himself in the Sum of £1000 & two Securities in the sum of £500 each

Whereupon the said Gerard Erwine wt John Brown & Thomas Campbell his Securities severally acknowledged themselves to Tho. Jefferson Esq Govr: &c the said Gerard Erwine in the Sum of on Thousand pounds & the sd Jno Brown & Thomas Campbell in the Sum of five hundred pounds each of their respective Lands & Tenements Goods & Chattels to be levied & to the said Thomas Jefferson & his Successors rendered Yet upon this Condition that if the said Gerard Erwine shall make his personal Appearance at the grand Jury Court in Novr next & shall not depart without leave of the Court & in the meantime shall be of the good Behavior then the above Recognizance to be void

Henry Peninger appeared & acknowledged himself indebted to Tho Jefferson Esq in the Sum of £500 of Lands & Tenements Goods & Chattels to be levied & to the said Governor & his Successors render'd Yet upon this Condition that if the sd Henry Peninger shall make his personal appearance at the next grand Jury to be held in Novr to give Evidence for the Commonwealth agt Gerard Erwine & shall not depart without leave of the Court then the above Recog to be void

William Gregg Spl Bail for Robt Williams . . . Jno Faris

present Silas Hart Gent

Jane Lewis Widow of Anto Lewis decd came into Court & relinquished her Claim to any Legacy bequeathed to her by the Will of her sd late Husband & claimed her Dower allowed by Law O to be certified

O that George Boswell Andrew Shanklin & Andrew Hudlow lay off the Dower of Jane Lewis Widow of Anto Lewis in the Lands of her late Husband. O to be certified

On the Moto: of Jno McCaumes O that Conrod Spoon his

Master be summoned to next Court to answer the Complaint of his sd Apprentice for not learning him the Trade of a black Smith

Commonwealth vs Courtner on Indictm: a Jury towit, Thomas More William Hinton Thomas Shankland, Saml Hemphill Tho Campbell John Dever Michl: Waren, Roger Dyer, John Herdman John Carpenter David Robison & David Laird who being impanelled & sworn returned a Verdt: the Deft Guilty & to be fined Ten pounds & one Years Imprisonment O that the Sheriff take him into Custody untill he satisfies the sd: Judt.

The last Will and Testament of James Baggs decd was produced in Court & proved by the Oaths of Susanna McCoy & Jno Hatter two of the Witnesses & admitted to Record & Thos Baggs one of the Exers therein named having entered into Bond with Security & made Oath according to Law Certificate is granted him &c

O that Conrod Humble Michl Baker Jno Ruddle & Michl Hover or any three of them being first sworn do appraise the sd Estate

Frederick Kaylor & Mary his Wife she being first privily examined acknowledged L & Release to Frederick Foaland & O to be recorded

William Lamb acknowledg'd Deed of Bar: & Sale to Geo: Sewright O to be recorded

Abraham Smith Gent Sheriff protested against the Sufficiency of the Jayl

Thos Harrison acknowledged his Deed of Barg & Sale to Silas Hart Gent Justices on behalf of the County O to be recorded

Michael Gibbs & Barbara his Wife she being first privily examined acknowledged their Deed of B: & Sale to Frederick Foaland O to be recorded

Huston Henderson Jno Gratten Spl Bail

It appearing to the Court that Bridget Fowler Wife of Jno Fowler a Soldier from this County on the Continental Establishment is under great Distress with 3 smal Children it is their Opinion that she be allowed the Sum of fifty pounds to be placed in the hands of David Harnet & that the same be certified to the Treasurer

Bright vs Croyder & Wife, a Jury towit Joseph Dictam John Magill William Fowler Andrew Shanklen William Magill Francis Stewart Nehemiah Harrison Willm Lamb Leonard Hereing John Warren Geo Ruddle & Robt Belshe who ret'd Verdt: we find for the plt twenty five pounds Damage Jud according to Verdt:

Elizabeth Scothorn Proved 3 Days Attendance  
Catherine Keesel proved 3 Days Attendance

O that Unity Bright pay the said Wits: their Attendance in her Suit vs Croyder & Wife

Archenbright vs Perkey Geo Carpenter Spl: Bail

The Court proceeded to recommend a person to the Office of Escheator in this County & on a Majority William Nalle Gent is recommended as a proper person for that Office O to be certified.

Bear vs Kyser Gasper Mefford & John Hinton Spl B1

The Court having considered the Circumstances of Barbara Woolridge Wife of George Woolridge a Soldier from this State on the Continental Establishment are of Opinion that she be allowed the Sum of Twenty pounds O to be certified to the Treasurer

Also that Mary Rylie Wife of John Rylie a Soldr &c on continental Establishment be allowed Twenty pounds O to be certified

Commonwealth vs H Dever for breach of the Sabbath fin'd according to Law

vs Jno Dever. Ditto fined Ditto

Brander vs Burns Robt Davidson Spl B1

Danl Smith Willm Nalle & Gawen Hamilton Gent are appointed to lay off the Bounds for the prison & make report Administra of the Estate of Adam Ellwine is granted to John Kyser who made Oath & entd into Bond wt: Security according to Law

O that Michl Warren, Handal Vance Jno Cring & Solo Mathews or any three of them being first sworn do appraise the sd Estate

D. Laird . . . in the hands of Patrick Gwine

O that the Court be adjourned till tomorrow at 8 oclock

Silas Hart.

(To be continued)

## PLEASE DO IT

A member of the Society has suggested that house-owners or householders who know the history of the houses they occupy, particularly old houses, write down the facts relating to them and file the manuscripts with the Society. Manuscripts of this character, carefully compiled, will prove of much interest and value, more so as time passes. The exact location of the house, who built it, when, size, of what materials constructed, and the names of the families who have occupied it, with dates as nearly as may be ascertained, together with any incidents of special interest associated with the place, should be given.

If the house has any unusual features, for example, a cellar that is arched over with masonry, or is over a spring, or was originally connected by means of an underground or artificially covered passage with a spring or well, the information should be included.

## THE VIRGINIA CLIPPER

The indefatigable chairman of our acquisition committee some time ago secured a copy of a publication with the above title, supposed to be a weekly newspaper, "devoted to the financial interests of the people." It is Vol. I, No. 1 and is dated Saturday, November 2, 1895. The place of publication is given as Timberville, Virginia, and Philip Strickler is named as the "Prop." Each of the four pages is 15 by 22 inches in size. It was obviously issued as a Populist organ and was probably printed in some large city; if printed at Timberville it was made up almost entirely of plate matter. It contains no local news, and the only local advertisement is one of Philip Strickler's "Quids," recommended to cure the tobacco habit and as a general tonic. The item next approaching a local advertisement is a time table of the B. & O. Railroad between Lexington, Va., and New York City. If any one knows of another copy of this publication he will confer a favor by communicating the information to this Society.

## THE SOCIETY INCORPORATED

Since the preceding number of the Recorder (Vol. I, No. 2) was issued the Society has been granted a charter of incorporation in due and legal form under the laws of Virginia. The application, prepared by Mrs. Ethel Irwin Lineweaver, was approved by W. V. Ford, Judge of the Circuit Court of Rockingham County, and forwarded to Richmond where it was acted upon favorably by the State Corporation Commission. The articles of incorporation, including the by-laws of the Society, with a statement of its purposes and objectives, a list of its officers and committees (see the Recorder, Vol. I, No. 1, pages 4-10), and the names of its trustees are now of record in the Clerk's Office of Rockingham County, in Harrisonburg.

The names and residences of the trustees are as follows:

Harry A. Brunk, Harrisonburg; Fred D. Dove, Bridgewater; B. G. Heatwole, Elkton; Mrs. E. A. Hering, Harrisonburg; Mrs. Ethel Irwin Lineweaver, Harrisonburg; John C. Myers, Broadway; Page P. Price, Harrisonburg; Fred C. Wampler, Dayton; Mrs. James M. Weaver, Harrisonburg.

These trustees are authorized to act in their official capacity for the first years of the Society's existence under its charter and thereafter until the election of their successors.

The benefits enjoyed by the Society under its charter of incorporation are obvious. Thus it has legal standing and a greater assurance of permanence and usefulness. Pertinent in these respects are the following paragraphs, quoted from the charter:

## Under Purposes and Objectives:

"To acquire, own and hold any real estate and personal property for the advancement of any of said purposes and to do any and all other act or acts whether herein specified or not for the advancement of said purposes."

## Continuing Privileges:

"The period for the duration of the society is unlimited."

## Limited Holdings:

"The amount of real estate to which its holdings at any time are to be limited is one thousand (1000) acres."

To the Society at present, oppressed with a sense of poverty, the provision for possible wealth in the future seems liberal—almost lavish; yet, among our dreamers are those who believe that a time will come when we shall have a local habitation as well as a name. Already we have valuable personal effects, which we are guarding as well as we can in the confident expectation that more ample and permanent quarters will be available in the not distant future. The Turner Ashby Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, is generously sharing with us their room in the county-city court house; the Board of Supervisors has indicated a willingness to aid us further when possible; we believe that the City Fathers are not unmindful of the Society's service to the community; and, with our rapidly growing membership at home and abroad, we are expecting that benefactors will be found. Now that we have legal standing and a board of trustees authorized to receive and hold real estate as well as personal property, it may be that persons of means who are in sympathy with our patriotic aims will endow the Society by deed, will, or otherwise.

## SHENANDOAH VALLEY CHRONOLOGY

## Second Instalment

- 1780—Death of Adam Miller, pioneer in what is now Page County. He probably died in Rockingham.
- 1780, Feb. 1—Isble Cummins allowed £30 for herself and family by Rockbridge County Court, her husband, George Cummins, being a soldier in the service of the United States.
- 1780, March 8—Christopher Fry, in Frederick County Court, declares his service as a non-commissioned officer in the old Virginia regiment commanded by Colonel Byrd in the French and Indian War. This Colonel Byrd was William Byrd III.
- 1780 March 28—John Fitzwater sworn in as a captain of Rockingham militia.
- 1780, March 28—David Laird in Rockingham County Court proves his service in the French and Indian War.
- 1780, March 28—Jacob Pence, in Rockingham County Court, proves his service in Captain Hog's company in the French and Indian War.
- 1780, April 4—David Kennedy, in Frederick County Court, deposes that Angus McDonald served as an officer in the French and Indian War.
- 1780, May—Harrisonburg established by law on 50 acres laid out by Thomas Harrison.
- 1780, June—Joseph Wilson in Rockingham County enlists as Revo. soldier; in battle of Guilford C. H.; granted a pension in Lewis County in 1820.
- 1780, June 6—Edward Evans is certified by Frederick County Court for land for his service in the French and Indian War.
- 1780, Aug. 1—In Rockbridge County Joseph Alexander qualifies as a captain of militia.

- 1780—Oct. 6-11—British prisoners, surrendered at Saratoga, cross the Blue Ridge into the Valley at Wood's (now Jarman's) Gap and march down the Valley to Winchester.
- 1780, Oct. 24—William Herring sworn in as a captain of Rockingham County militia.
- 1780, November—Dr. Samuel Gay gives bond to keep a tavern in Harrisonburg.
- 1780, Nov. 20—Major Thomas Anburey writes from Winchester of the march of British prisoners from Charlottesville Barracks (near Ivy) to Winchester.
- 1781—Samuel Heistand, later bishop, born in Shenandoah County, the part now Page.
- 1781—Cook's Creek Presbyterian Church removed from near the site of Dayton to New Erection.
- 1781—The first court house (log) for Rockingham County built at Harrisonburg.
- 1781—The second jail (log and stone) for Rockingham County built in Harrisonburg.
- 1781—Pennybackers, iron-masters from Pennsylvania, locate on the Hawksbill, in what is now Page County.
- 1781—Francis Asbury at Hites, near Winchester; at Martinsburg, and at Brucetown.
- 1781, probably autumn—Capt. Abraham Lincoln (grandfather of the President) and family move from Rockingham to Kentucky.
- 1781, Jan. 9—Lord Fairfax grants Zion Church tract, in Shenandoah County, to Lutherans.
- 1781, Jan. 25—Thomas Marshall Sr. resigns as clerk of Shenandoah County in favor of Thomas Marshall, Jr.
- 1781, January or February—Joseph Bell and other Augusta militiamen guard British prisoners taken in the battle of Cowpens, S. C., January 17, 1781, from Rockfish Gap down the Valley to Shenandoah County.
- 1781, March 6—John Marshall sworn in as an attorney at law in Winchester.

- 1781, April 1—Birth at Shepherdstown of Robert Lucas, who was governor of Ohio, 1832-36.
- 1781, May 1—George Keezell and others enter into an agreement concerning lots in Keezletown.—See Wayland's "Virginia Valley Records," pages 96, 97.
- 1781, June 7-23—The Va. Assembly in session at Staunton; chased from Richmond May 10 and from Charlottesville June 4 by the British.
- 1781, June 28—John Netherton sworn in as lieutenant-colonel of militia in Shenandoah County.
- 1781, Aug. 27—William Nalle sworn in as lieutenant-colonel of militia in Rockingham.
- 1781, Sept. 24—Michael Baker sworn in as captain of militia in Rockingham.
- 1781, Nov. 4—British prisoners from Yorktown—Stephen Popp, who kept a diary, and others—wade the Shenandoah River on the way to Winchester.
- 1781, Nov. 5—Stephen Popp and other soldiers taken in surrender of Cornwallis at Yorktown reach Winchester.
- 1781, Dec. 9—Dies Thomas Lord Fairfax at Greenway Court; buried in Winchester.
- 1781-82—Friends (Quakers) establish a monthly meeting on Crooked Run, now in Warren County. A meeting house was there prior to 1759.
- 1782—Rev. Paul Henkel, Lutheran, settles in the Forest, Shenandoah County.
- 1782—The Marquis de Chastellux and suite lodge at the Widow Teaze's, site of Waynesboro.
- 1782—Burning at the stake in Ohio by the Indians of Col. William Crawford, who was born in 1732 in what later became Berkeley County.
- 1782—Saratoga, in Clarke County, built by Gen. Daniel Morgan.
- 1782—The German Reformed Church at Shepherdstown sep-

- arately organized. They and the Lutherans had probably used the same church house from a much earlier date.
- 1782—Hugh Judge and Joseph Townsend, Quakers, tour the Valley. Judge's record (published) is a valuable source of history.
- 1782, Jan. 27—British prisoners marched out of Winchester—the Germans to go to Frederick, Md., the English to Lancaster, Pa.
- 1782, Jan. 30—British prisoners from Winchester, on the way from Winchester to Maryland and Pennsylvania, cross the Potomac at Shepherdstown on the ice.
- 1782, Feb. 6—Hugh Judge and other Quakers preach in Strasburg.
- 1782, Feb. 9—Mary, oldest daughter of Elder Anderson Moffett, Baptist, born at or near New Market.
- 1782, Sunday, Feb. 10—Hugh Judge and other ministers at Smith Creek meeting, near Mt. Jackson.
- 1782, Feb. 28—Abraham Bird sworn in as county lieutenant of Shenandoah.
- 1782, Feb. 28—Jeremiah Matthews sworn in as major of Shenandoah County militia.
- 1782, April 5—Lawrence Snapp of Shenandoah County makes his will.
- 1782, April 18—The Marquis de Chastellux comes over the Blue Ridge at Rockfish Gap (from Charlottesville), on his way to visit the Natural Bridge.—See item above concerning him.
- 1782, Aug. 30—Shenandoah County Court allows the claim of Peter Muhlenburgh for 70 gallons of brandy at 4 shillings a gallon. This brandy had probably been distributed to Muhlenberg's soldiers.
- 1782, Sept. 3—Zephaniah Phillips in Frederick County Court gets his service in Braddock's campaign certified.
- 1782, Oct. 31—Deed of bargain and sale from Homes to Mughlenberg proved in Shenandoah County Court.

- 1782, Nov. 1—At Woodstock Jacob Rinker gives bond as chief surveyor to "This county."
- 1783—Rev. Paul Henkel, Lutheran, called to Rader's, Pine, and other churches in Rockingham and Shenandoah.
- 1783—Rev. James Ireland, Baptist, joins the Kettocton Association.
- 1783—Alexander Hite takes the first census of Shenandoah County.
- 1783, Nov. 8—General Muhlenberg sells Lot No. 112 in Woodstock to Mathias Zehring for £135, specie.
- 1783, Nov. 24—Allen Trimble, governor of Ohio 1826-1830, born in Augusta County.
- 1784—New Market established a town by law.
- 1784—Henry Miller, founder of the iron works on Mossy Creek, builds the stone house still in use there.
- 1784, April 14—Robert Faulkner, son of Jesse and Martha of Berkeley County, and Elizabeth Painter, daughter of John and Susannah of Frederick, married at Crooked Run Friends' meeting, in now Warren County.
- 1784, June 9-12—Gen. J. P. G. Muhlenberg in Staunton, on his return (through Cumberland Gap) from Kentucky.
- 1784, June 13—General Muhlenberg at Colonel Beal's near the site of Mt. Jackson, on his way down the Valley.
- 1784, June 14—General Muhlenberg in Woodstock on his way down the Valley and toward Philadelphia.
- 1784, Sept. 29—Gen. Washington, returning on horseback from the Ohio Valley, spends the night with Capt. John Fitzwater in Brock's Gap.
- 1784, Sept. 30—Washington crosses Rockingham from Brock's Gap to Lynnwood on the Shenandoah River; visits Thos. Lewis.
- 1784, Oct. 1—Washington dines with Gabriel Jones, "not half a mile from Mr. Lewis's, but separated by the South Fork of Shenandoah."



- 1784, Oct. 2—Washington crosses Swift Run Gap, going eastward towards Mt. Vernon. Mr. Lewis rides with him 10 miles (or more) to Swift Run Gap.
- 1784, Dec. 14—Hugh Judge, Quaker minister, at Smith Creek meeting again.
- 1785—Abram Keller, Abram Bird, and others take a census of Shenandoah County.—See Wayland's History of Shenandoah County, pages 217-234.
- 1785, March—Peter Palsel lays off 32 lots on his plantation at Cross Roads for the town of New Market.
- 1785, December—Petition from Frederick County to the Virginia General Assembly for full religious freedom—against state support to churches.
- 1786—Burwell and Gen. Daniel Morgan build the upper mill at Millwood. The lower mill, built by the Burwells, was probably older.
- 1786—Ambrose Henkel, later a pioneer printer at New Market, born near Solomon's Church, near Forestville.
- 1786—Blasius Bear and other Mennonite ministers near Thornton's Gap.
- 1786, Feb. 7—James Madison Hite Beale born at Dunmore Mt. Airy, near the site of Mt. Jackson.
- 1786, May 18—Count Castiglioni comes into the Valley by way of Rockfish Gap from Albemarle County.
- 1786, May 23-27—Count Castiglioni sojourns in Staunton, detained by heavy rains.
- 1786, early June—Count Castiglioni spends several days in Winchester.
- 1786, June 18, 19—Count Castiglioni at Charles Town.
- 1786, Oct. 19—Died in Shenandoah County, near Forestville, John Rausch, who had 7 or 8 sons in the Revolution.
- 1787—Waterlick Baptist Church, between Strasburg and Front Royal, constituted.

- 1787—Capt. Benjamin Harrison of Rockingham receives money—pay for military service of Abraham Lincoln.—See record book in the Archives Division of the State Library in Richmond.
- 1787—Pendleton County formed from Augusta, Hardy, and Rockingham.
- 1787—Major Isaac Hite begins building Belle Grove mansion house, in Frederick County, near Cedar Creek.
- 1787—Charles Town, on land of Charles Washington, made a town by law.
- 1787, May 17—Asa Lupton, son of William and Grace of Frederick, and Hannah Hank, daughter of John and Margaret of Rockingham, married at Hopewell Friends' Meeting, 7 miles northeast of Winchester.
- 1787, July 25—John Pennywitt deeds 5 acres for Pine Church, 3 miles west of the site of Mt. Jackson. This church was used for many years by both the Lutherans and the German Reformed.
- 1787, October—The first meeting at Mossy Creek, Augusta County, of the Lexington Presbytery.
- 1787, December—James Rumsey, at Shepherdstown, runs his stamboat on the Potomac; General Horatio Gates and other prominent citizens witnesses.
- 1788—The Methodist Church of Harrisonburg founded.
- 1788, April 2—The first issue of the **Winchester Gazette**.
- 1788, May 1—Rev. Paul Henkel, Lutheran, confirms a class at St. Paul's Church, in what is now Page County.
- 1788, Aug. 24—Rev. Paul Henkel confirms a class in Powell's Fort.
- 1788, Oct. 22—Rev. Paul Henkel confirms a class at Gomer's Church, on the Hawksbill. "Gomer" is doubtless the same as Comer.
- 1788 Nov. 15—Act of Assembly passed establishing Front Royal (Lehew Town) as a town on 50 acres of land.

- 1788-89—The Friends' stone meeting house at Hopewell is enlarged.
- 1789—The *Potomac Guardian and Berkeley Advertiser* is started at Martinsburg; editor and publisher, Dr. Robert Henry.
- 1789, Jan. 19—Henry Ruffner, later educator and author, born on the Hawksbill, near the site of Luray.
- 1789, April 1—Issue of the *Virginia Centinel*, Winchester, Horatio Gates offers 1 guinea reward for the return of his Negro man Dick to Traveler's Rest.
- 1789, July 22—Issue of the *Virginia Centinel*, Winchester, Isaac Zane advertises for cutters for 5000 cords of wood; also for 4 or 5 good colliers and a pattern-maker at Marlboro Iron Works.
- 1789, Oct. 15—Thomas Lewis makes his will at his home below the site of Port Republic. He died in 1790.
- 1789, Oct. 25—Samuel Moffett, son of Elder Anderson Moffett, Baptist minister, born near the site of Mt. Jackson.
- 1789, Oct 29—Rockingham Union Lodge, No. 27, A. F. & A. M., chartered. First meeting December 10, 1789.
- 1789, Nov. 11—Birth in Frederick County (part now Clarke) of William Meade, later bishop and author.
- 1790, March 3—Issue of the *Virginia Centinel*, Winchester, Charles Smith offers to lease for a term of years "part of that well-known place called Battletown."
- 1790, March 30—Rev. Paul Henkel locates at Cross Roads (New Market).
- 1790, May 22—Issue of the *Winchester Virginia Centinel*, Samuel Kercheval of Buffalo-Marsh, Frederick County, offers \$20 for the return of a German indentured servant, Francis Sistrath.
- 1790, July 5—Jacob Swoope made attorney of Kuhn and Risberg of Philadelphia to sell a tract of land in Staunton.
- 1790, July 24—Issue of the *Winchester Virginia Centinel*, De Bartz, Winchester, advertises for the return of 10

- indentured servants, engaged in France and re-engaged in Alexandria.
- 1790, Aug. 18—Bishop Francis Asbury, Methodist, is "permitted to preach in the Episcopal Church" in Woodstock.
- 1790, November—Nathaniel Willis begins publishing the *Potomac Guardian and Berkeley Advertiser* at Shepherdstown.
- 1791—Capt. Ferdinand Bayard, a French artillery officer, visits Winchester and writes of the "famous carriage works" there. His book on his travels in the Shenandoah Valley was later published in Paris.
- 1791—Rev. James Ireland, Baptist, marries Ann Pollard of Frederick County.
- 1791—A traveler in the lower Shenandoah Valley writes: "Such war is made upon the wolves that even in this heavily timbered country there is little danger from them except when the snow lies deep upon the ground."
- 1791, Feb. 4—At Woodstock Jacob Rinker and La Mackintosh certify to the Revolutionary services of Henry Ailshite, first in the 8th Virginia Regiment.
- 1791, March 16—Issue of the *Winchester Virginia Centinel*, advertised to let, on the last Wednesday of March, at Opequon Old Meeting House, near Kern's-Town, the building of a stone meeting house.
- 1791, June—Rockingham Court appoints a committee to examine Madison's (now Brown's) Gap over the Blue Ridge to ascertain whether it is practicable for a good wagon road and to estimate the cost of such a road.
- 1791, October—The second court house (stone) completed for Rockingham County.
- 1791, Dec. 7—Darkesville established by law.
- 1791, Dec. 7—Act of Assembly passed establishing Keisell's-Town on 100 acres of land belonging to George Keisell.
- 1792—Davidsburg Lutheran Church (now St. Matthew's) built at or near New Market.
- 1792, June—Rev. James Ireland, Baptist, and family poisoned with arsenic in Frederick County.

- 1792, June 30—First post office opened at Shepherdstown.
- 1793—The Lutherans and the German Reformed build Solomon's Church near Forestville.
- 1793—Ruffner's Cave discovered near the site of Luray by a son of Joseph Ruffner.
- 1793, March 2—Birth of Sam Houston at Timber Ridge, Rockbridge County.
- 1794—Dunker (German Baptist, now Church of the Brethren) annual meeting held at or near Flat Rock.
- 1794—Bishop Francis Asbury organizes a church school in Harrisonburg.
- 1794—Robert Wood builds the brick house at Glen Burnie, Winchester.
- 1794—Stated in the Winchester *Virginia Centinel* that a force had gone west under General Morgan, and that Rockingham militia were with him. This was probably against the Whisky Insurrection in western Pennsylvania.
- 1794—Dr. Jesse Bennett performs in Rockingham County a successful Caesarian section on his wife—the first or one of the first in the United States—See Wayland's "Virginia Valley Records," pages 341-343.
- 1794, April 28—Birth near Charles Town of Thomas Asbury Morris, later editor, author, and M. E. Bishop in Ohio.
- 1794, Sept. 15—James Madison Jr. and Dolly Payne Todd married at Harewood, now in Jefferson County, by Rev. Alexander Balmain.
- 1794, Oct. 14—Daniel Morgan and Elizabeth Lindsay married in Frederick County by Rev. Alexander Balmain.
- 1795—Lewis Zirkle obtains permission to construct a dam and build a mill—probably on Smith Creek, near New Market.
- 1795—The stone court house built in Woodstock; still in use; the oldest west of the Blue Ridge.
- 1795—Estimated that upwards of 4000 persons passed through Winchester, "going to settle in Tennessee or Kentucky."

- 1795, March 10—William Steenbergen buys Dunmore Mt. Airy, near the site of Mt. Jackson, from Tavener Beale.
- 1795, June 17—Gen. Isaac Zane of Frederick County makes his will; probated September 2, 1795.
- 1795, Oct. 13—James McDowell, governor of Virginia 1843-1846, born on Cherry Grove Estate, Rockbridge County.
- 1795, Nov. 15—Solomon's Church dedicated by the Lutherans and the German Reformed.
- 1795, Dec. 7—John, Francis, Jacob, and Christian Neff, their wives, Abraham Neff, and their sisiter, Catherine Baughman, children of Dr. John Henry Neff of Rude's Hill, deed 80½ acres to Adam Wolf; witnesses, Andrew Holeman, Isaac Brownlow, Jno. Hup, John Taylor, and J. Stiegel.
- 1796—The U. S. arsenal established at Harpers Ferry.
- 1796—A traveler writes: "Landed property in the vicinity of Charlestown is more divided, perhaps, than in any other part of Virginia. Very few of the planters possess more than 2000 acres of land, and few even so much."—He was no doubt mistaken. The English farmers around Charles Town had large farms compared with those of the Germans and Scotch-Irish in other parts of the Valley.
- 1796, June 13—Henry Rausch and wife deed 2 acres to Solomon's Church.
- 1796, summer—Isaac Weld, from Europe, journeys through the Shenandoah Valley; estimates the number of houses in Winchester at 350.
- 1796, summer—The Duke La Rochefoucauld-Liancourt travels through the Shenandoah Valley; says there were eight inns in Staunton, "three of which are large"; 10 or 12 inns, "large and small," in Winchester.
- 1796, Dec. 14—New Market made a town by law.
- 1797—Five petitions presented from Rockingham County to the Virginia General Assembly asking for a convention to reform the state constitution.

- 1797, Nov. 25—John Harrison and Ann Tallman married in Rockingham.
- 1797, Dec. 25—The General Assembly of Virginia passes an act incorporating Charles Town Academy.
- 1798—Capt. Ferdinand Marie Bayard publishes in Paris his book telling of his travels (in 1791) in the Shenandoah Valley.
- 1798—The name of Mecklenburg changed to Shepherdstown in honor of the founder, Thomas Shepherd.
- 1798—Berryville (Battletown) laid out on land of Benjamin Berry.
- 1798, Jan. 15—Smithfield, Berkeley County, established by law.
- 1798, Jan. 23—Shenandoah Navigation Company chartered.
- 1798, May 9—Elder George Shaver born at or near the site of Maurertown.
- 1798, Monday, Aug. 6—The Harrisonburg town council lists for taxing 71 houses in the town.
- 1798, Sept. 21—Birth near Winchester of Samuel L. Metcalf, physician and author.
- 1798, Oct. 9—Mary Moore, formerly a captive with the Indians, marries Rev. Samuel Brown in the upper Shenandoah Valley.
- 1799—A general Dunker conference held at Flat Rock.
- 1799—David Lupton builds Cedar Grove Mill in Frederick County.
- 1799—Log church built at Hamburg, now in Page County.
- 1799, Dec. 11—Chester Masonic Lodge, Front Royal, chartered.
- 1800—Rev. John Brown, German Reformed, walks from Pennsylvania to Rockingham County.
- 1800—Methodist Quarterly Meeting in Shepherdstown; Seely Bunn preacher in charge; Daniel Hitt presiding elder.

- 1800, Jan. 20—Rockingham Union Lodge, No. 27, A.F. & A. M., goes in mourning until February 23, 1801, for General Washington, who died December 14, 1799.
- 1800, March 11—Joseph Burns, later member of Congress from Ohio, born at Waynesboro.
- 1800, Sept. 5—Christian Newcomer, United Brethren, preaches at Jacob Funkhouser's, near Fisher's Hill.
- 1800, Sept. 8—Newcomer at John Peters's, near New Market.
- 1800, November—Robert Wilson, later U. S. Senator from Missouri, born in Augusta County.
- 1801—McGaheysville named for Tobias R. McGahey, the first postmaster. It had previously been called Ursulasville.
- 1801—Thomas Jefferson visits Harper's Ferry.
- 1801—Waynesboro, named for Gen. Anthony Wayne, made a town by law. During the Revolution the Widow Tease's tavern there was frequently a place of rendezvous.
- 1801, Jan. 8—Act of Assembly passed providing for the formation of Jefferson County from Berkeley.
- 1801, Sep. 3—Bishop Francis Asbury preaches in Woodstock; text Luke 19:10.
- 1801, Wednesday, Nov. 25—Died Gen. William Darke, aged 65, in Jefferson County.
- 1801, Dec. 23—Staunton incorporated; Jacob Swoope mayor.
- 1802—Great religious revival in Harrisonburg. See Joseph Travis's autobiography, published in Nashville in 1856.
- 1802—Ambrose Henkel, aged 16, starts from Forestville on foot for Hagerstown to learn printing.
- 1802—Rev. James Ireland baptizes 93 persons at one church.
- 1802, Jan. 12, 13—Otterbein and Newcomer, United Brethren, preach at Jacob Funkhouser's.
- 1802, Jan. 14—Act of Assembly passed establishing the town of Port Republic on 23 acres of the land of John McCarthey.

- 1802, Jan. 21—Swift Run Gap Turnpike chartered.
- 1802, Aug. 26—Bishop Francis Asbury lodges in Woodstock.
- 1802, Dec. 17—William Benson of Frederick County, in a petition to the Virginia General Assembly declares his Revolutionary service.
- 1803—John Brock buys from . . . . Smith the old house  $\frac{3}{4}$  of a mile north of Keezletown.
- 1803—The cornerstone of a Lutheran church in Woodstock laid.
- 1803—Mayberry & Pennybacker build Columbia Furnace in Shenandoah County.
- 1803—John Carthrea Jr. obtains permission from the court to build a dam and erect a mill at or near Port Republic.
- 1803, early July—Meriwether Lewis at the U. S. factory, Harpers Ferry, loads a wagon with guns, tomahawks, knives, &c., for the Lewis and Clark exploring expedition.
- 1804—Weyer's Cave is discovered, near Madison's Cave by Bernard Weyer while digging after a ground hog.
- 1804, January—New Haven near Port Republic, on the land of Gideon Morgan and William Lewis, is made a town by act of Assembly.
- 1804, Jan. 2—Woodstock is enlarged by the Richardson addition, 5 acres.
- 1804, May—Newcomer and Otterbein at Jacob Funkhouser's.
- 1804, May 28—Newcomer at Huff's (Hupp's?) near New Market.
- 1804, Nov. 13—Asbury dines at James Moore's, Front Royal.
- 1804, Dec. 1—Gabriel Jones, "The Lawyer," makes his will at his home near Port Republic; proved in Harrisonburg in November, 1806.
- 1805—Joseph Stover deeds a lot in Strasburg to Funk, Gatewood, and others for a school and church.
- 1805—A heavy flood at Winchester.

- 1805—Robert Gray, later a noted lawyer, locates at Harrisonburg.
- 1805, March—Baltimore Methodist Conference held in Winchester in the house of George A. Reid, corner of Piccadilly and Braddock Street. (Probably in April, see below.)
- 1805, March 25—Asbury preaches at Front Royal; text Rom. 12:1, 2.
- 1805, April 1—Asbury opens Baltimore Methodist Conference at Winchester. See above.
- 1805, June 7—Mayberry & Pennybacker, at Redwell Furnace, near the site of Luray, are charged for 1 horse 34 pounds, payable in pigmetal at 8 pounds a ton.
- 1805, Sept 3—Isaac Samuels Pennybacker, later U. S. Senator, born at Pine Forge, on Smith Creek, Shenandoah County.
- 1806—Ambrose Henkel begins printing at New Market.
- 1806, Jan. 20—The Va. legislature charts the Rockingham Library Company; act amended in 1818.
- 1806, Feb. 1—Green Berry Samuels, later jurist and member of Congress, born near Red Bank, Shenandoah County.
- 1806, April 21—Rev. James Ireland makes his will in Frederick County. It is preserved at Winchester but never recorded.
- 1806, May 5—Rev. James Ireland dies near Front Royal aged 58.
- 1806, Monday, July 7—Rev. Paul Henkel and wife start from New Market on a missionary journey to Ohio.
- 1806, Aug. 7—Asbury lodges at Stoverstown (Strasburg).
- 1806, Aug. 8—Asbury breakfasts in Millerstown (Woodstock); lodges in Rocktown (Harrisonburg).
- 1807—Alexander H. H. Stuart, later statesman and Cabinet-member, born in Staunton.
- 1807 or before—Jacob D. Dietrich begins publishing the Staunton Eagle.

- 1807, Oct. 2—Newcomer and Lorenzo Dow in Woodstock.
- 1807, Oct. 7—The first newspaper (German) started in New Market.
- 1807, Nov. 16—Henry Tutwiler, later the first Master of Arts graduated at the University of Virginia, born in Harrisonburg.
- 1808—In the **Philadelphia Medical Museum**, Vol. 5, No. 1, The Rockingham Influenza of 1807, by Dr. Peachey Harrison.
- 1808—John Brown purchases the Conrad tanyard in Winchester.
- 1808—John Arthur and others acquire Columbia Furnace in Shenandoah County.
- 1808—Lewis Summers records his horseback journey across the Valley, going westward.—See Wayland's History of Shenandoah County, pages 139-141.
- 1808—Joseph Salyards born near Front Royal.
- 1808—William Fristoe's "A Concise History of the Kettocton Baptist Association" printed in Staunton by William Gilman Lyford.
- 1808, April 17—Capt. Fred Hoffman born on the Little Hawksbill.
- 1808, July 16—Bethel Baptist Church in Frederick (now Clarke) County constituted.
- 1808, Dec. 1—Dr. Robert Carter Randolph, physician and antiquarian, born at Carter Hall, Clarke (then Frederick) County.
- 1809—George Rockingham Gilmer of Georgia, later governor, visits Rockingham and writes of an election scene in Harrisonburg.
- 1809—Bishop Christian Newcomer confers with Bishop Francis Asbury in Harrisonburg.
- 1809, Feb. 16—Birth of Cyrus Hall McCormick, inventor of the reaper, on the line between Augusta and Rockbridge, near Steele's Tavern.

- 1809, March 8—Bishop Asbury and Bishop McKendree lodge in Woodstock.
- 1809, June 7—The last issue of Ambrose Henkel's German newspaper at New Market.
- 1809, September—Bishop Newcomer at Stony Creek, Woodstock, Huddle's School House, and Christian Funkhouser's.
- 1809, Nov. 15—John B. Tilden and others issue a circular concerning Stephensburg Academy, Frederick County.
- 1810—Beginning of the first minute book of Salem Baptist Church, Frederick (now Clarke) County.
- 1810—"Topographical Description of the Counties of Frederick, Berkeley and Jefferson," with map, by Charles Varle, printed in Winchester by W. Heiskell.
- 1810—Ambrose Henkel at New Market prints the Mennonite Confession of Faith, &c.
- 1810, January—First issue of the **Winchester Republican**.
- 1810, Jan. 15—Thomas Jefferson writes Samuel Kercheval concerning an academy in Frederick County.
- 1810, Jan. 30—Act of Assembly passed incorporating the Ashby Gap Turnpike Company.
- 1810, Aug. 15—Birth in Winchester of John Bankhead Magruder, later Confederate general.
- 1810, Sept. 22—First meeting of Salem Baptist Church in Frederick (now Clarke) County.—See above.
- 1810, Nov. 9—Court of enquiry for the 1st battalion of the 51st regiment of Virginia Militia held at the tavern of Samuel Kercheval in Stephensburg (now Stephens City).
- 1811—Benjamin Pennybacker builds the "White House" at Pine Forge on Smith Creek,  $3\frac{1}{2}$  miles northeast of New Market.
- 1811—Child's primer printed (in German) and illustrated by Ambrose Henkel at New Market.

- 1811, Feb. 20—Dr. Asher Waterman sells 35,000 acres of West Rockingham land for \$13,125.
- 1811, June 8—Newcomer holds quarterly meeting at Jacob Funkhouser's. This was somewhere in Shenandoah County.
- 1811, June 9—Newcomer preaches at Woodstock.
- 1811, June 10—Newcomer at Michael Homan's.
- 1812—John Zigler builds a large brick barn at Timberville.
- 1812, Feb. 6—Act of Assembly passed establishing the town of Luray.
- 1812, Feb. 10—Act of Assembly passed to build a turnpike road from Snicker's Ferry to Winchester.
- 1812, April 5—Joseph Thomas, the "White Pilgrim," marries Christiana Ritenour at Winchester.
- 1812, July 13—The will of Robert Allen proved in Shenandoah County by Adam Heiskell.
- 1812, Aug. 11—Isaac Zane's executors make a deed to John Arthur, Benjamin Blackford, and others. All were operators of furnaces.
- 1813—Daniel Bryan of Rockingham publishes his epic poem on Daniel Boone; printed in Harrisonburg.
- 1813—Chartering of Shepherdstown Academy. The school was started prior to 1787.
- 1813—Henry Keller is sheriff of Shenandoah County.
- 1813—A treatise on ardent spirits by Dr. Benjamin Rush of Philadelphia is printed at New Market.
- 1813, June—Elbridge Gerry Jr., riding in from the West, finds Winchester "a town containing 600 or 800 houses, and very lively and full of business."
- 1813, June—Elbridge Gerry Jr. visits Battletown, Charles Town, and Harper's Ferry.
- 1813, June 16—Death near Richmond of Col. James Wood, 10th governor of Virginia. He was born at Winchester, Jan. 28, 1741.

- 1813, Sept. 12—Death of Edmund Randolph at Carter Hall, Frederick County (part now Clarke).
- 1813, October—Phillip Grandstaff plans to build mill on Stony Creek, Shenandoah County.
- 1814—"The Vagabond; or, Practical Infidelity," by George Walker, reprinted in Harrisonburg by Davidson & Bourne.
- 1814—John Colville is sheriff of Shenandoah County.
- 1814, June 1—Col. John W. Dunlap is born in Rockingham; moved to Iowa in 1858.
- 1814, June 4—Newcomer is at Artz's in Shenandoah County; the people sing and pray all night.
- 1814, June 17—Newcomer preaches at Woodstock.
- 1814, September—Destructive floods on Hawksbill Creek, in what is now Page County.
- 1815—John Heiskell in Winchester prints a pamphlet of 64 pages in relation to charges against Lt. Col. James V. Ball of (now) Clarke County—in or about 1815.
- 1815, June 7—Rev. George A. Shuey, United Brethren, born near Churchville, Augusta County.
- 1815, June 11—John Kenny, father of Judge James Kenny, locates in Harrisonburg.
- 1815, July 29—Walter Newman Sr. dies at New Market, aged about 73.
- 1815, Dec. 11—Augustine Hollar deeds land for Union Forge Church on Stony Creek, near Edinburg.
- 1816—Rev. John Ruebush, United Brethren, born in Augusta County.
- 1816—Rockingham Methodists prepare a memorial against slavery.
- 1816—Joseph Funk's "Choral Music" (in German) printed in Harrisonburg by Laurentz Wartmann.
- 1816—Peter Burkholder's pamphlet on Baptism &c. published —printed in Harrisonburg by Laurentz Wartmann.

- 1816—Church hymn book, 546 pages, compiled and composed by Rev. Paul Henkel, printed in New Market.
- 1816—Constitution and Canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church printed at New Market by Solomon Henkel.
- 1816, Sept. 26—Birth at Martinsburg of David Hunter Strother—"Porte Crayon."
- 1817—New Market Academy chartered.
- 1817—Woodstock Academy chartered.
- 1817—"The Virginia Sacred Minstrel," singing book, compiled by Wheeler Gillet, printed in Winchester by J. Foster.
- 1817—Rev. George C. Sedwick pastor of the Baptist Church in Winchester.
- 1817—Abraham Fravel postmaster at Woodstock.
- 1817—Valley Turnpike Company chartered to build a road from Salem to Winchester.—This project was not carried out.
- 1817—"The Irish Emigrant," book of 2 volumes, printed in Winchester.
- 1817—A Mr. Baker in Winchester was a "piana forte maker."
- 1817—A treatise on baptism by Peter Bowman printed in Harrisonburg by Laurentz Wartmann.
- 1817 (?)—Two books printed in Winchester for Jos. Thomas, the "White Pilgrim".
- 1817, Jan. 22—Birth near Miller's Iron Works on Mossy Creek of Rudolph Turk, later colonel, newspaper publisher, and man of important affairs.
- 1817, Jan. 27—Act of Assembly passed establishing the town of Milford in Shenandoah County on the land of Isaac Overall.
- 1817, Jan. 31—Act of Assembly passed authorizing the building of a turnpike from Harper's Ferry to Winchester.
- 1817, Feb. 5—Act of Assembly passed establishing the town

- of Gainesborough in Frederick County, on the land of Job Pugh.
- 1817, Feb. 8—Act of Assembly passed establishing the Greenville circulating Library Company in Augusta County.
- 1817, Feb. 17—Act of Assembly passed to build a turnpike road from Staunton to Sistersville on the Ohio River.
- 1817, Feb. 18—Act of Assembly passed (reviving the act of February 10, 1812) to build a turnpike from Snicker's Ferry to Winchester.
- 1817, Feb. 21—Act of Assembly passed to build a turnpike road from Winchester to the U. S. turnpike road near the eastern base of the Alleghany Mountain.
- 1817, Feb. 21—The Warrenton and New Market Turnpike Company chartered.
- 1817, August—Newcomer preaches at Strasburg, Stony Creek, and other places.
- 1817, Nov. 27—Birth at Luray of George Thomas Marye, later a distinguished banker and business man of California and Nevada.
- 1817, Dec. 16—Birth in Winchester of John S. Carlile, later member of Congress from West Virginia.
- 1817, Dec. 24—The **Woodstock Herald** is started by Williams & Bogan.
- 1817, Dec. 28—Peter Hamman and Mary Keller (daughter of Henry) married in Shenandoah County by Rev. Mr. Schmucker.

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