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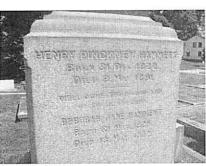
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Piedmont: A spot on the Saluda River where the sparkling water rushes over huge rocks on its way from

the mountains to the sea. The place has had several names; the Indians and early settlers called it "Big Shoals of the Saluda," later it was Garrison Shoals and then Piedmont.

From the time the Indians used the big rocks of the shoals as a crossing, through the several bridges, Piedmont has been a crossroads for generations.

The five foot red headed Irishman, David Garrison, built his grist mill upon the shoals, giving it its second



name, Garrison Shoals.
About this time around
1850, the first bridge was
built, a covered wooden
bridge. During the early
part of the century, a more

modern steel span was added, and in 1948 the present cement structure.

When Henry Pinckney
Hammett, son-in-law of
William Bates, builder of
the first successful cotton
mill in Greenville County,
bought the property for his
cotton mill, using the water
power of the shoals, the
name was again changed,
this time to Piedmont,
"Foot of the Mountains."
This name was added to his
charter for Piedmont Manufacturing Company and
also as a railroad station.

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COURTHOUSE PROPERTY BOUGHT 'STRAIGHT OUT'

This article appeared in the Anderson Independent on Sunday, November 6, 1966. Submitted by Gary Farmer.

The recent recommendation by a committee of architects that the present Anderson County Courthouse not be enlarged as means of solving the critical space problem, but instead a modern new structure be built in the central business section of Anderson, has served to revive an old and persistent myth. It is that if the present courthouse is ever abandoned, then the land on which it stands will revert back to heirs of the person who owned the land before it was taken over for county purposes.

All of which is untrue.

THE LAND acquired by the commissioners named to establish Anderson was purchased straight out, no strings attached.

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The Tireless Search for Mary



By Shirley Selman Phillips Edited by Gary Farmer

Since Larry first received an invitation to a "Phillips Reunion" and particularly since 2006 I have been researching my husband's genealogy. I hadn't done anything like this before and I didn't know where to start, but I had a yearning to trace our family linage and history to find our ancestors and document from whence they came. I began writing down

what information and stories about my family that I could get from my parents, who were sometimes reluctant to tell me everything, and from other family members and relations. I have collected a box full of notes and pictures that I have yet to organize.

Larry would tell me what he knew of his family and he and I would try researching for proof of their validity. Larry knew of his Grandfather, Jack Phillips who died around 1934 and visited his Grandmother, Lee Anna Shiflet Phillips often, who lived in Anderson. We heard stories that the Phillips family had once lived across the state line in Georgia, but without specifics. For years Larry and I have been collecting bits and pieces of the puzzle and trying to put it all together.

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HAPPY NEW YEAR

"IT'S TIME TO
MAKE THE
DONUTS"
&
COLLECT
FOR
2015
MEMBERSHIP

Wow, what happened to 2014. It was here one minute then gone the next.

Well, with the coming of a new year come the duty of collecting dues and sending in monies to support our state organization. A good number of you have already renewed your membership, but there are quite a few who have not.

I hope that you will consider

renewing for 2015 and continue receiving both the Carolina Herald and the Anderson Record. We also have the SC State Surname Directory coming out soon and you don't want to miss out on an opportunity to purchase one.

Our Chapter Dues has not increased this year so the cost is the same as last.

Associate dues is \$15.00,

Individual is \$20.00 and Family is only \$25.00. The Anderson County Chapter Dues are the lowest in the state.

Please pay at the next regular meeting or mail your check to ACC SCGS, P.O. Box 74, Anderson, SC 29622-0074. Make your check payable to ACC SCGS.

Thank you.

REUNION OF UPCOUNTRY FAMILIES

Were you aware that for several years now, Southern Wesleyan University has hosted the "100 Year Reunion" now called "Reunion of Upcountry Families?" Sponsored by Birchwood Center, Old Pendleton District Genealogical Society, Pendleton District Commission, Pickens County Historical Society, Faith Clayton Room and the Southern Wesleyan University and the Anderson County Genealogical

Society this year's Reunion will be held March 12th through 14th 2015. Activities include Genealogy Classes for Adults and Children, Exploring of Historical Cemeteries including Roberts Presbyterian Church, Exploring Genealogical Libraries such as the Faith Clayton Room and our own Anderson County Chapter Research Center and Guest Speakers such as *Lewis Redmond and Manse Jolly: Upcoun-*

try Bad Men, Dennis Chastain
"Early Trails & Roads of the
Upcountry," Virginia Pierce.
"Chronicling America Newspaper Project" and Janet Albert.
"Using DNA to Supplement Your
Family History Research". Jan
Albert is a former president of
the National Genealogical Society. The Reunion makes available, for a small fee, tables so
that you may exhibit your

family information or family books that you might be selling to those searching for information about their own families. Continued on Page 4

March 12th—14th 2015

Southern Wesleyan University

NEW SILVER BROOK CEMETERY PROJECT



Work continues on the Reading of New Silver Brook
Cemetery in Anderson, South
Carolina. Barbara Clark, the
Cemetery Chairperson, and
her group a volunteers, which
include Gale Waters, Susan
Jarrard, Joyce Gibson and
Gary Farmer have been meeting twice a month since September reading and documenting headstones and taking pictures of each and everyone.

So far we've accomplished

reading sections C and D and we just finished with E.
There are plenty more to read and take pictures of and I think we actually have fun while we are doing it.

If you would like to volunteer please contact Barbara Clark by emailing her at bc29624@att.net or by calling her and leaving her a message on her cell phone at 864-417-0811.

Come out and join the fun.

REUNION OF UPCOUNTRY FAMILIES CONT:

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There is no cost to you to attend the Reunion unless you wish to display a table or wanting to attend and hear a special guest speaker. The Anderson County Chapter of the South Carolina Genealogical Society will be manning a table and selling books from out book inventory.

So mark your calendar and come out to the "Reunion of Upcountry Families" March 12th, 13th, and 14th 2015 at South-

ern Wesleyan University. Come out and support your Chapter and the SCGS.

We'll see you there.







Message from President Shelby Hart Lollis



The year of 2014 has come and gone. There were some changes... some good, some not so good in our chapter this past year. We have had some good times and some bad times. We lost some members and we gained some. We have completed several projects on our Elephant List and we still have some we are still working on! We have had great programs. Our Annual Brunch was a great success with a larger audience than last year! We had the largest attendance at our Christmas dinner ever! We have had many visitors from all over the USA and even Nova Scotia come to the Center to research! We also sold our first book on Amazon! So, I consider 2014 a successful year in our Chapter's history.

Now, here we are ready for 2015! Have you renewed your membership! We have some great things planned for this coming year. On February 6, our chapter and the Visitor's Center are hosting an Appreciation Lunch for Anderson County Council and Mayors. The Research Center is on the tour for the Upcountry Reunion this March. We plan to host several Webinars on Genealogy this spring at the Research Center. We are currently working on new publications. We have several new Projects we will be working on. The digitizing of Anderson County Marriage Licenses from 1911-1951 is our #1 project! Also, we will be purchasing our new scanner, using the Anderson County Council Grant funds, in January. We can then start scanning and digitizing some of our large books and newspapers!

Of course, I am always begging for volunteers to help! We can use anything or any amount of time you can donate!

I am so excited to begin this New Year and look forward to all that we can accomplish together!

Shelby Hart Lollis

PIEDMONT, SC HISTORY CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

Mr. Hammett and his cotton mill are the reason there is a Piedmont today. Being stalled by the War Between the States, Mr. Hammett was finally able to begin producing cloth in 1876, but not before a problem for which he found a unique solution. When he ran short of money, He made a trip up north to where the Textile Machinery Manufacturers were located. he obtained financing to complete his mill by offering stock in his company as payment for the machinery he needed to start production. Saco Lowell and Whitin Machine Works furnished

his needs and production began. Some of the Saco Lowell original machinery, as modified, was still operating in 1964.

The company continued after his death in 1893 with the Beattie family from Greenville taking over and running it until 1946 when the giant chain run by J.P. Stevens and Co. Inc. took it over.

The water power was used to produce electricity to run the machinery in the 1880s and also furnished the employees homes from the 1920s until Duke Power expanded after WWII.

The Piedmont Plants operated continuously until 1964, when Stevens built the modern Estes Plant about two miles away from the Saluda Shoals. Moving most of the employees and part of the machinery, Estes is still being operated today as a part of Delta Woodside Industries who bought it from Stevens in 1983.

Mr. Hammett's original building burned in 1983 and the Anderson County plant was completely torn down by 1995.

Over the years Piedmont had the reputation of turning out quality products, being the first to export cloth to China in the late 1880s through the 1930s. Another name given to Piedmont was "School of Superintendents," as over the

women. Schools for the children of workers and support for churches in the community.

In the early 1870s, Hammett reached up to the north, Connecticut, and hired a "yankee veteran," Albert Smith Rowell, to come work in his mill. Rowell, besides working as a bossman in the clothroom, ran the above mentioned programs for Mr. Hammett, although early history of our region does not give him any credit. Rowell was also the town postmaster, and editor of "The Bridge," a monthly paper printed

started until 1909 in England. He was truly an outstanding man.

Today, the town is a commuter neighborhood, more than a mill town, with the area around the Saluda River's Big Shoals hosting a population of over 16,000. Several small businesses are located in the community, and with I-85 being only four miles away, it is still an enticing location for more.

Albert Smith Rowell was a supervisor or "bossman" in the cloth room at the Piedmont Mills in the 1870s. He also served as the town postmaster and editor of "The Bridge," a monthly paper printed

by the mills from 1918 until his death in 1922.

"Now the main object of the "Bridge" is to disseminate information that will bring the whole people of Piedmont together and in touch with each other, to inspire the strong to help the weak, help the weak to get on higher ground. This

cannot be done by living "hermit" lives, so let us get together."

PIEDMONT HISTORY (compiled by Don Roper, Piedmont, S.C.):

Submitted by Gary Farmer



years scores of the South's Mills were presided over by graduates of Piedmont.

Another credit for the Piedmont Mills was an early library, Lyceum, YMCA, for both men and by the mills from 1918 until his death in 1922. In the latter part of the 19th century he started a program for young boys of the community, calling them Young Explorers. They were a forerunner of today's Boy Scouts who didn't get

PIEDMONT CHRONOLOGICAL HISTORY

1746: David Garrison Born.

1770: Pearl Springs School Organized on Shiloh Church Road.

1790: David Garrison lives in Greenville County

1822: Henry Pinckney Hammett born in Laurens County.

1843: Grist mill and log cabin built at Garrison Shoals.

1856: Grove Station Baptist Church organized.

Dec. 26, 1848: Tea planted on Golden Grove Tea Plantation by Junius Smith.

July 4, 1851: "Now I have before me a pot of fresh tea from my own plantation, the first I have enjoyed," Junius Smith says.

Dec. 23, 1852: Junius Smith attacked at his home in Grove Station, seriously injured.

Jan. 25, 1853: Junius Smith dies as a result of his injuries.

1860: Shiloh Mehtodist Church organized.

1862: Garrison Shoals property bought by William Bates and Co.

1865: Shiloh Methodist Church used as a school, first teacher was Robert King. April 30, 1873: Piedmont Manufacturing Company organized at the Court House in Greenville. On motion, it was "Resolved that the station on the Greenville and Columbia Railroad and the village be called Piedmont." Henry P. Hammett, elected president.

Feb. 13, 1874: Corporation known as Piedmont Manufacturing Company chartered by the State of South Carolina.

May 13, 1874: Stockholders adopted the charter as issued by the State of South Carolina.

Oct. 3, 1874: Cornerstone Laid.

Oct. 15, 1874: Cornerstone Maliciously torn open and some items stolen. Resealed.

1875 & 1876: The first mill building was constructed on the Greenville County side of the Saluda River.

Jan., 1876: First Sunday School organized.

March 15, 1876: Water turned on for first time. First bale of cotton opened by Mr. W.J. McElreath and his son; McElreath Street named for this family. First spinning machinery started up. First bale of cotton used in mill bought from Silas F. Trowbridge of Grove Station. He bought the first bale of cloth, a 36" sheeting which was sold in his store.

March 20, 1876: J.W. Rounds, superintendent.

April 1876: First cloth manufactured in Piedmont No. 1.

July 1, 1876: Mill considered in full operation.

Nov. 4, 1876: Piedmont Methodist Church organized by the Rev. R.R. Dagnall, Pastor.

Feb. 24, 1877: James Champion Osteen born.

1877: Royal Kallock, superintendent.

1878: C.A. Davenport, superintendent.

1879: A.R. Steele, superintendent.

1879: Union Church building built by the mill.

Dec. 29, 1879: Piedmont First Baptist Church organized, meeting

in the old plantation house on Hotel Hill.

1880: Mill Building No. 2 built in Greenville County.

1880: First school building built and teacher hired. The first school had 80 students enrolled. Wooden school was constructed near Union Church.

May 18, 1880: Piedmont Presbyterian Church organized, the Rev. C.L. Stewart was pastor.

1880: First cloth exported to China.

1883: J.P. Iler, superintendent.

1888: Mill Building No. 3 built in Anderson County.

1890: Waco School built, first teacher was John Watson.

June 22, 1890: Land given to the Baptists for a church on Hotel Hill near the reservoir.

July 26, 1891: Piedmont First Baptist church building dedicated

May 8, 1891: H.P. Hammett dies.

May 13, 1891 – June 19, 1891: R.L. McCaughrin served as president.

June 19, 1891: J.L. Orr elected president.

July 26, 1891: Piedmont First Baptist Church building dedicated, pastor was T.M. Galphin.

1891: W.F. Walker, superintendent.

May 11, 1892: Land deeded to Piedmont Methodist Church, church built on Hotel Hill.

Sept. 1, 1893: Lula Timmerman dies. Mother later sees face of Christ in coffee grounds settled in saucer. Mr. A.S. Rowell had picture made which circulated nationwide.

1893: Piedmont Presbyterian Church built in Anderson County.

1894 (Spring): Piedmont Presbyterian Church dedicated by Dr. J. Lowery.

1895: Mill Building No. 4 built in Greenville County on Academy Street.

1900: Wooden school for grammar grades built in Anderson County.

Dec. 3, 1903: Ten wooden buildings in downtown burn.

Feb. 26, 1905: Col. James L. Orr dies.

Feb. 1, 1904: S.T. Buchanan, superintendent.

March 11, 1905: William E. Beattie elected president.

1915: Waco and Shiloh schools merged and new school built at Rock Hill, first principal was Jack Ballard.

(Compiled by Don Roper, Piedmont, S.C.)

Submitted by Gary Farmer

COURTHOUSE PROPERTY BOUGHT 'STRAIGHT OUT' CONT:

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The commissioners were James Harrison, Robert Norris, Matthew Gambrell, John C. Griffin and William Sherard. They at first considered two sites for the courthouse, to be located in the center of the new. One Site was about where the Orr Mill now stands, the other at Whitehall near the Pruitt Shopping Center.

Midway between the two points was a place known as French Store. In addition

shop and a tavern. The tavern stood where the Ma-Temple sonic now is. In front of the tavern was a spring; inside a bar. One warm afternoon while traveling between the two proposed locations, the commissioners stopped at French Store. They tethered their horses where the animals could drink from the trough just below the spring, then went inside to the tavern and slaked their own thirst with some-

As the afternoon progressed, Comtook it upon him-

thing

site for the new town. Picking up a heavy walking stick, he strode to a towering walnut tree a few yards away, rammed the stick into the ground and announced, "Here shall be the southeast corner of the courthouse. He who says no has me to whip."

SINCE NONE of the others were disposed to fight, or even raise an argument, and being filled with good will, they all agreed the new between the two debated points. The arrows at right point north. Mathew Gambrell submitted the

following report, which is recorded THE PRICE paid for the land was built a log house on West Whitner in Book S, Page 172-173, in the at the rate of \$4.62½ per acre. The Street near where the First Presbycourthouse:

"Agreeable to the direction of the commissioners appointed at the last session of the legislature of the State of South Carolina to select a site for the public buildings in Anderson County, I have measured the land and I find that Manning Poole has 64 acres, Hezekiah Rice has 26 3/4 acres, William Magee 231/2 acres and Zadoc Chamblee 10 acres, each parcel being repre-

plat shows about 124 acres, but terian Church now is. 130 acres were actually bought. Fifty lots were immediately sold for \$8,145.00. The town was laid off by James Thompson, S. J. Hammond, J. E. Norris, Alexander Moorhead and L. L. Goode. A square for business was marked out, with a central plot set aside for public buildings, these being the courthouse and jail.

The area now occupied by the kept upstairs.

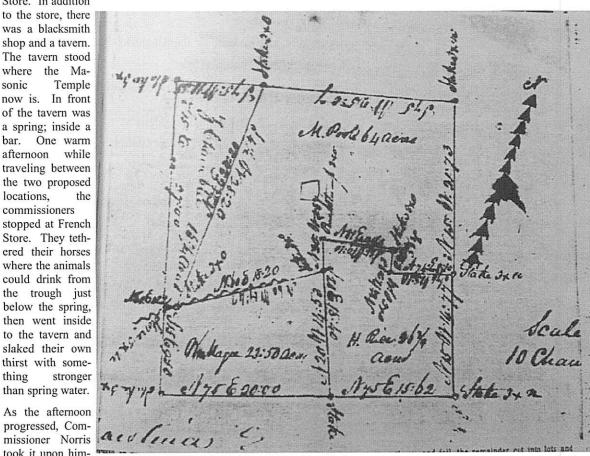
The first courthouse was a square long building behind which was the jail. A high fence extended from behind the courthouse around the jail, located where Woolworth's is now. Within this enclosure were stables, gardens, etc. The jail also of logs, was a two story structure. The high sheriff lived on the bottom floor, prisoners

> On the north side of the courthouse was a pillory used to punish petty criminals. It stood there for years. The last man to b pilloried was a notorious drunkard by the name of "Steve." He mounted the platform with a grin. After his head and hands had been adjusted he called repeatedly for a "Chaw o' backer." After he had been there two or three hours he quieted down considerably and began pleading for his release.

After about 10 years a second courthouse was built, this one of brick. It resembled the Pendleton Farmers Society has of Pendleton, which was originally designed as a courthouse for Pendleton District. The district was divided into Anderson and Pickens Counties before the building was completed. Oconee County came into being in 1866 through divi-

sion of Pickens County.

The brick courthouse stood until 1897, then torn down and replaced with the old part of the present one. In 1939, the courthouse was renovated and enlarged. No improvements have been made in the more than a quarter of a century since then except to install a couple of drinking fountains and air condi-



self to settle the argument over the sented in the above plat."

The plat referred to by Gambrell is the one appearing on this page, photographed and reproduced by the Independent exactly as recorded 139 years ago (now about 189 years ago). The little square at upper center was drawn in with a pencil in later years, obviously by someone desirous of indicating the

Plaza plot was not designated for anything or sold to anybody. It became a hitching lot and remained as such, alternately mudhole and dust bowl, until 1905 when it was curbed and beautified through the efforts of the Anderson Civic Association.

THE PRESENT courthouse, incidentally, is the third one to occupy location of the courthouse. The the site. Contract for building the squiggle along the property line at first was let to Benjamin Denham, lower left denotes a little creek of the Brushy Creek section. He tioning. town should be located midway which long ago ceased to flow. sublet the contract to Robert Wilson, a brickmason of Greenville. Wilson moved to Anderson and

2015 Membership Application

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The Tireless Search for Mary Cont.

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This year I have had some good results on researching Larry's family tree. We found another piece to the puzzle and it was a big find. With the help of the Franklin County Genealogical Society in Carnesville, Georgia, sharing some of their records with us we were able to narrow down the time frame when Larry's Grandfather and Great Grandmother had passed away and where they were buried. We were told that they were possibly buried in Prospect United Methodist Church in

Stephens County Georgia where Larry's Great Grandfather was buried in 1924. We had documentation to prove that Larry's Great Grandfather was there in the cemetery, but not his Grandfather or his Great Grandmother. They were not showing up on Ancestry or Georgia Virtual Vault, but they were there on the Family Search website.

Larry and I had been visiting the Archives in Jonesboro. Georgia, and this year we found information that helped me get through one of my brick walls on his side of the family. After finding reference to Larry's Great Grandmother's Death Certificate on microfiche at the Georgia Archives we found a mistake on a requested

copy of the death certificate. The certificate listed Larry's Great Grandmother's father as Nage Phillips. Knowing this was not correct we asked Phillips was Elizabeth Guest.

to look at the original certificate. The Archives pulled the file and then took us to a secured room where we had to sign in on a log and then they locked us in while we reviewed the file. We actually were able to touch the Original Death Certificate of Mary B (Blair) Philips, nicknamed Polly, dated July 7th of 1932. There was nothing else in the file that confirmed Mary's father's last name but from other research that I had done we knew his name was Nage Payne. He was known also as Nance Payne. Mary's certificate also con-

Both Larry and I were ecstatic to find and obtain a copy of Mary Phillips death certificate and to place another piece in the puzzle we are trying to put together. We traveled to the cemetery and found D. N. Phillips CSA headstone and this past summer we had a grave stone made and placed for Mary Phillips next her husband. I was able to add her to the Find-a-Grave website. And because was no marker for Nathaniel Jackson Phillips, one was made and placed in the cemetery next to his parents. In today's world of ances-

try research on computers, you are not assured that every record is copied, scanned or digitized and available for querying. Sometimes old fashion foot work is the path you have to take to find information. Don't give up your quest for information and documentation. Keep searching and documenting all your research.

Here are some of Larry's ancestors:

Larry Phillips is the Son of Seaborn Dewey and Evelyn Shaw Phillips.

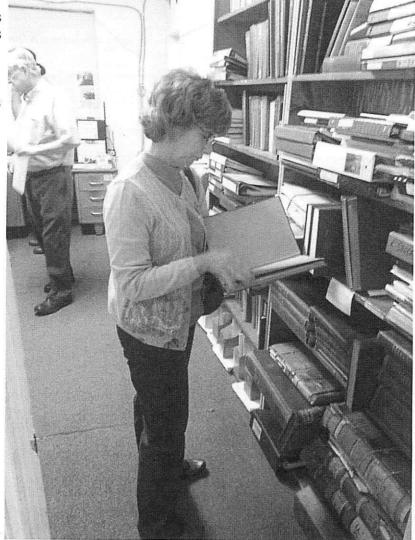
Seaborn Dewey Phillips is the Son of Nathaniel Jackson (Jack) and Lee Anna Shiflet Phillips.

Jack Phillips is the Son of Dennis N. and Mary Blare (Polly) Payne Phillips.

Dennis N. Phillips is the Son of Dewant and Elizabeth Miller Phillips.

Dewant Phillips is the Son of Dennis and Mary Sewell Phillips.

Dennis Phillips is the Son of Thomas and Hannah Weathington Phillips.



firmed her mother's maiden name as Guest. Larry's Great Great Grandmother and Mother of Mary B. Payne

Families of Anderson County, SC

1928, TRADITIONS AND HISTORY OF ANDERSON COUNTY Louise Ayer Vandiver

"One of Anderson County's earliest families was that of Alexander Moorhead. In fact, Mr. Moorhead came before the county did. He built, in 1813, the quaint little house out several miles north of Anderson Moorhead. which his sone, Mr. Robert Moorhead, occupied until his death several years ago. The house is probably still standing.

There is an interesting story told of the origin of the name. It is said that long, long ago there lived in Scotland, in the same neighborhood, two was a little boy at the men of the same name, John Muir. One lived on the top of a hill, and became known as John Muir, at the hill of "heed," and the other as John Muir, on the bray face. It chanced that a bull in the neighborhood became mad and the men of the community, armed with anything that would be carried as a weapon, went out to slay the beast. John Muir, of the "heed," armed himself with a pitchfork, and was fortunate enough to kill the bull, whose head

he carried home in triumph. That doughty deed, added to the "heed" already used in connection with his name, finally fixed it as "Muirhead", which in process of time became

The Anderson County Moorheads lived first in Union District. The head of the family was another John. He, during the Revolutionary War, was loval to Britain (Torrey). His two sons, however, fought in the army of the patriots. Alexander Moorhead time of the war with England, and he used to tell about seeing the "Red Coats" pass his father's house, and running to hide in a fence corner until they were out of sight.

He was on of the first white men to settle in this section of the country. His house was built of logs, the interstices filled with small brick made to fit the place they were to occupy. A few years before his death Mr. Robert Moorhead was over-

persuaded to cover the front and sides of his house with weatherboarding, but the original logs are still there, and at the back may be seen.

In 1814 Mr. Alexander Moorhead was elected captain of a military company composed of men of Pendleton district, and living in what afterwards became Anderson, which went into Georgia to fight Indians. The company spent six month on that business.

The people of this vicinity lived largely on sweet potatoes in that early time, and Mr. Alexander Moorhead sold probably the greater part of the potatoes sold. Even to people who raised their own potatoes he sold those needed for seed. He also sold large quantities of tobacco.

A little distance back of the Moorhead house is a quaint Old Dutch oven of brick. It has a large cavity for baking and a small one for fire.

The Moorhead place was originally owned by an Irishman named Loflin. He lived in a log cabin. In 1704 Mr. Moorhead, then a young Submitted by Gary Farmer

man, came from Union and bought the property. At once he wnt to work to make a crop, and after it was made and gathered, he returned to Union and got his parents to come and live with him. The yourth was only twenty years old at the time. With the parents came also a young sister, who was married to a Mr. Lewis, grandfather of Mr. J. B. Lewis. The present house was not built at the time. The family occupied the cabin of Mr. Loflin, and in the low loft the bride dressed for the wedding. The original house is still standing, an outbuilding of the farm, and the dingy loft is to be seen. The bride may not have been tall; if she was, she dressed bent over.

Alexander also soon married, and it was for his young wife he built the present house, a two -story structure with a large living room and an ell containing two other rooms-quite a pretentious house when it was erected. Mr. Alexander Moorhead and his wife are buried in Concord church yard, not far from their home place."

Descendants of Alexander Moorhead 1777 - 1863

"Alexander Moorhead, the youngest son of John and Elizabeth (Dunn) Moorhead, was born in Union District, South Carolina, November 30, 1777. He grew up there during the Revolutionary War and recalled seeing the "Red Coats" pass by.

It was in 1797, at the age of twenty he came to Anderson (Pendleton District) and traded his father's horse (or horses) for the 292 acres from Mr. Loflin (Laughlin) that became their home place. He raised a crop that summer and returned to



Union District for his parents and young sister, Elizabeth.

Sweet potatoes were the food staple in those days and were grown on the farm in large quantities. Tobacco was a pay crop. Seed potatoes and potato plants were in great demand.

During the early 1800's, a larger two-story house was begun. It was built of logs with the cracks filled with mortar bricks. During this period Alexander met and married Rachel Sherrill, who was born in 1793 and died November 4, 1867.

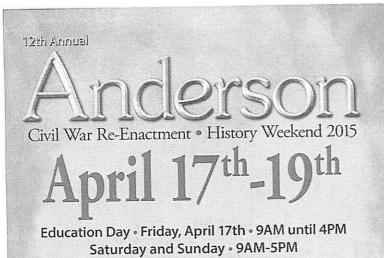
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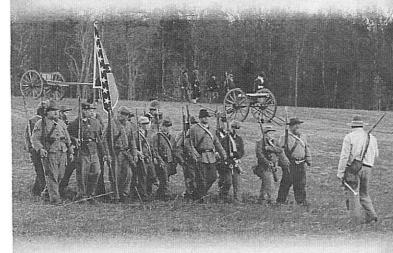
formed in the area to serve in the War of 1812. Alexander was elected as Captain. The Company was not summoned, but stayed intact, and in 1815, went to Alabama to quell the Creek Indians. Alexander recalled being ill in his tent one day when he heard a commotion outside. He threw off his quilt and went out to greet a distinguished arrival – General Andrew Jackson.

Returning to the farm, Alexander learned to fashion plow points, called "coulters", from white oak and pegged together. These old farm implements, made about 1824, were preserved and were on display at Clemson College for years until they became lost.

Moorhead was named, with several others, by an Act of the South Carolina Legislature, dated December 20, 1826, to "contract for and superintend the building of a courthouse (for Anderson County) on such a site as shall be determined by the Commissioners appointed for that purpose". The town of Anderson was laid out on 130 acres of land purchased for \$4.62 per acre, but the site for the courthouse became a bone of contention. It is said that one hot day, one of the surveying group grew tired of the argument and drove stakes into the ground and said, "Here!" Legend has it that the man was Alexander Moorhead.

Alexander Moorhead died June 6, 1863 in Anderson County, S.C." He is buried along with his wife and parents in the Old Concord Presbyterian Church Cemetery, across the street from Concord Baptist Church on Concord Road in Anderson. Submitted by Gary Farmer





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Descendents of Alexander Moorhead 1777-1863 Cont.

Alexander Moorhead had seven siblings; William, John Jr., Joseph, Jane, Elizabeth Dunn, James and Eleanor. Around 1813 at the age of 35 Alexander married Rachel Sherrill, daughter of Lewis Sherrill Sr. and Mary Mason Sherrill in Burke County, North Carolina.

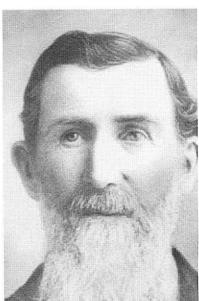
Alexander and Rachel Sherrill Moorhead had the following children:

- 1. John Moorhead born 08 November 1812 in Pendleton District, South Carolina. He died on 27 August 1890 in Anderson County, South Carolina.
- 2. Lewis Moorhead was born in 1814 in Pendleton District, South Carolina.
- 3. James Moorhead was born in 1816 in Pendleton District, South Carolina
- 4. Elizabeth Moorhead was born in 1819 in Pendleton District, South Carolina.
- 5. William Moorhead was born about 1827 in South Carolina.
- 6. Susan Moorhead was born about 1836 in South Carolina.
- 7. Robert Moorhead was born on 08 June 1840 in Pendleton District, South Carolina and he died on 09 April 1923 in Anderson County, South Carolina.

Robert Moorhead, Alexander's youngest son, resided at the family home place until his death in April 1923. About 1904, Robert Moorhead deeded property on Concord Road to a group of Baptists, and remains Concord Baptist Church to the present day. Across the road from the Baptist Church is the Moorhead cemetery where John Moorhead Sr. the original immigrant from Ireland, and his wife Elizabeth Dunn Moor-

head are buried along with Alexander and Rachel Sherrill Moorhead, John Moorhead's youngest son and Robert Morehead's father.

Robert Moorhead



More information about the various Moorhead family members can be found amongst the Beverly People's files as well had other source found in the Research Center.

Submitted by Gary Farmer



"Uncle Robert" Moorhead is dead! exclaimed the Anderson Daily Mail. From Saturday to Monday, April 9th, 1923, Robert Moorhead had quickly and unexpectedly died at Anderson County Hospital of pneumonia, in his 83rd year. Through births and marriages, "Uncle Robert" was related to hundreds in Anderson. Robert's pioneer father, Alexander, came to Pendleton District in 1798, before there was an Anderson, and helped select the site for the courthouse. His uncle, Major Lewis, helped divide the district into Pickens and Anderson counties, and was Anderson County's first representative. Legendary Rebel, Manse Jolly, was the son of his first cousin, Joseph Moorhead Jolly. Yet important and impressive as these faimily ties were, it was Robert Moorhead's gentle and saintly nature that impressed and endeared him to everyone as "Uncle Robert". (JohnRMoorhead@aol.com 813-972-0403)



Story Stewards

Submitted by Gary Farmer

I heard this on the radio as I was driving to the Research Center and I felt it had profound importance and needed to be shared with you.

Taken for "Our Daily Bread" Daily Devotionals, December 15, 2014:

By Julie Ackerman Link

"Many people take great care to make sure their resources are used well after they die. They set up trusts, write wills, and establish foundations to guarantee that their assets will continue to be used for a good purpose after their life on earth is done. We call this good stewardship.

Equally important, however, is being good stewards of our life story. God commanded the Israelites not only to teach their children His laws but also to make sure they knew their family history. It was the responsibility of parents and grandparents to make sure their children knew the stories of how God had worked in their behalf (Deut. 4:1-14).

God has given each of us a unique story. His plan for our lives is individualized. Do others know what you believe and why? Do they know the story of how you came to faith and how God has worked in your life to strengthen your faith? Do they know how God has shown Himself faithful and has helped you through doubts and disappointments?

The faithfulness of God is a story that we have the privilege to pass on. Record it in some way and share it. Be a good steward of the story that God is telling through you.

How great, O God, Your acts of love!
Your saving deeds would now proclaim
That generations yet to come
May set their hope in Your great name. —D. DeHaan

A life lived for God leaves a lasting legacy."

What legacy and stories do you have that you plan to leave for generation to come? Does the Research Center have a copy of your stories? You may not feel that your story is completed yet or you are not quite ready to share it. Don't let this opportunity pass. Submit a copy of your legacy. You will always have new stories to tell and with that comes "Volume II".

Gary Farmer, Librarian

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And then have it chiseled in marble,
Sweet words on ice-cold stone.

If you have tender thoughts of me, Please tell me now.
If you wait until I am sleeping, Never to awaken,
There will be death between us And I won't hear you then.

So, if you love me, even a little bit, Let me know it while I am living So I can treasure it.

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When: February 6th, 2015

What time: 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Where: Anderson County Genealogical Research Center

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Calendar of Events

January 5, 2015 Anderson County Chapter Regular Meeting: 7:00pm, Senior Solutions, Clemson Boulevard, Anderson, South Carolina. Laura Holden from the Anderson County Library South Carolina Room will be the guest speaker.

January 8, 2015 - Laurens County Chapter Meeting: Laurens County Library at 7:30 p.m..

January 10, 2015 - South Carolina Genealogical Society Board Meeting at he SC Archives in Columbia, S.C.

January 15, 2015 - Fairfield Genealogical Society Meeting: Gina Price White (Winthrop) will be giving some preservation tips. Meeting will be held at Christ Central Community Center next to the Fairfield Museum located at 235 S. Congress Street, Winnsboro, SC. www.fairfieldgenealogical.org

January 15, 2015 - Greenville Chapter of the SCGS - Meetings are held 3:00 to 5:00 PM, on the 3rd Sunday of every month at the Greenville County Library (Hughes Downtown Library) 25 Heritage Green Place, Greenville, SC. On occasions, it might be necessary to change our meeting dates & places. If you're a first time visitor, it's recommended that you e-mail Tad Riddle at Triddle902@aol.com to confirm this information

January 20, 2015 - Old Pendleton District January Meeting will have Dr. Connic McNeil will speak about genealogical resources in Abbeville. Meeting will be held at the Central-Clemson Library from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

February 5, 2015 - Anderson County Chapter Regular Meeting: 7:00pm, Scnior Solutions, Clemson Boulevard, Anderson, South Carolina.

February 6, 2015 - Appreciation Luncheon - for City Mayors, City Councils, County Council and Anderson County Administrator at the Anderson County Genealogical Society Research Center, hosted by the Anderson County Chapter of the South Carolina Genealogical Society and Visit Anderson. Times are currently set for 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m..

February 12, 2015 - Laurens County Chapter Meeting: Laurens County Library at 7:30 p.m.

February 17, 2015 - Old Pendleton District February Meeting, Quintell Walker will discuss the Pickens County Library's Genealogy Room in Easley. Meeting will be held at the Central-Clemson Library from 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

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February 20, 2015 - Fairfield Genealogical Society Meeting - 7:00 p.m. "Discovering Dave" a 40 minute film documenting the story of the Edgefield, South Carolina, slave potter named David Drake. Meeting will be held at Christ Central Community Center next to the Fairfield Museum located at 235 S. Congress Street, Winnsboro, SC. www.fairfieldgenealogical.org

March 5, 2015 - Anderson County Chapter Regular Meeting: 7:00pm, Senior Solutions, Clemson Boulevard, Anderson, South Carolina.

March 12, 2015 - Laurens County Chapter Meeting: Laurens County Library at 7:30 p.m.

March 12 - 14, 2015 - Reunion of Upcountry Families at Southern Wesleyan University - For additional information visit www.100yearreunion.com.

March 19, 2015 - Fairfield Genealogical Society Meeting - Debbie Bloom (Richland Public Library) on the Dead Librarian blog. Meeting will be held at Christ Central Community Center next to the Fairfield Museum located at 235 S. Congress Street, Winnsboro, SC. www.fairfieldgenealogical.org

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April 18, 2015 - Dutch Fork Chapter of SCGS will hold its Annual Reunion on Saturday, April 18th 2015 at Mr. Horeb Lutheran Church, 101 East Boundary St. Chapin, South Carolina. The Chicora Foundation will present a program about cemeteries. Dr. Susan McArver will also speak on Early Dutch Fork Religion and Worship. This event generally starts around 8:00 a.m. and goes to about 3:00 p.m. and covers lunch. Preregistration is required to ensure enough food for lunch. Go to www.dutchforkchapter.org for more information.

May 13 - 16, 2015 - The National Genealogical Society 2015 Family History Conference will be held 13-16 May 2015 in the St. Charles Convention Center, One Convention Center Plaza, St. Charles, Missouri.

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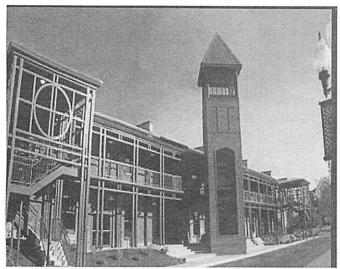
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Meetings

Monthly meetings are held the first Monday of each month at 7pm, at Senior Solutions, 420 Clemson Blvd, Anderson, South Carolina.

Each month a program is presented that is of interest to genealogy researchers. Come early and discuss your family with our members.

Refreshments are provided Free following the program and all Regular Meetings are Open to the Public.

Next Meeting, January 5th, 2014 Guest Speaker Laura Holden

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