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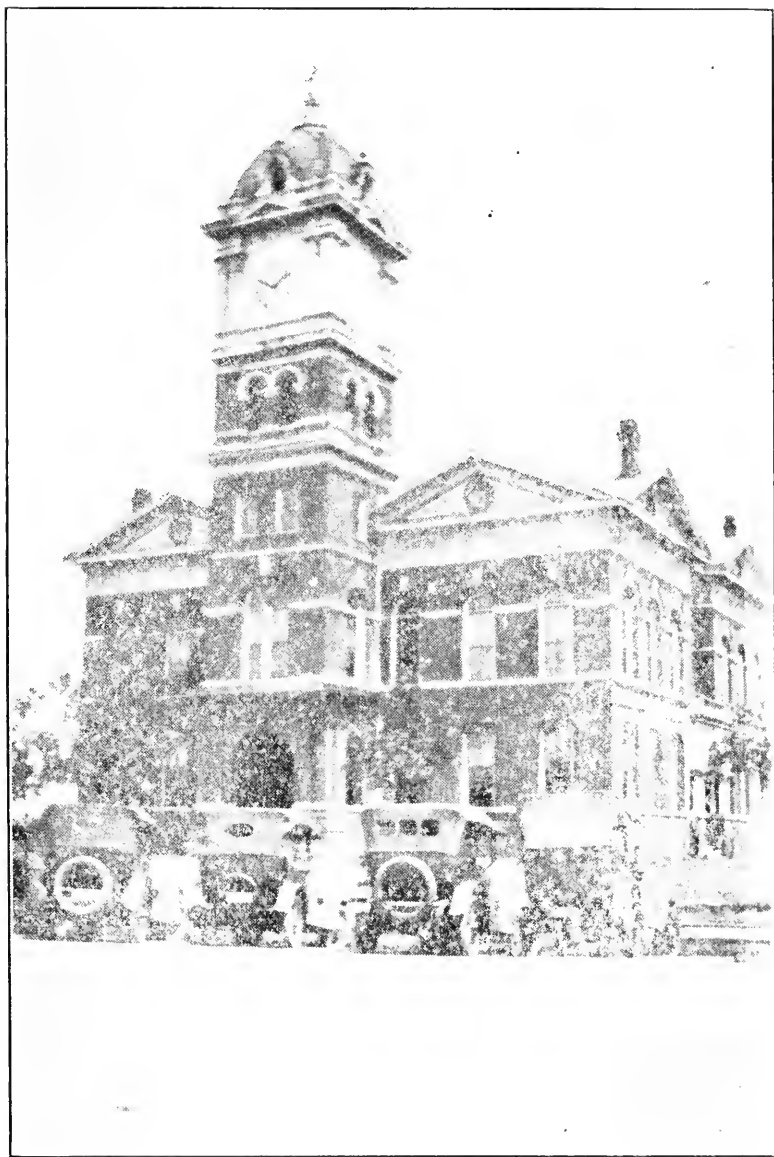
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AN ACROSTIC—PIKE COUNTY

Come, oh my muse! my pen inspire,
And touch it with poetic fire.
Help me to tell the wondrous story
Of Pike's past and future glory.

P's for pride of a noble sort,
Pride of character which can't be bought.
Which strives to be true and dares to be brave
Would help the erring, the lost would save.

I's for industry, in things worth while;
Seeking the good and shunning the vile.
Ready alike to serve God or man;
Building a character on God's plan.

K's for knowledge, coming from above;
The knowledge of God, whose name is love.
Like Mary to sit at Jesus' feet:
Learn lessons of faith and trust complete.

E's for earnest in purpose and aim;
Putting forth efforts, worthy the name.
Not idling; loitering, wasting time,
But struggling: climbing to heights sublime.

C's for Christ Jesus, our Lord, our King.
Hail Him! Crown Him! His praises sing.
To Him swear allegiance, to Him render praise,
Now and ever, through everlasting days.

O's for obey the laws ordained of God.
Thou shalt; thou shalt not; says God's own word.
Render to Caesar, what belongs to him.
Treat God fairly, or else 'tis sin.

U's for union; together we stand,
Loving; tender, a brave loyal band.
Drive out the Devil; Honor our God.
He'll sustain us, tho we pass 'neath the sod.

N's for numbers who've wandered away:
From the Shepherd's fold they've gone astray.
Let's seek these lost sheep of the fold.
Angels rejoice o'er the penitent soul.

T's touch not; taste not, the unclean thing.
T'will bite like the serpent; like the adder will sting.
Be sober and clean and pure in our lives.
Nor bring grief and shame to children and wives.

Y stands for youth, the boys of our land.
Hope of our country: a loyal band.
Ye boys be brave in the world's great strife.
Lofty your aims and pure your life.



History of Pike County

Boundaries of Pike County were laid out in 1882. It was bounded on the north by Fayette and Henry; on the East by Monroe and a part of Butts; on the South by Upson; on the west by Flint River and Line creek.

In 1824, a part of Pike was added to Upson. In 1851, the County of Spalding was formed and the northern part of Pike, in which was situated the city of Griffin, was put in the new county. The area of Pike was again greatly lessened in 1920, when the Eastern part of the county, in which was situated the towns of Barnesville, Milner and Liberty Hill, was added to the new county of Lamar.

Pike County was named for General Zebulon Montgomery Pike, a hero of the war of 1812, who lost his life in a battle with the British troops. The county site was originally old Newman near Finchers Church, but was moved to Zebulon in 1825. The town gets its name from the given name of General Pike, and was suggested by Mrs. D. S. Patterson, who was an early settler of Pike, but who died near Jackson, Ga., in 1883.

The first court house was of hewn logs, and Mr. D. S. Patterson told me that he helped to hew the logs. The log house which Mr. Patterson built for a dwelling is still standing on the farm owned by the estate of Mrs. R. W. Rogers, and is over 100 years old.

The second court house was of brick and cost \$8,000.

The present building was erected in 1895. The following were commissioners: T. J. Cadenhead, Chairman; E. G. Aikin, J. T. Tyus, William M. Hartley, Sr., Clerk.

On November 25, 1825, an act was passed by the Senate and House of Representatives of the General Assembly of Georgia, and signed by Governor G. M. Troup, author-

izing the purchase of lot number 227 as the county site, naming it Zebulon. The following were appointed commissioners: Lewis Daniel, Francis Daniel, Hugh F. Rose, Laurince, and Absalom Echols, with authority to exercise the power of Justice's of the Peace.. According to the Court Records this was revived in 1894-5.

I copy some things now from an article written by Mrs. M. J. Redding and published in the Pike county Journal in March 1914. "Zebulon was laid off early in the 20's. Among the earliest settlers was Mr. Hugh G. Johnson, who built the first house in Zebulon on the lot now owned by Mrs. Maples. He afterwards built where the home of Mr. Jas. Slade now stands. Among the old landmarks still left are the Ballard House, the Blasingame House and the Wells House.

RELIGION.

No people can be truly prosperous, in the truest sense of that term, unless the character of the citizens is built upon faith in the the true God. But for the influence of the Christian religion, we would be no better than the people in heathen lands.

The early citizens of Pike county recognizing God's claims upon them began at once to plan for the preaching of the gospel and the building and organizations of churches, and to the work of the pioneer preachers is due much of the credit for the prosperity and intelligence of our people. We feel that we must devote some space to the work of the church in our county.

THE EARLY HISTORY OF METHODISM IN PIKE COUNTY

Up to 1830, Georgia and Florida were in the South Carolina Conference. In those days the preachers were nearly all unmarried men. At first, a preacher's salary was \$60 per annum. After a few years it was increased to \$80 and then, later to \$100. They needed but little money, as they rode horse-back, and carried their books and clothes with them. The average circuit had two preachers with about twenty-five or twenty-six appointments at which they preached twice each month, having an appointment every day in the week except Monday. Some of these Circuit Riders, though their education was limited, were wonderful preachers of the gospel.

Andrew Hamil came to Pike County in 1823, and he was the first Methodist preacher who came to this part of Georgia. Late in life he married Miss Maria Torrance of Baldwin county. After his death, she married Judge William A. Cobb of Upson County. Mrs. Cobb was one of my best friends. She lived to be very old. Just before she died, she gave me some of Andrew Hamil's books.

CAMP GROUNDS

A Camp Ground was established at Fincher's Church at a very early date, but for lack of water, in 1853, it was moved to Bluff Springs. Miss Sarah Lisey heard the first sermon there in September, 1853, and remembers the preacher, Rev. Joshua Payne, who afterwards died of Yellow Fever in Savannah. His text was 2nd. Timothy, 4-7-8. The Camp Meetings were suspended during the Civil War and were not held again until 1878. They have been kept up ever since, and have been occasions of great spiritual power. Great sermons have been preached there by Holy Men of God and thousands have been born into Christ's Kingdom. This Campground is connected with the Zebu-

lon Circuit (1922) and the following are Trustees: Jas. W. Holsey, W. J. Franklin, W. D. Howell, Thos. A. Lifsey, and Robt. R. Carter.

BAPTIST CHURCHES

The Baptist church filled a prominent place in the history of this section of Georgia. In 1836, there was a division on the subject of Missions and Sunday Schools. One branch is known as the Missionary Baptist Church branches have the same creed, and both have done much for the up-building of Christ's Kingdom. The Missionary Baptist Church has done a wonderful work in sending the gospel to the heathen, and in promoting the cause of Christian Education in the Homeland. I have tried fairly and impartially to give a brief account of every church in the county according to the information I have been able to obtain. The churches in this county belong to the Flint River Association.

Rev. John Milner established a church called Sardis, on the land belonging to the estate of Mrs. M. E. Eubank six miles from Barnesville. There are a number of graves to be seen yet near the site of the old church. This church was moved to Barnesville. This was the beginning of the Barnesville Baptist Church.

PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCHES

HARMONY

Harmony Church was constituted about 100 year ago. It was first built on the Jackson road, but was moved later to its present location on the Milner road. The first Deacons were, John Cadenhead and Jas. Sullivan (Grandfather

of P. M. Sullivan). The following pastors have served this church, but we do not know the order or date of their pastorates: J. A. Monsess, Lee Wyat Childs, Britain John Morgan and William Mosely.

Deacons are, Judge Bloodworth and C. W. Sullivan.

CONCORD CHURCH

January 9, 1833, Concord church was deeded by William Gilbert to the Deacons. From this church the town takes its name. Among the pastors who have served this church are: Elders Duke, Nichols, Thrash, Head, Fuller, O'Neal Bussey, Williamson and Morris.

FLAT ROCK

Flat Rock Church was constituted in 1858. The following have served as pastors at various periods in the past W. T. Goddard, John P. Lyons, J. L. Gunter, J. C. Nichols, J. A. Wright, Daniel Henderson and A. C. Elliott. In 1920, there was a division in the church, and now there are two pastors, and two church organizations in the same church building, holding services on different Sabbaths. Of one branch, Dr. J. M. F. Bazemore is pastor, and William M. Hartley Sr., and Jonas Hartley are the deacons. They have about twenty members. Of the other branch Geo. R. Goddard is pastor and Walter Ballard, Ira Harden and W. O. Reeves are the Deacons. They have forty members and belong to the Towilaga Association.

HISTORY OF FINCHERS CHURCH

Fincher's Church was organized in 1822 or 1823. The records show that Andrew Hamil was the first pastor. Among the charter members were Jos. Fincher and his wife, Mrs. Martha Fincher for whom the church was named. Grandma Fincher lived to be 96 years old. In 1831 the

Lifsey family moved to Pike County and having been Methodists in Morgan County they united with Fincher's and from that day they have helped to make Methodist history and advance the Kingdom of our Lord Jesus Christ. When the writer was pastor of Fincher's in 1876-77, there were forty-eight Lifseys on the church roll. Miss Sarah Lifsey 86 years old is still living just waiting the call of the Master. Fincher's was connected with the Zebulon Charge until the Fall of 1866, when the Circuit was divided. About that time the Pike Mission, afterward changed to Milner Circuit was established embracing Milner, Ebenezer, Fincher's and Century Nelson Churches. The writer served this Circuit in 1876-77.

Fincher's church was put with the Zebulon Circuit in 1915. A Sunday School was formed at a very early date. They now have a very flourishing school with an enrollment of one hundred and thirteen. W. T. Cochran is Superintendent.

J. S. Lifsey, better known as Uncle Tony went to heaven in 1921, being 82 years o'd. He was Superintendent for many years.

Fincher's Church has an enrollment of two hundred-one members, ranging of 9 to 87 years of age.

The present Trustee's are Rebt. R. Carter, W. T. Cochran, Jas. H. Lifsey, Thos. A. Lifsey and Joseph S. Slade. The following compose the Board of Stewards: T. A. Lifsey, W. Enoch Storey, I. D. Cochran, Jos. S. Slade and Henry S. Bishop. Benjamin N. Lifsey is Church Secretary. There have been several church buildings at Fincher's in the past. The present elegant building was erected in 1905.

FINCHERS WOMAN'S FOREIGN MISSIONARY SOCIETY

A woman's Foreign Missionary Society was organized at Fincher's Church nearly twenty years ago. Four years ago the society was re-organized and since then the work

has been carried on with renewed zeal and consecration. The study class has been a wonderful help and inspiration to the members.

The society has fifteen members, with following officers: Pres., Miss Mary Kelly; Vice-Pres., Mrs. R. R. Carter; Secy., Mrs. Henry Bishop; Treas., Miss Claude Slade.

In 1918, Mrs. Arthur Maness organized a Young People's Auxiliary with fifteen members. There are thirty members now in the Society, with the following officers: Leader, Mrs. R. R. Carter; Pres., Miss Mary Kelly; Vice Pres., Miss Florence Carter; Secy., Mrs. I. D. Cochran; Treas., George Lifsey; Supt., Children's work Mrs. S. S. Barrett. She has a flourishing Society.

The Ladies Aid Society of Finchers Church was organized in 1922, with Mrs. S. S. Barrett as president. Twenty-three members are enrolled. The object of the society is to help the church and the parsonage.

Although Finchers Church was established at a much earlier date, the deed was not recorded until 1846. The following were the Trustees: Simon Slade, John Means, Jas. Neal, Colens Moreland, Jos. T. Fincher, Wm. Barrett, Sr., Jas Barrett, Nathan Boyd and John Lifsey.

Among the early members were Mrs. Edith Lifsey, who died at the age of 96, the Barrett family, the Slade family, the Howell family and the Storey family.

EBENEZER M. E. CHURCH, SOUTH.

We can not find when Ebenezer Church was organized, but the first recorded deed was dated Aug. 5, 1840, and was made by W. O. Kendrick to the following Trustees: Sylvanus Kendrick, Thos. B. Jones, Wm. Park, Richmond R. Kendrick, Samuel Ford, W. G. Morgan and J. L. Winfield.

Some of the early members of this church were Rev.

Patrick N. Maddox, local preacher and his family, A. E. Eubank and wife, Mrs. Henrietta Shehee, Laurence Smith, John Means, Jas. W. Means, Mrs. Fannie Slade, Jas. Bankston and family, Garlington Leak and family and Jas. W. Holsey and wife. Ebenezer has always been small in numbers, but loyal and faithful to the doctrines and discipline of the Methodist Church. Of the early members, Mrs. J. W. Means and J. W. Holsey still survive, patiently waiting the Master's call. Mrs. M. Eubank (91 years old) and her daughter, Mrs. Richard W. Rogers have recently died. Bro. J. W. Holsey, while leading the congregation in prayer, in Zebulon, on Easter Sunday 1922, was stricken with paralysis, and has been bedridden since. His life has been a benediction to Ebenezer and Zebulon.

Ebenezer Church was on the Zebulon charge until the Milner Circuit was formed in the latter sixties, composed of Milner, Ebenezer, Fincher's, and Century Nelson churches. Rev. J. S. Bryan was one of the first pastors of this Circuit. Rev. Isaac G. Parks served the Circuit in 1873; Eli Smith in 1874; Rev. Jas. Smith in 1875, and the writer (R. W. Rogers) in 1876-77. I have not a record of the later preachers. In 1917 it was placed on "The Rock" Circuit. L. E. Wright was pastor in 1917-18; Robert P. Tatum in 1919-20, J. D. Milton in 1921, and Grover C. Knowles is the beloved and efficient preacher and pastor for 1922.

The following are the Stewards: Warren W. Bush, Jas. W. Holsey, Jas. O. Franklin, and Jas. W. Elliott. Miss Alma Walker is Sunday School Superintendent. Miss Alma Bush is the President of the Woman's Missionary Society.

Ebenezer Church made a fine record in the Centenary Campaign.

HISTORY OF CENTURY NELSON CHURCH.

Century Nelson Church was organized about 1822. It

was named for one of the charter members, Mr. Thos. Nelson, who was 100 years old at the time the church was established. It is said that he split 100 rails the day he celebrated his 100th birthday. There have been several church buildings here. One was destroyed by a cyclone in 1894, and the present building was erected in 1895.

This church was connected with the Zebulon work until 1866. It was then put on the Milner Circuit. In 1917 it was placed on The Rock Circuit. The present very much beloved pastor is Rev. Grover C. Knowles.

Among the early members of the church, who served their generation by the will of God, were Thos. H. Turner and family; Mrs. Amanda Pussey and children; Thos. L. Campbell and family; Thomson Graham and wife; Jas. Yarbrough and family; Mrs. Thos. Allen and children; Mrs. Matthews and family; Thos. Verden and family; Seaborn Hickson and family, and the Simmons family.

There are sixty members on the church roll. The following are the Board of Stewards: Thos. J. Matthews, T. L. Matthews, Curtis W. Allen and J. T. Speer. There are forty on the Sunday School roll. Mrs. W. A. Bishop is Superintendent.

Rev. T. L. Bussey, a useful local preacher, now living in Atlanta, was a member of this church for many years.

HISTORY OF MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH.

The church record was burned when J. W. Pilkenton's store was burned several years ago, he being clerk. Mt. Olive Church was constituted between 1835 and 1840 by Jonathan Milner.

The following pastors and clerks have served the church:

1849-54 Henry Garland of The Rock, Ga.; Clerk, W. T. Crowell.

1855-56 Jacob King, Upson Co.; Clerk, P. H. McDowell.

1857-58 James F. McCloud, Upson County; Clerk, P. H. McDowell.

1859 Jacob Buffington; Clerk, P. H. McDowell.

1860-61 W. W. Head of Milner; Clerk, P. H. McDowell.

J. M. Slade and J. D. Carreker came home from Camp Stephen Griffin, united with the church and were baptized the third Sunday in September, 1861, by W. W. Head.

1862-66 G. A. Moore; Clerk, P. H. McDowell.

1867 James H. Weaver; Clerk, P. H. McDowell.

1868-71 E. S. Harris; Clerk, P. H. McDowell.

1872-74 J. A. Jackson, Delray, Ga.; Clerk, P. H. McDowell.

1875-86 E. M. Hooten, Milner, Ga.; Clerk, H. G. Jordan.

1887-90 W. A. Brooks, Madison, Ga.; Clerk, H. G. Jordan.

1891-96 J. W. Beck, Jackson, Ga.; Clerk, J. W. Pilkenton.

1897 J. F. Crawford, Talbot County; Clerk, J. W. Pilkenton.

1898-1904 W. P. Head, Woodbury, Ga.; Clerk, J. W. Pilkenton.

1904-1908 L. Hooten, Zebulon, Ga.; Clerk, J. W. Pilkenton.

1909-1915 W. U. Kendrick, Griffin; Clerk, G. W. Hamlett.

1916 F. B. Ricketts, Atlanta; Clerk, G. W. Hamlett.

1917 J. T. Espy, Mercer University; he resigned in August to go to the Seminary at Louisville, Ky.

1918-1920 L. B. Harvey, Forsyth; Clerk, J. T. Pilkenton.

1920-1921 James C. Eppinger, Griffin; Clerk, J. T. Pilkenton.

1921-1922 C. E. Hitt, Forest Park; Clerk, J. T. Pilkenton.

James Holmes, John Jordan and Alfred Tarver were the first deacons and were, perhaps, in the constitution of the church, however we can't be certain about that as the rec-

ords were destroyed. P. H. McDowell was a deacon and clerk of the church for about 35 years. J. W. Pilkenton and H. G. Jordan of Barnesville were deacons for a number of years. J. P. Garner was deacon and also William Hardy of Upson County. W. J. Jones, R. G. Elliott, J. T. Pilkenton, T. C. McLendon, S. E. Clark and Luther Jones are the present deacons.

The land east of the creek belonged to Jas. M. Holmes and he gave four (4) acres for the church lot. Robt. Pilkenton gave three (3) acres making seven (7) in all.

Two of the oldest members now living are J. D. Carreker and Mrs. Susan Reeves who have been members 62 years. Total membership is about 246.

Number of ministers ordained from Mt. Olive Church were three. Zachariah Harris in 1848 who moved off to Dale County, Alabama, and spent his life in the ministry. G. W. Garner was ordained about 1880 and is now one of our leading ministers. J. D. Carreker was ordained about 1893.

There have been three churches erected on present lot: first one about 1835, second 1856 which was blown down by the cyclone March 3, 1893 and was rebuilt during the summer, Burl Banks of Zebulon being the contractor.

The number of churches constituted or partly constituted from the old church were five, namely, Beulah, Hendricks, Molena, Neal and Pleasant Valley.

We have had irregular Sunday Schools from about 1870, been regular for the last twelve years. Superintendent, R. G. Elliott; average attendance, forty; number of teachers, five. W. M. S. was organized about 1909 during the pastorate of Bro. W. U. Kendrick. Mrs. W. J. Jones was president for several years. Mrs. E. J. Reeves is our present president; Mrs. J. T. Pilkenton, Vice-President; Mrs. J. L. Hamlett, Secretary; Miss Ethel Carreker, Treasurer; Miss Perla Pilkenton, chairman Social Committee. Sunbeam leader, Mrs. M. D. Connally.

STORY OF NEAL.

Neal is not incorporated. The following are the business firms: T. J. Williamson, merchant; J. W. Curtis, merchant; Strickland & Williamson Gin & Warehouse Co.

The Southern Railway passes through the town.

The school teachers are Miss Alice Wilkerson and Miss Florence Huff. There are nine grades taught and sixty-five pupils on the roll.

NEAL BAPTIST CHURCH.

In 1894, a Missionary Baptist Church was constituted at Neal by Rev. J. D. Carreker; most of the members coming by letter from Mt. Olive Church. The following were the charter members: B. F. Newman, Mrs. Dicy J. Williamson, G. T. Baily, A. D. Riggins, M. D. Riggins, L. O. Oxford, J. N. Riggins, Mrs. Sudie Riggins, B. B. Howard, Mrs. Emma Howard, J. W. Woodward, Mrs. J. W. Woodward, Miss Ida Woodward, and Mrs. Addie Parks.

The church was admitted into the Centennial Association, at their next meeting. The following were the first Deacons: A. D. Riggins, J. L. Brandenburg and G. T. Walker. C. M. Blount was Clerk. Rev. J. D. Carreker was the first Pastor. Rev. J. Seaborn Winn is the present Pastor.

Mt. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH

Mt. Gilead Baptist Church was constituted in 1873. Rev. Timothy Kimball was the first pastor. There were only nine charter members. Gabriel Pitts was the first deacon. This church has grown steadily and they now have 175 members. Rev. Chas. E. Hitt is the present pastor (1922) and the following are the Deacons: J. O. Kendrick and W. C. Kendrick.

NEW HOPE CHURCH.

New Hope Church was constituted May 28, 1882. J. T. Kimball Moderator. There were ten charter members. E. A. Cooper and J. B. Lynch were the first deacons. C. E. Hitt is the present pastor and the deacons are O. L. Smith, S. E. Shackelford, and L. M. Brown. The following have served as pastors in the order named: Harry Wells, A. C. Wellons, J. Q. Buffington, W. T. Buffington, A. C. Smith, J. Q. Buffington, J. B. Hoyle, T. A. Brown, T. W. Wood.

The present membership is 234. The church belongs to the Flint River Association. Wm. A. Smith is Sunday School Superintendent with an enrollment of 121. A Sunbeam Band has recently been organized.

New Hope is one of the most flourishing country churches in the County. They have a beautiful church building, and the best kept cemetery in Pike County.

New Hope School was established about 1882 or 1883. It was a continuation of old Harmony School. The following is a partial list of former teachers: Messrs. Stewart, Garner, Blasingame, Mathews, Harris, Sewell, Broadnax, Rev. C. E. Hitt; Misses Kennedy, Touchstone and Thrash. Eight grades are taught and 168 pupils were enrolled the last term.

The following are the teachers for the Fall term 1922: Principal, Rev. Jas. C. Eppinger; 1st Asst., Miss Martha Morris; 2nd. Asst., Miss Mittie Pritchett; 3rd Asst., Miss Ethel Carter. The largest country school in Pike County 1922.

BEULAH BAPTIST CHURCH.

This church was constituted in 1865. The land was donated by Jas. P. Mangham. The following were the first deacons: Steve W. Elliott, Sr., Jas. Parks, Wm. Newton,

T. C. Brannan, Samuel Chapman, Jas. Bailey, Robt. Evans, W. L. Waller, J. W. Butler and Thos. Howard.

Wm. W. Ferguson was the first pastor, serving through 1870. Following him were: J. A. Jackson, 1871; C. Washington Oliver, 1872 to 1877, under his ministry the membership of the church grew rapidly, 100 having been received in one year; W. J. Patrick, 1880; W. H. Richardson, 1881; J. A. Jackson, 1882, 1883, 1884; Wm. Ferguson, 1885; J. W. Marshall, 1886-1889; W. W. Kendrick, 1890-1894; W. T. Buffington, 1895-1896; J. D. Harris, 1897-1899; W. B. Whittle, 1900-1902; W. M. Coker, 1903-1904; John T. Robinson, 1905-1906; J. W. Marshall, 1907-1908; W. T. Buffington, 1909-1914; J. T. Culpepper, 1915-1916; Fred B. Rickett, 1917; G. H. Taylor, 1918-1920; J. Seaborn Winn, 1921; Low Baker, 1922.

Sunday School Superintendent, W. L. Waller; fifty pupils enrolled. President Woman's Missionary Society, Mrs. W. E. Storey; members, 20.

WEAVER BAPTIST CHURCH

The United Baptist Church of Weaver was organized in March 1863 with thirteen (13) charter members. The first pastor was John I. Weaver. Later, Tidwell, Bradshaw, Leverett and W. R. White were pastors. Some of the members were James Weaver, Frank Weaver, Robert Lambert, Robert Bethune, Margaret Weaver, Mandy Weaver, Tabith Reid, Matilda Weaver and Mary Buck. In 1913 this church went into the Missionary Baptist Church, Rev. L. Horten was pastor. Our present pastor is Rev. J. S. Winn. Have about forty members on roll. A. S. Weaver and E. F. Weaver are the deacons, Arthur Wood clerk, Floyd Murphey suprintendent of the Sunday School. Twenty-six pupils on roll. The W. M. S. was organized five years ago, and in April 1922 we organized the Y. W. A. Sunbeams and

Royal Ambassadors, which all are doing a good work for the church.

Weaver School. Miss Jewel Roan teacher. Seven grades taught. Pupils on roll.

METHODIST PREACHERS

A list of Methodist preachers who have served the different churches in Pike County and the date. These faithful men of God did much for the moral and spiritual upbuilding of this country, and we should honor their memory.

Andrew Hamill, 1823; Morgan C. Turventine, 1824; John Hunter, 1825-26; Benjamin Bell, 1827; Tilman Douglass, Wm. M. Stegall, 1828; Mathew Rhodes, Zebe Brown, 1829; Willis D. Mathews, Wm. Crawford, 1831; Willis D. Mathews, Isaac Boring, 1832; Wm. M. Stegall, Thos. Coleman, 1833; Jas. Hunter, E. Hearn, 1834; John W. Starr, Daniel Daily, 1835; John Weathersby, 1836; Alfred Dorman, 1837; Jas. Dunwoody, J. J. Tabor, 1838; Harris Sternes, 1839; Jesse W. Carrol, 1840; A. Pennington, J. W. Farley, 1841; A. Pennington, Jamison Scaif, 1842; Claiborn Trussell, — — Vestall, 1843; J. B. Wardlaw, 1844; Miller H. White, Wm. A. Smith, 1845-46; Samuel Bellah, 1846; Noah Smith, Sam. J. Bellah, 1847; McCarrol Purifoy, Nathaniel Allen, 1848; Robert Stripling, Chas. W. Thomas, 1849; William B. McHan, J. P., Morgan Bellah, P. C., 1850; Morgan Bellah, Jas. Smith, 1857; Lemuel Q. Allen, 1852; Noah Smith, 1853-54; Jesse W. Canve, J. P., 1854; Warren Baggerly, John C. Simmons, 1855; Jas. Jones, 1856; S. C. Quillian, 1857; Jesse R. Littlejohn, 1858; Noah Palmer, 1859; C. W. Howard, 1860; John W. Knight, 1861; Jas. M. Armstrong, 1862; David Holmes, W. C. Rowland, 1863; D. T. Holmes, C. W. Parker, 1864; R. A. Seale, 1865-66; Francis Bartow Davies, 1867; W. P. Rivers, 1868; David Stripling, 1869; John P. Duncan, John W. Reynolds, died on work, 1870; Wesley F.

Smith, 1871; Joseph Carr, 1872; Wesley G. Hansen, 1873; David Nolan, 1874-75; T. S. L. Harvell, 1876-77-78; Cadesman Pope, 1879-80; J. T. Lowe, 1881-82-83-84; L. P. Neese, 1885; J. S. Askew, J. P. in 1884; F. P. Brower, W. R. Stillwell, 1886; J. W. Blosser, W. H. Graham, 1886, two circuits formed; J. J. Singleton, Ellison R. Cook, 1887-88; Sherman R. England, 1889-90-91-92; E. K. Aiken, 1893-94-95-96; J. J. Ansley, 1897; M. M. Walraven, 1898-99; J. P. Burgess, died (supplied by A. B. Pope), 1900; Thos. V. Weathers, 1901-02-03-04; T. S. Edwards, 1903; Fred W. McClesky, 1906; W. H. Speer, 1907-08-09-10; C. P. Marchman, 1911; John R. Jones, 1912; W. S. Branham, 1913; J. W. King, 1914-15-16; E. P. Eubanks, 1917; Arthur Maness, 1918-19; J. D. Milton, 1920; D. S. Patterson, 1921; Adrian Warwick, 1922.

RURAL SCHOOLS.

Were I called upon to name the uncrowned heroes of the present day I should unhesitatingly mention the teachers of our rural schools. No class of citizens are doing more for the future of our country than they. Their work is second only to the ministry. With inadequate salaries, most of which they are forced to spend at summer training schools, with a devotion worthy of the cause, they are giving their lives to the work of training our boys and girls for future citizens along intellectual and spiritual lines.

COUNTRY SCHOOLS.

Fincher's Church is about 100 years old. A school was established there in the early history of the church. Miss Sarah Lifsey says she attended school there about 80 years ago. Rev. W. H. Cooper, a Baptist minister, was the teacher. Miss Mary Harris, who became Mrs. R. L. Barrett

taught there several years ago. Miss Carrie Chapman taught the school in 1921 and Miss Igene Carter is the teacher now (1922). There are 35 pupils and seven grades are taught.

Lifsey School.

Teachers for 1922-23: Miss Adrian McGeehee, Miss Jessie Boynton. Eight grades are taught.

Cook's School.

Teachers for 1922-23: Mrs. E. J. Reeves, Miss Olga Reeves. Eight grades are taught. Number pupils, 96.

Vega School.

Teachers for 1922-23: Miss Grace Hartley, Miss Matthews. Seven grades are taught.

Dunbar School.

Teacher for 1922-23: Mrs. Eva Patton. Eight grades are taught. Number pupils 44.

Johnson School.

Teacher for 1922-23: Miss Ine Goulding. Seven grades are taught.

Pedenville School.

Teacher for 1922-23: Mrs. M. Whatley. Seven grades are taught. Number pupils, 44.

Beauchamp School.

Teacher for 1922-23: Mrs. E. J. Scott. Seven grades are taught.

Union School.

Teachers for 1922-23: Prof. Wm. Henry Reeves, Bessie Carter. Seven grades are taught.

Board of Education.

Dr. J. C. Beauchamp, President, Williamson.

J. Morris Means, Zebulon.

W. J. Reeves, R. F. D. 1, Zebulon.

H. G. Langford, Meansville.

Col. Frank L. Adams, County School Superintendent,
Zebulon.

HISTORY OF NEW HOPE CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

New Hope was organized as a congregational Methodist Church in 1852. The church house was built in 1853. Rev. W. H. Graham was its first pastor. In 1888 the church formed a union with two other churches (the Congregational and Free Protestant Churches) and left off the Methodist part of its name and has since been known as New Hope Congregational Church. The church now is composed of 95 members. It has a Sunday School of 30 members and a Ladies' Aid Society. Dr. D. Witherspoon Dodge of the Atlanta Theological Seminary is its present pastor, and Early Owen is church clerk. Rev. Jones Bush was pastor of this church for a number of years.

LIBERTY CHAPEL CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.

This church was organized February, 1893, by Rev. Wm. H. Graham, Jr., in the home of Mr. W. W. King, about one mile from Lifsey Spring. Bro. Graham was the first pastor. Mr. W. W. King and children and Mr. Jeff Foster and family were among the charter members. Mr. Jas. R. Wood, a member of New Hope Congregational Church, rendered valuable assistance in organizing the church and in erecting the church building. The church was built in 1895, and dedicated on the third Sunday in September of that year.

Rev. Gideon Horne, the present earnest and zealous pastor, has served this church as pastor several times in the past.

FRIENDSHIP PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

Friendship Presbyterian Church was organized in 1835 by Rev. J. Y. Alexander and Rev. A. M. Money. At this time it was in the Flint River Presbytery which existed before the Atlanta Presbytery. The original site of the church was in the Western part of Pike County, three miles and a half northwest of Concord. To make the church more central to its membership it was moved about 1870 to its present location.

In the early days of the church annual campmeetings were held. The church has been fortunate in having many devout and consecrated men to serve it. Rev. J. W. Corbin was pastor for many years. He drove over a hundred miles through the country in a buggy to meet his appointments. W. J. Keith supplied the church for a number of years. In 1849 Rev. Andrew G. Peden became pastor and served for twenty years. He was succeeded by Rev. L. H. Wilson, who was pastor for three years. Rev. Peden then resumed the pastorate and held it until his death in 1896. Since that time the church has been supplied by Rev. W. E. Dozier, Rev. Abraham, Rev. Stacy, Rev. Hannah, Rev. Young, Rev. E. W. Russell, Rev. W. P. Hemphill, Rev. Stafford, Rev. L. D. King and others. Seminary students occasionally have supplied the church.

Rev. Telford, of Greenville, Ga., is supplying the church at present with the following officers:

Elders—D. P. Blake, A. E. Blake and Perrin Blake.

Deacons—Jesse L. Marshall and Edgar Huckaby.

Although the church has lost many of its members, by deaths and moving away, it is at the present time growing in influence and numbers and the prospects for the future are bright—having recently organized for the community a Woman's Auxiliary and a Junior and Senior Christian Endeavor

NAZARENE BAPTIST CHURCH

In 1893, a church was organized in the southwestern part of Pike County, called the United Baptist Church. In 1908 it was reorganized as the Nazarene Church. The present pastor is Rev. W. R. Hanson.

There are 37 members on the church roll and 78 on the Sunday School roll.

The officers are. Sunday School Superintendent, J. M. Butler; Asst. Supt., J. A. King; Bible Class Teacher, S. J. Gibson; Juvenile Teacher, Miss Nettie Gibson; Picture Card Class, Mrs. J. M. Butler; Secretary, Miss Lottie May King.

STORY OF CONCORD

Nearly a century ago settlers began to move into West Pike, which at that time was but a stretch of wild forest land over run with Indians and wild animals. These pioneers began building log cabins for homes and clearing the forests for farm lands. As there were no railroads in the state, farm produce was hauled to Macon where small boats came up the Ocmulgee.

As the community grew with the coming of other settlers, there was built about eighty years ago the first church, the Primitive Baptist, called "Concord", which gave the town its name. This building was moved in 1886 to make room for the Georgia Midland and Gulf Railway, and a new church was erected. About the same time the first school-house was built, at which the grandparents of some of the present generation were educated.

About eighty years ago the Central Railroad reached Griffin enabling our people to do their marketing nearer home. With the advent of the Georgia Midland Railway in 1887 the town began to grow. New stores were started and old ones were rebuilt. Old Salem, the Methodist

Church, moved to town in 1888 and Hebron, the Baptist Church, came in from the country about the same time. The schoolhouse at that time was a small building just across the street from the present one. The principal was Prof. R. D. Shruptrine of Thomaston, Ga.

The first charter was granted in 1887 and signed by Gov. John B. Gordon. In January, 1888, the first town council was formed, composed of the following members: E. M. Hooten, T. L. McLendon, W. E. Lloyd, N. B. Waller and J. C. Irvin. N. B. Waller and J. C. Irvin still live; the others have gone to their reward. Concord is an orderly and a prosperous town. For several years about 5,000 bales of cotton were marketed here, but the advent of the boll weevil has greatly reduced the number. The people take great interest in beautifying their homes, and several very handsome residences have recently been erected.

The following firms do business here:

Pike County Nursery, A. A. McElveen.

Fancy Groceries, Miss Essie McLendon.

Fancy Groceries, D. W. Story.

General Merchandise, J. F. Madden & Sons, Fertilizer Mixers, Cotton Buyers, Bankers, Warehousemen, Growers of Peppers and Peaches.

R. F. Strickland & Co., General Merchants, Fertilizer Mixers, Cotton Buyers, Corn Elevator and Mill, Undertakers.

Raven & Smith, General Merchants.

J. C. Irvin, General Merchant.

Lee & Strickland, General Merchants.

J. A. Madden, Fancy Groceries.

Chas. Morgan, Fancy Groceries and Ice, Livery Auto.

R. A. Mallory, Physician and Druggist.

D. L. Head, Physician.

Braswell & Sharpe, Blacksmiths and Repair Shop.

Waller & Lee, Blacksmiths and Repair Shop.

Postmaster, R. E. Lee.

Garage, D. B. Lee and D. G. Tucker.

Present Town Council: Mayor, E. L. Raven; Clerk, E. F. Scott. Councilmen: R. C. Blanks, H. P. Edwards, E. F. Scott, D. W. Story, and R. H. Strickland.

Smith Bros. Nurseries.

Concord is probably known by more people than any other town of its size in the South. One business firm here doubtless serves more customers than any other establishment in the State.

We refer to Smith Bros., the nurserymen. This business was established 35 years ago, by J. H. & C. T. Smith and has now grown to be the largest retail nursery in the South. They ship trees to almost every railroad station in the Southern States and they number their customers by the hundred thousand. Trees and plants from Smith Bros. are grown around nearly every home in the cotton belt.

Trees are grown here by the million. They grow more peach trees than anything else, but also have large blocks of apple, pear, plum, pecan, rose, ornamentals and other stock. From 50 to 100 people are employed to work in their office, packing houses and fields.

Mr. C. T. Smith is business manager of the firm, and is assisted by Mr. F. M. Smith, and a good force of office workers. The field department is run by Mr. J. H. Smith, assisted by Mr. C. M. Smith.

The Concord Woman's Club.

The Concord Woman's Club was organized Sept. 9, 1921, with 21 members—present membership, including honorary members, 30. The officers elected for the year were:

Mrs. Florence Brown, President.

Mrs. W. A. Strickland, Vice-President.

Mrs. R. H. Strickland, Second Vice-President.

Mrs. R. C. Blanks, Secretary.

Miss Sallie Mae Strickland, Treasurer.

The purpose of the Club is community work, for we believe like our wise president of the General Federation of Woman's Clubs, Mrs. Winter, that "Community work must be the hub of the wheel in Club work."

During the first year of our club's existence, all our efforts have been used to improve our school. Among the things accomplished are: Assistance rendered in equipping the domestic science department, beautifying the school grounds, helping to make a payment on electric light plant and improving the interior of our dormitory.

The money used in financing our activities was raised by giving entertainments of various kinds at intervals throughout the year, and by selling refreshments at ball games during the summer.

In giving these entertainments and in selling refreshments our object was two-fold, first, of course, to make money for the use of the club, and second, to provide wholesome, interesting and inexpensive recreation for both old and young in our community, and the importance of giving every one his money's worth in the matter of both entertainment and refreshment was stressed.

The registering of our women and their voting in the fall elections is a far reaching event in the first year of the Concord Woman's Club.

But by far the most satisfactory achievement of our first club year has been the wonderful spirit of love, sympathy and cooperation among the women of Concord.

HISTORY OF CONCORD MUSIC LOVERS CLUB.

The Music Lovers Club of Concord, Ga., was organized at the Dormitory on October 16th, 1921. At the first meeting, which was held at the home of Mrs. C. T. Smith, twenty-

three were present and enrolled as members. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:

Miss Vera Lazenby, President.

Miss Ruth Sullivan, Vice-President.

Miss Mary Clary, Secretary.

Mrs. C. T. Smith, Treasurer.

Misses Vera Lazenby, Ruth Sullivan, Elsie Brown, Mary Irvin and Mrs. Bessie Lee, Program Committee.

Miss Elsie Brown was elected Secretary to fill the unexpired term of Miss Mary Clary.

It was decided that each member pay 25c dues for the first year and that we meet once a month, also that we join the County and State Federation.* Membership was denied in the General Federation on account of youth of the Club.

The object of the Club is the enjoyment of its members and to promote and develop the love for good music.

The Club has followed the outline for Club Study "Americanization Through Music" issued by the General Federation of Women's Clubs.

A play was given during the summer, by the Club members, and a nice sum realized—money to be used for running expenses for the Club and purchasing necessary material.

Present membership, including all who enrolled during the year (some having moved away) and honorary members, numbers thirty-five.

HEBRON BAPTIST CHURCH

Hebron Baptist Church, Concord, Ga., was constituted October 6, 1838. John H. Milner was the first pastor. Later pastors were: J. M. Wood, 1870 to 1873; J. A. Jackson,

1874 to 1878; E. M. Hooten, 1878 to 1890; W. A. Brooks, R. F. Smith, J. C. Solomon, J. P. Lee, J. W. R. Jenkins, W. C. Ivey, W. J. D. Upshaw, and F. P. Glass. The present pastor is W. C. Jones; Clerk, R. H. McLendon; Treasurer Current Expenses, E. T. Scott; Treasurer Benevolent Funds, John B. Madden; Deacons, W. A. Bottoms, J. C. Irvin, W. M. Marshall, John B. Madden, J. H. Reeves, W. A. Strickland, J. H. Strickland; Sunday School Superintendent, S. A. King; Asst. Supt., John W. Oxford; Secretary and Treasurer, R. H. Strickland; number of teachers, eight; number of pupils, 125.

Woman's Missionary Union: President, Mrs. J. C. Irvin; Secretary, Mrs. R. H. Strickland; number members, 32.

Girls Auxiliary and Royal Ambassadors: number on roll, 25. Leader, Mrs. R. H. Strickland.

Sunbeam Band: Leader, Mrs. C. B. Jones; number on roll, 25.

Number members on present church roll, 285.

The present church building was erected in 1887 at a cost of \$4,000.00.

The pastorium was purchased in 1917, value \$3,000.00.

CONCORD METHODIST CHURCH.

Salem Church was organized in the early days of Methodism in Pike County, but as the old records have been lost, we cannot give dates. Among the early members were the Fossett and Beckham families. In 1888, the church was moved to Concord. The oldest living member of the church is Mrs. Mary Mallory, a sister of ex-Governor Atkinson and mother of Dr. R. A. Mallory. After a long life of consecrated service she still abides, patiently waiting the Master's call.

Rev. W. A. Warwick is the present pastor. Names of

Board of Stewards: Dr. R. A. Mallory, Jesse C. Beckham, John Fossett, and R. W. Hale. Number of members on church roll, 60. Sunday School Superintendent, H. H. Brandenburg. Number enrolled in Sunday School, 35.

John H. Hooten was one of the Stewards when the church was moved to town.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH

A Christian Church was organized at Pedenville Sept. 2, 1902. At a tent meeting held in Concord in August, 1904, it was decided to move the church to Concord. The present building was erected in 1905 and dedicated the same year. The first pastor was D. A. Brindle, who now lives in Griffin. The first Elders were W. L. Marshall and F. Mortimer Smith. The first Deacon was C. T. Smith. The church membership is about 100. The value of the church property is \$2500. The Sunday School was organized in 1905.

CONCORD SCHOOL.

The following is the faculty of Concord School for the year 1922-23: Clyde M. Carpenter, Superintendent; Miss Lois Collier, Latin and English; Miss Wyoline Hanson, Science and Mathematics, and Athletics; Mrs. Clyde M. Carpenter, 6th and 7th Grades; Miss Effie Cason, 4th and 5th Grades, and Athletics; Miss Gertie Morris, 2nd and 3rd Grades, and Athletics; Miss Clara Dean, 1st Grade and Domestic Science; Miss Vera Lazenby, Music; Miss Helen Johnson, Expression.

The Board of Education is as follows: John B. Madden, Chairman; R. H. Strickland, Secretary and Treasurer; Dr. R. A. Mallory, J. T. Fossett, and C. B. Strickland.

STORY OF MOLENA

Molena was incorporated in 1888. Some of the first residents were J. J. Alford, J. W. Avery, R. M. Brooks, J. M. Brooks, J. N. Brooks, C. M. Blount, J. P. Carreker, Dr. J. M. Carreker, W. T. Cochran, Theo Rumble, Robert Guest, B. F. Cox, A. J. Carmichael, C. M. Daniel, F. E. Drewry, A. D. Granger, Dr. Joseph Hooten, S. L. Hardy, Allen Harris, J. T. Jordan, C. P. Jordan, J. H. Jordan, Mrs. J. B. Justice, Oscar Y. Legg, Dr. J. B. Matthews, J. H. McDowell, Dr. G. M. McDowell, C. F. Phelps, J. J. Riggins, W. H. Searcy, Dr. S. S. Steadman, J. M. Smith, D. W. Willis, C. W. Whatley, and Dr. S. T. Whitaker.

Business Firms.

J. O. Bartlett & Co., General Mercantile.

Harris & Willis, General Mercantile.

S. O. Bartlett, General Mercantile.

D. M. Willis, General Mercantile.

Jordan Mercantile Co., General Mercantile.

Brooks Mercantile Co., General Mercantile.

Mrs. J. A. Epply, Millinery and Fancy Groceries.

Mrs. Rossie Girrard, Millinery and Fancy Groceries.

Daniel Bros., Drug Store and Soda Fount.

Post Office.

J. H. Grubbs, M.D.

Bank of Molena: J. C. Wilkes, Cashier; Cleo Carreker, Bookkeeper; Z. Lawrence, President; W. O. Jordan, Vice-President; W. O. Hardy, W. M. Barker, J. S. Dunn, and J. W. Capel, Directors.

Other Industries.

Molena Warehouse Co., Rock Warehouse Co., Molena Gin

Co., Molena Shop Co., J. T. Jordan & Son, Cotton Buyers and Dealers in Fertilizers; J. S. Dunn, Dealer in Fertilizers; Dunn & Willis, Cotton Buyers; D. M. Willis, Cotton Buyers; Bennett & Capel, Dealers in Fertilizers; L. M. Jones, Peach Grower, 200 acres in trees; Brooks Farm & Orchard Co., 150 acres in trees; Mrs. S. L. Hardy, Hotel.

Methodist Church.

Organized Oct. 31, 1892. First pastor, Rev. R. B. Hamlin. Other pastors: J. E. Russell, R. W. Rogers, J. W. Taylor, J. H. House, John M. Crow, C. B. Weathers, W. H. Speer, Paul Kendall, H. L. Embry, Oscar Bulloch, E. D. Hale, T. H. Maxwell.

Members enrolled, 20.

Stewards, Ralph Brown, J. C. Wilkes.

Woman's Missionary Society, organized Aug. 31st, 1922: President, Mrs. W. D. Bennett; Treasurer, Mrs. E. P. Jordan; Secretary, Mrs. C. M. Smoak; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. C. Wilkes.

On October 31, 1892, a deed to the lot on which the Methodist Church stands was made by Mrs. Julia Brooks to Jas. S. Pope, J. H. Hooten and Theo. Rumble. Among the early members were W. F. Cochran, J. H. Hooten, Theo Rumble and Mrs. S. L. Hardy. Mrs. Hardy has been a member of this church longer than any other member.

SKETCH OF MOLENA BAPTIST CHURCH—CENTENNIAL ASSOCIATION.

Organized 1888. First pastor, Rev. Pritchard, two years, with a membership of 35. First Deacons, Jno. N. Brooks, H. G. Jordan, C. J. Dunn. First Superintendent, Jno. N. Brooks, eight years.

Second Pastor, Frank Blalock, for five years. Membership, 60. Deacons, Jno. N. Brooks, H. G. Jordan, C. J. Dunn, J. T. Jordan.

Third Pastor, Judge Hammond, for three years. Membership, 75. Deacons, Jno. N. Brooks, N. G. Jordan, C. J. Dunn, J. F. Jordan, D. M. Willis, and J. P. Carreker. Superintendent, H. G. Jordan, six years.

Fourth Pastor, Rev. Stout, 2 years. Membership, 80. Deacons, H. G. Jordan, C. J. Dunn, J. T. Jordan, D. M. Willis, J. P. Carreker.

Fifth Pastor, C. M. Brittain, four years. Membership, 90. Deacons, J. T. Jordan, D. M. Willis, J. P. Carreker, W. T. Cockrell. Superintendent, D. M. Willis, 18 years.

Sixth Pastor, Rev. W. L. Bolton, one year. Membership, 100. Deacons, J. T. Jordan, D. M. Willis, J. P. Carreker, W. D. Bennett, J. O. Bartlett.

Seventh Pastor, J. S. Knowles, seven years. Deacons, J. T. Jordan, D. M. Willis, J. P. Carreker, W. D. Bennett, J. O. Bartlett.

8th Pastor, Dr. B. D. Ragsdale, three years. Membership, 107. Deacons, J. T. Jordan, D. M. Willis, J. P. Carreker, W. D. Bennett, J. O. Bennett.

Ninth Pastor, Rev. Esco Logan, four years. Membership, 115. Deacons, J. T. Jordan, D. M. Willis, J. P. Carreker, W. D. Bennett, J. O. Bartlett.

Present Pastor, Rev. H. L. Crumley. Present Deacons, J. T. Jordan, D. M. Willis, W. D. Bennett, J. O. Bartlett, H. M. Hardy, C. R. Willis. Present membership, 118. Present Superintendent, D. M. Willis. Nine classes in Sunday School. Number enrolled in Sunday School, 100.

W. M. Society: Organized about 1900. Mrs. H. G. Jordan, first President. Present President, Mrs. B. H. Ivey. Number members, 20.

B. Y. P. U. organized four years ago. Present membership, 45. Emmett Caldwell, President.

Y. W. A. and Sunbeams organizations also.

MOLENA HIGH SCHOOL.

R. H. Comer, Superintendent. Literary teachers, Misses Naomi Prather, Gertrude Pilkenton, Marion Pilkenton, Kate Lee, and Ethel Carreker. Music teacher, Miss Ruth Willis. Expression teacher, Mrs. J. W. Capel. Eleven grades.

MOLENA CIVIC CLUB.

The Molena Civic Club was organized in 1908 and federated in 1916. There are 38 members on the roll. The following are officers: President, Mrs. W. O. Jordan; Vice-President, Mrs. J. W. Capel; Secretary, Miss Miriam Jordan; Treasurer, Mrs. J. S. Dunn.

The object of the Club is to help beautify the town; to help the school financially, and to give the teachers our hearty cooperation and support. A good literary program is rendered at each meeting which is much enjoyed and is a source of pleasure and inspiration to all who attend.

MOLENA MUSIC CLUB.

The Molena Music Club was organized and federated in May, 1922, with 16 members. The following are the officers: President, Miss Cleo Carreker; Vice-President, Miss Ruth Willis; Secretary, Miss Gertrude Pilkenton; Treasurer, Miss Christine Wilkes.

A musical program is rendered monthly. The aim of the Club is to encourage the love, appreciation and better understanding of good music, and to learn something of the lives and work of noted musicians.

STORY OF HOLLONVILLE

Hollonville is not incorporated. There are two stores, keeping a general stock: R. C. Connell & Son, Yarbrough

& Johnson. There is a public ginnery and a tomato cannery.

The Hollonville school teaches eight grades, with an enrollment of about 45 or 50. The teachers are Prof. Warren Coppedge, Principal, and Miss Gladys Scott, Assistant.

The Hollonville Woman's Club was organized April 7, 1920. The purpose of the Club was to establish and promote a clean social, moral community friendship. In January, 1921, we joined the Federation. We have seventeen members and our officers are as follows: Mrs. C. P. Scott, President; Mrs. Opal Coggin, Vice-President; Mrs. Essie Yarbrough, Secretary; Mrs. Frank Johnson, Treasurer.

HOLLONVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Hollonville Baptist Church was organized in 1874. The charter members were Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Milner, Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Z. T. Scott, Mrs. Jane Jackson, Mrs. Mary Driver, Newton O'Neal, Mr. and Mrs. William Edge. John L. Jackson was the first pastor. Services were held in the school building until 1876, when a church was erected. This building was destroyed by a cyclone in 1920, and the records were lost. A new church building was erected in 1921. Rev. C. B. Jones is pastor.

In 1875 the church was decded by G. W. Jordan and J. W. Banks to R. G. McAfee, J. J. Milner, Dr. B. M. Owen and J. L. Edge.

The Deacons for 1922 are E. H. Scott, Z. L. Scott, and Robert Milner.

HOLLONVILLE METHODIST CHURCH.

We do not know just when Flat Rock Church was established. The Quarterly Conference records dating back to 1846 show that it was a strong church then for those times. In 1892, the name was changed to Hollonville and the following are named as Trustees: W. S. Scott, W. T. Huckaby

and J. W. Hood. In the Trustees' report, they state that the church was comparatively new and worth \$1000. It remains on the Zebulon Circuit records through 1896, when it was placed on some other work. In 1902, the Hollonville Church re-appears on the Zebulon Circuit, and continues on that work through 1916, when it was placed on another circuit. It is now on the Griffin Circuit and Rev. J. H. Farr is the pastor (1922). There are about 20 names on the church roll. The following are Stewards: E. J. Scott, M. S. Johnson and E. B. Connell.

Among the early settlers, who as members of Flat Rock Church, helped to make Methodist history in Pike County, Cadesman Pope, the head of the Pope family, deserves honorary mention. His son, Rev. Cadesman Pope, after long years of active service in the ministry, is now a superannuated member of the Arkansas Conference. Another son, Judge Jas. S. Pope, served his generation by the will of God, and at the time of his death was an active member of the Methodist Church in Zebulon. A daughter married Mr. Owen Jones, and they and their children were members of Flat Rock Church for years. Another daughter married Rev. J. Sidney Bryan, a member of the North Georgia Conference, who served both as pastor and presiding elder in Pike County. Mrs. W. J. Franklin is a daughter of Owen Jones. Mrs. J. M. Head is a daughter of Mr. Cadesman Pope.

STORY OF MEANSVILLE

The town of Meansville was incorporated in 1898. The following are the city officers: Mayor, H. G. Langford; members of the Council, W. F. Reeves, W. B. Maddox, B. E. Wilson, H. S. Bishop and J. W. Holloway, Jr. P. T. Wilson is Marshal.

The following are the business firms:

Robt. R. Carter, General Merchandise and Undertaker.
Established in 1910.

Slader-Reeves & Co., General Merchandise and Groceries.
Established in 1916.

C. W. Bankston, General Merchandise. Established in
1914.

W. T. Holloway, Groceries. Established in 1922.

Miss Mary Bloodworth, Millinery.

R. P. Barrett & W. Herman Means, Cotton Buyers.

Wm. M. Hartly, Jr., Lumber. Bldg. Material and Grist
Mill.

Echo Mountain Fruit Co., Peaches, Tomatoes and Potatoes.
Established in 1918.

Postmistress, Miss Lucy Slade.

Railroad Agent, H. G. Maulden.

Jones Hotel, Mrs. Minnie Chapman.

Meansville Gin Co.

Meansville Fertilizer Co.

Farmers Gin & Warehouse Co.

H. G. Langford, Insurance Agent.

B. E. Wilson, Printing.

T. C. Barrett, Barber Shop.

Garage, J. S. Clark, Prop.

J. D. Ferguson, Shop and Repair Work.

The following are the officers of the Meansville Bank:
President, U. L. Taylor; Vice-President, J. W. Holloway;
Cashier, Grady Langford; Bookkeeper, Geo. Smith. This
Bank was established August 1, 1911.

Among the most progressive farmers of this section of

the County are U. L. Taylor, J. C. Norris, T. A. Lifsey, and W. T. Cochran.

Taylor Springs and Lifsey are resort places. The waters of each have healing properties. There is quite a little village at Lifsey. Mr. W. E. Storey runs a mercantile and family grocery business. There are a number of cottages occupied during the hot months and the swimming pools are crowded with bathers.

MEANSVILLE HIGH SCHOOL.

In 1880, a school was started at New Hope Congregational Church, about one mile from Meansville. Miss Carrie Fryar was teacher and the following were trustees: Jas. W. Means, J. L. Aldred, J. C. Chapman, Theo Williams and Henry Nelson. This school was moved to Meansville in 1903 and the following were trustees: J. W. Holloway, Jos. C. Slade, J. Morris Means, W. C. and Early Owen. The following were teachers: Dr. Herler, Miss Lucy Floyd and Miss M. Rawls. The present trustees are: H. G. Langford, Early Owen, Dr. J. C. Bramlett, W. F. Reeves and J. C. Slade. Faculty for Fall term 1922: Rev. J. Seaborn Winn, Mrs. E. B. Horn, Miss Florence Carter, Miss Fannie Maud Norris, Mrs. W. D. Howell, Music. Ten grades are taught. Present enrollment ? ?

Woman's Improvement Club.

Meansville Woman's Improvement Club was organized in March, 1921, with about six or seven members. Mrs. E. B. Horne, President; Mrs. Maie Slade, Vice-President; Miss Florine Carter, Secretary and Treasurer; Mrs. Henry Bishop, Corresponding Secretary. At present the membership is twelve, and the same officers with the exception of Mrs. Colie Slade who is Secretary and Treasurer.

THE MEANSVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH.

The Meansville Baptist Church was organized August 18,

1885. Bro. Harry Wells of Zebulon, Ga., was the first pastor. He served as long as he was able. Then these other dearly beloved men served us (I do not know just the years they served): Bro. W. A. Brooks, Fayetteville, Ga.; W. H. Durham, a Mercer student, Macon, Ga.; T. E. Cline; W. H. Brown, Thomaston, Ga.; J. Q. Buffington, Milner, Ga.; A. C. Smith, Griffin, Ga.; W. C. Oliver, Milner, Ga.; L. Hooten, Zebulon, Ga.; W. U. Kendrick, Griffin, Ga.; W. B. Whittle, Griffin, Ga., and T. J. Espy, Mercer student, Macon, Ga. The present pastor is J. W. R. Jenkins, Zebulon, Ga.

In 1912 a Woman's Missionary Society was organized with Mrs. O. T. Dewberry, President; Mrs. G. M. Shehee, Secretary and Treasurer. The society has grown from four to twenty members. It has missed only a few meetings since its organization. It keeps its dues paid up and does a great deal of personal service work.

In 1921, having outgrown the old building and it being unsuitable for Sunday School purposes, under the leadership of our able pastor, J. W. R. Jenkins, and our Sunday School Superintendent, H. G. Langford, it was decided on account of financial conditions to build a temporary house of worship. A lot was purchased in the center of the town and a nice tabernacle was erected, consisting of four double Sunday School department rooms and the main auditorium. The church has now a membership of 105. There are enrolled in the Sunday School 124.

The first deacons of the church were V. H. Collier, R. W. McGinty and J. M. Ferguson. The present deacons are A. C. Jones, W. D. Vining and H. G. Langford. The clerk of the church is J. C. Collier.

The Sunday School has been an "A-1" Standard School for the past three years.

This church has contributed to the \$75,000,000 Campaign in the last three years nearly one thousand dollars.

STORY OF ZEBULON

Zebulon was incorporated in 1825. Among the early settlers were W. E. Mangham, John N. Neal, John N. Mangham, Allen Pryor and Samuel Mitchell.

The Bank of Zebulon.

The Bank of Zebulon was organized as branch of the Citizens Bank of Barnesville and began business Sept. 1st, 1902. The officers at this time were J. W. Cabaniss, President; W. J. Franklin, Vice-President; C. R. Gwyn, Cashier; E. F. Dupree, P. M. Sullivan, J. W. Means and S. A. Howell with above officers were Directors.

First bank building was erected in 1903 and destroyed by fire in 1904. Organized in 1905 as State bank with charter dated March 18, 1905, the charter members being C. H. Humphrey, R. P. Spencer, J. M. Means, C. R. Gwyn, P. M. Sullivan, W. J. Franklin and E. F. Dupree. The capital stock was \$15,000 which was increased to \$16,500 in 1908 and to \$25,000 in 1910. Now has surplus and undivided profits of \$25,000. The following are officers and directors: W. J. Franklin, President; P. M. Sullivan, Vice-President; C. R. Gwyn, Cashier; J. H. Baker, Asst. Cashier; E. F. Dupree, Attorney; M. M. Head, J. M. Means, and W. C. Norris Directors. In 1920 the new building on the corner was completed, and has been occupied since.

Business Firms of Zebulon.

In 1894 P. M. Sullivan and E. H. Baker began business, under the firm name of Sullivan & Baker. Soon afterwards, P. M. Sullivan bought E. H. Baker's interest. On Feb. 1st, 1895 J. M. and B. Slade bought a half interest in the business, the firm name being Sullivan & Slade. On Jan. 1, 1901, B. Slade retired and J. J. Slade came into the firm. On Jan. 1, 1909, the firm was reorganized, and incorporated under its present name, the members being A. A. Howell, J. J.

Slade, Leon H. Rawls, W. S. Slade, J. M. Slade and P. M. Sullivan. On Jan. 1, 1914, A. A. Howell sold his interest to the other members of the firm. The firm of Sullivan-Slade Co. run a department store, dealing in dry goods, groceries, furniture, hardware, plantation supplies, etc.

In 1887, the firm of Adams & Franklin was formed to do a general merchandise business. In 1890, Mr. Adams retired, and the business has been run by W. J. Franklin since. The building was burned in 1904, and the present building erected in 1906.

Hotels.

The Ballard House is run by the Misses Ballard.

The Howard House is run by Miss Evelyn Howard and Mrs. Ruth Wright. The excellent table kept by these sisters attract many traveling men to Zebulon.

In 1899, O. L. Pierce opened up business. In 1902, C. B. Pierce entered the business under the firm name of C. B. Pierce & Co. In 1910, O. L. Pierce withdrew, and C. B. Pierce has been doing a general merchandise business since. His store was built in 1905 and was the first store in Zebulon to have show windows.

Miller G. Harrison opened up a lumber business in 1913. Since his death, an interest has been sold in the business, and it is now the Tidwell Lumber Co.

John Presley has been running a family grocery since November, 1916.

The Zebulon Gin & Fertilizer Co. was organized in 1892 by the Gate City Oil Co. with J. Morris Means as manager. In 1910, it was reorganized with J. Morris Means, President, and J. W. Holloway, Vice-President. The Fertilizer plant has a yearly capacity of 5,000 tons. In the ginning department there are two batteries of four gins each, with a capac-

ity of 100 bales per day. There is warehouse room for 2,000 bales of cotton. The warehouse is bonded by the U. S. Government.

Zebulon Drug Store. Owned by Dr. M. M. Head. Managed by Grover Hooten.

Physicians of Zebulon are Dr. Marvin M. Head and Dr. J. R. Graves.

The Corn Mill is operated by the Brown Bros.

The Shoe Repair Shop is run by J. H. McGlon.

The Zebulon Garage is managed by Mr. Albert J. Bush.

Peach Industry.

Roger Dunn has 100 acres in peaches, and he and P. M. Sullivan jointly own another 100 acres. P. M. Sullivan also own another orchard of 40 acres.

Tomatoes and potatoes are also grown for market by W. M. Caldwell, L. H. Rawls and Josie Dunn.

Dr. Chas. L. Watkins has been practicing dentistry for several years.

Douglas S. Barrett began a family grocery business in 1919.

Wm. J. Slade opened a market and family grocery in 1922.

Lewis Garret runs an up-to-date barber shop.

Geo. McCoy, brick mason.

Ralph McCoy, plumber.

Rev. Robt. L. Barron is the obliging and efficient postmaster at Zebulon.

Zebulon is on the Southern Railway. R. L. Culbreth is agent.

Zebulon Live Stock Co., P. M. Sullivan, W. S. Slade, and Col. E. M. Owen. The business is managed by Wm. S. Slade.

Zebulon Potato Drying House is operated by the following: Sullivan-Slade Co., Dr. M. Head, J. W. Storey, Judge E. F. Dupree, Walter Harrison.

Wiley Mitchell carries the mail on R. F. D. Route 2, and John Baker carries Route 1.

Carl McKinley, auto repairing and general blacksmith.

The following are builders and contractors: Cadesman Banks, H. Brazier and Chas. O. Canafax.

John N. Harp began business in 1912. He does a general merchandise and grocery business.

The firm of Beckham & Beckham opened a market and family grocery business in 1909. Marvin B. Beckham bought out Glen Beckham in 1920.

City Council for 1922: Mayor, Dr. J. R. Graves; Mayor Pro-tem, H. A. Rider; Dr. Chas. L. Watkins, Wm. S. Slade, Cadesman Banks; Clerk, John H. Baker.

Marshals: Wm. Williams and Robt. Chapman.

The Southern Bell Telephone Exchange is managed by Miss Vallie Brazier.

Zebulon has a very satisfactory water supply system.

Spencer Means and Allen Corley deserve a great deal of credit for spending their vacation in truck farming.

All honor to Jas. Howell for spending his vacation in useful employment, thus helping to pay his own expenses at Emory University.

The Pike County Journal was established by Parry Lee in 1886, and was edited by him until 1893. S. R. Green edited a paper called "The Pike County Times," for a few years. The two papers were afterwards consolidated. W. J. Franklin owned the paper for several years. In 1904 after the consolidation of the papers, Col. E. M. Owen bought it and edited it until 1912 when he sold it to Dr. J. M. Head. In 1922, Dr. Head's health failing, he sold it to the present editor, H. D. Weaver.

Zebulon Woman's Club.

The Zebulon Woman's Club was organized in March, 1917, with 15 members. They later entered the State Federation and their co-operation and helpful activity have more than once called forth the commendation of the State club officers. Their work has been eminently worth while in building up a better community and a finer citizenship. This club has the honor of giving the District Federation its present president, Mrs. R. C. Johnson.

Zebulon Music Study Club.

Zebulon Music Study Club was organized April 27, 1920, with 16 charter members. Twenty-one other members have joined since. It was admitted to the Federation of Music Clubs July, 1922. Officers, 1922-23: President, Mrs. W. D. Howell; Vice-President, Mrs. F. L. Adams; Secretary, Mrs. W. M. Marsh; Treasurer, Mrs. R. W. Dunn; Publicity Agent, Miss Miriam Rogers. The object of the club is the study of music. Monthly meetings are held at which musical programs are rendered.

Zebulon Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The Zebulon Woman's Christian Temperance Union was organized Friday afternoon, March 18, 1910, at the Baptist Church under the direction of Mrs. Florence E. Atkins, National organizer, Nashville, Tenn. (she now lives in Savannah, Ga.).

Charter officers and members were: Mrs. W. J. Franklin, President; Mrs. J. H. Means, Treasurer; Mrs. C. J. Dickson, Corresponding Secretary; Mrs. W. D. Howell, Recording Secretary; Mrs. J. W. R. Jenkins, Mrs. W. H. Speer, Mrs. R. C. Matthews, Mrs. R. D. Adams, Mrs. J. E. Eppinger, Miss Lida Franklin, Miss Janie Lou Floyd, Miss Kathleen Adams, Miss Dora Speer, Mr. Hendrix Reid, honorary member.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union is an organization of Christian women banded together for the protection of the home, the abolition of the liquor traffic and the triumph of Christ's Golden Rule in custom and in law.

The motto is "For God and Home and Native Land." The motto of the National W. C. T. U. is "For God and Home and Every Land."

The badge is a bow of white ribbon that is symbolic not only of purity and peace, but includes all the correlated reforms that center in the protection of the home.

The good resulting from the efforts of this faithful and prayerful band of women can not be estimated.

There are twenty-nine active members and fourteen honorary members at present. May there be many more Christian women and men to join this useful organization and thereby make this old world a better place in which to live.

The officers for 1922 and 1923 are: Mrs. G. B. Ridley, President; Mrs. J. W. R. Jenkins, Treasurer; Mrs. P. H. Sullivan, Secretary.

Schools of Pike County.

Through the kindness of Miss Lizzie R. Mitchell, who gave a number of years of her consecrated life to faithful, efficient teaching, which has been a benediction to Pike County, we are enabled to present some very interesting information about the teachers in Zebulon and the adjacent country. Her grandfather was the first teacher. In those days there were two schools. The male academy stood about where Capt. Howard now lives, and the female academy near where the present school buildings stand.

I append a list of teachers, who taught in and around Zebulon.

Before the Civil War: E. W. Wells, John Stewart, Thig-

pen, Miss Davison, Rogers, Stone, Dodson, A. E. Eubanks.

After the Civil War: Harry Wells, W. H. Pritchard, Ferguson, Gus Harris, J. N. Brooks. R. D. Adams, Jas. Williams, G. B. and W. B. Merritt, Miss Minnie Merritt, Miss Nell Merritt (Mrs. A. B. Pope) assisted. W. A. Mitchell, P. F. Brown, Broadinax, C. B. Matthews, Horley Lawson.

This brings us to about 1902 when the Zebulon school was deeded to the M. E. Church, South, and named the Griffin District Institute. The following were the presidents in the order mentioned: Rev. C. V. Weathers, J. E. Smith, A. H. Stevens, Rev. Geo. E. Rosser, and Rev. J. R. Speer. In 1912, the school was deeded back to local trustees and became the Zebulon High School. Since the change the following have been principals: Prof. T. J. Gardner and Miss Lizzie R. Mitchell. Eleven grades are taught. The school opened Sept. 4, 1922, with an enrollment of 256. The present faculty is: Rev. A. J. Hargrove, Principal; Miss Mary Lucy Hargrove, 1st grade; Miss Mirian Hunt, 2nd and 3rd grades; Miss Vera Courson, 4th and 5th grades; Miss Emily Drake, 6th and 7th grades; Miss Sarah Harrison, latin and history; Miss Irene Redding, English and French; Miss Sybil Akin, mathematics and science; Miss M. L. Hargrove, domestic science; Mrs. R. C. Johnson, music.

The enrollment for the spring term will be much larger.

Zebulon Methodist Church.

We cannot find out when the first Methodist Church was established in Zebulon, but as the first Methodist preacher was sent to Pike County in 1823 it must have been soon after the county site was moved there. None of the early churches were deeded until several years after their establishment. The court records show that on June 6, 1842, a deed was made to the following trustees: Jas. Beckham, Jas. Neal, Isaac E. Nunnally, Robt. M. Stegar, Wm. M. Barrett,

Sr., Solomon G. Beckham and Andrew J. Beckham. In the early days, the circuits were large, but as the churches grew new circuits were established. For a number of years there were four churches on the Zebulon Circuit, with preaching at each church once a month. During the pastorate of Rev. J. Walter King, there was a gracious revival, and the church took on new life and power, and at the request of the Board of Stewards, Zebulon was made a half station, in 1915, with preaching twice a month. The other churches on the charge are Finchers and Concord. The present pastor (1922) is Rev. Adrian Warwick. The following are the Stewards: E. M. Pope, J. Morris Means, W. D. Howell, Wm. S. Slade, Hartford Green, and Dr. Marvin M. Head. Church Secretary, G. B. Ridley. Number of members is 160.

The Zebulon Sunday School, under the management of the efficient and up-to-date superintendent, has grown rapidly in numbers, attendance and zeal. There are 148 names now on the roll, and it is thoroughly organized in every department. The following are the officers: E. Martin Pope, Superintendent; Frank L. Adams, Secretary; Capt. J. F. Howard is president of Men's Bible Class; G. B. Ridley and John C. Wood are the teachers. Since the death of Mrs. Richard W. Rogers, Mrs. Susan Pope has been the teacher of the Woman's Bible Class.

Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Zebulon M. E. Church, South.

The first society was organized February 4, 1889, with the following officers: President, Miss Minnie Merritt; Vice-President, Mrs. Will Wells; Recording Secretary, Mrs. S. R. England; Corresponding Secretary, Miss Mattie Green; Treasurer, Mrs. J. L. Driver. The society has been in existence since its organization, but for the last few years it has taken on new life and is now doing fine work. They have an interesting Mission Study Class in connection with the society. Below is a list of the present officers: President, Mrs. W. J. Franklin; Supt. of Young People's Work,

Mrs. H. L. Green; Supt. of Junior Work, Mrs. J. M. Means; Social Service, Mrs. F. L. Adams; Study and Publicity, Mrs. W. D. Berry; Supplies, Mrs. Laura Wells; Treasurer, Mrs. M. M. Head; Recording Secretary, Mrs. L. H. Rawls; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. W. D. Howell; Agent for "Missionary Voice," Mrs. L. H. Rawls.

Parsonage Aid Society.

The Parsonage Aid Society was organized in October, 1910, 30 members. Mrs. E. M. Pope was elected President; Mrs. W. D. Berry was elected Secretary and Treasurer. This society was organized for the purpose of improving and benefitting the parsonage in any way possible. In the year 1914 the name of this society was changed to Social Service Department and was then under the auspices of the Woman's Missionary Society. Many things have been accomplished by the aid of this society for both parsonage and church. Among the presidents who have served are Mrs. A. A. Howell, Mrs. Laura Wells, Mrs. J. M. Means, Mrs. McGouirk, Mrs. Adams and perhaps others. Many changes have taken place since its organization. Three of the charter members have been removed by death. Many have moved to other places, but today we still exist and can boast that we are still doing a good work, with Mrs. F. L. Adams, President, and Mrs. C. B. Pierce, Secretary and Treasurer, with a membership of 33.

Among the saints of other days belonging to the Methodist Church we mention Wm. Ford (Uncle Billy), Joseph Ford, R. Y. Beckham, Jas. Howell, Dr. C. F. Redding, Judge Jas. Pope.

The Zebulon Baptist Church.

The facts in the first part of this sketch are based partly on the recollection of a conversation with Rev. G. W. Wood now deceased. In 1823 a Baptist church was constituted and its meeting house erected on the grounds of what is

now East View Cemetary in Zebulon. The church at that time was not known as the Zebulon Church, but its name has slipped the memory of the writer of this sketch. The division among Baptists on the question of the churches co-operating with missionary organizations was in process of development throughout the state. Differences among Baptists were somewhat neglected and overlooked in 1827 and 1828, due to the great revival all over the land. In the year 1828 in the Flint River Association consisting of 33 churches there were baptized 1,869 persons, almost doubling its membership. At the meeting of the Association in Forsyth in 1829 the real battle on the mission question began in this Association. By 1833 the baptisms dropped to 88.

The Baptist Church at Zebulon suffered proportionately. The incident of Margaret Higdon given below shows the straits to which the church was reduced.

The new birth of the church, so to speak, took place on Tuesday, Oct. 7, 1834. From that time on it was known as the Baptist Church of Christ at Zebulon. A new minute book was begun with a record of a conference on that date. In the minutes of May 1, 1841 it is recorded: "In consequence of a previous division in this church and the former clerk keeping the Church Book we find ourselves destitute of the Constitution and the Rules of Decorum for remedy whereof, etc." This quotation shows why a new record book was begun.

In this conference of October 7th delegates to the Association were appointed and the time set for the choice of a preacher, clerk and deacon or deacons. The delegates to the Association were James E. Bland and Milus Murdoch. The minutes were signed by Spencer Stamper, Moderator, and Matthew Orr, Clerk pro tem.

From that time on, while at times it has not been as prosperous as at others, its growth has been commensurate with the town of Zebulon.

The pastors of the church from 1834 have been: John

Milner, December, 1834, to 1836 inclusive; Spencer Stamper 1837 to 1841; John H. Milner, 1842, to March 9, 1857, the date of his death which was on the day after his last sermon; Jacob Buffington, 1857 to 1859; J. H. Weaver, 1860 to May, 1861, when he went to the war. A. B. Vaughan, Sr., a member of the church, filled the pulpit until October when W. G. McMichael who had been called as pastor accepted to serve to the end of the year. A. E. Cloud served 1862 and 1863. In 1864 J. H. Weaver was pastor again. J. M. Wood was pastor in 1865. In 1866 and 1867 J. H. Weaver was pastor for the third time. From 1868 to 1876 J. M. Wood was pastor. E. M. Hooten served in 1877 and 1878. J. M. Wood was pastor the third time from 1879 to 1881. In 1882 W. C. Felts was pastor. Harry Wells was pastor from November, 1882, to the end of 1888. J. W. Beck was pastor from 1889 to 1902. In 1903 and 1904 J. Parry Lee was pastor. C. M. Brittain was pastor in 1905. R. H. Harris began the year 1906 as pastor but his health failed. The church called R. L. Bolton who supplied until he left for the seminary in the fall. J. W. R. Jenkins has been pastor from 1907 to the present time.

The church has had only five clerks since its reorganization: James E. Bland beginning Oct. 25, 1834, Clark M. Dickinson beginning Jan. 5, 1839, Wiley E. Mangham beginning March 13, 1847, Wm. C. Gwyn beginning Jan. 11, 1891, and Jesse J. Slade beginning April 11, 1896.

In the minutes of April 5, 1862, this resolution is recorded: "On motion we the church unanimously tender our church bell as a donation to the Confederate Government to be cast into cannon for the use of the war."

Of the early days of the Zebulon Baptist Church this incident is related: An unfortunate dispute began which divided the church into two factions. So warm was the contention that one side went over and nailed up the church.

Old "Grandma Higdon," who sided with neither faction and prayed for both, one day was in the church yard cleaning off the graves of her dead. As she passed the church

door and saw how the angry deacons had locked the Lord out of His house, she could stand it no longer. Sending one of her slaves for an ax, she had the doors and windows opened, letting in God's glorious sunlight. Then she took the dusty Bible from the pulpit, read a chapter, and then knelt in prayer with her faithful slaves.

As she started home she passed the gate of her lifelong friend, Mrs. E. W. Wells. She went in and related the aggressive measures she had taken. Mrs. Wells' reply was, "Sister Higden, you've done exactly right and to your next prayermeeting I'll come with my children." So these two earnest women held these simple services.

The time of the annual meeting of the Flint River Association was approaching. "Grandma Higdon" said the church must be represented. Since the men hadn't returned she had herself appointed a delegate, walked out to the Association at old Hebron Church, and was received as the first and only woman delegate of that body.

The deed to the Zebulon Baptist Church was made in 1835 by the judges of the Superior Court to Wiley Mangham and Geo. W. Milner, but was not recorded until 1861.

This church has given in the last three years to the 75-Million Campaign nearly \$7,000.

The following are the present deacons: E. F. Dupree, S. J. Eason, E. H. Paker, J. J. Slade, C. R. Gwynn, E. L. McKinley, and W. H. Dunn.

There are 166 members on the church roll. The Sunday school has 122 on the roll.

The Ladies' Aid and Missionary Society of the Zebulon Baptist Church was organized in 1890, with Mrs. W. P. Gwynn, President; Miss Jennie Mitchell, Secretary, and Mrs. M. J. Redding, Treasurer. There were only ten members at first and but little work was accomplished; but as time went on, under the leadership of consecrated officers and by the efforts of willing workers, both membership and work increased. Now the enrollment is about thirty, and the funds

raised have been used for different missions, general benevolence and church improvement. The W. M. S. has organized and is fostering the following organizations among the young people of their church: A Y. W. A., with Mrs. R. C. Johnson as leader; a S. A., with Miss Lizzie Mitchell as leader; a band of Royal Ambassadors, led by Rev. J. W. R. Jenkins; and a Sunbeam Band, led by Mrs. R. C. Johnson. The present officers are: Mrs. C. R. Gwynn, President; Mrs. J. W. R. Jenkins, Vice-President; Mrs. P. M. Sullivan, Corresponding Secretary and Treasurer; Mrs. Robt. Dupree, Recording Secretary; Mrs. J. J. Slade, Chairman of Personal Service Committee.

THE STORY OF WILLIAMSON.

The town of Williamson was incorporated in 1908, and the present officers are: J. H. Yarbrough, Mayor; A. C. Reeves, R. H. McLucas, C. A. Yarbrough and Paul Beauchamp, Councilmen; T. E. Drewry, Marshal.

Two branches of the Southern Railroad pass through Williamson, one known as the Atlanta and Fort Valley, and the other used to be known as the Georgia, Midland and Gulf, though they are both now under the same management.

The Bank of Williamson was incorporated in 1912, and the officers are I. B. Howard, President; C. A. Yarbrough, Vice-President; P. W. Vaughn, Cashier. Capital stock, \$25,000.

List of business concerns are as follows:

R. H. Yarbrough & Son, general merchandise.

Williamson Grocery Co., groceries and supplies.

W. S. Jackson, general merchandise.

R. H. McLucas, fancy and staple groceries.

B. A. Ridley, postmaster and dealer in cigars, tobaccos, stationery, etc.

B. C. Wilson, auto tire shop and accessories.

F. L. Pitts, blacksmith and garage.

Williamson Bonded Warehouse, cotton storage.

Farmers Warehouse, cotton storage.

Hutchison and Vaughn, ginnery.

E. R. Reynolds, groceries.

Three physicians: J. C. Beauchamp, I. B. Howard, and W. L. Beauchamp, who has recently opened up a baby hospital.

Paul Beauchamp, cotton buyer.

A. P. Dickinson operates a nursery for raising peach trees.

History of Williamson Methodist Church.

I am indebted to Mr. I. W. Williamson for the facts of the early history of this church. It is said that his great grandmother, Mrs. Nancy Freeman, brought the first Methodist preacher here. Six generations of the Williamson family have belonged to this church. These facts are recorded in an old class leader's book kept by Bro. Williamson's father. The church was established in 1823 and Andrew Hamill was the first pastor. The first church building was of logs, and was built on Hester's Hill. Later a frame building was erected near where Dr. Beauchamp now lives and called Red Oak. The deed to the lot on which the church now stands was made by Giles Drier and I. B. Williamson in 1856, and was made to W. H. Simmons and B. F. Harber, trustees. This church is now on the Griffin Circuit and Rev. J. H. Farr is the present pastor. Dr. J. D. Yarbrough, 84 years old, is a confederate veteran, and a faithful member of this church. The following were among the early members of this church: The Harpers, Simmons,

Yarbroughs, Allens, Freme, Rivers, Reids, Hesters, Williamsons, Hootens, and Holseys. The Hunts, Pattens, Shells, Borders and Barfields were members later. The following are the Board of Stewards: Dr. J. Beauchamp, P. W. Vaughn, Wallace Williams, L. D. Wheelless, Raymond Dickinson. 125 members are on the church roll.

Superintendent Sunday School, P. W. Vaughn. Number of officers, teachers, and pupils 65.

The Woman's Missionary Society of the M. E. Church was organized on January 3, 1915, by the District Secretary, Mrs. Sasser of Senoia. Under the pastorate of Rev. Mr. Nathan Thompson the society held on for one whole year with only four members. In January of next year, it took on a new lease of life and now has fourteen members. Dues are paid, church is looked after, and local charity is carried on by these faithful few.

Williamson Baptist Church.

In 1869 a little Baptist band began holding meetings in an old field schoolhouse on Shannon Place. They determined to organize a church. In 1871, Providence Baptist Church was built near what is now known as Rover, Ga. The charter members were Mr. Allen Shackelford, Miss Sallie Shackelford, Mr. and Mrs. Joel Aycock and Miss Lizzie Aycock. Miss Aycock is the oldest member of this church now living (1922). The first pastor was Col. John D. Stewart, later Judge Stewart, who served the church for twelve or more years and built up one of the strongest country churches in the Flint River Association. The church was named by Mrs. Joel Aycock. The first deacons were Allen Shackelford and Joel Aycock, who continued in office until their death. Eight children of the Aycock family joined this church. J. W. Shivers was the next deacon and remained in office for years. The following served while the church was near Rover: Revs. Enoch Hooten, Elam Culpepper, W. U. Kendrick, Prof. Wm. Pritchard (an educator and preacher), Judge Jas. A. Drewry, and Rev. Geo. Garner.

Judge Jas. A. Drewry has been pastor twice, and W. U. Kendrick three times. A number of the older members dying and so many moving to town, it was decided to move the church to Williamson. As the church had grown very weak, the Rev. Geo. Garner came as pastor again, he having been appointed by the Flint River Association to look after the weak churches. Under his ministry the church took on new life and many new members were received. Since his pastorate the following have served: Revs. Knowles and Pate, and Dr. B. J. W. Graham, the present pastor (1922).

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society was organized in 1908 with five or six members. Mrs. J. A. Bennett was the first president. Twenty-two members are now on the roll and Mrs. J. W. Touchstone is president. Only two of the charter members are now living, Mrs. O. T. Moreland and Mrs. Fillyaw, both of whom are untiring in their zeal and devotion to the cause. They look carefully after every department of missionary work. They have organized a Young Woman's Auxiliary, a Girls' Auxiliary, the Royal Ambassadors, and a Sunbeam Band. At present all the young people's societies work through the Baptist Young People's Union. The present deacons are Richard Rawls, Wm. Fillyaw, and Jesse Gill.

The Sunday School is in a flourishing condition, having five teachers and eighty members. The following are the officers: Otis Rawls, Superintendent; Jesse Gill, Assistant Superintendent; Wm. Fillyaw, Secretary and Treasurer.

I am indebted to Mrs. O. T. Moreland for the interesting information contained in this sketch.

Williamson Christian Church.

In August, 1911, Mrs. L. M. Omer, State Secretary of Missionary work, organized a W. M. S. at Bethany Christian Church. Mrs. C. A. Dickinson was made President. On account of scattered membership, it was suggested, as we had several members in Williamson, that we have our

meeting in the homes. Through the inspiration of our meeting we had a vision of a new church in Williamson, but was unable to secure a suitable lot until the fall of 1917 when a beautiful central lot was purchased from Josiah Allen, on which a nice brick church was built which is Williamson Christian Church. About fifty of the Bethany members enrolled there. We have at present about ninety on roll. On the fourth Sunday in January, 1919, we had our first service which was glorious. Our first and present pastor is Bro. F. L. Adams of Atlanta. We organized early in same year. Sunday School was organized the following Sunday with J. W. Anderson, Superintendent, six teachers and two officers, C. A. Yarbrough, Secretary, and Drewry Dickinson, Treasurer. Had eighty pupils on roll. At present F. S. Drewry is Superintendent, and we have about fifty-five on roll. Have three elders and eight deacons.

Mrs. Belle Dickinson is President of the Woman's Missionary Society. Have twenty-two members. In July, 1920, the church was dedicated by John H. Wood, president of Southeastern Christian College, Auburn, Ga. Much good has been accomplished for our dear Lord since the organization in 1919. The church building is valued at \$8,000.

BETHANY CHRISTIAN CHURCH.

Bethany Christian Church was organized by A. M. Ammons, an evangelist. The first pastor was W. L. Marshall. Harris Jones was pastor from 1881 to 1894; T. L. Harris served two years; then D. A. Brindle was pastor until 1899; then R. A. Helsabeck, 1900-01; W. F. Harrison, 1902; D. A. Brindle, 1903-07; Harrison Jones, 1908-09; A. J. Mize, 1910-11-12; T. E. Linkons, 1913; A. J. Mize, 1914; T. O. Slaughter, 1915; J. H. Corley, 1916-17; W. A. Chastain, 1918; D. A. Brindle, 1919-20; G. H. Kinnont, 1921-22. There are three deacons and one elder. There is a Ladies' Aid Society. F. S. Drewry has served as clerk and deacon for forty years.

Williamson High School.

Until a few years ago, Williamson had a very inferior school building, a poor equipment, and a very ordinary school. A few patriotic citizens met and consulted together to devise some plan to relieve the situation. They first tried a popular subscription, but this plan failed. About this time, Dr. J. C. Beauchamp was elected to the Senate. After studying the question, he introduced a bill in the Senate to allow local schools districts to issue bonds for school purposes and pressed it to passage, and had the same done in the House of Representatives by an advocate of the bill. Under the provisions of this law, six per cent bonds to the amount of \$6,000 were issued and sold, these bonds to run for a long term of years. By this means, Williamson now has a handsome building, veneered with brick, four large classrooms, commodious cloak rooms, and a broad hall on the first floor. On the second floor there is a music room and an auditorium with a seating capacity of 700. The stage fittings, the curtains and scenery and a piano were furnished by the Woman's Club. There is a handsome portico and entrance overlooking the grounds. There are six acres in the grounds of great natural beauty. The building was completed in 1915. Great credit is due Dr. Beauchamp for his interest and zeal.

Faculty for Fall term, 1922: Principal, W. L. Harris, 8th, 9th, 10th grades; Miss Evie Stone, 1st and 2nd grades; Miss Pauline Jones, 3rd and 4th grades; Miss Nell Shannon, 5th, 6th, and 7th grades; Music, Miss Louise Baker. There are ten grades taught. There is an average enrollment of 145 pupils.

Williamson civil officers: Justice of Peace, F. S. Drewry; Notary Public, Jas. Brown; Bailiff, Thos. Drewry.

WILLIAMSON WOMAN'S CLUB.

In October, 1904, the Williamson club was formed under the name of "Modern Priscillas." As the name would indicate, it was primarily a sewing club.

Soon, however, seeing the sore need, we began to take up civic and school improvement work. We raised money by various sundry and divers means and bought a piano for the school. We also started a public library which now contains over five hundred volumes, which, with the bookshelves, have been recently donated to the school, though still under the supervision of the club. We also paid off a debt of long standing on the church. In April, 1916, we federated, and with the broadening of our horizon, our name was changed to the Woman's Club.

All our energies were then directed toward building a club house, which, today, the only one in Pike, stands as a monument to the tireless efforts of its members. During the war, it was tendered to the Red Cross as a work room and remained as such to the end of the war. Each member of the club did her bit during the war. Towels, scrapbooks and canned fruit were sent to the base hospital at Fort McPherson. A complete hospital outfit for a soldier was donated, through the Griffin Red Cross, before our auxiliary was formed.

That Williamson always exceeded her quota in all the drives and campaigns was largely due to the concentrated efforts of the club members. Chairmen of the Red Cross auxiliary and U. W. W. campaign were also recruited from our ranks.

Trees have been planted as a memorial for each soldier who left from this vicinity.

The club contributes annually to the Tallulah Falls Institute and Student Aid, this year giving \$1.00 per capita to the former.

The club has contributed largely to the social life of our

village in giving showers for each bride and entertainments of every known variety. Flowers sent to sick and bereaved ones also.

In January, 1921, we became charter membrs of the Pike County Federation, and in October of the same year, members of the General Federation.

Our club house was formally dedicated and its doors thrown open to the public on April 30th, when with appropriate ceremonies, the cornerstone was laid by the Masonic fraternity. On the same day our club was hostess to the Pike County Federation at its first meeting.

A bulletin board, which has proved to be very useful, has been placed in the post office. We also conduct a second-hand magazine stand there, through the courtesy of the postmaster. At present, we are bending every effort toward beautifying the town well, for the benefit of the public at large, and as a memorial to one of our loved members.

Our membership is limited to twenty, and at presnt we have ten active members. On our roll, however, are one in New York, one in Florida, two in Atlanta, one in Kenwood, and one in Zebulon, who pay their dues, thus testifying to the love that they still bear to the Woman's Club of Williamson.

COLORED CHURCHES AND SCHOOLS.

Up to the close of the Civil War in 1865, the colored people belonged to the same church as the whites and were served by the same pastors, holding their servies in the afternoons. In many of the Methodist churches, there were galleries built, and numbers of the servants occupied them during the services for white people. Some negroes were licensed as local preachers, and did much good among their own people, some of whom the writer remembers well, viz., Sandy Kendall and Edmund Lowe of Upson County, and

Wm. Fincher of Pike County.

Soon after the war the M. E. Church, South, organized the colored M. E. Church and has fostered it ever since. The other colored Methodists have gone either to the M. E. Church (North) or to the African M. E. Church. They have Methodist and Baptist churches at various places in the County, and have large memberships and enthusiastic services at all their churches. The A. M. E. Church in Zebulon has only 15 members. J. W. McKnight is the present pastor. The M. E. Church has 226 members and Jacob Maddox is pastor. The Baptist Church has 300 members and Monroe Watts is the present pastor. The M. E. Church for the colored people in Zebulon was organized 58 years ago. Jacob Maddox is also pastor at Meansville with 72 members, and at Roberts with 35 members.

The colored school in Zebulon has an enrollment of 186. There are schools and churches for colored people all over the county. They are noted for paying their pastors. The relations between the races are pleasant.

Floyd Slade runs an undertaker's establishment for colored people. Manuel Hall and Gilbert Baker run stores, and Robt. Lindsay and John Collier run blacksmith shops.

In cases of fire in Zebulon the colored people render valiant service.

Several colored soldiers died or were killed in France, but I have been unable to get the facts.

CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

In 1861, when Georgia seceded from the Union and took her place among the Confederate States of America, the call was made for troops to defend what we conceived to be our rights, as patriotic sons of the South our men and boys from 16 to 60 years arrayed themselves under the banner of the Confederacy and led by Jackson, Hood and

Lee many of them laid down their lives on the altar of their country's honor. Pike County furnished her full quota. Even if loyalty had not led her to do so willingly, public sentiment would have compelled it.

Most of our soldier boys have passed over the river and now "rest under the shade of the trees." A few, in age and feebleness extreme, still wait the Master's call.

The Confederate Veterans of Pike have an annual reunion at Bluff Springs Campground. We append a list of those who still survive:

Z. T. Beckham, W. C. Bishop, J. D. Carriker, Josephus Coggin, J. D. Dunn, J. W. Hoisey, S. A. Howell, C. W. Sullivan, J. D. Yarbrough, F. M. Butler, C. H. Johnson, J. A. Bishop, W. R. Brumbaloe, J. E. Coppedge, T. T. Conner, P. R. Coker, B. J. Foster, W. M. Jamison, J. J. Johnson, Mountain Kendrick, G. E. Lavender, W. T. Lyle, J. W. Marshall, Columbus Moore, S. J. M. Pilkenton, Martin Phillips, M. F. Ross, A. H. Reed, J. E. Smith, J. J. Sykes, J. F. Weaver.

WIDOWS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS.

Mrs. A. Banks, Mrs. D. S. Allen, Mrs. J. L. Aldred, Mrs. W. T. Barker, Mrs. Ann Bevil, Mrs. Laura Beckham, Mrs. Donie Gwyn, Mrs. Margaret Hankins, Mrs. J. H. Howell, Mrs. T. Z. Jones, Mrs. J. W. Means, Mrs. D. A. McIntosh, Mrs. J. B. Nelson, Mrs. Cassie Parker, Mrs. Susan G. Pope, Mrs. Annie E. Scott, Mrs. Hardy Steward, Mrs. Josiah Wood, Mrs. A. Harvill, Mrs. T. Johnson, Mrs. Mary J. Park, Mrs. M. S. Riggins, Mrs. L. D. Scroggins, Mrs. M. A. Strickland, Mrs. E. W. McEling, Mrs. Lavonia Lifsey, Mrs. A. F. Brown, Mrs. M. E. Bernard, Mrs. A. F. Beckham, Mrs. M. F. Ballard, Mrs. S. G. Bloodworth, Mrs. Fannie Burnett, Mrs. L. P. Coggins, Mrs. Nancy Dean, Mrs. E. F. Green, Mrs. M. A. Huckaby, Mrs. S. E. Johnson, Mrs. F. M. Newell, Mrs. Catherine Pearce, Mrs. Rhoda Scott, Mrs. M. A. Terrel, Mrs. Mary P. Thornton, Mrs. M. A. Turner.

WAR BETWEEN U. S. A. AND GERMANY.

When, in 1917, the United States, moved by a humanitarian impulse, to go to the help of the oppressed nations of Europe, declared war against Germany, and issued the call for troops, our boys responded from every state in the Union. The Georgia training camps were soon crowded with the flower and strength of our young manhood, who, with the patriotism characteristic of the Southern people were ready, if need be, to sacrifice their lives on the altar of their country's honor. Pike County furnished her quota. Some of them died in the training camps; some of them, on the field of battle, dyed the soil of France with their heart's blood. Each deserves the equal honor. The sacrifice was the same. Among those killed in France were Frank Hunt, son of T. J. Hunt. His body was brought to Milner and buried. Herman K. Davis, son of Austin Davis. He was buried in France. His mother died at her home near Zebulon, Ga., the day after his death.

Henry Allen O'Neal, son of J. J. O'Neal, enlisted in the Marines, August 14, 1917, and was sent at once to Paris Island; sailed for France in February, and made the supreme sacrifice June 14, 1918, in the battle of Chateau Thierry. He went out from Concord. His body was sent home and buried at Mt. Zion Church, Meriwether County, August, 1921.

Roy Todd, son of T. M. Todd of Concord, Ga., enlisted in the Marines; sailed for France in February and was killed in the battle of Chateau Thierry June 2, 1918. He was buried at Manchester, Ga., June, 1921.

Ernest Ross, son of W. A. Ross of Pike County, Ga., was killed in battle in France and his body was brought home for burial.

Solon Self, of Molena, Ga., died in France, and his body was brought home for burial.

The following died in the training camp: Pierre Sullivan,

Grady Sullivan, sons of S. A. and Mrs. Mellie Sullivan, and were buried in Zebulon, Ga. Roswell Hooten, son of Rev. L. Hooten. He was buried in Zebulon, Ga.

THE RED CROSS.

When, at the call of our country, our boys and young men bade farewell to mothers and wives and sweethearts and went ready to make the supreme sacrifice, if need be, our women, animated by a patriotism equally as pure and a devotion as sublime, banded together for prayer and service, and Red Cross chapters were formed all over our land. The women of Pike County heard and responded to the call. Chapters were organized in Barnesville and Zebulon, and Auxiliaries at Meansville, Williamson, Concord, Hollenville, and New Hope, and also in the Zebulon High School. The Red Cross made sweaters, mufflers and socks for the soldiers and underwear for the war orphan children of other lands. It also contributed money towards carrying on the World War.

Aside from the work done and the money given, perhaps the best service the Red Cross did was to create sentiment and so shape public opinion that no self-respecting white man dared be a shirker. When the U. S. Government put on the drives for the sale of bonds and war saving stamps there was no difficulty in raising the amounts called for, but the towns and villages and country places vied with each other in going "over the top."

Below is a list of the officers of the Zebulon Red Cross Chapter: Chairman, J. W. R. Jenkins; Vice-Chairman, Mrs. M. M. Head; Recording Secretary, Annie May Baker; Treasurer, C. R. Gwyn; Chairman Woman's Work, Mrs. W. J. Franklin; Chairman Home Service, Mrs. C. R. Gwyn; Chairman Junior Red Cross, Mrs. W. R. Gresham; Corresponding Secretary, Lutie Head; Chairman Finances, E. M. Owen; Chairman Publicity, Miss Nan Howard.

BOY SCOUTS.

In 1917, Rev. E. P. Eubanks, who was then pastor of the Methodist Church in Zebulon, organized a Troop of Boy Scouts, from which our boys derived a great deal of pleasure and profit. By providing pure and innocent recreation for them, they were kept from seeking it in things impure and unclean. Then they were inspired by lofty and unselfish aims, and the many good deeds they wrought in helping people in trouble, looking after the sick not only lifted many a burden from troubled hearts, but afforded the boys themselves the joy that always comes from unselfish service to others.

COUNTY OFFICERS.

Judge Superior Court, W. E. H. Searcy, Sr.

Solicitor Superior Court, Emmet M. Owen.

Clerk Superior Court, Jos. W. Storey.

Judge City Court, E. F. Dupree.

Solicitor City Court, H. A. Rider.

County Commissioners: Dr. Marvin M. Head, Robt. W. Hale, John S. Dunn; Clerk, Col. R. Colbert Johnson.

Tax Receiver, R. H. McLendon.

Tax Collector, John A. Corley.

Justice of the Peace, G. Ben Ridley.

Notary Public, John T. Baker.

Bailiff, Wm. Childs.

Sheriff, W. M. Marsh.

Ordinary, Capt. John F. Howard.

The first Superior Court records were for the May term, 1824.

The Ordinary's Court was organized April, 1856. The first Ordinary was Joseph Beckham; John H. Mangham, Ordinary, 1861; J. J. Harper, Ordinary, 1866; Robt. Eppenger, 1873; other Ordinaries: Harry Wells, T. J. Blasingame, Jas. W. Means. R. C. Johnson, John F. Howard.

The following were Clerks: R. Y. Beckham, Dr. J. B. Mathews, Robt. C. Mathews, Jos. W. Storey.

Representative in Congress, Walter E. Wise.

State Senators, Robt. Holmes, Dr. J. C. Beauchamp.

Representative, Homer Bloodworth, Owen.

COURTS OF PIKE COUNTY.

It appears from the records in the office of the Clerk of Pike Superior Court that the first superior court of Pike County was organized September 15, 1823.

An Act was passed by the General Assembly of Georgia the 23rd day of December, 1822, fixing the site of the Public Buildings in Pike County, and purchased a lot near the center of the County for county purposes, which was incorporated and made permanent by an Act of the General Assembly passed the 26th day of December, 1823. This county site was named Newnan and was about one mile west of the present town of Meansville. The Court House at Newnan was of hewed logs.

An Act was passed December 10, 1824, requiring a portion of Pike County to be taken off and added to Upson County, which caused the Public Site to be near the south line of Pike County, the Commissioners thereby being compelled to discard the first site and select a second lot for the Public Site, lot number 227 in the Eighth District of Pike County was selected and the site was named Zebulon. The Act fixing this lot as the county site and incorporating it as such was approved November 25, 1825, by G. M. Troup.

Governor, and was to take effect upon its approval.

The officers and their terms of office of the Superior Court of Pike County are as follows:

1923 to 1925: Eli S. Shorter, Judge; Charles J. McDonald, Solicitor-General; E. P. Daniel, Clerk; Burrell Orr, Sheriff.

1825 to 1829: Charles J. McDonald, Judge; B. F. Harris, Solicitor-General; E. P. Daniel, Clerk.

1829 to 1831: Christopher B. Strong, Judge; Rich L. Simms, Solicitor-General; E. P. Daniel, Clerk.

1831 to 1835: Christopher B. Strong, Judge; Washington Poe, Solicitor-General; E. P. Daniel, Clerk; J. P. Austin, Sheriff.

1835 to 1841: Angus McDonald King, Judge; James H. Mask, Solicitor-General; E. P. Daniel, Clerk.

1841 to 1843: Angus M. King, Judge; J. H. Stock, Solicitor-General; A. B. Beckham, Clerk.

1843 to 1845: Edward D. Tracy, Judge; Z. E. Harmon, Solicitor-General; A. B. Beckham, Clerk.

1845 to 1847: Edward D. Tracy, John J. Floyd, Judges; Samuel Hall, R. W. McCune, Solicitor-Generals; John M. Ready, Clerk.

1847 to 1849: John J. Floyd, Judge; R. W. McCune, Solicitor-General; Henry A. Caldwell, Clerk.

1849 to 1853: James A. Starr, Judge; R. W. McCune, Solicitor-General; John A. Cochran, Clerk; Joseph R. Culpepper, Sheriff.

1853 to 1855: Jas. A. Starr, Judge; J. A. Thrasher, Solicitor-General; John A. Cochran, Clerk; Wiley W. Grisham, Sheriff.

1855 to 1857: Gilben J. Green, Judge; James R. Lyons, Solicitor-General; John A. Cochran, Clerk.

1857 to 1861: E. G. Cabaniss, Judge; Jas. R. Lyons, So-

licitor-General; John C. Reddnig, Clerk.

1861 to 1865: John J. Floyd, Judge; A. D. Hammond, Solicitor-General; Charles F. Redding, Clerk.

1865 to 1867: Alexander M. Speer, Judge; A. D. Hammond, Solicitor-General; Charles F. Redding, Clerk; W. D. Redding, Sheriff.

1867 to 1871: Jas. W. Green, Judge; Lemuel B. Anderson, Solicitor-General; C. F. Redding, Clerk.

1871 to 1873: Jas. W. Green, Judge; Lemuel B. Anderson, Solicitor-General; C. F. Redding, Samuel F. Mann, R. Y. Beckham, Clerks.

1873 to 1877: John I. Hall, Judge; Fred D. Dismuke, Solicitor-General; R. Y. Beckham, Clerk.

1879 to 1881: Alexander M. Speer, Judge; Fred D. Dismuke, Solicitor-General; R. Y. Beckham, Clerk.

1881 to 1883: J. D. Stewart, Judge; E. Womack, Solicitor-General; R. Y. Beckham, Clerk.

1883 to 1885: J. D. Stewart, Judge; E. Womack, Solicitor-General; A. G. Harris, Clerk.

1885 to 1887: J. D. Stewart, James S. Boynton, Judges; E. Womack, Solicitor-General; J. L. Driver, Clerk.

1887 to 1889: James S. Boynton, Judge; E. Womack, Solicitor-General; E. A. Parker, Clerk.

1889 to 1891: Jas. S. Boynton, Judge; E. Womack, Solicitor-General; D. C. Hightower, Clerk.

1891 to 1893: Jas. S. Boynton, Judge; Fred D. Dismuke, Solicitor-General; T. J. Blasingame, Clerk.

1893 to 1895: John J. Hunt, Judge; M. W. Beck, O. H. B. Bloodworth, Solicitor-Generals; T. J. Blasingame, Clerk.

1895 to 1897: Marcus W. Beck, Judge; O. H. B. Bloodworth, Solicitor-General; J. B. Mathews, Clerk.

1897 to 1899: M. W. Beck, E. J. Reagan, Judges; O. H. B. Bloodworth, Solicitor-General; J. B. Mathews, Clerk.

1899 to 1905: E. J. Reagan, Judge; O. H. B. Bloodworth, Solicitor-General; J. B. Mathews, Clerk.

1905 to 1907: E. J. Reagan, Judge; O. H. B. Bloodworth, Solicitor-General; J. B. Mathews, R. Y. Beckham, Clerks.

1907 to 1909: E. J. Reagan, Judge; O. H. B. Bloodworth, Solicitor-General; R. D. Adams, T. J. Blasingame, R. C. Mathews, Clerks.

1909 to 1911: E. J. Reagan, Judge; J. W. Wise, Solicitor-General; R. C. Mathews, Clerk.

1911 to 1913: R. T. Daniel, Judge; J. W. Wise, Solicitor-General; R. C. Mathews, Clerk.

1913 to 1915: R. T. Daniel, Wm. E. H. Searcy, Jr., Judges; E. M. Owen, Solicitor-General; R. C. Mathews, Clerk.

1915 to 1917: Wm. E. H. Searcy, Jr., Judge; E. M. Owen, Solicitor-General; R. C. Mathews, Clerk.

1917 to 1921: Wm. E. H. Searcy, Jr., Judge; E. M. Owen, Solicitor-General; R. C. Mathews, J. W. Storey, Clerks.

1921: Wm. E. H. Searcy, Jr., Judge; E. M. Owen, Solicitor-General; J. W. Storey, Clerk.

COUNTY COURT OF PIKE COUNTY AND CITY COURT OF ZEBULON.

The County Court of Pike County was established in 1879 under a general Act passed by the Legislature in 1872, with Hon. J. S. Pope, Judge, who served continuously as judge of the County Court of Pike County until 1891.

In April, 1891, Hon. E. F. Dupree was appointed judge of County Court of Pike County and served as judge until the County Court was abolished by an Act of the Legislature in 1909, at which time the City Court of Zebulon was created to supplant the old County Court. Upon the creation of the

City Court of Zebulon E. F. Dupree was appointed judge and has continuously served as judge of the City Court of Zebulon until the present time.

J. J. Rogers was appointed as first Solicitor of the County Court. In their order the following attorneys have since served as solicitors of the County Court and the City Court of Zebulon: W. S. Whitaker, J. J. Rogers, Stephen M. Woodard, J. J. Rogers, C. W. Gwyn, E. M. Owen, J. F. Redding and H. A. Rider.

The clerks of the Superior Court of Pike County have always been ex-officio clerks of the County Court and the City Court of Zebulon.

CENTENNIAL PAGEANT.

Given under the auspices of the Pike County Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. Hunton Allen, Director.

1. Heralds.
2. Band.
3. Colors with Escort.
4. Goddess of History.
5. Gen. Zebulon Pike.
6. Descendants of old families.
7. First Mode of Travel.
8. First Session of Court.
9. First Circuit Rider.
10. First Baptist Church.
11. First Baptist Preacher.
12. Belles of Early Days.
13. Plantation Float.

14. Veterans of the Sixties.
15. The First Buggy.
16. Cotton Float.
17. Corn Float.
18. Tomato Float.
19. Nursery Float.
20. Peach Float.
21. Pepper Float.
22. Electric Float.
23. Ford Float.
24. Lumber Float.
25. World War Float.
26. Red Cross Float.
27. Belles of 1922.
28. Women's Club Floats.
29. Masonic Float.
30. Eastern Star Float.
31. Woodmen of the World Float.
32. W. C. T. . Float.
33. Boy Scouts.
34. First School Teacher.
35. Modern Teacher.
36. Public Schools.
37. Mayors and Councils.

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