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The Virginiana Room

Now that the Fauquier County Public Library has moved to its new location at 11 Winchester Street, Warrenton, the Virginiana Room is even better prepared to serve the needs of those who are interested in genealogy or local history research.

The new room has much more table and chair space for comfortable, quiet research and study. The library already has a fine Fauquier and Virginia collection, which has been developed over the years. Many of the books and materials, particularly those on Fauquier County, have been donated by generous friends.

For general reading on county history, a good comprehensive book with which to start is *Fauquier County, Virginia 1759-1959* compiled by the Fauquier County Bicentennial Committee and published in 1959. Another excellent source for general material are the Fauquier Historical Society Bulletins, published annually from 1921 through 1924. These are bound together in one volume, and are indexed.

Very early history of the area of Fauquier County, from the Indian occupation through the formation of the county in 1759 and the early 1800s, is covered in an excellent book, *Fauquier During the Proprietorship* written in 1927 by H. C. Groome.

In 1965, to provide a companion volume to *Fauquier County, 1759-1959*, the Fauquier County Civil War Centennial Committee, under the able guidance of John K. Gott and Emily G. Ramey, compiled information on the Civil War and published *The Years of Anguish, Fauquier County, Virginia, 1861-1865*.

T. Triplett Russell and John K. Gott merged their many talents in 1976 to produce a book on the Revolu-

tionary War period, entitled *Fauquier County in the Revolution*. Not only thoroughly researched and documented, this book is a most readable accounting of that part of American history.

Another source of useful information in the Virginiana Room is the Virginia vertical file. This file is filled with miscellaneous articles, Bible records, and maps. Some of the more interesting articles are on the Black Horse Cavalry, the "Free State" area of Fauquier County, Beverley Mill, Bethel Church and Academy, and Broad Run Baptist Church.

There are several unpublished genealogies kept in this file also. The names Bolling, Boteler, Jeffries, Neville, Turley and Utterback all appear there, as well as many others.

The library has been the recipient of two architectural/historical surveys done in the county. These are also kept in the vertical file. One was done by the Works Progress Administration of Virginia (WPA) during the mid 1930s and the other was done in 1979 by Cynthia MacLeod for the Virginia Historic Landmarks Commission. Bob Barron of Warrenton did the historical research on the second study.

Both of these studies trace many Fauquier homes and landmarks from their construction through their ownership over the years. They also give information on the architectural style and detail of each property. Both of these sources provide great assistance to anyone who is researching their ancestors or their property.

More shelf space now makes possible a greater expansion of the Virginiana book collection. An effort is being made to include in the collection histories of all Virginia counties that

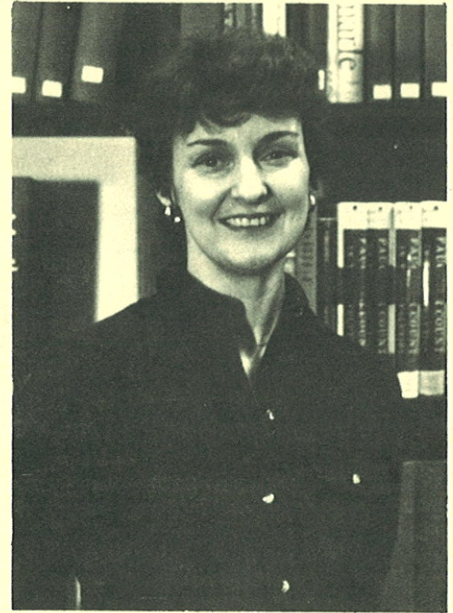


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have books available. Fauquier was part of Prince William County before 1759 and, before 1730, part of Stafford County.

Early settlers came from the area of present day Northumberland and Westmoreland counties, traveling north and west into present day Fauquier. Later settlers came down from Maryland through Loudoun County into Fauquier. Particular emphasis is being placed on these areas that were instrumental in the development of Fauquier County.

For those who are using old records or books available only in microform, the room is equipped with both a microfilm reader and a microfilm/fiche reader-printer. This reader-printer makes it possible to copy needed information from the film. The Virginiana collection has the Fauquier County census records from

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1810 through 1880 on microfilm; there are also microfilm reels containing Fauquier County newspapers dating back as far as 1825.

Virginia county court records on microfilm can be borrowed on inter-library loan from the Virginia State Library in Richmond. Many other surrounding states also send books and court records in this form through the inter-library loan system.

Genealogy is an important element of the Virginiana collection. Among the valuable sources available for genealogy research of Fauquier County are abstracts of wills, deeds, and inventories. There are two separate volumes of these records. The first to be published was *Wills, Administrations, and Marriages, Fauquier County, Virginia 1759-1800*, compiled by J. Estelle Stewart King. This was first printed in 1939 and reprinted in 1978. John K. Gott also compiled abstracts of this period. He released his work in 1976, entitled *Abstracts of Fauquier County, Virginia Wills, Inventories and Accounts, 1759-1800*.

Abstracts of marriage bonds from 1759 through 1854 have been compiled by Nancy Chappellear (Baird) and John K. Gott. This volume is arranged in alphabetical order by the groom's last name. There is one index to brides and another to

bondsmen, making it an indispensable work.

Another valuable tool is a collection of tombstone inscriptions from nearly 300 Fauquier cemeteries. This enormous undertaking was accomplished by Nancy Chappellear Baird. It is entitled *Fauquier County, Virginia, Tombstone Inscriptions*.

There are also abstracts of court records from Culpeper, Loudoun, Fairfax, and Westmoreland counties kept in the Virginiana Room.

There are a large number of published genealogies in the collection. Some of the more familiar Fauquier names are Payne, Hume, Blackwell, Beverley, and Ashby. Also available are several sources that guide the researcher to genealogies that have been printed. One of these sources deals with families that have roots in Virginia. It is *Virginia Genealogies: a Trial List of Printed Books and Pamphlets* compiled by Stuart E. Brown, Jr. of Berryville, Virginia. Another one, arranged by state, is *Genealogical and Local History Books in Print* by Netti Schreiner-Yantis of Springfield, Va. Again, through the inter-library loan system it is often possible to borrow from another library the genealogies that are not in the Virginiana collection at the Fauquier Library.

Other kinds of resources available in the genealogy collection are "how-to" books, where to start in tracing one's family. Two which are particularly good are *Searching for Your Ancestors; the how and why of genea-*

logy by Gilbert H. Doane; and *Tracing Your Ancestry: a step-by-step guide to researching your family history* by Wilbur F. Helmbold.

It is seldom possible that the genealogist is going to find his family already traced and printed in a book. That is why the abstracts of court records, lists of pensioners, ships' passenger lists, DAR records, and census records all become important tools. The library is always striving to improve its collection by additions of these materials.

Periodicals add another ingredient of information which may not be found anywhere else. A few that are included in the Virginiana collection are *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*; *William and Mary Quarterly*; *The Genealogical Helper*; *The Virginia Genealogist*; and *The National Genealogical Society Quarterly*.

Not to be overlooked is the collection of biographies of many Virginia personalities. There are many books on the more familiar Virginians such as George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, and Robert E. Lee, as well as many of the lesser known.

A collection of newspaper articles written for *The Fauquier Democrat* by M. Louise Evans' is part of the Virginiana collection at the Fauquier County Public Library.

Miss Evans began her career at the *Fauquier Democrat* in 1909 and continued writing for it until the late 1950s.

In 1955 several of her articles were published in a book entitled *An Old Timer in Warrenton and Fauquier County, Virginia*. The four volumes of clippings owned by the library were Miss Evans' personal clippings, most of which did not appear in the book. They may be used by the public in the Virginiana Room with permission from the Virginiana librarian.

The first two of this four-volume collection have been indexed to make them more useful for research. However, spending some time just reading and enjoying these wonderfully reminiscent articles is highly recommended.

Whether it is serious history or genealogy research or simply a desire to spend a quiet afternoon browsing, the collection in the Virginia Room of the Fauquier County Public Library can surely satisfy either need.

—Ava Lee

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Annual Dinner and Election of Officers

The Fauquier Historical Society has scheduled an outstanding speaker for the Annual Dinner, Thursday, June 9.

Admiral Thomas E. Bass, III (Retired), Executive Director of the Stratford Hall Plantation, will speak on the subject, "Robert E. Lee, An Uncommon Leader of Men." This gives Society members and guests a rare opportunity to hear such a presentation from a distinguished speaker.

Admiral Bass, a graduate of the University of North Carolina, was commissioned as ensign in the U. S. Naval Reserve in 1942. During World War II he commanded a submarine chaser in the Mediterranean Sea and participated in a number of invasions in Europe. Following the war, he commanded a variety of ships.

During the Vietnam conflict, he commanded the Cruiser-Destroyer Group of the Seventh Fleet in the Western Pacific. Since that time he has held a number of top naval positions including his last when he was commandant of the Thirteenth Naval District, headquartered in Seattle, Washington.

After retiring from the United States Navy in 1974, he began his sec-



R. ADM. THOMAS E. BASS, III
(RETIRED)

ond career as Executive Director of the Robert E. Lee Memorial Association and Stratford Hall in April 1975.

Reservation forms will be mailed to members at a later date. Price of the dinner will be \$10.00 with reservations limited to 200.

Reader's Corner

Listed below are books on Fauquier County available from various sources. Since prices are subject to change, and as there is usually a postage and handling charge, it would be wise to inquire before ordering. These books are also available for use in the Virginiana Room.

Genealogical Publishing Company, 111 Water St., Baltimore, MD 21202:

#3200. *Fauquier County, Va. Abstracts of Wills, Administrations, and Marriages of, 1759-1800.* By J. Estelle Stewart King. 101 pp., \$6.00.

#2290. *Fauquier County, Va., Abstracts of Wills, Inventories and Accounts, 1759-1800.* By John K. Gott. 303 pp., \$6.00.

#2410. *Fauquier During the Proprietorship, A Chronicle of the Colonization and Organization of a Northern Neck County.* By H. C. Groome, 225 pp., \$15.00.

Fauquier County Public Library, 11 Winchester St., Warrenton, VA 22186:

Fauquier County, Virginia 1759-1959. By Fauquier County Bicentennial Committee. Paperback, 335 pp., \$3.20.

Fauquier County in the Revolution. By T. Triplett Russell and John K. Gott. 511 pp., \$15.00.

Mrs. Alvin V. Baird, Jr., Rt. 1 Box 34, Delaplane, VA 22025:

Fauquier County, Virginia Tombstone Inscriptions. By Nancy Chappellear Baird. 328 pp., \$17.00.

Virginia Book Company, P. O. Box 431, Berryville, VA 22611:

Old Homes and Families of Fauquier County, Virginia. (The W.P.A. Records) \$150.00.

Lee Moffett, Rt. 1, Academy Road, Warrenton, VA 22186:

Water Powered Mills of Fauquier County, Virginia. By Lee Moffett. Paperback. 182 pp., \$6.50.

Memorial Foundation of the Germanna Colonies, Inc., P. O. Box 693, Culpeper, VA 22701:

Germanna Record (Nos. 1-13)

The Delaplane Store, Delaplane, VA 22025:

The Foothills of the Blue Ridge in Fauquier County, Virginia. By Clara S. McCarty. 150 pp. \$10.00.

Correction From A Correspondent

Dear Lynn (Hopewell):

Enjoyed reading your article in "News and Notes" on the Black Horse Cavalry—when can we expect the book? It's a shame that so few of the newspapers of the late 1800's for Fauquier County exist.

I thought you would be interested in the following correction and a minor detail on Alexander Dixon Payne (1837-1893). He was the son of a prominent Warrenton lawyer, Richards Payne (1809-1871) and Alice Fitzhugh (Dixon) Payne (1812-1900). Alice Fitzhugh (Dixon) Payne was the daughter of Turner Dixon of "Vermont"—one of the largest landowners in Fauquier County. A son of Turner Dixon, Mrs. Payne's brother, Henry

Thomas Dixon, was the only man in Fauquier County to vote for Abraham Lincoln! Immediately after casting his vote, he boarded a train at Salem (now Marshall) for Washington where he was made a Brevet Major as paymaster in the Union Army. From that day, until the day of his death (wounded in 1865 in a duel on the streets of Alexandria and died in Gadsby's Tavern) there was never any communication between his family and the Payne family.

I keep a look-out for anything I can find on the BHC and will send it along. But, don't wait forever—otherwise your book will never come out!

Sincerely,

John Gott

Death Of An Historic Building



1978

Photo by Robert McClanahan



1983

Photo by Isabelle Palmer

Historic preservationists in Warrenton and Fauquier County were saddened recently by the destruction of the old High Street School.

This turn-of-the-century structure served as an elementary school to several generations of Warrentonians, many of whom today occupy important positions in business, the professions and politics.

The owner, desirous of selling the property to a developer for subsidized housing, received permission for the demolition from Town authorities, despite objections from the Town of Warrenton's Architectural Review Board and many citizens.

With the demise of this building the town has lost an important part of its history. Old buildings, whether of great architectural merit or not, lend diversity, character and historic continuity to a community. It has been said that a town without old buildings is like an old person without memories.

With the increase in urban pressures, both social and economic, more and more people are returning to the small towns of America where they have a sense of belonging, with ties in their past.

The impressive columned porch of the High Street School made it one of the significant buildings of Warrenton's Historic District. Its demolition is an offense to past and future generations of Warrentonians.

Old Timer Lists Fauquier County Judges and Justices Since 1759

By M. Louise Evans

With the appointment of Rayner V. Snead of Washington, VA., as judge of the 26th Judicial Circuit, composed of Rappahannock, Loudoun and Fauquier Counties, your Old Timer went to thinking back once more.

A supplement of *The Fauquier Democrat*, compiled and edited by J. G. Claiborne, Lynchburg, VA., in 1927, states: "An effort to obtain the names of the men who have served as judges of the various courts held in Fauquier since its formation in 1759 has proven to be an almost fruitless task."

However, Mr. Claiborne, the writer, lists the early judges of the county court as follows: Joseph Blackwell, presiding at the September term of court 1762; William Black-

well, July term 1763; Thomas Harrison, September term 1763; John Bell, June term 1764; Joseph Blackwell, August term, 1764, John Bell, July term, 1765; Joseph Blackwell, July term 1768; Thomas Harrison, October term, 1768; Armistead Churchill, March term 1769; William Edmonds, September term, 1771; William Grant, November term, 1772; Joseph Blackwell, April term, 1773; Jeremiah Darnott, September, 1774.

Also Joseph Blackwell, October term, 1775; Armistead Churchill, March term, 1776; (also during the year 1777); Joseph Blackwell, November term, 1778; William Edmonds, March term, 1779; William Grant, June term, 1780; Armistead Churchill, October term, 1781; Martin Pickett, September term, 1782; Joseph Blackwell, July term, 1783; and May term, 1784; William Edmonds,

October term, 1785; Joseph Blackwell, May term, 1786 (also during 1787); John Moffett, April term, 1788; Charles Chilton, May term, 1789; Thomas Keith, June term, 1790; Martin Pickett, March term, 1791 (also during the years 1792-93); Jeremiah Darnott, April term, 1794; Edward Digges, May term, 1795; Wiley Roy, March term, 1796; Joseph Blackwell, June term, 1797; Martin Pickett, May term, 1798; Edward Digges, June term, 1799; Joseph Blackwell, August term, 1800; Martin Pickett, October term, 1801 (also during year 1802); Edward Digges, April term, 1803; Joseph Blackwell, March term, 1804.

Your Old Timer was able to locate also in the same *Democrat* supplement a list of the Circuit Court Judges for the judicial district, including Fauquier. They were Judge John

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Land Research



JOHN H. BARTENSTEIN

John H. Bartenstein, a practicing Land Surveyor in Virginia, specializes in performing land description research. This includes researching County land records such as deeds, wills, tax records, chancery causes and other available sources, including the County and State libraries.

Mr. Bartenstein's work parallels that of genealogical research. He determines the historical chain of events of a tract of land as one would establish the descent of a person or family.

The land in Virginia descends, originally, from patents or grants and Mr. Bartenstein will research back to these when it is desired and is feasible.

This work often involves researching adjoining land, which may affect the history of the tract being researched. Often the original patent will contain the land of some or all of the adjoining owners.

Many interesting facts are often disclosed by plotting the old survey descriptions and fitting them together. They will often cite roads, streams, hills, valleys, ridges and mountains. This information contributes to the history of the tract of land. Local historical lore can often be denied or confirmed.

Mr. Bartenstein is available for work anywhere in the state of Virginia. His fees are negotiable, depending on the scope and extent of research needed.

Judges and Justices

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Scott of Oakwood from 1831 to 1850; Judge John W. Tyler from 1850 to September 1861 (no session of the circuit court was held during the Civil War); Judge H. W. Thomas, April 1866 to January 1869; Judge James Keith, 1880 to 1894, when he was elected a member of the Superior Court of the State, and was succeeded by Judge Nicol; Judge C. E. Nicol from April 1895 to 1906; Judge E. S. Turner from July 1906 to December 1916; Judge George Latham Fletcher from January 1917 to 1929; Judge J. H. R. Alexander from 1929 to 1953.

A Northern man by the name of Lysander Hill was appointed by the Federal Government as judge of this circuit, but it appears from the records that he served in his official capacity at only one term of court, September 1869. Judge Tyler was a Prince William man. Judge Thomas was from Fairfax, and Judge Alexander from Loudoun. Other than these, all who served as circuit court judges were Fauquier county men.

Your Old Timer recalls the old red brick clerk's office, which was on Main Street where the lawn of the County Clerk's Building now is. John R. Turner, Clerk of the Circuit Court, and A. R. Bartenstein, Clerk of the County court, father of T. E. Bartenstein, present clerk, both presided.

According to information learned from the Clerk's office, Judge William H. Gaines was the last of the old justices to preside over Fauquier County, and he was subsequently appointed as the second Judge of the

County Court. Judge Thomas Smith was the first, and Judge Charles Mason White was the last of the County Court Judges.

When the constitution was changed, the Circuit and County Courts were merged. Then Justices of the Peace held sway; locally there was a Mayor's court, too, and about 1937 the Trial Justice Courts were established. The late B. Richards Glascock was made the first Judge for Fauquier. The late Frank D. Gaskins acted as Substitute Trial Justice Court Judge during Judge Glascock's illness, and for a while after his death, until Richard H. Marriott, the incumbent, was appointed to the office.

Your Old Timer recalls Judge Nicol, but it was during Judge Turner's term that her first legal reporting was done. Your Old Timer seems to recall, too, that Judge Turner was only 35 when he was appointed to the bench. He resigned from the bench to return to private practice.

Your Old Timer also recalls Judge White, and the "trade mark" green cloth bag, so often carried by members of the bar of those days with legal papers of their "home work." But that was before the Democrat days for your old Timer.

To your Old Timer, the word Judge carries with it great implication of knowledge, erudition, dignity and an almost consecrated position...also some hint of years, but as years overtake the writer we find the justices and judges to date comparatively young men, with Judge Snead being possibly the youngest to be appointed in this circuit.

—The Fauquier Democrat
3 June 1954

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Can You Help?

News and Notes will contain in each issue a list of as many persons as possible who are conducting genealogical or historical research on persons or places related to Fauquier County. To be included in this column write The Fauquier Historical Society, P. O. Box 675, Warrenton, VA 22186. Please enclose a stamped self-addressed envelope.

BROWN, PHILLIPS. Mrs. Evelyn Phillips Rhodes, 3905 Lawrence St., Colmar Manor, MD 20722, would like info. on the cemetery in New Baltimore, Fauquier Co., Also info. on Spring Valley House, Rt. 724 near Delaplane, and former owner Mandley Brown, A. W. Phillips and Ernest Phillips (sold in 1920). Also info. on Remington and Sumerduck.

DOUGLASS. Mrs. Betty J. Ralph, 2710 Pikes Peak Blvd., Louisville, KY 40214 is searching for marriage info. on Edward Douglass b. Fauquier 3 Oct. 1713, and Sarah George ca. 1740. Also info. on their son Elmore who m. Elizabeth Blake-more.

FRANCIS. Clifford L. Francis, 5303 Clifton St., Springfield, VA 22151 seeks info. on Patrick Francis who m. Sally Cockrell 30 Apr 1808 or 1 May 1808.

GREEN. Mary Jane Korth, 315 Walnut St., Grafton, WV 26354 seeks info. concerning Frances Ellen Green b. 17 Sep 1817, Prince William Co.; m.

William Henry Utterback on 2 Sep 1837, who was b. 27 Nov 1810, New Baltimore, Fauquier. Was son of Nathaniel Utterback b. Fauquier 13 Mar 1779, and Mary (Molly) Tomlin b. abt 1786, m. 4 Apr 1804.

HAMBRICK. Mrs. Irvin Overall, 12 Sequoyah Dr., Shelbyville, KY 40065 wants info. on any Hambrick family members in Fauquier. Is researching Jesse Hambrick who married Liddy Martin in Kentucky in 1790.

HODGKINSON. Mrs. Hope H. Grace, Rt. 2, Box 69, Charlotte Hall, MD 20622 seeks the death date and place of burial of Charles Thomas Farquhar Hodgkinson, b. 28 Jul 1845 Interlaken, Swit., son of Thomas and Jane Hodgkinson; m. Helen Dale Pickersgill-Cunliffe, 1875. 2nd child, Francis Helen, b. Va. 26 Sep 1879, baptized St. James Episcopal Church, Warrenton 1 Nov 1879. Son Cyril John b. 19 May, baptized 9 July 1882. Burial of Cyril John 13 Mar 1884 is recorded, place of burial not shown.

HUME, TEMPLEMAN. Karen L. Durst, 4815 Pitt St., Duluth, MN 55804 needs birth and death dates on Andrew Hume of "Yorkdale." Wants confirmation that Andrew was active in the Revolution; also locating any remains of "Yorkdale", which he deeded to his daughter Hannah Pierce Hume who m. Fielding Templeman of Orlean.

KIDWELL. Mrs. Dorothea Kidwell Nowell, 412 Clark St., Morgantown, NY 26505 seeks info. on Mary Kidwell who filed a will in Fauquier in 1795. Also James Kidwell who may have died in 1793 or 1794.

PAGE. Theresa Page, 124 Lindsay Rd., Carnegie, PA 15106 is searching for the parents of Robert H. Page; m. Frances (Fanny) Leach, dau. of George and Ann Leach, in 1803 in Fauquier. Left Prince William Co. 1805 for Wood Co. (Parkersburg), West Va. Robert d. 30 July 1832, age 71.

THORNHILL, MINTER. Dorothy M. Williams, River Route Box 65, Stevensn, AL 35772 would like to hear from descendents of Charles Morgan and Hannah (Minter) Thornhill, dau. of Joseph Minter. Dau. Ann Thornhill m. George Shehorn in 1823 in Fauquier. Would especially like to hear from descendants of this dau. Will answer all letters and exchange info.

Professor George Levy, Roosevelt University, 430 So. Michigan Ave., Chicago, IL 60605 is trying to locate the exact place of execution for desertion of 5 Union Army soldiers on 29 Aug 1863. The execution occurred at Beverley's Ford on the Rappahannock west of Remington. Site was one-half mile north of Beverley's Ford on Major's Farm.

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