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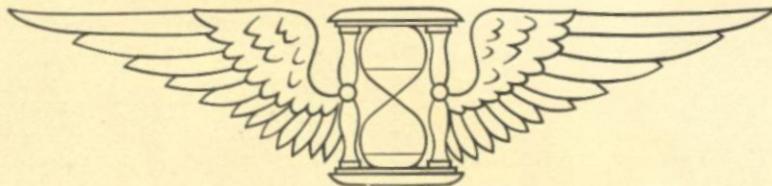
# FOREWORD

The "Thin Grey Line" is charging the bulwarks of time. Slowly that line is disappearing beyond the distant hill; but a little while and only the memory of their valiantry will be left. Could but their moral frames live on and on, telling in living emphasis the greatest story of the greatest nation of the world—but the ravages of time are fast erasing all but the written account of their love, their devotion, their sacrifices and those things which they cherish to this day.

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The only remaining symbol is that home which the good old State of Georgia has given to its Fathers. Here live only a remnant of a once great and glorious army. Here flies the Stars and Bars. Here the camp fires burn constantly, and oft the hearts of these men revel in their rendezvous of days forgotten to all but they.  
—From "*Thin Grey Line*," 1922.

This booklet and the cheer and comfort afforded by it is made possible by those good people of the state,—business firms and individuals,—who are thoroughly impressed by the above sentiment. It is their desire that a visible manner of showing it be presented to the heroes in Grey, and their most heartfelt good wishes go with their material assistance in presenting to you the 1927 Christmas Book.





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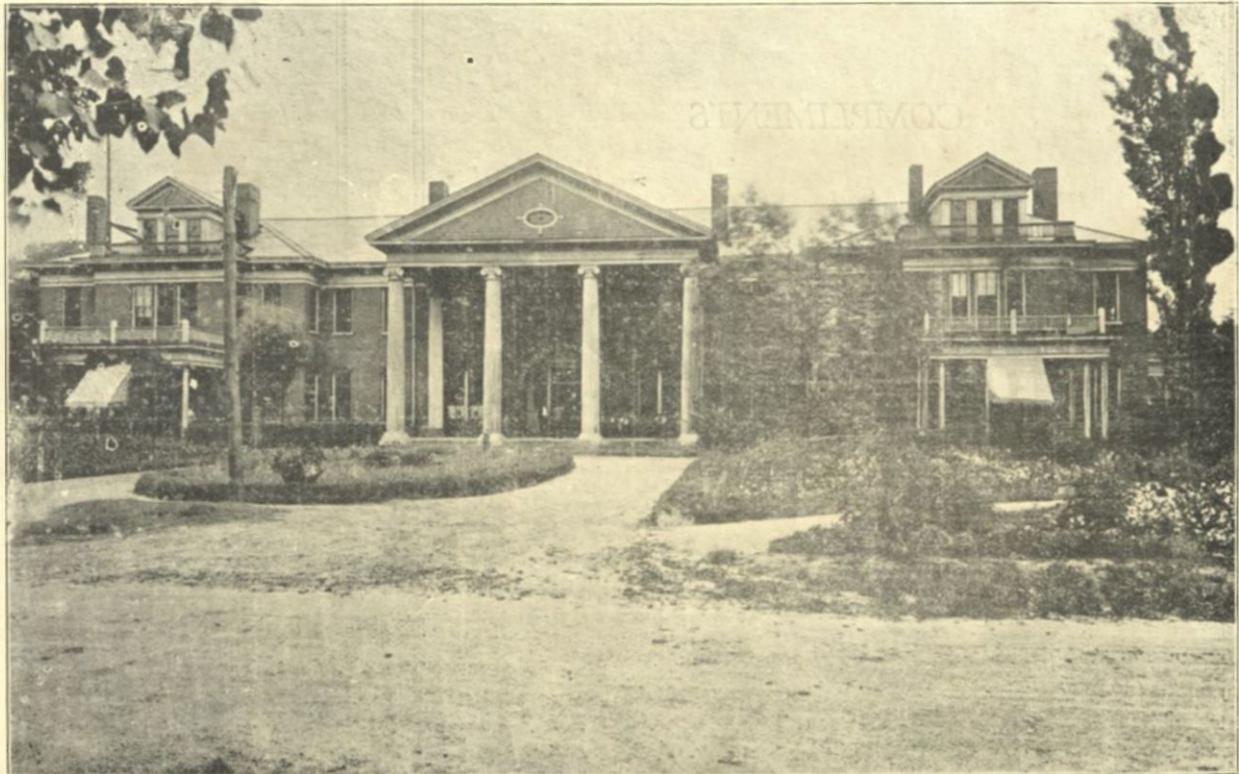
On a beautiful sloping hill, just outside of the incorporated limits of the City of Atlanta, there, surrounded by wide-spreading lawns, with forests, oaks, shrubbery and flowers, and on a site sufficiently high to command a splendid view of our beloved city, is situated the Georgia Confederate Soldiers' Home.

Love and deep gratitude to the men who so valiantly defended our Southland, and who gave their all in so doing, prompted the people of Georgia to provide this home, which would offer to our veterans comfort, protection and love.

An interesting bit of history of the manner in which the Georgia Confederate Soldiers' Home had its inception is given by Donald M. Bain, one of the first trustees of the Home, who also helped to select the site of the Home. Mr. Bain remained one of the trustees until the State of Georgia agreed to provide for the maintenance of the Home and have a Board of Trustees appointed by the Governor of the State for the purpose of supervising it.

Mr. Bain says: "As the records of the early history of the Confederate Soldiers' Home of Georgia are lost or misplaced, and as I am so familiar with all the details of the establishment of the Home, I am glad to answer your request for a general outline of the purchase of the land and the erection of the first building.

"Major Stewart went north to solicit funds for a Home for ex-Confederate veterans in Texas; and, when he met poor response, Mr. Henry W. Grady, in an article in *The Atlanta Constitution* (of which he was editor), called him home, and began the subscription for a home in Georgia with a one thousand dollar subscription from *The Constitu-*



tion. To this fund was added subscriptions for equal and smaller amounts from friends and those who sympathized with the purpose of providing a home for ex-Confederates of Georgia. No appropriation was made by the State, nor was any subscription made by any organization in the State."

A tract of 119 $\frac{3}{4}$  acres was purchased, and a beautiful home erected on the site. This had only been occupied a short time when on September 30th, 1901, it was destroyed by fire, as was practically the entire contents. The inmates escaped uninjured, and were temporarily housed at the Thompson Hotel, on Marietta Street, in Atlanta.

Plans were immediately made by the trustees for rebuilding. Colonial style of architecture being submitted by Messrs. Bruce & Morgan, and accepted, substituting brick veneer walls instead of wood. February 22, 1902, the contract for its erection was let to Angus McGilvary and Samuel H. Ogletree. August 26, 1902, it was completed

and accepted by the building committee. The Home contains 68 rooms, providing besides the bedrooms, a living room, chapel, library, superintendent's office, dining hall, kitchen, pantry, storage rooms, etc.

Rebuilding of the Home and refurnishing it throughout with new and substantial furniture and fixtures was done without cost to the State. Insurance collected from the burning of the first building was supplemented by generous and liberal contributions from individuals and patriotic citizens, and enable the Board to rebuild, equip and open the new Home without asking one dollar of the State, except the insurance money which had been turned into the treasury soon after the burning.

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The Confederate Soldiers' Home of Georgia is particularly fortunate in having for its Board of Trustees a group of men and women who are jealously anxious to outdo each other in striving to make the Home a real one to the remnant of the soldiers of the Southland.

At the head of the Board is Col. R. DeT. Lawrence, of Marietta, Ga. There is no man to be found anywhere who has the welfare of the men entrusted to his care more at heart, who tries harder to make life pleasant and comfortable for them. For Mr. Lawrence knows what his comrades went through in the War Between the States. His own experience as a member of the Confederate army impressed that indelibly on his mind.

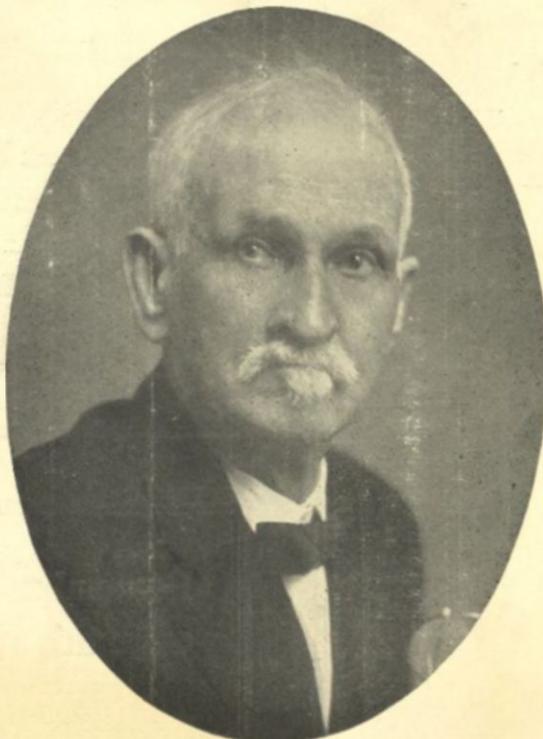
At the beginning of hostilities in 1861 he was a student at the South Carolina College, at Columbia. He belonged to the college Cadets, who offered their services to the Confederacy and were accepted by the Governor of South Carolina, being sent to Sullivan's Island, just out from Fort Sumter, to prevent the landing of Federal troops at that point. He was present when Fort Sumter was captured.

Returning to college, he enlisted for the war in Washington Light Infantry, afterwards Company B, 25th South Carolina Infantry. At the Battle of Secessionville, S. C., the fighting was exceptionally fierce, and of the four men nearest Mr. Lawrence in the battle line, three were killed outright, the fourth severely wounded, while his own jacket was ripped off on the right side by a minnie ball.

He was elected by his company to the highest vacancy, that of third corporal. Soon after this promotion, he was transferred to the Signal Corps, a particularly hazardous position, as the enemy sharpshooters were on the alert for members of this branch of the service above all others. In this service he was wounded in the left arm by a fragment of shell, which tore away his jacket. While on duty on Morris Island, Mr. Lawrence and two comrades of the signal service were the last to leave the island when it was evacuated, the overwhelming numbers of the enemy forcing a move.

On the retreat from Charleston, compelled by Sherman's irresistible numbers, he joined Company A, of the 5th South Carolina Cavalry, and was continually on the skirmish line as the Gray army was driven steadily by overwhelming numbers to Raleigh, N. C. He was in General Johnston's division when that outfit surrendered at Greensboro, N. C.

In all three branches of the service in which he took part, as a member of the Infantry, of the Signal Corps and



of the Cavalry, he was in the thickest of the fighting, and endured the hardships of his comrades. He knows what fighting on almost no rations, ragged clothing, little sanitary regulations, and with even hope even diminishing by the steadily increasing superiority of the enemy, can do to a man.

After the war Mr. Lawrence was a railroad bridge builder, a calling in which he was highly successful. He is at present one of the most influential citizens of Marietta, and is interested in several business enterprises.

He has been a member of the Board of Trustees for thirteen years, five of which he was vice president and chairman of the Investigating Committee; eight years ago he succeeded Judge Bell as President of the Board, which position he has held ever since. He spends an average of one night and most of two days of each week at the

Home, and looks after each detail, particularly those pertaining to the finances. He is quite popular with his old comrades, the veterans, and it is a foregone conclusion that no one would resent more quickly any lack of care or attention to them.

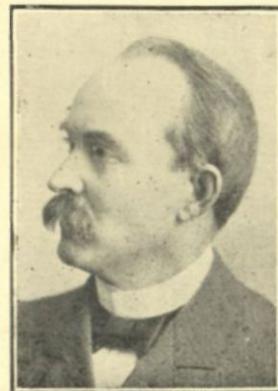
General Freeman, Commander-in-Chief of the U. C. V. in 1925, appointed Mr. Lawrence on his personal staff in recognition of his record in the War Between the States, and General Vance, the present Commander-in-Chief, has reappointed him to the same position on his staff.

Mr. Lawrence has taken an active interest in church activities in his city and has written several articles on current religious and other topics.

The Home is to be heartily congratulated in having such a capable, earnest and conscientious President of its Board of Trustees.

### DR. B. ATKINSON

Dr. B. Atkinson, of Waverly, represents the Eleventh Congressional District as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Home.



He was born at St. Marys, Ga., September 8th, 1848. He entered the Georgia Military Institute in January, 1864, and four months later, in May, his entire battalion of cadets joined General Joseph E. Johnston's division of the Confederate army.

He remained in the army of the Southern States until the close of the war, seeing considerable service, and was paroled as a prisoner of war at Macon, Ga., on May 20th, 1865.

Doctor Atkinson joins the remainder of the Board of Trustees in placing the stamp of his approval on the satisfactory and efficient manner in which the official staff at the home is caring for the old Veterans. And Dr. Atkinson is known as a type of man thoroughly capable of judging such matters.

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## The Oldest and the Youngest Veteran at the Home



The accompanying illustration is very interesting. The subjects are Major W. E. McAllister, Superintendent of the Home, and Mr. L. D. Grace. Mr. Grace bears the distinction of being the oldest veteran at the Home—in fact, the oldest veteran of whom any record can be found. He is, by authentic records, in his one hundredth and fourteenth year.

Mr. Grace's record in another particular is interesting. He was too old for voluntary service for the War Between the States until the Southland, with a final supreme effort, issued its final call for volunteers between the ages of sixteen and sixty. It was then that he enlisted. He had

been anxious to enter before. Very active and hearty, he saw no reason why he was not equal to the hardships endured by the younger men, but his age prevented him from becoming a member of the gray army of the South. It can easily be imagined with what pleasure he donned his uniform when he was finally permitted, by the raising of the age limit, to do his bit for the South he loved so well, and the cause in which he believed so steadfastly.

He participated in several very strenuous battles after joining the colors, and in each of them he fought with the courage of his convictions.

Mr. Grace attributes his longevity to his living in the open at the Home, and in living a religious, upright life. He tries to live close to God, and says he believes he has been spared so far for that reason.

Major McAllister, the Superintendent, is the oldest subject, is the youngest veteran at the Home, being seventy-eight. A sketch of him will be found elsewhere in this book.

### JOHN WILLIAM CLARK

Commissioner of Pensions. Born April 26, 1844, in Edgefield District, S. C., the son of John Mulford and Sarah Ann Elizabeth (Butler) Clark. Grandson of Job Clark of New Jersey and of N. K. Butler of Georgia. He attended local schools. On April 15, 1869, he married Miss Emma Schaub in Augusta, Ga. She died in 1916, January 27. On February 2, 1917, he married Mrs. Anna McDowell McLeod of Bishopville, S. C. An Episcopalian, he was vestryman of St. Paul's Episcopal Church in Augusta for many years. He is a Democrat. He enlisted in the Confederate Army August 17, 1861, a private in Co. A, Cavalry Battalion, Cobb's Legion, and was appointed aide to Gen. T. R. R. Cobb, December 1, 1862; aide to Gen. Wm. M. Browne, 1864; paroled April, 1865, at Athens, Ga. He was Captain of the Richmond Hussars for seventeen years. He was a representative with Governor John B. Gordon at the Centennial of Original States, April 27, 1889. He was Camp Commander, Camp 435, U. C. V., 1890-1901; Brigade Commander East Georgia Division, U. C. V., 1901-1906; Major General commanding Georgia Division, U. C. V., 1907-1908. He was a Member Gordon Monument Association (for erection of equestrian statue of Gen. John B. Gordon); Aide to Gov. Hoke Smith two terms. Commissioner World's Fair, Chicago. Postmaster, Augusta, Ga.; Sheriff Richmond County; Commissioner of Pensions, September 15, 1922-June, 1923;

June 25, 1925-June 27, 1927; and June 27, 1927, sworn in for two-year term. Appointed Trustee Confederate Soldiers' Home of Georgia by Governor Clifford Walker, June 25, 1927.

### MRS. JNO. A. PERDUE



It is indeed gratifying to the officials of the Home that the incoming President of the Georgia Division, U. D. C., saw fit to reappoint Mrs. Jno. A. Perdue as Chairman of the Soldiers' Home Committee of the Division. For eight years she has held this position and has been untiring in her efforts to make the last years of the inmates of the Home as pleasant and comfortable as possible. By virtue of holding said position, she automatically becomes a member of the Board of Trustees of the Home, and in this capacity, also, she has served well and faithfully, putting all her wonderful talents at the service of the Board.

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## SOLDIERS' HOME REPORT

It is my pleasure to bring to this Convention what I feel the best and most complete report that I have had the honor of presenting during my eight years as your Chairman of Soldiers' Home. The Chapters have awakened to their duty and have renewed their interest immensely. Larger donations than ever before have been made. Thirty-six Chapters contributing—barrels of apples, barrels of canned fruit, barrels of syrup, crates of peaches, large sacks of pecans, boxes of cigars, pounds of tobacco, cakes, candy, fruits galore, and money—one Chapter has sent 7 chair pillows, another 55 pairs of socks, handkerchiefs, bath robes and other things too numerous to mention.

Two, three, and sometimes four entertainments, with refreshments have been given by different Chapters each month. Sixteen Chapters sent to your Chairman checks from twenty to one dollars; total, \$95.00. Two picnic dinners out in the pavilion and under the trees, consisting of fried chicken, ham, dressed eggs, potato salad, potato chips, pickles, coca-cola, ice cream and cake, and two good cigars for each Veteran to smoke after dinner. Two other parties were given in the Chapel, serving cake, ice cream, apples and cigars. The expense of these four parties was paid for from the cash sent directly to your Chairman of the Home, and there still remains a balance in the bank received too late to be used. An itemized statement of Chapters and amount given will be printed in yearly minutes. Mr. McAllister rendered wonderful help and contributed to these parties.

I have, as Trustee of the Home, attended four Board meetings, and being one of the three members to investigate the conditions of entire premises, can say with impunity, no criticism can be made for treatment of inmates, care and attention to sick ones in the hospital and isolated ward, condition of grounds, care and cleanliness of dormitory, room, hall, dining room and kitchen. I feel that the women on the Board have been very beneficial. I have made visits to the Home two and three times each month and answering extra calls. I never go without a box of cigars to the dear old men from some individual Chapter.

Five new Trustees have lately been named by Governor Hardman: E. J. Thomas, First District, of Savannah; H. W. Hopkins, Second District; Thomasville, in place of Mr. Stone, who resigned when he knew that women were first placed on the Board; J. J. Hunt, Sixth District, Griffin, in

place of Col. Chas. Wiley, who was the last charger member of the Board appointed in 1891, to pass away; Col. J. W. Clark, in place of Major McGregor, who represents the Confederate Camps, and our own dear Mrs. Charles Tillman, of Quitman, in place of Mrs. C. B. Morgan, of Savannah.

Only wish I could read the entire six pages. I also have itemized statement of monies received and by whom sent, which was used for the four parties mentioned above, and with the balance of \$11.00 in bank—a typed list of Chapters which contributed, and, lastly, a list of the deaths, including name, county, date of death, and age. The average age of same being 83½ years.

There is a trophy given this year to the Chapter which has rendered the greatest service to the Home. The Committee appointed by our President will have to worry over their decision. I would like to specialize over the efforts of a number of Chapters, but all will come out in the yearly minutes.

There are seventy inmates in the Home at present, forty coming in since October, 1926; sixteen have been honorably discharged, some of whom will soon return and a welcome will be given them. Since we last reported, 20 have folded their arms and closed their eyes to open on the Golden Shore. The help is sufficient in the hospital. Mrs. Divver, the housekeeper; Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Finch, nurses; two orderlies during the day and two on duty at night, two young medical students from Emory University alternate day and night, and Dr. Corley, who is supposed to visit the Home each week and answer all calls when needed. There are twenty-one paid employees in the Home and ten men from State Prison, two white men, who can be trusted with keys to Commissary.

There are several men of note in the Home now: Judge J. T. Norman, who held the judgeship at Carrollton for 48 years; Col. H. C. Cameron, an influential lawyer of Columbus; Mr. T. R. White, who has been there fifteen years by his own choice; merchants and doctors who have once lived in luxury. I would be remiss in my duty not to speak of Bill Yopp, a colored Veteran, who followed his young master through the entire conflict, '61 to '65. Bill was cared for by the Yopp family after the war; later reverses came to each Bill and his master, the one losing all of his property, death claiming all of his loved ones, and the door of our Home was the only one through which he could pass for comfort and protection. In the meantime Bill had succeeded financially, he had made several trips abroad, for five years held a good position

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Bill Yopp followed his Master, for such he calls him to this day, to his last earthly resting place, laying upon the mound the flowers, emblems of love, with a broken spirit turned and went back to the Soldiers' Home.

Later on the Georgia Legislature passed a bill which gave to Bill, though a colored man, the same privileges of the Home that were given to our own Heroes during his life. Bill still lives at the Home.

Two years ago there passed away from the Home a Congressman of long standing, an ex-United States Consul, Geo. C. Tanner. Last year a great-nephew of Bishop Aaticus Haygood passed away. He was a gunner on the battleship John H. Morgan of the Navy.

Daughters, let us look upon our Home not as a charitable ward, but as a wayside resort between earth and Heaven for Confederate Heroes to tarry just a short while before final taps will be sounded for them.

I have a complete list of every contribution, by whom given, the nature of the gift, and, as near as possible, the valuation of these gifts, which sum total is \$1,120.00.

The small part that I have rendered as your Chairman of Soldiers' Home, Madam President, has proven a blessing to me—coming in close contact with the latter part of life impresses one with the importance of being ready—"ye know not the hour." I love the work. Thank you.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. JNO. A. PERDUE, Chairman.

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## GREETINGS FROM GEORGIA DIVISION, U. D. C.

The prime object in the organization of the Daughters of Confederacy was the care of Confederate Veterans. To care for and make happy the living and to honor those who have been rewarded in a better world.

The idea of the Daughters of the Confederacy as an organization, I understand springs from a remark made

by Gen. John B. Gordon, in 1886. When President Jefferson Davis and daughter, Winnifred, were touring the South, as the train slowed up at a Georgia town, the crowd called loudly for President Davis to come on the platform. He was at that time quite feeble and weary from a long trip, and his friends thought it best for him to speak from the window only. Gen. Gordon, seeing Winnie, the lovely daughter of the President, led her out on the platform and said, "Here is the Daughter of the Confederacy, Winnie Davis!" So this great patriotic organization received its name from this thought of Gen. John B. Gordon.

Georgia Division was organized in Atlanta in 1895 with the late beloved Mrs. C. Helen Plane as president. Ten other presidents have served since then, all of whom are living and still actively interested in U. D. C. work. From a small group of earnest, patriotic women who organized the U. D. C. in Georgia in 1895, the Division has grown to be a mighty factor in the general organization, numbering now nearly 29,000. The scope of activity which is still primarily patriotic holding high the privilege of honoring the Confederate Veteran, has broadened into wonderful educational and historical lines. This year's report shows more than \$60,000 in education work and most comprehensive and varied has been the historic work; looking to the truths of Southern history and to the teaching of our children the South's rightful place in history.

The General U. D. C. approaches the 100,000 mark in membership. Mrs. Trox Bankston, the newly elected President of Georgia Division, has been an indefatigable worker in Georgia Division, U. D. C., holding many important chairmanships for many years and is well equipped both by knowledge of the work of Georgia Division and the General U. D. C. and by interest and Southern patriotic zeal to carry aloft the banner of our great organization. By virtue of her office she will be a member of the Board of Trustees—your interest will be hers and it gives the retiring president much pleasure to commend her most highly to your watchful care.

The best interest of the Soldiers' Home will ever be in my mind and heart—my association as trustee has been most happy. On each visit to the Home I have been impressed with the blessings our Veterans enjoy in having so pleasant an abiding place with such splendid care and attention.

May God's richest blessings be with you one and all.

Cordially yours,

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ADAMS, H. Q., member of Co. "C" 27th Ga. Bat. Born at Edgefield, S. C. Enlisted in January, 1863. Fought at Bentonville, S. C., and in skirmishes from Savannah, Ga., to Greensboro, N. C.

ADAMS, W. J., member of Co. "B" 1st S. C. Heavy Artillery. Born in Pickens County, S. C. Enlisted in 1862. Fought up and down the coast of both the Carolinas.

BEACHAM, W. B., was a member of Co. H, 2nd Georgia; born in Greenville, S. C.; enlisted in June, '64, and fought in the Battle of Atlanta.

BEACH, BENJAMIN. Born May 16, 1864, in Talbot County, Ga. Enlisted in Spring of 1864 as Private in Co. B, 4th Ga. Battalion of Cavalry. Did Courier duty throughout his service and was Paroled in May, 1865.

BUCHANNON, J. R. Born July 28, 1848, in Cobb County, Ga. Enlisted in Spring of 1862 as Private in Co. E, 2nd Ga. Regt. of State Troops. Fought at Peachtree Creek. Honorably discharged in June, 1865.

BAIN, DONALD M. Born March 25, 1947, in Ross Shire, Scotland. Enlisted July 4th, 1862, as Private in Co. A of Murchesson's Cavalry. Participated in many skirmishes in Kentucky and Georgia. Paroled in May, 1865.

BAKER, W. D., was a member of Co. B, 22nd N. C. Regt. Born Sugar Creek, S. C. Enlisted January 30, 1865. Not in service long enough to get into any battles.

BOWLING, M. L., member of John Shelley's Company of Ledford's Mounted Infantry. Born in Union County, Ga. Enlisted in May, 1864.

CAGLE, J. J., was a member of Co. F, 3rd Georgia Regiment; was born in Cherokee County, Georgia; enlisted in June, 61, and participated in the Battles of Manassas, Bentonville, South Mountain and others; was wounded at South Mountain.

CAMERON, H. C., was a member of Co. B, Battalion of Cadets; born in Harris County, Georgia; enlisted in '63, and participated in the fighting around Atlanta and other battles.

CARNEY, R. F., was a member of Co. G, 20th North Carolina; enlisted in May, '61, and fought at Gettysburg, Sharpsburg, Chancellorsville and others; wounded at Sharpsburg.

COKER, P. R., was a member of Co. A, 2nd Ga. Battalion. Born Catoosa County, Ga. Enlisted in the Fall of 1863. In battles of Griswoldville, Stoneman's Raid and possibly some skirmishes.

CHILDS, W. A., member of Co. "H" 27th Ga. Regt. Born in Henry County, Ga. Enlisted in 1862. Fought at Culpepper Courthouse, Manassas, Cold Harbor and others. Wounded March 16th, 1864, at Newborn, S. C.

DODGEN, J. C., was a member of Co. B, Phillips' Legion; was born in Bartow County; enlisted in January, '64; fought at Orangeburg, S. C., Petersburg, Va., Battle of the Wilderness and others.

DUNCAN, W. A., was a member of Captain Moke Simmons' Graham Scouts; he was born in Hall County, Georgia, and enlisted in May, '64.

DUNMAN, P. W., was a member of Co. B, Provost Guards; was born in Harris County, Georgia; enlisted in April, '63.

DORTIC, A. L., was a member of the Beaugard Rifles. Born in Augusta, Ga. Enlisted in November, 1864. Took part in the fighting between Covshattee and Saltkatchie River, S. C.

DORMAN, C. A., member of Co. "A" 4th Ga. Reserves. Born in Harris County, Ga. Enlisted June 12th, 1864. Was engaged as Guard at Anderson Prison during the entire time of his enlistment.

EVANS, W. P., was a member of Co. A, 3rd Tennessee Infantry; enlisted in April, '61, and fought at Manassas, Vicksburg and others.

FREEMAN, S. A., was a member of Co. I, 16th Georgia Cavalry; was born in Gwinnett County, Georgia; enlisted in '62 and fought at Bunker Hill, Winchester and Shenandoah Valley, Virginia.

GLAZIER, F. H., was a member of Co. B, 8th Georgia Volunteers; was born in Grantville, Meriwether County, Georgia; enlisted in '62 and fought at Fredericksburg, Appomattox and others.

GRACE, L. D. See personal sketch.

HARDIE, J. C., was a member of Co. E, 11th Georgia Cavalry; born in Laurens County, South Carolina; enlisted in July, '64, and fought at Camden, S. C.

HUGHES, ANDREW JACKSON, was a member of the 7th Georgia Battalion; was born in Wilkes County, Georgia, enlisted in August, '61, and fought at Richmond, Gettysburg, Winchester and principal fights of east; was a sharpshooter.

HAYLES, W. F., was a member of Co. A, Jackson's Battalion; was born in Polk County, Georgia; enlisted February 14, '65, fought at Honey Hill, S. C., the same day, and was wounded.

HENDERSON, S. J. Born April 18, 1844, in Jasper County, Ga. Enlisted March 1, 1862, as Private in Co. B, 53rd Ga. Regt. Fought at Gettysburg, Sharpsburg, South Mountain. Honorably Discharged April 3, 1864, on account of being badly wounded.

HICKS, E. C., member of Co. "C" 2nd S. C. Regt. Born in Pickens County, S. C. Enlisted Nov. 15th, 1861. Fought at Sharpsburg, Wilderness, the Seven Days' Fight Around Rihhmond, and others. Was wounded May 6th, 1864, in the Battle of the Wilderness.

INZER, F. J., member of Co. "I" 28th Ga. Bat. Born in Cobb County, Ga. Enlisted in 1862. Fought at Ocean Pond, Fla., John's Island, S. C. and in skirmishes in the Carolinas. Wounded July 9th, 1863, at John's Island, S. C.

JORDAN, J. R., was a member of Co. G, 27th Georgia; was born in Upson County; enlisted in July, '61, and fought at Seven Pines, Chancellorsville, Petersburg and others; was wounded at Seven Pines.

KELL, W. A. Born June 7, 1839, in Gilmer County, Ga. Enlisted in 1861 as Private in Co. R of 65th Ga. Regt. Fought at Atlanta, Resaca, Chickamauga. Honorably discharged at the surrender in 1865.

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LUMLEY, T. L., was a member of Co. A, 55th Georgia Infantry; born in Stewart County, Georgia; enlisted in May, '62, and served till the end of the war.

LAWHORN, J. W., was escort to General McClelland; born in DeKalb County, Georgia; enlisted in February, '61, and fought at Oak Hill, Lexington, Elk Horn and others.

LYLE, C. G. Born in Harris County, Ga., Dec. 17, 1847. Enlisted in 1862 as Private in Co. E, 46th Ga. Regt. Fought at Chickamauga, Atlanta, Nashville. Honorably discharged at surrender in 1865.

LUDWIG, M. P. A., was a member of Co. E, 71st N. C. Regt. Born Mount Pleasant, N. C. Enlisted September 15, 1864. Fought at Bentonville, S. C., and Kingston, N. C.

MARTIN, H. B., was a member of Co. A, 1st Infantry of Georgia Volunteers; born near Macon, Ga.; enlisted when barely sixteen, and was in the fighting at Fort Gaines, Murfreesboro, Chickamauga, Missionary Ridge and others; became color sergeant and was severely wounded carrying the colors at Franklin, Tenn.

MILLICAN, JAS. F., was a member of Co. C, 1st Georgia Cavalry; born in Floyd County; enlisted in May, '64, and participated in fighting at Atlanta, New Hope Church, Kennesaw Mountain and others.

MABRY, T. A., was a member of Co. H, 6th Ga. State Troops. Born in Union County, Ga. Enlisted October 21, 1861. Never took part in the fighting as he was specially detailed by Commanding Officer for work in government harness shop.

McGUIRE, J. W., was a member of Co. C, 1st Maryland Infantry; born in Suffolk, Va.; enlisted in June, '64, and fought in the First Battle of Manassas.

NORMAN, J. T., member of Co. "F" Cobb's Legion and later Co. "K" 1st Ga. Reserves. Born in Laurens County, S. C. Enlisted August 14th, 1861. Fought at Big Bethel Church, Hanover Junction and Seven Days' Fighting Around Richmond.

NIX, J. H., member of Co. "D" 9th Ga. Bat. Born in Gwinnett County, Ga. Enlisted in July, 1863. Took part in the battle of Chickamauga and the fighting around Richmond, Va.

OSBORN, W. T., was a sergeant of Co. C, 44th Georgia Volunteers; was born in Clarke County, Georgia; enlisted in March, '62; fought at Seven Days' Battle, Chancellorsville, Gettysburg, the Wilderness, Spottsylvania and others.

POWELL, G. W., was a member of Co. A, 9th Georgia Artillery; was born in Cobb County, Georgia; enlisted in October, '61, and fought at Knoxville, Squirrel Ridge and others.

PRESSLEY, R. C., was a member of Co. F, 56th Georgia; was born in Anderson County, South Carolina; enlisted in September, '61, and fought at Baker's Creek, Missionary Ridge, Vicksburg and others.

PARISH, W. S. Born September 14, 1847, in Henry County, Ga. Enlisted January, 1864, as Private in Baxter's Battalion of Artillery. Fought at Atlanta and Jonesboro. Honorably discharged in April, 1865.

ROOK, S. G. Born August 8, 1847, in Laurens County, Ga. Enlisted April 10, 1862, as Private in Co. F, 20th S. C. Vols. Fought at Petersburg, Cold Harbor, Sumter. Paroled April 26, 1865.

ROBERTS, JAS. W., member of Co. "C" 2nd Ga. Regt. Born in Hall County, Georgia. Enlisted in 1863. Fought in and around Atlanta and New Hope Church.

RUSSELL, GEO. W., member of Co. "G" 2nd S. C. Bat. Born at Anderson, S. C. Enlisted September 10th, 1864. Was in the battle of Piedmont, S. C., and numerous skirmishes.

STRAWN, ABRAHAM B., was a member of Co. B, 23rd Georgia; born in Cobb County, Georgia; enlisted in July, '62, and fought at Williamsburg, Va., Seven Pines, Cold Harbor and others; was wounded in June, '64, at Cold Harbor.

SUTHERLIN, P. W., was a member of Ringgold's Battery, of Walker's Division of Artillery. Born in Halifax County, Va. Enlisted May, 1864. Took part in the fighting around Richmond and Petersburg.

SHERIDAN, T. D., was a member of Co. H, 34th Ga. Regt. Born in North Georgia. Enlisted in April, 1862. In battles of Missionary Ridge, Resaca and Atlanta.

SCOTT, W. A., member of Co. "A" 1st Fla. Cavalry. Born in Branford, Fla. Enlisted in June, 1862.

SIMPKINS, L. C., member of Co. "A" Joe Bell's Battalion. Born in Henry County, Ga. Enlisted in July, 1864.

JORDAN, J. M., member of Alabama Home Guards. Born in Cobb County, Ga. Enlisted in March, 1865.

THOMASSON, H. C., was a member of Co. H, 11th Georgia; was born in Warren County, N. C.; enlisted in May, '61, and fought at Bull Run, Gettysburg, the Seven Days' Fight Around Richmond and others; lost his right arm at Gettysburg.

TOLBERT, J. J., member of Co. "G" 25th N. C. Regt. Born in Clarke County, Ga. Enlisted in March, 1862. Fought at Fredericksburg, Petersburg, and Malvern Hill.

WHITTLE, J. F., was a member of Co. B, 12th Alabama; was born in Crawford County, Georgia; enlisted in '64, and fought at Kennesaw Mountain and Atlanta.

WINN, A. H., was a member of Co. D, 1st Georgia Sharpshooters; was born in Douglas County; enlisted in July, '61, and fought at Missionary Ridge, Chickamauga, Resaca and others.

WHITE, T. R., was a member of Co. I, 15th Georgia Infantry; born in Elbert County, Georgia; enlisted July, '61, and fought at Seven Pines, Seven Days Around Richmond, Williamsburg and others; wounded in the Seven Days' Battle.

WALKER, N. J., was a member of Co. H, Georgia Reserves; was born in Putnam County, Georgia; enlisted in June, '64, and fought in the Battle of Atlanta.

WARROCK, E. S., was a member of Co. A, Nelson's Bat. of Artillery. Born in Camden County, N. C. Enlisted in June, 1861. Was in battles of Fredericksburg, Manassas, Sharpsburg, Spottsylvania, Wilderness and other. Slightly wounded at Cedar Creek.

WINN, D. C., member of Co. "M" Phillips Legion. Born at Marietta, Ga. Enlisted April, 1862. Fought at Gettysburg, Fredericksburg, Cold Harbor.

YOPP, WILLIAM H. (Col). See Personal Sketch.

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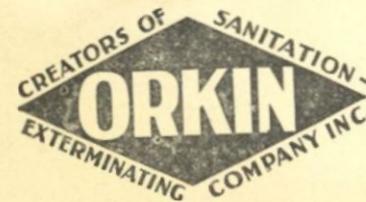
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The many improvements in the upkeep of the house and beautifully kept grounds was most apparent on a recent visit—when shown through all the different departments. Sitting on the broad verandas in groups, enjoying the pleasant sunshine and social converse—were many contented faces most cordial in their greetings and from out of the adjoining living room came the sound of voices singing in harmony most surprising—considering the age of the singers, but full of volume and tinged with pathos as they sang that wonderful hymn, "How Firm a Foundation Ye Saints of the Lord," which was ever the favorite and inspiration of their immortal and beloved leader, Robert E. Lee.

Glances into the well stock storeroom—also into the linen closet. Dining room, and kitchen—also immaculately

kept—then a visit to the hospital with its snowy beds and the two pleasant faced nurses who were intelligent women of middle life, and proud of the privilege of service—led one to feel how fortunate the provision which made possible by our Great State, the comfort and care of the evening of life to those denied the care and comfort of the institutions of loved ones—but who can pass on to the end of the journey well sheltered and provided with all that care goes toward making easy the end of life's journey. As twilight gathered we turned our faces homeward with a sense of gratitude for the comforts and blessings which this shelter affords.

MRS. A. McD. WILSON.

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### EMMA CALDWELL

Hawkinsville, Ga., O. C. Horne Chapter, U. D. C.

Emma Caldwell was born in Hawkinsville, Ga., and has spent her entire life there, with the exception of the time she spent completing her musical education at Brenau College, and the years during which she has held the position of instructor of piano in various schools.

At present she is teacher of piano in Hawkinsville, organist at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, and is engaged in writing news letters and feature stories for daily papers.

Miss Caldwell is the daughter of the late Mr. S. M. Caldwell, well known citizen of Hawkinsville, and Mrs. Amanda Henry Caldwell, daughter of the late Judge John Henry, also of Hawkinsville.

She is a descendant of the Caldwell family of North Carolina, the original family having resided in France till the 15th century, when, on account of religious persecutions, they were forced to flee to Ireland, thence to Virginia and North Carolina. On her maternal side she is a descendant of some of the earliest families of Virginia, including the Clarks, Harveys and Kendricks, who were prominent in the history of Virginia during the Colonial period, and served with distinction during the period of the Revolution.

Miss Caldwell is a charter member of the Hawkinsville Chapter, Daughter of the American Revolution, and at present holds the office of Historian.

She is a member of the O. C. Horne Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, known as the banner chapter of the state, and is Chairman of the Soldiers' Home Committee.

This chapter was awarded the Quimby cup at the recent convention at Covington for having done more for the comfort of the soldiers in the Home than any chapter in the State.

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**Mrs. Herbert Mitchell Franklin of Tennille,  
Ga., State Regent Daughters of the  
American Revolution.**



Mrs. Franklin is a member of the National Board of Management of the D. A. R., a member of the National Officers' Club, and has served the organization as State Officer and Chairman of the following committees: Historical and Literary Reciprocity, Historical Programs, Memorials, as State Librarian, Second Vice Regent, Chairman of the New National D. A. R. auditorium in Washington, D. C. She is Honorary Regent for life of the Major General Samuel Elbert Chapter, which she organized in her home, "The Colonnades", and served for four years as Regent. Her service in D. A. R. work began as a member of the Joseph Habersham Chapter of Atlanta, under the Regency of Mrs. W. L. Peel.

Among other position of honor which Mrs. Franklin has held are the following: For eighteen years she was a member of the Board of Visitors for the Georgia State College for Women, served as State Chairman Special Memberships in the Music Federation, as Editor of the Washington County Federation, as President Tennille Fine Arts Club, is now serving as District Chairman Budget and Insurance in the State Federation of Women's Clubs.

Mrs. Franklin was World War State President of the

United Daughters of the Confederacy, served as a General Officer U. D. C., Custodian of Flags and Pennants, served as State Director Jefferson Davis Monument from beginning of the work to completion, is serving her fourteenth year as State Chairman of Historical Programs, served as State Historian U. D. C. one year while Miss Mildred Rutherford was abroad.

During her term as State President U. D. C. she made work for Confederate Men and Women a special feature of her administration. Soon after her election, it was brought to her attention that the banner which had been used by the Confederate Veterans of our State was worn into shreds, and they very much desired a new banner for the Reunion in Washington, D. C. Mrs. Franklin promptly sent out an appeal to all the U. D. C., the funds were soon in hand, and the State President presented the new banner to the Veterans at the Terminal Station in Macon, where interesting exercises were held, and the Veterans went on their way to Washington with a banner which was considered the most beautiful in the great U. C. V. parade.

Even in the strenuous War Relief work of the U. D. C. the Confederate Veterans were not neglected, and the superintendent of the Soldiers' Home wrote Mrs. Franklin: "Notwithstanding the present war demands on the loyal Daughters of the Confederacy, donations have been more liberal than for years past."

In January, 1919, the late Capt. F. D. Bloodworth, of Savannah, himself a Confederate Veteran, and Vice President of the Soldiers' Home, called attention to the fact that the Veterans in the Home were absolutely penniless. Although the State furnished them food and clothing, they had no spending money. Mrs. Franklin at once appealed to the U. D. C. and nearly a thousand dollars was raised, enough to give each Veteran one dollar monthly. Then, through the efforts of the U. D. C., a bill was passed by the Legislature for an appropriation of \$5,000 a year, whereby each inmate of the Home might receive a larger amount of pocket money. Mrs. Franklin and her Legislative Committee worked diligently for the passage of this bill.

Mrs. Franklin's father, the late Capt. James Henry Rogers, of Thomaston, was a Confederate soldier, who was three times promoted for bravery. Her mother, Mrs. Loula Kendall Rogers, is State Poet Laureate U. D. C., a real Daughter of the Confederacy, the author of several books, a number of sacred songs, and the oldest living graduate of Wesleyan College. Mrs. Franklin is an active member of the Colonial Dames, a descendant of Barnaby McKinne, of Colonial fame.

Herbert M. Franklin, her husband, served in the Georgia Legislature for a number of years, and greatly assisted in the passage of the bill introduced by Judge W. T. Gary, of Augusta, for maintenance of the Soldiers' Home.

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But our coffers were empty still,  
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We know it had hardly value in gold,  
Yet as gold our soldiers received it.  
It gazed in our eyes with a promise to pay,  
And each patriot soldier believed it.

But our boys thought little of price of pay,  
Or of bills that were ever due;  
We knew it bought us bread today,  
'Twas the best our poor country could do.

Keep it, for it tells our history o'er,  
From the birth of its dream to the last,  
Modest and born of the angel Hope,  
Like the hope of success it passed.

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## IN MEMORIAM

### Veterans of the Home who died in 1927

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BRYANT, E. L., member of Co. "B" 12th Ga. Artillery. Born in Campbell County, Ga. Enlisted in 1861. Fought all through the Virginia campaign. Died Nov. 23rd, 1927.

ELLIS, W. A., member of Co. "F" 2nd Ga. Cavalry. Born in Spalding County, Ga. Enlisted March 19th, 1862. Fought at Fort Donaldson, Franklin, Murfreesboro, Perryville, Nashville and Atlanta. Wounded slightly at the battle of Franklin. Died March 16th, 1927.

EDWARDS, J. B., member of Co. "I" 53rd Georgia Infantry. Born in Clayton County, Ga. Enlisted May 12th, 1862. Died Dec. 21st, 1927.

FRYE, W. D., member of Co. "F" 32nd N. C. Regt. Born Catawba County, N. C. Enlisted Jan. 3rd, 1863. Fought in the Battle of the Wilderness and Gettysburg. Wounded May 7th, 1863, at Wilderness. Died Sept. 17th, 1927.

GREENE, G. M., member of Co. "B" 29th Ga. Cavalry. Born in Sumter County, Ga. Enlisted in April, 1862. Fought at Ocean Pond, Fla. Died Nov. 2nd, 1927.

GARRISON, J. C., member of Co. "A" Roswell's Battalion of Cavalry. Born at Milledgeville, Ga. Enlisted May 18th, 1863. Took part in a number of skirmishes in and around Griswold, Ga. Died March 18th, 1927.

HARRIS, W. H., member of Co. "A" 6th Ga. Regt. Born in Hancock County, Ga. Enlisted July 15th, 1861. Fought at Cold Harbor, Sharpsburg, Gaines Mill, Seven Days' Fight Around Richmond. Died Nov. 3rd, 1927.

HAYGOOD, A. J., was a Gunner on the Gunboat "John H. Morgan." Born in DeKalb County, Ga. Enlisted Aug. 2nd, 1864. Took part in the siege of Mobile, Ala. Died April 29th, 1927.

HUMPHRIES, T. J., was a Sergeant in Co. "A" 57th Ga. Regt. Born in Thomas County, Ga. Enlisted in 1861. Fought at Vicksburg, Baker's Creek, Resaca, Missionary Ridge and Atlanta. Wounded May 16th, 1863, at Baker's Creek, Miss. Died May 20th, 1927.

CARROLL, W. A., member of Co. "G" 19th Ga. Regt. Born in Henry County, Ga. Enlisted early part of war and fought at Williamsburg, Fredericksburg, and Manassas. Died Feb. 6th, 1927.

MORGAN, G. T., member of Co. "I" 32nd Ga. Regt. Born in Monroe County, Ga. Enlisted in February, 1862. Died June 6th, 1927.

MANN, J. M., member of Co. "B" 18th Ga. Regt. Born at Abbeville, S. C. Enlisted in 1862. Fought at Gettysburg, Fredericksburg, Chickamauga, and Knoxville. Wounded at Fredericksburg, Va. Died Nov. 18th, 1927.

MATTHEWS, TOLIVER, member of Co. "F" 43rd Ga. Regt. Born in Russell County, Ala. Enlisted in February, 1862. Fought at Baker's Creek, Missionary Ridge and other battles. Wounded in May, 1863, at Baker's Creek. Died Jan. 24th, 1927.

MILLS, JAMES M., member first of Co. "B" 3rd Ga. State Troops and later Co. "F" 56th Ga. Volunteers. Born at Marietta, Ga. Enlisted in June, 1862. Fought at Nashville, Missionary Ridge, Jonesboro and Champion Hill. Died Feb. 1st, 1927.

PEARCE, ROBT. H., member of Co. "H" S. C. Regt. Born in Marion District, S. C. Enlisted in April, 1861. Fought at Manassas, Charleston, and on the coast of Florida. Died Oct. 2nd, 1927.

RANSOM, W. N., member of Co. "C" Orr's Rifles, South Carolina Volunteers. Born at Edgefield, S. C. Enlisted in April, 1861. Fought at Chancellorsville, Spotsylvania, Fredericksburg, Wilderness, Seven Days' Fight Around Richmond. Wounded at Spotsylvania. Died Aug. 7th, 1927.

REAMS, J. T., member of Co. "E" 25th Ga. Regt. Born at Cuthbert, Ga. Enlisted Jan. 2nd, 1862. Fought at Atlanta, Jonesboro, Raleigh, N. C., Kennesaw Mountain. Wounded April 16th, 1865, at Raleigh, N. C. Died Nov. 11th, 1927.

THOMAS, C. S., member of Co. "K" 13th Ga. Cavalry. Born in Gwinnett County, Georgia. Enlisted in May, 1862. Fought at Winchester, Front Royal, Cedar Mountain, Frederick City. Died Aug. 13th, 1927.



MRS. OSCAR MCKENZIE, OF MONTEZUMA, GEORGIA, STATE  
PRESIDENT OF GEORGIA DIVISION, UNITED DAUGHTERS  
OF THE CONFEDERACY.

She is also State Parliamentarian of the D. A. R. of Georgia, and was organizing Regent of the Archibald Bulloch Chapter. She is Chairman of Kenmore for the Division of South Georgia.

Mrs. McKenzie has had many offices in her home town and has served twice as State Recording Secretary of the D. A. R. At one time she was Recording Secretary in three state organizations, the D. A. R. and the U. D. C. and the State Federation of Women's Clubs. During the War, she was County Chairman of Junior Red Cross. Mrs. McKenzie is the daughter of the late Major James D. Frederick, from whom she gets her Confederate lineage and for whom a U. D. C. Chapter is named. She is the great granddaughter of General Jacob Rumph of South Carolina, of Andrew Frederick of South Carolina, and of Captain Joseph Clark of Virginia, who are her Revolutionary ancestors. As a member of the Colonial Dames, she traces to Frances Cooke, who came over in the Mayflower, and Thomas Prence, who was Governor of Plymouth Colony.

Mrs. McKenzie is a member of the Phi Mu Society, an A. B. graduate from Wesleyan College and a Democrat, having served in the State Convention as a delegate from Macon County and as an alternate to the National Convention in New York.

Mrs. McKenzie is a member of the Board of Trustees of the Home.



Mrs. R. J. Young, of West End, Atlanta, is a tried friend of the Confederate Veterans, and has done much for their comfort. She is very prominent in club life of Atlanta, especially in the U. D. C. She is a member of the Staff of General Vance.

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Bill was a slave on the Yopp plantation in Laurens County, Georgia. It was the custom to select the brighter children amongst the negroes as house servants, and when seven years old Bill was chosen servant for the son of the family who afterwards became Captain Yopp, of the 14th Georgia Regiment, Company H. During his boyhood days Bill was the constant companion of young Yopp, and when, in the spring of 1861, Mr. Yopp volunteered in the Confederate cause, he took Bill with him.

The servants and slaves of the Southerners really acted as guards over their "white socks" and their property, especially at night. Bill performed this service for his young master. On two occasions he nursed young Captain Yopp back to health after the latter was wounded; once when he was shot in the shoulder at the Battle of Seven Pines, and again at Fredericksburg, Virginia, where Captain Yopp was rendered unconscious by a shell bursting over his head.

After Captain Yopp recovered from his wounds at Fredericksburg, Bill went back to Georgia. But after following the battling of the South the monotony of plantation life was too much for Bill, and he soon returned to the Regiment in Virginia, where he remained with his master till the end of the war.

As with most of the other landowners of the South, the end of the war saw the Yopp family greatly impoverished and indigent. They notified their slaves they were free to go where they chose, and the land they formerly worked as slaves was rented to them on shares. Bill, along with other ex-slaves, supplied the white families with rice mill offerings of food. In 1870 Bill left the farm and went to Macon, where he "hopped rails" at the Brown House, then the leading hotel of central Georgia and a political rendezvous. Here Bill became known to the leading men of the State.

When Mr. Brown became very ill, Bill was selected to accompany him to his former home in Connecticut. On this trip he first saw New York, and he soon returned to that city. In 1873 he returned South and worked for the Charleston and Savannah R. R. While working for the road he contracted yellow fever, from which he recovered on "the dear old plantation."

He again went to New York, where he worked at a hotel in Albany, another political meeting place, where he met some white friends who took him as a servant to California. On his return to New York, wearied and sick, he was assisted by white friends to make a trip to Europe, where he visited London, Paris, Brussels and Berlin. Getting back to New York, he got a job as porter on the private car of the president of the Delaware and Hudson Railroad, where he spent ten years. Going west, Bill got a place in the navy, on the collier Brutus, and traveled over 28,000 miles, visiting all parts of the world. On leaving the navy, Bill got a job on the Central of Georgia Railroad, where friends he made going to and from Camp Wheeler, located at Macon, secured him an easy place during the European War. He served them with such courtesy and politeness that the officers of Camp Wheeler presented him a gold watch.

He made frequent trips to the Soldiers' Home, where his old master, Captain Yopp, was now a resident, and brought him fruits and delicacies.

Bill's sympathies were also aroused for others of the old men there, several of whom he had known in the 60's. He conceived the idea of raising some money for them and, with the assistance of Mr. Anderson, of the Macon Telegraph, he secured enough to distribute at Christmas, 1917, 1918 and 1919, a sum which the last year amounted to \$3.00 apiece. While this sum was small, the spirit of sacrifice made it seem large. The old veterans made up a fund and gave Bill a medal for his services in March, 1920. Also the Board of Trustees of the Home, in recognition of the fidelity of this old faithful Negro, unanimously voted him a home with the veterans as long as he lives.

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This book would be incomplete without some mention of Mr. S. J. Bell, who occupies the position of secretary to Major McAllister and the Home. Mr. Bell is energetic, painstaking and faithful in his work. Major McAllister and the Board place the utmost confidence in him, and he has faithfully justified their belief in his ability. Upon him devolves a great mass of detail work, and it speaks well of him to note the manner in which he keeps a few leaps ahead of whatever there is to do.

In dealing with the veterans, he has the utmost patience, and strives to satisfy their every wish. Mr. Bell has been at the Home for some time, and it would be hard to find anyone who more earnestly tries to furnish service beyond

the contract, or has more ability to do so.

The Board is more than pleased with the services given by Mr. Bell, and it is with genuine pleasure that he is included in a resume of the activities and officials of the Home.

Dalton, Ga., Set. 30, 1927.

W. E. McAllister,  
Supt. Soldiers' Home,  
Atlanta, Ga.

My Dear Mr. McAllister: Your letter of 24th inst. received. Allow me to thank you for your kind and thoughtful remembrance to send me the card of the home. I appreciate it so much and shall always keep it and think of where "poor old Uncle 'Bill' (Mr. W. D. Fry) spent his last days. If I did not know you deserved my commendation I would not have made it. I committed myself on Uncle Bill's praise of you, and you personally I know from some experience how, as a rule, inmates of public institutions are quickly to condemn those to whom they should be deeply indebted, but they are ever ready to complain and criticise. The more you do, the less thanks. I am glad to say Uncle Bill was an exception to the rule.

In conclusion, allow me to thank you again, also my brother and wife. If you are ever in this section of Georgia, or in my part of Texas, Galveston, 1409 21st St., we will be pleased to have you look us up and welcome you in every way for your kindness and past favors.

Yours very sincerely,

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Mrs. W. Trox Bankston, daughter of Confederate soldier, William Wallace Batey, Co. E, 20th Tennessee Regiment, who was wounded in the battles of Chickamauga and Nashville, and made sergeant after the Battle of Shiloh.

Had two brothers in World War, William Headrick and Henry Batey.

Joined D. A. R. on record of Revolutionary ancestor, John Combs, who came to Washington, Ga., from Virginia and was in Battle of Kettle Creek under Col. Elijah Clark.

Served two years on committee of Southern literature of General U. D. C., and several years as chairman of education of Georgia Division. For the past 14 years has been chairman of the Helen Plane Educational Loan Fund, Georgia Division U. D. C.

Was a charter member of the Stone Mountain Confederate Memorial Association.

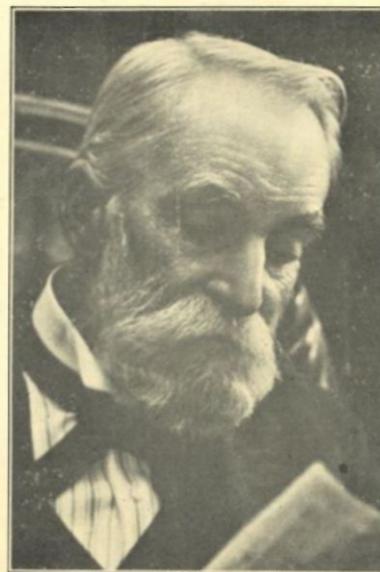
Was secretary of Fort Tyler Chapter, U. D. C., at West Point, for a while, and also served as president of the Confederate Memorial Association and the West Point Woman's Club.

Has held a number of state chairmanships and was for four years president of the Fourth District Ga. F. W. C., and for two years treasurer of Ga. F. W. C.

Have served for the past two years as president of the Covington Chapter, U. D. C., which last year was one of the seventeen star chapters of Georgia.

She is the wife of Col. W. Trox Bankston, who served in the Georgia Legislature and was on the staff of Governors Terrell and Harris, and is one of the best known newspaper editors of the state, having owned and edited The Ringgold New South, The Dalton Citizen, The West Point-Lanett News and The Covington News, and connected with the Atlanta dailies.

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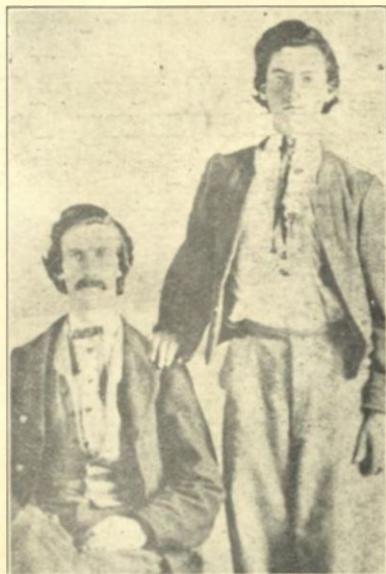
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### C. P. and W. E. McALLISTER

The above photograph was made just after the close of the War Between the States. The clothing these two young men are wearing are the same as were worn in the Confederate Army and of necessity, had to be worn for sometime thereafter. The woolen jeans from which same were made was carded, spun, woven and dyed by their mother in their home. She cut and made them with her own hands, there being no sewing machines in those days, and, as you will observe from the picture, there were no pressing clubs, either.

Capt. C. P. McAllister had just graduated from the Athens Law School and had just hung out his shingle as an attorney-at-law when the war broke out, and he left for the front with the Athens Guards, the first Company that left Athens. He received two wounds at the First

Battle of Manassas and was sent home to recuperate. Returning to his regiment, he was wounded twice more at the Battle of Gettysburg. He was then sent home as unfit for further infantry duty. So he organized a Cavalry Company known as Company "E," 3rd Ga. Bat. of Cavalry, under Major Tom Dorrough. W. E. McAllister, who was too young to enlist at the outbreak of the war, now, at the age of fifteen and one-half years, enlisted in this Company and was sent to the front near Atlanta, where he saw the city burn and assisted in running Sherman through Georgia to the coast. Unfortunately, however, he and his comrades were in the lead.

When the war closed, the brothers were penniless, but managed to buy an outfit and went into the photograph business, working the small towns in Georgia and Alabama, and while at West Point, Ga., Capt. C. P. McAllister was stricken with cerebro-spinal meningitis and died in the early part of 1867; after which, W. E. McAllister returned to his old home in Athens, where he remained a short time, and in the latter part of 1868 moved to Atlanta, where he has resided since.

After several years' service with the Pullman Company as Sleeping and Dining Car Conductor, he went with the Cafe Durand, where for a number of years he was Manager, and in this position secured a wide acquaintance with people from all over the South. Leaving Durand's, he next operated summer hotels in the north Georgia mountains at White Sulphur Springs and Helen for several seasons until he was elected Superintendent of the Confederate Soldiers' Home of Georgia in 1918, which position he still holds, and "they do say" that he will have to die to ever get out of it.

He was married to Miss Laura Irby of Greensboro, Ga., on November 15th, 1871, and they have lived happily together for fifty-six years. They have one son, Mr. K. S. McAllister, two granddaughters and a great-granddaughter.

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In 1866, a year after the close of the Civil War at "Apomattox Court House," my parents removed from the village of Jefferson to Athens. I was then about six years old and was soon to enter as a scholar under your brother, Captain C. P. McAllister. If my memory serves me right, he died there in the early 70's. I know that he was still a young man when he was taken away.

It was my good fortune later on to be an apprentice in the drug firm of Longs and Billups, and the junior member was Dr. Hal C. Billups, the latter was Captain of the "Old Athens Guard." On many occasions I have heard Dr. Billups in his conversation with his "cronies," Wm. J. Morton, Edward Lumpkin, Frank Lumpkin, Johnny Billups, and others speak highly of your brother's service in the Confederate Army and mentioning what a fine soldier he was and that he was wounded in service.

In 1884 I came to Atlanta and recall with interest the establishment of the Confederate Soldiers' Home and heartily agreed with Mr. Henry Grady when he wrote the editorial in the Constitution, "Come Home, Major Stewart," that the money would be raised here to build the Home. Since the opening of the Home I have had occasion to visit there under the various superintendents, probably visiting some messmate of my father or one of my friends, and it pleases me to state that the Home as

conducted by you, in my humble opinion, is kept cleaner, more sanitary and in better condition than I have known it to be since it was first opened, at the same time, not wishing to cast any reflection on the former superintendents.

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## GEORGE L. KING



Born in Franklin County, Georgia, son of the late Rev. and Mrs. George L. King, Sr., the former a Confederate Veteran, having served through the war as a member of Phillips' Legion, Cobb's Brigade.

Our present Chaplain was graduated from Emory University in 1904, joined the North Georgia Conference of the M. E. Church, South, in 1907; has been pastor at Powder Springs, Woodstock, Canton, Tate; President of Young Harris College, pastor at Maysville, Crawford, Douglasville, and is now pastor of Martha Brown Memorial, Atlanta.

"My experience as Chaplain of the Confederate Soldiers' Home of Georgia has been a blessing to me. To come in contact with such efficient, faithful and sympathetic management strengthens one's faith and makes glad the heart.

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Among the Daughters of the Confederacy whose devotion and ministry sheds a warm influence over the declining days of the old Confederate veterans there is not one who brings a sweeter spirit of personal devotion than Mrs. Charles T. Tillman, of Quitman, Georgia. Her unflinching interest and her practical service for the veterans is not a mere matter of routine, but comes of a feeling of deep personal sympathy and affection.

Mrs. Tillman is the mother of a large and happy family of charming children and has many social duties, but these have never interfered with what she considers a patriotic duty and she has given unflagging service to the work of the Daughters of the Confederacy. She has held many posi-

tions of honor and trust in the local U. D. C. Chapter and in the state organization, serving recently as state treasurer, and as state chairman of extension, and only recently elected state auditor. Her services in these positions have always been distinguished by intelligence, modest devotion to duty and a fine spirit of service for the sake of the work itself.

This spirit is, indeed, the natural heritage of a long line of ancestors conspicuous for patriotic service. She was born at Madison, Florida, the daughter of Edward Pillot and Victoria Bellamy. Her grandfather was Andre Pierre Pillot, of noble French lineage and an officer in the army of Napoleon and one of the celebrated Guard of Honor. Her mother's family are conspicuous in Florida history for the part they played in the War Between the States and in constructive work in the state.

Love of the South and its traditions and ideals is a natural heritage to one of such ancestry. In addition to her intelligent and valuable work with the Daughters of the Confederacy, Mrs. Tillman served unfailingly in war work during the World War and has done as much as anyone in Quitman to keep up the work of the local Red Cross Chapter since. She gives much time and energy to her church, the Episcopal, and in her private life has created a lovely and happy home, a center of the truest hospitality and home life. But in all her patriotic work, the Daughters of the Confederacy, and particularly the care of the old veterans, comes first in her heart. She was made a trustee of the Old Soldiers' Home some time ago and treasures this as the sweetest and most sacred of all her public duties.

Speaking of the Home, she said:

### DONALD MCKENZIE BAIN

"I have been in as close touch with the Confederate Soldiers' Home of Georgia as any man in the State. I was a member of the original Board of Trustees which had charge of the building of the Home and served until the State of Georgia agreed to maintain it and a new Board of Trustees was appointed by Gov. Allen D. Candler. I have visited the Home while it was in charge of every Superintendent who has ever held the position, and with disparagement to no one, I have no hesitation in saying without fear of successful contradiction that it is in better shape today under the capable management of Superintendent W. E. McAllister than ever before."

### MRS. J. C. MARTIN



Mrs. J. C. Martin for a number of years has been a member of the U. D. C.'s and a very active worker in the interest of the old Veterans of the War Between the States. Her work has been largely along the line of personal attention to the old men; visiting them in their homes, looking after them when ill, carrying them fruits and other delicacies. Besides she has also done valuable service in raising funds for Camp Walker, U. C. V., only recently having charge of an entertainment which netted \$150.00 towards the expenses of the members of this Camp to the reunion at Little Rock next year. Her motto is, "Why put off until next year what can be done for the Veterans now?"

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## A BRIEF LIFE-SKETCH OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

By A FRIEND



**I**N WRITING a sketch of the Superintendent of the Confederate Soldiers' Home of Georgia it is a hard matter to dispense with superlatives which smack of exaggeration, and treat the subject in a clear, concise manner. For eight years Major McAllister has been the dominating factor in conducting the affairs of the Home, and he has succeeded every year in improving his

previous year's efforts to provide a comfortable residence for the old heroes who followed the Stars and Bars.

b The Major is eminently suited for his position. There is very probably no Confederate veteran in Georgia who possesses equal qualifications. His entire business career previous to his acceptance of this post seemed preparatory, so well did it particularly fit him for it.

Major McAllister was born in Ruckersville, Georgia, in 1849. His father, James I. McAllister, was, at the outbreak of the war, one of the most prosperous and influential merchants and hotel proprietors of Athens. He was compelled to look on, too old to take active part in the actual fighting, while the enemy ravaged the region around Athens.

The only hotel in Athens, which was also the McAllister home, was continually filled with wounded and sick Confederate soldiers, on their way home on furlough to recover. The family devoted almost their entire time to ministering to these war-stricken men. Their noble service is still remembered by many of the older people of Athens, as well as by the recipients and their friends from far and wide.

In those latter days of the bitter struggle, when the tired, ragged, half-starved army in gray literally had it back to the wall, a last determined stand was made. A general call for volunteers between the ages of sixteen and sixty was sent out. Though not quite sixteen, William McAllister answered.

With absolutely no "breaking in," he was immediately inducted into service under command of Captain Holt, of Athens, as a private. His brother, Captain C. J. McAllister, had been severely wounded, receiving two injuries in the Battle of Gettysburg. Captain McAllister was sent home to recover from his wounds, and on doing so organized a volunteer company, known as Co. E, Third Georgia Cavalry, under Major Tom Dur-

rough. This division served in many hard-fought engagements around Atlanta. Promotion came rapidly to William McAllister, and the end of the war saw him Sergeant Major.

Major McAllister was one of the first men to engage in the Pullman service in the South. He was in charge for twenty years of the crack Pullman trains of the Southern Railway, principally between Atlanta and Washington, D. C., having charge of the dining and sleeping cars. On leaving the railway service, he became manager of Durand's Cafe, remembered as the leading restaurant of Atlanta for seventeen years. He has managed hotels and restaurants in Atlanta and North Georgia, and has met with signal success in each undertaking in this line. All this experience fitted him ideally for his position as Superintendent of the Soldiers' Home.

Six years after the close of the war, Major McAllister married Miss Laura E. Irby, of Greene county, Georgia. Their married life has been ideal for over half a century. On November 15th, 1920, they celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary, and the multitude of friends who poured out their good wishes on this occasion was a delightful surprise. Mrs. McAllister lives at the Home with her husband and does a great deal toward making the Home a real one to the old veterans.

There are none who knew of the conditions existing at the Home prior to 1918, when Major McAllister took charge, who do not marvel at the improvement he has made. Lack of proper interest, despite the untiring and earnest efforts of his predecessors, made the Major's job considerable of an up-hill one; but the explanation of his success is simple. Actuated by an earnest desire to serve his compatriots, the men who fought without sufficient clothes or sufficient food for the cause of the Southland, and with the ability and personality to carry out his desires, he has succeeded in making the Home a real haven to the fading remnant of the "thin gray line."

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Is the daughter of Captain F. S. Treadwell, who served 4 years of the War Between the States. She has been a member of the U. D. C. for a good many years and also Chaperon on the North Georgia Brigade Staff for several years.

## *General Lee's Farewell Address*

### HEADQUARTERS

Army of Northern Virginia.

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#### GENERAL ORDER No. 9:

After four years of arduous service, marked by unsurpassed courage and fortitude, the Army of Northern Virginia has been compelled to yield to overwhelming numbers and resources. I need not tell the survivors of so many hard-fought battles, who have remained steadfast to the last, that I have consented to this result from no distrust of them; but, feeling that valor and devotion could accomplish nothing that could compensate for the loss that would have attended the continuation of the contest, I have determined to avoid the useless sacrifice of those whose past services have endeared them to their countrymen. By the terms of the agreement, officers and men can return to their homes and remain there until exchanged.

You will take with you the satisfaction that proceeds from the consciousness of duty faithfully performed; and I earnestly pray that a merciful God may extend to you His blessings and protection.

With an unceasing admiration of your constancy and devotion to your country, and a grateful remembrance of your kind and generous consideration of myself, I bid you an affectionate farewell.

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## JUDGE J. B. STRONG

Judge J. B. Strong, a member of the Board of Trustees, is a native of Troup County, Georgia, born west of the Chattahoochee River on November 5th, 1847, in what was then known as the dark corner of Troup.

At the age of sixteen he served about eight months in the 37th Georgia Militia, and this service being too tame for him, he joined Company E, 41st Georgia Regiment, and was with Hood in his Tennessee campaign, taking part in the battles of Franklin and Nashville. His command was then transported to South and North Carolinas, and he fought with Generals Hoke and Bragg the battle of Kingston, N. C., and was with General Johnston at Bentonville, the last battle fought between Johnston and Sherman. He surrendered near Greensboro, N. C., on April 26, 1865, with the record of never missing roll call during his enlistment.

After the war, he again took up his studies, and entered the State University in January, 1868, and graduated from that institution in the class of 1870.

After his graduation, he taught school and read law, and was admitted to the bar, and practiced a short while, when he was soon elected and appointed to office, in which capacity he served many years. He was Treasurer of his County for four years, Deputy Collector of Internal Revenue four years, Ordinary of his county twelve years and County Superintendent of School eight years, retiring from each of these positions voluntarily, not allowing his name to go before the people for re-election.

Judge Strong says: That his connection with the Board of Trustees of the Home has been very pleasant and agreeable, and that he never was associated with a more honorable, upright and conscientious set of men. The majority of them are old soldiers, and have suffered the dangers and deprivations of a soldier's life, and knows how to sympathize with the inmates of the Home. Their sympathies for their erring brothers are so strong that their discipline is exceedingly mild and lenient. They have been fortunate



in the selection of a Superintendent, a man so well qualified by experience and so well fitted by nature for the position he holds, and under his efficient management we point with pride to the Home as an ideal home for the old soldier in his declining years.

## JUDGE J. P. WEBB

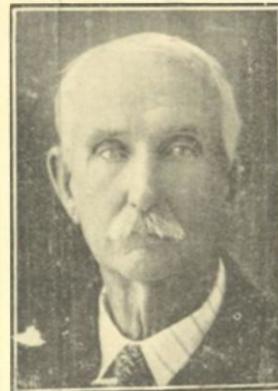
John P. Webb, Vice President of the Board of Trustees, was born in the part of Cobb County which is now Milton, on August 30th, 1845. He enlisted early in 1863 as a private in Co. "A" of the 5th Georgia Cavalry and served as courier under Major General Kelly until the latter's death, and then under General Joe Wheeler to the end of the war.

After the surrender, he represented Milton County in the General Assembly for a term, after which he moved to Guinnett County and has resided there since. He served the county as Ordinary for twelve years and was appointed on the Board of Trustees of the Home from the Ninth District in 1916 by Governor Nat E. Harris to succeed Judge H. W. Bell, of Jefferson, at the latter's death.

In speaking of his service on the Board, Judge Webb says: "It has been a great pleasure to me to serve on the Board, principally because of the high class of people with whom I have been associated and because the Home is today just what it was intended to be, viz.: a HOME in fact and in truth for these old Veterans of the Sixties."

"Many have been the improvements made at the Home since I have been on the Board, and notwithstanding all that has been said through the press and otherwise, it is today in splendid condition and a true haven of refuge for the 'Boys Who Wore the Gray.'"

"I have been Chairman of the Investigating Committee for several years and have performed my duties as such conscientiously and the result of such investigations has been most satisfactory. Especially have I found conditions in excellent shape at the Hospital, and this could only have been done by hard work and close attention to detail."



## J. A. McDONALD

John A. McDonald, of Sumter County, who makes his home at Plains, is a veteran both in war and in peace. He was born in Sumter County on September 17th, 1848. He was educated in the Sumter County schools and was a mere lad at the outbreak of the Civil War. He became during that struggle attached to the Eleventh Regiment of the Georgia Reserves, and after five days' service, before he had an opportunity to even be drilled, was too severely wounded at Griswoldville for further service. After the war he farmed for a time, conducted a wood yard and wood supply business for the C. R. K., and in 1874 ran a sawmill and planing mill. In 1896 he became interested in mercantile business. In 1898 he finally moved from Sumter to Plains, which has since been his home.

Mr. McDonald's business ventures, backed by industry and sound judgment, have largely been successful. He is now Vice President of the Oliver-McDonald Co., the largest mercantile concern of his section, and a director and Vice President of Plains Bank. He is a man of much public spirit and takes an active hand in everything that will contribute to the improvement of his community. In the grange and alliance movement he was a conspicuous member and though he always declined public office, yet in 1890 he was induced to run, and made a successful race for the Legislature.

In the old Reconstruction days he was a member of the K. K. Klan, which did more to clear up the atmosphere in the South than any institution ever organized. He was a member of the General Assembly when the Confederate Soldier's Home was tendered to the State. He, with sixty-two others, voted for its acceptance, ninety-four voted against accepting it. The record shows that he has been useful and helpful in every manner and has earned the prosperity which came to him.





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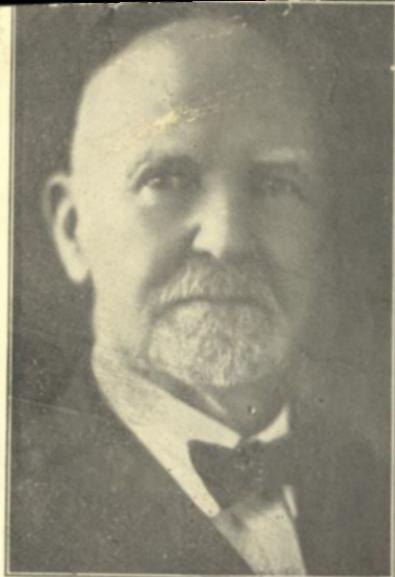
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### HISTORY of VETERANS Continued

WOOD, A. H., member of Co. "I" 9th Ga. Bat. Born in Haralson County, Ga. Enlisted in January, 1862. Fought at Nissionary Ridge, Chickamauga, New Hope Church, and Mill Creek Gap. Wounded in the leg at the battle of Chickamauga.

SAUNDERS, T. J., member of Co. "G" 10th Ga. State Troops. Born in Houston County, Ga. Enlisted June 3rd, 1863.

WARREN, W. H., member of Co. "K" 2nd Ga. Reserves. Born in DeKalb County, Ga. Enlisted about the middle of the war and served his entire time as a Guard at Andersonville Prison.



As a member of the O. C. Horne Chapter, U. D. C., and Chairman of the Soldiers' Home, it has been my pleasure to visit the Home, many times during the past few years.

Some of my visits have been by special invitation, and several times I have arrived when my visit was a surprise, and after remaining as a guest several days, I always leave with regret, that I could not remain longer.

On each of these visits, I am impressed with the manner in which the people of Georgia are providing for the few surviving members of the "thin grey line," who have come to this Home to spend the evening of their lives.

I am also impressed with the splendid management of the Home, and the manner in which those in charge minister to the comforts of these brave heroes, who so valiantly defended our Southland.

This Home is one of the most attractive places in Atlanta. Situated several miles from the noise and heat of the crowded city, it is here that rest, comfort and quiet prevail.

The grounds and buildings are clean and sanitary. The grounds are beautifully kept, and the buildings equipped with every comfort, and every modern convenience.

The home life of Superintendent and Mrs. McAllister is a true picture of the hospitality of the Old South.

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