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WGS Welcome

Welcome to the new e-Bulletin. I hope each one of you have had a great first quarter of 2016. As I sit here in the Genealogy Room, I think of all the hard work that many of you have done in the past 48-years. Whether in the house in a living room or the downstairs in the Old Library, many hours and nights were invested in launching and sustaining the Genealogy Room. If you have helped inquirers find ancestors, served in an office in the Society, hauled Heritage books around in the back of your car, driven to Raleigh for land grants, or acquired other artifacts that are now a part of the collection, a big “thank you” goes to you for making the Genealogy Room happen!

Now, as we begin our 49th year, many things have changed since our humble beginning in 1967. We now have free Ancestry.com, free Family Search, free Family Tree Maker, and free Heritage Quest on the dedicated computer in the Genealogy Room and on all computers in the Wilkes County Library’s computer lab. A big thank you goes to the Library staff—County Librarian Julia Turpin; Mara Lynn Tugman; Wendy Barber, and Brigett Adams—for all you do to enhance our efforts. Last but not least, welcome the new editor of the Bulletin, Mr. Larry Griffin. I am sure Larry or anyone on his team would appreciate any assistance you can give. One last request, please keep our president, Christy Harrold, in your prayers as she is recovering from surgery.

Thank you! Roger Wingler, Vice President

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Front Cover illustration:

The actual 26th NC Battle Flag was captured July 3, 1863, at Gettysburg, PA, during the Pettigrew-Pickett charge. It is housed in the Museum of the Confederacy in Richmond, VA. We thank them for sharing the image with us and our readers.
N.C. 26th Troops

The 26th North Carolina was no different than any other regiment in the Civil War. The men from Companies C and D were some of Wilkes County’s finest men and boys of 1861, and the more prominent family names can be found in the rosters of many North Carolina regiments.

Everyone north or south thought the war would be over in three months. No one ever dreamed it would last four years and would cost over 650,000 to 700,000 men’s lives, based new records that are coming out daily. These men from Wilkes County had never heard of places like Malvern Hill, Virginia, Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, Wilderness, or the Spotsylvania Court House. For some of the men, they would never have seen the mountains of the Blue Ridge or the mighty Yadkin River. For some, the prisons of the north—such as Point Lookout, Maryland, and Davids Island and Elmira, both in New York—became names that the boys and men would never forget.

This article is a list of the boys and men that were wounded, killed, died, or deserted as listed in the North Carolina Troops, Volume 7.

by R. Wingler
Vice President, Wilkes Genealogical Society

Major Abner Bynum Carmichael, Regimental Officer, killed at New Bern 3-14-1862 after being wounded in the mouth and neck. A brave and noble soldier never fell on the field of battle, generous and open hearted and chivalrous. He was enduring to the whole regiment at age 27.

Company C Officers of the 26th N.C. from Wilkes County

Captain Alexander H. Horton, age 27 elected captain 8-27-1861 present and accounted for until he was defeated for reelection 4-21-1862.

Captain Thomas L. Ferguson, age 28 was elected first sergeant and was elected second lieutenant on or about 8-27-1861 elected captain 4-21-1862 died in Petersburg, VA 10-28-1862 cause of death unknown.

First Lt. Calvin Church, age 27 elected First Lt. 7-12-1861 released on or about 10-01-1861 reason unknown.

Third Lt. James Hague, age 18 mustered in as corporal 10-5-1861 present and accounted for he was elected Third Lt. defeated for reelection 4-21-1861.

First Lt. William W. Hampton, age 34 elected Second Lt. 6-12-1861 elected First Lt. 9-18-1861 defeated for reelection 4-21-1862.

Second Lt. John M. Harris, age 22 mustered in as sergeant elected Second Lt 4-21-1862 present and accounted for until captured at Bristoe Station, VA 10-14-1863 sent to Old Prison Washington transferred to Johnson’s Island, OH 11-11-1863 released 6-12-1865.

Second Lt. Phineas Horton, age 34 elected Second Lt. 6-12-1861 but released 8-30-1861 appointed assistant commissary of subsistence then appointed Captain around 10-14-1861 assigned to field and staff of this regiment.

Third Lt. Rufus D. Horton, age 26 elected Third Lt. 12-30-1862 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 6-3-1863 released on 1-14-1865 by reason of inability to stand marching and in order to obtain a transfer Barringer’s Cavalry Brigade.
First Lt. William Portor, age 24 promoted to First Sergeant 3-1-1862 elected First Lt. 4-21-1862 captured at Gettysburg, PA 7-3-1863 sent to Ft. Delaware transferred to Johnson’s Island 7-18-1863 transferred to Point Lookout, MD transferred to Cox’s Warf James River, VA where he was received 3-22-1865 for exchange.

**Company C Noncommissioned Officers and Privates of the 26th N.C. from Wilkes County**

Levi Abshier, age 33 accounted for until 10-1-1861 where he was reported absent without leave returned between January and April 1862 deserted on unspecified date but returned to duty 10-11-1863. Captured near Spotsylvania Court House, VA 5-10-1864 sent to Point Lookout, MD released on 6-15-1864 after joining the US Army assign to Company F 1st Regiment US volunteers infantry.

Franklin M. Adams, age 22 wounded in left thigh in Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863 captured near Burgess Mill, VA 10-27-1864 sent to Point Lookout, MD exchanged at Boulware Warf James River, VA 3-19-1865.

Jacob Adams, age 25 died at or near Camp Branch, NC 2-28-1862 cause of death not known.

James A. Adams, age 26 wounded at Wilderness, VA 5-5 or 6-1864 captured at Petersburg, VA 4-2-1865 sent to Point Lookout, MD released 6-23-1865.

W. H. Adams, age 20 deserted 1-5-1863.

Monroe F. Alley, age 28 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863 wounded in left hand at Wilderness, VA 5-5-1864 sent to Salisbury, NC he was captured near Petersburg, VA sent to Point Lookout, MD exchanged on 3-30-1865.

James C. Ball, age 19 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863 reported absent without leave 9-1864 through 2-1865.

Harrison H. Barlow, age 23 wounded in right ankle at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863 wounded at Cold Harbor, VA 6-2-1864 died of wounds place and date unknown.

Thomas L. Barlow, age 28 deserted about 12-19-1862 went over to the enemy on unspecified date reported on Federal records taking the oath of allegiance in Knoxville, TN 11-12-1864.

Henry Baugus, age 23 deserted 6-1864 reported to be hung in Wilkes County by the Home Guard.

Ruben Baugus, age 18 discharged 9-4-1861 by reason of disease of the lung.

Evan Bell, age 42 wounded at Malvern Hill, VA 7-1-1862.

John R. Bell, age 20 wounded left thigh and captured near Gettysburg, PA 7-1-15 hospitalizes at Davids Island, NY transferred to City Point, VA received 10-28-1863 retired to the Invalid Corps 11-17-1864.

William Blankenship, age 22 died in hospital at Kinston, NC 4-13-1862.

John M. C. Broutherton, died in hospital at Richmond, VA of typhoid fever 6-27-1864.

George W. Brown, deserted unspecified date.

Malin C. Brown, age 21 hospitalized at Richmond, VA 7-18-1863 with gunshot to the side place and date unknown. 12-28-1864 absent without leave NC records say he was wounded at Petersburg, VA unspecified date.
Benjamin F. Bullis, age 32 wounded and captured at Gettysburg, PA hospitalized at Gettysburg transferred to Ft. Delaware 7-1863 transferred to Point Lookout, MD 10-15-1863 died on or about 2-9-1864 of disease.

John Bullis, captured at Bristoe Station, VA 10-14-1863 sent to Old Capital Prison transferred to Point Lookout, MD 10-27-1863 paroled 9-18-1864 sent to Barina, VA for exchange died in Richmond hospital 9-7-1864 of diarrhea.

Simon Bullis, age 25 captured and wounded at Gettysburg, VA 7-1-4-1863 hospitalized at Gettysburg transferred to Davids Island, NY and died 9-2-1863 from his wounds.

Wesley Bullis, age 26 hospitalized at Richmond, VA 3-6-1865 for wound in right buttock (place of wound not reported) died of gangrene 3-16-1865.

A. Bumgarner, age 30 killed at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863.

John Bumgarner, deserted 7-13-1864.

Josiah Byrd, age 45 discharged 8-9-1861 for inability to serve.

Sgt. Franklin T. Chapel, age 20 wounded in the right thigh at Gettysburg, PA died in hospital at Raleigh, NC 8-29-1863 of his wounds.

Wesley Church, age 35 wounded at Malvern Hill, VA 7-1-1862 Company records say he was a prisoner of war.

Leander Church, age 22 captured and died at New Bern, NC 3-14-1862 of fever.

Y. Colts, age 43 arrested by federal and taken to City Point, WV 2-12-65 released 2-22-1865.

Wesley Combes, age 19 captured at Gettysburg, PA 7-5-1863 in Gettysburg hospital sent to Ft. Delaware, DE. Sent to Point Lookout, MD. Died at Point Lookout, MD 1-4-1863.

Zachariah Combes, age 47 deserted to the enemy on 2-9-1865 sent to Washington, DC.

Elisha Cox, age 35 wounded and captured near Gettysburg, PA 7-3 to 7-6-1863 sent to Ft. Delaware, DE, sent to Point Lookout, MD on 10-15 to 18-1863 released 3-20-1864 died at home in Wilkes County of wound at Gettysburg, PA.

John Cranfield, age 21 killed at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863.

James Curtis, age 21 killed at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863.

William Curtis, age 22 became sergeant 4-21-1862 wounded at Malvern Hill, VA 7-1-1862 ordinance sergeant Jan. or Feb.

David Dancey, age 22 died in 1864 no more information.

A.M. Davis, deserted on 11-14-1862 wounded at Gettysburg, PA. deserted on 8-1-1863.

Thomas David, age 32 wounded at Malvern Hill, VA 7-1-1862 deserted 12-20-1862 captured at Hatcher’s Run, VA 4-2-1865 sent to Hart’s Island, NY released 6-19 to 20-1865.

James Dockery, age 18 died in Hospital in Carolina City, NC 11-21-1862 of typhoid fever.
James Dudley, age 28 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863 captured south side Railroad near Petersburg, VA 4-2-1865 sent to Hart’s Island, NY released 6-19 to 20-1865.

James Edmisten, age 36 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1 to 3-1863 wounded at Bristoe Station, VA 10-14-1863 died at Gordonville Hospital of gangrene.

John Edmisten, age 20 wounded at New Bern, NC 3-14-1862 captured at Spotsylvania Court House 5-12-1864 sent to Point Lookout, MD released joining the U.S. Army assigned to Company K of 1st Regiment U.S. Volunteer infantry.

William Edmisten, age 23 captured at Bristoe Station, VA sent to Old Capitol Prison, Washington, D.C. sent to Point Lookout, MD released 2-24-1865.

Jacob Eller, age 21 wounded in left arm at Wilderness, VA 5-5-1864 captured near Petersburg, VA 3-25-1865 sent to Point Lookout, MD released 6-11-1865.

James Matison Eller, age 23 captured near Gettysburg, PA 7-5-1863 sent to Ft. Delaware, DE sent to Point Lookout, MD on 2-18-1865 retired on 2-20 to 21-1865.

Leander Eller, captured at Gettysburg, PA 7-3 to 5-1863 sent to Ft. Delaware, DE sent to Point Lookout, MD 10-15-1863 exchanged 2-21-1865.

Jesse Ferguson, age 26 became First Sergeant 8-30-1861 became commissioned Sergeant 3-1-1862.

Antony Foster, age 43 died in hospital in Farmville, VA. of diarrhea chronic.

J.H. Foster, age 35 deserted 6-16-1863.

John Foster, age 33 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863 deserted 7-30-1863 from hospital in Danville, VA in hospital in Richmond, VA 6-3-1864 for gunshot 11-1-1864 deserted to the enemy 12-13-1864 sent to Washington, D.C. released 12-4-1865.

Pinkney Foster, age 20 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-3-1863 captured sent to Davids Island, NY 7-17 to 21-1863 exchanged on 9-8-1863 in hospital in Richmond, VA for gunshot to left leg no other info.

Hubbard Germon, age 30 in hospital in Richmond, VA for gunshot to left hand captured near Petersburg, VA 4-2-1865 sent to Point Lookout, MD released 6-27-1865.

Charles Gilbert, age 22 killed carrying the colors of the regiment at Bristoe Station, VA 10-14-1863.

Joshua Gilbert, age 40 died in 1862 in Petersburg, VA of fever.

Franklin Hall, age 21 captured near Petersburg, VA 4-2-1865 sent to Point Lookout, MD released 6-27-1865.

Henry Hall, age 19 deserted on 8-9-1864.

J.G. Hall, age 22 died in hospital in Petersburg, VA no more info.

James Hall, age 20 deserted.

Pinkney Hall, age 19 in hospital in Danville VA for gunshot to the hand 6-4-1864 captured in hospital in Richmond, VA 4-3-1865 pro 4-9-1865.

Riley Hall, age 32 deserted 5-31-1863.
Samuel Hall, age 21 wounded in right thigh and captured at Gettysburg, PA 7-3-1863 sent to Davids Island, NY 7-17 to 24-1863 exchanged on 9-16-1863.

David Hall, age 23 Sergeant 4-21-1862 wounded Gettysburg, PA captured at Falling Water, MD 7-14-1863 sent to Baltimore, MD till 8-21-1863 sent to Point Lookout, MD exchanged on 3-20-1864 deserted to the enemy 2-12-1865 released 2-17-1865.

Triplett Hamby, age 29 wounded at Gettysburg, PA deserted returned to duty on 10-19-1863 deserted on 7-12-1864.

William Handy, age 20 deserted 12-20-1862 captured at Wilderness, VA 5-5 to 12-1864 released after joining the 1st U.S. Army Company K 1st Regiment.

James Harless, captured at Spotsylvania Court House, VA 5-12 to 16-1864 sent to Point Lookout, MD released 5-19-1864 after joining U.S. Army Company H 1st Regiment.

Elisha Harris, age 19 deserted 7-6-1862 captured at Culpeper, VA 11-9-1863 sent to Old Capitol Prison, Washington, D.C. released 3-22-1864.

Esley Higgins, age 23 Sergeant Nov.-Dec. 1863 promoted to First Sergeant 1-1-1864 killed at Reams Station VA 8-25-1864.

Hiram Higgins, deserted 6-18-1862 but N.C. Records say wounded at New Bern, NC 3-1862.


John Hinson, age 35 deserted captured at Deep Bottom, VA 8-16-1864 sent to Point Lookout, MD exchanged 3-18-1865.

William Holder, age 21 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863.

John Jennings, age 24 deserted on 5-31-1863 killed at Cold Harbor, VA 6-2-1864.

James Johnson, age 19 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863 wounded in right arm at the Wilderness, VA 5-4 to 6-1864.

Eli Joins, age 35 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863 deserted 3-1-1864.

Franklin Keeton, age 21 killed at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863.

G.E. Kemp, age 26 killed at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863.

M. Kevley, age 26 killed at New Bern, NC 3-14-1863.

Braxton Laws, age 26 deserted 7-5-1863 shot for desertion prior to 7-1-1864.

Charles Lee, age 27 present and accounted for until 2-28-1863 when he was reported absent without leave apprehended on or about 1-25-1864 sentenced to be shot but was pardoned on an unspecified date and returned to duty on 6-1-1864 died on 10-12-1864 place of death not reported.

B.F. Lewis, age 30 killed at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863.

George R. Lewis, age 19 present and accounted for through 9-21-1862 died in hospital in Petersburg, VA 10-26-1862 of pneumonia.
James Lewis, age 28 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863 captured at Bristoe Station, VA confined to Old Capital Prison, Washington, D.C. and sent to Point Lookout, MD 10-27-1863 exchanged on unspecified date reported without leave 12-5-1863 returned on 9-24-1864.

John Lewis, died in hospital at Gordonsville, VA 3-14-1864 of pneumonia.

Joseph Lewis, age 18 wounded and captured at Bristoe Station, VA 10-14-1863 sent to Point Lookout, MD exchanged between 2-25-1865 and 3-3-1865.

Joshua Lewis, age 20 killed at Bristoe Station, VA 10-14-1863.

Franklin McDaniel, age 19 wounded in left leg at Gettysburg, PA leg amputated.

J.W. Martin, age 25 died at hospital in Wilson, NC 4-13-1863 of typhoid fever.

James Melton, age 23 wounded in left shoulder and right leg while carrying the colors at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863 wounded in right leg at Hatcher’s Run, VA 3-30-1863 hospitalized in Richmond, VA where he was captured by the enemy sent to Point Lookout, MD 5-2-1865 released 6-26-1865.

Josian Millsap, age 25 captured at Falling Waters, MD 7-14-1863 sent to Baltimore, MD until transferred to City Point, MD died in hospital in Richmond, VA 7-20 or 21-1864 of disease.

Thomas Minton, age 19 wounded in left arm and captured at Gettysburg, PA 7-1 to 4-1863 hospitalized at Gettysburg until transferred to Davids Island, NY exchanged on 9-8-1863 killed at Burgess Mill, VA while carrying the colors of the regiment.

Thomas C. Minton, age 20 transferred to Company D of this regiment.

Richard S. Mullis, age 21 died in hospital at Carolina City, NC of typhoid fever.

Thomas Mullis, age 32 died in Richmond, VA around 12-14-1863 because not reported.

Benjamin A. Nance, age 20 wounded in the right thigh at Malvern Hill, VA 7-1-1862 captured at Falling Waters, MD 7-14-1863 sent to Point Lookout, MD exchanged on 3-6-1864 deserted on 5-25-1864.

James Nance, age 18 captured at Falling Waters, MD 7-14-1863 sent to Point Lookout, MD 8-8-1863 exchanged on 3-6-1864 deserted on 5-25-1864.

William Nance, age 23 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863 promoted to corporal on 5-5 to 6-1864. Claimed he was a prisoner of war but no records validate this.

Anderson Nichols, wounded date and place not reported.

David W. Nicholls, deserted on 6-16-1863, returned on 10-4-1863, died of disease 4-20-1864, place of death not reported.

Anderson Nichols, age 21 killed at Gettysburg, PA 7-3-1863.

James Nichols, age 18 died at Carolina City, NC 1-5-1862.

Anderson Nicholson, age 19 killed at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863.

George W. Owens, age 36 deserted 7-19-1862, apprehended unspecified date shot for desertion in 5- or 6-1864.
William H. Owens, age 18 deserted 8-1863.

William Parts, age 19 died at hospital in Carolina City, NC 11-24-1861 of fever.

Alfred Parsons, age 21 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863, 5- through 12-1864 indicated he was a prisoner of war however federal records do not sustain that report.

Payton Parson, age 21 wounded at Gettysburg, PA, captured at South Side Railroad 4-2-1865 sent to Hart’s Island, NY released 6-19-1863.

William F. Parsons, wounded and captured 7-1 to 3-1863 transferred to Point Lookout, exchanged at City Point, VA 3-3-1864, captured at Hatcher’s Run 4-2-1865, sent to Hart’s Island, NY, released 6-19 to 20-1865.

William N. Parsons, age 28 reported wounded in the right hip and shoulder at the Wilderness 5-5-1864, deserted 11-18-1864.

Samuel Pryor, First Sergeant, captured at Falling Waters, MD 7-14-1863 sent to Baltimore, MD exchanged 8-24-1863 captured at South Side Railroad 4-2-1865 sent to Hart’s Island, NY released 7-18-1865.

John Ray, age 22 wounded at Malvern Hill, VA 7-1-1862 captured near Petersburg, VA 10-27-1864 sent to Point Lookout, MD transferred to Cox’s Warf James River, VA for exchange.

John F. Reeves, age 20 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863 deserted on unspecified date returned 9-29-1863 captured near Petersburg, VA 4-2-1865 sent to Point Lookout, MD released on 6-19-1865.

William W. Rhodes, age 21 captured at Falling Waters, MD sent to Old Capital Prison transferred to Point Lookout, MD 8-8-1863 transferred to Elmira, NY 8-16-1864 exchanged and sent to Boulware’s Warf James River 3-15-1865.

Walter W. Robertson, age 38 deserted 6-24-1863 retired from service 8-1864 reason not reported.

Caleb Rupard, age 31 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863 captured 10-22 to 27-1864 near Petersburg, VA sent to Point Lookout, MD until released 6-19-1865.

Thomas J. Shumate, age 23 deserted 10-1862.

Calvin Simmons, age 20 captured at the Wilderness or Spotsylvania Court House, VA 5-5 to 12-1864 sent to Point Lookout, MD transferred to Elmira, NY died of diarrhea 3-25-1865.

Henry Suther, age 30 deserted on or about 5-31-1863.

Jessie Suther, age 21 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-3-1863 killed at Globe Tavern, VA 8-21-1864.

John Suther, age 23 deserted on 5-1-1863 NC records indicate he was wounded at Petersburg, VA 7-3-1863.

Joseph Suther, age 19 wounded at Orange County, VA 12-1863 deserted on 7-10-1864.

Joshua Suther, age 22 wounded at Malvern Hill, VA 7-1-1862 wounded in left shoulder Gettysburg, PA 7-3-1863 captured at Williams Port, MD 7-13-1863 hospitalized at Fredrick, MD transferred to Baltimore 8-7-1863 exchanged 8-23-1863 at City Point, VA captured at the Wilderness or at Spotsylvania Court House, VA 5-5 to 12 1864 sent to Point Lookout, MD transferred to Elmira, NY 7-27-1864 exchanged 7-27-1865.
Robert A. Stanley, age 26 deserted 7-1-1862 court marshaled 11-1-1862 sentenced to 12 months’ hard labor deserted again 9-9-1863.

Joel Tedder, age 32 deserted 6-1-1862 ret on 10-14-1862 court marshaled and sentenced to 12 months hard labor captured Bristoe Station, VA sent to Old Capital Prison Washington, DC transferred to Ft. Delaware 6-15-1864 released 6-19-1865.

David Tharp, 43 discharged because of age

Asa I. Triplett, 24 wound at Gettysburg, PA 7-1 1863 captured at South Side Railroad 4-2-1865 sent to Parks released 6-19-1865.

Albert Triplett, age 20 deserted or captured at the Wilderness or Spotsylvania Court House 5-19-1864 sent to Old Capital Prison Washington, DC sent to Ft. Delaware 6-15-1864 released 5-11-1865.

Hilary Triplett, age 26 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863.

J.W. Triplett, age 21 wounded in knee at Bristoe Station, VA 10-14-1863 hospital in Richmond died on 11-9-1863 of wounds.

Jessie F. Triplett, First Sergeant, 27, killed 7-3-1863.

Moses Triplett, age 18 deserted on 6-26-1863.

W.T. Triplett, age 19 died at or near Petersburg, VA 12-25-1862.

Meredith Waddle, age 23 deserted on 7-1-1863 from hospital.

William Walker, age 20 deserted 6-16-1863 went to the enemy on 10-11-1864.

John F. Waters, age 24 died in hospital Carolina City, NC 11-3-1861 of typhoid fever.

Thomas J. Watts, age 17 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863 wounded in knee at Orange, VA 5-8-1864.

W. Watts, captured South Side Railroad, VA 4-2-1865 sent to Harts Island, NY released on 6-18 to 20-1865.

Benjamin Welch, age 24 captured at Bristoe Station, VA 10-14-1863 sent to Old Capital Prison, Washington, DC sent to Point Lookout, MD 10-27-1863 exchanged 2-24-1865.

George Welch, age 23 died 10-29-1864.

James Welch, age 22 captured at Falling Waters, MD 7-14-1863 sent to Point Lookout, MD sent to City Point exchanged reported absent without leave deserted to enemy 2-12-1865 sent to Washington, DC no more info.

William Picken Welch, age 22 wounded at Gettysburg, PA 7-1-1863 deserted to the enemy 2-12-1865 confined at Washington.

David Wells, age 18 deserted 12-20-1862 shot for desertion 8-23-1864.

Hiram Williams, age 25 deserted 12-1862.

James Williams, age 23 wounded Malvern Hill, 7-1-1862 deserted 7-11-1863 paroled at Statesville, NC 1865.
William Williams, age 34 died Charlottesville, VA 1-28-1864 of typhoid fever.

John Wooten, age 44 discharged because of disability.

Alfred Yates, age 16 captured Spotsylvania Court House, VA 5-12-1864 sent to Point Lookout, MD joined the U.S. Army.

J.D. Yates, age 24 deserted 9-30-1863.

Jesse Yates, age 19 deserted 9-9-1863.

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Jacob Carter, captured Amelia Court House, VA 4-2-1865 sent to Point Lookout, MD 6-24-1865.

Albert Marlow, age 25 captured near Gettysburg, PA 7-3-1863 sent to Ft. Delaware, DE sent to Point Lookout, MD joined U.S. Army 1-25-1864.

John Smith, age 21 discharged 9-7-1863.

Rufus Trensaw, age 24 wounded in head near Gettysburg, PA 7-1 to 5-1863 sent to Davids Island, NY exchanged from City Point, VA wounded in right leg at Wilderness, VA captured near Petersburg, VA 4-2-1865 sent to Point Lookout, MD released 6-21-1865.

Elijah Wingler, age 31 captured at Martin County paroled at Plymouth 11-10-1862 deserted 4-12-1864.

Isham Wingler, age 18 died in hospital at Lynchburg, VA of pneumonia.

Jacob Wingler, deserted 2-20-1864.

John Wingler, age 29 killed at Bristoe Station, VA 10-14-1863.

Reinheart Wingler, age 22 deserted 1-1-1863 killed Gettysburg, VA 7-1-1863.

John Wyatt, age 24 wounded in head at Gettysburg, PA 7-3-1863 sent to Baltimore, MD sent to Point Lookout, MD 8-23-1863 sent to Savannah River, GA for exchange.
This list of unpublished marriage bonds was found in a recent donation of Mrs. Mae Hayes’s files. Mrs. Hayes was one of the early members of Wilkes Genealogical Society and a long-time Wilkes County researcher. We are grateful for the donation of her files.

**UNPUBLISHED MARRIAGE BONDS**

Found in Wilkes County Courthouse by members of The Genealogical Society of the "Original" Wilkes County.

**WILKES COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA**

**BONDS FOR LICENSE FOR MARRIAGE**

The bonds listed on pages 1, 2, 3 are handwritten – they differ slightly in wording, but are essentially the same. Most of the bonds required One Thousand Dollars; however, a few specified Five Hundred Pounds.


Sollomon BOLING and Lucy JOHNSON 6 June 1812. Signed by Solemon Boling and Andrew Boling. Witness: Archibeld (or Archibell) \(^1\)


Leander CURRY and Nancy JENNINGS 6 Sept. 1859. Signed by Leander Curry and James Byrd. Witness: Isaac S. Call. This marriage performed 8 Sept. 1859 by John Brown, J.P.


Peter DOWELL and Susannah YOUNGER 10 April 1812. Signed by Peter Dowell and Ambrose? Witness: R. Martin, clk.


\(^1\) This signature appears frequently in 1812. According to experience local researchers, it is the signature of Archibell Tomlinson. He signed it as follows; Ahibell or Ahibeld.


Joshua M. INSCORE and Mary GLAP 3 September 1861. Signed by Joshua Inscore and John Glap. Witness: I.S. Call.


George LAWRENCE and Sally MOSLEY (MOSBY) 23 December 1812. Signed by George Lawrence and Henry Lawrence. Witness: Samuel Johnson.


Benjamin MARTIN and Milly HAMPTON 10 January 1812. Signed by Benjamin Martin and David Nikels (Mikels) Witness: Archibell.


Wm. J. MILLER and Mary MILLER 17 October 1859. Signed by Wm. J. Miller and T. C. Land. (no witness - handwriting of Isaac S. Call).


Rufus F. ROBERTS and Sintha V. CHURCH 12 October 1859. Signed by Rufus F. Roberts and Alford Parsons. Witness: Isaac S. Call. This marriage performed 13 October 1859 by G. Sumerlin, J.P.


James A. SMITH and Pheba E. WILES 19 Nov. 1858. Signed by James A. Smith and John Parsons. (no witness).


George C. VICKERS and Sarah C. HOLDWAY 3 September 1860. Signed by George C. Vickers and Jesse G. Lee. Witness: W. Mastin, clk. and Isaac S. Call. This marriage performed 3 Sept. 1860 by Wm. H. Hubbard, J.P.


Edward WATKINS and Fanny CLEVELAND 18 (or 15) June 1812. Signed by Edward Watkins and John Yeats. (no witness).


Sid S. YOUNGER and Elizabeth SOUTHER 2 October 1860. Signed by Sid S. Younger and Wm. R. Cook. Witness: Isaac S. Call.

The bonds listed below are written on printed forms as this copy below.

State of North Carolina

______________ COUNTY.

Know all Men by these presents, That We, ______________, in the state afore-said are held and firmly bound unto the State of North Carolina, in the just and full sum of One Thousand Dollars, current money of the State, to be paid to the State of North Carolina; for the payment of which well and truly to be made and done, we bind ourselves, our heirs, executors and administrators, jointly and severally and firmly by these presents. Sealed with our seals, and date this ____ day of A.D. 18____.

THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE OBLIGATION IS SUCH, that whereas the above bounden ___________ hath made application for a License for Marriage, to be celebrated between him and __________ of the county aforesaid: Now in case is shall not hereafter appear that there is any lawful cause or impediment to obstruct said marriage, then the above obligation to be void--other-wise to remain in full force and virtue.

Test.

_________________________ (seal)
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Archibald COLEMAN and Elizabeth MOURMAN 6 Sept. 1812. Signed by Arch. Coleman and Asa Rash. Witness: Amelia Martin. (This bond is in script instead of printing - the old-fashioned s is used frequently.)


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The Story from Greenhorn Road in 1917

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Back in 2001, Wilma Jean Reynolds shared this picture of Clemmie Blackburn Brown with me. It belongs to her sister-in-law who is a great-granddaughter of Clemmie. Clemmie is also the first cousin of Jean's great-grandmother. When she first showed me the picture, we talked about the fact that the picture was torn, and we wondered who might have been in the rest of the picture, but of course we had no way of knowing at the time.

Mary Clementine (Clemmie) Blackburn was born in 1887, the daughter of Newt Blackburn and Rachel Buchanan. The Blackburn family lived at the western end of Greenhorn Road, near New Light Baptist Church. Clemmie married Hardin Brown in 1904. The 1910 and 1920 censuses list Clemmie living on Greenhorn Road.

Fast forward fifteen years to 2016 when I was visiting a cousin in Traphill who had several old pictures to share of the Abshers, Richardsons, and Prevettes. One of them was a picture that my cousin identified as Luther Prevette and his wife Nannie Jane Richardson (see photo on the next page). She didn't know who the lady on the right was. It was after I got home that I realized I had seen it before. It was the missing portion of the picture of Clemmie. Finally, all three were identified.

Both the 1910 and 1920 censuses list Luther Prevette on Greenhorn Road. He was born in 1894, the son of Daniel Hort Prevette and Mary Mahaffey. On July 25, 1917, Luther married Nannie Jane Richardson. I believe the picture might have been at their wedding or at a celebration in honor of their recent marriage. According to the marriage register, they were married by A. Wiles, a Justice of the Peace, at his office.

Notice in the picture that Luther appears to be wearing an Army uniform. On June 5, 1917, Luther signed up for draft registration as all men of military age were required to do during the Great War. At that time, he was not yet married, and he asked for an exemption due to the need to support his mother. However, on October 5, 1917 at 5:30 pm, Luther reported for military duty in Columbia, SC. He was there for four more days when he was rejected for mobilization camp on October 9, 1917. Perhaps being rejected for camp meant he didn't need to serve and that he got to stay home. A later document suggests that he eventually did serve in the Army from May 1918 until the following December.

These pictures have been added to my website that now includes over 1,500 pictures from Wilkes County: http://webjmd.com/pics/album-all.html
Nannie Jane Richardson (1900-1992), Luther J. Prevette (1894-1972), and Clemmie Blackburn Brown (1887-1985). Notice a child peeking out between Luther and Clemmie.
Announcements

The WGS April Meeting will host a program by the local chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). We hope to see you on Tuesday, April 26 at 5:30 pm in the Local History and Genealogy Room of the Wilkes County Public Library.

Free genealogy classes are offered through the Wilkes County Public Library. On 1st and 3rd Thursdays, 1:00-3:00 pm, classes focus on record-keeping and the basics of family research. On 2nd and 4th Thursdays, volunteers are available to help individuals with their research. To register for a class, please call 336-838-2818, ext. 232.

African American Genealogy Interest Group (AAGIG) is looking for people to host a new chapter here in Wilkes County. Information is available at the reference desk at the library.

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- Elizabeth Stahl for her contributions to the family files of: Jennings, Meadows, Kilby, Price, Jones, Carlton, Hayes, Powell, McGrady, and Call.
- Joy Burr for microfilm.
- The Hayes family for historical family records.
- Mae Hayes for family collection information.
- The Billings family for Barbara Billings family files.
- Kenneth Foster and Larry Pendry for high school yearbook donations.
- Kathy Nolin for a monetary donation.

Queries

- John F. Davis of 4550 S. Rockport Road, Bloomington, IN 47403, is searching for information parents of Joshua Newton Davis, born July 8, 1805, in Wilkes County. He died April 30, 1882, in Brown County, Indiana. Joshua married Kesiah Stanfield on September 8, 1832 (Register of Deeds, Wilkes County). Kesiah’s parents are Mason Stanfield and Elizabeth Kidd.
- Carolyn Aldridge of 233 Sawmill Way, Banner Elk, NC 28604, is searching for information on the Witherspoon line.
- Karen Eileen Drew Church Kline of 5309 Wallingford Drive, Raleigh, NC 27616, is searching for information on Church, Eller, Huffman, and Goulds lines. Husband is Dolphus Andrew Church (February 17, ____-May 8, 1983); father is Thomas C. Church (1855-1934); and mother is Eliza A. Goulds (1863-1949). Wife is Bessie Eller (August 18, 1901-September 1993); father is Joseph A. Eller (1865-1886); mother is Susan E. Eller (1864-1954); father is Henry C. Eller, Sr. (1836-1922); mother is Martha Patsy Huffman (1836-1929); father is David Huffman, Sr. (1836-1862); mother is Zibba Bullis (1812-1894).
- Philip Coward of Corryton, TN—email: wildblueyonderband@yahoo.com—is searching for information on the following families: James Gray, Sr., Land, Parks, Wells, and Sumter.
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