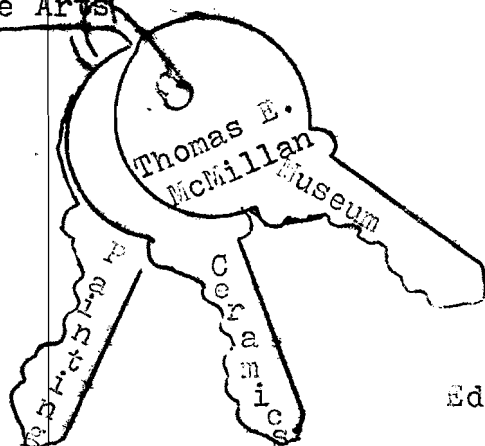


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Building Complete - Keys to be
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NOTICE OF MEETING:

July 25, 1978, 7:30 p.m., Brewton Public Library
(Meets Fourth Tuesday each Month)

Speaker: Mrs.W.E. (Catherine Ryan) Brooks

Topic: "The Story of the Dickens Club of
Brewton"

Mrs. W.E.Brooks who succeeded her late husband as a Trustee for the Escambia County Historical Society will bring what has all the earmarks for being one of the most delightful programs we've had. The Dickens Club was a one-of-a-kind literary organization with a limited membership of 25 with strict rules that called for the "black-balling" of negligent members. It was the leading cultural and civic organization in Brewton from 1913 to 1943, named for author Charles Dickens. Mrs.Brooks joined the club in about 1921 and talks with much glee and intense interest in the efforts and goings-on of the club. Come and bring a friend. The public is always welcome at these meetings.

BUSINESS MATTERS: At the meeting the matter of life memberships as provided by the By-Laws to be discussed, also a decision is to be made regarding the memorial plaque to be placed in the museum by the Society. A list of people for whom memorials have been paid to date is published in this newsletter.

CHESTER TAYLOR HICKS PASSES July 10, 1978 - A quiet and sincere man, a native of Brewton who had resided in Pensacola for the past 40 years although he maintained a home and farm on Route 5, Brewton, where he and his wife stayed frequently visiting their friends in this area while here. With his wife, the former Susie Watson, he had a sincere interest in the Escambia County Historical Society and attended the meetings until his health prevented his doing so. Our warm regards and sincere sympathy are with the family as they bear and we share their loss.

PRECIOUS SEED! "They that sow in tears shall reap in joy. He that goeth forth and weepeth bearing precious seed, shall doubtless come again with rejoicing bringing his sheaves with him. Psalm 126:5-6" As a result of the June newsletter several have come forward to offer assistance in catching up the Society's quarterly publications. J.Vernon Brantley of Brantley Switch, near Repton, Alabama is typing stencils for the March/June, 1978 Quarterly; and Roger Anderson is typing the 1975 Index and preparing queries for the December, 1977 Quarterly and has found a typist who has the December, 1977 stencils nearing completion. Within six weeks all should be completed and the publications up to date with the exception of the indexing for the 1977 quarterlies. This Society has so much un-used talent and much to be done to accomplish its projected goals.

FINE ARTS BUILDING COMPLETED and the construction firm will present the keys to the college officials on July 20. Furnishings will then be placed in the building in the hope of having it ready for use during the Fall Quarter. Roger Anderson, Curator, will also begin to set up the displays in the museum portion of the building. "Fairy Tales can come true, it can happen to you, if you're young at heart..."

STATEWIDE DISTRESS is being expressed over the recent disclosure that that W. Warner Floyd (under pressure from some who do not approve of several projects that have become popular over the state and greatly enhanced historic preservation) has tendered his resignation as Executive Director of the Alabama Historical Commission effective January 31, 1979. It is the hope of those interested in historical preservation that his resignation will not be accepted. The Alabama Historical Commission is governed by 20 persons appointed by the governor (who may or may not have an interest in historical preservation). This Commission has a Board of Advisors made up of one representative from each of the historical and genealogical groups over the state. The Board of Advisors has not been called upon to meet in 3½ years. Milo Howard, Jr. of the Archives Department is Chairman of the Alabama Historical Commission. It is not understood why the advisors have not been called upon to advise. Senator Maryon Allen was on the Commission prior to the death of the late Senator Jim Allen. It would not surprise me to learn that the Commission itself has not met either, or such a few attending the meeting that little in the interest of historical preservation was accomplished. Copies of this newsletter are being sent to Senator Allen and the other members of the Commission when their identity can be determined so that the Commission will take notice that their negligence in calling a Board of Advisors meeting has been noted and that they should be questioned regarding their ethics in this matter. The Commission is scheduled to meet in Selma August 11 and 12th but no meeting of the Advisors has been called. Does the Commission have the right to decide anything without recommendations from its Board of Advisors? These matters should be rectified!

THOMAS E. McMILLAN MUSEUM FUND -

Regular Donation: JOHN DANA WILLIAMS

Memorial Donations:

MRS. L. E. (Helen McConico) Dickinson

By: Mr. and Mrs. David L. McDavid, Pensacola

MRS. LOUISE PETTIS

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Mrs. Alice Till Beall

Mrs. Joe Larkin

MRS. FLORA P. KOON

By: Mrs. Joe Larkin

Mrs. Alice Till Beall

Present balance in Museum Fund Account -----	\$ 137.86
Paid to college to date -----	188,780.01
Additional Commitments -----	600.00
BALANCE TO BE RAISED -----	10,482.13
Total commitment to college -----	\$200,000.00

List of persons for whom honorariums and memorials have been designated to date:

HONORARIUMS: Mrs. Sanford A. (Mary Coons) Burgess
Mrs. Virgil W. (Evelyn Weaver) Jernigan
Ed Leigh McMillan (now deceased)

MEMORIALS: Lee Armstrong
Elizabeth Neal Anderson
Mr. and Mrs. Richard (Catherine Oliver) Burgess
Mr. and Mrs. James Oliver (Beulah Bell Evans) Burgess
Mr. and Mrs. Roland Oscar (Addie Bell) Burgess
Sanford Andrew Burgess
Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Brigham (Cora Giles) Burgess
William Henry Harold Burgess
George Oliver Burgess
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Col. and Mrs. James Miller (Katherine McMillan) Davison
Mrs. Sylvester (Cynthia) Daniels
Mrs. Mary Louise (Mamie) Burgess Dower
Mrs. L.E. (Helen McConnico) Dickinson
Noah Everette Elliott
Mr. and Mrs. Francis M. (Sarah E. Bell) Evans
Mr. and Mrs. Linton H. (Macie Frazee) Evans
*John David Finlay
J.E. (Ned) Finlay
*Mr. and Mrs. Samuel S. (Maggie Blacksher) Foshee
Mrs. Elizabeth Franklin
Mrs. Carrie Girlinghouse
Mr. and Mrs. John (Pheriby Godwin) Gay
Peck Garrett
Oliver Hoomes
W.T. Hart
Mrs. Eloise Hassell
Mr. and Mrs. Cosby Hayes
Buford T. Hinson
Robert L. Hayes III
Miss Mary Holladay
Mrs. W.Y. Jernigan
Miss Kate Johnson
Lifus Johnson (Escambia's First Black Deputy)
Cyrus Koon
Clarence Koon
Judge and Mrs. John David Leigh
Aaron Lazarus
Joe Larkin
Mrs. Annie Laurie Lindsey
Mrs. Ralph Larkin

MEMORIALS:
(continued)

Judge and Mrs. Norvelle R. Leigh, Sr.
Hubert I. Lester
Dr. and Mrs. John E. (Jessie V.) Martin
Wesley J. Monk
Sidney L. Manning (War Hero)
Julian F. McGowin, Mobile
Mrs. Ed Leigh (Iva Lee Miller) McMillan
Malcolm McMillan
*Thomas E. McMillan
*Ed Leigh McMillan
*Mr. and Mrs. Herbert D. (Ethel Owens) Finlay
Gil Olds
Finlay Owens
Mrs. Mattie O'Bannon
Dr. Charles Prestwood
Mrs. Louise Pettis
Mr. and Mrs. Robert T. (Forence) Richburg
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Lee H. Strawbridge
Mrs. T. H. Sherrer
Mrs. Bessie Smith
Jackson Burton Stallworth
Mr. and Mrs. G. W. L. Smith
B. F. Stokes, Jr.
Mr. and Mrs. Alex Hundley (Cecil Deere) Schad
N. W. Shellenberger
James Robert Stewart (1858-1930 b. Scotland)
Mrs. Mattie Lou Trammell Taylor
McDuffie Thames
Mrs. Florence Cora Burgess Coleman Toff
C. A. Williamson
Rev. R. D. Wright
Miss Margaret Weaver
Fred Waters
Zeft Clifford Watson
Adolph Weaver
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Monk (Ola Evans) Williamson
Mr. and Mrs. William W. (Jessie Evans) Weaver
E. P. Yeldell

* Indicates Memorial in excess of \$1,000.00.

RE: RAILROAD BILL, OUTLAW

July 5, 1895

We, the undersigned agree to pay and deposit in the Bank of Brewton the amounts set opposite our names for the delivery of the body of Mourice Slater, alias "Railroad," the negro (who assassinated Sheriff E. S. McMillan) to the proper authorities of this county, Escambia Alabama.

S. J. Foshee	-	\$25.00	Paid	James Sowell	-	\$5.00	
E. M. Lovelace	-	\$25.00	Paid	Allex McGowin, Sr.	-	\$5.00	Paid
C. L. Wiggins	-	\$50.00		N. R. Leigh	-	\$25.00	
James M. Davison	-	\$25.00	Paid	W. G. Martin	-	\$5.00	
T. W. Curry	-	\$15.00	Paid	W. P. Martin	-	\$5.00	
G. F. Arnold	-	\$15.00		E. Downing	-	\$50.00	
J. H. Fuller	-	\$15.00		O. F. Luttrell	-	\$2.50	Paid
C. L. Touree	-	\$25.00	Paid	A. F. Johnson	-	\$2.50	Paid
G. B. Frierson	-	\$15.00		C. M. Luttrell	-	\$2.00	Paid
T. R. Miller	-	\$25.00		F. J. Pfeiffer	-	\$1.00	Paid
W. W. Downing, Sr.	-	\$25.00	Paid	M. F. Brooks	-	\$5.00	paid
D. W. Blacksher	-	\$15.00		A. McGowin, Jr.	-	\$13.00	
T. M. Stevens	-	\$10.00					