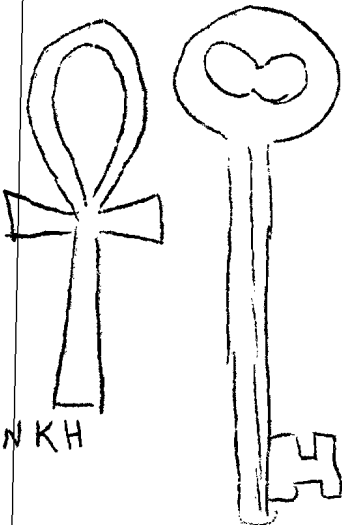


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NOTICE OF MEETING -

Tuesday, June 26, 1979,

Time: 7:30 p.m.

Place: Thomas E. McMillan Museum

Speaker: John T. Powell, Museum Curator

Topic: Museums: Forms, Functions and
Services

John T. Powell, the new curator for the Thomas E. McMillan Museum, began his duties here on June 1st and has already realized its potential and has gotten caught up in our dream for making this one of the finest museums and historical-genealogical reference centers in the State. Prior to his coming, the college authorities applied for a grant from the Alabama Historical Commission for \$38,000 for archaeological research in this area, and John is looking into the possibility of digging some of Escambia's most important historical sites. We cannot be sure that the grant will be awarded, but since no Alabama Historical Commission funds have ever been used in this county it would seem that it would be given priority. John will talk to us briefly about the functions of a museum, collections and records, preservation, interpretation and research, exhibits, educational services, about what goes into the operation of a professional museum and some general remarks pertaining to museums and specifically the Thomas E. McMillan Museum. Let's all turn out for this meeting and let John know that we are behind him with our full support.

NEW MEMBERS:

Mrs. Muriel Brewton, 3305 Dundee St., El Paso, Texas 79925

Mr. Travis G. Dannelley, P.O. Box 312, Daphne, Al. 36526

Mrs. Jettie Rankin Stone, Rt. 2, Box 443, Troup, Texas 75789

QUERY: Thomas V. Herring, 2508 W. Daniels Road, Mobile, Al. 36605, writes - I am seeking information on the Wright Wall, Sr. and Thomas Wall, Sr. family that was in the Fort Crawford area in 1818. Wright Wall, Sr. was the father of Absolom Wall, Thomas Wall, Sr. and Wright Wall, Jr. Thomas Wall held church services for the Troops at Fort Crawford in 1818 (see Early History of Conecuh County by Riley) and an edifice was built for his use. A grist mill was built close to Fort Crawford by one of his brothers, but it is not known which one. Wright Wall, Sr. served in the Revolutionary War under Col. G.G. Powell's Regiment, Militia from St. David's Parish, Georgetown District, South Carolina. He joined Capt. William Davis' Company on Sept. 26,

1775, and was commissioned 2nd Lieutenant on February 20, 1776. He moved to Greene County, Mississippi Territory in 1810 with his family, wife, daughter, three sons, and grandson. He was still living in Greene County in 1816. It is not known whether or not he moved to Conecuh County, Alabama Territory in 1817 with the three sons. I am interested in locating the burial site of Wright Wall, Sr. By 1826, Absolom Thomas, Sr. and Wright, Jr. had moved to the Leon community, Covington County, Alabama. I am unable to locate Wright Wall, Sr. after the first Census, Greene County, Mississippi Territory, in 1816. Any information that you may have on the Wall family will be appreciated. CAN ANY OF YOU HELP?

MUSEUM FUND -

REGULAR DONATION - Rev. J.W.Caldwell

MEMORIAL DONATIONS -

MR. BILLY RAY LONG

By: Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Bethea

MR. WILLIAM A. FINLAY

By: Dr. and Mrs. Robert R. Smith

MRS. MARTHA COOPER TRIMBLE

By: Dr. and Mrs. Robert R. Smith

DR. D. W. McMILLAN

By: Miss Sallie M. Davison
Mrs. Eleanor Davison Phillips

MISS ELIZABETH CATHERINE (Lizzie Kate) DAVISON

By: Miss Sallie M. Davison
Mrs. Eleanor Davison Phillips

NEWS NOTE - You will all be happy to know that Roger Anderson and his family will be staying here in Brewton and he will enroll at Auburn University to obtain his Master's Degree taking advantage of the two years left to him under the Veteran's benefits program. He has recently made two trips to Salt Lake City under a commission to research some local family ancestry. He is still very interested in this Society and the museum, and plans to remain active in our group as time permits.

BY-LAWS OF

THE ESCAMBIA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

ARTICLE I - Name - The name of this organization shall be The Escambia County Historical Society.

ARTICLE II - Meetings - The Escambia County Historical Society shall hold monthly meetings on the third Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m. The meeting held in January of each year shall be designated as the annual meeting. The place of meeting shall be decided by vote of membership on recommendation by the Executive Board.

ARTICLE III - Objects - Section 1: To search for, collect, preserve, and publish any and all materials, artifacts, fossils, and items of historical significance pertaining to the people and area now known as Escambia County, Alabama, found to be desirable by the membership, whether it be of a general nature or relating to specific families, churches, businesses, etc.

Objects - Section 2: To assist in and encourage the erection of a museum or other permanent place to house all information, artifacts, fossils and materials collected, and to display such items collected as well as to hold and display for private collectors any items said private collectors might wish to loan or consign to said museum or permanent place.

ARTICLE IV - Membership - Section 1: Membership in this organization shall be by invitation and/or application. A majority vote of those present and voting shall constitute election to membership. Section 2: Membership shall be of four classes: Charter, Active, Honorary and Life. Section 3: The Charter membership roster will be closed at or prior to the April, 1972 meeting. Section 4: Active membership will be any persons who join the society after the charter roster has been closed. Section 5: Any person who has done outstanding historical work, or who has conferred benefit on the Society, upon recommendation by the Executive Board and by the unanimous vote of those present may be named Honorary Member. An Honorary Member shall have no vote nor shall be required to pay dues.

ARTICLE V - Dues - The initial membership fee for Charter Members shall be Ten (\$10.00) Dollars and should be paid at the time of joining the Society prior to April, 1972. The membership fee and annual dues thereafter shall be Five (\$5.00) Dollars due and payable at or prior to the January meeting. For the Charter Members after the initial membership fee is paid, annual dues shall not be due until January, 1973. Life Membership shall be \$100.00.

ARTICLE VI - Officers - Section 1: The officers of The Escambia County Historical Society shall be: President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Librarian, Publicity Chairman, and Historian/Curator. Section 2: Officers shall be elected bi-ennially. The President shall appoint a Nominating Committee of no less than three members at the regular meeting preceding the annual meeting. This Committee shall present the names of a candidate for each office, first having obtained the consent of the ones to be nominated. Nominations may be made from the floor, provided the person or persons nominated has given his or her consent. When there is more than one candidate for any office, the election shall be by secret ballot, and the person receiving the majority of the votes of those present and voting shall constitute an election. Section 3: An officer changing his or her residence to another section of the state or to another state automatically vacates the office, and shall notify the President of his intention to vacate the office. Section 4: Vacancies occurring in office shall cause the President to notify the Nominating Committee who shall present the names of a candidate to fill such vacancy at the next regular meeting to fill the unexpired term. Officers having already been elected from the floor for the first term of office, the Executive Board shall act as Nominating Committee until December, 1973, when a Nominating Committee shall be appointed for the complete roster of officers to be voted on at the January, 1974 meeting.

ARTICLE VII - Committees - Section 1: The President shall appoint committees as he deems necessary for membership drives, amendments to by-laws, finance, matters of literary publications etc.

ARTICLE VIII - Quorum - Section 1: Fifteen (15) voting members shall constitute a quorum at any regular meeting of the Society. Section 2: Five (5) voting members shall constitute a quorum at any meeting of the Executive Board.

ARTICLE IX - Duties of Officers - Section 1: The President shall preside at all meetings of the Society and of the Executive Board;

shall appoint members of constituted committees and create such other committees and appoint members thereon as he deems advisable. He shall be ex-officio member of all committees and shall perform such other duties as are usually incident to the office. Section 2: The Vice President shall act as representative of the President in all matters referred to him by the President and shall perform such other duties as are usually incident to his respective office. Section 3: The Secretary shall keep an accurate record of the minutes of the Society and its Executive Board; shall keep a roll of the members and committees; shall take care of correspondence and send out notices of meetings. Section 4: The Librarian shall encourage historical research; shall care for the archives of the Society, shall be custodian of all documents, papers, source materials, etc. until such time as the Society shall notify her to place them in the depository of the Society. Section 5: The Historian/Curator shall be custodian of all artifacts, fossils, antiques, and other items of that nature until such time as the Society shall notify him to place them in the depository of the Society. Section 6: The Treasurer shall be custodian of the funds of the Society and shall account for the same. He shall sign all checks issued and give a financial report at each regular meeting and Executive Board Meeting. He shall notify delinquent members. Section 7: The Publicity Chairman shall assist the objects of the Society by seeing that appropriate publicity is given to the efforts being made by the Society, also reports to the county newspapers of meetings held and business transacted therein that would be of public interest.

ARTICLE X - Executive Board - Section 1: The Executive Board shall consist of all elected Officers and the Chairmen of Standing Committees. Section 2: The general management, direction and control of the affairs, property and funds of this Society shall be vested in the Executive Board.

ARTICLE XI - Amendments - Section 1: These By-Laws may be amended at any regular meeting of the Society by a two-thirds vote of those present and voting, provided that the proposed amendment shall be read at length at the first meeting and shall be voted upon at the next regular meeting.

ARTICLE XII - Incorporation - Section 1: Should it in the future become desirable to incorporate the Society, the same shall be incorporated under the laws of the State of Alabama as relating to the incorporation of non-profit societies.

ARTICLE XIII - Trustees - Section 1: At the January, 1972 meeting three (3) Charter Trustees shall be elected from the organizing membership, who shall hold office for life or so long as they remain in good standing in the Society, and who shall perform the duties of Trustees under the laws of the State of Alabama. Section 2: Any vacancies arising in the office of Charter Trustees may be filled by the Society at the first annual meeting following the occurrence of such vacancy.

TREASURERS REPORT - June 16, 1979

GENERAL FUND ----- \$922.01

(A part of the General Fund was used to pay for the microfilm camera for the museum, most of which has been made back up from memorial and regular donations since that time, except for \$48.35. After this is made back up to the general fund, we will begin to