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The regular monthly meeting of the Escambia County Historical Society will be held July 26, at 7:00 p.m. in the McMillan Museum at Jeff Davis College. The program to be given is A PIONEER: ALEXANDER TRAVIS. Presenting the program is Mr. Floyd Currie. Mr. Currie is a charter member and past president of our Society, a prominent business man of Atmore, an able and interesting speaker, faithful and willing in all the endeavors of our Society. He is really our MR. CONGENIALITY and we look forward with a great deal of pleasure to his program. We hope you will be present and bring a friend with you to this meeting.

Did you enjoy our MUSICAL MEMORIES PROGRAM in June? We especially want to give a big vote of thanks to Georgia Hart, Betty Campbell, Floyd Currie, Tricia Hart, Myrtise West and Ronnie Herrington for their work and study to bring us this program. We also thank Mary Larkin, Jewel Williamson, Ethel Bethea and Betty Campbell for the refreshments. We thank Vivian Jones for the lovely flowers. It was a lovely evening.

We are happy to report that our president, Gladys Byrs, is recuperating very nicely in Birmingham and will be home soon. Best wishes to her.

Memorials for June:

IN MEMORY OF JIMMY LUTTRELL
By Rita Jane Boykin

IN MEMORY OF MRS. ANNE MCLELLAN
By Rita Jane Boykin

We have a query from one of our members:

Any information on the BARNHILL, GILLIS, ROGERS PR RODGERS, WARD FAMILIES
please write to : Roger C. Coleman
710 Avenue J
Lipscomb, Alabama 35020

The following was copied from PINE BELT NEWS, NOVEMBER 30, 1911:
A FAMILY HEIRLOOM

"A pair of trousers made according to a pattern of 'ye olden times', a decided curiosity, a family heirloom which have been handed down from generation to generation are temporarily in the possession of the NEWS Editor.

The pants are made of cotton, hand spun and woven and were worn during the Revolutionary War by William Malphus, great grand father of Rev. N. B. Baggett of Route 2 Brewton. Mr Malphus lived on Big Escambia Creek eight miles north of Flomaton, where he died at the ripe old age of ninety years. He was from Ireland and fought in the Revolutionary War.

We will send the trousers to the Department of Archives and History in Montgomery for preservation. "

We would like to know now in 1933 if there were any follow-up on this item. If anyone has any knowledge of this or knows anyone who can tell us, we will appreciate your letting us know. This is an interesting article found in the old newspaper by Evelyn Jernigan. It is one of the ways Evelyn helps us with our publications. Thank you, Evelyn.

A recent article recently printed in the MOBILE REGISTER HERITAGE column each Sunday noted the fact that this is the Centennial of the Yellow Fever epidemic in Mobile and the gulf coast. We, too, in Brewton have the same Centennial for it was in 1833 that our city as well as surrounding areas was stricken with Yellow Fever. The celebration of such an event involves our thanksgiving that we do not experience such epidemics in our time.

The ESCAMBIA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY proudly announces that the manuscript for HISTORY OF ESCAMBIA COUNTY, ALABAMA BY ANNIE CROOK WATERS IS NOW IN THE HANDS OF THE PUBLISHER. This is a quote from Mr. David Strode Akens, president of Strode Publishers in Huntsville, Alabama:

"Yes, your manuscript has arrived and typesetting began yesterday. Everyone here is as impressed as am I with the manuscript."

We commend Annie Waters for a beautiful job. Thank you.

JOHN BUCHAN: To view the Past with pride,
To live in the Present with courage,
To face the Future with faith, my Aim.

