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James B. Lyon

We are indebted to Mr. James B. Lyon, Bristol, Tennessee, for the following item which contains a bit of history of Milligan College. Mr. Lyon also sent us the advertisement which appears on this page. It was taken from the "Union Flag and Commercial Advertiser" publication in Jonesboro, Tennessee, May 17, 1872.

We are always glad to have any item concerning the early history of the college. We are sure that many former students have interesting things which we shall be very glad to print in the "Buffalo Range."

Mr. Lyons sends in a dollar for a year's suscription to the alumni publication.

Bristol, Va.
March 10th. 1941

The Buffalo Range,
Milligan College, Tenn.

Some time ago, I came across a copy of the UNION FLAG and COMMERCIAL ADVERTISER, published in Jonesborough (now Jonesboro) Tenn. May 17, 1872. I am enclosing you an ad of "Buffalo Male and Female Institute," which I clipped from this old paper. This was the beginning of Milligan College and that my uncle W. G. Barker, was the founder of it. I thought that this might be of interest to some.

In this connection, I wish to call your attention to the reference usually made to the founder of Buffalo Institute as Col. Barker. This is an error of long standing that should be corrected in the next Bulletin of Milligan College, to be published and I will appreciate it if you will call the attention of those in charge of publishing the Bulletins, to this.

The founder of Buffalo Institute, the beginning of Milligan College was never a Colonel. It is

Free Graded School BUFFALO MALE AND FEMALE INSTITUTE

Will open its next session of ten months, divided into two sessions of five months, First Monday in September, 1871.

TUITION

Primary Department — \$ 6.00
Intermediate — — — — 9.00
Advanced Greek, Latin,
French, etc. — — — — 12.00

W. G. Barker, Principal
Wm. Pendleton, Assistant
Mrs. Barker, formerly
Miss Bohannon, Matron and
Teacher of French, Music, etc.

Hillsville, Va.
March 6, 1941

Dear Mr. Long:

Since graduating from Milligan College in 1925, I have been a teacher in Southwest Virginia for the most part. However, since the death of my mother in 1933 I have been keeping house for my father.

I am looking forward to receiving the "Buffalo Range" and the news of the class of '25. It will be almost like a visit to the Milligan of those days.

Sincerely yours,
Jessie Smith Gardner.
Class of 1925

true that his father was a Colonel and his brother had the title of Colonel but he was a Minister in the Christian Church and any reference made of him should be "Rev. Wilson G. Barker,"

I see the "Range" occasionally and enjoy it. I would like to have it as a regular visitor to my office and I am enclosing my check for \$1.00. With my best wishes for every one who is associated with Milligan College now or any time in the years gone by I remain,

Sincerely,
James B. Lyon,
Bristol, Va.-Tenn.

Fall Branch, Tenn.
February 21, 1941

Buffalo Range
Milligan College, Tenn,

The existence of an alumni paper was quite a surprise to me and I am interested in a subscription. For the years since 1935, I have been teaching in the Fall Branch High School every single one of those including this one. There has been nothing very exciting happened in these years except I had the chicken pox in 1937 and was married in 1938. We have a home in Fall Branch, a Ford car (green), a garden, a cow, twelve hens and a rooster. I have spent the last two summers at George Peabody College studying library science. My present position in the school is teacher-librarian.

Sincerely yours,
Yetiva V. Gibson

Mrs. Miles H. Gibson
Fall Branch, Tenn.

Henry M. Johnson, Jr.

Buffalo Range
Milligan College, Tenn.

Dear Friends:

I have just received another copy of the Buffalo Range and enjoyed so much the letters of former students whom I knew when I was at Milligan. It made me feel rather embarassed for not having written in sooner, especially since you requested such letters about former students in one of your issues some time ago.

After graduating from Milligan in May 1931, there was brought to my attention the opportunities afforded by the Life Insurance business. Before making any definite connection with any particular company, I made an independent investigation to determine which company measured up best to the business ideals which had been impressed upon

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Mrs. Paul B. Dykes Class of 1928

Mrs. Paul B Dykes, (Ora Light Dykes) Murfreesboro, Tennessee, class of 1928, entered Milligan College in 1924. She attended George Peabody College during the year 1930. Her present occupation is with the National Grange, the oldest farm organization in the world with 75 years of service to rural people.

Mr. Dykes is Master of Tennessee State Grange, also a National Grange Officer. Mrs. Dykes is the State Grange Juvenile Superintendent.

Her community interests are connected with organized work with the idea of better educational facilities for both adult and youth. She writes:

"The greatest lack in rural communities is education and trained leaders. It is appalling to see the lack of trained leaders in rural sections. My chief interest is to see trained leaders in rural communities, also to see recreation for youth in order to keep them away from beer joints and other questionable places."

Mrs. Dykes was formerly located at Baileyton, Tennessee, but is now located at Murfreesboro, Tennessee. Mr. Dykes is a graduate of L. M. U., Harrogate, Tennessee.

Her letter is as follows:
Buffalo Range,
Milligan College, Tenn.

Dear Mr. Long,

The copies of "Buffalo Range" received and so grateful to you as I thoroughly enjoyed reading accounts of so many old acquaintances. It is quite provoking to think of all the interesting things I have missed because I have not been reading the "Range." Enclosed you will find \$1. for subscription and if you have extra copies other than those you sent I shall be so glad to have them.

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From The Dining Room Register

Mrs. E. W. Elliott	Bristol, Tenn.
Nancy Franklin	Elizabethton, "
Thomas A. Gray	Milligan College, "
Mrs. Tom Gray	" " "
Gary Albert Gray	" " "
Thomas A. Gray, Jr.	" " "
Robert Pipe	Etowah, "
R. L. Gravely	" "
Ralph Hubbard	Pound, Va.
Dr. and Mrs. Rosenbaum	Jewell Valley, Va.
Louis D. Riddell	Butler, Pa.
Mrs. Louis D. Riddell	Butler, Pa.
Mr. and Mrs. L. W. McCowan,	Johnson City, Tenn.
Hardin McCowan,	Johnson City, Tenn.
Mrs. C. M. Eyer,	Milligan College, Tenn.
Mr. Burton U. Shook,	Elizabethton, Tenn.
Walter Carter,	L. M. C. Banner Elk, N. C.
Sunshine Teilmann,	Johnson City, Tenn.
Luther (Toar) Reed,	Louisville, Ky.
Harold Creger,	Wytheville, Va.
Penny Suther,	Wytheville Va.
Oliver L. Clippard,	Wytheville, Va.
Berthold Ripley,	Chuckey, Tenn.
Mrs. Roy Harmon	Christiansburg, Va.
R. D. Harmon	" "
Mrs. J. T. Lucas	" "
E. P. Willard	Milligan College, Tenn.
Mrs. E. P. Willard	" " "
Mrs. D. K. McCarrell	Johnson City, "
D. K. McCarrell	" " "
Kathleen Edens	Elizabethton, "
Ruth Gray	Milligan College, "
Hugh M. Thompson	" " "
Mrs. Hugh M. Thompson	" " "
Hugh Thompson, Jr.	" " "
Shelton Thompson	" " "
Willard Grubb	Decatur, "
Louis Byrd	Tusculum College, "

Two Fools

Two fools there are, and they are great.
 These fools are you and I;
 I for stretching forth my hand,
 You for passing by.

Leota Mallicote Heritage

The Builder

Another soul will have to build
 A mansion that is great,
 But mine shall build the stepping stones
 That lead you to its gate.

Leota Mallicote Heritage

Of Thy So Dear Security

* * *
 O, ye, who tear our souls apart,
 With unrelenting wars,
 When seeing who and what thou art,
 Why not let down thy bars?
 Leota Mallicote Heritage

Under the Black Fog

* * *
 Hope of nations seem to weaken
 Into shattered bits and fall.
 Nothing have they now to cling to,
 Nothing, nothing at all
 Substantial and truly whole,
 But the hands of God, their Savior,
 Lifting up each dubious soul.
 Leota Mallicote Heritage

Preface to Friends

* * *
 One who reminds me of a light,
 Shining dimly, then quite bright;
 And one is like the surging sea,
 Tireless, moody, deep and free:
 I vision one much like a weed,
 Full of avaricious greed;
 And one resembles holidays,
 Happy, care-free in her ways;
 I see one as a pure-toned pearl,
 So very perfect is this girl;
 And one suggests the Queen Anne Lace,
 The way she proudly lifts her face;
 One calls to mind an evening sky,
 So bright her smile as she goes by;
 And there is one like sun and rain,
 Restoring life in me again.
 In reverie they seem to be
 A strange and much-loved melody.
 Leota Mallicote Heritage

Afterglow

When flesh and blood have turned to dust,
 And all of me seems gone,
 You'll find I've left much of my soul
 Still lingering in my song.
 Leota Mallicote Heritage

Poetry

I'm more than written rhyming lines
 On pages white and clean;
 For I am birth and I am death
 And all of life between.
 Leota Mallicote Heritage

Dr. Myrtle Lee Smith

Choctaw County Health Dept.
 Butler, Alabama
 March 1, 1941.

Dear Fellow Alumni,
 I have been here in this sparsely settled Alabama county for two months and am finding a big job in front of me trying to rid the school children of Choctaw county of a 58% hookworm infestation. One little fellow was reported to me as eating green concrete and would the health officer come find out the cause of his changing from eating dirt to eating green concrete. I went down with our public health nurse and the hookworm survey revealed 34 out of 39 had hookworms so we proceeded to give out treatment and gave a pep talk on the importance of taking the remedy, as well as doing such preventive things as wearing shoes all year round and sanitating the homes to prevent reinfestation of the soil. I am being tried out as a woman health officer along with two other women health officers in other counties in Alabama and if we do a good job as human guinea pigs in this capacity we will make it easier for other women physicians in the south to become effective in the public health field as health officers. We have a problem of controlling a high incidence of Tuberculosis and syphilis also. Then we have a big job to keep up with twenty five negro midwives who deliver well over ninety three percent of the negro babies born in Choctaw County. There are no paved roads in this county, when it rains most roads are impassable. I do not believe I ever before had as much appreciation of paved or graveled roads as right now. Half the population is colored so I can pretend I am in Africa if I get too homesick for Congo. The soil here is very similar to our section of Congo. We do have a modern equipped small private hospital in Butler, and eight grand cooperative physicians in this county, they even voted for us to add a child spacing clinic to our new service of a
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Letters From Out on the Range

Harriman, Tennessee
March 6, 1941

Buffalo Range
Milligan College, Tennessee

Received your letter of March 3 saying that a great many of the members of the Alumni Association had asked that letters be published in the alumni paper. It is my understanding from your letter that you plan to publish letters from the class of 1925 in the columns of the next alumni paper.

Immediately following graduation from Milligan, I became associated with the Jenkins, Kentucky school system acting as assistant principal during the school year of 1925-26, and as principal during the school year of 1926-27. On June 1, 1927 I purchased The Harriman Record, a weekly newspaper published in Harriman, Tennessee, and for the past fourteen years have acted as publisher of the paper. This in short is the life history of one Bill Hill since he left Milligan College.

Space would not permit one to enumerate the joys and difficulties experienced by a publisher of a weekly newspaper, neither could he measure his influence, sometimes for good and sometimes for bad, that he has in the community.

I trust that this information is about what you asked for in your letter of March 3. You have my permission to print this letter in the Buffalo Range if you so desire.

Yours very truly,
Bill Hill, class of '25.

Linden, Tennessee
February 25, 1941

Buffalo Range
Alumni Association
Milligan College, Tennessee.

Dear Mr. Long:

I am indeed glad to comply with your generous request; for I, too, am eager to hear something about the members of the Class of '37. Living in a section of the state where Milligan Alumni are few and far between, I rarely

ever see a representative of my Alma Mater. I have scarcely seen a member of my graduating class, but each moment I spend with one who has been at Milligan is a happy one.

After graduating from Milligan, I returned to Linden where I taught English at the local high school for four years. Since July 1, I have held and am now holding the office of superintendent of Perry County Schools. I also serve as a Deacon and Superintendent of Sunday School in the Linden Christian Church.

The traditions, ideals, and teachings of Milligan become dearer and more sacred as the years go by. She has held and will continue to hold an enviable position among our institutions of Christian education.

I am enclosing \$1 for which you may send me copies of "The Stampede" and "Buffalo Range". To all my classmates and teachers of Milligan, I send greetings and suggest the Class of '36 hold a reunion.

With every best wish for your personal success, and that of Milligan College, I am

Sincerely yours,
Tom Kent Savage
Class of '36

Feb. 27, 1941.

Buffalo Range:

I am glad to report, in answer to your inquiry, a few facts that may be of interest. Also, I would like to take this opportunity of sending a greeting to all the the group of faculty and students I was associated in the beginning with President Hopwood's last year at Milligan and extending through the 1920's.

At present I am living at Elizabethtown, Kentucky, near Fort Knox with my three sons where my husband is stationed as a Captain with the 12th Observation Squadron, Army Air Corps. Needless to say, my life is full and busy. Still I have time to recall often all those happy years at Milligan.

Sincerely yours,
Helen Frazier Tidwell - 1922

Suite 105,
864 Monroe Ave.
Memphis, Tenn.,
March 3, 1941.

Buffalo Range,

I am glad to know there is still a "Buffalo Range", so we can have news of Milligan and our schoolmates from time to time.

There are two of Milligan's Class of '36 in U. T. College of Medicine. Tom Smedley (Jacksonville, Fla.) and myself. Tom is in his sophomore year, and I'm in my senior year.

After graduation I taught in the Johnson City, City School system for two years, and then entered Medical College.

With best wishes for a continual "Buffalo Range", I am

Sincerely yours
Wm. C. Carpenter
(Single and happy)

P.S. Of course you may publish the above letter in the "Buffalo Range".

Cecil Lowe is studying medicine here, attending at intervals. At present he's with TVA, and will be back here in March registration (I think)

How about a "Buffalo Range" occasionally?

W. C. C.
Class '36

Dryden Hall
Chillicothe, Mo.
February 25, 1941

Buffalo Range
Alumni Association
Milligan College, Tennessee

As you probably know, I had my eye operation this summer before entering Chillicothe Business College, the largest institution of its kind in America. I have been taking their complete course which includes shorthand, typing, bookkeeping, commercial law, business arithmetic, etc. Last week I enrolled also in the machine bookkeeping course. I enjoy my course but it takes more study than that at Milligan.

We have regular college life here with sports, glee club, band, orchestra, banquets, and school dances. We have regular assemb-

ly programs with prominent speakers in various fields. Among our speakers this fall were J. C. Penny and Albert Tangora, the world's champion typist. These assemblies are not only a source of entertainment, but are very educational.

Many acquaintances are possible on account of the number of students here, representing practically all of the states in the Union and a few foreign countries.

I'm looking forward with pleasure to seeing a copy of this edition of the Buffalo Range, and I hope this information proves to be what you desired.

I would enjoy hearing from other members of the class.

Sincerely,
Ellen St. John

Jonesboro, Tenn.
Mar. 3, 1941

Buffalo Range,
Milligan College,
Tennessee

Dear Mr. Long,

I am glad you are featuring items of interest about the class of 1918. For some time I have wanted to hear about my classmates.

I teach English and Latin in the Boones Creek High School, which is located five miles north of Johnson City on the Kingsport highway. I have been here nine years. I commute on a school bus.

I live with my mother and brother Jack, whom your President well remembers.

For my summer vacation I work in the garden, milk, raise poultry and do the house work when I rest - My life is certainly not very dull and monotonous. I am busy from five o'clock in the morning until ten at night - later occasionally.

When I went to see Mrs. Derthick last summer, I enjoyed seeing the campus so beautiful - quite a difference from the spring of 1918. Milligan is going forward and I am proud to see it.

Sincerely yours,
Mary Keefauver
Class 1918

MRS. PAUL B. DYKES

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I was interested in Mrs. Anna Kelly Wilson's letter from the state of Washington (who has similar interests to that of my own Grange activities). I had the privilege of appearing on Radio Broadcast, National Farm and Home Hour, from Peoria, Illinois. I spoke on the subject, "What the Grange Means to the South". All rural teachers, preachers and farmers who are not familiar with the Grange and its services for the past seventy-five years should avail themselves of this opportunity.

We attended a basketball game at Milligan a few weeks ago. It was a great experience, after many years absence. A somewhat sad feeling gripped me as I looked around for familiar faces, to find just a few. However, memories of the old acquaintances became so vivid that soon the feeling of loneliness disappeared. Realizing that scenes must change if we advance to a higher stage of civilization, I was thrilled to see new faces full of enthusiasm and love for Milligan College.

I am always interested in learning of the success of Milligan students.

With every good wish to all alumni.

A definition of the organization we represent:

"The Grange is a great farm fraternity; building character; developing leadership; encouraging education; promoting community betterment; instilling an appreciation of high ideals; teaching through work and play the value of cooperation and service in the attainment of happiness.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Paul B. Dykes

DR. MYRTLE LEE SMITH

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maternity clinic at the health office.

I miss having church every Sunday. Never in my life before have I lived in a town where one could not go to church every Sunday if one wished to go. Here we must miss at least one Sunday as both Baptist and Methodist church is on or below a half-time basis.

This week I had a flattering invitation to be a guest of the Tuscaloosa Branch of the American Association of University Women on March 24 at 8 o'clock in the University of Alabama Auditorium when Mademoiselle Eve Curie speaks on the life of her mother and to attend the reception immediately afterwards in Colonial hall. They wish me to come and to sit on the stage with this distinguished daughter of one of the world's greatest women and that will be a treat, just to meet Mlle. Curie. Maybe I can hear a few words of French from her too.

I saw a pet doe this week and thought it was precious. There are deer in these abundant woods and swamps, I saw one along the highway as I entered the county Jan. 5, 1941. I recently took a snapshot of a negro breaking a garden across the street from the health office with a plow to an old fashioned yoke on an oxen so you can guess I have a few interesting memories accumulating from this new place.

May each of you have health and joy in your work too.

Myrtle Lee Smith, M.D.
Choctaw County Health Officer
Butler, Ala.
Class of 1922 M.C.

HENRY M. JOHNSON, JR.

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me in Mr. Burns' Business Administration Course. In July of that year I decided that the Northwestern Mutual Life offered its policyholders the most valuable contract on the market. In addition to this high quality, I found that Northwestern was consistently the low cost company in the country. From that time to this I have been in the business of selling Life Insurance. In 1936, after several years of additional concentrated study, I received the Chartered Life Underwriter Degree, being one of twelve in the State of Kentucky now holding that degree. So much for my business life.

On graduation day in 1932 on the campus of Milligan, I married Ruby Stone of Pineville, Kentucky. We have a son, Mark, who was born in September 1936 and a daughter, Linda, who was born in August 1939.

Although Milligan is many miles distant, we have tried to keep up our contacts by making occasional visits, the last one being in May 1940 when I attended a trustees meeting on the campus. Mr. Derthick used to come through Louisville several times a year and keep us acquainted with the news of the college, and now Mr. Burns sees us when he passes through town.

Walter Carpenter is in Louisville as is his brother, Paul and his wife, all former Milligan students. There is also a young fellow named Clyde Turrentine who went to Milligan but whom I do not know. He is marrying a Louisville girl shortly. Also in Louisville is Anna Knight who is now Mrs. Fletcher Seymour. She has two daughters.

Of course, with our training there, we would have been lost here without doing some kind of Church work. Both Ruby and I are very active in the Beargrass Christian Church in Louisville where we have held various offices from time to time. In addition to this we have been able to give some little time during these

Landon C. Bell

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We present herewith extracts from suitable critics on his writing.

(a) Dr. Lyon G. Tyler wrote: "This work presents a wealth of facts and material regarding Lunenburg County never before available. With this useful book and his monumental work in two volumes, "The Old Free State of Lunenburg." Mr. Bell may be called the Father of his Country.

(b) Dr. Wm. G. Standard, in Virginia Historical Magazine, wrote:

Mr. Bell after giving the civil history of Lunenburg County and much of its genealogy in his well-known "Old Free State" now presents the parish register and vestry book of Cumberland Parish in that county.

The texts of these records not only contain valuable historical, social and economic history, but the author's introduction, various chapters on the churches, vestries and other activities of the parish, together with his numerous notes (evidently the result of very careful research) makes this book a valuable addition to his history of Lunenburg. It, however, does not duplicate the contents of that book.

There are numerous genealogical notes, biographical notes on the ministers, and registers of marriages, baptisms and funerals.

Mr. Bell's latest book is a real addition to our local history."

This interesting article will be continued in the next issue.

years to the Community Chest, Y. M. C. A., and the Kentucky Sunday School Association.

I hope you will be able to keep up the good work you have started in binding together in this interesting way the former students of Milligan who are scattered about over the country. We always look forward to news of Milligan and want to extend an invitation to any of our friends to visit us whenever they are in this part of the country.

Sincerely,
Henry M. Johnson, Jr.
Class of 1931

SUBSCRIPTION BLANK

To J. Goff Long, Secretary Alumni Association
Milligan College, Tennessee.

Enclosed is my check for \$1.00 for which please enter my name for one year's subscription to the Buffalo Range.

Name

Address