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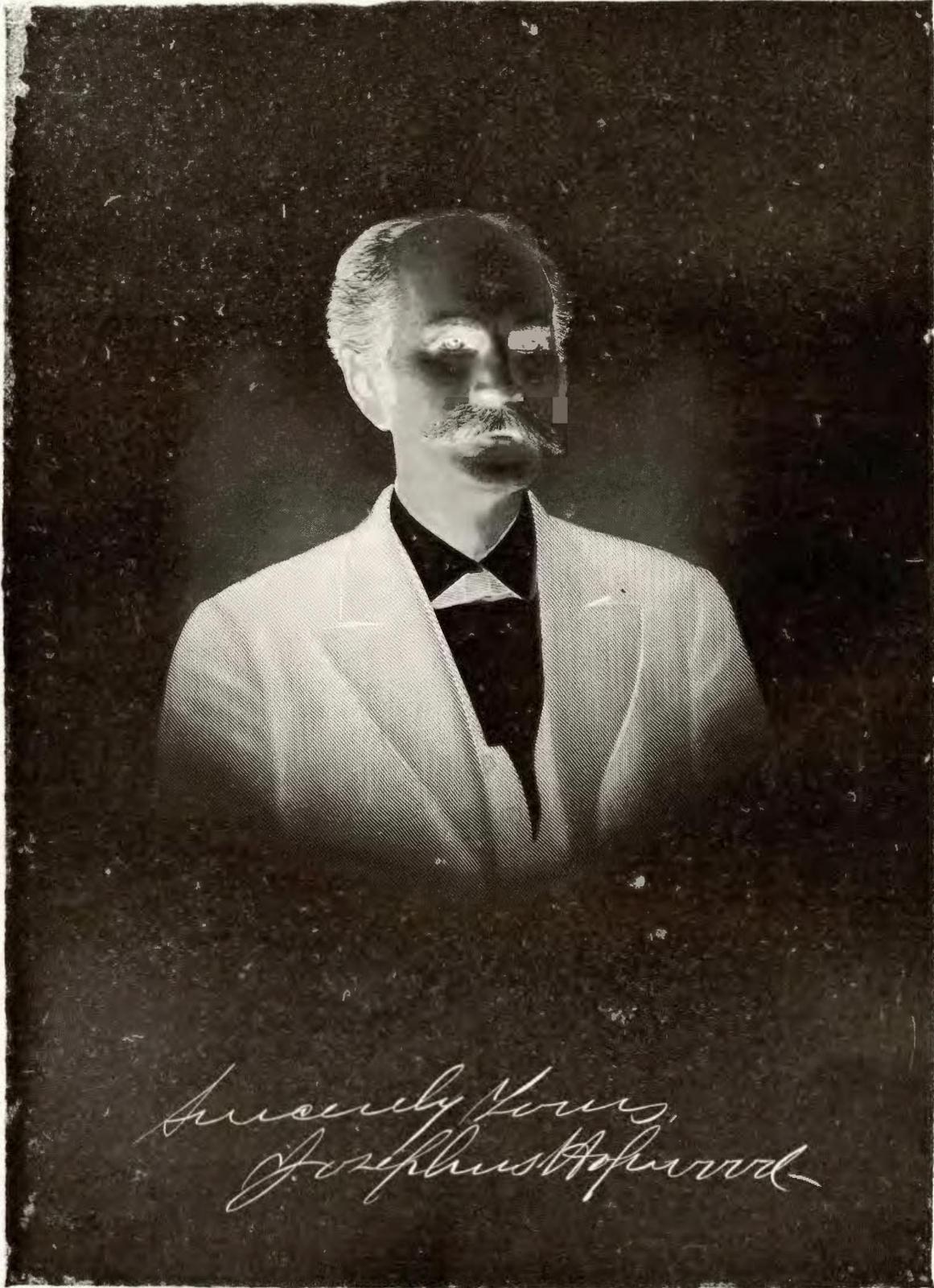
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*Sincerely yours,  
Josephus Howard*

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### Historical Sketch from Milligan College Bulletin (1910-1911)

Milligan College was chartered in 1882, being the successor to Buffalo Institute, which had been a power for good in the community and surrounding country since the time of the Civil War. The good accomplished by the old institution was greater than can be estimated now; but with the chartering, came a new era of larger and better things for the school. There was the development of the college life and work and spirit; a new building gave increased capacity for the larger number of students who flocked to the institution; the force of teachers was strengthened to meet the growing needs; and great interest was taken in the development of the new college.

From the beginning, there was an earnest desire to make the college an instrument for the accomplishment of good. The moral standard was raised very high; and every question, religious, political, social, and individual, was tested by this high standard. The Chapel exercises were made a forum for the discussion of the great questions of life, and the ideal of clean and manly and womanly character was constantly held up before the students. The wholesome influence of this policy resulted in a class of graduates who stand firmly in opposition to every wrong and hurtful thing, who are zealous for every genuine reform, and who are ever ready to lend assistance to any good cause. Thus, while the school has not been behind as to literary training, its great success has been in character building. It has developed sterling qualities in its men and women, and no institution can claim a larger percentage of successful graduates.

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Imboden, Va. Feb'y 28, '40.  
Prof. J. G. Long, Sec'y,  
Milligan College, Tenn.  
Dear Prof. Long:-

I am enclosing you my check for \$12.00 amount of my subscription to the Milligan Endowment Fund.

I must say that I am surprised and disappointed at the response the former students of Milligan have given this plan. Instead of around twenty pledges of \$12.00 there should be at least four to five hundred. Think you or someone should put some heat under the rank and file of the former student body in an article in your paper, for their being so indifferent and unpatriotic. It has been forty years plus since I was a student there, and then it was for only one session, yet this does not dim my patriotism or love for the Old College. I trust that more former students will render more than lip service to this fund.

Very sincerely yours,  
J. H. Hagy

### MRS. ANNIE LUCAS KENNEDY PAYS PLEDGE IN FULL

Dear Professor Long:

I am sending in this morning's mail my pledge in full for the Endowment Fund.

While the pledges seem to be coming in slowly, I trust that you faithful workers will not become discouraged,

And all the members of the Alumni of Milligan College, who feel that if they are financially able, will come forward in the last days of the drive and raise the fund far beyond your goal and expectations.

This is a prophecy—Let us watch it come true.

Very sincerely,  
Annie Lucas Kennedy

### Pledges For The Endowment Fund

We have received the following pledges as a result of the campaign initiated by president Lew Taylor. Pledges are as follows:

Name	Class	Pledge	Paid	Balance
Lew Taylor	1936	\$12.	\$ 6	\$ 6
Nancy Cantrell	1929	12.	1	11
Bernal Lappin	1927	12.	3	9
J. G. Long	1924	12.	0	12
Emory G. Johnson	1933	12.	12	
Dale C. L. Honeycutt	1933	12.	0	12
Hazel Tallent	1931	12.	0	12
Dr. J. H. Hagy	1896	12.	12	
A. W. Gray	1927	12.	0	12
Elmer Hodges	1924	12.	0	12
Louise Maddox	1922	12.	0	12
Ruth Nowlin Howard	1923	12.	0	12
Catherine T. Hancock	1913	12.	3	9
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Daugherty	1922	12.	3	9
C. D. M. Showalter	1891	12.	12	
Mable Lacey	1927	2.	2	
A. W. Payne	1928	12.	0	12
Ivor Jones	1926	12.	0	12
Fred W. Kegley	1930	12.	0	12
Tom Kegley	1926	12.	0	12
L. R. Dingus	1894	12.	12	
Owen F. Kilbourne	1906	12.	0	12
Dwight Billings	1931	12.	0	12
Sam J. Hyder	1916	12.	0	12
Mary Adeline Hitt	1933	12.	10	2
G. D. Hodges	1926	12.	12	
Horace M. Burleson	1900	12.	0	12
D. S. Burleson	1891	12.	0	12
Joe McCormick	1926	12.	0	12
Annie Lucas Kennedy	1917	12.	12	

Totals \$350. \$100. \$250.

**Emory G. Johnson class  
of 1933 sends his check for  
pledge in full.**

**We appreciate pledges  
from our Alumni.**

Elizabethton, Tenn.  
June 10th, 1876

Rcd. of J. D. Price a judgment against Buffalo Institute, Carter Co., Tenn. for the sum of three hundred and forty four dollars and 38cts. and \$22.60 for another judgment in favor of John Gouge for which sums I agree to pay to him an equal amount in stock shares, of fifty dollars each, in the Buffalo Institute.

Sam W. Hyder

Of course, I expect to stay longer at Milligan. It will take years to lay the plan and make the foundation for a great work here, or elsewhere.

In the meantime the work at Milligan College is to grow in numbers and character.

The new and popular Normal Department under Professor J.M. Reid will afford the highest advantages for all young teachers--adding to their number and influence to the present valuable features of School--will make a good work of highest benefit to the students, and through them do great good for others.

Students write us letters and send us names.

J. Hopwood  
Milligan, Tennessee

## Josephus Hopwood Motives and Accomplishments

By

H. R. Garret, Class of 1889

An incident in the early life of Josephus will help to explain the tenor, endeavors and accomplishments of his long, unselfish life.

It happened while he was a soldier boy in the Civil War. On one occasion his company was in flight and hotly pursued by the enemy. Young Hopwood was on horseback and could have easily escaped, but he came across a comrade who had been sick and was trying to make his escape on foot. Hopwood promptly alighted, gave up his horse to the less fortunate one, and suffered the consequence of being overtaken and captured. The disposition here manifested became a ruling passion. His intense interest in the unfortunate and the less fortunate was the motivating force of his life.

When the war was over, and he was home again, safe and sound, the question as to the future of his life pressed upon him for decision. Should he spend it in making money or devote it to the service of humanity? He decided to equip himself for some useful service. That necessitated a college education. Some years were spent in acquiring the means and pursuing the courses which led to his graduation.

Now equipped with a classical education, an excellent knowledge and appreciation of the Bible, and dominated by the Spirit of the Master, he was faced with the proposition as to where he would serve. It was just natural that in casting about for a field of activity his thoughts turned toward the South, which had so recently been devastated by the ravages of war. "He would go south and build a college." He would "locate in the most needy field of the South."

After due consideration the mid-Appalachian region was chosen, and into this country he came on foot, satchel in hand, save as he hired a boy now and

then to help him along a few miles on horseback. Here was a field of great need. Westward-bound civilization had stalled in the fastnesses of these rugged mountains. The abler and more determined people had pushed on through the dense forests and difficult passes to the rich lands beyond, leaving their less fortunate kinsmen behind. Many becoming weary of the journey decided this country was far enough and good enough. They settled upon the choicest land in sight, built log cabins and began the laborious task of clearing away the forests, cultivating the land and earning their living by the sweat of the brow, a labor which consumed all their time and energy. As time went on and the population grew, people were pressed back into the mountain coves and more inaccessible regions, where it was still more difficult to make a living.

Under these circumstances civilization here was retarded. There was a class of good citizens, but the standard of living was low. Educational interests and opportunities were nominal. There was widespread indifference and considerable opposition; some preachers thanked God that they had never attended school. Education was one of their great needs, and above all they needed the teachings of the great Teacher.

President Hopwood came to supply the need. His heart was set upon founding a Christian college. His first stopping place was Sneedville, Tennessee, but a short experience proved this field to be unsuitable. A close study of the field enabled him to select one of the most scenic sites in East Tennessee, located in the beautiful valley of the Watauga and surrounded on all sides by lofty mountains. This region, comprising parts of four states, is the territory Milligan College was primarily intended to serve.

Here the real work of building a Christian college began, and President Hopwood put his whole being into the endeavor. As to his chief assistant, never man had a more capable, understand-

ing, sympathetic, faithful and loyal companion. Through all of the years, in all the endeavors, in all sacrifices and successes, in all hopes and aspirations, in all the hard work and self-denials, she shared her equal part.

The educational plant, an academy building, was inadequate, but was enlarged and rebuilt as sufficient means were procured.

The equipment was meager, the living was plain but substantial, there was always an atmosphere of good fellowship and a joyous outlook. There were the usual college studies of sterner type: higher mathematics, ancient languages, logic, philosophy, literature, history, and science, under competent teachers, and there was insistence upon faithful work.

A college must have students, and because of the general indifference it became necessary to canvass all this region in order to find the most promising young people, to create in them an interest, and to persuade their parents to give them the needed opportunities. President Hopwood went on horseback and on foot where he could not make contacts otherwise, and thus filled all available space at the college and in the village homes. Tuition and board were paid in farm produce, live stock, money and promises. The motivating passion was to educate every worthy young person possible.

The teaching was Christian both by precept and example. The college motto, "Christian Education the Hope of the World" prevailed the atmosphere of the institution. President Hopwood was intense in his religious convictions. He championed the right and condemned the wrong wherever he saw it. He believed in applying Christian principles to all phases of personal life, and to all callings and professions. No student could listen to his impassioned appeals for righteous living and dealings without being profoundly impressed for good. Thousands of students have been started upon the upward way, and have carried these splendid teachings

## HISTORICAL SKETCH

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The college has had but three presidents during its history; J. Hopwood, from 1882 to 1903; H. R. Garrett, from 1903 to 1908; and F. D. Kershner, who was elected to the position in February, 1908. Both the founder, President Hopwood, and his successor, President Garrett, have left an undying impression for good upon those placed under their charge, and bequeathed an invaluable legacy of good men and lofty spirit to the college, the success of which has been largely due to their self-sacrificing energy and devotion.

The first class went out from Milligan in the spring of 1882, and the graduates now number two hundred and four. Of these, the greater part are teachers and preachers; some have entered the professions of law and medicine; and some are to be found in other callings. Nearly all of them are succeeding in their chosen fields of work. Besides the graduates of the institution, there are hundreds of students who did not stay in school long enough to complete the course, but who nevertheless received their training for their life work here. They are scattered throughout this section of the country, and form a body of honest, industrious, pure-minded and safe citizens.

These twenty-eight years of college work have made great and lasting impression on the life of our country. The college points to its record with a feeling of just pride, sees in it the certain promise of great possibilities for the future, and asks but the patronage and support to which the principles for which it stands and the history of what it has accomplished entitle it to make a proportionately brighter record in the years to come.

far afield.

His work was well done. The world will not soon forget his services as a Christian educator, a founder of colleges, a reformer in social, economic, and political life, his loyalty to the program of the Lord and his interest in the less fortunate.

### Milligan's First Graduate James A. Tate Gives A Brief Estimate of J. Hopwood

When I reached the decision that I ought to be baptised I made search for President Josephus Hopwood and found him pruning his fruit trees in the garden. I made my wishes known and immediately he dropped his knife in his pocket. We started for Buffalo Creek. He tapped the college bell on the way and a number of students were at the water's edge by the time we were. No meeting in progress. No delay. True to his convictions and his life's work.

James A. Tate, Class 1882

Mr. Tate is the only living graduate of the first class of Milligan College.

-Christian Education, Hope of World-

We quote the following from the Milligan College catalog of 1910-11.

#### Form of Bequest

Many friends of Milligan College will doubtless be glad to help its work, after they have passed from this earth to their reward. In this way, they will be able to originate a stream of influence, continuing throughout eternity. The following, or an equivalent form, should be used in your will, which should fully describe real estate, and should be signed by you, in the presence of witnesses, whose signatures should likewise appear:

"I give and bequeath to Milligan College of Tennessee, an institution chartered under the laws of the state of Tennessee, and located at Milligan College, Carter County, Tennessee, the sum of \$- - (or if real estate let location and description appear at this point) for the use of said in conducting its work of education; and the receipt of the secretary of the said institution for the above-named sum, or described property, shall constitute a release for my executor for the same."

### List of Contributors to the Buffalo Christian Church, 1834

- November, 1834, Michael Hyder was chosen treasurer of Buffalo Creek Church.
- James T. Tipton, April 23, .35
  - His colored woman, same day 25
  - Isaac Taylor, same day 25
  - Elizabeth Ellis, same day 25
  - Adam Lowdermilk, same day 10
  - Susana Curtis, May 22 16
  - John Curtis, same day 16
  - Adam McEnturf, July 22 25
  - James T. Tipton's colored woman, July 22 25
  - Solomon Hendrix, August 27 1.00
  - Samuel Wright, same day 75
  - Adam McEnturf, same day 37
  - Dinah Peoples' col. woman, same day 05
  - James Tipton's col. woman, same day 12
  - Susana Curtis, August 28 25
  - John McMeehen, same day 25
  - Thomas' colored woman, same day 12
  - Hensen Hunt, August 29 2.00
  - Rebeckah Williams, same day 50
  - Nancy Young, same day 50
  - John Curtis, same day 50
  - James Gourley, same day 25
  - Isaac Taylor, same day 25
  - Richard Kelly, same day 50
  - James T. Tipton, March 25, 1837 50
  - James Tipton's black woman, same day 62
  - Adam Lowdermilk, March 26, 1837 10
  - James Tipton, March 22 25
  - His black woman, same day 50
  - Solomon Hendrix, same day 50
  - John Curtis, April 23 25
  - Susana Curtis, same day 25
  - John Wright, April 30 25
  - John Howard, same day 20
  - John Acton, same day 10
  - John Curtis, May 7 6
  - John Wright, May 14 25
  - James Tipton, May 28 25
  - His black woman, same day 12
  - Adam McEnturf, same day 25
  - Betsy Taylor, the doctor's wife 25
  - Betsy Ellis 25
  - Solomon Hendrix 25
  - Betsy Blevins, same day 12
  - Solomon Hendrix, same day 18
  - John Howard, same day 12
  - Jimmy Williams, August 1846 50

Bro. S. W. Hyder Please pay Martin Smalling \$14.28 (fourteen dollars and twenty eight cts.) balance due him on making shingles for church and shall be a receipt to you on your subscription to church and oblige. Yours,  
Building Committee of Buffalo Church  
per George T. Williams, Sec.  
July 12, 1889

### Expenses

First Preparatory Classes, per term of 12 weeks	\$8.00
Second Preparatory Classes, per term of 12 weeks	10.00
College Classes per term of 12 weeks	12.00
Music lessons on Organ or Piano, and use of Instrument per term of 12 weeks	13.00
Use of instrument alone, term of 12 weeks	2.00
Painting and Drawing, term of 21 lessons	10.00
Board in private families per month	8.00 to 9.00
Washing per month	.50 to \$1.00

### Faculty Under Administration Of Josephus Hopwood

- J. Hopwood, President, Professor of Logic, Mental and Moral Science 75
- H. R. Garrett, Professor of Higher Mathematics 37
- J. P. McConnell, Professor of Latin and Greek 05
- S. Eleanor LaRue Hopwood, Professor of Rhetoric, English and American Literature 12
- John M. Reid, Principal of Normal College 25
- C. D. M. Showalter, Assistant in Mathematics 25
- D. S. Burleson, Assistant in Languages 12
- Elma E. R. Ellis, Assistant in English 50
- Flora A. Marsilliott, Vocal and Instrumental Music 50

## MILLIGAN

You stand on historic ground,  
Where King's Mountain men were found,  
Men of courage firm and hearts as true as steel.  
For the cause of truth and right,  
With their rifles long and bright  
And with purpose firm they fought with might  
and zeal.

Your location here is grand,  
In this lovely, favored land,  
With the mountain and the valley beauties mixed.  
Where the mountains meet the sky,  
And the Buffalo flows by—  
Here is nature's stamp of beauty firmly fixed.

Your foundations had their base  
In conviction that the race  
Would be better men and nobler women, too,  
If they had their thirst and yearning  
Satisfied by fully learning  
Only things which wisdom teaches to be true.

Thus you've always taught the truth,  
Through successive years to youth  
That the priceless jewel learning has to give,  
Is that as Christ died for others  
So should they and all their brothers,  
Learn the lesson as a Christian how to live.

All who seek your classic shade,  
Learn how idle is parade,  
And the value of the heritage you give.  
Your traditions are your glory—  
They shall live in song and story—  
They shall live, too, in the lives our children live.

Landon C. Bell, Class of 1900

## Early History of the College -- Its Founding and Administration

The site of Milligan College, with its superb view of the majestic Buffalo Mountain and the silver waters of the Buffalo Creek flowing just below, was early chosen as an ideal spot for an institution of learning. Before the Civil War, a school was established which was attended by many men who afterward became illustrious in the history not only of Tennessee but also of the nation. After the war between the states, this school was given the name of Buffalo Institute, and numbered among its students both "Bob" and "Alf" Taylor, as well as other men who achieved prominence in national and civic life. During this time the institution was largely under the direction of Colonel Barker, a man whose talented and lovable character left its impress upon the future history of the College. In 1880 a young man from Kentucky, by the name of Josephus Hopwood, came to Carter County in search of a place to found an institution of learning built upon the broad foundation of Christian culture, a clean heart and a clean life. Buffalo Institute was turned over to him; and in 1882 the old name was changed to Milligan College, after the sainted character whose history is given elsewhere in detail. Professor Hopwood always regarded Robert Milligan as the highest embodiment of ideal manhood he had met, and therefore named the College, which he designed as an instrument for the development of Christian character among men and women, after his beloved teacher. For twenty-three years from 1880 to 1903, President Hopwood directed the destinies of Milligan College. The story of those twenty-three years of faithful, unselfish service for God and the world is written, not in books or upon marble, but in the hearts and lives of hundreds of men and women.

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## The Hopwood Tree



"I think that I shall never see  
A poem as lovely as a tree,  
A tree whose hungry mouth is pressed  
Against the earth's sweet flowing breast,  
A tree who looks to God all day  
And lifts her leafy arms to pray"  
— Joyce Kilmer

In 1875 a young man came to Carter County in search of a place to found an institution of learning to be built upon the foundation of Christian culture. This young man was Josephus Hopwood, the founder of Milligan College, and Buffalo Institute was the chosen school.

Mr. Hopwood after selecting the site, returned to Kentucky and by means of horseback brought his wife, Mrs. Hopwood, back to Carter County. On reaching the present fish-pond area, they dismounted from their horses and offered a dedicatory prayer for the institution in which they hoped to promote Christian culture.

According to the story, Mrs. Hopwood, on dismounting, casually stuck her riding whip into the ground and after the prayer it was forgotten and left to sprout into a tender sapling that developed into the majestic tree that now graces our campus triangle.

The tree, however, regardless of tradition, is a beauty spot of our campus.

## Milligan College

Milligan College is located in Carter County, Tenn. about twenty-five miles from the North Carolina line and twenty-five miles from the Virginia line at Bristol. It is one hundred and six miles by rail from Knoxville, Tennessee; one hundred and seventy-five miles by rail from Roanoke, Virginia; and one hundred and fifty-one miles from Asheville, North Carolina. The main line of the Southern railroad runs three miles below it, the nearest station being Johnson City. The C. C. & O. R. R. passes two miles south of the College at the station of Okolona, and also passes through Johnson City. The E. T. & W. N. C. R. R., connecting Johnson City with Cranberry, N. C. runs one half mile from the campus at its station of Milligan College.

### EARLY HISTORY, THE STATE OF FRANKLIN, KING'S MOUNTAIN, BOONE TREE.

The College is located in that section of Tennessee which once formed part of the long defunct State of Franklin - a commonwealth whose brief but romantic existence was terminated in a battle fought only a short distance from the site now occupied by the College grounds. Two miles to the north, at Sycamore Shoals, the American volunteers who fought the decisive battle of King's Mountain started on the famous march which in the opinion of competent historians was the turning point of the American Revolution. Upon the Board of Trustees of Milligan College are gentlemen who are lineal descendants of these Kings Mountain veterans. In June of 1910, a shaft was unveiled at Sycamore Shoals, under the auspices of the D. A. R. commemorating the departure of the King's Mountain volunteers. The principal oration upon the occasion was delivered by the late U. S. Senator Robert L. Taylor, an alumnus of Milligan College, who was three times Governor

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## A Short Biography of Robert Milligan For Whom Milligan College Was Named

Robert Milligan was born in Tyrone, a county of the most northern province of Ireland, July 25th, 1814. In 1818 he was brought to the United States by his parents, John and Margaret Milligan, who settled in Trumbull county, Ohio, which was afterward the native county of the late President McKinley. In 1831 he entered Zelenople Academy, in Beaver county, Pennsylvania, and, in 1833, a classical academy, conducted by a graduate of the University of Edinburgh at Jamestown in the same state. As one of nine children of parents in moderate circumstances, he had to begin life for himself before he had completed his collegiate training. Accordingly, in 1837, he opened a school at Flat Rock, in Bourbon county, Ky. A careful study of the New Testament, in the original Greek, resulted in his immersion, on March 11th, 1838, by Elder John Irvin, of the Church of Christ at Cane Ridge.

Earnestly desiring the advantages of a collegiate education, he left Kentucky in 1839, with the intention of entering Yale College. His journey over the National Road brought him to Washington, Pa. A delay, occasioned probably by his unwillingness to travel on the Lord's Day, led to his remaining in Washington, where he attended what was then called Washington College, and where he could, at the same time worship with the small congregation of disciples in the neighboring village of Martinsburg. Graduated in 1840, with the degree of Bachelor of Arts, which had then a very definite meaning, he was at once promoted from the tutorship, which he had held in the college before his graduation, to the professorship of the English language and literature; and during a part of that time, he gave instruction in

Greek and Latin classics also. Meanwhile, in 1842, he married Miss Ellen Blaine Russell, of Washington, whose father at the time, and one of whose brothers afterwards, represented the Bedford (Pa.) district in congress. In 1843, Professor Milligan received from his alma mater the degree of Master of Arts; in 1844, he was ordained a minister of the gospel, with imposition of the hands of Elder Thomas Campbell, the venerable father of Alexander Campbell; and in 1849 or 1850, he was transferred to the department of chemistry and natural history. When in 1852 the college was placed under the control of the Presbyterian Synod of Wheeling, he insisted on the acceptance of his resignation, that the institution might be wholly in the hands of those who were entitled to guide its fortunes.

Invited at once to Bloomington, Ind., he held first the chair of mathematics, and then that of chemistry, natural philosophy and astronomy, in Indiana University. The degree of Doctor of Divinity, which was tendered to him by the University, he declined. Resigning his professorship at Bloomington, because of the ill health of his son, he accepted in 1854 the chair of mathematics and astronomy in Bethany College, in what was then a part of Virginia. Besides the duties of his professorship, he discharged those of an elder of the church at Bethany, and for three years, beginning with 1857, he was a co-editor of the MILLENNIAL HARBINGER.

In May of 1857, he was elected President of Bacon College at Harrodsburg, Ky. The name of the institution having in the meantime been changed, he was inaugurated President of Kentucky University, on Wednesday, September 21st, 1859, which was the third day of the first session under the new name. After the destruction of the college building by fire, in February of 1864, had made the removal of the institution from Harrodsburg necessary, he was a member of the committee that decided in favor

of removal to Lexington. When Kentucky University, which had now attained university proportions, was reorganized in 1865, with its founder as the head of the associated colleges, President Milligan was placed at the head of the College of the Bible, a place most congenial to his tastes and purposes, which he filled until his last illness.

As an author, President Milligan, in addition to his Tract on Prayer, which he had written before, composed during the last ten years of his life, the volumes entitled, Reason and Revelation, The Scheme of Redemption, The Great Commission, Analysis of the Gospels and Acts, and which was published as a posthumous work, Commentary on Hebrews.

He died peacefully, in full possession of his faculties, and surrounded in his home by his family and by friends, on March 20th, 1875. His death was lamented in the communities in which he had lived, and was deplored throughout the Christian Brotherhood. The Apostolic Times concluded its announcement of his decease with "A Prince has this day fallen in Israel;" the American Christian Review declared that he was one of those "of whom the world was not worthy;" and President John W. McGarvey, his friend and co-laborer in the College of the Bible, in the funeral discourse which he pronounced, summed up the general estimate of his character in the words that are repeated on his monument in the Lexington cemetery; "He was a good man, and full of the Holy Spirit and of faith."--(Excerpt from Article, "Robert Milligan," in John T. Brown's "Church of Christ.")

Buffalo Institute, Tennessee  
Dec. 20, 1880  
Report of  
Julia Hyder  
November Examination  
Standard 100  
English Grammar 94  
U. S. History 88  
Prac. Arithmetic 80  
Industry 97  
Department 100  
J. Hopwood

## Put It Low

Article by Josephus Hopwood

Letters frequently comesaying, "What is the best you can do for me in the way of school expenses?" Another college offers to take me for so much, but I prefer to come to Milligan; if I can come for the same price." We wish to say the expenses are as low as they can be put, unless for a number coming from one family. Already the rates make it necessary for some of our number to work for food and clothing; and not a member of the faculty, but receives a salary modest in the extreme, considering the amount and quality of work done. This is a work of love and it demands sacrifice. Every day these sacrifices are made, and made gladly for the sake of Him who gave up all of earthly possessions for us.

Our rates were placed very low at the beginning, not to compete with other schools but to put the blessings of a thorough college training in the reach of thousands of bright minded boys and girls who could not otherwise obtain them.

We have had the happiness to see scores of them go out from these walls and enter on careers of honor to themselves and usefulness to their generation. This is our bountiful pay. It makes us able to labor on and not grow weary.

-Christian Education, Hope of World-

## Milligan Endowment

The following article is taken from the Milligan College Catalog of 1910 - 1911.

"Through the kindness of Professor Alexander R. Milligan of Lexington, Kentucky, who gave \$5,000 for the purpose in December, 1909, we now have the nucleus of a permanent endowment fund. This fund ought to be increased to at least \$100,000 in order to enable Milligan College to accomplish the work it can and ought to do."

Your Alumni news. Subscribe now for The Buffalo Range.

**Early History**

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men who are scattered all over America, and who are blessing humanity because they were given high ideals of life at Milligan College. Many privations were endured during these years, privations known only to those who bore them and to the Recording Angel who wrote them down. In 1903, President Hopwood relinquished the burden he had borne so long to one who had graduated under him and who was associated with him for years as a teacher. No finer spirited man, or one more loyal to those ideals of Service and Purity which belong to the heritage of Milligan, could have been found than Henry R. Garrett. Unselfish Service was the keynote of his life at Milligan; and after five years of labor, largely worn out by his efforts, aided by bodily sickness, he was obliged to seek a warmer climate in the dry atmosphere of Western Texas. President Garrett's mantle fell upon another young man, Frederick D. Kershner, a native of Maryland and a graduate of Kentucky University and of Princeton. President Kershner took charge of the college in the spring of 1908. He resigned soon after the opening of the session 1911-12 and his resignation took effect on Oct. 31, 1911. The Board immediately elected the Dean Tyler E. Utterback, a native of Kentucky, and graduate of Kentucky University, Central University of Kentucky, and Columbia University, New York, a man of large experience both as an educator and preacher. At the close of the year 1912-13, President Utterback's resignation which had been offered one year before, was accepted, and E. W. McDiarmid, a graduate of Bethany and of Hiram College, was elected President of Milligan College. The same ideals of life which ruled under the former administration obtain today, and the same emphasis upon purity and cleanness of living and the development of Christian character, remains as the core of the

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and also Senior Senator from the State of Tennessee. After Sycamore Shoals and the days of King's Mountain, came Daniel Boone and Davy Crockett. Boone's original trail passed only a few miles west of the College; and at Boone's Creek, about eight miles south, there is shown to this day a mighty oak tree with the following inscription carved upon it: "D BOON CILD BAR" Whether the illustrious Daniel actually performed the feat at this place, which tradition and this inscription attribute to him, we do not know; but the unique orthography was certainly D. Boone's own, and the tree is old enough to substantiate the legend. One of the annual College pilgrimages leads to this tree, which is conveniently reached by rail or by driving. Davy Crockett was born at Limestone, on the Southern Railroad eighteen miles below Johnson City; and legends dealing with his early prowess and history are numerous throughout this section. Milligan spirit. Over two hundred--240 to be exact--students have been graduated from Milligan College since the first class left its halls in 1882. A host of young men and women who were not able to complete their education were also instructed during this period. The aim of the College has been toward higher ideals, not only of character, but also of scholarship; and the work has been constantly graded up with this end in view. Where honesty of purpose is inculcated, there will be thoroughness of work; and this has always been true of Milligan men and women, as the record of the alumni clearly discloses. we do not believe the statement to be boastful that no college can claim a larger percentage of successful graduates than Milligan, success being defined as the living of an honest, influential and altruistic life.

**Very Interesting**

A copy of the original subscription list of Buffalo Institute, (Now Milligan College).

Presented by Mrs. L. W. McCowan, Johnson City, Tenn., on May 25, 1929.

Carter County, Tenn., June the 7th, 1867.

Trustees of Buffalo Male and Female Institute propose to build on the site near the church, donated by Joshua Williams, a brick house sixty by twenty-five feet, one story high. All friendly to the enterprise are solicited to subscribe. Each subscriber promises to pay the sum annexed to his name.

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June 17, 1882

Recd. of S. W. Hyder one hundred dollars by his transfer of the deed of the land and appurtenances of Buffalo Institute (now Milligan College, Tenn.) to the board of trustees of Milligan College and do hereby release him of all obligations for my interest in Buffalo Institute.  
J. Hopwood

Recd. of S. W. Hyder one hundred and two dollars by deed to the Trustees of Milligan College to the old Institute Building and lot of land containing one acre for which I have his receipt for the amount is due to me as executor of Samuel W. Williams dust and this receipt is in full compensation from him for said interest--this 17th day of June, 1882

J. E. Hardin, Executor  
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# An Appreciation of Pres. Josephus Hopwood

BY PRESIDENT H. J. DERTHICK

It is with unusual pleasure that I accept this opportunity given me by Professor J. Goff Long to write my appreciation of President Josephus Hopwood.

As I write, I look at his picture which is hanging over my desk in front of me as a constant inspiration to myself and not to myself alone but to all the students who come into my office. Just above his picture I have had inscribed these words, "It can be done," and below it that beautiful motto, "Jesus never fails." And within our hearts we have inscribed the words, "Christian education, the hope of the world." I think all these words account for the greatness of his life and character.

President Hopwood attempted every task in the confidence that it could be done. Yet he never attempted any task without the assurance in his own soul that Jesus never fails. From the time he left the halls of Transylvania under the leadership of that great president, Robert Milligan, his soul was afire with holy commission from God to make education Christian. He saw clearly that while knowledge is power, unless that power was permeated by the spirit of the Lord Christ it could be destructive power. He realized that the most formulative period of a young man or a young woman's life was during the period that he received his education. He knew that if that education were not Christian a great host of men and women, untouched by the spirit of our Lord and Christ, would choose a power through the acquisition of knowledge that might be used for the destruction of God's world. He realized that if we are to build the world safe for democracy, such a world must be Christian. Men and women should be sent out from our colleges anointed by the descent of the spirit of God and filled with zeal of the Christ to save men.

President Hopwood loved God

with all his heart and soul and mind, and loved his neighbor as himself, or, sometimes we thought, better than himself for he never thought of himself. Those who knew him best know that every thought and impulse of his soul was for others. And while he accepted everybody as his neighbor and ministered unto him he was always at his best while in the presence of youth. In the soul of every boy and girl he found beauty, goodness, and envisioned their future and gave his life to prepare them to meet the future with courage and with success.

President Hopwood hated all kinds of evil. He fought against all kinds of sin that tended to destroy the lives of youth.

We cannot think of President Hopwood without thinking of Mrs. Hopwood. Neither could have lived their great life without the other. They were bound together not only by the Holy ties of wedlock but by the ties of the same kind of love and devotion to their students, by the ties of Godly living, and by the ties of mutual sacrifice.

President Hopwood was a great preacher. He knew his Bible. He knew how to apply the precepts and teaching of Christ to his daily life and to the lives of students. He knew his Christ. He loved his constant fellowship with Christ. He was saturated with the spirit of kindness. Milligan College was his life while he lived here. He stipulated no salary. The day at its longest was all too short for his daily plans and administration. He measured life by heart throbs instead of by clock time.

President and Mrs. Hopwood still live at Milligan College. Their spirit lingers here. Their words are often quoted and their characters always inspiring. Their mantle has fallen upon the entire faculty. We are pleased to carry on and hold high the banner with the inscription upon it,

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# Josphus Hopwood

by

Anna Lucas Kennedy Class 1917

If I should write an article for publication on some phase of Dr. Hopwood's administration while I was a student at Milligan College I would find it a difficult task. During my early school days there, I had little under him. When I entered school - 1893 - the college had a financial crisis. Dr. Hopwood, seeing no better plan, deeded the property in escrow to C. D. M. Showalter who had control of the school for over a year. The management, then, was passed on from Mr. Showalter to Dr. J. P. McConnell. He continued in the management until late in the year 1896. Dr. Hopwood was away making speeches to public audiences, high schools, and colleges in the cause of prohibition which had become a state issue. He had been nominated for Governor of Tennessee. I remember his last address was made at Milligan College the night before election, November 1896. I left there in the spring of 1897, but while I have always felt that while he was away from Milligan College in person during intervals through the years he was always there in spirit. His last administrative years at Milligan College were from 1916-17,

"Christian Education, the Hope of the World." We pray God we shall never fail. President and Mrs. Hopwood never knew the word retreat. They were always facing forward. They never turned back. God took them both in the same year. Ours is a great heritage!

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I took this opportunity, under him, to study for my long coveted B. A. degree. This gave me fine opportunity to think of his life as a whole with all its labor, ideas, purposes, and, maybe, sometimes seeming failures.

He always stood for the motto of the the school - "Christian Education the hope of the world." To attain this end, he bent every energy of mind, body, resources, and spirit. In the furtherance of his ends, he had to wrestle with many difficulties, overcome almost insurmountable obstacles, teaching, leading, living and upholding the ideals of a fine, enlightened trained mind in a clean effective body. To attain, or to follow, this goal, he knew there were foes to overcome. Some of these were alcohol, nicotine, opium, and such that dwarf, enslave, and make less effective the exercise of a free mind and spirit in a clean body. He strove to educate boys and girls the harmful effects of these drugs and to show them how much better a life could be without these habits. Of course, this brought differences of opinions but he held to his steady purpose and ideal, knowing that true living and thinking make men free.

Through a long lifetime, he followed the idea that throughout all this Appalachian Region there were countless competent boys and girls who lacked the opportunity of a more advanced education and to many he brought this chance and many profited by it. His ideal was a "white life" for both men and women, that purity, honesty, kindness, helpfulness, industry, perseverance on right lines would, in the end, bring their reward.

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