

**A Word to the Ladies of Edward Buncombe Chapter, D. A. R.**

Boone, N. C., May 9th, 1914.  
To the Edward Buncombe Chapter of the D. A. R.,

Ladies: In your explanation of the 1st inst. of your reasons for having excluded the picture of the Boone cabin monument from Mr. John P. Arthur's history of western North Carolina, you state that it was because he had agreed that no other pictures should be added to those already selected by your Regent because of expense; and because your chapter had decided not to publish pictures of any living persons. We will furnish another picture of that monument, with no living person in it, and pay for its publication, if that will overcome your objections. We feel that we have the right to insist on the publication of that picture, just as we believe that Mr. Arthur was justified in supposing that a patriotic society, organized mainly for the perpetuation of history, would be glad to have it included in a history of this section.

You state that he has donated that history to your chapter, and claim exclusive ownership thereof. Now, if to that gift Mr. Arthur has sought to add the pictures of other great men, without the slightest additional expense to your society, it seems to us that, instead of having committed an act of bad faith, he should be commended by your chapter, even though he did not ask Mrs. Morrison's permission. He tells us that he has already added to the pictures chosen by your Regent, without expense to you, those of Col. W. H. Thomas, father of the Western N. C. R. R., of the tablet erected to Robert Love, a soldier of the Revolution, by the Dorcas Bell Love chapter, D. A. R., of Waynesville, of Judge A. C. Avery, a distinguished jurist and historian, of Hon. A. S. Merrimon, Superior Court judge, U. S. Senator and associate chief justice of the Supreme Court of North Carolina, and is now seeking pictures of Col. George Bower, of Ashe, and of General Thomas Lanier Clingman, statesman, soldier and scientist. Surely no history of this section would be complete without pictures of these men; yet Mrs. Morrison was going to allow the one by Mr. Arthur to be published without any of them. Permit us to ask, therefore, if your intimations of bad faith on Mr. Arthur's part in trying to secure them was not both unjust and uncalled for?

Mr. Arthur has tramped over a thousand miles, has given more than two years, and has spent \$867.00 for traveling and other expenses in order to write this history. He is particularly anxious to identify this section with the rest of Western North Carolina, and this town with the history of Daniel Boone. Can your chapter refuse a picture of a monument on this historic spot to be published in his history?

Very respectfully, on behalf of ourselves and many other citizens of the town of Boone, N. C.,  
W. D. FARTHING, Clk. Sup. Co't  
W. R. GRAGG, Register of Deeds.  
L. L. CRITCHER, Undertaker,  
M. B. BLACKBURN, Merchant,  
M. P. CRITCHER, Prop. Crit. H'tel  
E. F. LOVILL, Attorney-at-law,  
W. R. LOVILL, Attorney-at-law.

**Latest Mexican News.**

The Constitutionalists—Villa's faction—now besieging Tampico, the port at which our sailors were arrested, have notified Admiral Mayo, whose battleships are posted just outside, that if his ships enter Panuco river the oil reservoirs above the city would be emptied and the oil set on fire. This would mean the destruction of Tampico and much injury to Huerta's forces now defending the city, to say nothing of the inhab-

itants. Meantime, Villa keeps up his fight against Huerta's forces and has won several victories. It is charged that the Mexicans attempted to destroy the water-works just outside Vera Cruz last week. This has led to the reinforcement of the American troops under command of Gen. Fuston, and the extension and fortification of his lines as far and as fully as he sees fit. While General Caranza has eliminated himself from the proceedings soon to be heard before the A B C mediators they will consider his claims as against those of Gen. Huerta. The sessions will be held in Canada, just across the river, at Niagara Falls on the 18th of May. Both Huerta and the United States will be represented by eminent counsel. But the mediators have only advisory powers, and no side will be bound. It is now said that Huerta will see the city of Mexico in ashes before he resigns; but both the British and Brazilian consuls have reported that no outrages are now offered Americans there. Still, last week one American and two British subjects were killed at the mines in the vicinity of Guadalajara, while several Americans are cut off by bandits in that vicinity. We have stationed army detachments for the further protection of the Panama Canal, and have reopened our consulate at Cananea. The van guard of Villa's forces have started for Saltillo and Zacates from Durango and Torreon. Villa has defeated 3600 Federals at San Luis Potosi and captured 1800 prisoners. Constitutionalists have captured the entire Federal garrison at Acaponeta Jalisco, Tepic. Villa has refused to join Huerta against the United States, and has asked that the embargo against arms and ammunition be again removed. Shakespeare says: "Thrice armed is he who hath his quarrel just." Uncle Sam has added: "And four times he who gets his licks in first." Therefore, while the armistice continues we are getting ready to hit the first lick, and to make it a body blow at that.

**TEMPEST IN A TEAPOT.**

In a letter to several of our citizens attempting to explain why the picture of the Boone cabin monument was excluded from Mr. John P. Arthur's History of Western North Carolina, the Edward Buncombe chapter D. A. R. state that they have paid all of Mr. Arthur's expenses, during over two years, while he was collecting facts for that history. Mr. Arthur has vouchers showing that during that time he has spent in cold cash \$867, and his bank books show that the chapter has returned to him only \$200 thus leaving \$667 unpaid. But what has all that to do with the publication of pictures secured entirely by Mr. Arthur's efforts, and without any expense to the chapter, of Chief Justice Merrimon, Gen. James G. Martin, the great general of the Confederate War, of Judge A. C. Avery, and of Col. W. H. Thomas, the Father of the Western North Carolina Railroad, etc., What, above all, has it to do with the reasons for excluding a picture of the monument erected here to mark the site of the cabin of Daniel Boone, a man whose fame fills the whole wide world? A letter from some of our citizens to the chapter will enable them to answer why! They might also explain why there is to be no picture of Gen. Thomas L. Clingman, or Col. George Bower of Ashe, or of Judge John Baxter, U. S. Circuit Judge, and many others outside of Buncombe and Haywood counties, whose memories are dear to us all. It will not cost the chapter one cent to have them inserted, and they have all been dead for years. Suppose, as they claim, that Mr. Arthur has donated this history to them, is that any reason why his wishes should not be considered when he seeks to have a picture of the Boone cabin monument published without expense to the chapter? Our citizens think they have a right to have that picture inserted in that history, even though Mr. Arthur did not ask the permission of one of the officers of the chapter to do so, and they have said so in no unmistakable terms in a letter published in this issue.

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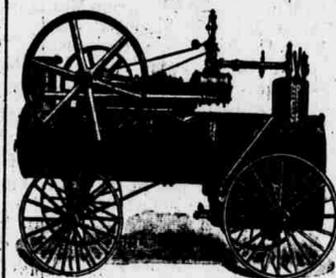
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