

MEMORIALS DEDICATED TO MEMORY OF DANIEL BOONE

Salisbury, N. C., April 30.—To the memory of that famous pioneer, Daniel Boone, civilizer of the North Carolina and Kentucky wilderness, founder of Boonesborough, Ky., and central figure and here in the many boyhood stories of Indian fighting and hunting tales, memorials were ceremoniously dedicated at Holman's Ford, near here, today. These promise to become a mecca for patriotic pilgrims.

On the historic spot where Boone spent nineteen years of his vigorous young manhood, hunting and resisting the skulking redskin, patriotic North Carolinians have erected on the exact site of the old homestead, a few hundred yards from the Yadkin river, a new log cabin, a replica of the one occupied by the intrepid hunter and his family. Directly in front of the simple building stands a handsome shaft of native Rowan granite forming an Indian arrow head fifteen feet high and mounted upon a massive base. Ornamenting this is a bronze tablet bearing the name Daniel Boone and the date of his residence in North Carolina. Both of these memorials were dedicated with appropriate ceremonies in which many of the direct descendants of Boone, and a score of others who boast of their relationship to the pioneer participated.

An elaborate program of exercises had been arranged for the event. J. R. McRary, president of the Daniel Boone Memorial Association, was master of ceremonies, and Governor William W. Kitchin, presiding. The chief addresses were delivered by Judge Peter C. Pritchard, of the United States circuit court of appeals, and Representative Page, of the seventh North Carolina district.

The picturesque cabin which was dedicated today, the relics of the great pioneer that it contains and the unique tablet designed to perpetuate his memory, are fruits of the work of the Daniel Boone Memorial Association, incorporated by the general assembly of North Carolina in 1909. The association was created a corporation, "with power to hold lands, erect suitable memorials, collect historical materials and such other things as are necessary to perpetuate the memory of the life of Daniel Boone in North Carolina." The association is composed of eleven men, of whom J. R. McPary, of Lexington, is chairman, and it is vested with the power to perpetuate itself.

The memorial association has only begun its work. It intends to make of this beautiful and picturesque spot a Mecca for pilgrims from everywhere. It is about twelve miles from Lexington in one direction and an equal distance from Salisbury in the other. The very spirit of the mighty hunter and hero seems to hover in the air itself and echoes from the distant past can be heard in the rippling waters of the Yadkin and in the sighing of the winds in the trees which surround the old homestead. One may linger here until he can renew his youth and his imagination again run riot with visions of stealthy painted Indians being slain by the unerring rifle of the great Long Knife as Daniel Boone was known to them.

The first step toward the accomplishment of the work was the donation of five acres of land in Davidson county, twelve miles from Lexington, embracing the site of the Boone homestead and other points of interest made famous in the early history of the hunter. Citizens of Davidson county subscribed funds for erection of a replica of the cabin in which Boone lived. Citizens of Rowan county (which was formed from Davidson county in 1822) gave the monument, and the Daughters of the American Revolution of Salisbury contributed the bronze tablet for the shaft.

The memorial is a one-story, double roomed, log structure, with clay chimney and shelter, an exact replica of the homestead built by Boone about 1755. Housed within it are numerous relics, such as guns, hunting knives, powder horns, and articles of clothing worn by the pioneer, as well as cooking utensils used by his family. The cabin reposes snugly in a grove of majestic oaks, tottering with age, and nearby the rippling waters of the Yadkin river, where the Boones did their fishing, dance over the rocks and under the shade of the overhanging trees. Not far distant, on the river bank, is Boone's cave, or Devil's

State Capital Location

(The following article was written by Wayne H. Lasater and published in his paper, The Pauls Valley Democrat of April 23, 1910. He is a brother of Miles Lasater, who was a member of the constitutional convention. Miles Lasater in a public meeting at Guthrie expressed the views entertained in this article and declared he would not break the oath he took at the opening of the constitutional convention to obey the constitution of the United States and the enabling act. The Lasaters are leading democrats of the state and Miles Lasater is now insurance commissioner of Oklahoma.)

(Pauls Valley Democrat.) The enabling act of the state of Oklahoma, passed by the congress of the United States and approved on June 16th, 1906, by the acceptance of which Oklahoma became a sovereign state provided in section No. 504 as follows: "The capital of said state shall temporarily be at the city of Guthrie, in the present territory of Oklahoma and shall not be changed therefrom previous to anno domini nineteen hundred and thirteen, but said capital shall AFTER SAID YEAR, be located by the electors of said state at an election to be provided for by the legislature; provided, however that the legislature of said state shall not appropriate any public moneys of the state for the erection of buildings for capital purposes during such period."

On the 22nd day of April, 1907, the constitutional convention of the then proposed state of Oklahoma passed the following ordinance: "Be it ordained by the constitutional convention for the proposed state of Oklahoma, that said constitutional convention do BY THIS ORDINANCE IRREVOCABLE, accept the terms and conditions of an act of the congress of the United States (quoting the above act) approved June 16th, 1906," and such acceptance was a condition precedent to securing statehood.

Now, the initiative petition to be voted upon at the special election on June 11th, 1910, will determine two questions, viz.: (1) Shall the capital of the state of Oklahoma be permanently located by this election? (2) Shall the capital of the state of Oklahoma be permanently located at (a) Oklahoma City or (b) Shawnee or (c) Guthrie?

The Democrat asserts unhesitatingly that THE BILL SHOULD BE DEFEATED, and that the first question should be answered emphatically "NO." The proposed bill is an Oklahoma City real estate boom scheme. Guthrie and Shawnee are unwilling candidates, and are both fighting permanent location ANY WHERE at the present time. Their names are placed on the ticket over their objection by the framers of the bill.

If passed it is certain that the state of Oklahoma will have on its hands another expensive law suit through all the courts of the land till settled by the supreme court of the United States; and in this law suit, carried on at the expense of the taxpayers for the benefit of an Oklahoma City real estate boom, the state of Oklahoma, whose honor should ever be unscathed, will appear in court confessing unnecessary repudiation of its pledged faith with the congress of the United States. Its violation of its "ORDINANCE IRREVOCABLE," and will present to the world the shameful spectacle of asking the courts of the land to sustain it in its self-confessed act of dishonor!

Its honor is the very essence of the Den, which the family is presumed to have used as a retreat when pressed by skulking Indians. The surrounding grounds have been artistically laid out to make the spot attractive.

The exercises today took place on a temporary stand erected near the cabin. The music was furnished by the Pilgrim string band, augmented by a large choir from the Churchland school, while sixteen male students from the same school acted as marshals. Picnic dinner was served the visitors on the grounds. The significance of the selection of the date for the dedication lies in the fact that April 30 is the 160th anniversary of the departure of the Boone family from Bucks county, Pennsylvania, for their new home on the banks of the Yadkin river, and the 141th anniversary of the departure of Daniel Boone from North Carolina for Kentucky.

It is a little known fact that not many miles away, in old Joppa cemetery, near Mocksville, Davis county, repose the remains of Daniel Boone's father an mother. The grave of Squire Boone is marked by a simple headstone, which has been enclosed in a steel cage, to save it from relic hunters, which bears this literal inscription: "Squire Boone departed this life in his sixty-ninth year of his life in that year of our Lord 1760, Genesey thay 2."

life of state or nation, as is the honor of any individual his crowning glory; and it should not be lightly tossed aside and besmirched at the behest of those who seek mere pecuniary advantage.

The legality of the proposed permanent location at this time is as questionable as the act itself is untimely and unnecessary.

Nor is this all; the proposed location bill itself is otherwise objectionable—dangerous.

In further contravention of the enabling act, as a portion of section seven of the bill carries with it an appropriation of SIX HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS of the people's money to be "immediately available out of any money in the state treasury not otherwise appropriated for the purpose of carrying the provisions of this act into effect."

This money, according to the terms of the bill, is to be sent by three commissioners appointed by and acting with the governor for the purchase of lands within or at a distance of not more than five miles from the corporate limits of the city selected as the Capital in ANY AMOUNT THEY MAY CHOOSE from one foot square to two thousand acres!

The unlimited and unnecessary possibilities for exploitation of and graft upon the state's funds under any such bill are apparent.

Yes, the bill should be defeated! For these reasons and others apparent to any reader of the bill who has no personal interest in the measure aside from that of a citizen and taxpayer, we are of the opinion that the voters should vote "NO" on the first proposition; and that on the second they should VOTE FOR GUTHIE, as the permanent location if one is made at this time; because that would be nearest in keeping with the terms of the enabling act on the permanent location question.

Water patrons must observe the sprinkling ordinance that provides for use of water from 5 to 8 p. m., or water will be shut off. Henry Wortman, superintendent. 12-15

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, Office of Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes, Muskogee, Oklahoma, April 6, 1910. Public notice is hereby given that the Commissioner to the Five Civilized Tribes will sell at public auction during May and June, 1910, all vacant and forfeited lots in the following named towns in the Cherokee, Creek, Choctaw and Chickasaw Nations, Oklahoma. A representative of this office will be at the postoffice in each of the towns named at 9 o'clock A. M., or as soon thereafter as possible, on the dates specified, and proceed from there to locality of the lots to be sold and there offer the same for sale. Lots within the segregated coal and asphalt area in the Choctaw Nation will be sold, saving and excepting, however, all coal and asphalt thereunder. Fifty per cent. of the purchase price of all vacant lots must be paid in cash at the time of sale, and the remainder within six months from date of sale. The entire purchase price of all forfeited lots must be paid in cash at the time of sale. Forfeited lots in Cherokee Nation: Pryor Creek 2, May 2; Westville 5, May 2; Adair 7, May 3; Ketchum 2, May 4; Vinita 3, May 4; Claremore 7, May 6; Centralia 7, May 5; Bluejacket 1, May 6; Chelsea 3, May 6; Welch 1, May 6; Afton 12, May 7; Fairbaird 18, May 7; Oologah 5, May 7; Tahlequah 18, May 9; Talala 3, May 9; Watova 2, May 9; Lenapah 10, May 10; Peggs 2, May 10; Braggs 5, May 11; Weldon (Copan) 1, May 11; Ramona 13, May 11; Webbers Falls 8, May 12; Gritts 1, May 12; Ochelata 1, May 12; Vera 1, May 13; Campbell 1, May 13; Hillside 10, May 13; Vian 1, May 13; Collinsville 14, May 14; Muldrow 3, May 14; Owasso 4, May 14; Sallisaw 2, May 14; Long 1, May 16; Maple 2, May 16; North Tulsa 1, May 17; Redland 2, May 17; Gans 2, May 17; Benland 1, May 31; Texanna 29, June 1; Fort Gibson 22, June 3. Forfeited lots in Creek Nation: Holdenville 6, May 1; Okmulgee 12, May 2; Sapulpa 6, May 3; Checotah 11, May 3; Wagner 102, May 2 and 3; Inola 42, May 4; Coweta 18, May 16; Red Fork 9, May 17; Kellyville 11, May 18; Bristow 22, May 19; Mounds 26, May 20; Beggs 43, May 21; Winchell (Schulter) 46, May 23; Henryetta 15, May 24; Alabama (Amabala) 37, May 25; Wetumka 6, May 26; Foster (Yeager) 59, May 27; Wildcat (Grayson) 77, May 28; Bixby 36, May 31; Boynton 26, June 1; Eufaula 13, June 2; Lee 118, June 2; Clarksville 22, June 3; Muskogee 22, June 4. Vacant and forfeited lots in Choctaw Nation: Atoka 1 vacant, 1 forfeited, May 2; Bower 1 forfeited, May 2; Hugo 11 forfeited, May 2; Canadian 14 forfeited, May 2; Antlers 3 forfeited, May 3; Crowder 5 forfeited, May 3; Savana 8 forfeited, May 4; Stringtown 2 forfeited, May 5; Durant 1 vacant, 41 forfeited, May 7; Sterrett (Cole) 3 forfeited, May 7; McAlester 2 vacant, 8 forfeited, May 9; South McAlester 8 vacant, 9 forfeited, May 9; Caddo 48 forfeited, May 17; Wapanucka 24 forfeited, May 17; Owl (Centrahoma) 12 forfeited, May 18; Shady Point 2 forfeited, May 18; Spiro 1 forfeited, May 18; Allen 1 vacant, May 19; Cameron 7 forfeited, May 19; Votaw 1 forfeited, May 19; Chira 2 forfeited, May 20; Howe 10 vacant, 15 forfeited, May 20; Wlster 3 vacant, 2 forfeited, May 21; Guertie (Raydon) 12 forfeited, May 21; Kennedy 1 forfeited, May 21; Oconee 2 forfeited, May 23; Tallhina 1 forfeited, May 23; Cario 4 vacant, May 24; Cartersville 2 forfeited, May 24; Iron Bridge 7 forfeited, May 24; Coalgate 89 vacant, 82 forfeited, May 25; Blaine 1 forfeited, May 25; Lehigh 49 vacant, 15 forfeited, May 26; Stigler 13 forfeited, May 26; Bokelito 32 forfeited, May 27; Garland 1 forfeited,

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