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SECOND QUARTER MEETING: The Washington County Historical Society will hold its meeting for the second quarter of 1985 on Monday night, April 22. The meeting will be at the Washington EMC conference room at 7:30 p.m. All members are invited to attend.

PROGRAM: David Holmes and Reverend Gilbert Dean will bring the program for the April 22 meeting. David Holmes will speak on the Early History of Washington Electric Membership Corporation and Reverend Dean will bring a program on T. J. Elder. These programs have been well researched and planned. You'll not want to miss this program.

MUSEUM: The Warthen exhibit opened Sunday afternoon, April 14, with about eighty people attending. We give a special thank you to Linda and Jewell Turner for this excellent exhibit, and to the ladies of the Warthen Town and Country Club for the delicious refreshments they served.

This exhibit will remain in the museum through April and May. The museum will be open each Tuesday and Thursday from 2 P.M. until 5 P.M., with Mrs. Polly Cullens as Chairperson of the volunteer workers. Be sure and see this exhibit and encourage others to see it.

RECENT ACQUISITIONS FOR THE MUSEUM:

A book of Minutes of the Washington County Agricultural Society and Roll of Officers and Members for 1870, and Minutes of the Fair Ground Company, 1871.

A Civil War sword donated by Mrs. Robert A Windler of Savannah, GA.

Washington County Newspapers for 1860-1940.

A tulip-patterned quilt on loan by Mrs. Lucille Huckeba. The quilt was a wedding gift to her parents.

We are so grateful for these interesting additions to the collections of Washington County history.

CITY CEMETERY NEWS: Nancy Tarbutton, Chairman Cemetery Committee

The Old City Cemetery Restoration Committee has concentrated on beautification this winter. Cherry trees donated by Mr. Fickling of Macon, dogwoods and crepe myrtle donated by Greene Jones, have been planted throughout the grounds. Emmett Adams of Anglo-American supervised the planting, and we deeply appreciate his interest as well as that of the donors.

The City has pruned the trees in the cemetery recently, and though it may look severe, they assure us that it will be of great benefit to keep dead limbs from falling and breaking markers.

Application has been made for the the cemetery to be put on the National Register. It is now before the state committee for approval. This will be a lengthy process.

Donations continue to come in support of this worthy project. A recent generous one is from the Jennie Adams Estate.

MEMBERSHIP NEWS:

As of April 16 we have 132 memberships that have been turned in for 1985. These are broken down as follows: 2 life memberships, 3 student memberships, 10 out of county regular memberships, and 107 local regular memberships.

If you have not paid your 1985 membership dues, please get it to me as soon as you can. I would like to complete our membership drive by June 1.

Thank you,

Jimmy Boatright

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MEMBERSHIP NOTES: