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Canvassed by Granville County Genealogical Society members: Carrie Frances Averett, Bonnie Breedlove, Mildred Goss, Mary McGhee and Jessie McLam, August 2000. It is well maintained and preserved.

1. Barker, Birdie Parham (b. 6 Sep 1922 - d. 7 Apr 1996)
2. Beal, Becky A. (b. 6 Aug 1901 - d. 6 Sep 1987)
3. Beal, Bessie Hobgood (b. 3 Feb 1884 - d. 23 Jan 1950)
wife of Graham Beal
4. Beal, Doris (b. Nov 1924 - d. 5 Sep 1925)
daughter of John Anderson Beal Sr. and Nancy Faucette Beal
5. Beal, Graham (b. 21 Oct 1897 - d. 14 Jun 1956)
6. Beal, Howard (b. 29 May 1926 - d. 15 Nov 1968)

son of Will and Rebecca Dean Beal
7. Beal, John (b. 5 Dec 1871 - d.)
8. Beal, Johnnie J. (b. 18 Apr 1905 - d. 14 Dec 1973)
9. Beal, Nancy (b. 10 Aug 1881 - d. 8 Feb 1948)
10. Beal, Ollie (b. 17 Oct 1900 - d. 27 Mar 1927)
11. Beal, Sallie A. Boyd (b. 10 Oct 1847 - d. 30 Sep 1930)
wife of William E. (Ned) Beal. (Unmarked). Information furnished by family members
Betty King and Bonnie Breedlove.
12. Beal, Will W. (b. 16 Jul 1872 - d. 9 Feb 1963)
13. Beasley, Beatrice Puckett (b. 31 Aug 1907 - d.)
wife of Samuel O. Beasley
14. Beasley, Samuel Owen (b. 17 Nov 1907 - d. 13 Oct 1981)
15. Belcher, Fannie Bett (b. 13 Mar 1874 - d. 29 Nov 1936)
wife of W.B. Belcher
16. Belcher, Helen Irene (b. 5 Sep 1912 - d.)

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17. Belcher, J.W. (b. 15 May 1838 - d. 10 Mar 1912)
18. Belcher, James A. (b. 14 Aug 1861 - d. 17 Apr 1944)
19. Belcher, James Roy (b. 6 Oct 1903 - d. 16 Oct 1993)
20. Belcher, Sarah E. (b. 22 Oct 1868 - d. 14 Oct 1950)
21. Belcher, W.B. (b. 22 Aug 1860 - d. 17 Aug 1918)
22. Birchette, Roy Alvin (b. 27 May 1918 - d. 1 Feb 1979)
WW-II
23. Blackwell, Charlie T. (b. 7 Feb 1900 - d. 16 Feb 1900)
son of W. T. and J. V. Blackwell
24. Boyd, Albert (b. 10 Feb 1883 - d. 26 May 1965)
25. Boyd, Amos Major (b. 3 Jul 1884 - d. 27 Feb 1949)
26. Boyd, Annie West (b. 27 May 1890 - d. 9 Sep 1973)
wife of Amos Major Boyd
27. Boyd, Ethel Beal (b. 10 Dec 1911 - d. 21 Sep 1995)
wife of James Augustus Boyd
28. Boyd, Harvey Lee (b. - d. 15 May 1942)
Army/WW-I
29. Boyd, Inez (b. 7 Jun 1925 - d. 13 Feb 1930)
30. Boyd, Infant (b. 8 Jan 1954 - d. 8 Jan 1954)
son of Shirley and Mary Helen Boyd
31. Boyd, James A. (Jim) (b. 3 Jun 1910 - d. 5 Jan 1973)
32. Boyd, James Edward (Jimmie) (b. 18 Jun 1945 - d. 25 Sep 1960)
(unmarked) son of Shirley and Mary Helen Boyd. Information furnished by family
members Betty King and Bonnie Breedlove.
33. Boyd, Lucendie Dean (b. 10 Oct 1900 - d. 9 Feb 1954)
34. Boyd, Martha Louise (b. 14 May 1933 - d. 9 Jun 1933)
daughter of Mattie Lee Boyd
35. Boyd, Mary C. (b. 13 Nov 1893 - d. 26 Jul 1945)
36. Boyd, Roy Thomas (b. 3 yrs old - d. 29 Oct 1936)
(unmarked) son of James Augustus and Ethel Beal Boyd. Information furnished by
family members Betty King and Bonnie Breedlove.
37. Boyd, Willie W. (b. 18 Nov 1939 - d. 24 Apr 1982)
38. Brooks, Earl C. (b. 31 Jan 1913 - d. 1 Jan 1994)
39. Brooks, Frances B. (b. 14 Jan 1912 - d.)
40. Brummitt, Blanche B. (b. 4 Sep 1903 - d. 3 Mar 1984)
41. Brummitt, Edward Lee (b. 9 Oct 1906 - d. 6 Apr 1960)
42. Brummitt, Eugenia Brooks (b. 6 Sep 1872 - d. 9 Jan 1947)
wife of William J. Brooks
43. Brummitt, W. Millard (b. 6 Jun 1899 - d. 21 Jan 1968)
44. Brummitt, William J. (b. 12 Feb 1873 - d. 5 Jan 1939)
45. Burchett, Lucy A Newton (b. 24 Mar 1871 - d. 15 Jul 1928)
wife of Joe G. Burchett
46. Burchette, Arthur Lee (b. 19 May 1887 - d. 6 Nov 1945)
47. Burchette, Elizabeth (b. 25 Jun 1887 - d. 5 Aug 1956)
48. Campbell, Byron Thomas (b. 3 Aug 1987 - d. 3 Aug 1987)
49. Cobb, Betty C. (b. 10 Jul 1933 - d.)
50. Cobb, Earl D. (b. 8 Oct 1930 - d. 5 Oct 1997)
Korea
51. Coley, James T. (b. 30 May 1887 - d. 24 Mar 1960)
52. Coley, Josephine D. (b. 27 Aug 1895 - d. 9 Dec 1988)
53. Crowe, Henry I. (b. 22 Feb 1864 - d. 5 Mar 1936)
54. Crowe, Maggie M. (b. 2 Mar 1878 - d. 20 Mar 1973)
wife of Henry I. Crowe
55. Cumbie, Nettie Alice (b. 13 May 1938 - d. 19 Oct 1938)
56. Currin, Ann Boyd (b. 1857 - d. 20 Feb 1937)
wife of J. Spencer Currin
57. Currin, Austin P., Sr. (b. 5 Dec 1924 - d. 11 Dec 1976)
WW-II
58. Currin, Cynthia Jo (b. 16 Apr 1963 - d.)
59. Currin, Herman W. (b. 8 May 1897 - d. 11 Feb 1971)
60. Currin, Isabell (b. 3 Jun 1913 - d. 8 Dec 1923)
61. Currin, J. Spencer (b. 13 Feb 1846 - d. 13 Dec 1926)
62. Currin, Lucy C. (b. 8 May 1898 - d. 14 Apr 1970)

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62. Curran, Lucy C. (b. 6 May 1890 - d. 14 Aug 1979)
63. Curran, Willie Lee, Jr. (b. 6 Aug 1931 - d. 17 Jan 1919)
64. Dean, Clarice Beal (b. 24 Jan 1908 - d. 3 Mar 1972)
65. Dean, Cora S. (b. 29 Dec 1914 - d. 5 Jan 1992)
66. Dean, Cuther (b. 10 Sep 1912 - d. 5 Jul 1992)
67. Dean, Jessie W. (b. 1934 - d. 1994)
68. Dean, Mary (b. 13 Nov 1924 - d. 6 Mar 1984)
69. Dean, Myrtle L. (b. 1936 - d.)
70. Dean, Spencer Ezra (b. 16 Apr 1901 - d. 1 Jul 1964)
71. Dean, Thelbert George (b. 19 Dec 1915 - d. 10 Jan 1984)
72. Dean, Willie Bell (b. 14 May 1903 - d. 4 Apr 1976)
73. Dickerson, James E. (b. 6 Nov 1944 - d. 31 Jan 1997)
74. Dickerson, Rosa Burchette (b. 19 Dec 1910 - d. 7 Oct 1990)
wife of Woodrow Dickerson Sr.
75. Dickerson, Woodrow W., Sr. (b. 3 Aug 1912 - d. 29 Nov 1967)
76. Dorsey, Gladys Brummitt (b. 19 Mar 1903 - d. 17 Mar 1985)
77. Dorsey, William Edward (b. 6 Nov 1902 - d. 2 Jun 1976)
78. Duke, Infant (b. 1 Nov 1986 - d. 1 Nov 1986)
son of Michael and Audrey Duke
79. Eastwood, Bennie (b. 12 Nov 1902 - d. 12 May 1907)
son of T. L. and Mollie Eastwood
80. Edwards, Donald Moore (b. 29 Jan 1938 - d. 3 Nov 1975)
US Navy. son of Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Edwards
81. Edwards, Rev. William J. (b. 24 Mar 1918 - d. 10 Nov 1977)
82. Edwards, Sarah Moore (b. 9 Jun 1917 - d. 10 Feb 1998)
wife of Rev. William Edwards
83. Faulkner, April Darlene (b. 14 May 1956 - d. 29 Jul 1956)
84. Gooch, Garland E. (b. 11 Jan 1911 - d. 21 Nov 1970)
Army/WW-II
85. Gooch, Thelma Ball (b. 10 Oct 1906 - d. 14 Jan 1991)
86. Guerrant, Fannie Twisdale (b. 28 Jul 1860 - d. 26 Nov 1933)
wife of P. P. Guerrant
87. Guerrant, P. P. (b. 10 Sept 1839 - d. 18 Jul 1907)
88. Hancock, L.C. (b. 1858 - d. 1937)
89. Hicks, Callie M. (b. 15 May 1892 - d. 8 Oct 1974)
90. Hicks, Otis B. (b. 15 Jul 1887 - d. 11 Apr 1954)
91. Hutson, Alice N. (b. 8 Sep 1894 - d. 3 Nov 1970)
92. Jones, Eula Mae Newton (b. 3 Apr 1913 - d. 5 Mar 1967)
93. Jones, Henry Hunt (b. 18 Apr 1914 - d. 17 Jan 1974)
94. King, Elizabeth Beal (b. 25 Sep 1933 - d.)
wife of Ira Devin King (Unmarked). Information furnished by family members Betty King and Bonnie Breedlove.
95. Lemons, Graham Frank (b. 8 May 1906 - d. 25 Feb 1973)
96. Lemons, Viola Amos (b. 13 Apr 1908 - d. 5 Jan 1999)
97. Lloyd, Nannie B. (b. 1891 - d. 1973)
98. Lloyd, Richard (b. 10 Mar 1886 - d. 12 Jul 1956)
99. Miller, Sena (b. 31 Jan 1855 - d. 14 Feb 1921)
100. Morton, Vencen V. (b. 19 Sep 1923 - d. 25 Jul 1970)
USAF/WW-II
101. Newton, Abner P. (b. 1881 - d. 1952)
102. Newton, Foy P., Sr. (b. 20 Mar 1905 - d. 20 Aug 1992)
103. Newton, Joanne Walker (b. 13 Jan 1950 - d. 15 Feb 1970)
104. Newton, Mary A. (b. 1878 - d. 1963)
105. Newton, Willie Lea U. (b. 14 Mar 1909 - d. 19 May 1979)
106. Oakes, Beatrice H. (b. 2 Mar 1908 - d. 12 Jul 1994)
107. Oakes, Donald H. (b. 17 Sep 1938 - d. 29 Jun 1996)
108. Oakes, Dora W. Duke (b. 5 Jan 1930 - d.)
109. Oakes, Helen M. (b. 30 Dec 1916 - d. 13 Sep 1999)
110. Oakes, John H. (b. 1890 - d. 1965)
111. Oakes, Kate F. (b. 1896 - d. 1983)
112. Oakes, Mildred B. (b. 8 Jun 1941 - d.)
wife of Raymond Oakes, married 25 Oct 1959
113. Oakes, Oscar R. (b. 19 Mar 1911 - d. 25 May 1971)

- 114. Oakes, Raymond I. (b. 28 Dec 1936 - d. 7 Apr 1998)
- 115. Oakes, William Belt (b. 6 Jun 1906 - d. 19 Dec 1965)
- 116. Parham, L.C. (Buddy) (b. 22 Aug 1915 - d. 19 Dec 1991)
- 117. Parham, Ola Wilkinson (b. 16 Dec 1894 - d. 9 Dec 1987)
- 118. Parham, Samuel Shields (b. 7 May 1892 - d. 20 Sep 1933)
- 119. Perry, Nathaniel E. (b. 11 Jul 1891 - d. 17 Jun 1941)
- 120. Rudd, Alice Brummitt (b. 9 Mar 1908 - d. 31 Aug 1996)
- 121. Rudd, Clinton Celeste (b. 12 Aug 1908 - d. 25 Jun 1950)
- 122. Simmons, Katie T. (b. 1903 - d. 1972)
- 123. Simmons, T. Lloyd (b. 1895 - d. 1949)
- 124. Smith, Jaxie Morton (b. 11 Aug 1932 - d.)
- 125. Smith, Judd Thomas (b. 5 Jun 1932 - d. 1 Sep 1996)

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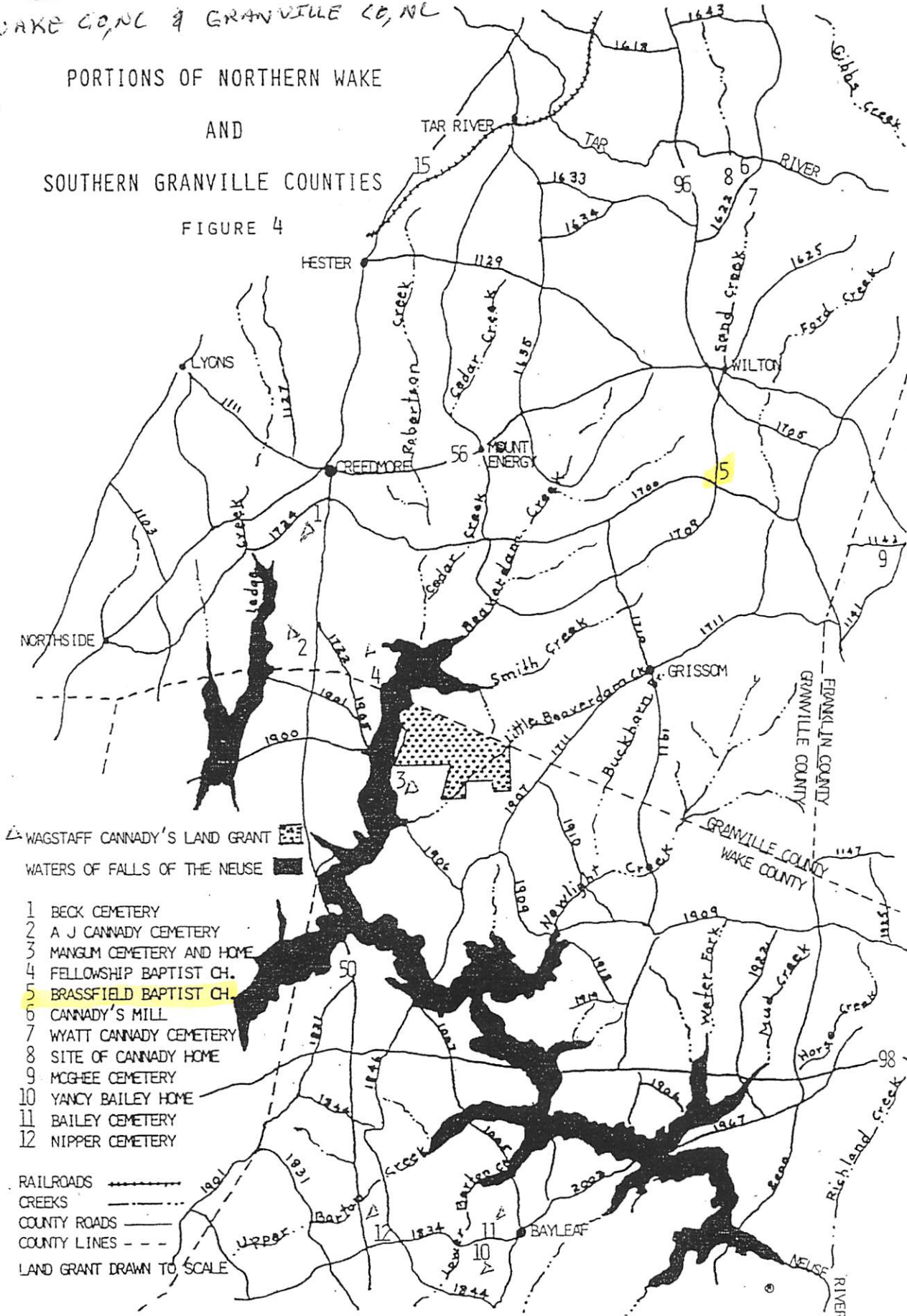
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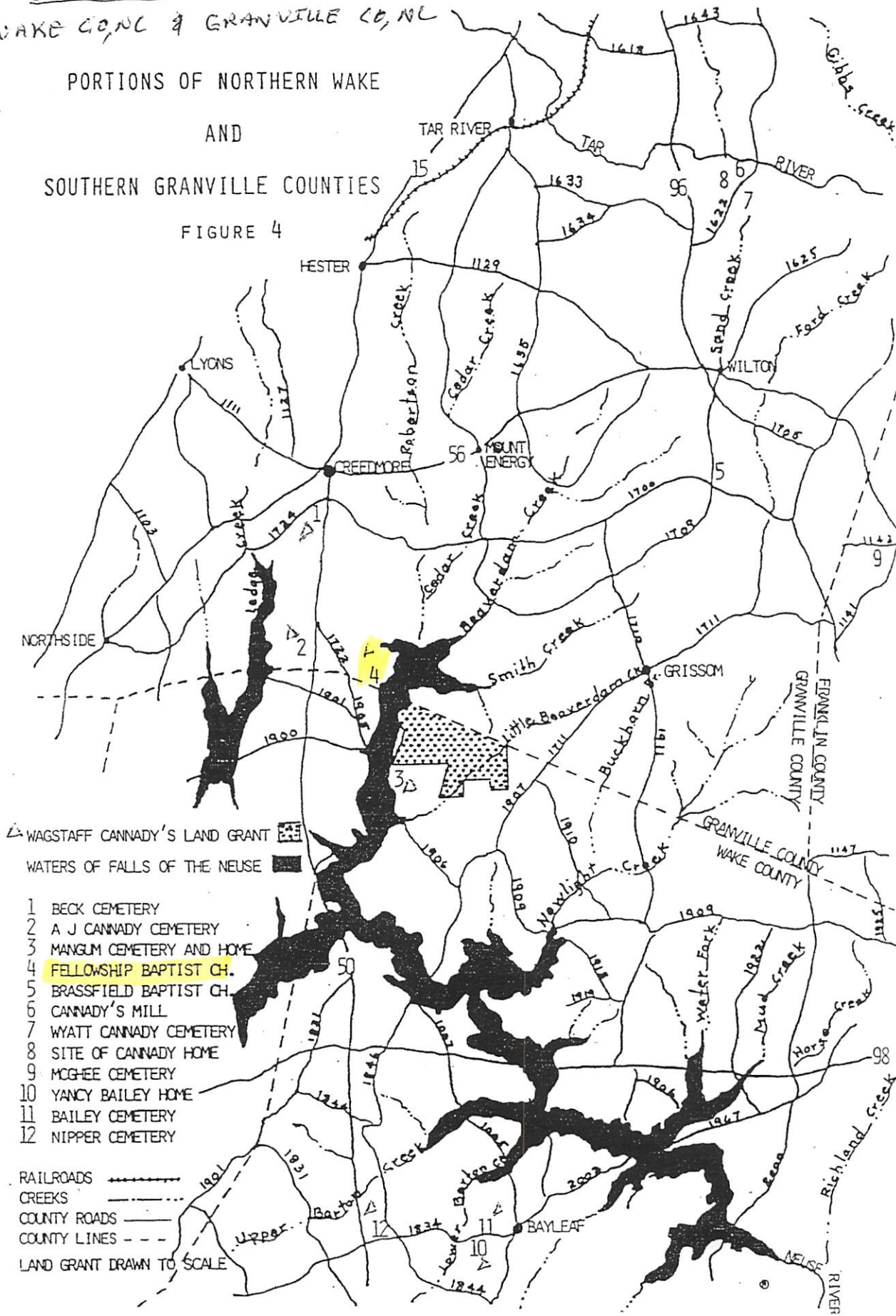
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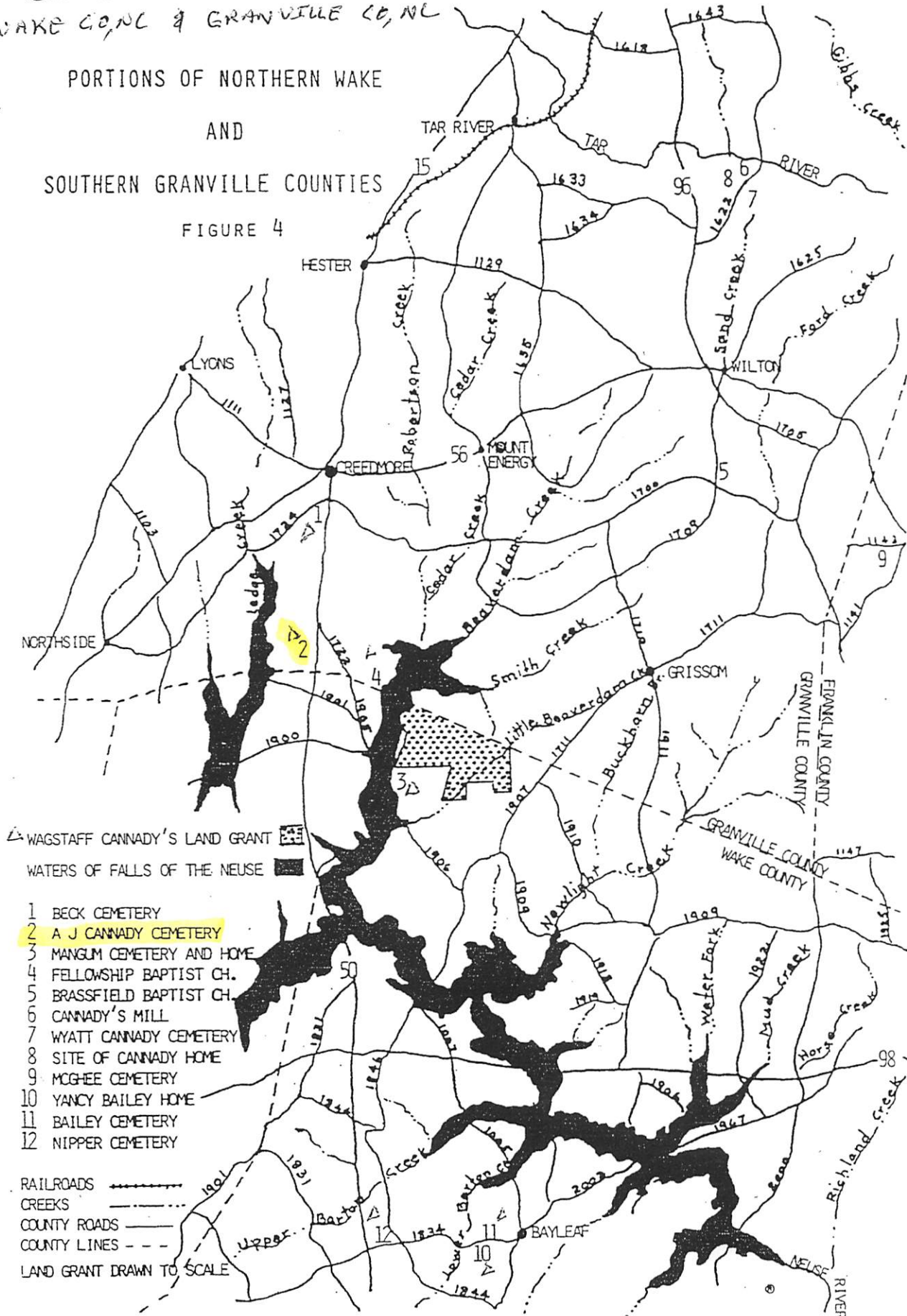
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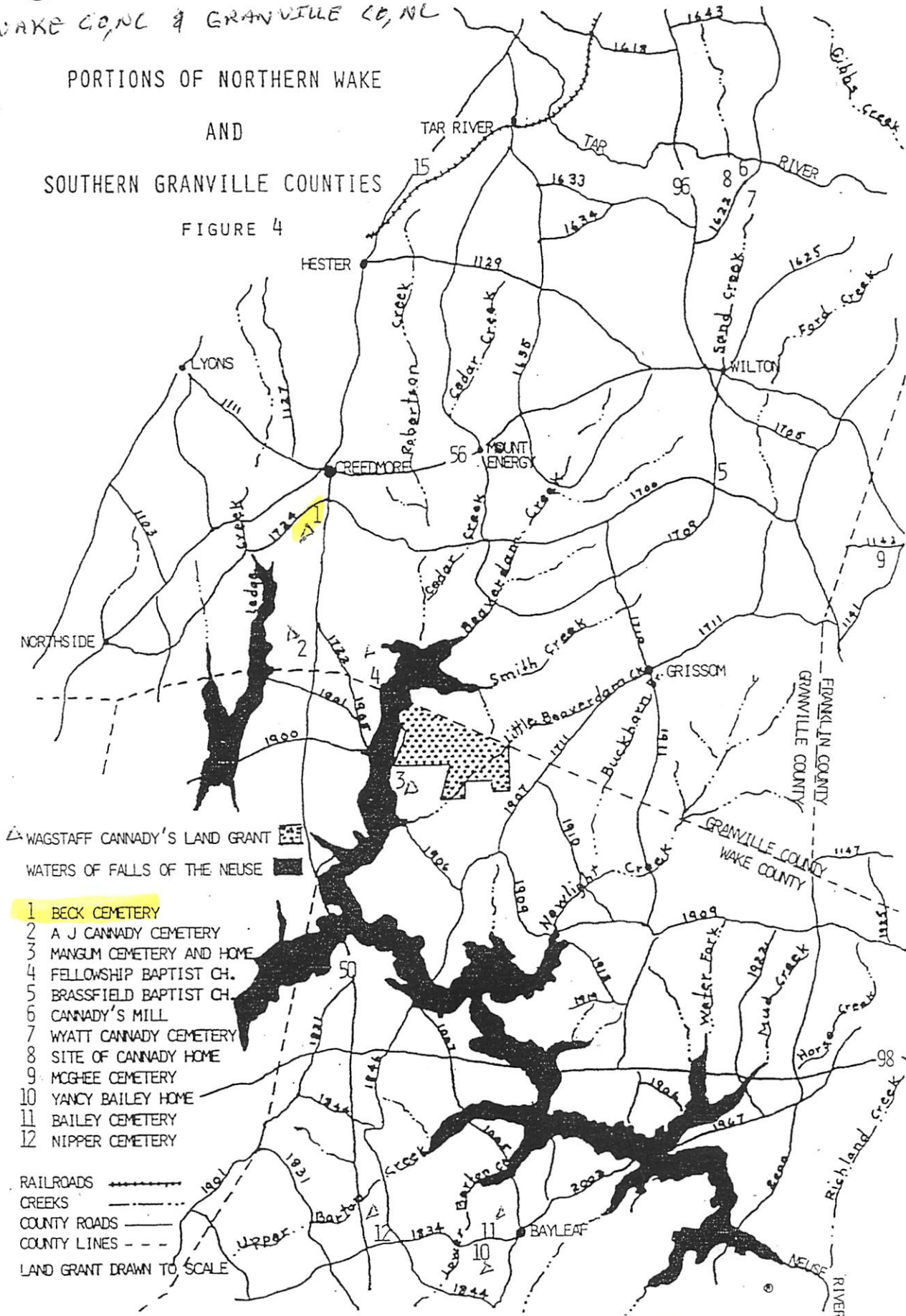
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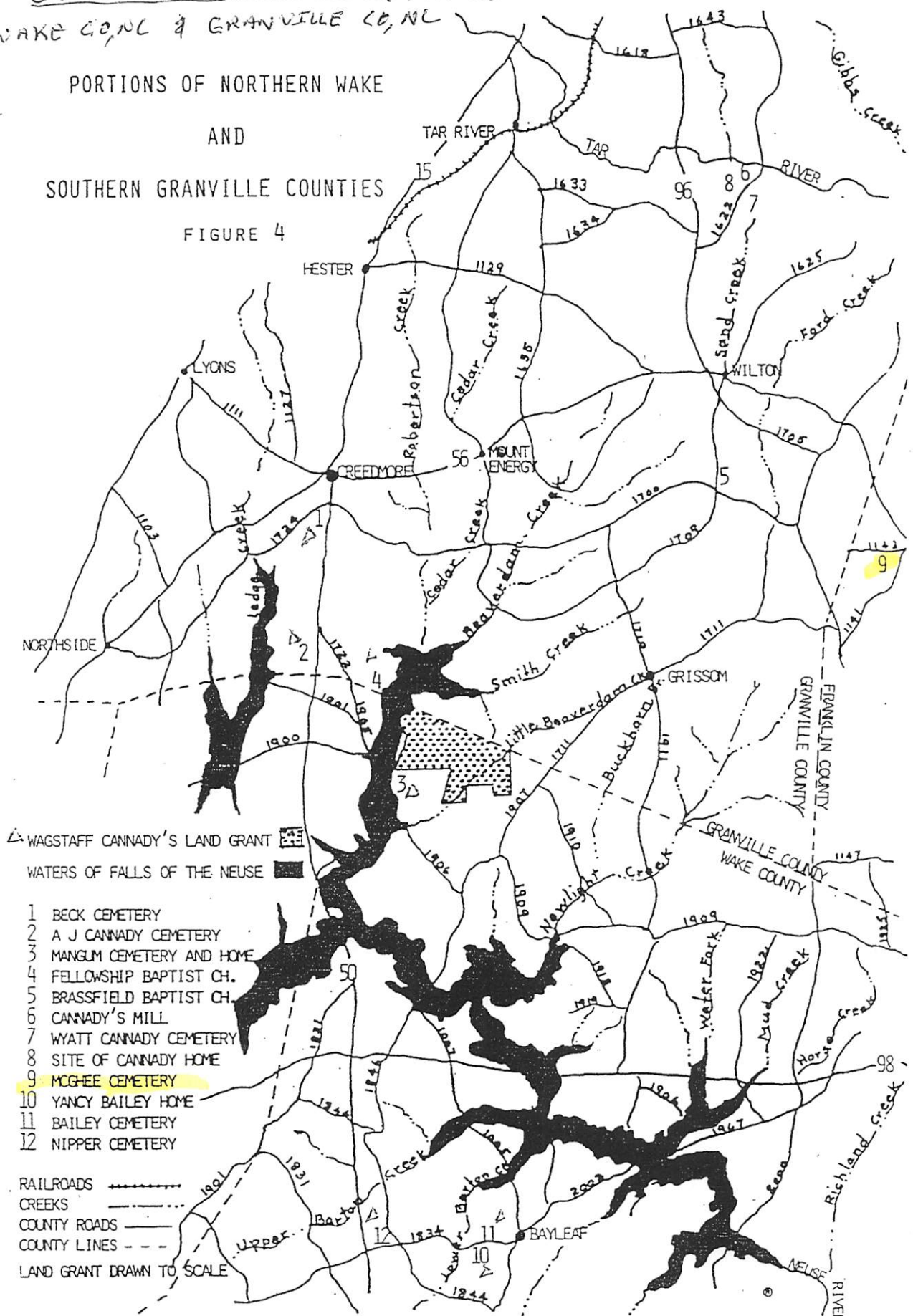
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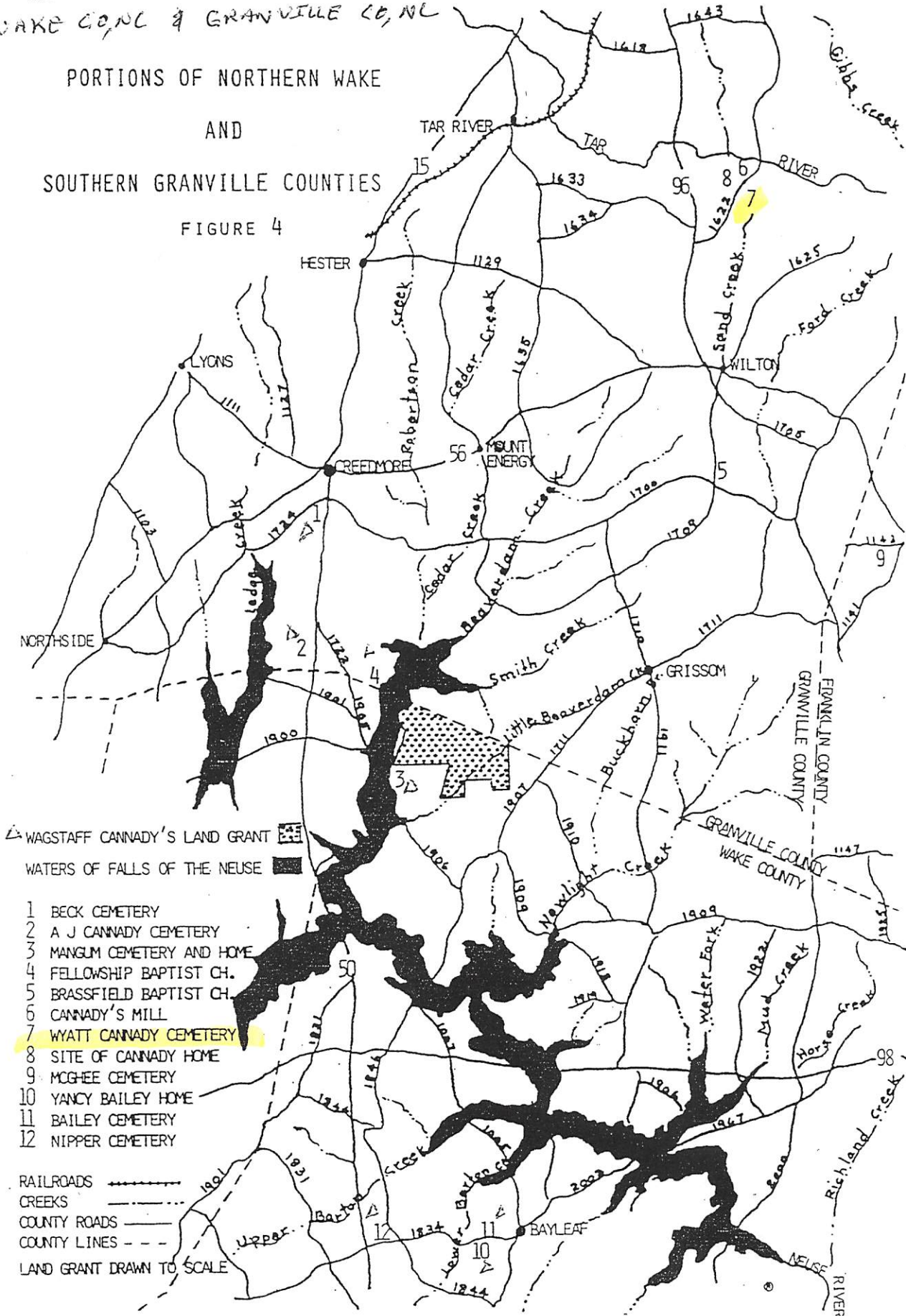
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CREEDMOOR CEM., CREEDMOOR, GRANVILLE CO, NC
ESTABLISHED 1909

○ NOTES ABOUT SELECTED MONUMENTS MADE BY RPU ON
A VISIT 28 SEP 2005

(2) 28 SEP 2005 (WED)

Left Hampton Inn 6:45 AM and arrived in Creedmoor,
Granville Co, NC at 9:45 AM. Took pictures of Cross
family members in Creedmoor Cemetery established 1909.
It is on North side of NC Hwy 56 just about 1 mile
East of the intersection of NC Hwy 56 & NC Hwy 50. One
picture taken of a hard to read inscription. It
reads: 1) NANCY A. - WIFE OF C. M. CROSS

↳ 3 OCT 1845 - 1 JAN 1917 AGE 71 YEARS

Had a casual walk through the cemetery and noted
the following: Δ ROGER G. ROGERS D.D.S.

10 AUG 1882 - 5 SEP 1952

WIFE = Δ ALICE E. RAY

7 APR 1886 - 11 JAN 1944

Δ ROGER GRAY ROGERS, JR

1 JAN 1912 - 22 JUL 1995

+ ROOM FOR SPOUSE - NOT THERE YET

1) NANCY A. = ^Δnee NANCY O'BRIEN, WIFE OF ^ΔCOLUMBUS M. CROSS

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Visited June 24, 1978 in AM (Saturday) in search of Grandpa Cross's Grave - found same. This Cem is in edge of Creedmoor on N side of highway going east. - Searched for W's, Ray, Edwards, Cross.

Alice E. Ray wife of Roger G. Rogers D.D.S.
 ↳ 7 APR 1886, 11 JAN 1944 ↳ 10 AUG 1882, 5 SEP 1952

A PLOT: A "A" Headstone - On East Face:

Bob Garland Cross 14 AUG 1908, 17 JUN 1973

Alice Clegg Cross 19 NOV 1906, —

on the West Face:

Thelma Clark Cross 7 JAN 1915, —

Allen Monroe Cross 31 AUG 1913, 29 APR 1974

↳ Extra footstone: 1' x 2' = PUT U.S. ARMY WW II

(Note: This is first time I have seen a headstone so used on both sides - a testimony to Cross frugality and perhaps to Scott's blood - RPH -).

A. PLOT. (just North of the above)

1. Stone 6" x 12" - Infant Son of Mr & Mrs B.G. Cross 1935

2. Stone 1' x 2' high - son of B.G. & A.A. Cross 19 OCT 1932, 2 FEB 1935

3. Stone 6" x 12" - Thomas M. Cross - 22 SEP 1933, 15 JUN 1934

4. Stone - Infant Son of Mr & Mrs L.H. Cross 28 JUL 1917

5. Stone 8" x 12" - Infant Son of Mr & Mrs L.H. Cross 9 APR 1916, 12 APR 1916

6. Stone 8" x 12" - Infant Son of Mr & Mrs L.H. Cross 9 APR 1916, 10 APR 1916

7. Stone 3' high - L.H. Cross 22 APR 1860, 13 DEC 1918

his wife Bettie S. 27 JAN 1883, 30 JAN 1919

8. Stone 1' x 2' - Mozelle Cross - wife of Thad Dickens

↳ 11 NOV 1905, 4 AUG 1935

- North of the above 2 plots is a Turner Plot then A Cross Plot
- △ EUGENE D. CROSS - 29 APR 1858, 8 JUN 1939 "He can all our sinners heal" 3 1/2' high stone 2' wide + larger base
- Flowers engraved on side of stone - off white stone
- COLUMBUS M. CROSS - 10 JUN 1856, 9 JUN 1914 → There is on stone Latin error - RPH
- stone 3' high x 2 1/2' wide - same inscription as for E.D.C.
- NANCY A. wife of C.M. Cross 30 OCT 1845, 1 JAN 1917 -
- age 71 yrs ↳ separate main stone.

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FROM: The Clegg of Old Chatham by W. Harold Broughton

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Family burial grounds preserved beside fairways

Graves dating back to 1810

By JOHN MYERS
Herald Staff Writer

Local golfers spending a few hours on the Carolina Trace course are likely to get a short course on some of the pre-history of Lee County as they play the back nine holes.

On hole number 18, golfers might look over the old Gilmore family cemetery, begun around 1800, and on holes 12 and 16, golfers might see two family cemeteries begun before Lee County was founded, the Hawley cemetery and the Gaster cemetery.

The oldest of these three cemeteries on the back nine is the Gaster cemetery, and if a golfer gets off a good drive from the tee on number 18, he might land his ball smack dab in the middle of the old site of the Gaster home.

The home isn't there anymore, having burned down in 1833, but if it had remained when Carolina Trace was being developed, it might still be there.

Over in the Laurel Thicket area of Carolina Trace, the road makes a complete circle at an intersection, and in the middle of the intersection is the graves of Fran and Doc Wicker, and some of their kin.

"When they laid out the road the Wicker cemetery was smack in the middle of the intersection, so they just made a circle around it," said Trace maintenance Supervisor Melvin Upchurch. The remains of the old Wicker log cabin is nearby, and in addition to the cemeteries already named, the Trace property has some other historical significance.

The golf cart rack on hole number 18 is laid out in the same path that the British General Lord Cornwallis, marched down with his army in a raid through this area during the Revolutionary War, according to Lee County historian Marvin Gaster. Gaster is a direct descendant of the Gasters in the cemetery at hole 16, and he has thoroughly researched the lives of those buried there.

According to Gaster's research, the Trace property was originally owned by Henry Gaster Sr. who settled across NC-78 from the present Trace property, near the mouth of Gaster's Creek, which was probably named for him. Henry came into this region in 1754 or 1755, and would have been among the first settlers in the area, Gaster said.

Here Gaster prospered, owning 1,084 acres of land, and according to the 1790 census, at least 14 slaves. One of his sons, Jacob, was captured by the British when he was 18 at the original home site and spent several months on a British prison ship. He survived the ordeal to return to this area and served as a captain in the local militia, which of course eventually

beat the British. Jacob was the father of David, who built the house in the middle of the present 16th fairway.

According to the best records Gaster could turn up, the first burial at the Gaster cemetery was Frances "Fannie" Gaster, who died shortly after childbirth in 1833, at the age of 23.

The Hawley cemetery, over near hole number 12, was begun about the same period. The first burial there was John A. Hawley, and part of this cemetery was destroyed in the 1830's, Gaster said.

A local man who has since passed away plowed up part of the Hawley cemetery, and used some of the grave markers as a deer stop for his smokehouse, Gaster said.

The Wicker cemetery over in the Laurel Thicket area of Trace, is dated to about the same period, and is notable by the government marker of Will Wicker, a Confederate war veteran. At the time of his death, Will Wicker was under indictment for his Ku Klux Klan activities, Gaster said. Apparently the Klan activities were strong in this area, as Gaster said six hooded Klansmen attended the funeral of Dave Gaster in 1912, conducting a special burial ceremony on horseback.

Another cemetery on Trace property is located across from the NC 87 entrance, and is popularly known as the Walker cemetery, Gaster said.

The first to be buried there was John Morris, who lived from 1768 to 1850, Gaster said. He was the father of the Morris who founded the Morris Chapel Church on nearby Coxmill Road, Gaster said.

While none of the cemeteries was damaged by the development of the Trace property, some have suffered damage since from careless visitors, Gaster said.

He said the last time he visited the Gaster cemetery, he was shocked to find the grave stones of his great-great-grandfather, John M. Gaster, had been broken into three pieces.

"People just don't realize the historical significance of these old cemeteries," Gaster said.

In his research of old family burial grounds in Lee county by The Sanford Herald, this records a visit to the old Edwards, Stone and McNeill burial place of people of those names, dating from 1810 to 1914, by W. E. Horner Sr. who was directed to the place by Tan Walker whose family owns nearby property. This burial place has nine graves marked with tombstones, many of which are fallen or leaning, plus 10 or more graves, without stones, marked by head and footstones. It is located on

property formerly owned by the Spencer W. Edwards family. Edwards is said to have owned a wide scope of land before and after the Civil War, off present NC 78 highway south, somewhat north of the C. H. (Frank) Wicker and Polly Walker lands. The cemetery is to the north side of an old wagon road (circa 1925) which led to an old grist mill on Big Juniper Creek said to have been operated by L. L. Stone, an ancestor of Fred Stone, RL 11 Sanford, whose ancestors are buried in the Edwards cemetery. This land in 1976 is owned by Chatham Lumber company. Another nearby grist mill on Big Juniper creek, on land owned by Dr. Cade Covington, Fred Stone said was operated by a man whose name he thought was Thigpen. In the Civil War era and up to the late 1800s, small grist mills were situated on nearly every creek and river of any consequence, serving nearby farmers.

From information pieced together from old residents and property owners in the area, a portion of the original Edwards land passed eventually to N. B. (Bright) McNeill, who had a two-story house in the vicinity of a tremendous forked oak, measuring in 1976, 14 feet, six inches in circumference, 30 feet high.

Family cemetery is a half mile from the old Bright residence. Tombstones existent in 1976, show burials:

Benjamin F. Edwards, son of Spencer W. and A. E. Edwards, born June 13, 1859, died Feb. 10, 1894.

Spencer W. Edwards, born March 10, 1810, died June 1, 1883.

Annie E. Parrish, wife of S. W. Edwards, born Sept. 1, 1830, died Nov. 6, 1913.

Daughter of J. M. and N. C. Stone, born June 2, 1868, died Dec. 15, 1878.

Nancy C. Edwards, wife of J. M. Stone (1842 date with birth and death dates illegible).

Annie L., daughter of L. L. and E. L. Stone, born Dec. 23, 1906, died June 16, 1908.

Jeanette Edwards, born Dec. 12, 1819, died Aug. 9, 1886.

Mattie L., daughter of N. B. (Bright) and N. E. McNeill, born Aug. 11, 1906; died Aug. 21, 1906.

Maggie A. McNeill, daughter of N. B. and N. E. McNeill, born June 6, 1809, died Oct. 31, 1914.

(If Mr. and Mrs. N. B. (Bright) McNeill are buried in this plot, no tombstones exist).

There are at least six old family burying grounds on property owned by the Carolina Trace Golf and Country Club which, with 2,000 acres, covers an area equal to or greater than that of the present city limits of Sanford, according to officials of the Carolina Trace firm.

Adjacent to the present golf course are the Gilmore, Hawley and Gaster cemeteries. The Dock Wicker cemetery is near a second golf course under construction. On the Cox Mill Road is another cemetery, and elsewhere there is a burying ground said to have been for the Buie family slaves.

Carolina Trace management has been careful to preserve all known family cemeteries; burials may still be made in them, but there have been none recently. The Trace Women's Club occasionally clears the burial grounds of undergrowth.

This piece lists people known to have been buried in the Gilmore, Hawley and Wicker plots. Historian Marvin Gaster is compiling a list of burials in the Gaster cemetery, to be published soon.

The old Gilmore family cemetery, for historical purposes, is located beside the green of hole number 10 on the Carolina Trace golf course. Within its rustic rail fence are eight marked graves and two unmarked graves.

The earliest birthdate on the gravestones is that of Elizabeth Gilmore, the wife of J. H. Gilmore. She was born on the first day of 1839, Jan. 1, and died on Aug. 8, 1921.

Beside the grave of Elizabeth is the next oldest birthdate — that of Mary Jane Gilmore, who was also born on the first day of the year 22 years later: Jan. 1, 1861, on the eve of the Civil War. She died on Sept. 23, 1941, in the early days of WW II.

On the other side of Elizabeth, lies Sara C. Gilmore, who was born Nov. 6, 1868, and lived until April 27, 1932. Her life stretched from the hard times of reconstruction

following the Civil War, to the hard times of the Great Depression, rampant in 1932.

John B. Gilmore has the next earliest birthdate in the cemetery; born Sept. 21, 1881, died on Nov. 14, 1960.

Annie K. Gilmore, the wife of J. B. Gilmore, was born Oct. 16, 1883 and died on June 27, 1917.

William Jasper Gilmore is next with a birthdate of March 23, 1887, death on June 12, 1961.

The most informative gravestone in the Gilmore cemetery is that of Walter McLeman Gilmore. His marker informs he died Dec. 3, 1920, at the age of 25 years, four months and 28 days. This would place his birth date on July 6, 1895. The marker also has an inscription which says that he was an Army private in the 120th Infantry, 30th Division, apparently a veteran of WW I.

The most recent of the birthdates is that of the son of John B. and Annie K. Gilmore

who was born on Sept. 21, 1910, and died on Oct. 30, 1912, at the age of "two years, one month and 10 days." No name is given for this two-year-old boy.

Two more recent graves in the cemetery are unmarked, but according to records kept by Miller Funeral Home they are both Gilmores, with one buried in 1967 and one in 1966. William Ernest Gilmore was born June 26, 1907, died on Dec. 13, 1966. The other unmarked grave is that of Mrs. Lina Balm Gilmore, who was born Oct. 6, 1896, and died on Jan. 3, 1967.

The old Hawley burying ground, located on the north side of the fairway of hole 12, near the Trace's water storage and pumping facilities and adjacent to the dogleg on this hole seems to have graves of the earliest settlers. There are three graves with tombstones, and probably a dozen more have only head and footstones. This place is visited occasionally by genealogists seeking family information.

One stone — for William Hawley, born Oct. 11, 1805, died June 5, 1859 — and his wife Margaret — born Dec. 2, 1813, died Oct. 19, 1867 — has a most beautiful epitaph carved on the headstone: "Having finished life's duty, they now sweetly rest."

A stone for Clarence L. Brooks, son of R. W. and C. A. Brooks, records death on Nov. 2, 1876 (birthdate not recorded).

The Dock D. Wicker burying ground is in the Laurel Thicket and Stone Gate areas of Trace, near the first nine holes of a new course under construction. At this graveyard, roads were dual-laned on either side of the cemetery to preserve it.

There are many Wickers in this area, and as late as last week a descendant registered at the Trace gatehouse to see where his grandfather, Charles Wicker, was buried. Fragments of the old Dock Wicker house and barns remain nearby.

There are nine graves with stones; others have flint rocks at head and foot of graves. The Wicker family owned land in the vicinity as early as 1856.

Names and dates copied from stones are:

- Charles Wicker, born March 27, 1856; died Sept. 25, 1911.
- Hattie H. Wicker, born 1869, died 1950.
- Dock D. Wicker, born 1873, died 1960.
- Camsont Wicker, born Oct. 10, 1890, died Feb. 27, 1918.
- Hoyle Wicker, born July 14, 1887, died Feb. 6, 1916.
- May Wicker, died Dec. 4, 1934 (age 1 year, two months).
- Joe B. Wicker, private, 156 Depot Brigade, died April 6, 1939.
- Ruby Lillie Wicker, daughter of C. A. and Susie Wicker, born July 8, 1908, died Oct. 26, 1910.
- Francis Gideon Wicker, died Feb. 13, 1945, age 73 years, 7 months, 16 days.

This article is about three cemeteries on the CAROLINA TRACE GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB property in Lee Co, NC: Gilmore cem., Hawley cem., Gaster Cem. NO known U connection except the present Maint. Super. in MELVIN U

ELMWOOD CEM Grounded by RPH
OXFORD NC 20 FEB 1981 in
Oxford, NC

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UPCHURCH HEADSTONE 'A'

3 Footstones in plot

① Addie Barber wife of W.H. U
28 SEP 1875 24 OCT 1913

② W.H. U 3 MAR 1875 - 24 MAY 1948

③ HAVENS CARROLL - wife of W.H. U
28 SEP 1882 - 25 JUN 1953

CARRINGTON HEADSTONE "A"

1st Flat 3' x 7' stone ~~on ground~~ mounted
on ground

Samuel Mason Carrington, MD
son of Luther Mason & Elizabeth Walker
Carrington 26 JUL 1903 - 29 OCT 1953
md Nellie Dyrhinch 17 JUL 1936
Father of Samuel M. C. Jr
Julia Ruth C
Luther Henry C.
Watt Sterling C
Vet of WWII

2nd Flat 3' x 7' stone - In loving memory of
Sterling Carrington - son of ~~an~~ above (Luther
& Elizabeth)
md 4 MAY 1921 Julia Lee Curran
Father of - Betsy Carrington Wall 1924 -
Jane Carrington Suddarth 1927 - 1971

New grave Mr Allen Cozart Carrington
25 JUN 1908 - 7 JAN 1981