

# The Chatham Record

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## IT TAKES DETERMINATION.

Once in a while we have a friend to drop in and tell us just what we should print in the paper and what we should not. Then we will bump into folks that really believe that the paper is all that it could be for a small town, but there are many who have axes to grind that can offer more dictation in a minute than a government mule could do tricks in an hour.

It takes training to make a printer, much less an editor. The putting out of a paper is more than the mere matter that is printed into it. Old man Peguise, under whom the editor was trained in a mechanical way, was more strict as to the mechanical appearance of a paper than the character of the reading. Then Col. Walter Edward Harris, under whom he secured his editorial knowledge.

have everything precise, verbatim and to the point. Therefore we have been trained to be neat in the construction of a paper and fearless as to the editorial matter that is used.

Hence it often becomes necessary for an editor to print news that is not altogether in keeping with his taste or desires. In fact it is unavoidable at times to print news stories about some of his best friends, about the most progressive men, about things as well as people that is distasteful. But a real, unafraid editor, who has the interest of his subscribers at heart, will hew to the line and let the chips scatter to the wind.

Since the present editor came in control of this paper it has been our purpose to print THE NEWS, and we have never weakened. It will continue to be found in the paper and as much as we dislike scandal, rascality or evasion of law by anyone or to have it in print, it is an obligation we owe our readers to publish it. They have paid us \$1.50 each as a salary for a year to tell them what is going on and we would not earn the salary were we to fail.

Therefore, it MUST be understood that no agency can make us afraid or scare us into submission to any other mind save the one that the good Lord gave us. We do not propose to attempt to do anything unjust or to the detriment of any one if we can possibly avoid it, but if it is news and of public concern then one may expect to find it in the county paper.

No preacher is living up to the right standard who enters the pulpit full of fear; no lawyer can battle the rights of his client if he pleads to the jury and court with a heart full of misery and agony; no doctor can offer the same scientific treatment to the sick if he has horror in his system or is influenced by any uneasiness, and we feel sure that a wide-awake editor should be just as determined as any professional man.

If it is news let us know it and by "faith ye'll learn that a Chiel is amang ye takin' notes and he'll print it."

## NOT WORTH THE CANDLE.

For many months this paper has printed each meeting of the county commissioners and the road commissioners in detail, enumerating the proceedings in detail, the accounts paid and what John Smith got and what he got it for and from whom he got it, but we have been forced to the conclusion that it is not worth the candle.

Of course, our readers are interested in the money that is paid out, to whom and what for, nevertheless, many times it is almost impossible to be accurate and errors occur, sometimes on our part and again from the bills presented and in some other manner. This is because for the major portion of the time we get the proceedings from memorandum and not from actual record.

Hence we have decided in the future merely to print any act of the commissioners, county and road boards, as the news value warrants, such as changes in roads, new roads, improvements in roads, etc. The law requires that the register of deeds shall print in detail an annual statement all the receipts and expenditures of the county, as well as all amounts drawn by the commissioners themselves for service and mileage, and then the tax payers will get it all at one time.

The statement is in process of preparation now by the register of deeds and will appear in print within a few weeks and will contain all information

for a year preceding November. All those who are now subscribers to the paper will have the opportunity of seeing it if it comes up to the requirements of the law. This will possibly take up several pages of the paper alone. Look for it.

## PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP.

It is a known fact that the present official administration of the affairs of Pittsboro has been up to the highest standard and that the official family is a progressive one. The mayor and aldermen or commissioners are progressive. There is not an act or undertaking that has not met with the approbation of the general public.

The same men have been nominated, with the exception of Hon. A. C. Ray for mayor, and he is classed with the progressive folks, and they deserve the full voting strength of everyone as a matter of appreciation. It is true that the nomination virtually elects them, yet as a matter of proof of good citizenship those enjoying the franchise should vote for each and every one of them for the next term.

The registration books are open at The Farmers Bank. Go and register, if you are not already on the books and on the day of the election, May 8th, go to the polls and make the election unanimous. It is your duty as well as your privilege.

## Masons Held Social Meeting.

Goldston, April 6.—Goldston lodge No. 649 gave a supper in the Masonic hall Wednesday evening, April 4, to which they invited the Masons of Gulf lodge and of Bonlee, and their wives and the members of Goldston chapter, U. D. O. E. S. After the company was assembled, J. H. Alexander, worshipful master of Goldston lodge, called the house to order, and after a brief explanation of the meeting and a few words of welcome called on Mrs. J. C. Norman for a welcome on the part of the chapter.

Mr. Dunlap, of Bonlee lodge, was called upon and responded in a brief but very appropriate talk.

C. F. Hart, of Goldston, made an eloquent speech in praise of Masonry and the Order of the Eastern Star. Rev. Mr. Sells, pastor of the M. E. church, Goldston, though not a Mason, paid high tribute to the spirit and the

Ford has been invited to Greensboro to make a speech. Wonder if he will ride in one of his tin lizzies?

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"Boy Turns Bandit and Dies."—They generally do.

Industry is usually practiced by the man who raises a dust.

The hand that holds four aces is the hand that rules the game.

Few women make fools of men. They merely let nature take its course.

The height of indifference—The man who forgets when pay day is due.

Sheriffs may come and deputies may go but bootleggers go on forever.

That great organization, The Loafers Union, has never been known to produce any loaves.

This is the time of year when baseball fans, fishing fans and palm leaf fans come into their own.

The joy of Saturday being pay day is dampened by realization that Saturday night is bath night.

We note that people in Germany carry change in sachels. We have always been able to crowd ours in our vest pocket.

## QUIPS AND QUIDDITIES.

The examiners of a certain school always try to make the papers as up-to-date and interesting as possible.

During a recent examination one of the questions read thus: "If one horse can run a mile in a minute and a half and another is able to do the same distance in two minutes, how far ahead would the first horse be if the two ran a race of two miles at these respective speeds?"

One of the pupils returned his paper with the query unanswered, except that he had written on the sheet: "I refuse to have anything to do with horse racing."

There is a brewer in Milwaukee who has the precious gift of imagination.

When brewing ceased in Milwaukee he sat down and thought, and presently evolved a formula for "near-beer," and anaemic ghost of the real juice, warranted non-intoxicant.

Then he had a special label printed for his bottles. It read:

"It is forbidden by law to put a raisin into this beverage, since it has

the effect of making it intoxicating."

The brewer made a fortune.

During the performance of a suburban picture theater the following notice was flashed on the screen during the interval:

"Lost, between Maple road and this theater, a purse containing \$75. Finder rewarded."

Almost at once a man went to the booking office.

"It's found," he said. They brought the manager.

"Have you got it?" he asked. "Oh, no," replied the man, "but I've only just come along that way, and it isn't there, so it's found."

## DEATH OF JOHN H. LANE.

Bear Creek, April 9.—Born recently to Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Wilkie, a son. J. C. Coggins went to Wilmington last week.

Messrs. W. A. Coggins and T. B. Beal were business visitors in Pittsboro last Wednesday.

Mrs. G. N. Smith visited her daughter, Mrs. C. F. Gamble, of Siler City, during the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Fitts and Mr. and Mrs. D. T. Brooks, all of Bear Creek, were visitors in Greensboro last week.

Among those who went this week to take treatment were: Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Harris, Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Willett and son, Wade, Messrs. J. W. Pierce, F. C. Straughan, and J. A. Phillips.

Mrs. S. F. Coggins, of Greensboro, visited relatives near Bear Creek last Friday and Saturday.

M. F. Norwood made a trip to Winston-Salem this week.

Miss Camilla Gilmore, a student at Bonlee High school, spent the weekend in the home of J. D. Willett.

John H. Lane died at his home on route 2, Sunday night, April 8. He had been suffering from asthma for several years but his death came unexpectedly by his friends.

Mr. Lane moved from Goldston to this county about 15 years ago. He joined Meromes M. E. church soon after moving to this community and remained a faithful member.

He is survived by his wife and five children, four boys and one girl. The children are Martin O., Paul A., and Charles, of Durham. Miss Barbara and Richard, who lived with their father. May the Heavenly father comfort those who are bereaved. He is also survived by one brother, W. H. Lane, of Raleigh. PHIL.

## Professional Cards

**VICTOR R. JOHNSON.**  
Attorney-at-Law,  
Practices in all courts—Federal, State and County.

Office over Brooks & Eubanks Store, Northeast corner court house square, PITTSBORO, N. C.

**LONG AND BELL.**  
Attorneys-at-Law.  
PITTSBORO, N. C.

J. ELMER LONG, Durham, N. C.  
DANIEL L. BELL, Pittsboro, N. C.

**A. C. RAY.**  
Attorney-at-Law.  
PITTSBORO, N. C.

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Cor. Hillsboro & Salisbury. Pittsboro, N. C.

work of Masonry.

Prof. W. H. Tyler gave some interesting and inspiring thoughts on "The mission of Masonry."

At the hour of 9 o'clock the guests were invited by the worshipful master to be seated at the table, extend-

ing the length of the hall. The refreshments consisted of ham sandwiches, pimento sandwiches, pickles, chicken salad, coffee, cream and cake.

Nearly 100 people were present and the evening was thoroughly enjoyed by all.



The season is at hand to supply the home, the farm and make purchases that are necessary for our comfort. Many people have learned that it is a money-saving opportunity to trade at L. N. WOMBLE'S, paying cash and setting the price. We have a stock of goods that will meet the demand of the most EXACT PURCHASER and the prices are just a little above wholesale. Don't fail to call each week and look for the specials.

Specials this week are Sugar, 11 cents and Flour \$7.50.

"PAY CASH AND SAVE THE DIFFERENCE."

**L. N. WOMBLE,**  
PITTSBORO, — — — NORTH CAROLINA.

## STATEMENT.

U. S. BRANCH OF THE LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION, LONDON, ENG.

Condition December 31, 1922, as shown by statement filed.

Amount of Ledger Assets December 31st of previous year, \$7,473,914.41; Increase of paid-up Capital, Total \$7,473,914.41

Income—From Policyholders, \$4,315,600.15; Miscellaneous, \$478,797.63; Total, \$4,794,397.78

Disbursements—To Policy holders, \$1,797,749.39; Miscellaneous, \$2,688,321.15; Total, \$4,486,070.54

Fire Risks—Written or renewed during year, \$546,596,466. In \$2,688,329.15; Total, \$4,486,070.54

All Other Risks—Written or renewed during year, \$652,321,243. In force, \$117,230,934.

## ASSETS.

Value of Bonds and Stocks \$6,047,151.13

Cash in Company's Office \$6,188.16

Deposited in Trust Companies and Banks on interest \$648,448.82

Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1922, \$858,138.27

Agents' balances, representing business prior to October 1, 1922, \$39,908.18

Bills receivable, taken for other risks \$2,482.16

Interest and Rents due and accrued \$69,785.59

All other Assets, as detailed in statement \$266,583.80

Total \$7,928,686.11

Less Assets not admitted \$62,760.94

Total admitted Assets \$7,865,925.17

## LIABILITIES.

Net amount of unpaid losses and claims \$1,116,957.00

Unearned premiums \$3,358,236.01

Salaries, rents, expenses, accounts, fees, etc., due or accrued \$2,500.00

Estimated amount payable for Federal, State, county and municipal taxes due or accrued \$140,685.25

Contingent commissions, or other charges due or accrued \$47,182.45

All other liabilities, as detailed in statement \$35,629.00

Total amount of all Liabilities except Capital, \$4,701,189.71

Surplus as regards Policyholders \$3,164,735.46

Total Liabilities, \$7,865,925.17

## BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA DURING 1922.

Fire Risks written \$3,943,775.00; Premiums received, \$64,327.97

All other Risks written \$ 363,502.00; Premiums received, \$ 1,117.91

Losses incurred—Fire \$ 28,262.92; Paid, \$29,520.92

Losses incurred—All other \$ 9.00; Paid, \$ 9.00

United States Manager, John H. Packard, London, Eng.

Home Office

Attorney for service: Stacey W. Wade Insurance Commissioner, Raleigh, N.C.

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, INSURANCE DEPARTMENT, (Seal)

Raleigh, March 3, 1923.

I, STACEY W. WADE, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of the U. S. Branch of LONDON ASSURANCE CORPORATION, of London, Eng., filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company, on the 31st day of December, 1922.

Witness my hand and official seal, the day and year above written.

STACEY W. WADE, Insurance Commissioner.

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