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A BIG THING FOR CHATHAM.

Rambler Says Phoenix Plant Below Moncreux Something to See.

But very few people in Chatham know what is going on in some parts of the old county. Over in Cape Fear township, there is one of the biggest towns being built there—the Phoenix plant, which is a part of the Carolina Power & Light Co.

The plant which is located right on the east bank of Cape Fear river, about two and a half miles southeast of Moncreux, is connected by railroad of the main line of the Seaboard, and people are surprised when they visit the place, to find so much building going on. This writer had no idea that such a big thing as the Phoenix plant was until he saw with his own eyes the big smoke stack, the many derricks, tanks, houses and people there. We hardly know how to describe what we saw.

The smoke stack, made of cement, is 19 feet across the base, and was sunk 30 feet in the ground before a solid foundation could be found. When this large stack is finished it will be 285 feet high; it is now 120 feet and the top looks as if it were out of sight. In order to reach the top, workmen have to go up in an elevator from the inside.

Then, there is a huge building near the smoke stack which is to be filled with machinery and electric equipment. Then there is a big canal dug from this huge building to the river and when the plant is completed the water from the river will be used.

Then there is a big pile of coal lying outside of the ground and near the river bank which looks as if there was enough to last a city through the winter, and we were told that 30 more cars of coal were expected daily.

Then there are the big derricks, the smaller derricks and the baby derricks. The big fellows look as though they wish to fall all the time, and how long and heavy "things" are held up there in the air without falling, we don't know.

The plant grounds are full of wires and light bulbs and at night the place is as light as day. The work is carried on in two shifts, the day men work ten hours and the night men twelve hours. They work only eight hours on Sunday.

The writer believes he would not like to have a night job nor a day job on that plant—there are too many big things lying around and up in the air for him, but the men who work there, probably 250 or more, seem to be cheerful, and Sunday they looked clean and healthy, some of them being real handsome young men. There were very few old men on the ground while we were there.

The Phoenix store was running in full blast and two or three clerks were kept busy waiting on the customers.

The village is to be laid off in blocks and soon new homes for the permanent employees will be built. They will be of brick and will be made comfortable and home like, will be connected with water, lights and all modern fixtures.

Since the plant has been building there have been only two accidents to occur to the numerous workers. In building one of the tanks a big hammer in the hands of one of the men slipped and struck a worker and knocked him off a scaffold. The wounded man is about well again. The other was a case of drowning. One of the men lost his life while in bathing.

LOCAL ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Moncreux, Rt. 2, Aug. 6.—Mr. H. R. Harward visited his brothers in Lee county last week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Brown, of Durham, are spending sometime with relatives in this community.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Clifton have returned to South Carolina, after spending several days in this community.

Mr. H. L. Harward, of Durham, spent Saturday night with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Harward.

Miss Notie White spent several days last week with her brother, G. E. White, in Siler City.

Mr. and Mrs. T. C. Council and family, of Raleigh, are spending this week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Harward.

Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Nooe were callers in the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Harward Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Harrison and Miss Hazel Burns were Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Thomas.



CALVIN COOLIDGE, PRESIDENT UNITED STATES

GIVE PRISONERS A TESTAMENT.

Grand Jury so Recommends and Want County Home Grounds Improved.

At the conclusion of criminal court last week, the grand jury submitted the following report:

"North Carolina, Chatham county: August Term:

To his honor F. C. Daniels, judge presiding:

We, the grand jury, beg to make the following report:

We have examined and passed upon all the bills that have come before us and have returned into open court thirty-seven bills.

We visited the county jail in a body and found same in good condition. It is in excellent sanitary condition, and the prisoners are comfortably cared for.

We visited the county home, found seventeen inmates, nine white and eight colored. We thoroughly inspected the buildings and premises and found the same in excellent condition. The inmates are furnished with clean clothes and are required to take frequent baths, so that their personal sanitary condition is at all times very good. We enjoyed the dinner that was served while we were there, and we find that the inmates are supplied with an abundant quantity of good substantial food. The county home is modern in every detail and is a credit to Chatham county. We wish to recommend that the Commissioners build a drive way, plant shade trees and some shrubbery as this would add greatly to the appearance of the place. We also recommend that the prisoners in camp, prisoners in jail and the inmates at the county home be supplied with a copy of the New Testament. We understand that religious services are being held at the county home on Sunday afternoon by the different ministers. We think this is very fitting and hope that it will be continued. We wish to commend Mr. and Mrs. Johnson for their excellent management of the home.

A committee visited the county convict camp, they found sixteen prisoners there, thirteen colored and three white, five under the gun and eleven trusties, sixteen mules and one horse. The committee personally interviewed practically all the prisoners, separate and apart from the superintendent and they state that they are comfortable clothed, well fed and given comfortable quarters in which to sleep.

We visited the offices of the clerk of court, register of deeds, sheriff and the superintendent of public instruction. We found all to be kept in a neat, orderly and business manner.

We recommend to the commissioners that they have a clock placed upon the wall in the court room, also a hat rack in the grand jury room.

We hereby express our most sincere thanks to the presiding judge, F. C. Daniels, solicitor Clawson Williams and all other court and county officers for the courtesies shown us and the co-operation given us in our work.

C. D. MOORE, Foreman.

SERVICES BEGAN AT BUCKHORN

Baseball Good, Clean Sport—Local Personal Items.

Brickhaven, August 6.—Revival services began at Buckhorn church last Sunday, and will continue through Friday. The opening service was auspicious, with an unusually large attendance. Rev. Glenn is conducting the revival and comes highly recommended by the pastor.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Harrington, of St. Pauls, are spending this week with relatives here.

Mrs. Fesperman, of Montgomery, Alabama, is visiting her sister here, Mrs. J. H. Overby.

Miss Kate Marks, of Olivia, spent Saturday and Sunday with her sister, Mrs. R. H. Overby.

Friends of Mrs. N. T. Overby will be very glad to learn that she is getting on nicely, following an operation at a hospital, and that she expects to come home very soon.

Mr. Paul Utley, of Miami, Fla., is spending his vacation with his mother, Mrs. J. W. Utley.

Miss Lida Mims and Mr. Cliff Mims, of Raleigh, spent the week-end with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Mims.

Miss Essie Harrington, of Holly Springs, is visiting her cousin here Mrs. A. P. Harrington.

Miss Annie Utley is visiting relatives at Durham this week.

The tobacco farmers are busy curing tobacco, and the "chicken fries" and water melon slicings have started. The first one of the season was held at the Boylan Ranch Friday evening. Everything went off beautifully and the young people had a thorough good time.

What is the trouble with the Brickhaven ball team? It seems that enthusiasm is lagging, and it is to be regretted for baseball is a good, clean sport and is an asset to any wide-awake community, that is interested in wholesome pastime.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiliary Marks and little Dan, of Chapel Hill, have been on a short visit to friends here.

Mr. Cranford, of Lillington, spent Sunday with friends here and at Carmichael.

BROUGHT IN A STILL.

Deputy sheriff George Pickett and a posse captured a 50-gallon still over in the Ore Hill section last Thursday night and locked it up in the jail at Pittsboro. They also brought along 45 half gallons of fruit jars full of liquor which was stored away in the "archives of the gravity" to be destroyed later. The still was of copper and had been in use for sometime.

PRES. HARDING DIES SUDDENLY

He Passed Out Without Warning at 10:35 P.

M. in San Francisco Thursday

THE RESULT OF A STROKE OF APOPLEXY

Stricken Down in Weakened Condition After Illness of Exactly a Week.

The Nation in Mourning—Chatham Court Passes Resolutions.

President Warren G. Harding died at the Palace Hotel in San Francisco, California last Thursday night at 7:30 o'clock Central Standard Time or 10:30 o'clock Eastern Standard Time, as used in North Carolina. The cause of his death was apoplexy, following an attack of Ptomaine poisoning, an affection of the heart and the fatigue of a 7000 trip he was completing to Alaska.

The President had about overcome his diseased condition and bulletins had been issued by the attending physicians that he was on the road to recovery, but before the people of the United States could begin to rejoice at the favorable report, the announcement of his death came. It was like a thunder clap from a clear sky and thousands mourn the passing of the chief executive of the nation.

The body of the President was taken from the hotel where he died to the State House in Washington, where it remained to be viewed by thousands of admirers before being taken to Ohio where it again remained at the capital at Columbus, before interment at his home town in Marion, Ohio.

The American people from coast to coast and from lakes to gulf and in the territories beyond the seas and in the foreign countries have bowed their heads in grief for their president.

Mr. Harding's death came suddenly. Up until 7 o'clock he was conversing with Mrs. Harding, who had been constantly at his side, and while she



WARREN G. HARDING, SIXTH PRESIDENT TO DIE.

Mrs. Harding is Shown With the President.

was reading to him, it was noticed that he was weakening and before the physicians could be summoned he died from the effects of cerebral apoplexy.

Vice-President Calvin Coolidge automatically becomes President of the United States and was sworn in office at 2 o'clock Friday morning at Plymouth, Vermont by his father, a Notary Public.

Accompanied by Mrs. Coolidge Congressman Dale and two Federal employees, Coolidge left immediately by automobile for Rutland, where a special train was prepared to take the party to New York.

Calvin Coolidge is perhaps better equipped by experience to take up his administrative duties in the White House than was any of his predecessors who have been called to that high office by the death of a president.

Coolidge is an entirely different type of man to Harding and many believe that his executive ability will be superior in many respects to that of the late President. Mr. Harding preferred the role of counsellor rather than dictator, but he easily removed all doubt that his gift of patience denoted in any lack of purpose once he chartered a course. This was demonstrated in the bonus bill for soldiers when he stated that legislation should carry the means of financing the measure or be postponed and when Congress put aside his advice he promptly vetoed the bill.

Watch His Administration.

The administration of Calvin Coolidge will have much to do with the next presidential campaign. If it comes up to the expectation of the Republican party, he will undoubtedly be given the nomination for another term, following the precedent set in the case of Teddy Roosevelt. It will, of course, affect the contemplation of the Democratic party, and it can safely be bet at this time that Coolidge for the Republicans, and McAdoo, for the Democrats, will be the candidates in the next campaign.

Harding's Life in Brief.

1865 born Nov. 2, on farm near Blooming Grove, Ohio.
1882 graduated from Ohio Central College, Liberia, Ohio.
1884 became owner and editor of the Daily Star, Marion, Ohio.
1891 married Miss Florence King, Marion, Ohio.
1900 entered Ohio State Senate.
1902 started upon second term in Ohio Senate.
1904 sworn in as lieutenant governor of Ohio.
1904 defeated in Ohio gubernatorial campaign.
1910 defeated United States senator from Ohio.
1914 elected United States senator from Ohio.
1920 won the Republican presidential nomination and was elected over James M. Cox, democratic candidate.
1921 inaugurated 28th president of the United States.
Called world conference on disarmament.
Put into effect governmental budget system.
Opened fight for American ship subsidy.
1922 vetoed active part in settlement of rail and coal strikes.
Took action for formation of world court.
Pleaded for formation of world court.
1923 assailed wet forces and practically put Republican party on record as opposing any attempt to nullify the 18th amendment.
Urged formation of consumers' co-operative organizations, under government supervision, to combat soaring prices.
Visited western states and Alaska.
Stricken ill at Seattle, Washington, on return trip from Alaska, forced to bed at San Francisco.

MISS WARD ENTERTAINS.

Interesting News from Mt. Gilead Section.

Pittsboro, Rt. 2, Aug. 6.—Miss Annie Hatley has been on the sick list the past two weeks, but is getting better.

Mr. and Mrs. D. G. Hatley and children are visiting relatives in Raleigh. Misses Eunice and Meta Hatley spent last week visiting relatives in Raleigh.

Mr. J. W. Neal and family spent Sunday in the home of Mr. M. W. Sparrow at Carboro.

Mr. Gordon Copeland and family spent last week end with Mr. and Mrs. Jeter J. Hackney.

Misses Gertrude and Lillian Hatley spent Saturday night with Misses Annie and Vallie Hatley.

Messrs Carey Griffin and Newton Mann visited friends near Pittsboro Sunday.

Miss Leona Neal spent last week with her sister, Mrs. W. A. Pendergraph in Durham.

Mrs. Yancey Neal and children spent last week in Carboro.

Misses Dudley and Nancy Hackney, of Durham, are visiting Miss Dixie Hackney.

Miss Lenora Ward delightfully entertained a large number of her friends Saturday evening from eight to eleven o'clock. Various games were played after which Miss Ward and others served ice cream and cake. Miss Ward proved herself to be a charming hostess and everyone reported a good time.

Revival services at Mt. Gilead Baptist church begins August 18th and will continue throughout the week. The pastor, Rev. R. R. Gordon will be assisted by Rev. Roy A. Morris. The public will be welcomed and everybody are invited to come.

Mr. Will Bagwell, of Raleigh, spent last week-end with his daughter, Mrs. J. C. Hatley.

Mr. Roscoe Neal spent last week at Lakeview.

HAVE A BIRTHDAY PARTY.

Number Browns Chapel Folks go to Junior Meet at Goldston

Pittsboro, Rt. 2, Aug. 6.—Last Saturday afternoon a host of children gathered at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Perry to a birthday party in honor of little Miss Christine and Martha O. Reid Perry, 8 and 11 years old respectively. Water melons, lemonade and cake were served in abundance and every child, some twenty odd in number, had a very pleasant time. On the same night a number of the larger children had a party at the same home.

A number of young people were callers at the home of Miss Lelia Justice last Sunday afternoon, in honor of her return home from Bonlee summer school. She will teach at Bells school next session.

Mr. C. H. Lutterloh and family spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. W. W. Lutterloh.

H. F. Durham and family spent Sunday afternoon in the home of Mr. C. M. Justice.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Lutterloh spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Will Jones.

Mr. Osborne Mann and family, of Gibsonville, spent Saturday night at the home of his father, Mr. J. T. Mann.

Mr. Will Womble and family, of Carboro, are spending the week at Mrs. Womble's grand father, Mr. I. W. Durham and other relatives in the community.

Mr. Grover Durham and family, of Durham, and Mr. David Harris and family, of down east, are spending some time with their people at Mr. W. J. Durham's.

Quite a number of Juniors attended the meeting of the District Junior Order at Goldston last Saturday and report the finest and longest table ever seen spread before them.

Browns Chapel failed to send a representative to the Sunday school Conference at Mt. Zion last Saturday.

BETTER FREIGHT SERVICE.

The Seaboard is to put on a daily local freight service between Raleigh and Hamlet. Heretofore only twice a week local freight service was run over this road. This service will be very helpful to the patrons of the road who live in this section, as well as on the main line of the Seaboard. This will be in addition to the service now given on the road.

LOOK AT YOUR LABEL

Chatham Bar Passes Resolutions of Respect.

After court adjourned last Friday, the following preamble and resolutions were adopted by the bar of Chatham county court on the death of President Harding:

Whereas, as since the recess taken by this court on yesterday afternoon, the Honorable Warren G. Harding, President of the United States has departed this life, and whereas the announcement of his passing has brought universal grief to the American people, regardless of section, creed or party affiliation, which grief is sincerely and fully shared by the citizenship of Chatham county.

Therefore, be it Resolved, by the Chatham county bar—FIRST—That in the death of the president, the American Republic has lost a wise, patriotic, and faithful chief executive; one who has administered the affairs of government free from sectional bias or party partisanship, and who has in fact as well as in word, been the president of all the people.

SECOND—That as a broad gauged, patriotic and capable public servant, he has been faithful in the performance of the duties incident to all trusts reposed in him, and has justly merited and held the esteem and confidence of his fellow citizens.

THIRD—That as a testimonial of our sorrow at his death, and our admiration for his high and exalted character and eminent public services and in honor his memory, the Court be requested to have these resolutions spread upon its minutes and be asked to adjourn for the day out of respect to his memory.

Respectfully submitted,

WALTER D. SILER, Chairman,
J. E. LONG,
A. C. RAY.

CHATHAM CRIMINAL COURT.

Twenty Cases Disposed of—Eleven of Those Liquor Cases.

Court was in session all last week up to Friday at 12 o'clock, judge F. A. Daniels presiding and solicitor Clawson L. Williams prosecuting.

Court adjourned for the remainder of the week out of respect for President Harding.

The following cases were disposed of:

Henry Reagan, manufacturing liquor, 18 months in state penitentiary.

David Tamer, false pretense, paid the costs.

Jerry Brooks, dealing in liquor, paid the costs.

Bob Pugh, making liquor, 18 months on the roads.

Rufus Edwards, liquor, paid the costs.

Virtis Headen, affray, \$18 fine and costs.

Ben Goldston, dealing in liquor, not guilty.

Roy Peoples, liquor, four months on Chatham roads.

Eullis Nichols, larceny, 18 months on the roads.

Plummer Rives, dealing in liquor, four months on the roads.

Exline Campbell, manufacturing liquor, four months on the roads.

Miles Beal, dealing in liquor, four months on the roads.

Roger Abbott, Bud Roberson and Jim Wilson, larceny, not guilty as to Wilson; other defendants had to pay the costs.

Andrew Clark, dealing in liquor, was let off on payment of the costs.

Odell Brooks, larceny, four months on the roads.

Click Carter, two cases, was fined \$26 and the costs.

Joe Bryant, transporting liquor, paid \$26.05 costs.

Oscar Williams c.c.w., paid the costs.

James Allen, charged with gambling, had to pay \$10 and costs.

Minnie Lee, manufacturing wine, was let off by paying the costs.

All those charged with dealing in liquor submitted their cases and either paid fines and costs or were let off with the costs.

Court convened again last Monday for the trial of civil cases, and we will have an account of the proceedings in the next paper.

More people attended court last week and there were more horse traders here than has been noticed for some time. This week it was just the reverse.

MR. NASH IN PITTSBORO AGAIN.

Rev. H. O. Nash, rector of St. Andrews Episcopal church in Greensboro, has resigned to accept a call in the mission field in Mexico. He will be stationed at Pachucha, Mexico. That is a city of 80,000 people and what made the call imperative was the complete lack of church affiliations for the British and American inhabitants there.

With his family he will sail from New York on September 20 for Vera Cruz. When he tendered his resignation to the vestry, it was declined, but three months leave of absence granted, with the understanding that if climatic conditions are such in Pachucha that he cannot remain there he will find the rectorship waiting for him.

Rev. and Mrs. Nash and family stopped over in Pittsboro Sunday and he conducted services in St. Bartholomews Episcopal church. He and his good wife have many friends here who wish them well in their new home. Mr. Nash was rector here for several years.

ABOUT THE UNION MEETING.

Come to the Union Meeting at Mt. Pleasant Methodist church next week. The first service will be held at the tent Monday night, August 13th, instead of Sunday night as previously announced.

Rev. D. E. Earnhardt and Rev. D. A. Petty will arrive Monday and assist the pastor in the meeting. Services each day at 3 and 7:30 p. m.

This meeting is being conducted under the auspices of the Methodist of Haw River circuit, but it is hoped that everyone will participate.

C. B. Fitts Big August Sale.

Mr. C. B. Fitts has told us that he will have a big ad in The Record next week announcing his August Sale. Everyone knows of the bargains that Fitts gives and will look forward to reading the ad.