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God Created All.

All things were made by him; and without him was not any thing made that was made.—John 1:3.

### RESTED AND VERY THANKFUL.

With this issue we begin the New Year in a spirit of thankfulness and deep appreciation of the many blessings that have been bestowed upon us during the past three years in Chatham County. We feel under obligation to hundreds of friends that we have and those who have been so loyal to us. In another column you will find dozens and dozens of names of good folks who have subscribed for The Record during the Christmas holidays. It is one of the largest lists that we have ever published.

Then, too, we have rested a week. We feel more cheerful and more able to perform the year's work that is before us. We have taken seven full days at a mutual expense, both to ourselves and to our friends. It has done us good and everyone connected with the paper is rested and full of pep for the battle.

During Christmas we had conversation with a good man of this county who has just recovered from a very serious illness. For days he lay at his home in a precarious condition and at times his illness was desperate. During those days numbers of people called at his home and made anxious inquiries as to his condition, appreciating the fact that he was a good man, a man filling a responsible sphere in the life of Chatham and they were concerned about him.

All classes and kinds of humanity were concerned about him, both the rich and the poor, the old and the young, the white and the black, and all religious and political parties and affiliations manifested a desire for his recovery. There was no barrier and all were anxious.

It brought to this man's mind a thought that there may at many times be a wrong conception as to who might be one's friend. There were personages calling at his home that he had reason to believe were not of the friendliest sort, but distress, disease, and the welfare of loved ones, the children, the wife, and his own usefulness were at stake, and for the time at least, all animosity or unfriendliness were cast in the discard and friendship was the predominating influence in that home.

Misery or misfortune will relate conditions when all else fails and too many of us are prone to take too much for granted. Many elements enter into the enmity between individuals, a community, a party, an organization or a family. The greatest of these is gossip. Many an idle word spoken, a harsh word uttered or an innocent lie told will magnify a hundred fold and return to its author bewildered with many agonies and heartaches.

Let us advance upon this good year 1924 with a pure motive, a righteous spirit and a determination that will accrue to the only necessary labor that is required of us and that is in the vineyard of the God that loves us, charity and good will toward our fellow man.

### THEY NEED PROTECTION.

In The Record every week will be found a long list of reliable advertisers, telling of almost every conceivable merchandise or product that our readers need from time to time. They are reliable men and firms. If they were not they would not advertise and they can be counted on for any emergency. Not only are the merchant's and business men of Chatham represented in our columns but progressive men in adjoining counties are regular advertisers in The Record.

These advertisers pay a tax in their respective localities, they rent establishments in many instances and pay a high rental in addition to the privilege tax. On some commodities they pay a Federal tax, and they support the churches, the schools and every progressive movement for the communities in which they do business.

In addition to this they have thousands of dollars invested upon which they pay interest, they patronize local banks in this particular, they sustain losses in keeping merchandise that deteriorates or that becomes shelf-worn, simply to be in position to accommodate the general public.

Yet very frequently we are infested with stocking salesmen and other peddlers who have no investment, they do not support the local institutions, they live cheaply as possible, not spending very much during a visit, and they are accorded equal privileges with the local merchant. They compete with him in price and take away orders that rightfully belong to the man in your midst. Is it right?

We question as well the many suppers, bazaars and other get-together affairs that have their origin to the detriment of the local business man—the one who pays the price. We do not believe it is fair or just and we hope that the time may come when the alert business man will be given more consideration.

LOOK AT YOUR LABEL

### BETRAYAL OF PARENTAL LOVE

The Record has a sincere friend living in Chatham County, who has been associated with him for some seven-teen or eighteen years. He has known the man all these days for his honesty industry and integrity. He is faithful to an obligation and he is devoted to his home. Coming back to his native heath some six or eight years ago, after a sojourn from Chatham County, he purchased a little home with good acreage around it and settled down. He brought with him a wife that the editor has known from her infancy. She, too, is a most excellent woman, industrious and ever mindful for the welfare of her children.

This man settled on his new estate and together with his boys has managed to make annual payments upon it and is just at the crest of completing the ownership of that farm. During all these years of hardship he and his good wife have deprived themselves of many privileges and necessities to give to their children, keep them in school and dress them in a satisfactory manner to themselves and to the delight of the children. Only a parent can know the sacrifices it takes to do this, while an ultimate view of owning a home is in progress.

The eldest son of this most worthy couple has just reached nineteen and he has decided to branch out on his own accord, but rather than divulge his intent carelessly left home on a recent Sunday afternoon and was not heard of for several weeks. No one but an anxious mother and a devoted father can realize the tedious moments spent until he was located. Out of the goodness of his heart that father decided not to interfere with the son, but to let him try out his effort, and unless the boy has recently returned he is yet away from his father's roof and the guiding hand of a splendid mother in associations that are far less elevating than at home, and the boy hat undertakes a thing of this kind is far less wise than he can realize.

The main point at stake simply stated is this: the man has reached his major years. He is not as strong as he once was. He needs the help of this son that he has fostered with the best he could afford and just at the brink, when the climax of a long-sought possibility was almost reached, the son withdrew his support so

much needed. No wage or advantage can offset the help he could have given a devoted father and an earnest mother. He has lost his best opportunity to win a great battle that was within his grasp.

### BAILEY TO MAKE RACE.

Hon. J. W. Bailey has announced his determination to make the race for governor of North Carolina. It will be received in Chatham by many admirers of Mr. Bailey with joy. It has been hoped that he would enter the race and it is believed that he will easily be nominated in the primary.

### CHANGE IN FIRM NAME.

Connell and Johnson Occupy the London Store This Year.

Monday night, December 1, the doors of the W. L. London & Son store closed for the last time, discontinuing a business that has been years in progress in the town of Pittsboro and it will be missed by hundreds of people that have been constant patrons of the establishment. Mr. Arthur London will confine his efforts entirely to other business interests that demand his attention.

The store reopened again after the first with a firm of a different character, that of Connell & Johnson. Mr. R. M. Connell, who has conducted a feed store during the past year in the old warehouse of the W. L. London Co., on Hillsboro Street, has associated with him Mr. Walter Johnson, who has been with L. M. Womble for several years. Mr. Connell and Mr. Johnson will run their store in the London building, having purchased the hardware groceries and remaining stock of dry goods carried by the London store. They will continue their feed business and in addition will handle a full stock of groceries and hardware at all times, but they will dispose of the other merchandise at a sacrifice sale.

Connell & Johnson will have something to say to the public in an advertisement in The Record next week.

### IMPORTANT NOTICE!

Having purchased the interest of Mr. B. M. Poe in The Square Filling Station, in Pittsboro, it is our desire to settle all old accounts due the firm. We trust that all will gladly respond to this request so that we may start the New Year under the present management.

I invite your continued liberal patronage and promise you the same courteous attention that we have given in the past. Wishing all a prosperous year, I am  
JAMES MAY, Proprietor.  
SQUARE FILLING STATION

### DEATH OF MRS. HARGROVE

Mrs. Ruby Smith Hargrove, wife of B. Ross Hargrove, died at her home on Siler City, route one, Tuesday morning, December 25. She had been in declining health for several weeks. She suffered with typhoid fever but bore her illness with that true, patient spirit so emblematic of the Christian.

The funeral was held at Plain Field Friends Church, conducted by her pastor, Rev. T. F. Andrew, and the interment was in the church cemetery. A large congregation overflowing the church, gathered to honor her memory. The large profusion of flowers showed the esteem in which the deceased was held.

Mrs. Hargrove was in her twenty-ninth year. Gentle, kind, considerate of others, devoted to her family and church. She will be sadly missed, not only by her family, but by many friends. A sweet, Christian woman has gone from among us.

Surviving her are her husband and four small children, father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Smith; six sisters, Mrs. C. M. Hudson, of Durham, Mesdames Robt. Fox, Frank Hudson, Fletcher Teague, C. C. Poe, and Miss Jewel Smith, all of Siler City; four brothers, Messrs. Richard, Edd, Charles, and Frank A. Smith. To the bereaved ones the sympathy of their friends is extended.

### VITAL STATISTICS OF CHATHAM

Mrs. R. H. Hays furnishes the following statistics concerning the births and deaths in the town of Pittsboro and in Center Township for the year of 1923:

In Pittsboro there were twenty-four births. Of these seven were white males and nine were white females, while there were four each of male and female colored births.

During the same period in the same territory there were only twelve deaths—just half the number of births. The death toll of the whites was four males and five females, but of the colored people only one male and two females died.

In Center Township both the death rate and birth rate was much more, for there occurred a total of thirty-eight deaths, of which seventeen were of white people, eleven males and six females, and twenty-one colored people passed away. Of these twenty-one twelve were males and nine were females.

Center boasts of fifty-four new baby faces, including both white and black ones. The white births were thirteen of the masculine specie and six of the feminine. There was also thirteen little pickin' boys born and twenty-two girls. Thus it is seen that there was only sixteen more births than deaths in Center, making the ratio in Pittsboro the greater of the two in proportion to the number at each place.

SEE YOUR LABEL

THE GOOD WILL OF OUR PATRONS AND FRIENDS IS ONE OF OUR MOST VALUABLE ASSETS. THE SPIRIT OF THE SEASON BRINGS TO US RE-NEWED APPRECIATION OF OLD ASSOCIATES AND OF THE VALUE OF NEW FRIENDS.

## May Your New Year Be a Happy One

AND THAT SUCCESS MAY ATTEND YOU IS THE CORDIAL WISH OF—

## Marley Furniture Company

Funeral Directors and Embalmers. Siler City, N. C.  
Phone 21. Motor Hearse Service.

# Strength

IT TAKES a real man to heave a windlass and pull up anchor after a storm—a STRONG man.

IT TAKES a real Bank, a STRONG bank, to weather business storms and sail serenely on.

This Bank has weathered many storms. It is a STRONG sound Bank, carefully managed and constantly growing. It is a good, safe place, where your money will grow and it's a pleasant place to do business.

Call and see for yourself.

## Banking Loan and Trust Co.,

SANFORD, — — — NORTH CAROLINA  
R. E. Carrington, W. W. Robards, J. W. Cunningham,  
President Vice-Pres. Cashier.

JONESBORO: I. P. Lasater, Cashier  
MONCURE: J. K. Barnes.

# To Our Friends

WE WISH TO THANK OUR MANY FRIENDS AND CUSTOMERS FOR THE SPLENDID BUSINESS GIVEN US DURING THE YEAR 1923 WHICH WAS THE LARGEST IN OUR HISTORY.

WE SOLICIT YOUR BUSINESS FOR THE COMING YEAR, 1924, WITH THE FULL CONFIDENCE THAT IN DOING SO WE WILL BE PREPARED TO GIVE YOU BETTER SERVICE THAN EVER BEFORE. OUR STORE AND GOODS ARE NEW AND PRICES RIGHT.

WE WISH YOU ONE AND ALL A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR.

## J. J. JOHNSON & SON,

Square Deal Merchants PITTSBORO, N. C.

# 1923

## Has Faded Away

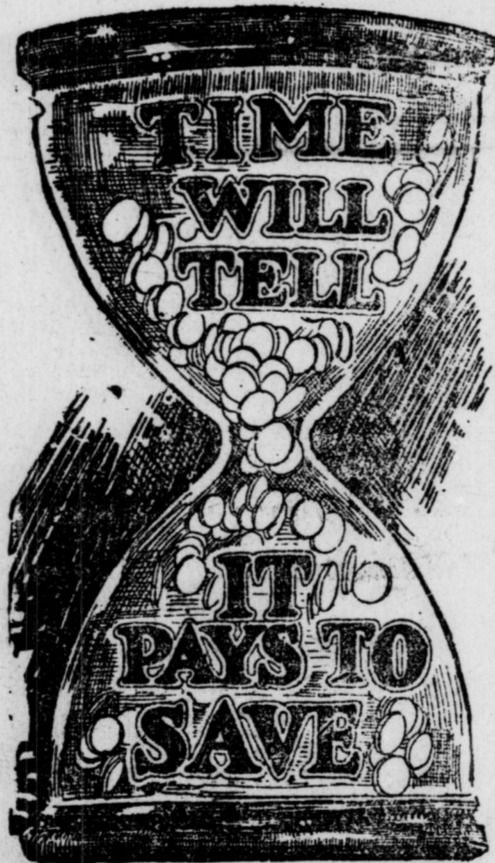
But our appreciation of your generous patronage in the past remains ever fresh in our memory.

There are some things a normal person or a firm never forgets. Continued favors are in that class.

We thank you.

## Wrenn Bros. Co.,

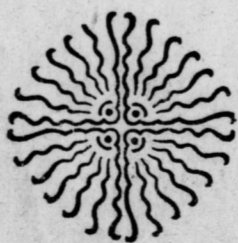
Phone 34. IN BUSINESS 45 YEARS.  
We sell Most Everything. Siler City, N. C.



## Said Father Time To Young '24

—through that glass of mine passes all knowledge, all experiences, all dreams, all realities. Mark you well the writing on that glass —“it pays to save.”

Young '24 is paying attention as you can see and it looks as if he is convinced. Remember in your case---it pays to save ---particularly in this strong Bank.



## Citizens' Bank and Trust Co.,

Siler City, North Carolina