

LOCAL RECORDS.

—Read the attractive advertisement of Ste'n Bros., the leading clothiers of Sanford.

—Who will kill the biggest hog in Chatham this winter? THE RECORD is ready to publish the weights.

—The editor of THE RECORD was most sweetly remembered with some honey by Miss Elizabeth Milliken on Thanksgiving Day.

—There have been more frosts and less rain this month than usual in November. An old weather sign is "three frosts and a rain," but it failed this November.

—We regret to hear of the death of the six-months-old infant son of Mr. Luther Boon, which occurred Sunday night at the latter's home, three miles east of here.

—On last Thursday Mr. Richard Smith, who lives near Siler City, accidentally fell from his wagon, while riding in it near the old Hackney mill, and falling on his head was hurt so badly that he is expected to die, being paralyzed.

—At last week's term of the superior court of Lee county quite a large number of colored "blind tigers" were convicted. They had been arrested and convicted upon the evidence of two colored detectives employed by the town authorities of Sanford.

—On next Monday night there will be a Democratic jubilee over the induction into office on Monday of the newly elected county officers. The exercises will begin at 7:30 o'clock at the courthouse with short speeches and then at 8:30 there will be a grand display of fireworks, which will well be worth coming several miles to see.

—The following is the vote (up to yesterday) for the hand-painted picture offered for the prettiest young lady, the contest to close Dec. 9th: Misses Carrie Hill 9, Evelyn Alston 1, Madge Royal 1, Elsie Williams 1, Mary Moore 1, Irene Burns 1. The vote for the prettiest child, the prize for which is a dressed doll, now stands as follows: Camilla Powell 12, Roland Glenn 1, Mary Perry 1, Louise Brooks 1, Mary Wrenn 1. Each vote costs five cents.

—Sixteen delegates representing 9 Sunday schools outside of Pittsboro were here yesterday to attend the county Sunday school convention. Addresses on different features of Sunday school work were made at the morning and afternoon session by Mr. J. Van Carter, State Sunday school secretary, Mr. J. B. Atwater, of Bynum, was unanimously elected president of the county association to succeed Rev. R. B. Lineberry, resigned. A two days' county convention will be held next May.

—His old friends in Chatham will regret to hear of the death of Mr. J. Cooper Stedman, which occurred at Fayetteville last week in the 87th year of his age. He removed from this place to Fayetteville in 1853 and was a first-cousin of Major Charles M. Stedman and a second cousin of Mrs. L. R. Eklie, of this place.

—Some days ago as Mr. B. A. Phillips was driving here from his home in Bear Creek township he saw an opossum run across the road, and he jumped out of his buggy and after a short chase caught it and brought it here to a friend. When he overtook the possum it laid down like it was dead sure enough and literally "played possum."

—What a pity we cannot have our roads in as good condition all the winter as they have been for several weeks past. There is certainly a great difference and contrast in their condition during the fall and in the winter. All the past fall they have been hard and firm, but after Christmas they will be muddy, miry and almost impassible.

—We doubt if our farmers have ever had a more favorable fall for sowing wheat. Dry weather and dusty soil are most favorable for sowing wheat and we have had both to an unusual degree this fall. There is an old saying that "a dusty bed for a heavy head" in cultivating wheat, so we may hope for a bumper crop next June.

—More favorable weather for Thanksgiving Day could not have been desired than that which with this section was favored on last Thursday, for the day seemed like a balmy May day. All business was suspended at this place, as has been the custom for many years, and the streets looked like Sunday. Services were held in the Methodist and Episcopal churches in the morning and at the Baptist church at night, and collections were taken up for the orphan asylums at all three churches.

—Mr. Julius Morgan, of Johnston county, made fourteen bales of cotton on seven acres this year.

County Commissioners.

We hope that our new board of county commissioners will determine not to be in session so many days during their term as all our previous boards have been. As required by law every county has to publish the number of days the commissioners have been in session during the past year, and for many years we have noticed that our boards of county commissioners have been in session every year many more days than any other county in the State. This was true of the Fusion boards and Democratic boards, so no political capital can be made out of this fact, but all the same it should not occur any more. The law on this subject has not been observed in this county heretofore, but we hope our new board will institute a reform in this respect.

The law about the meetings of county commissioners is section 1317 of the Re-visual of 1905 and is in these words: "The board of commissioners in each county shall hold a regular meeting at the courthouse, on the first Mondays in December and June. Special meetings may be held on the first Monday in every month, but shall not continue longer in session than two days. Meetings may be held at other times for the more convenient dispatch of business at the call of the chairman, on the written request of one member of the board. The board shall receive no compensation for attending such called meetings."

Section 2785 of the Revisual also prescribes the compensation of the county commissioners as follows: "Except where otherwise provided by law, each county commissioner shall receive for his services and expenses in attending the meetings of the board not exceeding two dollars a day, as a majority of the board may fix upon, and they may be allowed mileage to and from their respective places of meeting, not to exceed five cents per mile."

In this county it has been the custom for many years for the county commissioners to pay themselves much more than for attending the meetings of the board by receiving pay for other services, such as inspecting bridges, &c.

Government Seed.

All persons in the fourth Congressional district who wish government seeds may obtain the same by dropping a post-card to Congressman Edward W. Pou, Washington, D. C. Persons who made requests for seeds last year need not take the trouble to write again as Mr. Pou already has their names and will see that they receive an allotment of seeds. Mr. Pou is endeavoring to get the names of those persons only who can use the seeds furnished by the government. He is not sending them indiscriminately. By this means he is able to send a larger quantity to each person intending to plant a garden, and thereby prevent waste. A single package of seed is such a trifling quantity that the average person hardly cares to receive it, and it is a useless compliment to send seeds to a person who has no garden. Mr. Pou's plan is a good one. If you want the seed drop him a postal, unless you wrote to him last year. If you did that you need not write again.

Cock Fighting.

Before the war cock fighting was quite common in this county, and indeed, it was the favorite sport with many of our countrymen, at which betting was freely indulged in. Some of our older citizens can now recall some of those "cock mains" (as the fights were called) and the great interest taken in them. Now, however, such sports are forbidden by law.

Yesterday's News and Observer published the following, copied from the Raleigh Register of July 14, 1906, which recalls those old sporting days: "To be fought in Pittsborough, at Joseph Harman's Tavern, for Ten Dollars each Fight, and Three Hundred Dollars the Main, to begin the 23d of July, and continue three days. The Main is made by Archibald Careless and Joseph John Alston."

Officers Qualifying.

Next Monday all the newly elected officers will qualify and enter upon the discharge of their duties. The township constables will have to give then their official bonds and the magistrates can qualify within thirty days after next Monday, and of course, they do not have to give any bond. If any magistrate fails to qualify within thirty days after next Monday he forfeits his office.

Although our new sheriff will begin his term of office next Monday, yet he has nothing to do with the collection of taxes until next September, when the tax-list for 1911 will be given to him for collection. Sheriff Jenkins will continue to collect the taxes already due.

Untimely Death.

The many friends of our townsmen, Mr. Robert C. Hatch, deeply sympathize with him at the death of his wife, who died here on last Saturday night after a short sickness. Only two years ago she came here a happy bride, and her death seems so untimely, thus cut down when life seemed to have so much happiness in store for her. Of her it may indeed be said,

"Death lies on her, like an untimely frost, Upon the sweetest flower of all the field."

She was buried last Monday at Hanks' chapel, three miles east of this place, where many of her husband's family are buried. Among those who came here to attend the funeral were her sister, Miss Fannie Martin, and her brothers, Grayson and Dobbin Martin, of Rutherford county, and Mr. H. D. Hatch and wife, of Hamlet.

Thanksgiving Day at Bynum.

It was a beautiful day of Thanksgiving. We went to the Bynum High School building. To hear the children recite and sing. Their voices made the echoes ring. First came the larger girls and boys, Marching in with very little noise. Then came in the smaller size. With such happy faces and such bright eyes.

Then came songs, essays and recitations. How Thanksgiving is kept by several different nations. We sat and looked on with perfect delight.

Those children's faces were all so bright. The little wee tots stood in a row. Their bright, shiny faces all aglow. Each came out in perfect time With their little verses made up to rhyme.

The little ones sang their A. B. C. A beautiful song, it seemed to me. Then each one went and took their seat. Feeling that they had given us a treat.

The program was carried out without a jar. Not one thing occurred our pleasure to mar. We went home feeling we had had a treat. For that entertainment would be hard to beat.

We would say of our most efficient teachers. They are doing more good than most of our preachers. In training those children the way they should go. For of what we are speaking is of what we know.

Now those teachers deserve much praise. For training those children in so many nice ways— How to be smart, nice and polite— How to shun evil and how to do right. F. W. H.

Saves an Iowa Man's Life.

The very grave seemed to yawn before Robert Madsen, of West Burlington, Iowa, when, after seven weeks in the hospital, four of the best physicians gave him up. Then was shown the marvelous curative power of Electric Bitters. For, after eight months of frightful suffering from liver trouble and jaundice, getting no help from other remedies or doctors, five bottles of this matchless medicine completely cured him. It's positively guaranteed for stomach, liver or kidney troubles and never disappoints. Only 50c at all druggists.

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Commissioners' Expenses.

In accordance with Section 1826 of the Re-visual, I, H. G. Dorsett, Clerk of the Board of County Commissioners of Chatham county, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct statement for the year 1910 of the accounts, items and nature of all compensations allowed by the Board to the members thereof respectively, the numbers of days the Board was in session and the distance travelled by each member:

Table with 2 columns: Name and Amount. Includes S. W. Harrington, N. J. Wilson, and A. J. Lane.

Re-sale of Land. By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Chatham county, in a special proceeding therein pending, wherein A. G. Gunter is plaintiff and D. C. Gunter and others are defendants, I will again expose to sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, at the courthouse door in Pittsboro, N. C., on Monday, the 5th day of December, 1910, at 12 o'clock, that tract of land known as the Susan Gunter place, situated in Haw River township, Chatham county, and bounded on the north by the Wm. Marks land; on the east by the lands formerly owned by Alston Straughan; on the south by the lands formerly owned by John and Phillip Wombie, and on the west by the lands formerly owned by Phillip Wombie and John Thomas, containing two hundred acres, more or less. Terms of sale, one-third cash, one third in six months and the balance in twelve months, deferred payments bearing interest at 6 per cent per annum; title reserved till final payment made. This November 2, 1910. BOB H. DIXON, Commissioner.

Letter from Battleship Fleet.

We copy some extracts from a letter received some days ago by his parents here from Lieutenant J. J. London, written on board the battleship Georgia while en route to France. There are sixteen battleships in the fleet, which are visiting France and England, half of the fleet now at England and half at France and on the 7th of December they will exchange places, so that all the ships will visit both countries. We hope later to publish some descriptions of both countries, but this letter was written on the voyage before the fleet arrived. "Our passage across the Atlantic has passed very quickly. Here we are approaching port and I am not ready for it. We left Norfolk at 3 p. m., Nov. 1st, and met the rest of the fleet 40 miles off Nantucket lightship on Nov. 3d. Thence the 16 battleships proceeded at 10 knots and in fleet formation across the Atlantic. We took a more southerly route than the steamships take this time of the year, owing to the fog on the Newfoundland Banks. The weather has not been good, misty with rough sea, but milder temperature than I expected.

"I have been very busy, performing my regular duties and getting in touch with many things, which my absence of two years from a battleship made me get rusty on. I have four watches every day or night, and drill in the forenoon and afternoon. In addition, all the watch officers were made to do a certain amount of navigation. This came easy for me, owing to my previous experience on the Chattanooga. As I wrote, I am powder division officer, in charge of the 5th division, and also torpedo officer. In the 5th division are all the special details, as gunner's mates, electricians, carpenter's gang, yeomen, bandsmen, servants, commissary, master's-at-arms, quartermasters, hospital attendants, cooks, etc., 169 men in all. I don't have much work in drilling these people because they have special jobs, but they all have stations at general drills, such as fire drill, collision drill and battle station. In the latter drill a large part of them form of the crews in the ammunition rooms and provide the shell and powder for the guns above. Electric hoists carry it up to the guns. In addition I have 80 coal passers detailed to assist in handling ammunition. There are several negroes among these coal passers, and the servants are Filipinos (some of them used to be Japs), so that the 5th division is known aboard ship as the 'allied nations'."

"I haven't had much time to devote to torpedoes. I have a chief gunner to help and he is in thorough touch with them. I will have much work ahead of me this winter, as we will fire them this spring. You know they are fired from submerged tubes. We have 12 torpedoes, each about 16 feet long and 20 inches in diameter. I have not had any torpedo work since leaving Annapolis, and am really glad of this opportunity to get in touch with them."

A HAPPY HOME

Is one where health abounds. With impure blood there cannot be good health. With a disordered LIVER there cannot be good blood.

Tutt's Pills advertisement with logo and descriptive text.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.

Having qualified as administrator of John D. Council, deceased, I hereby notify all persons holding claims against said decedent to exhibit the same to me on or before the 9th day of November, 1911. This November 9, 1910. L. F. THRAILKILL, Hayes & Bynum, Attorneys.

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TAXES—THE LAST CALL

My term of office as sheriff of Chatham county expires on the first Monday in December, 1910, and I hereby notify all persons who have not paid their taxes to meet me and settle the same. The law requires me to settle State taxes by January 1st, 1911. The law requires me to settle with the County Commissioners by May 1st, 1911.

You see the law requires me to settle, and I you must settle with me. I do not propose to be two or three years in settling, and if you do not pay promptly I shall send a deputy to see you and you will have to pay costs. I intend to do what I say, so it is up to you.

I will be at the following places on the dates mentioned for the purpose of giving you ONE MORE CHANCE:

Table listing dates and locations for tax collection, including Thos. W. Hobby's Store, Riggsbee, Fayetteville, etc.

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The BANK of PITTSBORO advertisement. All money deposited with The BANK of PITTSBORO Is Safe, Sure and Secure. Four per cent interest paid on all time deposits. Collections Made Promptly. The Bank of the County. W. L. LONDON, President. M. T. WILLIAMS, Cashier.