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BOSE MARSH KILLS NEPHEW

The Tragedy Occurred in Gulf Township

Last Sunday afternoon Bose Marsh, a negro living in Gulf township, went to the home of his brother, Ed Marsh, who lived nearby. While there Ed's son began teasing Bose and punching at him. The latter became tired of it and left for his home, the boy following him. Bose warned the boy not to come in, so our informant stated, but he did go to the house and began to pick at him again. Whereupon Bose picked up a shotgun and shot his nephew through the breast, killing him instantly.

Bose went over to a neighbor's and told of the shooting. Later he was arrested and Monday was committed to jail. Tuesday he was allowed bond by Solicitor Siler which he gave and was released until March term of superior court.

Bose, it is said, is a harmless negro, not very bright, but is a good worker.

Death of Bryan Budd

Bryan Budd, 33 years of age, died in a Richmond hospital, the result of pneumonia following influenza, according to a telegram received by his brother, P. Budd, of this city. Death came after an illness of three days. Mr. Budd having been taken with the flu on Sunday. The body was sent to Haywood Chatham, where interment was made in the Presbyterian church yard Friday noon.

Mr. Budd was formerly of this city, but for the past 16 years he has been manager of the Richmond News company.

He is the second son of Mrs. C. Budd of Durham, and a nephew of Mrs. E. J. Parrish and E. L. Bryan of this city. He is survived by his mother, two brothers, W. P. of this city, V. W. Budd of Moncure, and his sister, Mrs. F. H. Chamberlain of Roanoke, Va. The body was accompanied from Richmond by F. H. Chamberlain, brother-in-law. W. P. Budd is just recovering from an attack of grip, and his mother is also ill with the same disease, making it impossible for them to attend the funeral. —Durham Herald.

This young man was born and raised in Chatham county. He is the son of the much loved Dr. W. U. Budd of Lockville, and grandson of Capt. Chas. Bryan of Haywood. Chatham county would be proud to claim this young man for he made a name for himself in Richmond and loved and esteemed by all who came in contact with him.

Opening Up Small Street

The town commissioners some time ago ordered that the south end of Small street be opened up to an unused cross street. Street commissioner J. C. Lanus has set up the street to the cross street and from there to the Deep River Lumber Company's plant on the railroad. Mr. Lanus has done a fine job of it, and by the opening of this street it has put some of the prettiest sites for residences in town, if the owners would sell them.

We learn that Mr. Geddy Phillips, who was seriously injured by an explosion and underwent an operation at the Carolina Hospital at Sanford two weeks ago, has returned to his home near here.

Why Cotton Goods Are High

Richard Spillane, in Philadelphia Ledger.

If you are a wage-earner or a salaried man and are shocked at the prices demanded for goods made of cotton, perhaps what follows may be illuminating.

We had 5 per cent more machinery in our cotton mills in November, 1919, than in November, 1916, and far more operatives working, yet the amount of cotton goods produced was about one-sixth less. Not only that, but the wages paid were far higher.

The reason? Primarily, the 48-hour week instead of the former 54-hour week, and, secondly, a decreased production per person.

Cotton is used more than anything else that is worn by man. It is in great demand today, yet with more workers, far more workers, getting more pay, far more pay, than formerly, and with more machinery, you have the evidence of 90,000 less bales of cotton being turned into yarns or cloths in American mills in November, 1919, than in November, 1916. That is an economic horror.

It is true the cotton farmer gets more for his cotton now than he did in 1916. That cuts some figure, but not so much as the increase in costs of manufacture.

The mill hands demanded more pay. They got it. They demanded few hours. They got them. They demanded still more pay. They got it.

More pay and less hours would not signify if production was not decreased. That is what hurts.

If you are a wage-earner or a salaried man you are being penalized for that decreased production of cotton goods. It doesn't matter to the rich man. He does not use much cotton.

When your wife complains of the high price of cotton goods do not forget the principal causes: Reduced production by the cotton farmer and reduced production by the mill hand. Temporarily, they are being benefited at your expense.

There is a shortage of everything in the world today. There is a pronounced shortage of cotton and cotton goods. To accentuate this shortage by curtailing production seems little short of sinful, for it drives prices higher and higher.

The principal consumers of the world are the common people, for they make up the vast majority. To curtail production is to visit hardship upon them.

If you are a wage earner or salaried person or one of the great army of the helpless, put some of the blame where it belongs.

Discovered

Prof. Detre of Budapest University, announces the discovery of the flu bacillus, but says that it is so infinitely small it remains in the air and can be carried for thousands of miles, according to a dispatch from Budapest. He believes the disease can be checked by sanitary measures.

Hoover says he is no candidate for president, and he is waiting to see the programs of the leaders. His party, he says, depends on the party's aims.

More than half the men in service, on being demobilized, did not return to their former or pre-war address.

The New Jersey assembly has ratified the women's suffrage amendment. This makes the 29th state and only seven more are necessary.

COMMITTEE MEETS

Hon. W. D. Siler Elected County Chairman

The Democratic executive committee of Chatham county met here Tuesday. A majority of the committee being present the meeting was called to order by Mr. J. B. Atwater, temporary chairman, and Mr. W. P. Horton acting as secretary.

Mr. Atwater announced the purpose of the meeting, which was to elect a county chairman to fill the office now vacant by virtue of the death of the former county chairman, Hon. R. H. Hayes.

A motion was made by Mr. A. C. Ray that a committee be appointed to draft resolutions of respect in memory of the late R. H. Hayes to be presented to the Democratic Convention to be held in Pittsboro on some future date to be called by the chairman. The motion was adopted and the following persons appointed as a committee to draft said resolutions: J. B. Atwater, Jas. L. Griffin and W. D. Siler.

Hon. W. D. Siler was put in nomination for the chairman of the Democratic Executive committee of Chatham county, to succeed the late Hon. R. H. Hayes, and upon said motion a vote was called for and he was unanimously elected chairman of said committee. It was on motion of J. B. Atwater that a secretary and treasurer be elected to assist the chairman in the duties of the said office. Hon. Jas. L. Griffin being put in nomination by J. W. Griffin for the office of secretary and treasurer of said organization, and a vote being called on said nomination, Jas. L. Griffin was unanimously elected secretary and treasurer of the Democratic Executive committee of Chatham county.

—The little five-year old son of Mr. Turner Petty, who was so severely kicked by a horse last week, is rapidly improving and will be brought home this week from the hospital at Sanford.

—The Record has added another compositor to its force, Mrs. W. Wells Browne, of Greenville, and we hope to make the paper more attractive in the future. Mrs. Browne comes highly recommended as a first-class typo.

—Master John London is spending today with his brother Lawrence London at Rex Hospital, Raleigh, this being the latter's 12th birthday. Lawrence was remembered by a large number of friends with loving birthday greetings.

—Mrs. Elizabeth Pace, widow of the late Thomas Pace, died at her home in Baldwin township, last Sunday, aged 92 years. She was the mother-in-law of Mr. John Peoples of the same township. A good woman is gone.

—Last Saturday night Tom Dark (colored) had his pockets picked of \$17.00 in cash—his week's wages. While doing some trading some one slipped the money from his pocket and he never missed it until he came out of the store. He has no idea who got his money.

An Oklahoma man has invented an oil can that does not leak if upset, a rod inside the spout keeping it closed unless the bottom of the can is pressed.

Ripe olives killed six persons in Memphis Sunday.

REDUCING TAXATION

The Governor Announces His Program

"Will recommend constitutional amendment reducing tax limitation, a provision for reassessment in certain cases; that State provides for no more revenue in 1920 than it had 1919."

Knowing that the people of Chatham county are interested in the results of the revaluation of real and personal property under the law of 1919, I wish that you would publish in your paper a statement given out by the governor on the 30th of last month in regard to same.

The Governor's statement reads:

To the People of North Carolina: "After hearing the reports made by the district supervisors in charge of the revaluation act, and after a full conference with the State Budget Commission, the State Tax Commission, and the State Treasurer, I find that I will be justified in giving to the people of the state the following information:

I propose to submit to the special session of the General Assembly, which is expected to meet in July, the following recommendations:

(1) That the State take no advantage of that part of the revaluation act which authorized a ten per cent increase of revenues for 1920, but that the General Assembly fix a rate for 1920 that will yield for all state purposes exactly the same amount of revenue from all real and personal property as was collected in the year 1919. There may be one exception to this recommendation and that is that it may be necessary to increase the funds provided by the state for the public schools to the extent of five per cent certainly not more than this. This increase will only have the amount contemplated by the General Assembly for this specific purpose.

It will thus be seen, in the light of this recommendation, that the Revaluation Act becomes one of equalization, pure and simple, and with the vast quantities of property going on the tax books that was not taxed at all heretofore, both of lands and intangible personal property, it is certain that many thousands of taxpayers will actually pay less in 1920 than they paid in 1919.

(2) I will also recommend that there be inserted in the revaluation act a clause providing that in any year at any time before the taxes are actually levied by the county authorities, any property owner may ask for a reassessment of his property upon filing an affidavit supported by two disinterested freeholders that his property is on the tax books at a sum greater than its market value.

(3) I will also recommend to the special session of the General Assembly that there be embodied in the constitutional amendments now pending and to be voted on in November a provision greatly reducing the present constitutional limitation of 66 2-3 cents on the one hundred dollars worth of property. It was the purpose of the finance committee of the House and Senate to revise this limitation downwards. It is now apparent that the revised valuations will be large enough to permit a substantial reduction of this limitation, and will have a reasonable margin for the necessities of our

World War Records

Mrs. H. A. London has been appointed by the State Historical Commission, as Historian and Director of a War Records Association for Chatham county.

The object of this is to urge every person in the county to send in the war record of every man who was in the service—and to pursue all data of the county's part in the World War. The teachers are asked to scan the records of the soldier boys in their community, and send them in to Mrs. Henry A. London as soon as possible.

The local Chapter of the U. D. C. has already begun the work—and have collected a considerable amount of valuable material for the Historical Commission, which will assist them in the state's history of the world war.

This association requires no money for entrance into it. It is simply to secure co-operation in collecting material of the world war.

Mr. Thompson, county superintendent of Public Instruction, will give his valuable assistance in this work and stimulate the county teachers to give their interest and work to it.

A Valuable Publication

Raleigh American

Henry M. London, North Carolina Legislative Reference Librarian, has issued a valuable publication, under the general direction of the State Historical Commission, entitled "Directory of the State and County Officials of North Carolina." It contains the names of all state officials, including judges, solicitors, tax supervisors, etc. Copies have been mailed out all over the state and will be of great value to the recipients. Mr. London furnishes much information from his department. He is an efficient officer and a man of high ideals and unflinching courtesy. To deal with him is a pleasure, no matter in what capacity, and the State has no more valuable man in its service.

Starting off with more than \$500 subscribed by members of their own race living in Chapel Hill and Carrboro, the friends of the Orange county training school for negroes have commenced a campaign to raise money for a new building.

future development. Just what figure will be a proper limitation cannot be determined until total values under the new assessment are ascertained.

Three facts in regard to the revaluation act are now outstanding, and no longer the subject of controversy:

(1) The purpose of the act is to wipe out the inequalities of the existing system.

(2) Under the rate the tax rate will be so low that no class of property will be outlawed and driven from the state.

(3) The extraordinary low rate under the revaluation act will uncover millions of dollars in the state that has never been on the tax books at all, and will draw into the state millions of capital from the ends of the earth.

This information I think will give the tax payers of Chatham county some insight about the law under which their property is being revalued.

Respectfully submitted,

W. P. Horton,
Pittsboro, N. C.

Over 130,000 New York teachers have quit the schoolhouses. Low wages was the cause.

CLOSING OF THE SCHOOLS

The Lid on the Pittsboro High School and Churches

The Pittsboro high school has been closed for two weeks on account of the flu, by order of the board of health. The churches here were also closed. All the stores close at 6 o'clock and on Saturdays are allowed to keep open only one hour longer. At the postoffice, during the opening of the mails, only one person is allowed in the front of the office at a time, and they must get their mail and get out. People are not allowed to gather in crowds on the streets.

There are only a few cases of flu in the town, and they are mild. There are many cases in the county, probably 500 or 600, possibly more than that. There are several pneumonia cases.

Only two or three physicians in the county are reporting the flu and pneumonia cases and it is impossible to get the correct figures, but The Record is pleased to announce that only two or three deaths have occurred in the county from the disease, so far as can be learned.

Badly Burned

Mr. Arthur Lilly, of Fayetteville, a brother of Mr. Fred Lilly, of Center township, has been visiting relatives in the county for several days. While visiting a sister in Hickory Mountain township he lay down before the fire while under the influence of liquor, it is said, and went to sleep. While in that position his clothing caught fire and when found he was so badly burned about the body that it is thought he will die. His people at Fayetteville have been notified of his condition.

Listing Income Taxes

Deputy Collector D. A. McDonald, Jr., gives notice in The Record this week that anyone desiring information or assistance in listing income tax can see him at the following places: Siler City, Hadley hotel, Feb. 16. Goldston, postoffice, Feb. 17. Bonlee, postoffice, Feb. 18. Gulf, postoffice, Feb. 19. Moncure, postoffice, Feb. 21. Pittsboro, Blair hotel, Feb. 24.

Valuable Property Sold

The John Council two stores, situated in Pittsboro's busy mart, were sold last Saturday at twelve o'clock and brought pretty good prices considering the size of them. The brick building, which had been used as a barber shop and candy store, was bid off by Mr. T. M. Bland for \$3,100, and the wooden building across the street was bought by Mr. J. C. Lanus for \$2,200.

New Hardware Store

Pittsboro is to have another hardware store in the near future. Messrs G. J. Griffin, V. B. Johnson and G. H. Brooks, will about March 1, open up a hardware store in the hotel Blair building. They will occupy the corner store.

—When the Farmers' Bank moves to their new home next week the room that they vacate will be occupied by Mr. E. A. Farrell as a grocery store.

Robert Fuller and Fitter representing many tailoring Co., of Baltimore, will be at our store Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. Fit guaranteed.—W. L. London & Son.