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## PITTSBORO AND CHATHAM CO.

### People Are Waking Up-- The Effects of Good Roads

Bion H. Butler, who was in Pittsboro a few days ago, has a write-up in News and Observer of last Sunday on Pittsboro and Chatham county. It is nicely done and very encouraging. The length of the article prevents us from publishing the article in full. We give a few extracts as follows: "Chatham county is coming out of its years of conservatism, and the roads movement is the principal force that is bringing this end. The picturesque point of view is to be regretted, for Chatham is the land of the older days, and is a picture of the life of long ago. About a year ago some Pennsylvania people came to see the place and were so pleased at the quaintness of the old town that they put in the road there. I have just been shown another Pennsylvania over the county, but it seems to be getting more and more, and although it is not the same style that it was when I first knew the section. The good road idea has finally captured most of Chatham. The county is slow to accept the notion, but it has seen enough of the advantages, and the townships as well as the county are grabbing hold. The samples of roads from Pittsboro out to Monks and from Lockville to the Wakefield line have given Chatham a new idea on a road, and when the idea is put that is the finish. The road from Pittsboro is a right good one, that from Lockville northward although built under many difficulties is to be a good road. At the present is not open for through travel, but to the condition of the bridge over the Haw river. A new road from Sanford to Pittsboro has been commenced and it will progress as fast as the people can build it. It will offer a choice of routes from Pittsboro out to the southward. Then the superior road is about to be built from Chapel Hill to Pittsboro and from Pittsboro to Siler City; cutting through the county both from the north and the south. This will open a big area of the county that has been shut in from the outside. The change now. One of the first signs of the change was the new hotel in Pittsboro. It is a large structure with hot and cold water, electric light, baths throughout, modern conveniences, room, cordiality, and all the things that make a place inviting. The hotel is a wise investment, for as tourists begin to find attractive place in the quaint old town with a good road to get in and a good road to get out they will find it while to linger here a little. At the same time they will not pass by on some road, or hurry through the town bringing them here. The new hotel are other new buildings springing up, and as the arrangements are making to improve the principal streets, so that the mud will not be the chief feature of a drive through town. When these things are done Pittsboro will take on an appearance. The quaintness of the town will last for a long time, as the old architecture tells us. It will be interesting to see what years to come. Unfortunately for Chatham and road building, the county lies in the head of the Cape Fear river. Chatham county has found building an expensive occupation for the time being, and wagon traffic of a few years ago sees that roads are a necessity. The traffic has taken to the automobile. One thing that has worked out in several of the townships is the small amount of taxable property. It is a curious fact that in many of the townships the state the railroads are large taxpayers, and as such they are prominent contributors to the road fund which pays for the construction of a system of traffic which threatens the railroads themselves. People of these isolated townships are joining hands with the state and road movement to get roads built on the interior, and the progress is being made, although it is yet in its infancy, has already had its effect on Chatham county. In the last two years has made a good deal of progress. There is some talk now of some industries

development in Pittsboro. Cotton oil mill increased its facilities during the summer for the season's run. Lumber mills have been active. Much money has been coming in to the factories over at Siler City and wherever else industry is progressing, and the money is available for further development. The banks are thriving.

Chatham is beginning to take a look at the energy that is running away all the time down her rivers. For she has the Deep and the Haw and the Rocky with their tributaries, all of them carrying a vast power which could be used at dam after dam and in sufficient volume to afford Chatham the basis to make her a great manufacturing center. The soil fertility of Chatham county makes productive farms. It is a good garden county.

### NO COURT

The special term of Superior Court for this county, which was ordered by the Governor to begin Monday, March 1, will not be held, the commissioners and health authorities deeming it unwise, owing to the influenza situation.

### Returns from Hospital

The general condition of young Lawrence London, who was so badly injured by the explosion of a dynamite cap nearly five weeks ago, has so far improved as to permit his return home from Rex Hospital, Raleigh, next Saturday. It is hoped that partial vision may be retained in the left eye.

### Chatham Real Estate Booming

The Record has been reliably informed that the H. T. Hornaday Special Sales Co. of Laurinburg, N. C., at an early date will subdivide the fine farm of A. P. Terry into three small farms and sell them at auction. It seems at last that our people are looking to intense farming on small tracts instead of plodding over so many acres on a cheap scale.

### Married

At the Methodist parsonage at Sanford, last Saturday afternoon, Rev. Mr. Royall officiating, Mr. T. W. Crowson was united in marriage to Miss Daisy Lilly. The young couple took the afternoon train for Fayetteville where they will make their future home.

Mrs. Crowson is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lilly of Center township, and have many friends here. The groom is a book-keeper for the Victor Manufacturing Co. of Fayetteville.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Ben Holt which has been very ill for some time, is still in a critical condition. The baby had pneumonia and that has been cleared up, but symptoms of meningitis have appeared and very little hope is entertained for its recovery. Mrs. Holt is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Clark of Pittsboro.

A little daughter of Mr. Joe T. Bland was taken quite ill at her home in Bynum Monday, it was at first thought, with meningitis, but it turned out to be the flu. She is somewhat better now.

Misses Lucy Pierce, May Poe and Annie Moore have been confined to their rooms for several days with the flu. They will soon be out again.

Mr. W. Wells Browne, of Greenville, spent the week-end here with his wife, Mrs. Browne, who is holding down cases on the Record.

Mr. M. B. Warren, superintendent of the oil mills here, has had the influenza, but is able to be up now.

## AMERICANS IN HAVANA

### The Pay \$15 a Day for Room Rent

Many types of Americans are soaking in the sun sunshine, and other things, in Havana.

There are the sporty, smartly clad spenders, who pay \$15 each for rooms in third-rate hotels without demur and make glad the hearts of book-makers at the track.

There is a goodly run of everyday Americans, of the kind one sees leaning over the edge of the Grand Canon, being photographed at Niagara Falls, eating hot dogs at Coney and filling up the bleachers at ball games.

There are middle western farmers here with their wives, looking a bit lost and lonesome after a lifetime of hard work. They gaze at the noble height of a royal palm, waving its green plumes against a sky of white and blue. And I suspect that a pine tree laden with snow would look better to them.

Then there is the somewhat pitiful and entirely inoffensive American who has come here at beckoning of Bacchus.

Many of them arrived with a thirst out of all proportion to their capital. They come with the innocent assumption that there are plenty of jobs here for convivial Yankees. Swiftly they exhaust their resources, and then haunt the highways and byways, wondering where the next drink is coming from.

Havana has more booze to the square yard than any city in the world, according to students and travelers who have specialized in liquor. On every street corner, and sprinkled numerous between corners, are the open-face bar-rooms to lure the feet of wayfarers. Screens and swinging doors are absent.

The breweries and ice plants must be working over time and the most seductive of beverages, from plant to cocktails concocted of rare spirits and delectable fruit juices, are to be had everywhere at any hour.

Yet the few cases of intoxication to be observed are one and all Americans of the type which gets drunk everywhere and takes to wood alcohol when nothing else is within reach.

American whiskeys survive, especially in the American bars, but tourists are usually eager to experiment with the various forms of rum—and mixed drinks. Pineapple juice, in flaming beakers, is the basis of many of the popular drinks.

The prices of drink are not exorbitant. They compare favorably with the pre-war schedules in the states. Beer is 10-cents a glass and 2.75 means nothing to the Cuban brewer. A pineapple gin fizz, nearly a foot tall, releases into Cuban circulation 35-cents of American cash.

### The Flu Situation

There have been as many as 30 or 35 cases of flu at Bynum, the little village, five miles north of Pittsboro, but no deaths. The mill has never stopped work on account of the epidemic. Nearly all of those who had the disease are improving. There has not been over half a dozen cases in Pittsboro and those who have had it are improving. In the northern part of the county and in the eastern and southern sections there have been many cases but few deaths. The disease seems to be in a mild form. Several colored people in the county have died with it.

The decrease in the number of cases of the flu and the great improvement of those who have had it, is very encouraging. Most all of the schools in the county, including the Pittsboro high school, will be opened next Monday, and church services will be conducted next Sunday as usual. The doctors say the flu will never be so severe again. Let hope it is so.

### Card of Thanks

We wish to return our thanks to the people of Pittsboro and others, who stood so nobly by us when our son Atlas was so severely hurt.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Petty.

## Republican Convention

The Republican county convention met here Wednesday and elected delegates to the state convention which meets in Greensboro next Wednesday, March 3. Only a small number of delegates were in attendance. It is not known yet whom the "bosses" have selected to run for county officers in the election next fall.

## Plant Changes Hands

Not very long since the Deep River Lumber Co. bought the planing mill of W. G. Fields here, and have been carrying on the business at the old stand. Last week the new company sold the plant and everything connected with it to Williams & Moffitt, of the Ashboro Wheelbarrow Company. The new owners have already taken hold. The price paid for the mill could not be learned.

## Engagement Announced

The engagement of Dr. James S. Miliken and Miss Celeste Hill, of Washington, D. C., has been announced in the Washington City papers, the wedding to take place April 7, at the Church of the Ascension in Washington. The prospective bride is a daughter of our former townsman, Mr. Ivey Hill, and is well known here where she has very often visited her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. N. M. Hill. She is a general favorite among all who know her; her beauty, charm of manner and gracious personality endearing her to a large circle of friends who will be interested in the news of her approaching marriage. Dr. Miliken, who is one of our most successful and popular physicians, is to be congratulated on winning so lovely a bride.

There will be services held at the Baptist church here by the pastor, Rev. W. A. Waff, next Sunday, he having no other appointment for that day.

Miss Clytie Foushee, who has been laid up with the flu is improving. Two more of the family have it at present.

Mrs. Fletcher Mann has returned from Seven Springs, where she has been on a visit to her mother.

Dr. Jack B. Miliken left Monday for Smithfield, where he will open a dentist office.

Mr. Henry May has returned to Durham, where he holds a position in a garage.

Miss Lillie H. Hill is at home recuperating.

## The Chatham Hardware Company

wishes to announce their farmer friends that they will carry a full line of the FAMOUS JOHN DEER

Riding Plows, Cultivators, Walking Plows, Cultivators, Harrows, Corn and Cotton Planters

In fact, every Farming Implement made by them. Same will begin to arrive within the next few days.

Rob-Mo-Ton is a powerful antiseptic; it kills the poison caused from infected cuts, sores, old sores, ulcers, etc.

## Another One Dead

Last week the Record published the sad story of the death of five of the Hinshaw family, who lived near Snow Camp, and now we chronicle the death of another one, a small boy. This makes six out of a family of eight who have died with flu. The mother and oldest daughter are improving.

Over a million dollars is to be spent on Camp Bragg.

## Mules & Horses

Carload fresh mules and horses just arrived. Come and see them. Guarantee them to work in all harness. They are going at a bargain. Cash or on time.

## Jas. O. Brown

## Re-sale Valuable Land

By virtue of authority in me vested by an order of the Superior Court of Chatham county, made in a certain special proceeding therein pending, entitled "G. Green et al vs Mary Green et al," I will sell for cash at public auction, to the highest bidder, on

Saturday, March 13, 1920, at 12 o'clock noon, at the courthouse door in Pittsboro, N. C., that certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Hickory Mountain township, Chatham county, N. C., adjoining the lands of John Covet, T. B. Bray, Geo. Covet, W. T. Parrish and others, containing 84 a. ras, more or less, and being the lands owned by the late J. S. Green at the time of his death, and fully described and defined in the title deeds by which he held the same.

This land is being sold for partition and a re-sale has been ordered on account of an increased bid having been placed thereon.

Feb. 22d, 1920. WALTER D. SILER, Commissioner.

Siler & Barber, Attorneys.

## Administratrix Notice

Having qualified as administratrix of the estate of Samuel V. Holt, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of the deceased to present them to the undersigned on or before February 21, 1921, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the estate of the deceased will please make immediate settlement.

This Dec. 21, 1920. MRS. RENELFE HOLT, Admrx Samuel V. Holt, deceased. Siler & Barber, Attorneys.

## Sale of Valuable Real Estate

Under and by virtue of the power conferred by an order of the Superior Court of Chatham county, made in the special proceeding therein pending, entitled "Daniel West and Madara Womack vs Prime West et al," the undersigned commissioner will, on

Monday, March 22, 1920,

at 12 o'clock noon, at the courthouse door of Chatham county in Pittsboro, N. C., offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the following described two tracts of land in Center township, Chatham county, N. C., described as follows:

First tract: One lot in the town of Pittsboro, N. C., known on the plot of said town as lot number 87, and being the house and lot whereon Prime West colored, now resides, and bounded as follows: On the north by the Methodist Episcopal church lot; on the east by the lands of Dr. H. T. Chapin; on the south by a street of said town; and on the west by the colored Episcopal Mission church lot, containing half an acre, more or less.

Second tract: Beginning at a stone pile, old Taylor line cornering on McCannahan land and running west 69 poles; thence north 23 1/2 poles to a stake; London's line; thence east 49 poles to a stone pile on the old Taylor line, London's corner; thence south 23 1/2 poles to the beginning, containing 12 acres, more or less.

Time of sale, Monday, March 22, 1920, 12 o'clock noon.

Place of sale, courthouse door, Pittsboro, N. C.

Terms of sale, cash.

February 18, 1920. DANIEL L. BELL, Commissioner.

## INFLUENZA AND WEAK BLOOD

Run Down and Listless Condition May Make You a Target for the 'Flu'

Because Blood Is Probably Thin

At This Time of Danger, Take Pepto-Mangan—It Builds Rich, Red Blood

No matter how well you usually are, if temporarily you're run down, you're a target for the influenza.

Contagion always gets listless people first. Whether they realize it or not, their blood is thin and undernourished—in no condition to fight off the germs it meets everywhere.

It is a wise precaution to take a good tonic at this time of danger—some well-known builder of red, vigorous blood, like Pepto-Mangan.

And if you did not think of this in time if you are now recovering from a fight with influenza—your blood will need help for weeks after you think the danger is past.

Take no unnecessary chances. Get Pepto-Mangan and start taking it today. Pepto-Mangan is an effective blood builder that has had the endorsement of physicians for years.

Pepto-Mangan is sold by druggists in either liquid or tablet form, just as preferred. There is no difference in medicinal value. But be sure you get the genuine Pepto-Mangan. Ask for Gude's Pepto-Mangan and be sure the name is on the package. adv

## Executrix Notice

Having qualified as executrix of the last will and testament of Mrs. Lilla J. Hadley, deceased, this is to notify all persons holding claims against said decedent to present same to the undersigned on or before 2nd of February, 1921, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to the estate will come forward and make immediate settlement.

This Feb. 2, 1920. DOROTHY H. HADLEY, executrix of the last will and testament of Lilla J. Hadley, dec'd. Siler & Barber, Attorneys.

## Commissioner's Sale of Land

By virtue of an order of the Superior Court of Chatham county, N. C., made in a certain special proceeding therein pending, entitled Lettice McCane et al versus Connelly Mitchell et al, the undersigned commissioner, being duly licensed and authorized to do so, will, on

Saturday, March 13, 1920,

at 12 o'clock noon, sell to the highest bidder for cash, at the courthouse door in Pittsboro, N. C., that certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Center township, Chatham county, N. C., adjoining the lands of the late Spence Taylor and others, containing about twenty-seven acres, and being the land devised by the late Julia Brooks to Cornelia Mitchell for life a remainder to the plaintiff and defendants in the above mentioned proceeding, and more particularly described and defined in the title deeds by which said Julia Brooks held the same.

This Feb. 7, 1920. WALTER D. SILER, Commissioner.

Siler & Barber, Attorneys.

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