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### DEATH OF AN AGED LADY.

Mrs. Stephen Brewer Passes Away After a Lingering Illness.

Mrs. S. D. Brewer, relict of the late Stephen Brewer, who for a number of years was sheriff of Chatham county, died at the home of her son, George Brewer, in Pittsboro, at 11 o'clock on Friday night, December 31, 1922, after an illness of some two years duration, being 78 years old.

Mrs. Brewer was the daughter of Mrs. Matilda Paschal, who died on August 8, 1922 near Siler City. She came from a family of long lived people. Mrs. Paschal lacking only a few months of reaching her 100th anniversary.

Four brothers survive Mrs. Brewer: R. L. Paschal, Fort Worth, Tex.; Dr. George Brewer, Wake Forest, N. C.; T. Brewer, of Goldston, and R. F. Brewer, of Siler City, and three sisters, Mrs. Lydia Caviness, of Mineral Wells, Tex., Mrs. R. D. Smith, Siler City, R. I., and Mrs. Dora Johnson, of Greensboro. She also leaves two sons and one daughter: Fred Brewer, Knoxville, Tenn., and George Brewer, Pittsboro, with whom she made her home, and Mrs. Jacob Thompson, Pittsboro.

Mrs. Brewer was well known in Chatham county. She was a woman of lovable disposition, kind-hearted and free from all affectation. A good woman has passed over to the other side and all of her friends and relatives will sadly miss her. It might be said of her that "her hair was silvery gray but she had a heart of gold."

The funeral services were held at the First Baptist church in Pittsboro, of which she had been a long and faithful member, being conducted by her pastor, Rev. R. R. Gordon at 11 o'clock Sunday morning. The large assemblage of friends and the many floral offerings, attesting the high esteem in which she was held.

Among those from a distance who attended the funeral were Mrs. Chas. Brewer, Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hunter, her nephew, of Marion.

### TOUR OF INSPECTION IN NO. 4.

M. Berry Writes Interesting Account of the Highways.

In a long article on the highways of North Carolina, H. M. Berry, who made the trip on a tour of inspection, writing to the Greensboro News Sunday, Dec. 24th, he says:

"The second day of inspection, still aiming at intervals, takes us south first on route 75 from Durham to chapel Hill over 12 miles of hard surface, eight miles of Kentucky rock asphalt and four miles of concrete. This road is subjected to perhaps heavier traffic than any other 12 miles in the state—local, state and foreign. State maintenance is in evidence even now on this newly constructed road. The shoulders are in excellent condition and along the high embankments guard rails have been erected and painted white, giving an air of neatness and finish to the road as well as a sense of security to the traveler, particularly on dark nights. A few years ago the journey to the State University was a nightmare whether made by the slow, painfully breaking process of "Captain Smith's bus" or the jolting, jabbing, nerve-racking process of Pendergraft's jitney. Today it is a 20 or 30-minute ride of comfort and delight, the only drawback being the motorist who forgets there is a speed limit.

Passing through the University town, now astrid with all kinds of construction, we continued our journey southward on route No 75 over a recently constructed sand-clay project to the Chatham line and then over a federal aid project, sand-clay, through the cotton mill village of Bynum to the ancient capital of Chatham, Pittsboro. A splendid concrete bridge a thousand feet long is under construction over Haw river between Bynum and Pittsboro now about 75 per cent complete. This bridge is well up to the standards in bridge construction established by the state highway commission, which includes beauty of design as well as excellence of construction.

No. 75 now turns westwards over a federal aid top-soil project and takes us to Chatham's industrial metropolis, Siler City, where one finds furniture factories, wood-working establishments, cotton mills and a chicken ranch which is supplying a large territory with "baby chicks."

### 366 Cures Malarie, Chills and Fever, Dengue or Bilious Fever.

BUILD A HOME NOW!

### SIDE STREET GOSSIP.

By Joe Foreman.

Getting over Christmas is kind of like getting off a long jag, you have to go slow and take it easy. About the first week in December, everybody and everything gets into a trot and by Christmas Eve it is a regular run-away. But everybody has had Christmas and now we are taking a new hold and will next begin the steady pull for 1923.

Looking back over the year that is gone, we all must admit that we did not make half as much out of it as we could or should. Everybody makes mistakes except the fellow who won't admit it, and you can usually size him up as the biggest fool in the community. The opportunities we had for advancement or helping out a worthy neighbor or telling somebody how much they helped us, are all gone and gone forever.

A new year and another chance is given and while I never did put much store in making New Year's resolutions, it won't be out of place to make determination here and now that we won't let 1923 go by with a little done as we find when we take account of what 1922 has meant to us as individuals and as a community.

Most of us had rather tell somebody else of mistakes than to admit our own but I for one would like to see a little more neighborly interest and whole lot less fault finding and kicking going on in our community. There is about ten or maybe a few more fellows in our town who are I want to say and who are going about kicking on high taxes, poor officers, and all sorts of things which are not up to their liking. It is a great pity that they can't be put to some useful employment but we don't have any law for it and the only way they can be handled is to make it convenient to miss them when they come around.

I did not go up on the river to see my old neighbors this Christmas, but if the roads dry up a little the coming week, I have promised to spend one night with Jim Young's folks. There is really no leisure time anymore with anybody, but at that I am going to get my share of back bone and sapre ribs before it all gets eat up, and I have not had a fill on crackling corn bread since new meal come in.

### MUST FILE RETURNS NOW.

U. S. Tax Collector Says Returns to Be Made on or Before March 15.

The following must file returns before March 15, 1923, says the collector of internal revenue:

- Every person with net income of \$1000, if single.
- Every person with a gross income \$2000 if married.
- Every person with a gross income of \$5000.
- Every incorporated company without exception.
- Every partnership, without exception.
- Every employer must report all salaries of \$1000, or more, and to whom paid.
- Returns must be filed on time even if no tax is due.
- File your return now and take no chances of a penalty.
- Address all returns and mail to U. S. Collector of Internal Revenue, Gilliam Grissom, Raleigh, North Carolina.

### COTTON GINNED UP TO DEC. 13.

Over Eight Thousand in County.

Cotton ginned in North Carolina from December 1, 1922, to December 13, 1922, was 8,775 bales compared to 7,717 bales ginned in 1921.

At Washington report gives 9,222,929 pounds of cotton, including 1,022,929 pounds, ginned as 1,022,929 bales, valued at 7,790,676 pounds, valued at 122,493 pounds, valued at 1,990 for the same date in 1921.

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## The Spirit of 1923



### THE PROGRAM AT CAROLINA.

Splendid Entertainment and a General Good Time at Christmas.

The editor had the pleasure of being with the folks at Carolina school house on Christmas day, when a time was filled with presents for everyone present and a most excellent program had been prepared and rendered by the children of the Sunday school and the day school as well.

No one could be present there on that occasion without enjoying it very much. Santa Claus was there himself in the person of D. M. Fisher and Mrs. Santa Claus was pleasingly represented by R. B. Johnson.

In addition to the presents taken from the tree by old Santa and his assistants, there was an abundance of fruit such as apples, raisins, oranges had been prepared and rendered by the guests and participants on this special occasion.

The presents had been distributed and the fruit had been enjoyed, all left the building to enjoy a social chat on the outside, it being a pretty day and the occasion was blessed with a large attendance.

Those taking part in the program preceding the giving away of the presents were as follows:

- 1—By the school Jingle Bells.
- 2—Recitation, Why do Bells for Christmas ring, Margaret Oldham.
- 3—Recitation, A Christmas Letter, Eary Johnson.
- 4—A Christmas dialogue, Louise Simerson, and Buie Melver.
- 5—Recitation, Santa Claus, Loomis Burke.
- 6—Recitation, Christmas Bells, Estelle Rogers.
- 7—Recitation, Christmas Wish, Germaine Oldham.
- 8—Song, Santa Claus Has Come to Town, by classes.
- 9—Recitation, Santa Claus, Mary George Blair.
- 10—Recitation, Hang up Baby's stocking, Lacy Johnson.
- 11—Recitation, Shy Santa Claus, Willie Mae Gilmore.
- 12—Recitation, Christmas Spirit, Vallie Dixon.
- 13—Recitation, Night Before Christmas, Bettie Johnson.
- 14—Song, Silent Night, Intimate diete Classes.
- 15—Recitation, Santa's Lunch, Edna Dowdy.
- 16—A Christmas Play, W. L. Burke, Ella Dixon, Raymond Elkins and Carson Reeves.

### First Round Conference Meetings.

The first round conference appointments will be held as follows:

- Goldston, Coal Springs, January 6.
- Goldston, Old Branch, January 7.
- Siler City, Siler City, at Siler City, January 11 and 12; Haw River, at Bynum, January 17 and 18; Pittsboro at Pittsboro, January 18 and 19.

A payroll of old Co. G, possessed by the late Capt. Austin Johnson, was returned to Siler City by J. Dan Free, her love and devotion to home and loved ones, and her services attention to all were but emblematic of a noble life, a splendid woman, and Chatham county suffering with her loved ones in her passing.

There will be a box party at Meadow Creek school Friday night, January 5th. Proceeds for the benefit of the school. Public cordially invited.

### ABOUT CHATHAM ROADS.

New Roads and Changes on Old Ones is Information Now.

Information comes from the office of Highway Commissioner John Sprunt Hill, of the fourth construction district, that Route 60 is to be relocated from Goldston, via Gulf, to Sanford. Project 402, in Chatham county, from Siler City to the Randolph county line, 6.9 miles, is now under construction, and something like 50 per cent complete. No. 405, Siler City to the Lee county line, some 19 miles, and 499, Lee county line from Gulf to Route 50 intersection (three miles north of Sanford) are being surveyed, and sometime in the new year contracts will be let for construction, giving a twenty-five mile stretch of Route 60 in both Lee and Chatham. From Siler City to Gulf the new route will follow closely that of the present road; beyond Gulf, in the direction of Sanford, the new bridge over Deep river will be crossed; thence directly to the three-mile post north of Sanford, No. 60 being straightened, and shortened about five miles Siler City to Sanford is provided for out of the existing authorization, for first-class gravel construction. There is plenty of gravel to be had in the district, a material much superior to any sort of soil-type construction.

The route coming from the Wake county line, through New Hope township, via of Pittsboro, through Oakland township, to Sanford, is now having its final survey south of Pittsboro. This road will also be of the top-soil gravel type south of Pittsboro at present, but eventually will be of concrete construction.

This new highway will leave the New Hope road near Mr. Beard's residence, entering Pittsboro just south of the residence of Capt. J. F. Aulston, on East street, going out South street to the south of the Courthouse. The new survey that is presumed will be accepted goes west a great distance to the old route, passing to the rear of the M. H. Harris farm, running south through the woods by the old Clapp place, following almost a direct course to Sanford.

All these roads will be graded and opened to the public early in the year.

### BREAKING UP THE STILLS.

Officers Have Been Busy During the Christmas Holidays.

On Thursday before Christmas, officers went over into the Merry Oaks section and destroyed three stills. They were not regular stills, but were made from galvanized tubs. A lot of mesh and other stuff was destroyed. No arrests were made.

Saturday another raid was made. This time it was in Hickory Mountain township. In this raid not only was a still destroyed but Bob Fagin was arrested. He was taken to Pittsboro, and a preliminary trial held before Judge J. R. Blair, who placed him under a \$1000 bond for his appearance at the January term of court.

Near Ben Dossert's home in Hickory Mountain two more stills were found. One of them held 125 gallons and the other about fifty gallons. This took place Wednesday of last week. Everything connected with these stills was destroyed.

Six or seven stills are said in less than a week's time shows up well to Sheriff Blair and his deputies, and they should be highly commended for the work they are doing.

C. T. Deser went over into the edge of Lee county one day last week and destroyed a 60-gallon still. He also counted out 12 pounds of beer. This still was found within a mile of a Lee county deputy sheriff.

### NOTICE OF DISSOLUTION.

The firm heretofore operating under the firm name of A. B. Womble & Co., Goldston, N. C., composed of Hugh Womble, L. B. Hester and A. B. Womble, is this date dissolved by mutual consent.

All accounts that may be due the said Company will be payable to A. B. Womble, and the said A. B. Womble assumes obligation for all outstanding indebtedness.

This the 1st day of January, 1923.

Signed: HUGH WOMBLE, L. B. HESTER, A. B. WOMBLE

The business mentioned above will be continued at the same stand and operated under the firm name of A. B. Womble, Accounts and indebtedness being as stated above.

This the 1st day of January, 1923.

Signed: A. B. WOMBLE.

### WHAT ILLICIT LIQUOR WILL DO.

Some Dreadful Crimes During Xmas Holidays Traceable to Liquor.

According to the Raleigh Times D. C. Winston, a farmer living in Wake county, criminally assaulted his 17-year old daughter on Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 26. He is now in the Wake jail for awaiting trial by the superior court charged with the capital offense. Winston had been on a spree for a week and pretends that he does not remember anything whatever regarding his crime against his own child. The girl was to have been married the day before, but on account of the office of register of deeds being closed for Christmas, was unable to secure license.

Back in the woods somewhere in Wake county is a miserable, cowardly violator of the law that is responsible for this dastardly crime. It must be broken up. Whose duty is it?

In Cumberland county during the same time, the legally constituted officers of the law were after liquor makers, with the result that one of the deputies was shot seriously, making the seventh man to be shot from the sheriff's office within six years.

During the same week two were killed in Raleigh, there was a hold-up and an incendiary fire in the same city, all the result of illegally made liquor.

In New York there were eight men killed as a result of liquor and it was proven that more than four million dollars worth of whisky was sold in that city during Christmas.

The hospitals in New York reported more than a hundred deaths as a result of alcoholism, more than ever before in the history of the hospitals at Christmas time.

The daily papers of North Carolina were filled with accounts of fights, shootings, murders and disgraceful law violations all over the State, and it was the same everywhere in the south.

The question arises, are we trying to blot out illicit distilleries, or are we just lagging along with the supposition that it is "not bothering" and "I'll let it alone?"

The Ku Klux may be organized in such a manner that it leaves a loop hole for others to do mischief, but if one of their missions are to blot out the liquor business, then we shake hands for a season at least.

### CRUEL, HEARTLESS WOMAN.

Abandons Infant on Train in Siler City Friday, Dec. 29.

A young girl, apparently about 18 years of age, left the afternoon train going north, in Siler City on Friday, Dec. 29th, leaving on the train a wee infant, just a few days old.

The girl boarded the train in Fayetteville and had suit cases and other baggage with her, all of which she carefully took off the train, but the small girl baby she left to the mercy of the charity of the good people that happened to be on the train.

As soon as the conductor was informed, he was too far away from Siler City to do any good toward tracing the heartless mother, but he wired to Greensboro, where John J. Phoenix, supt. of the Children's Home Society awaited the arrival of the infant and has since cared for it.

The infant had been woefully neglected, was undernourished and very weak, but since getting into the hands of good people it has developed wonderfully.

It is useless for this paper to describe a woman that would wilfully and intentionally abandon her offspring in this manner. We can't very well do it and print the words in this paper, but no stone should be left unturned to learn the name of the cruel, heartless wretch, and mete out to her such punishment as would be permissible under the law, and if there be no law to meet the emergency, then we had best ask Greensboro to loan us their K. K. K. just for a few hours.

(Since the above was out in type, we are informed that the girl who abandoned the infant has been arrested in Fayetteville, and will be brought to Chatham county to stand trial. We trust that all the guilty parties to the plot will be caused to suffer for the heinous act.—Ed.)

### H. C. WATSON SHOT IN THE EYE.

Local and Personal News of Interest From Route Two.

Bear Creek, Dec. 30.—Messrs G. F. J. H., and Wiley Hart, of Burlington, were visitors in the home of T. A. Beal during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Holt and family of Dunlap's Mineral Springs, near Kernersville, were visitors here last week.

Miss Bessie Murray, of Greensboro, and L. T. Johnson, of Maxton, visited their mother during the holidays.

J. V. Beaver, of Greensboro and Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Nalls, of Pomona Mills, were Christmas visitors in the home of T. P. Beaver.

Miss Berta Coggins, of Maxton, spent the holidays with home folks. Accompanied by her brother, I. C. R. Highfill, of Guilford College.

J. R. Dawkins, of Hemp, is visiting his parents on route 2.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Lane, of Durham, were visitors in the home of J. H. Lane.

Miss Beulah Tysor, of Greensboro, spent Christmas with home folks.

H. M. Tysor, Rt. 2, has recently visited his sister, Mrs. J. E. Moore, of Graham.

Mrs. R. G. Holler and daughter, Mozelle, of Durham, spent the holidays with parents and grand parents.

Mr. and Mrs. R. I. Broughton and family, of Burlington, and Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Phillips, of Swepsonville, were visitors on the route last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Allen Willett, of Siler City, were visitors in the home of Mr. Willett's parents during the Christmas season.

Mr. F. M. Straughan and Mr. Tillman, of Greensboro, were visitors at P. C. Straughan's a few days ago.

Miss Alma Johnson, of High Point, visited her mother Christmas.

H. C. Watson had the misfortune to get shot in the eye with an air rifle during Christmas. It was thought at first that he would lose that eye, but we are glad to state that he is recovering nicely.

J. F. and J. F. Jr., Coggins, of Hallison, and W. L. Evans of Fayetteville, were visitors in the home of W. C. Coggins during the holidays.

Miss Flossie Fields, of Durham, was a visitor here last week.

C. D. Beal, of Asheville, was a visitor here and on Pittsboro Rt. 3, during Christmas.

Miss Alma Coggins, of Bear Creek, and James Stegall, of Greensboro, were married in Greensboro Sunday, December 24th. Our heartiest congratulations are extended.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Stegall, of Greensboro, were visitors in Bear Creek, during the week-end.

G. S. Melver, of Siler City, was a visitor in the home of his father, E. J. Melver, last week.

S. T. Coggins, of Greensboro, was a recent visitor here.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Snipes, of Durham, were visiting Mr. Snipes' parents, last week.

Miss Annie Jordan has returned from St. Leo's hospital, Greensboro, where she had gone for treatment.

The following were visitors in the home of T. B. Beal during the holidays: Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Holt and family, of Kernersville, Mrs. J. M. Yarbrough and son, C. T., of Jonesboro, Master Clyde Williamson, of Sanford, Mr. and Mrs. L. M. Gilmore, Pittsboro, Rt. 3, and I. H. Williamson, of Sanford.

J. J. Phillips, of Siler City, was a visitor in the home of his father, J. W. Phillips, during the week-end.

Mr. D. Norwood and son, Ernie, and Mr. Cook, of Durham, were visitors here last Friday.

N. G. Norwood, of Greensboro, was a week-end visitor in the home of his father, W. F. Norwood.

Rev. E. C. Sell, the new preacher on the Goldston circuit, will preach at Meronies M. E. church next Sunday, January 7th.

The following won the prizes in the Meronies Methodist Sunday School for attendance:

- Adult Class—J. D. Willett.
- Barren Class—Misses Hilda Willett and Lula Beal.
- Junior Class—Clifton Harris.
- Little People's Class—Allie Rose Harris.
- Card Class—Fred Wilson Harris.

### MARRIED IN SANFORD.

Sanford, N. C., Dec. 29.—Miss Swannie Paschal and Mr. Elliott S. White were united in marriage on Thursday evening at 6:30 o'clock at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. R. T. Howard, on Carriage street.

The marriage vows were spoken by Rev. W. M. Gilmore, pastor of the first Baptist church, the impressive ceremony being used, in the presence of the immediate family.

The living room in which the ceremony was performed was artistically decorated for the occasion.

Little Miss Helen Howard, pretty niece of the bride, dressed in white, preceded the bride and groom to the altar of the wedding march from Lohengrin, which was played by Miss Mary Paschal, sister of the bride.

"A Wild Dove" was played softly by the organ. The bride wore a becoming suit of dark blue Poiret cloth, with hat and gloves to match, and carried a bouquet of roses and valley lilies.

The bride is the attractive daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Paschal, of Siler City. She was educated at North Carolina College for Women and now holds the responsible position of secretary to Dean C. B. Williams at Wesley College, Raleigh.

The groom is a graduate of Richmond Medical College and is a prominent young attorney at Goldsboro, also being engaged at Jacksonville, Fla., and other southern cities.

A widow and four children in Cumberland county drank milk from a tubercular cow for three years. The youngest child is over three years old and cannot walk. Enlarged glands do not develop and physicians say the child is tubercular. How about your child?

LOOK AT YOUR LABEL.

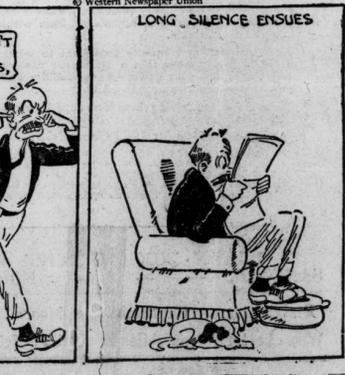
### AW, WHAT'S THE USE



### WIFE OBJECTS



### YOU SCRAP



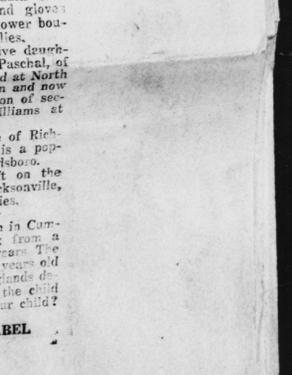
### LONG SILENCE ENSUES



### THEN YOU BOTH REALIZE HOW SILLY YOU'VE BEEN



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By L. F. Van Zeln, Western Newspaper Union