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## CHILDREN'S HOME SOCIETY ALLOWED \$25 QUARTERLY

Commissioners Meet Sept. 1.—  
Passed on Many Bills—Give  
Mothers' Aid \$25 Month

The following bills were approved by the county commissioners in session Monday September 1:  
Chatham Hardware Co., ice supplies for courthouse, \$21.97.  
Pilkington Pharmacy, drugs for county home, \$18.30.  
T. M. Bland and Co., supplies for county home, \$34.55.  
R. B. Farrar, still cap and worm \$20.  
S. T. Johnson, still, cap and worm, \$20.  
Sherman Alston, janitor for August \$25.  
A. J. Johnson, grand jury officer and mileage, \$15.50.  
Glen McAdams, supplies for Clerk of Court office, \$5.61.  
C. C. Cooper, conveying prisoner to jail, \$7.50.  
G. W. Blair, sheriff, salary, clerk hire, \$358.33.  
John Burns, jailer, \$93.60.  
John Burns, Conveying Dee Fearington from Durham to Pittsboro, \$6.50.  
C. C. Poe, clerk hire and postage, \$160.  
J. Dewey Dorsett, Clerk of Court, salary, 2 weeks court, clerk hire, stamps, simms manual, \$220.  
C. C. Poe, August salary, \$150.  
Connell & Johnson, supplies county home, \$99.61.  
J. M. Hammock, work county home, \$4.80.  
Mrs. J. T. Henderson supplies county home, \$5.60.  
J. H. Hackney, tax list Williams township, \$100.  
Pittsboro Cafe and market, supplies county home, \$31.60.  
F. L. May, dinner for 13 jurors, \$9.75.  
Add Pendergrass, work at county home, \$16.00.  
J. W. Johnson, superintendent county home, \$75.00.  
Eugene Farrell, beef for county home, \$6.15.  
Robert Brown, work at county home \$25.00.  
Lydia Brown, washing at county home, \$11.50.  
Mrs. John W. Johnson, sewing at county home, \$9.30.  
George H. Lawrence, part time welfare officer, \$18.50.  
The sum of \$100 per annum was allowed by the board to the Children's Home Society of North Carolina, this sum to be paid quarterly, beginning Oct. 1, 1924.  
Fees received by the register of deeds for August, \$177.80.  
Fees received by the clerk of court for August \$131.50.  
The sum of \$15.00 a month is to be paid to the Mother's Aid Fund of North Carolina, one half of said sum to be remitted by the State of North Carolina.

## MT. GILEAD NEWS.

Mt. Gilead Sunday School went on a picnic to Durham at Lakewood park last Saturday. Numbers of cars gathered at the church at 8:30 o'clock and a way was provided for all the children and members of the Sunday School. We reached the park about 9:30. The hobby horses were much enjoyed by every one young and old. About 12:30 dinner was spread which was greatly enjoyed. The elder ladies and men seemed as young as the children and young people and all had a most enjoyable day.  
Miss Esther Jones of Fearington spent Saturday night with Misses Meta and Edna Hatley.  
Miss Leona Neal has returned from visiting her aunt Mrs. J. F. Bryant of Clayton.  
Mr. Roscoe Neal and his sister Vinnie left Sunday afternoon for Carrboro where they will attend school this session.  
Mr. M. D. Williams and family of Durham were visitors at Mr. J. C. Hatley's Sunday.  
Mr. W. A. Pendergraft and family Mr. and Mrs. Eubanks, and Messrs. Jack Barbour, Wallace Massey and Elliott, all of Durham, were Sunday visitors in the home of Mr. J. W. Neal.  
Mr. W. L. Hatley and family spent a while Sunday evening with Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Hatley.

## ROSCOE NEWS ITEMS.

We were very sorry Mr. Shaw has given up the Record, also we are very proud indeed of our new editor, and we feel assured that we shall have as good a paper as when Mr. Shaw was editor.  
Mrs. Z. L. Dark is visiting her brother Mr. O. D. McBane in Greensboro this week.  
Miss Ola Williams spent the weekend with her sister Mrs. A. P. Dark. Mr. and Mrs. A. P. Dark have almost completed a new bungalow.  
Quite a number from Brown's Chapel attended the baptizing at Mt Olive Baptist church Sunday.  
Mr. John H. Dark has gone on an extended visit to his daughter, Mrs. Mike Crawford, Fayetteville, N. C.  
Miss Berta Durham and brother John visited relatives and friends in Burlington last week.  
New subscribers added Monday: Walker R. Perry, M. L. Snipes, R. R. Seagraves, C. M. Pattishall, P. M. Johnson, J. W. Williams.

## SMALL BLAZE AT SILER CITY

Other News Items From The  
West Chatham Metropolis.

Siler City, Sept. 7.  
Siler City experienced a fire scare yesterday about one o'clock when a house owned by L. L. Wrenn, but occupied by Norton Womble, was discovered to be ablaze. The residence was located across the street from Corinth church and very close by were three other tenant houses all of which were in serious danger. The blaze was too hot for the local fire fighting brigade to have kept it confined to the one building had it not been for the use of chemicals. The house property was saved but the wooden structure was quickly in ashes.  
J. F. and A. A. Lambe are today attending the funeral of their kinsman, O. C. McPherson in Orange county.  
Mrs. Junius Wrenn is spending several days as the guest of her aunt, Mrs. W. F. Womble in Greensboro.  
Friends of J. Q. Seawell will be pleased to know that his condition is satisfactory, following the operation at a hospital at Greensboro.  
Miss Cara Wrenn has returned from a visit to Miss Coma Cole at Durham.  
Misses Ellen Johnson and Gladys Patterson have gone to Raleigh to enter Meredith college.  
Those attending the barbecue and Brunswick stew held in the grove at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Beavers near town Friday pronounced it the most enjoyable of the season.  
J. E. Perry of Hazel Arkansas after an absence of many years from this state is here on a visit to his sister, Mrs. Sallie Headen and other relatives.  
News from J. C. Fesmire who for sometime has been in a Greensboro hospital, is to the effect that he is improving.  
Beginning today a series of meetings are being held at the Baptist church. The pastor Rev. Richard S. Fountain is being assisted by Rev. Mr. Owens of Lexington.  
W. H. Webster, who was severely burned by an explosion of gasoline at his home east of Ore Hill several days ago, is still in a serious condition.

## MEEKINS TO SPEAK FRIDAY.

Republican Candidate for Governor  
to Address Chatham County  
Citizens at Siler City  
Sept. 12.  
Hon I. M. Meekins, Republican candidate for governor, will address the people of Chatham county at Siler City next Friday at 1 p. m.  
Mr. Meekins is quite an orator and his address will be rich and racy. It will be interesting to both Democrats as well as Republicans.

## DEATH OF MR. E. F. WATKINS.

Moncure, Sept. 8.—Moncure people and the surrounding community regretted very much to hear of the death of Mr. E. F. Watkins which occurred last Saturday afternoon at 4 o'clock. He was somewhere about 60 years of age, but he had been in failing health for several years. He was almost blind and for many years had to be conducted by his faithful wife from place to place. Daily she would lead him down town and when each one would greet him, he could tell nearly every time who it was by their voice.  
Before he became so feeble and became blind, he would walk down town alone, leaning on and feeling his way with his cane.  
He was a member of the Methodist church and showed his love for his God and church by regular and faithful attendance upon Sunday school and church services. He was kind and had a cheery word for every one with whom he came in contact. He bore his afflictions patiently and without even a murmur. His confidence, trust and faith in Jesus was shown when he expressed himself by saying at the death of Miss Bernice Womble, a few months ago, that he wished he could exchange places with her.  
Everything was done for him here upon earth by his loved ones and physicians, for his recovery, but he realized his feeble condition and longed to go to heaven to live with his saviour, Jesus Christ, the great physician.  
Funeral services were held by his pastor, Rev. J. J. Boone, at the Methodist church last Sunday at four o'clock, being assisted by Rev. Mr. Black, pastor of the Baptist church. The body was then taken to the cemetery at Haywood for interment.  
He leaves a loving wife and daughter, Mrs. O. D. Orrell, and grandchild, Barbara Orrell.  
The esteem in which he was held in the community was shown by the large crowd present and the many floral tributes.  
**THEY GOT THE HEN.**  
Mr. Matthew Eddins tells an interesting story of how he lost a hen. A few days ago a motor cycle and side car came along the road; the old hen seeing her life threatened and flying straight up was caught between the car and the machine. The fellow in the side car simply reached over and got the hen, placed her under his arm, waved his hand gracefully at Mrs. Eddins and sped on. It was good bye hen.

## DURHAM DELEGATION TO VISIT PITTSBORO

300 or 400 Leading Citizens of  
Neighboring City Com-  
ing to Pittsboro.

Bringing between 300 and 400 leading citizens, a brass band, a large mixed choir, and a flock of other entertainment features, Durham will visit in Pittsboro Friday, September 19th, at 4:30 p. m.  
The purpose of the trip will be to enable Durham people to get acquainted with their neighbors in Pittsboro. The officials of the get acquainted trip make it plain that this is the sole purpose. "We are merely going to Pittsboro, meet the good citizens in it, rub shoulders with them, tell them about their neighboring town of Durham, and return home," a leading Durham citizen said today. No effort, it is said, is going to be made to induce people of Pittsboro to buy in Durham when they can just as easily buy in their home town.  
It is hoped the people of Pittsboro will make a memorandum of the time, Friday, September 19th, at 4:30 and give our Durham friends a warm welcome.  
Among the organizations from Durham taking part in the trip include the Chamber of Commerce, Real Estate Board, Merchants Association, Rotary, Kiwanis and Lions Clubs.  
The Durhamites will visit Siler City also the same day, coming from that town to Pittsboro.

## UPPER CAPE FEAR NEWS NOTES

New Hill, Rt. 2, Sept. 8.—Mr. W. H. Beckwith has returned to his home after spending more than a week in Springfield, Ga., with his brother, Mr. Donnie Beckwith whom he had not seen in thirty years. His was indeed a pleasant visit.  
Mrs. J. C. Lasater and daughter Miss Hilda, were recent visitors to Wilmington.  
Mr. and Mrs. Ernie Holt announce the arrival of a daughter.  
Mr. J. C. Lasater has been on a visit to Greenville.  
Messrs. W. M. Goodwin and Moody Womble have returned from a several days trip to Baltimore.  
Miss Nina Sturdivant has been ill for several days. We certainly hope she will soon be well again.  
The Men's Evangelistic Club of Sanford conducted services at New Elam Christian church the fifth Sunday in August.  
Meeting was well attended and very much enjoyed.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Goodwin, Misses Vada Goodwin and Rose Sturdivant were recent visitors to Raleigh.  
Mr. Tavie Jones and Miss Ruth Holt and Lola Jones spent the weekend in Hillsboro.  
The New Hope base-ball team were expecting the Green Level boys to play them Saturday but they were disappointed as they did not show up. But we had an interesting game anyway, the married men of the community played the unmarried players.  
School started at Bell's high school today. Quite a number of children from this district will attend this school, as a truck will be used. It will be driven by Bailey Sturdivant. All those desiring to do so may attend and those who care to do so may go to Gardner school, where there will be only one teacher.  
Mr. and Mrs. John W. Drake and John Jr., of Greensboro were weekend visitors of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Drake.  
Mr. Edgar Holt of Raleigh spent the latter part of last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Holt.  
Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Mann and little daughter of Raleigh were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Mann.  
We were sorry to give up our editor C. G. Shaw, the one who has done so much for our county. Only hope we will like our present editor. We wish Mr. Shaw success through the remainder of his life.  
There appears to be much interest in the Sunday School at New Elam Christian church which is held each Sunday morning at 10 o'clock. Last Sunday the subject discussed was "Why were the Jews and the Samaritans mad with one another?" and "Why did Jesus go through Samaria?"

## RATHER SOON.

Wild Geese were seen flying over Pittsboro late Saturday afternoon, headed south. Is it not rather soon for wild geese to be going south? Is it a sign for an early fall or a cold winter?  
On the 18th of June the first Katydid was heard here. It is an old saying that in 90 days after the first Katydid is heard frost will appear. Saturday and Sunday mornings showed signs of frost. Already news has come from Watauga county that ice has appeared there and that the growing corn has been killed.

## BASIL LINDLEY KILLED BY ACCIDENT AT SAW MILL

Fine Young Man of Silk Hope  
Community Thrown  
Against a Saw.

Siler City, Sept. 7.—One of the most tragic accidents in the history of the county occurred about 2:30 o'clock Friday afternoon when Badis Stockard Lindley, 28 year old prosperous and well known young man of Silk Hope neighborhood, was instantly killed at a saw mill, partly owned by him and located about nine miles north east of this place. Present at the mill with him were four of his friends, all of whom were completely overcome by the horrible sight of witnessing the death of their comrade.  
Walter Johnson, a partner of Mr. Lindley's was closest to him and told a vivid story of the accident. Mr. Lindley was standing on the end of the carrier approaching the saw, directing it with the lever held in his right hand, when the handle of the cant hook, which was fastened in the end of the approaching log, struck him with such force that he pitched forward into the rapidly revolving saw. His companions rushed forward and as quickly as possible stopped the machinery and as soon as aid could be secured removed the lifeless body from the saw. The saw severed the left arm at the elbow, the saw in such a manner as to entirely cut the left shoulder loose from his body and then ripping the skull across the back of his head wide open.  
The body was removed to his beautiful home a mile distant, where it was prepared for burial and scores of relatives and friends came to offer help and sympathy to the two young sisters, who have made their homes with him since the death of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Lindley several years ago.  
The funeral service was held Saturday afternoon at South Fork church Siler City R. 2 and was attended by hundreds who as they passed the casket bore testimony of their love and esteem of one of the community's esteemed young men. It was said of him that in his large farming interests he was unusually successful.  
The impressive service was conducted by Rev. Ed Harris, assisted by A. O. Lindley and Alfred Harris.  
Surviving are three sisters, Mrs. Herbert Moody of Siler City route 4 and Misses Bergie and Vida Lindley, at home and one brother, Leland Lindley, of Charlotte.  
The pall bearers were Woody and Arlie Campbell, Kye Glenn, I. E. and A. A. and Ralph Self.  
The ladies having the many and beautiful flowers in charge were Mrs. Lois Woody, Misses Mabel and Edna Self and Klene and Alma Johnson.

## MT. ZION NEWS.

Miss Ola Harmon and Mrs. J. Lee Harmon left September 1 for Goldston, where they will teach in the Goldston High School.  
We regret very much that our pastor Rev. J. J. Boone could not fill his appointment at Mt. Zion church Sunday afternoon. The funeral of Mr. E. T. Watkins kept him from being present. But his absence was ably filled by Mr. W. R. Thompson, who made a splendid talk on the subject: "And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me."  
Mr. Boone will preach at Mt. Zion next Sunday afternoon, September 14, at three o'clock. Sunday School at two o'clock and the superintendent wishes everybody to be present.  
The Mt. Zion community regrets very much to lose Mr. Shaw, who has been the efficient editor of the Record. He has made many friends in this community during his editorship. He has been successful and we wish him continued success.  
Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Griffin and son, Thomas Holt, of Chapel Hill, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Griffin.  
Miss Claytie Harper delightfully entertained a number of her friends Saturday evening from eight to eleven o'clock. Interesting games were played in the moonlight, then delicious refreshments were served.  
Mr. and Mrs. William Johnson and sons, Messrs William, Jr., and Marsh, spent last Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. J. Lee Harmon.  
Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Griffin spent last Saturday in Raleigh visiting their daughter, Mrs. W. E. Smith.  
Mr. and Mrs. Paul Thomas, of Raleigh, have been here on a visit to his mother, Mrs. W. B. Thomas.  
Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Desern, of Star, have been here on a two weeks visit to his father, Mr. C. T. Desern.  
Mrs. Fred Lilly spent last Sunday in Sanford visiting her sister.  
Mr. Will H. Thomas, brother of A. G. Thomas, of Moncure, Rt. 2, died at the county home last week and was buried at the Chatham church cemetery, Rev. R. R. Gordon conducting the services. Mr. Thomas was 65 years of age and had been in the home for about two weeks. He leaves a wife and several children.  
Mrs. Henry London and Miss Carrie M. Jackson left Friday for Fayetteville to spend a short while with her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Anderson.

## A HOT OLD DAY IN CHATHAM 9 YEARS AGO

Even Climate Improves—Sixfold  
Increase in Cape Fear  
Township Values.

Corinth Sept. 8.—The nights are becoming frosty and here it is only Sept. 7. Nine years ago this week your correspondent first set foot on Chatham county soil and on that day the mercury stood at 110 in the shade. So we can truthfully say that Chatham county temperature has improved along with its good people, splendid farms and great industries and the taxable value of property of all kinds in Cape Fear township has increased about sixfold or 600 per cent in that time and is still increasing. Can any other Chatham community truthfully lay claim to such distinction.  
The last thing that we would intentionally do as a correspondent would be to falsely accuse anyone of a crime or misdemeanor. From the "correction" in last week's issue we felt sure we had made such a mistake and set about to get the facts, acknowledge our error and offer apologies. We interviewed some five parties whose integrity's never questioned and were amazed to find that as one party remarked, "what was said in the article was not half of what could and should have been said." But as this all took place in Lee county and is a job for a Lee county grand jury rather than a Chatham county newspaper, there is nothing to be gained by giving it any more publicity.  
The Carolina Power and Light Company boys are soon to start another big stock selling campaign. Some 65 of them from all over North and South Carolina will conduct their opening conference and enjoy a barbecue dinner on next Tuesday at the Cape Fear Steam Plant.  
Sunday was preaching day at Buckhorn church. Mr. Piland has only two more services before he completes another year of good work with us and goes to conference. His effort Sunday was rewarded by the addition of one new member by conversion. Miss Lois Tutor, a splendid young lady and about 16 summers, joined the church and was baptized into full membership.

## MONCURE NEWS.

Two Tots Celebrate Birthday—Other  
Items of Interest.  
Melba, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Moore and Jack, the little son of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Sammons, celebrated their birthdays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sammons last Wednesday evening, September 3rd, from seven to nine o'clock. There were more than two dozen children invited and all were present and Capt. J. H. Wissler presented each one a dollar in silver. They were overjoyed with their many presents and one of them exclaimed, "It looks like Santa Claus!" Several games were played by the children under the supervision of Miss Catherine Thomas and Mrs. E. G. Sammons. The last game played, Follow the leader, was all the children formed in one long line and at the head was Capt. Wissler. When a signal was made for them to start, Capt. Wissler led them in the dining room which was beautifully decorated with pink and white and two cakes on the table and four lighted candles on each cake. Melba and Jack were asked what did those candles mean and they replied that they were four years old. Then the cakes were cut and ice cream served, which all enjoyed. As a souvenir a little candy basket was presented to each child. Then all said, "good night," wishing Melba and Jacob many more such happy birthdays.  
Miss Hilda Wilkie one of the graduates of Moncure high school last Spring, left last Monday morning for Brickhaven where she will be teacher of the primary grades in the school there for the coming year. As this is her first year as mistress of the school room that she will like teaching and enjoy her work this year.  
Miss Amey Womble, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Womble, left last Monday for Lenoir, where she will enter Davenport College for the fall term. This is her third year at Davenport and she will be one of the graduates next spring.  
Mr. Robert Day and three grandchildren of Norfolk, Va., were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Sammons last week.  
Mr. Edwin Cathell of Wake Forest, N. C. spent last week-end with his parents here, Dr. and Mrs. J. E. Cathell.  
Mr. C. D. Orrell of Yemassee, S. C., attended the funeral services of Mr. E. F. Watkins last Sunday.  
**Moving Day at Punkin Center.**  
This week there are to be several changes in the households in Pittsboro. Mr. Alton Riddle moves into the Henderson house on Salisbury street, Mrs. Alice Guinn who has been living in this house for some time, moves into the Bland house east of the oil mill, thereby causing Mr. Cecil Lindley to vacate. Mr. Lindley moves into the house on South street, vacated by Mr. Alton Riddle. Mr. Alec Riddle, who has been living in the same house with his brother Alton, moves to the house on Salisbury street vacated by Mr. Colin G. Shaw, and for the next two or three weeks Mr. Shaw will occupy rooms on South street with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Brown.  
The school of experience is open 24 hours each day.

## CHATHAM COUNTY MAN BEATEN BY NEGROES

Weldon Dixon of Siler City Re-  
ported Victim of Chapel  
Hill Affair.

Chapel Hill, Sept. 6.—According to a statement issued to police here today by Geddy Fields, who lives a mile from here on the Pittsboro road, the white man assaulted in the affray on the Chapel Hill-Carrboro road Monday night is Weldon Dixon, of Siler City. Fields statement that Dixon is alive but seriously injured, suffering from a fractured skull clears up what was at first thought to be a murder mystery.  
Dixon, according to Fields, came to Chapel Hill Monday night to buy some wearing apparel, but finding all the stores here closed, went on to Carrboro. As he passed the corner of Abram's store, just before reaching Carrboro, he jostled into a negro woman. She made some insulting remarks, insinuating that he was trying to knock her down. Without stopping he told her to go to hell. He saw her pick up a rock, but believing that she would do no harm, paid no attention and went on. He had not gone far before he was struck on the head by a rock, whether thrown by a woman or not he could not say, and the negro began shouting, "Kill him! Kill him!" Dixon, wanting to get into the white section, began to run and a crowd of negroes attracted by the shouting gave chase, firing at him. Excited and afraid of mob violence, Dixon not heeding where he was going, ran into a fence. Here the negroes caught him, beat him up severely and left him on the ground unconscious. Sometime later he regained consciousness, and, without full possession of his senses, wandered around finding himself on the road to Pittsboro before he came to his right senses. He made his way to Fields' house where he was carried to Siler City for medical attention.