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BRICKHAVEN NEWS ITEMS.

Representatives of Community See Great War Picture—Personal Items.

Brickhaven, Dec. 8.—Rev. R. G. Shannonhouse, rector of the Episcopal church at Pittsboro, conducted services at the school building here Sunday afternoon. We were glad to have his service and hope that Mr. Shannonhouse can be with us again. An unexpected conflict arose at the last moment and the congregation was not as large as we hope to have next week. Mrs. Shannonhouse, Mrs. Calme, Mrs. Powell accompanied the rector. We were glad, too, to have representatives from Phoenix there for the service.

Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Kennedy and Mrs. Ruth Kennedy have returned from a few days' stay with relatives at Aboke.

Miss Annie Baldwin, of Seaforth, was the week-end guest here in the home of Mrs. J. W. Utley.

There will be a choir practice Friday evening at Mrs. A. P. Harrington's. Everyone who sings and is interested in our Sunday school is urged to be present and help make the evening a success.

Mr. Witt Marks, of Acme, who is a student at the Appalachian Training School, of Boone, is expected here Wednesday for a few days' stay, before going on to his home for the Christmas holidays.

Mr. J. Clinton Seawell, who has been spending a short while with his father, Mr. James Seawell, of Moore county, returned here Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wicker are all here—it's a bouncing boy.

Brickhaven had representatives who witnessed the great war picture, "The River," which was presented under the auspices of the American Legion at the Capital theater at Raleigh recently. This is a picture that should see, and especially those of us who may at times have felt a certain contempt for the soldier. No one doubts the ideal in either civil or military life, but as both are necessary in the life of a nation it is well that those who experience only civil life should know something of the hardships of the soldier in times of war, and then there will be more respect for the uniform in peace times.

"The River" is a composition of pictures taken during the actual fighting, and one can get a very clear conception of life in the trenches and on the battlefield. It is a picture well worth seeing.

BEAR CREEK NEWS ITEMS.

Bear Creek, December 8.—Misses Mabel and Mertie Wilkie, daughters of B. F. Wilkie, Rt. 2, have accepted positions in Greensboro.

E. S. Baker has moved from F. Burns place to the Gilmore place, near the Womble school house.

Charlie Thomas, of Haw River, is visiting his sister, Mrs. E. W. McNeill.

Mrs. Duff's place continues very low. It is being strengthened every day.

The following have visited here this week from a distance: Mr. J. M. Gilmore, of Pittsboro; Mr. M. M. Yarbrough and children, Leonard and Eunice, of Greensboro, N. C.

Mr. J. W. Sipes has accepted a position at Greensboro Monday.

Mr. B. H. Fields has moved from the B. H. Fields place, on Rt. 2, to W. Duff's place, on Bear Creek, Rt. 1.

We warmly welcome Mr. Johnson to our route, and hope he will be among us.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

In reviewing the roll call of the Women's Club of Pittsboro, it was found that several of the members had not paid their dues. They are earnestly requested to pay the treasurer before the January meeting, as Article of the Constitution reads as follows:

"The annual dues of each member shall be five cents.

"Section 2. The annual dues shall be paid at the September meeting. Any member who fails to do this, if being notified by the treasurer, shall be considered as having withdrawn from the Club."

If you are not certain whether you have paid your dues or not, please consult the treasurer.

MRS. F. C. MANN.

Treas. of Club.

THE RECORD GIVES RESULTS.

The following paragraph from a letter to the Edwards Business College, High Point, should suggest to you the advisability of advertising in The Record:

"Gentlemen:—It affords us great pleasure to express our thanks to you for the excellent results we have obtained from the want ad which we have been running in the Classified Column of your paper."

Edwards Garland S. Ferguson, of Greensville, died Tuesday. He was a superior court judge for 20 years.

NEW HOTEL FOR MONCURE

"Flapper Grandmother" Liked By Our Neighbors—Local News Notes.

Moncure, Dec. 8.—Misses Zula Patterson, Ola Harmon, Daisy Lee Northcutt, and Mrs. Roy Walls spent last Sunday at Raleigh, shopping for Christmas.

The play, entitled "Flapper Grandmother," given by the high school students of Pittsboro in Moncure auditorium last Saturday evening was especially good and was very much enjoyed by the nice crowd present.

Miss Elizabeth Farrell, efficient bookkeeper and stenographer for the Orell-Maddox Lumber Co., left last Thursday for Yemassee, S. C., where she was called to straighten and check up the Company's books there.

Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Murchison and Mr. F. W. Knight, of Gulf, visited Mr. and Mrs. Roy N. Knight last Sunday.

It was a thing unusual for the river to be frozen over at Lockville, especially at this time of year, but that was what happened last Tuesday morning, Dec. 2.

Two years ago in January Mr. V. H. Hilliard came from Bowersville, Ga., to Moncure, seeking a position with the Phoenix Utility Co. But after looking Moncure over and seeing such a great prospect for the future, he located on Railroad street, near the depot, and commenced the operation of a cafe and meat market. Mrs. Hilliard and children, Edna and Herbert, came in two or three months. His business venture, by the untiring efforts of him and his wife, has so expanded that he is compelled to seek larger quarters.

He has secured a larger building from Mr. J. E. Bryan and launched into general grocery business in addition to his market and cafe. This building is not sufficient for his increasing business, so he decided to erect a new and up-to-date brick structure on Main street, near Dr. Strickland's old office. In this building he plans not only to continue his present business but to provide an up-to-date hotel accommodation for Moncure.

Come to Moncure for it is a good place to live.

Mr. Jake Utley, of Florida, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Utley.

THEY HELP HOLD THE LINE.

The true American family can only be found in rural districts. So said an official of the federal Department of Agriculture in speaking before a national rural life conference in Milwaukee the other day.

"The city," he declared, is the place of fewer families, more unmarried adults and fewer children in families having children. Space is too dear in the cities for children. Families who desire children must move to the country. The farm has sunlight, space, air and quiet. That's why the children are there.

"The common occupation of the farmer's family also tends to weld more firmly the family idea. The rural home and family becomes, therefore, a type in the nation. The city family has long ceased to be the type of American family. The rural home is holding the line for the family idea in the nation. This is the reason rural life is significant. If the rural structure crumbles the nation crumbles."

This statement might be pondered over to advantage by those who think that the big circulation figures of the metropolitan dailies are a true index of their importance in American life. The newspapers which go into these homes, which are "holding the line for the family idea in the nation," are the community newspapers, the weeklies and small dailies.—Publisher's Auxiliary.

WORK TO BEGIN ON SILK MILL JANUARY 15.

Mr. A. H. London has received a letter from the Pompon Lakes Silk Mill people expressing their purpose to begin work on the factory here by January 15. This, along with the purchase of the site and a considerable deposit in a local bank, furnish complete evidence that the mill is actually a thing of the immediate future. This is exceedingly gratifying news to all Pittsboro folk.

IMPORTANT NOTICE.

The enumerators appointed by Mr. Frank Parker, of Raleigh, for will census work in Chatham county, will be around to see every farmer and tenant in December and January. So it will be well for you to look over the blanks that you may have and try to be ready to answer promptly and not have to be bothered.

HENRY F. DURHAM.

Mr. R. M. Connell got his car torn up and himself badly bruised up when he ran into a highway truck on the way home Tuesday night. The truck was standing on the side of the road beyond a curve, and when the road upon it, Mr. Connell tried to avoid it. A ridge of dirt scraped to the middle of the road prevented.

A LAND MARK REMOVED.

Some Early History of Siler City Community—Going To and Fro—New Store Complete.

Siler City, Dec. 8.—A real estate transaction of more than ordinary interest occurred a few days ago when R. A. Williams purchased from J. C. Lane the lot on which stood the old miller's house, known in recent years as "the house in the park" because of its location adjoining the wooded spot used by the town folks for public gatherings.

This old house and the famous old Matthews house, which gave the name of Matthews Cross Roads to this community before it became a thriving metropolis and was named Siler City, were the only dwellings inside of what are now the town limits. Today this old log structure is being torn away to be replaced by a modern seven room bungalow, into which Mr. Williams and his family will move upon its completion. It has a history (this old landmark) for it served many, many years as a home for the miller of the old Siler mill, which in those days stood nearby, and served the community as a producer of corn meal, carded wool and saved lumber for the first houses hereabouts.

About the time the Thompson school was established here the mill was abandoned and a number of our present citizens lived temporarily in this house while erecting their own homes. Among these were Rev. W. F. Womble, presiding elder of the Greensboro district, who for a number of years was a resident of this place; John F. Lamb; John White and D. R. Fowler, who used it as a rooming place for students of the school.

George Pickett, Siler City's new chief of police, with his family have moved in the property occupied until recently by Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Stone, who have moved to the new bungalow near the home of his father, west of town.

Mrs. Clyde Header, of Raleigh, was a recent visitor to the home of Mrs. Sallie Header.

Friends and relatives here of Mrs. Frank Stone are gratified to learn of her improvement from a recent illness at her home at Graham.

C. W. Snyder, of Winston-Salem, was here Friday in the interest of the Junior Order, of which he is state organizer.

The new store building of Wrenn Brothers Company which has been in course of construction for several months, is being finished this week and will be occupied in time for the Christmas trade.

DR. R. H. DURHAM, of Detroit, Mich., is at the home of his parents here recuperating from a recent serious illness. He will remain until after the holidays.

Mrs. W. Hampton Ferguson, who lives east of this place, was taken to Greensboro Saturday for an operation for appendicitis, which was performed immediately upon her arrival. Reports today are that she is resting fairly well.

Mrs. Jennie Edwards, Miss Annie Sel Brooks and Edwin Ferguson have gone to Salisbury today to bring home Miss Virginia Edwards, who has been visiting Mrs. E. G. Thompson for two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. George Knox, of Greensboro, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Wrenn.

Mrs. Rob Watson, Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Wetmore and little son, and Miss Nellie Margaret Watson, of Durham, were guests in the home yesterday of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Fox.

The local school will close for the Christmas holidays on Friday, December 19th, and reopen on Wednesday, December 31.

JOHN R. BURNS DEAD AFTER LONG ILLNESS.

Sanford, Dec. 9.—Hundreds of people from all walks of life gathered at Asbury church in Chatham county today at 3 o'clock to pay their last tribute to John R. Burns who died yesterday at noon following an illness of many years. The funeral service was conducted by Rev. B. C. Womack, of Wake Forest, and Rev. H. L. Witten, of Goldston. Mr. Burns was in his sixty-fourth year and one of Chatham's prominent farmers and lumbermen. He is survived by his wife, one daughter, Mrs. J. T. Rosser; one brother, W. S. Burns; two sisters and many grand children. The deceased was a member of Asbury Methodist church.

Elbert A. Herndon, 81, a highly respected citizen of Chatham county and Raleigh, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. R. Winston at 311 West Hargett street at 5 o'clock Monday morning, says The Raleigh Times.

Mr. Herndon was born and reared in Chatham and lived there all his life until about two years ago when he came to Raleigh to make his home with his daughter. He was for more than thirty years a deacon in Martha's Chapel Christian church in Chatham. During the Civil War Mr. Herndon served under General Lee and was twice wounded, once at Gettysburg. He married Miss Sue M. Cheek, who died five years ago. He is survived by three daughters and two sons and by one brother, DeWitt Herndon, of Chatham.

Pastor R. R. Gordon and Mr. J. L. Griffin and possibly others went to Raleigh yesterday to attend the Baptist State Convention.

A year's subscription to The Record will prove an acceptable Christmas gift, especially to natives of the county who are living elsewhere.

SILER CITY SCHOOL NEWS.

Siler City, Dec. 8.—The third school month closed Friday, December 5th, recording the highest daily average attendance for the year, which was 461 for the third month. The total enrollment has now reached 504, and the census which now totals 606, due to the fact that several new families have moved in, has passed the 600 mark for the first time. The enrollment in the high school stands at 141, while the average attendance for the month in this department was 133.

An appreciable audience heard and enjoyed the closing exercises of kindergarten department Friday afternoon. A neat little sum, as door receipts, was turned into the school fund by this department.

Everybody seems interested in knowing "how long we shall have for Christmas." Here it is. School work closes for the Christmas holidays on Friday, December 19th and begins again on Wednesday, December 31st.

For the third month, the attendance banner and a half holiday goes to Miss Zahniser's division of the first grade. If some of the upper grades were as prompt and as much interested in their work as these little folks. We'd have fewer funders and more holidays to the credit of these grades.

Below is the honor roll for the third month:

First Grade—Ruth Bray, Mary Ruth Benton, Louise Winfred Edwards, Dorothy Van Elkins, Gretchen Green, Edna Gregson, Sallie Carroll Huddleston, Alice McLaughlin, Phoebe Phillips, Decie Siler, Howard Elkins, Grigg Fountain, Fred Paschal, Jr., Jack Seawell and Victor Williams.

Second Grade—Frances Huddleston, Leah Cheek, V. M. Dorsett, June Parker Wrenn and Lena Ruth Phillips.

Third Grade—Winder Edwards, Frances Elkins, Evelyn Phillips and Mary Siler.

Fifth Grade—Emma Stutts, James Wren, Jesse Beaver, Ben Clapp and Cloyce Phillips.

Sixth Grade—Edna Teague and Berta Bray.

Seventh Grade—Benton Bray, Louie Maulden, Herbert McDaniel, Una Mae Johnson and Beatrice Johnson.

Tenth Grade—Ethel Maulden.

Honorable mention—Blanche Johnson, Effie Mae Stanley and Verlie B. Phillips.

NEWS FROM GOLDSTON.

Building Operations Delayed on The Churches—Local and Personal.

Goldston, Dec. 8.—Miss Maggie Wicker, a nurse in the Central Carolina hospital at Sanford, who underwent an operation for appendicitis sometime ago, is at home recuperating.

Miss Eatha Elkins, a student in Bonlee high school, spent the week-end at home.

Worth Elkins, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Elkins, was brought home from the Central Carolina hospital Wednesday, where he had undergone an operation for appendicitis.

Work on the Baptist and the Presbyterian churches has been delayed on account of material. Both denominations are to be congratulated upon the erection of such splendid structures. Both are modern church buildings. Nothing bespeaks the progress of a community more than its churches and let us hope a better school building will be ours in the near future.

The ladies of the Baptist church are planning to hold a bazaar December 20th. The proceeds will go toward furnishing their new church.

The school seems to be progressing very nicely. The enrollment has exceeded all past records. To date it is 206. Several things have been done to make the building more comfortable, namely, a new roof, shades for the windows, a number of new desks. We also have the state's requirement of maps for the standard high school, the other features we hope to add during this year so that next year we may be on the accredited list.

On December 19th, the primary grades, under the supervision of Misses Waggoner and Burke, will give a Christmas entertainment. This will take the place of the little folk's part of commencement. The public is cordially invited.

Mrs. R. L. Goldston and children visited in Pittsboro Sunday.

Mr. Sam Swearingner, of Pinehurst, was in town Sunday.

NEW PASTOR HERE.

Rev. C. M. Lance, Mrs. Lance, and baby girl arrived last week and are domiciled in the Methodist parsonage. Mr. Lance preached his first sermon here Sunday. He made a fine impression upon his congregation. Mr. Lance is a delightful gentleman and the Record deems Pittsboro and the other churches of the circuit fortunate in securing him as a successor to the former good pastor, Rev. J. J. Boone. Mrs. Lance, too, is an acquisition. The editor of The Record is personally delighted with the coming of these old friends.

Mr. Lance announced Sunday that the quarterly conference, under the auspices of Presiding Elder Willis, will be held with the Pittsboro church next Monday.

The Record congratulates Durham upon the extension of its boundaries in an election Tuesday. The Herald states that the Bull City is now the fourth in the state in population.

SEE YOUR LABEL

NEW BUCKHORN PASTOR.

Civil Case Against Phoenix Utility Company—A Word About Bank Failures.

Corinth, Dec. 8.—Charles Cross, 14 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cross, is confined to his bed with an attack of appendicitis. Dr. Burt thinks likely an operation will be necessary but we hope not.

We are very glad to be able to say that Mrs. Katherine McIver, 81 years old, who sustained a broken arm and broken hip two weeks ago is getting along fine. Her doctors think now that by the use of crutches she will be able to get about some before very long.

Mrs. F. M. Nash and her daughter, Miss Louise, have both been sick for the last two days and not able to be about.

There was a reunion of the Clark family at Corinth last Sunday. Four generations were represented. Mr. D. A. Clark, who is employed at Blewitt Falls, was at home for the week end. Then there was Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Cole, of Moncure, who are Mrs. Clark's parents. Then their children, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Allen, of Star, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Morgan, of Charlotte, Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Wilson, of Broadway. This bunch with 6 grand children who were also on hand made quite a week end party.

The new pastor, Rev. Mr. A. F. Duvall, preached his first sermon at Buckhorn church Sunday afternoon. He had a good audience and preached a splendid sermon. He announced his preaching dates at Buckhorn as every first and fourth Sunday afternoon. Mr. Duvall has 5 churches on his circuit but will still be able to hold two services each month at Buckhorn.

Mr. A. M. Pollard has a case in Chatham county civil court against the Phoenix Utility Co., that comes up this week at Pittsboro. Mr. Pollard bases his claim upon injuries received some six months ago, when in some way he was caught under the dumping of a skip load of excavated material at the Cape Fear Steam plant.

We wonder if any of the citizens and papers who are coming to the moral support of the banker sentenced by Judge Grady last week, ever lost money thru any of the all too many bank failures that have occurred in our state within the last few years.

How many cases can you recall of bank failures in North Carolina that have paid their depositors back in full? Banks are a public necessity. We have to have them in our business world, and as such our legislature should enact and enforce a law similar to that which exists in a few other states and which provides for an adequate fund by requiring a recognized bank to take out with the state what might be called an insurance policy for the protection of a depositor.

A son arrived Sunday in the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Wicker over at Buckhorn. Mrs. Wicker is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Mims, of Corinth.

Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Ashworth, of Fuquay Springs, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Buchanan.

Our school truck has changed drivers. Robert Cotton now has the job. It was formerly driven by Delmas O'Connell.

DEATH OF MRS. W. L. NISBET.

Sanford Express, Dec. 4th.

The funeral of Mrs. W. L. Nisbet, who died Sunday night at her home on Green street, was held Monday afternoon in the Presbyterian church, Rev. Dr. R. C. Gilmore, her pastor, conducting the funeral service. Interment was in Buffalo cemetery. The pall bearers were Messrs E. M. Underwood, Rex Kelly, Will DeBerry, Ralph Grace, W. L. Simmons and T. M. Gumm.

Allie Williams Nisbet was one of a large family of children. She was the daughter of the late H. M. Williams and Mrs. Nannie Crockett Williams, his first wife, who died in Sanford several years ago. She was born in Waxhaw in 1884. While quite a young girl she joined Waxhaw Presbyterian church.

When the Williams family moved to Sanford twenty years ago Miss Allie took charge of the millinery department in the store of H. M. Williams and Company where she was employed until her marriage to Mr. W. L. Nisbet in November, 1913. To this union were born four children, Billie, Nancy, Phoebe, James Alexander, the last an infant only a few months old. Mrs. Nisbet was a devoted wife, a kind and loving mother.

OFF TO LAND OF FLOWERS.

Dr. W. B. Chapin left Sunday evening with Dr. Hunter Sweeney for Sarasota, in southern Florida, to attend a meeting of S. A. L. Surgical Association. Dr. Chapin secured the consent of Dr. Upchurch to be in Pittsboro every day this week, and told his patients how to reach Dr. Cathell at night. The doctor expects the meeting to be profitable in the way of instruction as well as afford a pleasant outing in the Land of Flowers.

BENNETT IS A BUSY TOWN.

On a Big Boom—One of The Healthiest Places in Chatham County.

(Concluded From Last Week.)

The Bennett Roller Mill is having the largest output in its history. The Central Cafe, though small, has become a thriving, paying business under the management of Mr. and Mrs. Johnson.

The Standard Oil Company has a fine plant here with storage capacity of 32,000 gallons. Mr. Ed. H. Johnson in charge, informs us that his deliveries run over sixteen thousand gallons a month. All sold in and near Bennett. This is proof of farm method improvement.

The tractor and wood saw are heard and seen on every hand. In a little while there will not be a wife left who will have to cut her own fire wood. This is no joke. I have seen it all over this county.

The six stores here, carrying groceries, dry goods, hardware and farm implements, are all doing a good paying business.

Among our many needs is, first, a consolidated school. The small schools at Fall Creek, Blue Rock, Whit Oak, Pleasant Grove and the Phillips, Purvis and Lambert schools should all be consolidated at Bennett. Some of our citizens object to the consolidated school, claiming "it only costs more for the same goods." But little thought will, I think, set that aside. What about the shoes worn out in the long walks over rough, wet and muddy roads? Many, some say half, of the children in country schools sit all day with wet, cold feet, lowering body vitality and thereby inviting disease—colds, flu, pneumonia, consumption and death. This very kind of school going accounts for a large percent of our puny ones all about. When you come to count the wear and tear of clothing, cost of medicines and doctor bills, loss of health, say, when you come to count all these things, the extra tax for free delivery is nothing. Half of Bear Creek township should come to Bennett and the other half should go to Bonlee.

Bennett's most pressing need now is housing facilities. Not a resident or store building to be had in town, or a residence near town. If we had ten or fifteen houses, of 5 to 8 rooms, they would be filed in 30 days.

Everybody that ever lived in Bennett wants to come back. Billy Oats, north of town, is trying to trade his farm for property in Bennett, John Yow, former store keeper here, is coming back as soon as he can buy and build. Talmadge Moffitt, farmer, has purchased and will put up a modern bungalow in Bennett for his future home. Chester R. Scotton, of Glendon, one time head of the Bennett graded school, is coming back, they say. Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Scott have tired of life in Greensboro and returned last week to Bennett to stay.

HENRY DURBIN.

TO HOLD CHRISTMAS TREAT

Musical Comedy by Moncure Talk—Miss Holt Makes a Talk—Local Items.

New Hill, Rt. 2, Dec. 8.—One of the most enjoyable musical comedies ever given in this section was rendered at Moncure high school Saturday night. Each character did exceptionally well. Much praise is due those who trained the actors.

Miss Belle Poole, of Bonsal, spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. Bettie Godwin.

Mr. J. C. Lasater has had his residence remodeled. Mr. Singleton, of Durham is painting his home which will add a great deal to the appearance of his home.

Miss Rennie Webster has been ill a few days with tonsillitis.

R. S. Beckwith spent Thursday in Durham.

Miss Dora Holt made a talk at Sunday school on "How do we Sow to the Flesh." Next Sunday Miss Rose Sturdivant and Mr. Millard Goodwin will discuss "How can we Restore our Spiritual Sight."

There appears to be quite a number of cases of sickness in this section, although not any of the patients are seriously ill.

A little daughter arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Claud Bland last Friday. Mrs. Bland, before her marriage was Miss Flonnie Goodwin, a popular young lady of this route.

It was decided at New Elam Sunday school to have a "treat" consisting of fruits and candies to be given Friday night, December 26th. Messrs W. A. Drake and W. M. Goodwin were appointed a committee to purchase the things. The program committee are endeavoring to train the smaller children for Christmas songs and recitations.