

HEARING BYNUM CASE IN GREENSBORO

Judge Hayes Heard Testimony July 5 in Suit Against Chatham School Board and Pittsboro Bank—Motion for Dismissal Denied.

The following account of a hearing of the case growing out of the bankruptcy of the Stout Construction Company, in connection with the erection of the school building at Bynum, was given in Saturday morning's Greensboro News. The school board stands ready to pay the balance of the contract price, but resists becoming responsible for the unpaid debts of the bankrupt construction company. The article explains itself.

Testimony on the merits of the case of the Maryland Casualty company against the Chatham county board of education, the Bank of Pittsboro et al will be heard by Judge Johnson J. Hayes in federal court here at 10 o'clock Friday morning, July 26, the judge decided yesterday at the conclusion of a hearing in this equity proceeding. This litigation involves about \$5,000 in claims arising in connection with construction of a school building at Bynum, Chatham county.

In March, 1928, it was shown at the hearing in the federal building here yesterday, contract for erection of the Bynum school building was awarded by the Chatham county board of education to J. W. Stout and company, of Sanford, for \$19,000. It was stated that that company borrowed \$6,000 from the Bank of Pittsboro and gave an order directing the board of education to pay to the bank that amount of money from funds anticipated as partial payment of the contract price.

In September, 1928, it was disclosed, the building was completed. The board is said to have paid all claims on hand except \$2,800, that amount having been retained under the contract pending final acceptance of the board. It was stated that the amount disbursed by the board included \$4,300 paid to the Bank of Pittsboro.

J. W. Stout and company failed to pay certain claims for labor and material, it was shown, and subsequently went into bankruptcy. Material and labor claimants presented their bills to the bonding company on that job—the Maryland Casualty Company. That company has started the equity proceeding in order to determine the question of liability on the claims. The company is undertaking to recover the amount of the claims for materials and labor not paid by the board. The material and labor claimants were made parties defendant in order to prevent a multiplicity of suits. The bank is a defendant because the plaintiff is undertaking to recover money paid to the bank by the board.

The bank and the board moved for dismissal of the action. The bank claimed that no cause of action had been stated by the plaintiff; the board contended that it should be allowed to pay the remaining \$2,800 and close the matter, so far as the board is concerned. Judge Hayes ruled that a cause of action had been stated and that the board and the bank are necessary parties defendant.

The Fourth a Big Day at Siler City

Siler City celebrated the Fourth of July in great style and the occasion was in every way decidedly a success.

The speech delivered by Hon. D. G. Brummitt, attorney general of the state, was regarded as one of the very greatest ever delivered in the county.

Mr. Brummitt did not take advantage of the occasion to discuss newly discovered governmental policies or theories, nor did he prescribe panaceas for all the ills of life, but in words of eloquence, he depicted the stirring scenes of the Revolution; recounted the honorable part that Chatham citizens played in the great drama, and admonished his auditors to hold fast to the heritage which their ancestors bequeathed them.

All in all, it was one of the most successful events of its kind that the county has known, and everyone appeared to enjoy the occasion.

Aside from the principal address of the occasion by Mrs. Brummitt, short patriotic speeches were made by Messrs. George W. Paschal, L. P. Dixon and Walter D. Siler.

LONDON SOCIAL IS PLEASANT AFFAIR

In Honor of Mr. W. L. London and Bride, Formerly Miss Frances Thompson—Many Friends Present.

One of the most pleasant and gracious occasions of the year in Pittsboro society was the reception given Wednesday evening, July 3, by Mr. and Mrs. A. H. London in honor of their son, William Lord London, and his bride, formerly Miss Frances Thompson.

The marriage, as stated in an earlier issue, occurred at Jackson, June 22. After a week's tour the happy couple arrived at Pittsboro, where they were occupied in making ready for housekeeping in the lovely bungalow erected hard-by the London home.

The reception brought together many friends of the couple, who wished them the happiness which seems rightfully to be theirs. The spacious London home was appropriately decorated for the occasion, and a receiving line headed by the bride and groom included the parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. London, Miss Jeanette Brinson, Mr. Fred Williams, Mrs. Mattie Thompson, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Anderson, and others. Mrs. E. B. Hatch served a delicious punch, while Mesdames Annie Chapin and James Cordon presided in the dining room, where ice cream, cake, and mints were served.

The occasion was free and easy, the guests finding a real pleasure in the genial atmosphere. A feature of the evening was a song by Mrs. W. B. Chapin, with Mrs. Victor Johnson accompanying.

In addition to the large number of Pittsboro people, there were present Mr. Edgar Moore and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, of Bynum, also Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Fearington of Bynum, and Mr. and Mrs. DeGraffenreid; also Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Jones of Greensboro.

JURY LIST

For Two Weeks Term of Court to Begin July 29, for the Trial of Civil Cases

- FIRST WEEK**
- W. D. Ragland
 - H. G. Harris, Sr.
 - R. M. Riggsbee
 - W. C. Johnson,
 - J. W. Harmon
 - W. H. Crutchfield
 - W. J. Lindley
 - L. Brock Brooks
 - C. L. Andrews
 - J. R. Ray
 - W. A. Roberson
 - H. G. Hall
 - T. G. Dixon
 - C. R. Lambert
 - J. W. Goodwin
 - J. V. Willett
 - Lonnie Scott
 - W. M. Buckner
 - Braxton Andrews
 - R. A. Brooks
 - R. P. Eubanks
- SECOND WEEK**
- L. H. Hilliard
 - G. M. Holt
 - L. J. Holland
 - C. H. Marks
 - J. M. Johnson
 - H. L. Harris
 - C. E. Hackney
 - J. A. Adcock
 - J. T. Griffin
 - J. M. Edwards
 - Bunyan Eubanks
 - W. J. Braswell
 - Vet Clark
 - R. R. Brewer
 - W. J. Bare
 - John D. Lane
 - J. Walker Thomas
 - Eli B. Brewer
 - J. B. Oldham
 - C. F. Murdock
 - Oran S. Rives

Compulsory Farm Service Suggested

(From the Sanford Express) Compulsory farm service for every citizen is recommended by Dr. Chas. A. Browne, chief of the United States bureau of Chemistry. Two years of life on a farm, says this chemist chief, would be a greater assurance of the nation's welfare than two years of military service. Men who have had compulsory farm service will be inclined to trail along with Dr. Browne. The only argument offered here is to lengthen the time of service. Two years is not sufficient to give persons not farm bred a sufficient knowledge with the ins and outs of real farm life. Five years would not be too much, and many of them would not be sufficiently educated to graduate at the end of that period. But the two years will be accepted if Dr. Browne will find a way to put the draft into practice. The experience, it is believed, would be valuable.

ATTENTION, PLEASE

There will be a township Sunday school convention at Emman's Baptist church on Saturday, July 13, beginning at 10:30 o'clock a. m. Every Sunday school in the convention is expected to be represented by a choir and speakers. All are invited to attend who are interested in Sunday school work. Come and bring your baskets.—E. J. Clark, president of the convention.

GUM SPRINGS TO HOLD CENTENNIAL

Old Baptist Church a Hundred Years Old—All-Day Celebration Next Sunday, July 14—Hezekiah Harmon Was the Founder.

Gum Springs Baptist church on the Pittsboro-Moncure highway, will celebrate its hundredth anniversary next Sunday. The old church was organized at the home of Rev. Hezekiah Harmon with six members on the third Saturday in July, 1829.

Mr. C. H. Poe is the historian of the occasion. He has prepared an interesting program. He states that there will be "good eats, good music, and good speakers."

Will Rising Generation Be Equal to the Task?

You often hear the expression used, "We are living in a remarkable age." This is literally true and with the advancement in scientific and material things comes greater responsibility for those who will be called on to solve the great problems that will come up from time to time as a result of the inventions and discoveries that are constantly being made. The things that have to do with present day living are much more complex than a short decade ago. We are fast getting away from the simple life and have set a pace that will call for the best that is in the generation to follow. Will the rising generation be equal to the task? If so, the boys and girls now coming upon the stage of action must be better equipped than their fathers and mothers.

Fletcher S. Beckman, of New York, recently made a lecture before the Southern Y. M. C. A. students' conference at Blue Ridge. He called upon American students to become world citizens by exercising unbiased views towards world problems and entering into systematic understanding with other races and nations. "In transportation the world has shrunk to about 1-40th of its former size," said Mr. Beckman. "One day's travel is equivalent to 30 days travel before the introduction of the locomotive. In communication distance has been entirely eliminated so potentially every human being is in the presence of every other."

"To illustrate," said the speaker, "Seattle ice cream is now available at the soda fountains of Shanghai. The cost of freight from New York to Shanghai is one-eighth of what it was from New York to Albany in the days of George Washington. "While America has a population of 120,000,000," he said, "it now has 600,000,000 people, measured by the pre-machinery era. This enormously accelerated power of production forces us into world markets and into intricate inter-weaving of economic relations which cross our national boundaries. "By the new powers all nations are forced into a world-wide co-operation or into an intensification of rivalry and conflict which will imperil the very existence of civilization. Another world war might mean almost the extinction of the human race."

ERROR IN ADDRESS

There is an error in the address of the Building and Loan Association's write-up in the Durham Business Review. The address should be 119 North Mangum Street, at Parrish, or corner of North Mangum and Parrish Streets. Please note this carefully.

Home-Coming at Pleasant Hill

There will be a "home coming" all day service at Pleasant Hill Methodist church the fourth Sunday in this month. All old pastors and friends of the old church are cordially invited to attend. Where possible come and bring a basket and let's all eat together on the long table at noon. Public generally is asked to be with us.—J. A. Dailey.

Mr. Donald Mackay returned the first of the week from a week's visit to home folk in New Jersey.

Mr. Lee Farrell of the Bank of Pittsboro is enjoying his annual rest spell.

Maxton Cop Would Arrest State Officers

The more reports that come in from over the State the more certain it appears that the new State highway patrol in its recent tour of the State ignored all traffic laws and all rules of common sense and safety. When the patrol passed through Maxton the officers paid no attention to a traffic light. The police there wired the sheriff at Lumberton to arrest the patrolmen, but Sheriff McMillan says he was out of his office and did not get the message in time to make the arrest.

YOUNG PEOPLE ENJOY VISIT TO MOUNTAINS

Misses Nina Sturdivant, of Pittsboro, and Dollie Badders, of Moncure, and Messrs. Elmer H. Andrews of Pittsboro and Floyd Andrews of Carboro report a pleasant trip to the western part of the State, visiting among other points Blowing Rock and Boone. This was their first mountain trip and the young folk had a fine time.

CHATHAM DAIRYBEN ARE BUYING SILOS

One of the most significant signs of a new day in Chatham is the erection of silos by several farmers engaged in dairying as a side line. Messrs. W. H. Ferguson, J. E. Clark, S. T. Johnson, and Sheriff Blair are recent purchasers of 41-ton metal silos. Corn is to furnish the material for filling them this year at least. Mr. Ferguson supposes that it will take eight acres of corn to fill his. He is milking 14 cows, and the silage will mean the saving of many dollars in feed bills next winter.

FOUR COLORED PEOPLE DIE

There was an unusual mortality among our colored folk last week. Four from Pittsboro and community pass away. First, Henry Jones, nine-year-old son of Katie Jones; then Lessie Petty, aged 20, wife of Fred Petty; next Uncle Jethro Sturdivant, aged 55, a worthy colored citizen; and Charley Taylor, 12-year-old son of Baker Taylor. The last named died of typhoid fever, the first fatality from that disease noted in these columns the nearly five years the present editor has been with The Record, at least the best he recalls.

A GOOD EXAMPLE

Two years ago one of our subscribers had a hard streak of luck and asked us to continue The Record to him till he got able to pay it. We have done so, and were very much gratified to have him hand us three dollars Tuesday. We are glad that he is thus evidently out of the slough he was in. And, boys that \$3 means something to us at this time. We want to live and let the other fellow live, and it is a pleasure to send the paper on when we know that one is up against it as the most of our folks have been these few years. But if all would do as this gentleman did when they can help out, it would be a still greater pleasure to forbear as we wish others sometimes to bear with us.

Holt Reunion

Sixty-five of the descendants of the late S. M. Holt gathered at Lakeview July 4th for a family reunion. Among this number were his children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. Mr. Holt will be remembered by the older people of Pittsboro and Chatham county as a highly valued and honored citizen of the county, he having served as clerk of the superior court for 12 years.

For a number of years Mr. Holt and his family owned and occupied the old Manning home where Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Eubanks now live. Of his nine children six daughters and one son are now living, all of whom attended the reunion at Lakeview. They are: Mrs. J. M. Farrell, Mrs. J. W. Griffin, Mrs. W. M. Eubanks, Mrs. P. L. Gardner, Mrs. J. Wm. Carroll, Mrs. W. E. Moffitt, and Mr. Clarence M. Holt.

Mr. Holt served through the four years of the war between the states, and was honorably discharged at the close of the war at Elmira, New York. Mr. Holt died 18 years ago and was buried at Hanks Chapel.

The reunion was a very enjoyable occasion. Boat riding, swimming and other sports were enjoyed by some of the crowd.

A most bountiful dinner was spread on a table near the lake and was greatly enjoyed by all.

A complete list of those who were privileged to enjoy this reunion were: Mrs. J. M. Farrell, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Farrell, Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Farrell, Miss Mabel Farrell, Messrs. Roland and John Farrell and Ralph Riddle from Pittsboro, Mr. and Mrs. Farrell and son from Durham; Mr. Leonard Farrell, Durham; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Griffin, Mr. and Mrs. Lee Farrell, Lester Farrell, Dorothy Farrell, Mr. and Mrs. Sam Griffin and sons, Edward and Bernice, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Griffin and children, Holt and LaRue, Mr. Carey Griffin, all from Pittsboro; Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Eubanks from Pittsboro; Mrs. O. W. Hamilton and son, Billy, from Winston-Salem; Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Moffitt and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, Winston-Salem; Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Holt, Greensboro; Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Gardner, Messrs. Holt, Melvin and Jesse Gardner, Misses Evelyn and Rebecca Gardner, Mr. Douglas Gardner, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Holland and son, Henry, from Lakeview; Mr. and Mrs. Robert and son, Bobby, from Raleigh; Mr. and Mrs. Pearce Andrews from Sanford; Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Carroll; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Thorne, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Bland, Miss Catherine Carroll, from Sumter, S. C.

The sky is a shadow of eternity.

THE POE REUNION

Great Throng of Descendants of Early Settler Spend Fourth at Gum Springs Baptist Church

The Poe tribe assembled to the number of several hundred at Gum Springs Baptist church July 4 when family traditions were related, family relics were displayed, a fine dinner eaten, and addresses delivered by prominent Poes.

The principal speakers were Editor Clarence Poe of the Progressive Farmer, Rev. E. D. Poe of Roanoke, Va., and Rev. W. D. Poe of Oxford.

A prize of \$5 had been offered for the most interesting relic of the Poe family, and the award was won by Mr. Alfred Pendergrass of Lee county, who brought a tray handed down from the great-grandmother of himself, and the three speakers mentioned Mrs. H. B. Beard, Mr. W. W. Stedman, and Rev. R. E. Clark of Cheraw, S. C.

The next reunion will be held at Pleasant Hill Baptist church, formerly Trade's Hill.

Moncure News

Mrs. Daisy Lambeth and daughter, Mary Helen, are visiting her people at Fayetteville this week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Eubanks of Glen Rock, N. J., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. V. Budd, this week.

Miss Virginia Cathell left this morning for Durham, where she will take a dietetic course this summer at Watts Hospital there. Miss Cathell will teach in Raleigh this fall.

Mrs. J. E. Cathell spent July 4th with relatives at Lexington.

We are glad to state that Dr. J. E. Cathell is improving some. Hope he will soon be well again.

Miss Amey Womble, of Sanford, Mrs. J. J. Ratcliffe of Reidsville and Mrs. Fletcher Womble of Winston-Salem are guests of Mrs. Mary Barringer.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Geide, Miss Eula Davis and Miss Anna Mershey of Pennsylvania arrived here today for a visit to Capt. J. H. Wissler, who has been sick, but is up and enjoys sitting on the porch these hot days. His many friends here hope that he will continue to improve and soon be well and out again.

July 4th, a legal holiday and the date on which "The Declaration of Independence" was signed, passed off very quietly in and around Moncure. The bank, the postoffice (only during train hours) were closed. Some spent the day at Lakeview, some attended the Poe reunion at Gum Spring church, some spent the day at Lakeview Park, Durham, others attended the "barbecue" at Carolina plant and also some went to Siler City and Raleigh. The weather was fine on the Fourth and every one spent a most pleasant day.

Messrs. Clarence Crutchfield, Zeb Harrington and Hayes Harrington attended the ball game at Durham on the Fourth.

The musical and reading recital given by the Dramatic Club at the school auditorium last Friday evening was a success in every way. We wish to thank Miss Catherine Thomas and all the members of the league for getting up and giving such a nice program.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Moore of Raleigh spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Stedman.

Rev. T. Y. Seymore of Buie's Creek preached two good sermons at the Baptist church here Sunday, one at 11 o'clock and one at 8:30 p. m.

Rev. J. A. Dailey will preach at the Methodist church here Sunday morning at 11 o'clock and at 8:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend these services.

The Christian Endeavor Society of Brickhaven gave a play in the school auditorium entitled, "The Country Doctor," which was enjoyed very much. Each one in the play did their part well. Miss Ruth Kennedy was the star character.

The Epworth League met at 8 o'clock last Sunday evening with the president, Miss Camelia Stedman presiding, who called the meeting to order by all singing "Battle Hymn of the Republic." Then the roll was called and minutes of the last meeting read by the secretary, Lewis Burns. Song "America" was sung next. The subject for the evening was "Citizenship" which was presented in an interesting way by Mr. Howard Ross. The meeting closed by singing "America, the Beautiful," and then the league benediction was repeated by all. At this meeting four new members were added to the league roll.

Mr. Marvin Ray, who has a position with Carolina Power and Light Company at Pee Dee spent last week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. V. Ray.

Mrs. Emma Churchill, who has been visiting relatives in Vass and Raleigh, has returned to her home here.

Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Pate, who lived in the Maynard house on Main street, have moved to Addor. He was an operator here for awhile.

Little Miss Frances Sue Poe of Durham is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Florence Wilkie, this week.

FIRE-PROOFING CO. HAS CLOSED DOWN

Sixty Hands Thrown Out of Employment at Gulf by Shutting Down of Tile and Brick Plant of Carolina Fire-Proofing Co.

The plant of the Carolina Fire-Proofing Company at Gulf was closed down last week, with the result that after the finishing of kiln work this week sixty employees are thrown out of work. It is hardly supposed that the plant will open again this year.

The investment at Gulf a few years ago amounted to about \$400,000. The plant was erected for the manufacture of brick and tile from clay, but the supply of suitable clay was disappointing, and the company has had to go deeper to secure the shale which abounds. However, the grinding part of the plant is not thoroughly adapted to the new material, and it becomes necessary to buy new machinery. Unfortunately at the same time the demand for brick has broken and the prices sunk below profitable levels.

Mr. G. B. Chapman of Charlotte, treasurer of the company, accompanied by Messrs. Hill and Overby of Gulf, was here Monday to ask the commissioners for a reduction in the assessed value of the property. Mr. Chapman quoted assessment values of the Lee county plants, which were considerably lower, everything considered than was the assessed value of the Carolina Fireproofing plant, which was listed last year at \$90,000. The necessity for the change of material and the additional cost of securing adequate machinery and that of removing fifteen feet of earth in order to reach the shale, Mr. Chapman states, has reduced the value of the plant very much, especially in view of the unfavorable condition of the brick and tile market. He is asking for an assessment of \$40,000 this year, and feels that every dollar saved in taxes makes it the easier for the company to overcome the handicaps of the situation and to restore the plant to operation. He correctly considers that the county should be more concerned about the ultimate success of the industry than in the collection of a few hundred dollars more of tax for a year or two.

The commissioners assured the visitor that the matter would be given considerate attention at a day to be later set for hearing such matters.

Kimbalton News

Gordon McMath and family of Greensboro spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Brooks McMath.

Miss Lucille Cheek of Sanford was visiting Mrs. N. J. Dark last week.

Clyde E. Russell and family of Greensboro spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Brewer.

Will Covert and family of Sanford spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Alex Dowdy.

A. A. Couch of Durham spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Ferguson.

Mrs. Elex Dowdy is spending the week in Sanford.

Ernest Harris and family of Raleigh and Mr. and Mrs. Murphy Harris spent Sunday with W. B. Dorsett.

The following items were received too late for last week's paper, but are of such news value as to be run this week:

Brewer and Russell's store was broken into Monday night (July 1). The thieves took almost everything they could find.

Frank Justice of Washington, D. C., visited relatives in this community this week.

Mrs. Dallis Murchison of Spencer is spending the summer with Mrs. W. B. Dorsett.

Mrs. J. M. Gregory Entertains

Saturday afternoon from 4 to 6 o'clock Mrs. J. M. Gregory delightfully entertained in honor of her sister, Mrs. T. K. Duncan. Bridge was played at four tables arranged in the living room. A pleasing arrangement of garden flowers added to the attractiveness of the rooms.

During the games Mrs. G. W. Blair served punch. After four progressions the cards were laid aside and a salad course with iced tea was served.

Those playing were: Mrs. T. K. Duncan, Mrs. D. B. Nooe, Mrs. W. L. London, Mrs. G. H. Brooks, Mrs. Victor R. Johnson, Mrs. J. L. Griffin, Mrs. James H. Cordon, Mrs. E. R. Hinton, Mrs. E. A. Farrell, Mrs. G. W. Blair, Mrs. H. D. Gunter, Mrs. D. L. Bell, Mrs. Walter Johnson, Mrs. F. C. Mann, Mrs. N. C. Shivar, Misses Mary Thompson and Miriam Chapin.

Two school boys in a California town have built up in seven years a \$350,000 business in the making of ship models.