

## PROCEEDINGS OF RECORDER'S COURT

### Cases Disposed of After Tuesday Noon — Court Reconvenes Next Monday, Dec. 23.

The following cases were disposed of in recorder's court after the report published in last week's Record: Casey Stinson submits to charge of driving car under influence of liquor; six months on roads.

Capiases were ordered for Coble Lane, J. A. Jones, James Nettles, Ed Rives, Jack Gates.

The cases against the following defendants were continued until January term:

B. H. Brown, Wade McPherson, Alex Vickery, Charlie Williams, Charley Johnson, Simon Scurlock, and Herbert Farrar, Phil Alston, Hob Alston, Hob Lea, James Morton, Elbert Lee, John Robert Hammock, J. B. McGarty, Colon Moore, June Brewer, Robert Headen, C. P. Alston, Garrett Badders, Robert Palmer, Willard and Flora Ann Harris, Jesse Rogers, Clyde Hubbard, Jim Mason.

W. B. Marley, three months on roads and costs, sentence to begin December 21. Bond of \$750.

Nathan Vestal, not guilty of driving car while drunk, but guilty of reckless driving. Costs and \$25 to be paid to J. R. Elkins as compensation for cow.

Nath Dorsett, costs on charge of disturbing religious worship.

Sonnie Curis, possession of liquor, \$25 fine.

Percy Glover, carrying concealed weapon, \$50 and costs.

G. R. Tingen, possession of liquor, \$10 and costs.

Alex McNeale, stealing turkeys, hired out to Robert Goodwin for 9 months and payment of costs and \$13.50 to Frank Knight, owner of the turkeys.

Billie Dunn, receiving stolen goods, 4 months; appeal to superior court.

R. D. Dunn and Coloness Dunn, larceny, plead guilty. Judgment suspended in case of Coloness Dunn; 60 days on roads, but sentence suspended on payment of half costs and bond for appearance to show good behavior at February, May, September and December terms.

Coloness and Billie Dunn, stealing, Coloness 6 months on roads; judgment suspended upon payment of half costs and giving \$200 bond for good behavior. Billie Dunn three months; judgment suspended upon some conditions.

Wilson Headen, disorderly conduct, 3 months on roads; judgment suspended upon payment of costs and bond for good behavior.

Tom Ramsey, drunk in public place, costs.

J. L. Evans, not guilty of driving car while drunk.

Ed Rives, resisting officer; costs.

Young Prince, guilty of possession of liquor, 12 months on roads; judgment suspended upon payment of costs and bond of \$500 for good behavior, including handling or drinking liquor.

Lenning Mashburn, driving car while drunk, \$50 and costs, \$300 bond for good behavior.

Tom Wilson, drunk in public place, \$10 and costs.

Dewey Cheek, assault, 12 months on roads. Judgment suspended on condition upon payment of costs and payment of \$10 a month to Mrs. Sina Green for 12 months. Bond for \$300.

Thomas Bass, driving car while drunk; six months on roads.

Court will reconvene next Monday, December 23.

## FRANCE TO PAY UNITED STATES \$4,025,000,000

The agreement by which France is to settle her debts to the United States by the payment of \$4,025,000,000 in the course of 62 years was approved by the House last Thursday, by a vote of 239 to 100. This, according to one opponent of the measure, cuts the liabilities of France down 52 per cent. France has approved the agreement by a vote of only eight majority, and it was stated by Congressman Crisp that it was either this or nothing. It was contended that France is no longer poor; that it maintains the largest army in the world and should pay. The way the payments are arranged it will amount to little more, if any, than the interest on the debt for the seventy years from the end of the war.

## SANFORD STORES OPEN AT NIGHT TILL THE 25th

The Sanford Merchants Association notifies the public that the Sanford stores will be open each evening till late at night till Christmas. This makes it possible for Chatham folk to make shopping trips after supper.

## CAUGHT A WHITE 'POSSUM

Harvey Womble, son of Mr. J. W. Womble, reports catching a white possum a week or two ago. The freak has been given to the state museum. Harvey states that he is informed that this is the second animal to be captured in the State.

## Auto License Plates Are Sold in Sanford

It is stated that there will be no extension of the time for securing auto license plates after January 1, and this time the law is there to restrain the license officials from allowing the extension. Accordingly, it is buy your plate or not ride. License plates may be secured at the Robert Burns filling station in west Sanford, or in any of a number of other towns. Sanford is the most convenient point for Chatham folk. Simply carry the card received from headquarters in Raleigh and the cash and the license is readily obtainable. There will be a notary at the Burns place of business to do any notarial work that might be needed in the application for license.

## A Former Citizen of Chatham Dead

John R. Hatch of Swansboro died last Wednesday morning. He was in the 68th year of his age. He was borne one mile east of Pittsboro and was the youngest of six brothers, the son of R. J. Hatch and Celia Hatch. He has two sisters living, Mrs. Thos. F. Petty of Ramseur and Mrs. H. L. Coble of Pleasant Garden. He is survived by a son Clyde Hatch of Dillon, S. C., and a daughter, Mrs. Walter Freeman of Morehead City. He lived in Morehead City with his daughter for some time prior to his death, but a few months ago decided that he wanted to go in business in Swansboro, and was conducting a business there at the time of his death. After going to Morehead City he joined the M. E. church and seemed to be interested in the Sunday school and every enterprise of the church. His funeral services were conducted by his pastor and his body borne to the tomb by members of his Bible Class.

Many were the floral offerings which were given by members of his Sunday school class, and carried by them in the last sad rites performed at his grave. A FRIEND—C.

## Bear Creek News

Robert M. Marsh has moved from the C. G. Sharpe place to the Dink Marsh place, on Siler City, route 3. W. M. Moody has moved from the D. H. Johnson place to the place vacated by Marsh. Mr. Maner's has moved from near Siler City to the D. H. Johnson place. R. B. Johnson has moved from the C. G. Sharpe home place to the A. H. Oldham place on route one Cummocho. J. B. Bright comes from the W. H. Burke place to the Sharpe place.

Mrs. E. J. Moore and daughter, Earnestine, of Siler City, were weekend visitors in the home of G. B. Emerson.

G. B. Emerson has opened up a store in the new building recently built on the highway. The name is Acme Service Station.

## Hoover Acts Wisely with Communist Kids

A bunch of youngsters calling themselves "Communists" paraded in front of the White House Saturday and were arrested on the technical charge of parading without a permit and locked up. As soon as President Hoover heard about it he asked their immediate release, declaring that they ought to be sent home to their parents. The president did not care to give them the impetus of a show of martyrdom. It might have been better still if their parade had just been ignored by the officers.

## Senate Approves Cut of \$160,000,000 Taxes

The senate Saturday by a vote of 63 to 14 approved the resolution already passed by the house, cutting the income taxes for 1929 by about \$160,000,000. Only two Democrats voted against the cut—Blease and Wheeler. Terms of the bill cut one per cent from all income taxes; that is, the man who has been paying four per cent will pay three, the man who has paid ten will pay nine, etc. This makes the reduction relatively greater for the small taxpayer and is about what the Democratic leaders have been fighting for for several years.

## Southerner Leaves DePriest Committee

Representative Miles Allgood of Alabama was a member of the congressional committee on enrolled bills. Oscar DePriest, negro congressman, was named on that committee last week and the Alabama immediately announced his resignation. He declared that he would not serve on a committee with the negro. Representative Bayard Clark of North Carolina was also appointed on the committee, and is expected to resign later. He was out of Washington over the week-end.

## Moncure News

Miss Lucy Boone, the efficient music teacher of Moncure school spent last week-end with her parents at Burlington.

Mrs. S. F. Maddox is assisting in the bank this week in Miss Mary Blond's place who is at home with the mumps. We are glad to state that Miss Blond is getting on nicely. Hope she will soon be well again.

The play entitled "When a Fellow Needs a Friend," that was to be given at the school auditorium last Friday evening by the high school students of Moncure school was postponed until next Friday evening, December 20. It is a three act comedy, good and interesting. Everybody come. Admission 20c and 30c.

The funds will go for the benefit of athletic association. Mr. E. W. Avent, Jr., is the director of the play.

Messrs. G. M. Womble, W. W. Stedman, A. B. Clegg, J. V. Luxton, McKinley Thrift, and others went to Raleigh Monday to see a demonstration of dusting cotton to kill the boll weevil.

Mr. and Mrs. Gao. W. Giede of Harrisburg, Pa., will reach here one day this week to spend the Christmas holidays in "The Cabin."

The Epworth League met last Sunday evening at 6:30 o'clock. The president, Miss Camelia Stedman, was absent on account of having the mumps. Miss Dorothy Lambeth called the meeting to order and presided. Miss Lambeth also was leader for the evening. She made some very interesting remarks on the subject, "What is the Mission of the Church?" Misses Lois Wilkie, Louise Petty and Nellie Womble read some very appropriate selections on the subject. During the program Christmas songs were sung by the large crowd of young people who were present, the accompaniments of which were played by Miss Louise Petty. The last was a splendid and interesting lecture by Mr. E. W. Avent, Jr., on the mission study book, "New Paths for Old Purposes." Then the meeting was turned into a business meeting when Miss Catherine Thomas announced a party for the leaguers which will be held in the Junior Hall next Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All the leaguers are expected to be present and bring a friend with them. Games will be played and refreshments will be served. The members of the Epworth League and members of the Methodist Sunday school will give a Christmas program at the Methodist church next Sunday evening, December 22nd, at 7:30 o'clock. The name of the pageant that is to be given is "Adoration," which means "Come and Let Us Worship Him." The choir will sing some Christmas choruses. Miss Lucy Boone is the director of the choir and pageant. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

The members of the Baptist Sunday school will have a Christmas tree at the Baptist church, the night of December 26th.

Prof. H. G. Self that that Moncure high school will close its fall term Friday, December 20th. The spring term will open January 2nd. Interesting activities of this week are the final examinations followed by a school Christmas tree Friday afternoon at 1 o'clock. At 7:30 Friday evening members of the athletic clubs will present a play in the school auditorium. The play is entitled, "When a Fellow Needs a Friend." The admission will be 20c for children and 30c for adults. It requires an enormous amount of work on the part of characters and directors to present a play of this type and it is hoped that patrons and friends of the school will show their appreciation by attending. Come, bring the whole family and enjoy an evening of good, clean entertainment. The boys' quartet will sing some special selections between the acts of the play.

Several from Moncure have been attending the movies at Pittsboro the past week.

There is much Christmas shopping being done these days. Everybody feeling Christmas.

## COUNTY JAIL INMATES APPRECIATE MISS HILL

The following letter is copied from the Leaksville News, in whose ball-wick Miss Lillie Hill, one of Pittsboro's noble women, is a missionary worker:

"Wen'worth, N. C., Nov. 29. Miss Lillie Hill. Dear Sister:

I want to thank you for your remembrance on Thanksgiving Day. Had it not been for your service rendered, we wouldn't have had any notice that there is a Christian institution of any kind in Rockingham county. They all passed by on the other side, while your group of workers picked us up and it was effective and will be long remembered. I bid you godspeed in all your future efforts. I am giving the voice of the prisoners in Rockingham county jail. I remain,

Yours for Christ, (REV.) S. D. QUARLES."

But statistics prove that there are more killings in Chicago streets than in Wall Street.

## Brown's Chapel News

The son of Mr. Will Mann, who lives near Mebane, with his family, spent Sunday with his sister, Mrs. P. A. Thomas, and was a welcome visitor at our preaching services.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Marshall have just moved into their new home. Old Santa will have to look around to locate all the boys and girls in their new homes.

The Christmas entertainment will be on Christmas eve, December 24. Everybody invited.

Mr. C. H. Lutterloh says it is no joke about the boll weevil but an actual fact. His cow is still holding her cud, but her hag has busted.

Mr. Z. L. Darg says that all the turkeys that were sold at the car last week came from up highway 93. He says that he had one culled out because her breastbone was so crooked that the flesh could not be carved off.

Wheat sowing has advanced and cotton picking also, but hog killing weather has disappeared. We are hard to please.

Below is a note found under the plate of H. F. Durham Sunday morning, December, at breakfast:

"Many thanks for the beautiful Christmas present given to the family yesterday morning. We appreciate it very much and are sure we shall enjoy it many years. Wishing you a merry Christmas and a happy new year. (Signed): Catherine, Junius, Jerome."

It was a Chevrolet six, as a trade was almost a necessity. Please pardon the above, but happily it may create a greater feeling of appreciation among both children and parents.

Mr. Floyd of Detroit very kindly remembered his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Mann, in sending them a handsome Atwater-Kent radio. They are enjoying it very much.

Messrs. A. P. Dark and W. K. Mann, our new ushers and collectors at the church, have greatly improved their style of waiting-upon the congregation.

Pastor Dailey's family was out with him Sunday and they brought with them Mr. Blackwood and family of Greensboro, the former a brother of Mrs. M. T. Lindsey. They were dinner guests in the Lindsey home.

Mr. Lacy Herdon and others of Pittsboro and Mr. C. L. Durham and family from near Mt. Olive were visitors at the home of Mr. W. K. Mann.

Worth Thinking About. New year approaches and the following thoughts gleaned from a booklet sent out by the North Carolina State Creamery at Burlington are worth thinking about:

- "It is not always easy To apologize, To begin over, To take advice, To be unselfish, To admit error, To face a sneer, To be charitable, To be considerate, To avoid mistakes, To endure success, To keep on trying, To be broad-minded, To forgive and forget, To profit by mistakes, To think and then act, To keep out of the rut, To make the best of little, To shoulder deserved blame, To maintain a high standard, To recognize the silver lining, But it always pays.

## Attorney General Will Prosecute Wiggins Case

Governor Gardner has asked Attorney General Brummitt to aid Solicitor Carpenter of Gastonia in prosecuting the cases against fourteen men indicted for the murder of Mrs. Ella May Wiggins. The fourteen men were held by Judge McElroy as a committing magistrate, but the bills have not been sent to the Gaston grand jury. Judge McElroy requested that they be held out until a new grand jury is constituted January 1.

## Press Association to Meet January 15

The mid-winter meeting of the North Carolina Press Association and the annual newspaper institute will be held at Chapel Hill January 15, 16 and 17. The University has sent out neatly engraved invitations to all newspaper folk in the state to attend this institute. The mid-winter meetings are devoted almost exclusively to study of editorial and publishing problems, while the summer meeting is more recreational in nature.

## N. AND O. COMMENDS SHERIFF BRASWELL

The News and Observer's leading editorial paragraph Saturday is as follows: "The Richmond county sheriff sets a good example to other officials. Last week he and his party captured a still and three white men operating in full blast."

## Wilmington Has An Outlet to the West

The whole state has been interested in the opening of the bridges across the Cape Fear and the Northeast rivers just above their junction above Wilmington. A bridge across the united stream would have afforded much greater convenience to the people in Brunswick county to the south of the city, but the interference of shipping would have been much greater, and probably the cost of one bridge greater than that of the two. As one stands upon the docks he can clearly see Point Peter, the angle between the dark stream of the Northeast and the red stream of the Cape Fear, and the opening of these bridges will make familiar to thousands of tourists that "pint" approach to which for two hundred years spelled the end of wearisome journeys with rafts of turpentine, tar, and timber. Bladen, Sampson, Duplin, and Pender people fifty to a hundred year ago knew Point Peter, but the newer generations of those counties are, like the majority of the people of the state, strangers to it, though the A. C. L. and S. A. L. trains cross the triangle between the rivers, but further from the point, we assume. A 25-cent toll will be charged for a car crossing the bridges. Until now crossing was by means of a ferry across the united stream, but already the county commissioners have taken off one of the two ferry boats.

The cost of the two bridges was nearly a million and a quarter dollars.

## W. A. Headen Dies at Siler City Home

Siler City, Dec. 17.—W. A. Headen, 55, died at his home here Monday night at 9:45 after an illness of several months. Mr. Headen had made his home here for the past 25 years, being connected with the Gregson-Dorsett Wholesale Company. He was one of a prominent Chatham county family and one of the most highly respected citizens of this community. He was a member of the local Baptist church, the Masonic order and the Eastern Star.

Surviving are two sons, Welford Headen and William Headen, of Siler City; two sisters, Mrs. Lizzie Dark, of near Pittsboro, and Miss Inez Headen, of Siler City.

Funeral services will be conducted from the home by Rev. J. C. Canipe, Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Interment will be made at Oakwood cemetery. The Masonic order will have charge of the service at the grave. Pallbearers will be J. Wade Siler, Wade Barber, M. M. Bridges, Wade H. Hadley, John Lane and C. B. Thomas.—Greensboro News.

## Bynum School News

The P. T. A. of Bynum met in the school building Thursday evening, December 5, with a good attendance. A very interesting Thanksgiving program was given by the grades. The president, Rev. A. E. Brown, presided over the meeting and gave a beautiful talk on home training for the preschool child. The first six years of a child's life has much to do in determining the future of the individual. It is pitiful to know that few parents seem to realize this.

The first grade won the prize for having the most parents present. We are making an appeal to the parents to show interest in their children by co-operating with us. There is much work that can be done by the P. T. A.

We are sending an original poem by a fifth grade boy, Frank Harris, also other original verses.

"THE RAIN" (Second Grade Pupil)

It rains, and rains all day, And we can not go out to play. The drops are falling all around, They are covering all the ground.

SANTA COMES (James Gails, Second Grade)

Old Santa comes at night When the moon is shining bright

CHRISTMAS BELLS (Allen Young, Second Grade)

When the bells ring all around That's when my little red sled comes down.

THANKSGIVING DAY (By Frank Harris, Fifth Grade)

Every year we have a Thanksgiving Day. To give thanks and to pray; But this year there is not much To be thankful for, they say.

The weevil got the cotton; The beetle got the beans; But there should be something To be thankful for, it seems.

I'm thankful that I'm alive; Thankful for my health, And I think that more to be Thankful for than stacks of wealth.

I'm thankful that Hoover's Term of years are just four, And I pray my country and my God That there will never be more.

So let's be thankful, just as thankful As under the circumstances we can, Recalling the sorrows abroad And the Happiness in our land.

## TAYLOR TELLS TALE OF STORE ROBBERY

### Horton Taylor, Arrested for Participation in the Robbery of Poe and Moore's Store, Makes Clean Breast.

Julius Alston was released and Horton Taylor placed in jail for a share in the robbery of Poe and Moore's store last week. The woman, Flora Scurlock, in whose barn eight sacks of sugar were found, is out on bond.

The story is now clearly known. Jack and Henry Alston seem to have been the wise guys, while Horton Taylor, earlier inspired to do so, or of his own initiative, had spied out the land. Horton, a few nights before the robbery, after making a number of small purchases and visiting all parts of the store, was discovered looking in at the window which was later broken, but made excuse for his being out at the rear of the store. When the robbery had been effected, suspicion was directed to him. But he had decided to visit his aunt in Raleigh and had boarded the noon train at a crossing below Pittsboro, and at Moncure bought his ticket to Raleigh.

Deputy Fred Nooe, accompanied by Mr. Moore and Mr. Andrews, went down to Raleigh to secure Taylor Wednesday night and had no difficulty in locating him, and he felt no hesitancy in telling all about it. Taylor said he met the two Alstons, Jack and Henry, on the street and they found the other boys, Claud Williams and Floyd Harris, and the Alstons told them to go down and get in and put the stuff out on the platform and then notify them and they would bring the cars. Taylor said he was the man that went in through the window. He then opened the door to the loading platform on the opposite side of the store and the others came in and they piled about 25 bags of sugar on the platform, and he watched it while the two boys went up town to notify the Alstons. They brought two Ford cars. The first was loaded and Horton left with it. Eight bags of this was put in the Scurlock barn and two or three were left in the car. These were, assumedly, the two sacks found at the Alstons' home, one in a car and one in a barn. The rest of the pile of sugar was loaded on the other car, but there was so much of the sugar that some of it had to be carried on the running boards.

This load was carried, according to Taylor, out in the Alston neighborhood and unloaded in the woods. Taylor showed the officers the place, but the sugar was gone, but signs left to indicate that Taylor had told the truth. At this writing that sugar has not been found. It must amount to 14 or 15 sacks.

All have agreed in clearing Julius Alston of any share in the robbery. He claimed that he had loaned one of his brothers his car, but that he did not know it was to be used in carrying stolen sugar. Taylor says that no feed was taken at all. The merchants thought three sacks at least were gone, but they could easily have been mistaken.

GRUNDY AT LAST HAS A SEAT IN THE SENATE

Again Pennsylvania has a full representation in the senate. For three years the battle against allowing Vare to have the seat to which he was alleged to have been elected by fraud and the too liberal use of money had waged, but last week the senate definitely denied him the seat, and Governor Fisher appointed Mr. Grundy, the gentleman whose plain talking so enlivened the senate sessions a few weeks ago during the tariff or lobbying investigations, to the vacant seat. An attempt was made, led by Senator Nye, to prevent his becoming senator, on the ground of being particeps criminis in the election fraud so long rampant in Pennsylvania. But after three hours of discussion, the new senator was seated.

COTTON GININGS

The reports of cotton ginnings in the state indicate that only 13 counties have ginned as much up to December 1 this year as to the same last year. Nine of these counties lie in the western part of the state, with Cleveland leading the state and with considerably more ginned than last year. Sampson and Robeson are the two chief eastern counties that show an improvement over last year. Chatham had ginned 3,188 bales against 5,440 last year, and it is to be remembered that last year's crop was short at least a third. Chatham will probably reach 4,000 bales, when a good crop would have made 12,000 bales.

## NORTH CAROLINA NAVY MAN GETS PROMOTION

Chaplain Julian E. Yates, a North Carolinian, has been named by President Hoover as chief of the chaplains in the United States navy with the rank of colonel.