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## POULTRY SICKNESS IS GIVING TROUBLE

It is at This Season That Flocks Suffer Most from Their Various Diseases

### "ISOLATE ALL SICK CHICKENS"

This is the the season when poultry-raisers have most sickness in their flocks. From all over Orange county letters are coming to R. P. Harris, the Chapel Hill school's agricultural expert, describing symptoms and asking him what to do to put the fowls in good health.

"Isolate your sick chickens"—thus can be summed up the main piece of advice that the expert has to offer. As soon as you see one fowl drooping, put it in a coop or enclosure entirely apart from the healthy fowls. This may prevent an epidemic.

A plenty of good food and fresh water will end many of the troubles that farmers complain about. Chickens must not depend on scratching for their living. Often it is lack of proper nourishment that makes them an easy prey to sickness.

Mrs. Jim Merritt, out on Pittsboro road, has had an unfortunate experience lately with her chickens. When four or five died, one was sent to State college for examination. The report came back that nothing could be found wrong with it. At last the riddle was solved: it was discovered that the chickens had had access to living maggots, which were probably bred in decaying meat or some other decomposing substance. The fowls that had not yet been poisoned were promptly placed where they could not get the fatal food.

Mrs. Tom Atwater, who lives beyond Antioch, began to lose her turkeys not long ago. They dropped off one by one, and she could not diagnose the malady. Mr. Harris, to whom she appealed, consulted the turkey wizards at State college. They suspect the turkeys have contracted a disease known as "blackhead." If so, the best thing to do is to administer fluid extract of ipecac, and this remedy is being tried. For curative purposes the prescription is 10 drops per fowl three times a day for three days, then twice a day for three days, then once a day for three days.

For prevention, administer one teaspoonful of powdered ipecac, for each 20 birds, small and young included, this to be fed to them in drinking water or in the water in which their dough is mixed.

One thing that is essential at this season, if the farmer is to make a success with poultry, is to rid the flock of old worn-out fowls. They harbor diseases that imperil the whole flock. And they are not worth while as producers anyway. A hen oughtn't to be kept more than three laying seasons at most, and the heavier breeds not more than two.

Mrs. Paul Lloyd's chickens have been suffering from the chicken pox, and Mrs. W. I. Suit of Orange Grove fears that her flock of turkeys have contracted cholera. Mr. Harris is working with them to try to find the cure.

## Chapel Hill Chaff

Clyde Andrews is an enthusiastic member of Chapel Hill's volunteer fire company. The other day I was asking him about the preparations for his sister's wedding September 5. He named several persons who were to figure in it—the best man, ushers, and so on—but he did not mention himself. "Where do you come in?" I inquired. He replied: "Oh, if the house catches fire I'm going to put the fire out."

An echo of the Weekly's recent remarks on pajamas and nightshirts comes from New York. "It has come to my attention," writes Alfred W. Haywood, graduate of the University and former resident of Haw River and Raleigh, "that in your issue July 5, I am classed with the extinct mastodon, pterodactyl and ichthyosaurus because of the allegation that, with the exception of Dr. MacNider and Prof. Collier Cobb, two gentlemen of known discernment, I am the only person who continues to wear nightshirts. While it is true that for a long time after the introduction of the now all-prevalent pajamas I did remain constant to the comfortable and matchless form of night attire to which you refer, I was unwillingly compelled several years ago to abandon it, largely because of the deplorable shortage of the article. Much distress has been thereby caused to me and others of its adherents who admire it for its rest-giving qualities. While my girth is not yet large, I have never cared for the tightly bound waist. I am willing to join Dr. MacNider and Prof. Cobb any time in a crusade for the revival of the nightshirt."

The town took on a lonesome look toward the end of last week because of the melting away, at the end of the first Summer School term, of hundreds of women students. But a new flock are assembling for the second term, and again the neighborhood of the postoffice, at nightfall, becomes colorful and gay.

I was much pleased the other afternoon to see our portly health officer, Dr. Nathan, enter the Carrboro swimming pool. When he leapt into the water, a tidal wave surged against each of the pool's four sides with such force that I feared for the concrete.

I love the old Mangum place at the corner of Rosemary street and Hillsboro road. Here is the old Chapel Hill of my childhood, unchanged. I give thanks that the board fence has not been replaced by any barrier more up-to-date. When it was mended not long ago it was mended in such a manner that its aspect was altered hardly at all. The old well back of the house remains, even though it is not used. In the springtime the ground under the oaks is still beautifully blue with millions of periwinkles, and now in midsummer the crape myrtle is a burst of glory. And in a little while will come the scuppernongs that Miss Ettie, praise be to heaven, always willingly turns her friends loose upon.

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## ORANGE CHURCH'S 109TH BIRTHDAY

Big "Homecoming" at the Famous Institution North of Chapel Hill; More than 250 Present

### CAMPAIGN FOR NEW BUILDING

Orange church, three miles or so north of Chapel Hill, celebrated its 109th birthday Sunday. Not only the Methodists who make up the congregation came, but people of all denominations from miles around. There were between 250 and 300 present.

It was called a "homecoming" and was of unusual importance because it marked the launching of a campaign for a new building. The plan is to move the present one a little farther back from the "old Hillsboro road," which it faces, and make it an annex of the new structure.

Orange church is a famous institution in the county. Built in 1814, through all these years it has stood in its grove of splendid, stately trees, a center of both religious and social life in the country between here and Hillsboro. Of course the house itself has suffered from the passage of time, and the congregation, much as they love it, know that they must have a new home. They are going to pursue their campaign vigorously until it reaches a successful conclusion. The revival that is now in progress will help to stimulate interest.

Rev. J. C. Autrey, whose circuit includes Orange church, was one of the principal speakers Sunday. Others were H. W. Odum and F. F. Bradshaw of Chapel Hill and Mr. Shaw of Pittsboro. Among the prominent families represented in the assemblage were the Clay Hoggans, the Maddrys, and several clans of Blackwoods. Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Harris also attended.

Will Freeland, a prominent member of the congregation, received several subscriptions to the fund for the new church.

### FIREMEN FEAST AUGUST 7

A monster barbecue will be served next Tuesday, August 7, on the grounds of the graded school, a treat by the fire company here to the firemen who are to come to Durham from all over the State for the annual firemen's tournament. Early in the morning Chief Foister is to run the truck over from here with his fellow delegates and the mayor and the board of aldermen to take part in the parade through Durham streets. At about noon the whole crowd, expected to number nearly 500, will be brought to Chapel Hill in automobiles loaned by the citizens of Durham. Gooch is to serve the barbecue.

### J. B. LINKER, JR., ARRIVES

A son, J. Burton, Jr., was born Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. J. Burton Linker. Mr. Linker was an instructor in mathematics in the University for three years. He is now studying at Johns Hopkins but will return to the faculty here.

Miss Mae Culpepper and Miss Winifred Potts left Tuesday by automobile for Fayetteville, Ga.

## Were Girls Here in 1865, Now Revisit Chapel Hill

Misses Margaret and Katharine Hilliard, Who Were Children in the Village during Civil War, Tell of the Old Times

Miss Margaret Burgwyn Hilliard and Miss Katharine Hilliard, who were children in Chapel Hill during the Civil War, came back Saturday. They were traveling in a Ford car, which they themselves drove, from Oxford to Blowing Rock, and stopped over for the day with Rev. and Mrs. Alfred Lawrence.

In the rectory sitting room, on the same spot of ground where they used to live when their father was Chapel Hill's Episcopal clergyman, they talked of the village of sixty years ago.

"I remember when Sherman's army, or part of it, marched through," said Miss Margaret. "The troops camped in the field back of this lot. The war wasn't quite over then, but there was some sort of a truce and we did not suffer from the looting that had gone on in other towns along the line of march. A northern soldier was put in our house as a guard. My father wasn't here then, being in Virginia as a chaplain with General Lee, and we were scared of the soldier."

"The Confederates, Johnston's men, had come through only a few days before, and we had stood along the road side and given them pretty nearly all the bread and meat we had, so there was not much left when the enemy arrived."

"Dr. Mallett lived next door to us. Before Sherman's men came here he got a lot of valuables together—tableware, and watches, and jewelry, and some money—and buried them in a box. The soldiers went about sticking their bayonets in the ground and they found the box. Dr. Mallett posted a sign that no questions would be asked about the money if the watches were returned. He got them back at last by paying for them. My mother had had him hide her watch with the others and that was recovered too."

"Later we were in such a plight that we had to turn everything that was not necessary into money with which to buy food and clothes, and the

### Carl Wiegand Marries

Climax of a Summer Romance; Bride is Miss Wooten

Carl Wiegand and Miss Lucy Wooten went over to Raleigh Monday and got married in the Episcopal church of the Good Shepherd.

Mr. Wiegand is a practicing attorney in Chapel Hill and was recently a candidate for mayor. Before he settled down here as a lawyer he was an instructor in the University's music department and is an accomplished violinist.

The couple made each other's acquaintance this summer while Miss Wooten was here as a student. She is from Covington, Georgia, and has been a teacher for one year.

She had a room at Mrs. S. W. Bynum's on Henderson street, and Miss Margaret Cheek of Sparta was her roommate. It was through Paul Parsons, a friend of Miss Cheek's, that Mr.

watch was sent to Raleigh to be offered for sale. On Christmas eve there was a knock at our door, and when my mother opened it, a little package was put in her hands by a messenger who had come over by stage from Durham.

"In it was her watch surrounded by the price of it in gold dollars. There was a note, unsigned, saying that a friend of her father's wanted her to accept the watch as a Christmas gift. We were never told who the giver was."

The father of the Misses Hilliard was a Massachusetts man, a graduate of Harvard in the class of 1852. In that year he came to Lake Scuppernong in eastern North Carolina to visit a classmate, and the following year returned as a tutor. He married the daughter of Rev. Samuel Iredell Johnston of Edenton, and moved to Chapel Hill at about the time of the outbreak of the war to take charge of the Episcopal parish.

"I was four years old and my sister five when the war ended," said Miss Katharine. "I often wonder why it is that memories of Chapel Hill remain with us so clearly. I think it must be because there was so much excitement in those days that impressions were deeper than they would be in a quiet time. We were always hearing about the war. Soldiers were going off and coming back. There was a great deal of talk about the difficulty of getting coffee and other articles of food."

They were much interested to hear that Hoke Smith had passed through town a few days before.

"I remember him particularly well," said Miss Katharine, "because he lived near us and we caught the whooping cough from him."

Miss Katharine Hilliard is a teacher in a high school in Omaha, Nebraska. It is one of the largest high schools in the world, having an enrollment of 2,600.

Miss Margaret lives in Oxford.

### FOWLER BUYS MODEL MARKET

John T. Fowler, whose flour mill in Carrboro burned several weeks ago, has bought the Model Market. The late Samuel Pickard, who owned the establishment, provided in his will that it be sold, and it was auctioned off. James Sparrow was the purchaser at the auction, but sold his bid. Mr. Fowler has taken into partnership with him Bid Sparrow and Tom Lloyd.

Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Braune left last week in their car for Brevard. After visiting their daughter in Camp Rockbrook, they went on to Alabama to see Mr. Braune's family. Their car was equipped with tents and all camping paraphernalia.

## TOWN'S TAX RATE DROPS 10 CENTS

But County's Advances to \$1.10, So Total Goes up 10 points to \$2.42 1-2

### TAXABLE PROPERTY, \$2,350,000

The tax rate of the town of Chapel Hill has been fixed by the board of aldermen at \$1.32-1-2, as against \$1.42 1-2 last year.

But the county commissioners recently increased the county rate from 90 cents to \$1.10. The combined town and county rate, therefore, will be \$2.42 1-2 on each \$100 of assessed valuation, as compared with \$2.32 1-2 in 1922.

The town rate is made up as follows: for general expenses (police, health, fire, streets, etc.), 45 cents, a decrease of 5 cents from last year; debt service, 12 1-2 cents, no change; school operation, 50 cents, no change; school debt service, 25 cents, a decrease of 5 cents.

It is the increase in the total assessed valuation of property in Chapel Hill that has made possible a cut in the rate here. The amount on the books last year was about \$2,000,000. Now it is about \$2,350,000. The increase of \$350,000 is due to improvements amounting to \$110,000 and to changes in assessments of \$240,000.

There is much construction going on now, but since May 1 is the listing date, this does not get upon the books until a year hence. Of course the town gets no tax revenue from the extensive building on the campus, since all University property is exempt. However, there is great indirect benefit to Chapel Hill, because the University's expansion makes all town property grow in value.

### MISS WARD GOES NORTH

Miss Laura Ward, who is in charge of the drygoods department of Andrews store, is making a trip to New York with Mr. Andrews to select the fall stock. Miss Laura has been identified with him for between twenty and twenty-five years and for a long time has been charged with choosing the dresses and other articles of clothing which the establishment offers for sale. Not long ago a New York merchant said to Mr. Andrews: "I have buyers from all over the United States coming to my place here, and Miss Ward who represents you is about the best judge of materials I've found among 'em."

### A MOUSE FOR MISS VENABLE

A free gift of a mouse was made to Miss Frances Venable by the postoffice the other day. But she refused to accept it and nobody knows where it is now. When she drew from her lockbox a rolled-up newspaper and shook it open, the mouse jumped to the floor at her feet. She went out of one door of the lobby and the mouse went out of the other.

Mrs. E. E. Rives is with her grandmother, Mrs. F. A. Tankersley. Mr. Rives, known to the University as "Scrubby," has gone back to Greensboro.