

Reviews History Children's Society

(Continued from P-1, This Sec.) she sought her birthright. The Society gave her a delayed registration birth certificate, using the small cards on file for reference. When she smiled her thanks, it was easy to see she was unaccustomed to smiling. Four decades was a long time to find that only fate had robbed her of her real name.

There are many other stories in the 6,000 records in the fire-proof vault in Greensboro. There's the story of the baby born in a county poor-house in 1919. His 18-year-old mother, who was born in the same poor house, died of tuberculosis six months later. The mother had spent all of her life

among the feeble-minded, the sick and the helpless old people in the poor-house.

The Society was able to do more for that baby in 1919 than for the four Brown children in 1904. Roads were better so a Board Member brought the baby to Greensboro by automobile for examination and care. The doctor examined the baby but found no symptoms of tuberculosis, despite his exposure to his mother. The Society had one caseworker by 1919. While she could not visit the adoptive family, a regulation was enforced to make the prospective family come to Greensboro for an interview. The Society collected a good deal of information on them, then followed through to be sure the baby was adopted legally.

Recently that baby, grown a vigorous young man, visited the Children's Home Society. He didn't seek informa-

tion or a birth certificate. He wanted to thank the Society for "my happy home and wonderful parents." The Society had given him the "promise of a future" three decades ago. Now he had that future.

In the years following, industry and agriculture were developed in North Carolina. Roads and communications were improved. Economic progress brought extra interest in the work of the Society. A home was bought in Greensboro where children were brought to await adoption.

When they were ill, a staff of Greensboro doctors gave their services freely. When the Receiving Home was so small to accommodate all the youngsters, the children "spilled over" into the homes of Greensboro residents who were friends of the Society.

Today the Children's Home Society offers a service very different from the service in 1904. There is counseling and guidance, first for the relatives of every baby being considered for adoption. The baby has a safe place to wait while final decisions are being made. Medical care and legal services are available for each one.

For the older child, the Society has a program in which it helps transfer the child from the orphanage to a home of its own. There is a caseworker to help while the child makes the change from the orphanage and the people he has known to a new home with strangers he hopes someday to love as "mom and dad".

The annual Christmas appeal for funds is now underway through North Carolina. A growing membership is needed by the Society to carry on their vital work of giving help to some 400 babies and small children annually. Average cost for the care of a baby is \$3.60 a day. Voluntary contributions have to pay for this "promise of a future" for some homeless child. Any contributions should be mailed to The Children's Home Society of North Carolina, Inc., 740 Chestnut Street,

Industry Moving To Puerto Rico

Washington—Autonomy and industry are marching forward together in Puerto Rico.

Now in its second year of United States Commonwealth status, the crowded Caribbean island has raised employment 25 per cent in the last decade. National income has doubled, and per capita income is up 70 per cent. More than 150 newly established plants turn out textiles, toys, lenses, shoes, Christmas-tree ornaments and many other products.

With a population density matching that of New Jersey, Puerto Rico has long been plagued with unemployment, says the National Geographic Society. Lack of arable land and natural resources has further handicapped its economy. The island produces only half its food requirements.

Puerto Rico is the eastern anchor of the Greater Antilles chain of West Indies islands. Its 2,250,000 inhabitants are squeezed into 3,435 square miles. Among American states and territories, only Rhode Island has more persons per square mile.

The island's precious soil is intensively cultivated from the shores to the summits of its 4,000-foot-high mountains. Sugarcane is the major crop, sugar production averaging about one million tons annually. Before new businesses came in from the mainland, four major industries—sugar processing, needlework, tobacco, and rum—accounted for 75 per cent of manufacturing employment.

Puerto Rico's population has doubled since 1898, the year Spain relinquished its four centuries of rule to the United States. Spanish is the language of the people, but English is common in business and government.

In 1917, territorial status brought U. S. citizenship to Puerto Ricans. On July 25, 1952, the island became a self-governing Commonwealth. A new constitution, approved by the U. S. Congress and President, put the 100-mile-long island's internal affairs completely in the hands of its elected lawmakers. The way is left open for Puerto Rico to become a state in the Union later if it desires.

Puerto Rico means "rich port". It is the only land under the American flag on which Columbus set foot. Landing there on November 19, 1493, during his second voyage, he claimed it for Spain.

San Juan, the capital, is the oldest city in the new world under the Stars and Stripes. It was established in 1510, a half century before St. Augustine, Florida. With a 1950 population of 224,767, it is second only to Havana among Caribbean cities. The island's Greensboro, North Carolina.

Since it was founded the Society has handled the adoption of fifty-nine babies from Martin County, a number of them having been charges of the Home for months.

principal port, it handles most of Puerto Rico's \$250 million exports and \$400 million imports annually. Although Puerto Rico lies within the tropics, the island enjoys a perpetually springlike climate. Mean annual temperature is a mild 75 degrees. Ocean breezes sweeping across the mountains from the cool North Atlantic temper the heat. Flowers bloom the year around.

The island's healthful climate and natural beauty have made tourism a leading industry. In 1951-52, 98,000 visitors spent almost \$17 million in Puerto Rico.

The all farm products index of prices received by North Carolina farmers at local markets dropped 3.5 per cent during the month ending October 15.

NOTICE OF SALE
Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain Deed of Trust bearing date of March 3, 1947 from Grace Whitley Maynard and John B. Roberson, lessees T/A Roberson Slaughter House, to the undersigned Trustee, which said Deed of Trust is recorded in Book H-2, page 624 of the Public Registry of Martin County, North Carolina, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness for which said Deed of Trust was given as security, and the terms of the same not having been complied with, and at the request of the holders of the note secured thereby, the undersigned trustee will on Monday, January 4, 1954 at 12 o'clock noon in front of the Court House Door in Williamston, N. C. offer for sale to the highest bidder for cash, the following described property:

Beginning at a point on the McGaskey Road where the Southern edge of First Street intersects the McGaskey Road, said point being 510.9 feet from the intersection of the McGaskey Road with U. S. Highway No. 64; thence along the McGaskey Road in a northerly direction to the property line of A. C. L. RR.; thence along the line of the A. C. L. RR. Co. to the line of the property of L. P. Martin; thence along the line of the property of L. P. Martin to a point where the southern edge of First Street intersects the property of L. P. Martin, said point being 510 feet from U. S. Highway No. 64;

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thence along the southern edge of First Street to the point of beginning and being the same property purchased from J. S. and H. S. Whitley by deed dated February 28, 1947, excepting five lots on McGaskey Road which have been sold.

It being understood that the property designated as First Street to remain open and accessible as a street.

The highest bidder will be required to make a deposit of 10% of the amount of the bid.

This 25th day of November, 1953
Clarence W. Griffin, Trustee.
de 1-8-15-22

ADMINISTRATRIX NOTICE
Having this day qualified as administratrix of the estate of the late Simon Lilley, Sr., deceased of Martin County, this is to notify all persons holding claims against said estate to present them for payment on or before the 2nd day of November 1954, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to this estate are requested to make

immediate settlement. This the 2nd day of November 1953. Ethel Grace Lilley, Administratrix.
no 3-10-17-25 de 1-8

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE
North Carolina, Martin County. The undersigned, having duly qualified as administrator of the estate of James H. Johnson, deceased, late of Martin County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned on or before the 3rd day of November, 1954, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment to the undersigned. This the 3rd day of November, 1953.
Hugh M. Martin, Administrator
Manning Office Building,
Williamston, N. C.
no 3-10-17-24 de 1-8

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