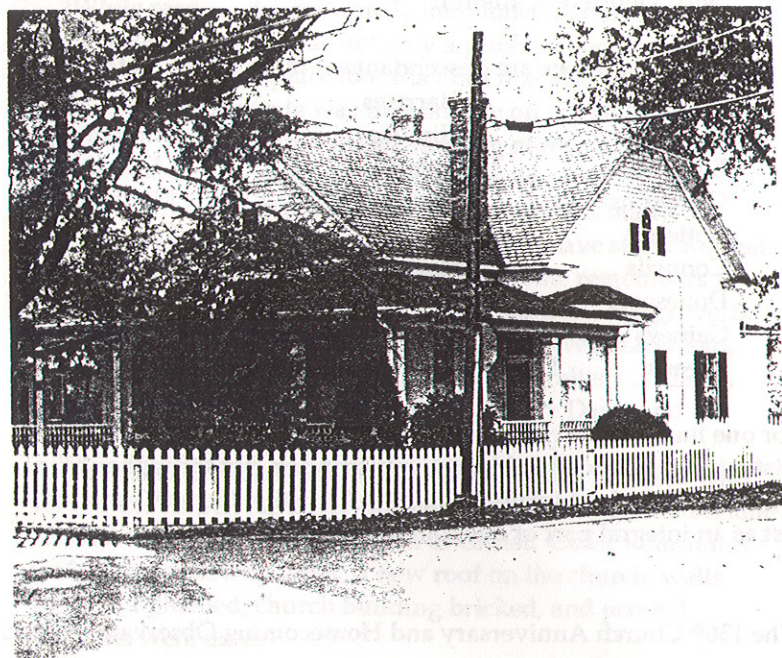


*The H.O. Holland-Boles House
323 N. Salem St.*



Built c. 1915

Owner: Rodney and Rebecca Boles





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The property being described is known as having been a part of Shepherd's Vineyard, which dates back to 1830. Although there is a lapse in research, this description begins when Mr. H. O. Holland purchased the property for \$3500 according to the deed found in Deeds for Wake County, Book 290, page 484. This deed being from R. J. Bolling and his wife, Fannie D. Bolling, to H. O. Holland on March 24, 1915. Mr. Holland married Artula Upchurch and this served as their home. When Mr. Holland died, the property was left by his will.¹ to his wife, affectionately known as "Miss Tula". [Mr. and Mrs. Holland operated a drugstore, in the building which was owned by C. Whalan Matthews, a prominent black citizen, at 119 North Salem Street presently occupied by Carley's on Salem. During Mr. Holland's last illness the drug store was managed by Mrs. Addie Bradshaw Pegram a resident of Raleigh who stayed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bob Smith here in Apex until after Mr. Holland's death. (Mrs. Pegram was the first female graduate from the School of Pharmacy at the University of North Carolina.) The family operated Pegrams Pharmacy in this location and purchased the building at 119 North Salem from Porter W., and wife, Alice M. Matthews, who had inherited the building from his father, Mr. C. Whalan Matthews. The Pegrams operated Pegram's Pharmacy until they relocated to South Salem Street.] In her will recorded in 1976, "Miss Tula" willed the home located at 323 North Salem St. to the Baptist Children's Home of North Carolina, Inc.² July 9, 1976 Gerald A. and wife, Andrea L. Gamble, purchased the property from the Baptist Children's Home for the Amount of \$16,200.³ April 1, 1992 Edward C. Dingo, Jr. and wife, Karen A. Dingo, purchased the property from the Gambles in the amount of \$92,850.⁴ Rodney Allen Boles purchased the home January 25, 2000 for the amount of \$171,920.⁵

This historic property is now occupied by Rodney and Rebecca Boles and is listed on the National Registry of Historic Places as being a contributing parcel in the Apex National Register Historic District I.

The registry designation reads as follows: c. 29. 323 N. Salem St. [Tula Upchurch Holland House] early 20th Century. Classical Revival style side-gable house with large front-gable wing and a wraparound porch with square post. The Paladin motif of arched window with the flanking vents in each of the three gables is perhaps the most

striking feature. The house has plain siding, 1/1 sash windows, and a bay window on the north side. Two additional contributing structures are: a. Greenhouse. Small brick greenhouse similar to others of the period in Apex. b. Garage. c. 1920. One story garage with hipped roof and original narrow siding.

- 1 Wake County Deed Book 2417, p.544
- 2 See footnote 1
- 3 Wake County Deed Book 2417, p.545
- 4 Wake county Deed Book 5157, p.323
- 5 Wake County Deed Book 8510, p.1994