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LOUIS SHEPPARD IS RE-ARRESTED

Held Without Bond In Connection With Case In Which Mt. Airy Man Was Alleged To Have Been Shot By Otis Campbell.

New evidence having developed in the case in which it is alleged Nettie Burkheart was shot and killed by Otis Campbell, in northern Stokes recently, Louis Sheppard was re-arrested Monday and remanded to Stokes jail without bond. Sheppard was arrested some days since and allowed to give bond, but on complaint of the attorneys for the wife of the murdered man he was re-arrested.

It is alleged that the pocketbook which was taken from Mrs. Burkheart on the night of the murder was found at the home of Sheppard. Mrs. Burkheart says the pocketbook was jerked from her arm and that it contained \$200 in cash.

Young Rhodes, who was with Campbell and Sheppard at the time of the shooting is still being held in jail here.

Otis Campbell has so far evaded the efforts of the officers to capture him, although continuous search for him is going on daily. It is understood that citizens in the Lawsonville section will offer a reward for his capture.

A statement was made this week by Mrs. Burkheart relative to the incidents preceding and following the fatal shooting.

The statement follows: Ethel Burkheart makes the following statement relative to the killing of Nettie Burkheart:

We went to Price in Rockingham county on a visit; were returning home. A little before Christmas we had sold our house and land near the North Carolina Granite Corporation Quarries. On the night of January 23rd or the morning of the 24th, we stopped in Stokes county near Smithtown; had just built up a fire when two men, Otis Campbell and Louis Sheppard came up to where we were; they had liquor and were drinking. They sat down by the fire and tried to make my husband take some liquor; he finally took one drink and they left. Campbell and Sheppard came back a second time and left. Then they came back a third time with Rhodes. They had a shot gun, fired one shot before they got to us and followed. We started to leave. They asked my husband where we lived; asked how much we got for our place and he told them. They wanted to know how much money he had in his pocket. Sheppard did most of the talking, he tried to get up a fuss and my husband tried to keep out of it. We started off, Sheppard took my suit case and in the scuffle sprained my wrist or hand; Campbell had the gun. He fired, shot my husband and Campbell ran and my husband grabbed the gun and shot the other barrel at him. Rhodes and Sheppard were arrested before the shooting they asked my husband if he had a gun and what sort of knife he had. He denied the liquor and denied taking my suit case. Sheppard left in a car and Campbell and Rhodes ran through the woods. I went to find some one to look after my husband, found Mr.

PILOT MT. TO VOTE ON POWER SALE

Southern Power Company Offers To Pay \$75,000 For Municipal Electric Plant.

Pilot Mt., Jan. 26.—A proposition has been submitted the town of Pilot Mountain, by the Southern Power company, for the purchase of the Pilot Mountain power plant and city franchise.

This, of course, is subject to the will of the people. An election has been called and registering is now going forth. The election will be held February 26 to decide the matter.

The purchase price being submitted is \$75,000 and it is generally conceded that the proposition will carry overwhelmingly.

News Items From Germantown Route 1

Germantown, Jan. 28.—Mr. Horace Southern and Miss Louise Tatum were quietly united in the holy bonds of matrimony at Danbury by Justice of the Peace N. A. Martin on Thursday afternoon.

Miss Tatum is the attractive young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Tatum, of Germantown R. 1, and is admired by a wide circle of friends. Mr. Southern is the promising young son of Mr. P. O. Southern, of Meadows Route 1.

Among those who visited Misses Maude and Mary Ruth Meadows last Sunday night were: Messrs. Jim Rumley, Elbert Wagoner, Edgar Darnell, Drexell Flynt and others.

Miss Nell Tatum spent the past week with Miss Nannie Rutledge, of Walnut Cove Route four.

Mr. Lamon Eaton was the guest of Miss Ruth Rutledge last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Erwin Wall, who has been in High Point for the past week, have returned to their home.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Southern spent last Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Onie Young.

Mr. Cornelius Southern was the guest of Miss Hesie Lee Tatum Sunday night.

Mrs. Nannie Rutledge gave a party last Wednesday night, which a large crowd attended.

Among those who attend the tobacco tieing at Mr. Ross Meadows' last Tuesday night were: Mr. Paul Lewis and Miss Lilla Mendenhall, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Gatewood, Mozelle and Arbelia Carroll, Edgar Darnell, Lamon Eaton and Grady Nance.

Tucker who, with his son, carried me and my husband to the hospital. Campbell had the gun and they said to my husband "hold up your hands and give up your money." I got between my husband and them and while Sheppard was taking my suit case, Campbell shot my husband. Sheppard got in the car with the suit case and left and the other two ran through the woods. Before the shooting they asked my husband if he had a gun and what sort of knife he had. He had no gun and only a little old knife. I went to Mr. Tucker's and he and his son went with us to the hospital at Stuart. My husband died about six o'clock Thursday morning.

STEALING ON HUGE SCALE

W. M. Tolbert Is Alleged To Have Robbed Citizens Of 5 Truck Loads Of Goods Before Landing In Stokes Jail.

W. M. Tolbert is being held in Stokes jail on a charge of grand larceny under a bond of \$2,000. Tolbert's wife is also charged with the same offense and was released Tuesday of last week under a \$500 bond.

Tolbert until recently resided near Walnut Cove, when he removed to the eastern section of Stokes.

Evidence against him was secured a few days since and his premises were searched. Sheriff Taylor and his deputies seized about five truck loads of goods of various kinds which are now being returned to their owners.

Among the articles seized a few are recalled here as follows:

137 jars of canned fruit and vegetables, 10 bushels of wheat, 3 bushels of onions, 3 bushels of peas. These were the property of Jno. W. Fagg, of Walnut Cove. Two feather beds, 7 quilts, 2 blankets, 2 quilts, 2 pistols, 1 shot gun and 1 rifle, automobile tire, 600 pounds of tobacco, one cow, 2 pigs, 6 saws, and scores of other things too numerous to mention. Most of the articles have been identified.

News Items From Sandy Ridge

Sandy Ridge, Jan. 26.—The people of this section are almost through selling tobacco, and are getting ready for another crop.

Mr. Gladly Joyce has just recovered from mumps and is driving the school bus again.

Miss Ernestine Hawkins spent the night with Miss Pearl Hawkins Monday night, January 21.

Mr. Britter, of the Sandy Ridge high school called on Miss Nettie Shelton, of the Zebulon school Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Clint Dodson motored to Madison Sunday night.

The members of the singing school at Delta church had a fine time Saturday and Sunday making pictures.

Mr. Ernest Stevens called on Miss Jessie Fialins Saturday night.

The pupils of the Sandy Ridge high school are very busy this week with examinations.

Wonder why Mr. Lindsay Hawkins didn't attend the singing Sunday?

Mr. Harry Reid and Miss Sudie Rhodes visited Miss Blanch Woods Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Phil Dunlap was on a look out for robbers Sunday.

Misses Estelle and Christine Joyce spent the afternoon with Miss Nannie Belle Dodson Sunday.

JUST KIDS.

THE FAMILY.

AUTO ACCIDENT AT WALNUT COVE

Lem Morefield Loses Residence By Fire—Lions Club Meets—Personal And Social Items.

Walnut Cove, Jan. 29.—An automobile accident occurred on north Main St. Monday afternoon when a sedan driven by young Mr. Farmer, son of Avery Farmer, who resides near here, left the road and struck Miss Mary Zimmerman. Those who witnessed the accident stated that the sedan turned sharply to the right to avoid hitting a Standard Oil truck and ran into a deep side ditch. None of the occupants of the car were hurt, however and Miss Zimmerman received only minor injuries.

The residence of Lem Morefield on the Rock Hill road was destroyed by fire last Tuesday morning. Mr. and Mrs. Moorefield were here at the home of their father, J. Wesley Moorefield, at the time of the fire. It is thought the fire originated from an electric wire.

Mrs. George Fulton entertained at her home here Tuesday evening with four tables of bridge. After several progressive Mrs. Leake Lovin held high score and was given a box of crystallized fruit. Miss Mary Frances Davis received low score prize, a box of candy. At the conclusion of the game a delectable course of refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. J. W. Jones and Mrs. Jacob Fulton.

Mrs. Howard Woodruff, Miss Grace Woodruff and Walter Woodruff visited relatives at Danville, Va., the past week.

Miss Frances Fulton, a student at Richard J. Reynolds High School, Winston-Salem, spent the week end at home.

Miss Nell Chilton, who is teaching in Greensboro, spent the week end at her home here.

Ernest Vaughn, of Jacksonville, Fla., has returned home after a visit to his mother, Mrs. W. L. Vaughn.

Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Gentry and small son Jack, of Montgomery, Ala., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Dunlap.

Mesdames H. N. Scott, Everett Matthews and Walter Vaughn spent yesterday here with relatives.

The Stokes County Lions Club held their meeting at the Stokes Hotel Monday evening enjoying a delightful banquet at this time. A number of prominent guests were present, among whom were Judge Hastings, Martin, Benbow, of Winston-Salem.

Mr. John Hutcherson is confined to his home here with rheumatism, friends will regret to know.

200 Gallon Still Captured Wednesday

Deputy Sheriff Mack Wall, of Beaver Island township, has the record for capturing the largest still. On Wednesday he found one in the Dillard section that estimated to have a capacity of near two hundred gallons. The still was not in operation and no arrests have been made so far.

Mrs. B. D. Gentry and little son, "Jackie," of Montgomery, Ala., are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Frank Dunlap, at Walnut Cove.

FINE SHOWING BY BANK OF STOKES

Annual Meeting of Stockholders Held At Walnut Cove—Substantial Growth Is Shown By Institution.

The regular annual meeting of the stockholders of the Bank of Stokes County was held Monday afternoon in the office of the Bank at Walnut Cove with a large attendance of stockholders from various sections of the country. The reports rendered by the active officers were very encouraging, and indicated that the bank had enjoyed a substantial growth in deposits and resources during the past year despite adverse crop conditions and prevailing prices of farm products. The earnings for the year amounted to twenty-four per cent of the invested capital.

The former members of the Board of Directors were re-elected for the ensuing year, and the active officers will remain as follows: Dr. J. W. Neal, President; N. E. Pepper, J. C. Carson and V. T. Grabs, Vice-Presidents; C. E. Davis, Secretary Board of Directors and Cashier at Walnut Cove; M. O. Jones, Cashier at Danbury; H. H. Leake, Cashier at King, and C. C. McGee, Cashier at Germantown.

The capital stock of the bank is now Sixty Thousand, surplus and profits Fifty-nine Thousand, and deposits of Two Million, substantial cash reserves of a quarter of a million with no bills payable or discounts.

In addition to the regular officers the following will comprise the personnel of the organization during 1929: At Danbury, R. A. Smith, James Jones and Mrs. Louise Jones; at King, E. F. Yarborough; at Germantown, J. D. Johnson and Miss Jessie Smith; at Walnut Cove, Mrs. Margaret Davis, Misses Thelma Neal and Irene Alley.

Mrs. Paul Davis Entertains Friends

Walnut Cove, Jan. 30.—Mrs. Paul Davis entertained at a very delightful party Tuesday evening honoring the teachers in the school here. Tables were attractively placed for bridge and the game was enthusiastically played for several progressions. High score prize for the ladies was won by Mrs. Anne Fulton Carter, two beautiful maderia handkerchiefs. Gentleman's high score prize was won by Dr. R. H. Hackler, a cigarette holder. Low score prize, a bridge score pad, was given Miss Jimmy Campbell.

A delicious course of refreshments was very temptingly served consisting of frozen fruit salad, sandwiches, coffee, pickles, nuts and mints. Those present were: Mrs. Annie Carter, Misses Julia Hairston, Nell Hutcherson, Alexandria Mack, Reeves, Jimmy Campbell, Mary Lane Brewer, Mesdames Will Wheeler, Paul Fulton, Joe Zimmerman, Kanoy and Messrs. Gilmer Sparger, Arch McNeil, Ralph Chilton, Paul Fulton, W. P. Wheeler, Joe Zimmerman, John Woodruff, R. H. Hackler, Britton, Bill Fulton, Kanoy.

A woman writer says, "Man is no more foolish at forty than any other year." We were just wondering if that's a compliment or what.

TWO MEN HELD IN ARSON CASE

Preliminary Hearing In Moser and Stuart Case Here Yesterday—Men Are Placed Under Bonds Of \$1,000 Each.

A preliminary hearing was held here yesterday in the case in which A. R. Moser and Jake Stewart are charged with an attempt to burn the home of William Briggs a few weeks since in the King section.

Justices J. B. Joyce, of Danbury, and J. S. Garner, of King, heard the evidence of some 20 or 30 witnesses and the two defendants were placed under bonds of \$1,000 each.

Both men are being held in the county jail here. Moser is a white man and Stewart a negro. The case will be tried at the next term of Stokes Superior court.

TWO MEN AND CAR CAPTURED

High Point Boys Were Hauling Five Gallons Of Whiskey When Deputy Made The Arrest.

Bill Johnson and Douglas Priddy, giving their home address as High Point, were taken, together with the Hudson car in which they were riding, on Wednesday, when Deputy Sheriff Mack Wall discovered that they were hauling five gallons of whiskey on the car.

Mr. Wall stated that he chased the car until one tire ran off, when he was able to catch up with the Hudson.

The two men are being held in jail here in default of bonds of \$300 each.

Bids To Be Opened For Small Projects

Raleigh, Jan. 28.—Bids on eight small projects calling for the construction of dirt roads, small structure and grading will be opened by the state highway commission on February 10.

Projects: Robeson county: 10.5 miles grading and structures on route 70 from Fairmont to South Carolina line.

Robeson county: 11 miles grading and structures on 201 from Lumberton to the Bladen county line.

Robeson county: Over flow bridge on route 20 across the Lumber river.

Anson county: 9.8 miles top soil on route 80 between Wadesboro and Ansonville.

Mecklenburg county: structures on route 261.

Caldwell and Watauga counties: 10.39 miles gravel from the Avery-Caldwell county line to Blowing Rock. This is a portion of the old Lonah-Lossee turnpike.

Wilkes county: 10 miles dirt road from Wilkesboro west on route 60.

Davie and Rowan counties: grading approaches to bridge over Yadkin river on route 80.

Will Mabe and family, of Danbury Route 1, removed to Kernersville Route 2, the past week. Mr. Mabe has about recovered from injuries received in an automobile accident some weeks since.

The Afghans may be classed as Amanullificationists.