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CRIMINAL COURT CLOSED FRIDAY

The regular fall term of the Superior court for the trial of criminal cases closed here Friday afternoon and Judge Michael Schenck left for his home in Greensboro to spend the week end. He returned here on Monday of this week, however, to preside over the civil term of court, which is in session this week. Solicitor J. F. Spruill went to his home in Lexington Friday, after serving at his last term of court here as Solicitor. Appropriate resolutions were passed by the bar in connection with Solicitor Spruill's retiring.

The court disposed of quite a few cases during the five days it was in session. A number of defendants were given road sentences.

Cases not reported in the last issue of this paper were as follows:

Harry Duggins, guilty of manslaughter, one year in the State prison.

Marion Stephens, operating car while intoxicated, not a true bill.

James Oliver, guilty of murder, 30 years in State prison.

Roy Tucker, guilty of possession of liquor, \$25 and cost and suspended sentence for 2 years.

Posey Rhodes, guilty of seduction, Eight months on roads.

Lem Bennett, guilty of disposing of mortgaged property, to pay account.

Parker Jarrell, guilty of abandonment, 8 months on roads.

Harrison Kallam, guilty of manufacturing liquor, 18 months on roads.

John William Hawkins, guilty of having carnal knowledge of female under age, 4 months on roads.

Dewey Love, guilty of operating car while intoxicated, \$200 and cost, and suspended sentence for 5 years.

TWO BALLOTS FOR CONGRESS

One Ballot Is To Be Voted For Your Choice To Fill Out the Unexpired Term of Major Stedman and the Other For the Regular Term.

The Board of Elections calls attention to the fact that two ballots will have to be cast for the candidate for Congress in the Fifth District and there will be two separate ballot boxes at each polling place for this purpose.

The boxes will be for voting for a Congressman for the regular term, and also for voting for a Congressman to fill the unexpired term of the late C. M. Stedman, which does not expire until March 3, 1931. All those desiring to vote for either Frank Hancock, the Democratic candidate, or for John F. Reynolds, the Republican nominee, will have to cast two separate ballots.

KING LADY IS KILLED BY CAR

Mrs. James Hutchins Succumbs To Injuries When Run Over—Death of Mrs. Henry Petree—Farmers Haul Tobacco Back Home.

King, Oct. 21.—A Ford touring car with Miss Leona Pulliam, of King, at the wheel ran over Mrs. Jas. R. Hutchins, also of King, here Sunday night about 8:30. Mrs. Hutchins was on her way home from church and walking along the street at the time of the accident. She was given first aid by Dr. G. E. Stone and then rushed to the Baptist hospital at Winston-Salem. Mrs. Hutchins received a fractured skull, a crushed ankle and two ribs broken, as well as internal injuries. She died early Monday morning. Mrs. Helen McGee, who was with Mrs. Hutchins at the time of the accident, was knocked down but only slightly hurt.

A Ford touring car belonging to J. W. Mickey, a farmer residing near King, burned up on Main street here Monday afternoon. The cause of the fire was not known.

Ernest Kirby, farmer residing near Tobaccoville, lost his home Monday by fire. Practically all furniture and wearing apparel was also destroyed. No insurance on building or its contents was carried.

Mrs. Mary Ellen Petree, aged 75, and wife of Henry Petree, died at her home, 3 miles south of King, Friday night, following an attack of pneumonia. The deceased is survived by the husband, 3 sons, Albert Petree, of Cincinatti; Luther Petree, of Aberdeen, and Hobart Petree, of King. Two daughters also survive: Mrs. Thomas Hendrix, of Tobaccoville, and Mrs. Lee Davis, of Yadkin county. There are several grandchildren.

The following births were registered here last week: To Mr. and Mrs. Percy Shelton, a daughter; to Mr. and Mrs. Lee Shouse, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Monroe Key, a daughter, and to Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Adkins, a daughter.

The first killing frost made its appearance here Sunday morning. Fortunately all the farmers in this section had harvested their tobacco crops.

The King Tigers lost to the Norfolk & Western team of Winston-Salem in a game played on the Pinnacle diamond on Saturday.

Farmers in this section returning from the tobacco market Saturday were greatly displeased with the prices, and numbers of them brought their tobacco back home.

HALLOWE'EN AT THE SCHOOL

Entertainment To Be Given Under the Auspices of the P. T. A.—Prizes To Be Given For Best Costumes—Proceeds For School.

On the night of October 31 an entertainment will be given at the high school here under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association. A masqued pageant will be one of the leading features, prizes being offered for the best costumes of adults and children. The ladies will serve refreshments which will be sold, the proceeds going toward school purposes.

The public is cordially invited to attend. Admittance is free.

Claud Wilson, of Winston-Salem, visited friends in Danbury Friday.

HON. J. F. SPRUILL IS HONORED

At the End of His Term Here As Solicitor the Bar Passes Resolutions of Respect To This Fine Official.

Last week's term of Superior court marked the end of the eight-year term of Solicitor J. Frank Spruill, so far as Stokes courts are concerned, and the bar here, as well as a number of non-resident attorneys, very appropriately passed the following resolutions of respect: State of North Carolina,

Stokes County.

In the Superior Court.

WHEREAS, the Honorable J. F. Spruill, of Lexington, Davidson county, North Carolina, has for the past eight years prosecuted the criminal dockets of the county of Stokes, and,

WHEREAS, this being his last term of court in said county in the capacity of Solicitor, and,

WHEREAS, the said J. F. Spruill at all times during his term of office and in the performance of his official duties as Solicitor in this county, has proven himself to be an able, fearless and fair prosecutor; in private life an example for all men to follow who desire to be and become good citizens, and be of service to their county, State and nation,

NOW, THEREFORE, we the undersigned resident and non-resident practicing attorneys at the bar for the county of Stokes, on behalf of ourselves, as well as on behalf of the citizenship in general of the county, as a token of the esteem and high regard in which we hold him, and as an appreciation of our thanks for the service that he has rendered, not only to this county, but to the district and the State at large; for the fair, able and fearless manner in which he has stood for the enforcement of the law, desire to present this paper to the Honorable Michael Schenck, Judge presiding at this term of the court, to the end that a permanent record may be made of our thanks and appreciation herein expressed, and ask that it be ordered spread on the minutes of record of this term of court.

This 17th day of Oct., 1930.

J. D. HUMPHREYS,
J. W. HALL,
N. O. PETREE,
JOHN H. FOLGER,
A. C. BERNARD,
D. C. KIRBY,
W. READE JOHNSON,
W. R. BADGETT,
CLAUDE B. WOLTZ,
RALPH J. SCOTT,
S. GILMER SPARGER.

McRae Dalton, son of ex-Sheriff R. I. Dalton, of Stokes, was a visitor to Danbury on Saturday. Mr. Dalton is a traveling salesman with headquarters in Chicago.

LARGE STILL WAS TAKEN YESTERDAY

Big Copper Was Found Just East of Meadows In Operation With Two Men In Attendance—Both Escape.

A large copper still, which the officers estimated would hold from 125 to 150 gallons of beer, was discovered yesterday just east of Meadows, and it was in full operation with two men in attendance. The officer in charge of the raid was Constable Rufus Mabe and he was assisted by Mr. Corbett Priddy, former deputy sheriff of Stokes. About 300 gallons of beer and some whiskey was destroyed.

It was learned that one of the men with the still was captured but made his escape as the officers were tearing out the still. No names were given out by the officers.

Stokes Candidate In Guilford County

Greensboro, Oct. 22.—John W. Hall, of Danbury, Republican candidate for Solicitor in the 12th judicial district, composed of the counties of Stokes, Davidson and Guilford, was the chief speaker at a campaign meeting last night at Mount Hope school. He was presented by Postmaster R. C. Chandley, of Greensboro, as "the next solicitor."

Law enforcement was the chief topic which Mr. Hall discussed. He declared that in the event of his election he will "strive to enforce all of the laws without fear or favor."

Short talks were made by several Republican county candidates. All of the speakers were heard attentively.

J. Posie Gravitt Passes Away

Pilot Mt., Oct. 20.—The funeral of J. Posie Gravitt, aged 25 years, who died at the Martin Memorial hospital in Mt. Airy on Oct. 16th, was held at Hill's Presbyterian church Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock, Rev. R. L. Berry conducting the services. Interment followed in the Hill cemetery.

Mr. Gravitt had been a patient for several weeks at the hospital. He was seriously injured by being thrown and kicked by a mule on Sept. 22, which crushed his chest and bruised his body, the wounds proving fatal. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gravitt, who survive, as well as a number of sisters and brothers. He had a host of friends. His death, although coming after a long illness, will come as a keen regret to all his friends. Pall bearers were: Blake Carson, Sam Nelson, Rixie Hill, Erastus Jessup, Caleb Matthews, Sam Needham, Spencer Samuel and Glenn Hunter.

Try an ad in the Reporter.

D. A. Rs. ON VISIT TO ROCK HOUSE

Members of Several Chapters Are Very Graciously Entertained By Miss Luna Taylor Here Saturday Afternoon—Mrs. Van Noppen Speaks.

Contributed.

On October 18th Miss Luna Taylor, of Danbury, had as her guests the George Reynolds Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution of Leaksville and a large number of guests from Winston-Salem, Madison and Danbury.

The party met first at the Taylor home, which is noted far and wide for its old-time hospitality. Here the guests enjoyed a delicious collection of old fashioned food—sandwiches of salt-rising bread with cottage cheese, beaten biscuit filled with old ham, chess pies, Martha Washington candy, pickles, nuts, coffee and tea.

From the Taylor home the guests set out for the famous old Rock House, twelve miles from Danbury.

Upon the arrival of the party they examined the historic home from all sides, and admired and wondered at the unique features. Though now one hundred and fifty years of age the outer walls are still intact. As the name implies, it is built entirely of rock which was quarried from the near-by mountains. It is four stories high and has at least eleven rooms. All the doors and windows are arched and there are numerous openings from which the occupants might shoot at approaching enemies.

Mrs. J. Spot Taylor presented Mrs. John Van Noppen, of Madison, who gave a most interesting and historic sketch of the Rock House. Mrs. Van Noppen, who proved a most interesting speaker, said in part:

"We have not met simply as sight-seers, but to do honor to the great-hearted patriot who built and owned the Rock House. This was Col. Jack Martin, who came from Essex Co., Virginia, in 1770, to settle in Stokes county. Col. Martin was a civil engineer, and it is said that many engineering projects recently completed in Stokes county, were planned by him.

At that time there were many hostile Indians and Tories in the mountains near-by and Col. Martin planned to build both a home and fortress in which neighbors for miles around might find protection from these enemies.

The house required 15 years for building and it is said that Col. Martin did most of the work, aided only by his unskilled slaves.

In 1775, soon after the Declaration of Independence Col.

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DODD VERSUS DR. FLIPPIN

Civil Action Now Being Tried—Number of Other Cases On Civil Docket Disposed Of—Judge Schenck Presiding.

The case of Dodd vs. Dr. R. D. Flippin is being tried here now before Judge Michael Schenck. This case was tried at the last term, resulting in a mistrial.

Civil court began Monday morning, the following suits at this writing having been disposed of:

William Bullin vs. Thelma Bullin, divorce. Judgment for plaintiff.

C. H. Lunsford vs. R. L. Bennett. Judgment pending.

John W. King and others vs. Candace Smith. Judgment vs. defendant for \$300.

Matilda Covington vs. R. A. Covington. Plaintiff to receive \$25 per month.

J. F. Carroll vs. Underwood and Hughes. Judgment of \$2,000 against Hughes. Non suit as to other defendant.

R. H. Holt vs. Rector Tilley. Judgment in favor of defendant.

Practically all other cases have been continued, as it is considered that the Flippin case will occupy the rest of this term of the court.

TOBACCO BRINGS ONLY \$12.33

Sales Are Heavier But Light Compared With Last Year At This Time—Volume Expected To Increase.

Tobacco sales on the Winston-Salem market still continue to be light. On Monday of this week they were unusually heavy for this season, and at that there were only 928,000 pounds of the weed on the market, whereas last year at this time farmers were selling more than a million pounds on that market almost daily.

Prices continue low. For instance on Monday the market averaged only \$12.33, according to the report of the manager of sales.

Tobacco men are of the opinion that from this time on until the new year the volume of sales will increase, though they are silent on predictions as to how the price is going to run.

James A. Lawson Passes Away

James A. Lawson, aged 84 years and one of the county's best citizens, passed away at his home in the Flat Shoals section, on last Friday, interment being in the family burying plot on Saturday. The deceased is survived by a number of sons and daughters, among these being Mr. J. H. Lawson, of Winston-Salem, who formerly resided in Danbury.

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