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JUDGE SINK IS APPOINTED

To Fill Term Of Late Judge—Elect John D. Humphreys—Judge Sink Has Wide Public Career.

Judge H. Hoyle Sink, of Lexington, special Superior Court judge since 1927 under appointments by Governor McLean and Gardner, was yesterday named by the latter as regular judge for the Twelfth Judicial District, comprising Davidson, Guilford and Stokes.

The appointment runs until the general election in November, 1932, when the vacancy will be filled for the term expiring December 31, 1933.

Davidson for years has had the solicitor of the district, and Guilford the judge. The appointment of Judge Sink reverses the situation. Guilford having already obtained the solicitor.

In making the announcement, Governor Gardner said:

"This appointment is made entirely without solicitation on the part of Judge Sink or his friends. It comes solely as a recognition of his splendid services as a special superior court judge and with an eye to securing a competent man to fill this important position."

The Governor said as a measure of economy he would not appoint a successor to fill the special judge vacancy in the immediate future.

"I have carefully examined the calendar for January and February and am convinced that it will be possible for the present force of judges to hold the necessary courts during these months," he said.

Judge Sink has had a wide public career. He was the first state pardon commissioner, an office now replaced by that of executive counsel. He served as American vice consul under President Wilson at Amoy, China. At one time he was a lecturer on current topics to officers of the Imperial Japanese navy. He has taught school. He was educated at Bridgewater College, Virginia.

In 1927, he was appointed a special superior court judge. He takes office Jan. 1 to fill the term of the late Judge-Elect Humphreys, who was elected to succeed Judge Thomas J. Shaw in the 12th district.

Governor Gardner said he had not yet named a successor to Judge Thomas L. Johnson, who resigned several months ago, or to Senator P. H. Williams, who resigned as assistant director of the budget early in the Gardner administration. These places are being left vacant, he said, "in pursuance of my policy of rigid economy in all governmental expenditures."

BUY A TREE: DON'T STEAL IT

Christmas Trees In the Forest Belong To Some One—Help the Farmer By Buying One.

Raleigh, Dec. 21. — Buy a Christmas tree this year and "help the farmer" instead of going into the country and "stealing one," says R. W. Graeber, extension forester at North Carolina State College.

"Every North Carolina home should have a Christmas tree, but in getting this, they should remember that growing trees are the property of someone and when a person cuts one from another person's land, an act of stealing is committed," Mr. Graeber said.

"The forests of our state can supply these trees without excessive damage," he explained, "if common sense is used in cutting by a simple method of selection and thinning."

"Christmas trees as a crop, and sold at 50 cents to one dollar each, should prove a profitable business to farmers around every city or town," he continued. "At such a price, purchasing trees will be cheaper to the city family than the expense of driving a car into the country in search of one—besides the family can enjoy such a tree with a clear conscience."

Mr. Graeber does not agree with many people who preach the idea of having a living Christmas tree in the yard to be decorated for show. He believes a greater spirit of happiness and contentment can be developed around an indoor tree with the parents teaching to their children the love and mercy of heaven.

"A Christmas tree with the Xmas spirit in every house will help us to throw off the psychological effect of the present economical depression," he says.

Joshua Anderson, 114, and his wife Mary, 94, of Campbellford, Ont., recently celebrated their 74th wedding anniversary.

For eight years Mrs. Dora Wilson has been a charity worker at Bakersfield, Calif., and during that time has baked 104,460 cookies.

Martha Well of Salisbury, Md., was unable to talk for two years. After a violent fit of coughing she found that her voice had returned.

After writing his obituary notice and addressing it to the newspapers, Joseph Boulasger, 65 of Nashua, N. H., hanged himself.

Charles Sproul, of Los Angeles, filed suit for divorce because his wife insisted on displaying her legs in public.

LIQUOR PRICES ARE REDUCED

The Average Cost Per Gallon Down East Is \$2.00 To \$2.50 Per Gallon — Low Prices Caused By Depression.

Washington, N. C., Dec. 21. — County and federal officers in this section are estimating the average cost of Christmas whiskey at \$2 to \$2.50 a gallon.

The low prices, it was said, are caused by the depression. The "stuff," the officers said, usually retails for \$4 to \$5 a gallon.

Officers estimate there are 200 stills in Beaufort county alone. Low prices for farm crops, unemployment and failure of tenant farmers to make anything out of this year's work are given as the reason for the increase in the number of stills and the subsequent reduction in the price of contraband.

Greetings From N. & W. Railway

In a holiday greeting to the public issued today, the Norfolk and Western Railway declares it will continue the traditions of the past in 1931 "by rendering an adequate, efficient transportation service," and pledges itself, as a friend and citizen, to do everything it consistently can in the New Year, "to promote the progress of the hundreds of communities and industries along its lines."

The message expresses the appreciation of the railroad and its 30,000 employees for the patronage and good will of the public.

In reviewing the activities of the old year, it is a matter of great satisfaction to the railroad, the greeting says, to know that despite the slowing up of industry and trade, the Norfolk and Western has "carried on"—spending millions on a progressive program of expansion and improvement that has added materially "in turning the wheels of commerce in its own and other territories and making this a happier Christmas for many."

When Miss Lo's Perchman, of Chicago, refused to tell bandits the hiding place of her jewels, they tortured her with glowing cigarettes until she fainted.

Flying a box kite as big as himself from the room of a factory, Milton Fisher, 12, Brooklyn toppled backward from the roof, but the kite acted as a parachute and dropped gently to the ground.

For the first time on record a wife was fined in Berlin for hitting her husband over the head with a beer glass.

EMERGENCY FUND FOR ROAD WORK

Nearly Two Million Dollars From Federal Government Can Be Used To Advantage Just At This Time.

Raleigh, Dec. 20.—R. A. Doughton, state highway commissioner, reached over long distance telephone at Sparta, tonight said the \$1,926,775 placed at the disposal of North Carolina for federal aid highway construction by the emergency relief bill signed by President Hoover today, would be of "considerable service to the state."

Mr. Doughton said one-half of the money would be in the nature of a loan, without interest, to be repaid, beginning in 1933, in one fifth parts. The other half, he said would be the regular government appropriation to North Carolina for federal aid highway systems.

"The measure," he said, "will enable us to get much earlier federal aid for the construction for the highway systems."

In the construction of federal aid highway system by states, he explained, the state puts up one-half the money. The emergency measure does not require the state to put up any money but advances to the state its share as a loan until 1933, he said.

Mr. Doughton said he had received a letter from the federal bureau of roads explaining the proposition. He said he had written the bureau saying North Carolina could use all the money or a substantial portion of it on the terms stated.

Construction plans, he said, have to be approved by the federal government. State highway engineers will be put to work at once to lay plans.

Funeral Held For Wade E. Boyles

Attention by a large concourse of friends, the funeral of Wade Ernest Boyles, 49, of Bixby, prominent Davie county citizen, who passed away Friday, was held at King Baptist church yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. James E. Hall, Rev. E. H. Stockton, Rev. S. H. Templeman and Rev. F. W. Grabs. Interment followed in the King Moravian graveyard with Junior Order services at the graveside.

Pallbearers were A. T. Grant, M. S. Mulligan, John T. Benbow, John F. Smithdeal, Green Shugart and George Cornatzer.

Members of Liberty Council 3, Jr. O. U. A. M. attended the services in a body. It was said to have been one of the largest funerals ever held at King Baptist Church.

PATRICK WOMAN IS ARRESTED

Kernersville Policeman Found Whiskey and Brandy On Her Car As She Passed Through That Town.

Winston-Salem, Dec. 22.—Nattily togged out in made attire—suit, hat and topcoat—a woman, who Chief George Fontaine of Kernersville said was "the Queen of Virginia's bootleggers" came to grief in that village last night.

She gave her name as Gene Buck, her age as 26, her home as Peter's Creek, near Stuart, Virginia.

Chief Fontaine said he found two five-gallon cans of corn whiskey and five one-gallon tins of apple brandy in her automobile.

The Kernersville officer said she pulled ten \$20 bills from her pocket, thrust them at him and asked to be let go. Instead, she was brought to Winston-Salem, held in jail for the night and released today on \$500 bond, furnished by a Winston-Salem man, to appear before Kernersville's mayor for a hearing.

Chief Fontaine said the woman always traveled alone, dressed as a man, and had been running liquor four years, to his own knowledge.

Meadows Personals

Meadows, Dec. 20.—Mrs. J. W. Tuttle, who has been ill at her home for several weeks, is some better, friends will be glad to know.

Miss Carrie Tedder spent Saturday night with Miss Nannie Booth.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Wall visited friends at Winston-Salem Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Tatun and daughter, Alma, of Walkertown, spent the past week with their parents Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Mounce.

Miss Rebecca Mabe, who has been ill at her home for several weeks with pneumonia is some better, friends will be glad to know.

Carlo Flinchum and Vincent Wall called on Misses Blanche and Irene Tuttle Saturday and Sunday night.

Miss Laura Mounce will spend the Christmas holidays at Oak Ridge with her brother, Pete Mounce.

Misses Lourene and Arvie Mabe spent a few days with friends at High Point.

Mrs. Thurman Joyce spent Tuesday with her aunt Mrs. John Joyce.

Harry Hill and Ada Robinson, of Belfast tied their hands together to drown, but found the water too cold and abandoned their death pact.

LIGHT SALES ON LICENSES

Most North Carolina Couples Go To Virginia Or South Carolina To Wed Since the Laws Here Are So Strict.

Register of Deeds B. P. Bailey stated today that he had sold only four or five marriage licenses since he came into the office of Register of Deeds, on Dec. 1st. A majority of these few were for colored couples. While the financial depression is to blame for the light sales to some extent, a greater cause is that a majority of the couples who wed in Stokes are buying their licenses in Virginia. It is noted from the Stuart, Va., paper that a number of Stokes couples buy licenses there each week, while others go to Martinsville, Va., and still others to South Carolina.

This is caused largely by the fact that in this State if either of the parties desiring to wed are under 21 years of age they must post notice at the court house for 5 days that they expect to marry unless the consent of the parents is secured. Also both parties must undergo a physical examination and pay the physician.

In Virginia and South Carolina there are no such laws. So those States get most of the matrimonial business.

Magazines For Sick And "Shut Ins"

R. S. McRae, of Walnut Cove, requests The Reporter to announce that he has a lot of interesting magazines and weeklies to distribute to the sick and "shut ins." Let him know if you care for any of them. He is located near the A. & Y. railway crossing in the McRae Farm Products Building.

Christmas Tree Here Dec. 24th

A Christmas tree, with appropriate exercises, will be held at the M. E. church here on Wednesday night, Dec. 24. The young pupils of the school have this week been practicing songs, recitations, etc.

Rural Hall Bank Suspends Business

The Rural Hall Bank & Trust Co. suspended business Saturday. The reason for closing was given as inability to realize on slow paper.

When James Colvey of St. Louis, was summoned for failure to support his family, he was unable to work because he suffered from "neurasthritis."

John Jacobs, of Bloomfield, N. C., saved 63,000 pennies in 4 years and bought a new automobile.