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NO RESIGNATION FROM MR. STONE

COUNTY COMMISSIONER CLAIMS HE HAS NOT REMOVED HIS RESIDENCE TO SURRY COUNTY — EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS AND ENDORSES HOWARD GIBSON—SALARY CUTS AND RAISES DISCUSSED—OTHER MATTERS BEFORE THE BOARD AT MONDAY'S SPECIAL MEETING.

The Stokes County Democratic Executive Committee met here last Saturday and recommended Howard Gibson, of Pine Hall, as a successor to F. P. Stone, present incumbent. Board of Stokes Commissioners, but whose resignation was expected owing to the understanding that Mr. Stone would resign following his reported removal to Surry county.

But at the special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners held at the court house Monday, at which J. A. Joyce, chairman, F. P. Stone and H. H. Brown were present, Mr. Stone left it known that he had not removed to Surry county, and was still a resident of Stokes. (Therefore, his resignation was not forthcoming.)

The report that Mr. Stone had removed to Surry, that he was no longer a citizen of Stokes, and his immediate resignation as a member of the Stokes county Board of Commissioners was expected at once, has been generally current in the county, and was published in the last issue, of the Reporter. The Reporter's informant stated that Mr. Stone had rented his Stokes county farm to his son-in-law, and that he had taken up his residence in Surry county.

Monday's meeting of the Board of Commissioners was a special called session to consider the installation of a new lighting plant at the jail, as well as the consideration of some other matters of county interest. There was a discussion of the reduction of salaries of the county officials, with the exception of Auditor Frank P. Stone, whose salary was proposed to be raised \$900.00. No action was taken in the matter. No salaries were curtailed, none raised.

The matter of installing a new electric lighting plant at the jail was deferred pending the report that the S. P. U. Company may extend its lines to Danbury, in which case the county would save money by patronizing the public service company, instead of investing in a new plant, which will cost upwards of \$1,000. The present lighting outfit at the jail is said to be old and wornout, and giving bad service.

Violating the Game Laws.

Austin Eaton and Chester Smith were tried recently before Justice O. M. Flynn on the charge of violating the game laws. Likewise, Ned Tedder was arraigned before Justice T. W. Gerry. The verdict against each of the defendants was the same: Payment of the cost of the action, and the purchase of license to hunt.

HOWARD GIBSON IS RECOMMENDED

DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETS AND RECOMMENDS SUCCESSOR TO F. P. STONE—CLERK OF THE COURT TUTTLE HOLDS THE APPOINTIVE POWER.

Howard Gibson, who was the runner-up in the last Democratic primary for county commissioner of Stokes, was recommended for commissioner by the Stokes county Democratic Executive Committee at its meeting here last Saturday.

This action by the committee was taken in response to the generally understood situation wherein County Commissioner F. P. Stone, alleged to have removed to Surry, a vacancy would be created on the Board of Commissioners by Mr. Stone's resignation, which was expected.

The executive committee, however, can only recommend. The appointment of a new county commissioner to fill a vacancy on the board is vested only in the Clerk of Superior Court, J. Watt Tuttle, yet he would be doubtless guided by his party's wishes.

Danbury Parent Teachers' Association

(Reported for the Reporter.) The Parent Teachers' Association of Danbury met Tuesday evening, Dec. 13, in the school auditorium. The meeting was opened with a short but interesting program, a prayer by Rev. J. B. Needham, followed by a duet by Mrs. N. E. Pepper and Mrs. O. W. Marshall. The program was concluded with a very helpful talk from Mr. Needham.

The following business was attended to after the program. Mrs. W. G. Petree was elected vice-president, Mrs. Ralph Scott, secretary of the association. A welfare committee was chosen made up of Miss Janie Martin, Mrs. J. W. Hall and Miss Mattie Sue Taylor. Also a cafeteria committee: Mrs. N. E. Pepper, Mrs. O. W. Marshall and Mrs. A. J. Fagg. In addition to this a school ground improvement committee was chosen composed of T. W. Hovis, Mrs. R. R. King, Mrs. N. A. Martin and Mrs. W. G. Petree. The meeting was closed with prayer by Rev. J. B. Needham.

Revival Closes With Several Accessions to Church

Several accessions to the Danbury Presbyterian church marked the closing of the revival services which had been conducted by the pastor, Rev. O. W. Marshall. The last sermon of the revival series was preached by Mr. Marshall at 11 A. M., Sunday.

At night the pulpit was filled by Rev. J. W. McFall, pastor of the First Presbyterian church of Mount Airy. The sacrament of the Lord's Supper was observed at this service, and following the communion there were several accessions to the church.

FIFTY-MILE CHASE AND THEN DEATH

EXCITING EXPERIENCE OF PROHIBITION OFFICERS AND RUNNERS FROM PRICE TO WALKERTOWN.

Clyde Seagraves, 28, bricklayer of High Point, was instantly killed at Walkertown at 1:15 o'clock Tuesday morning when the Ford roadster in which he was riding with Dexter Welborn, 23, also of High Point, crashed into a tree. The car, which was being chased by Prohibition Agents L. G. Trexler and C. S. Felt, was loaded with 119 gallons of liquor besides the two men, and was demolished.

The chase had led from Price and during the 50-mile drive, though the road was slick, the speed frequently exceeded 70 miles, so the officers say.

Welborn, who escaped after the wreck, was arrested later near Sedgewick, and placed under a \$3,000 bond, charged with manslaughter, in addition to the charge of transporting booze.

Welborn has a police record, but the dead man, it appears, bore a good character.

Shades of Sixty-One

Sanford Ring, of Westfield, 85 come spring, hale and spry, rugged and still unreconstructed, was down after his pension today.

Mr. Ring is one of the last survivors of that band of tiger-cats known as Reece's Battalion, made up of Stokes, Surry and Forsyth sharpshooters, men of the hills who fought around and all over Richmond and Fredericksburg, and who were with Stonewall Jackson when he was accidentally killed by his own men at Chancellorsville. Before the surrender, Mr. Ring had a look-in of a few months at Point Lookout, a dastardly place, he says.

Mr. Ring's step is still as steady almost as when he marched with his musket and knapsack and cannon on the Rappahannock and his eye is still keen enough to glance down the long barrel of a rifle and see the white of the eyes of a Yankee, or a deserter making away with the corn and meat.

In Stuart Hospital

The Stuart Enterprise reports the following Lawsonville, Stokes county, citizens in the Stuart hospital: Wm. McHone, with injured foot. Mrs. Maggie Smith, improving. J. C. Spencer.

Private Sale Of Personal Property

On Friday, December 23, 1932, at one o'clock P. M., I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash all of my personal property at my old home near Quaker Gap church: Tobacco flues, Tobacco sticks, Two stacks hay, Lot of wheat boxes, Various farm tools of all kinds, Other articles too numerous to mention. T. V. SIZEMORE, Germantown, N. C.

NEW RED CROSS SUPPLIES ARRIVE

VARIOUS TOWNSHIP OFFICIALS OF CHARITABLE ORGANIZATION HERE PREPARING FOR PRE-CHRISTMAS DISTRIBUTION.

A new supply of clothing and other articles to be handled by the Red Cross arrived at the court house today. In response to call by Chairman of the county organization, I. C. Carson, quite a number of township Red Cross officials were here making arrangements and receiving instructions touching a pre-Christmas distribution of supplies.

It is learned that applications to the Red Cross for relief in this county will probably exceed those of last year.

KING NEWS

King, Dec. 14.—J. B. Graham, of Farmington, was among the visitors here Sunday.

Morris Pulliam, of the United States Marine Corps, who is spending a furlough with his parents at Asheboro, visited relatives here last week.

Gilbert Ripson, of Tobaccoville, Route 2, and Miss Iris Preston, of King, motored to Hillsville, Va., Saturday where they were united in marriage. Their many relatives and friends join in wishing them a long and happy married life.

H. W. Slate, of Winston-Salem, spent the week end here the guest of relatives.

The following births were registered here last week: To Mr. and Mrs. Paul Southern, a daughter; to Mr. and Mrs. Coy Simmons, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Frank Butcher, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Owens, a daughter, and to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Spalnhower, a son.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilburn Shouse and Master T. D. Tuttle, of Rural Hall, visited relatives here Sunday.

Dr. Gilbert F. Petree is nursing a broken arm, the effects of a kicking Ford.

Sheriff J. John Taylor, of Danbury, was here Saturday on his regular tax collecting round. He stated while here that collections were fairly good.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas S. Eaton, of Winston-Salem, were among the visitors here Saturday.

Only a small per cent. of the tobacco crop remains to be sold in this section.

Raleigh Young, of Danbury, was here Saturday shaking hands with old friends. Lawrence MacRae's idea of building a road to the top of Moore's Knob is meeting with the approval of citizens here and it is hoped that it will materialize.

The King All Stars won a double header basketball game for the Old Richmond high school of Forsyth Thursday night. The games were played in the King gymnasium.

Spencer Tuttle and P. M. Newsom made a business trip to Walnut Cove Monday.

R. P. Lazenby, of Mount Airy, was a business visitor here Monday.

Ho, For Moore's Knob.

Mr. Lawrence MacRae's suggestion of a toll highway to the top of Moore's Knob, at the expense of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, meets with the approval of everybody.

It is assumed that the N. C. State Highway Commission will furnish the engineering and equipment, while the county would no doubt bear the expense of the dynamite and feed the mules.

P. W. Davis recently of Winston-Salem, removes to Lynchburg, Va., where he will conduct a Ford agency.

OFFICER KILLED NEAR STUART

CONSTABLE SHEPPARD MEETS HIS DEATH WHILE POLICEMAN FRANS IS SERIOUSLY WOUNDED — A FFAIR AT JOYCE'S FILLING STATION.

Constable Sheppard, son of Robt. Sheppard, of Stuart, Va., was shot and instantly killed, while Police officer Frans, also of Stuart, was seriously wounded in a gun battle between the law and run-runners three miles out of Stuart, at Joyce's filling station, Saturday night.

Frans is now in Stuart hospital, while two young men of Mount Airy, Harvey Vernon and one Midkiff, are in jail charged with the crime.

The fight occurred when Sheppard and Frans followed Midkiff, Frans and three others in a car out from Stuart. The car in which the alleged bootleggers were riding had previously been captured by Stuart officers, and was being held. Midkiff and his party went to Stuart Saturday and tried to repossess the machine, but were not allowed to do so by the officers. The report goes that the visitors took the car without authority at night, and were in the act of escaping when overtaken by the pursuing officers. At the filling station the pursued found their car out of water, and had to stop. The officers arriving, Sheppard jumped to the ground with a gun in each hand, and was immediately shot down. Frans, who had no gun, was trying to pick up Sheppard, when he was also shot by the run-runners.

Play By The P. T. A. Thursday Night

A play by the Danbury Parent Teachers' Association will be rendered at the Danbury school on Thursday night, December 22, at 7:30.

No admission will be charged, but a free-will offering will be accepted at the door, the proceeds going to defray the expense of establishing the Cafeteria at the school.

Negroes Jailed

Dick Headen and Robert Scales, both colored, were given a hearing before N. A. Martin, J. P., Monday, and committed to jail without bond, charged with burglarizing the home of Dr. A. G. Jones at Walnut Cove. They will await the spring term of superior court.

R. O. Lasley Dead

R. O. Lasley, of Winston-Salem, died in the government hospital at Atlanta Saturday. He was a son of the late J. M. Lasley, of Walnut Cove.

Closes Dull

Tobacco market closes today (Friday) dull and low, average 8 cents. To date the Winston-Salem market has sold 31 million pounds for 3 1/2 million dollars. Market opens again Jan. 9, after a vacation of 3 weeks.

Snow Coming

The weather feels like snow today. The weather man predicts snow for Saturday.

YOUNG MAN BURNED TO DEATH

MACK ROSS OF PATRICK COUNTY MEETS DISTRESSING END — JOE GWYNN IN JAIL CHARGED WITH KILLING PROCTOR MARSHALL—OTHER NEWS OF NEIGHBORING VIRGINIA COUNTY.

Mack Ross, the 27-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harbour Ross, of Elmsville, Patrick county, Va., was burned to death Sunday, Dec. 4, about noon at the home of a neighbor, Joe Cruise, whose home was also destroyed by the fire.

Ross, together with several neighbors, was visiting the Cruise home, and it is learned that he went upstairs with the announced intention of taking a nap. The Stuart Enterprise says when he was seen he was smoking a cigarette and it is supposed that he dropped off to sleep with it still burning, thereby setting fire to the bed. The fire had made such headway before discovered that repeated attempts to rescue the trapped man were frustrated by sheets of flame which met all who tried to enter by door or window. The fire spread rapidly and but little was saved as the house burned to the ground.

Funeral services were conducted by Elder P. C. Brammer at the family burial ground Monday afternoon following.

The deceased is survived by his parents, one grand-mother, Mrs. Charles Pedigo, of Roanoke; four sisters, Mrs. Annie Tatum, Mrs. Lois Tatum, Misses Senah and Mary Agnes; two brothers, Charles and Daniel; several aunts and uncles and other relatives.

Joe Gwynn, of The Hollow, is in jail at Stuart, charged with the murder of Proctor Marshall, 22, son of Arnold Marshall, of the same neighborhood, Tuesday afternoon, December 6.

Details of the killing are meager, but it is learned from officers that John M. Montgomery and Proctor Marshall were engaged in a fight, when they were approached by Joe and Alex Gwynn, both of whom carried guns. It is alleged by Gwynn that Marshall turned upon him, and that he shot in self-defense.

A wedding of special interest in many States, because of the popularity and widely known activities of the contracting parties, was solemnized early Wednesday morning, Dec. 7, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Dobyne, of Claudeville, when their daughter, Mrs. Annie Dobyne Reynolds, became the bride of Attorney S. W. Tompkins, of Missouri.

The marriage was marked by its simplicity, Mrs. Reynolds having no attendants, and only immediate members of the family being present. Elder S. A. Thompson, of Stuart, Va., officiated.

Geo. S. Nolen, aged 89, one of the most highly esteemed citizens of Patrick county, died at his home near Elmsville of pneumonia Dec. 6th.

How times have changed. Cain didn't threaten to withdraw from the league and Moses didn't go around talking about getting war debts refunded.