

JOHN HILL TALKS ABOUT SMITHTOWN.

Says He Doesn't Know Who Killed Officer Hendrix and that There Is No Blockading Going On in Smithtown.

Greensboro Industrial News.

John Hill, another of the Smithtown moonshiners for whom large rewards were offered in connection with the killing of Deputy Collector J. W. Hendrix, is now behind the bars in the Guilford county jail. He was captured Wednesday morning [at his home in the Smithtown community by S. K. Herkrader] and H. J. Walker, of Surry county, and brought here yesterday on the train from Mt. Airy and placed in the cell with Oscar Sisk.

No one person has so far been charged with the killing of Hendrix. Sisk, Hill and Smith are wanted on charges of illicit distilling, and the rewards were offered for their arrest on these charges, anticipating that in this way the slayer of Hendrix would be captured. A true bill was found against Hill by the federal grand jury and a capias has been in the hands of the marshal for some time. United States Commissioner J. M. Wolfe fixed Hill's bond at \$2,500, and, it is probable, that the bond will be executed in a few days.

Hill says he was not at home the day officer Hendrix was killed, adding that he was out of the state at the time, having gone to Martinsville, Va., after a load of goods for his store, and knew nothing about the officers having been in the community until he returned. He said the only charge against him is that of permitting an illicit distillery to be operated on his premises and that he did not fear the outcome of the trial. Continuing, he said:

I live about three miles from Sisk's house and about two miles from Jim Smith's. I have known Sisk and Smith for a long time, but I was never at Sisk's house.

Jim Smith is one of the cleverest men in the world and would do anything to accommodate his friends. I have not seen Smith since last Saturday and have not discussed the killing of Hendrix with him. There is some talk about the killing, but not as much as you might think. Some people think Hendrix was shot by one of the officers. I have never heard any one say that Jim Smith or Oscar Sisk shot him.

"There is no blockading going on in Smithtown. There is no drunkenness or rowdiness in the community and the people never fight among themselves. They will sometimes shoot at the revenue officers but they never fight each other."

The reporter suggested that there is a prejudice in the community against revenue officers. Hill said there is not, but admitted that the people up there looked upon the revenue law as an encroachment upon their liberty.

"In violating the revenue laws they think they are doing no moral wrong," he added.

Hill describes Smithtown as one of the best communities in the country—no blockading, no drinking, no fighting. The people are sending their children to school and attending to their own business and bothering nobody, according to Hill, who seems to take pride in the fact that he hails from a community which has won a wide reputation for lawlessness. He said that he was only indicted once in his lifetime and that was about thirteen years ago. He was charged with illicit distilling, but was acquitted by the jury. He said that he operated a brandy distillery summer before last, but never had anything to do with the manufacture of whiskey.

When asked what article of produce he bought at his store he replied, "chickens, eggs, butter, walnuts, walnut kernels and such other articles as are usually

bought at a country store," but denied emphatically that he deals or has ever dealt in whiskey. He said that his store would not be closed while he is in jail, but that his wife and boys would conduct the business. He has eight children, among them four grown sons.

North Carolina Day Exercises At Moore's School House.

Sandy Ridge, Dec. 23rd. Editor Reporter:

It was the writer's pleasure to attend North Carolina Day exercises at Moore's School House.

After a brief walk through the woods we came to the school house, which we found filled with bright faced boys and girls.

The school house was beautifully decorated with holly and paper flowers, and the program, which we send below, was well rendered, the children doing great honor to themselves and their efficient teacher, Mrs. J. S. Nelson.

Miss Nannie Southern, of Sandy Ridge, furnished us some excellent music on the graphophone, while Master Matt Brown played the guitar.

Those of the patrons and friends of the school who were present expressed themselves as highly pleased with the entertainment, and the progress their children had made in their studies.

PROGRAM.

Song—"Ho, For Carolina," by the school.

Recitation—"Two and One," by Belle Corn.

Recitation—"Good or Ill," by Obeira Moore.

Recitation—"In the Morning," by Zilla Nelson.

Recitation—"Take This Letter To My Mother," by Charley Mabe.

Recitation—"A Little Girl's Complaint," by Nellie Smith.

"Andrew Jackson," a reading by Speedwell Mabe.

Recitation—"Before It Is Too Late," by Willis Moore.

Recitation—"Take Good Care Of Mother," by Eva Wilson.

Recitation—"The Kitty Cat," by Posie Moore.

"A Christmas Hymn," by Esther Nelson.

Recitation—"Thanksgiving," by Swanson Moore.

Recitation—"A Short Sermon," by Gilmer Wilson.

"James Knox Polk," by Mrs. Watt Craig.

Recitation—"Santa Claus' Substitute," by Frank Smith.

Recitation—"The Star," by Jno. Corn.

Recitation—"Freddy's Questions," by Myrtle Duggins.

Recitation—"My Little Sister," by Belle Corn.

Recitation—"A Housekeeper's Troubles," by Obeira Moore.

Recitation—"Coming Of the Spring," by Charley Mabe.

Recitation—"A Very Small Girl," by Zilla Nelson.

Recitation—"School Bell," by Clifton Moore.

Recitation—"The Lark," by Ethel Spencer.

Recitation—"Two Boys In School," by Arelias Duggins.

Recitation by Moir Moore.

Recitation by Alma Smith.

Recitation—"After School," by Ella Corn.

Recitation—"If All Were Roses," by Eva Wilson.

"Origin Of the Scotch Irish, Their Character," by Mrs. Will Rhodes.

Recitation—"Trials Of a Twin," by Ernest Mabe.

"W. Alexander Graham," by Obeira Moore.

Recitation—"A Glorious World," by Dewey Mabe.

Recitation—"Looking Into the Future," by Esther Nelson.

Recitation—"Another Wave," by Belle Corn.

Recitation—"A Memory System," by Willis Moore.

Recitation—"Pearls Of the Sea," by Eva Wilson.

Recitation—"Children's Day," by Nellie Smith.

Recitation—"The Sign-Board," by Obeira Moore.

Recitation—"Now, I Lay Me Down To Sleep," by Esther Nelson.

Recitation—"On Christmas Day," by Speedwell Mabe.

Song—"America," by the school.

Recitation by Swanson Moore.

Recitation—"The Dead Baby," by Myrtle Duggins.

Recitation—"Little Helpers," by three little girls.

Recitation by Carrie Smith.

Recitation—"Boy Wanted," by Arelias Duggins.

Recitation—"If I Had Been a Bethlehem Child," by Clyde Hutcherson.

Song—"Carolina, Carolina, Heaven's Blessings Attend Her," by the school.

Then followed an excellent address by Mr. W. D. Poore, of Sandy Ridge, after which the school sang "God Be With You Till We Meet Again," and was dismissed with a short prayer by Mr. Poore.

The school opened again December 30th.

The Gentry-Bennet Marriage.

A large number of friends and relatives gathered at the home of Mr. I. B. Gentry on December 25th, to witness the marriage of Mr. C. O. Boyles, of Winston, to Miss Virginia Bennett, of Mount Airy.

At 11:30 o'clock we were all assembled in the room that was neatly decorated with ferns and evergreens, where the ceremony was performed by Rev. P. Oliver, of King. The bride was neatly attired in white silk and mohair. The attendants were Mr. D. R. Boyles, of Winston; Miss Daisy Gentry, of Winston; Mr. T. S. Bennett, of Boonville; and Miss Effie Gentry, of King Route 2. At 12 o'clock the party left for Mr. R. R. Boyles' father of the groom, where a host of friends and relatives were gathered to welcome the happy couple, and where a sumptuous dinner awaited their arrival.

Mr. C. O. Boyles is a member of the firm of Boyles Bros. Clothing Co., of Winston, and the couple will make that city their future home.

We extend many congratulations to the happy couple. May they have a happy new year, and may their pathway through life be one of peace, joy and prosperity.

A RELATIVE.

Mr. J. P. Simmons, salesman for the Winston Clothing Company, after fifteen weeks' illness with typhoid fever, is able to be at his post of duty again. He was at the hospital more than a month.—Winston-Sentinel.

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This the 31st day of Dec., 1907. J. W. SLATE, admr. of W. H. Tillotson, decd. P. O.—Mizpah, N. C. N. O. Patree, Atty. for admr.

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