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#### UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT ISSUES ORDER OF CONFISCATION AGAINST SMITHTOWN LANDS

About 4,000 Acres of the Best Land In Stokes County To Be Seized By the Revenue Authorities. The Order Sent to District Attorney Holton, Who County To Be Seized By the Revenue Authorities.
The Order Sent to District Attorney Holton, Who Says He Will Carry It Out to the Letter--Government May Hold the Contraband Real Estate, Or Meeting the Contraband Real Estate, Or May Hold the Contra May Sell.

Winston-Salem, Jan. 8.-In accordance with plans of the United States government to stamp out blockading in the notorious Smithtown settlement and restore peace and order in that section of the State, the United States Commissioner of Internal Revenue to-day authorized District Attorney A. E. Holton to institute libel proceedings against the lands of every inhabitant of the section, convicted of illicit distilling. The ruling also applies to residents of Smithtown, who are now serving terms in the Federal prison for illicit distilling in the last few years.

District Attorney Holton stated tonight that he would proceed at once to institute libel proceedings against several land owners of Smithtown. He believes this to be the only effective method of ridding that section of the makers of "firewater." Smithtown is located in Stokes county, and is about two miles square containing about 3,000 or 4,000 acres of good farming lands, and some of the best land in the county is in the blockading section. Those who persist in making blockade whiskey will have their lands forfeited to the government, as District Attorney Holton states that he will carry out the instructions of the commissioner to the letter. After gaining possession of the land the government may sell it or hold it, as it sees fit to

ion of the land the government may sell it or hold it, as it sees fit to to.

A distillery plant found upon the premises of a resident of that section is sufficient cause for libel proceedings against the owner of the and and unless he can show the courts he has no connection with the and and unless he can show the courts of the land the government may sell it or hold it, as it sees fit to to her home in the land the government may sell it or hold it, as it sees fit to to him. Numa Christian is sporting to think of that revenue officer being killed at Smithtown, here to the home in the here home in the spending a week or two with her spending a week or two with tion is sufficient cause for libel proceedings against the owner of the land and unless he can show the courts he has no connection with the plant his lands will be forfeited. The directions of the commissioner contain another clause, which makes the order more sweeping. It says that a man who allows another to pass over his lands, going to and "TIPSY." from an illicit distillery for the purpose of operating the same, is guilty and his land is subject to forfeiture to the government.

There can be no doubt of the fact that this will put an end to block. ading in Smithtown, and that hereafter revenue officers and others can invade that section with safety.

Madison, Jan. 13.—We are have

pleasant birthday dinner and par-

ty given Mr. Drury Boyles at

his home Monday by 90 of his

friends. The occasion was the 57th birthday of Mr. Boyles, who

#### FORTY-FIVE STUDENTS AT Some Notes From Madison Route 3 DALTON.

#### Prof. Flynt's School Flourishing-News Of Interest From Dalton.

Dalton, Jan. 13.-Prof. W. A. Flynt enrolled 45 students last week, and expecting more. We are glad to know the school is building up. It is a good school, C., is very low with pneumonia, building the school is bu Flynt enrolled 45 students last rained and didn't many of the with two good teachers, and more ought to be in school here that are visited Mr. S. G. Wall last Sun-

Miss Lula Schultz went to

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Winston last Wednesday, return
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Dipped is the teacher.

Mr. C. J. Schultz was right sick last week with rheumatism, but is better now. Hope he may soon

Carlile, the little son of Mr. Staley, has been right sick the

past week but is improving. Mr. Will Rutledge is teaching

out the public school at Legisla-

Miss Ruby Hamm had a spelling last Thursday night. A good attendance and a nice time. Miss Ruby is having fine success with her school. All the students like

her. She is a good teacher.

Miss Alice Salley returned
home Saturday after spending a week with her sister in Rural ter from Mr. W. L. Hall to the Hall. She was accompanied home Reporter Monday told of the

by her sisfer, Mrs. Carroll.

Mr. Marshal Hedgecock is visiting Miss Lucy Roberson again
Saturday night and Sunday; but
guess he will leave this morning.

Mr. Edgar Spainhower called
on Miss Lula Schultz Saturday
night and Sunday. Guess Misses
Lula and Lucy thought the rain
Saturday night was lucky for
them as their beaus had to spend
the night.

He Is Suffering With Indigestion-Mr. W. A. Tilley and Family Recovered From Smallpox-Other News Of Interest.

good crowd in attendance.

Mr. W. A. Tilley's family is visited at I out again after having to spend Christmas housed in with the Thursday.

smallpox.
Mrs. R. S. Collins, of Francisco spent a few days last week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Simmons.

Mr. J. W. Tilley, of Mt. Airy, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Tilley.

Mr. Reid Martin returned to Mt. Airy Monday, after spending a while with relatives and friends of this place. Dr. J. J. Leak, of Asbury, is

very low with indigestion, we are sorry to note. A number of revenues passed yesterday, having captured sev-

of the Smithtown blockaders and destroyed several dis-tilleries. Hurrah for the revenues. I wish them God speed until they can destroy the last one. Mr. George Simmons went to

Pilot Mt. yesterday to purchase him a horse. Guess he is fixing to sport Miss Willie W., as he

#### Some Campbell News.

Campbell, Jan. 13.-We are Tuesday was the roughest day we have experienced in a long time.

Mr. D M Martin went to Stuart,

Va., Wednesday on business.

Miss Lillie Brown has returned home from a visit at Stuart.
Mr. W. R. Hylton had a cutting

part of the country.

Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Mitchell gave a Tacky Party at their home near Saxon Saturday night but it rained and didn't many of the rained and didn't many of the rained sunday, as he was seen going up the road towards Creasy's.

Mr. J. M. Lovins didn't get mar-

Messrs. Robt. and Lem More-field called at Mr. D. M. Martin's Saturday to see Miss Lillie, I

Mr. Robt. Dalton was married Mr. and Mrs. Wright Glenn Cheer up, Miss Ella, Mr. - visited Mrs. Glenn's mother, Mrs. alright yet.

alright yet.
Mr. Henry Hawkins called on
Miss Maud Sands Saturday night. Young, near Dillard, Sunday.
Mr. Jess and Miss Jettie are expecting to get married soon.

Miss Florence went to see Mr.
C. Sunday. It is leap year and she has started at once. The men in the Smithtown sec tion are getting thin.
BLUE JAY.

#### Returned From New York

Miss Hester Wall visited Miss Effic Blackwell last Saturday and Master Paul Taylor, the 12 year There will be a singing at Miss old son of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Taylor, was carried by his mother to Mary Joyce's next Saturday night. THREE SCHOOL GIRLS. New York City last week where he was examined by eminent spe-cialists for an injury to his knee A Birthday Dinner Tendered Mr. Drury Boyles By Ninety Of His which was received accidently a few months since, and which it has been feared would prove permanent. Mrs. Taylor and her son manent. Mrs. Taylor and her son manent. ter from Mr. W. L. Hall to the returned from New York Monday The Reporter is glad to learn that the patient was given encouraging advice by the examining physicians.

is very low with cancer and not expected to live long. After the dinner was over Mr. J. E. Sim-

Interesting Items and Personals From Sandy Ridge Route 2-Now Is the Time For Stokes to Stamp Out the Whiskey Traffic.

Sandy Ridge, Route 2, Jan. 13.-Mrs. A. J. Gann has been very

Mr. Jerry and Hugh Dodson visited at Mr. A. J. Gann's last

Peter Gann yesterday.

Mr. Chase Price moved last week from this neighborhood on Col. Galloway's land near Oak Grove Church.

Messrs. Monnie Shaffer, Charles Amos, A. J. Gann, and W. S. Shaffer were the guests of Mr. Joe Purgeson yesterday. Mr. Pur-gerson entertained them by play-ing some fine pieces on his graph-

ophone.
Mr. Will Hutcherson has lately moved in this neighborhood, on Mr. Tom Kallam's land, from near Cardwell's mill.

A. B. C's letter on whiskey in the last issue of the Reporter, was certainly good. Now is the time for all the good people in Stokes has already bought him a new top buggy. Hurrah for you, "Georgie." to rise up against whiskey, more so than they ever have in their lives. Isn't it sad when we come neighborhood where everybody is engaged in making and selling whiskey, they will find all the good fertile land grown over in forests and broomstraw. Farming seems to be a thing of the past.

The people have all grown very indolent and care for nothing at all, not even to send their children to school, but whiskey is all they care for. And when we go into homes where the fathers are drunkards, we find the children half clothed and sometimes hungry, their houses are barely furnished, and they always need something else in the way of clothing, food and so on, so very much

worse than they need strong drink.

Our dear old Stokes County
will never be what it ought to be unless liquor is entirely whipped out of it.

### CAMPBELL.

Campbell Route 1, Jan. 13.—
Miss Lillie Brown entertained
quite a number of her friends
Thursday evening.
Mr. Bob Morefield went over to

Critz Saturday in a two-horse buggy after his letter. Wonder

what is up?
Mrs. D. M. Martin visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Brown,

Mr. Lemmie Morefield, who has been in the west for some time, is back in Stokes again.

All reports a nice time.

Misses Lula and Lilla Martin,
Messrs. Wesley Pringle, Frank
Tilley and Matt Moore visited
Miss Stella Watkins Sunday.

Mrs. Covie Smith visited Mrs.
D Martin Sunday afternoon

D. Martin Sunday afternoon. Messrs. Gilmer Watkins, Wes-

ley Priddy, Bob and Lemmie ties Morefield called to see Miss Lillie Morefield caned to see Brown Sunday evening. A. B. C.

## To Attend Business College.

Mr. Everett Hartmam, of the firm of Mrs. R. L. Hartman and The stockholders of the Bank of Stokes County will meet at the Walnut Cove bank on Tuesday, January 23. The new stockholthorough business course. During his absence the mercantile business at home will be managed by his mother and some of the young-

# DR. J. J. LEAK, OF ASBURY, MRS A J GANN MUCH IMPROVED. RECOVERING FROM SCARLATINA FARMERS MARKETING

Dillard Jan. 14.—We think our good people are recovering from the severe fright over scarlatina, which seemed destined play havoc with the school at this place about two week ago.

Miss Susie Grogan spent last
Thursday night at the home of
Mr. George Rakestraw. She reports having a very nice time.
Master Fred Amos, Joe Bill
Joyce, Jesse Shaffer, and Edgar
Mabe were the guests of Master
Pater Grong vesterden.

Mr. L. W. Blackwell of Pine
Hall, was here a few days ago.
Mr. Moore, salesman for the
Brand Shoe Co., Roanoke,
Mr. R. A. Deshazo, of Sandy
Ridge, was here today on business. Mr. L. W. Blackwell of Pine

Mr. Joe H. Carter, of Pine Hall, was in our hamlet on busi-

ness Friday.

Messrs. James Herd and Anderson Duncan went to see Misses Mary Sue and Helen Willis Sun-

day afternoon.

The clever salesman for Lipfert-Scales & Co., Mr. Watson,
was in town Saturday.

Mrs. Ed Lasley, who has been

quite feeble for a long time, does not seem to improve, we are sorry to say, but is rather worse

The telephone line between this place and Madison has been

As news seems to be a little scarce at Dillard this week I will wring off, with best wishes to the Reporter and it readers.
"A."

#### Interesting Letter From Smith.

Smith, Jan. 13.—Some of the boys of this section have stopped going to school to hunt and kill birds. Boys when you kill the innocent birds you are committing a crime, for when God made the birds He made them not for worthless boys to slaughter, but to be useful to the farmers. If it wasn't for the birds to keep the insects killed out, the farmers would soon have to quit farming. It is of late years that the farmers can't raise anything but what the insects destroy a part of it. Most of the land in this section is posted under the game law and you cannot hunt on it without violating the law and it is a good thing. If the boys would only stop hunting and go to school it would be better for them and the country too.

The school here is progressing

is Mr. Jno. Leak. He has a good attendance and a good quiet school. He has no rock throwing, no ball playing, and don't let any of the scholars play any kind of games that there are any danger in, just as any teacher ought to do. HOMIE MOORE.

#### THE CONFISCATION OF SMITH-TOWN.

Some Of those On Whom the Losses Will Fall--Many Innocent Parties to Suffer--Excitement.

The order of the United States government for the confiscation of the Smithtown lands, is creating a great deal of excitement in all

back in Stokes again.

Mr. Jack Ayers, who lives near
Nettle Ridge, gave the young people a party last Monday night.

Sections of the country,
About 4 thousand acres of land, it is learned, will fall under the decree of condemnation, and in this sections of the country,
About 4 thousand acres of land, scope is comprised many acres of splendid farming lands, belonging in some cases to parties who not only have never engaged in the illicit distilling of liquor them-selves, but who had no knowledge of any such violations of the law on their premises by other par-

The Reporter is informed that losses will fall heavily on James P. Smith, Louis Sheppard, the Rierson heirs, Joseph Bateman, Oscar Sisk, W. W. King, Shelton, Spencer, and others.

The order of the government is very sweeping, and when it involves the lands of all parties who have even allowed ingress and egress over their lands for the operation of the blockade distilleries, it is certain to be wide in its application.

Mr. Hardin Covington, of Meadows, paid the Reporter office a welcome visit Tuesday.

# TOBACCO.

The Dillard School Moving Along Nicely Again—Mrs. Ed Lasley Unimproved—Telephone Line Repaired.

Since the Warehousemen Are Paying Cash, the Weed Moves Rapidly From Western Stokes—Miss Mary Williams Very Sick—Mr. A. M. Marsh To Move.

Pilot Mountain Route 2, Jan. 13.—The farmers are marketing more tobacco for the last several days than they have been doing, owing to the fact that they are now paying cash for the weed.

Several, returned from market last week and report prices good.

Miss Mary Williams is very

sick, we are sorry to note.

Miss Addie and Mr. Eugene Lemons returned to their home in Winston last week, after visit-

with this section for some time.

We are sorry to learn that Mr.

A. M. Marsh, our hustling merchant, is going to sell out and move from our midst. He is going to Ararat, N. C.

The Cook school pupils and the The Cook school pupils and the Hollow Springs debators had their joint debate Friday night. Their question was "Resolved, That George Washington Deserves More Honor for Defending America. Then Columbus Does for ica Than Columbus Does for Discovering it." The judges rendered a decision of 2 to 1 in favor of Hollow Springs, who represented the affirmative, but it was wrong beyond a shadow of doubt and most all that heard the discussion said that the negative made the best argument. Cook's school house boys said they had rather have the honor of getting the question and not get it than to get it and not have the honor of it.

# Debating Society Organized--Other Notes From King Route 2.

We have prayermeeting at Mt. Olive church once every week. It will be next Saturday night, January 18. The leader is Rev. J. Thomas Smith, of Westfield, and assistant Bro. Scales Cromer, of King. The 12th chapter of Ro-mans was selected by Bro. Cromer as the chapter to open with. In this chapter we will find sundry practical duties recommended. I think it is a good chapter to read and study. There will also be prayermeeting at Oak Grove school house Monday night, January 13th at 7 o'clock. We hope to see a good crowd out. There is nothing better than a good prayermeeting in a neighborhood. It looks like to me that some one would organize a good prayernicely, as we have one among the would organize a good prayer-best teachers in Stokes county, it meeting in Smithtown nieghbor-

Elder J. Thos. Smith, of West-field, will fill his regular appoint-ment at Mt. Olive Saturday and

Sunday next.

We have a good debating society organized at Oak Grove. We have a debate every Thursday night. The last querry was, "Re-solved, That War Has Been More Injurious To the Human Family Than Intemperance." Three judges gave the query to intemper ance, after a long discussion of both side. The query for next Thursday is, "Resolved, that There Is More Pleasure In City Life Than Country Life." A goodly number of speakers were chosen on both sides on both sides.

## Farmer's Quick Step 'Phone to Be Extended to Grabb's—Little Mat-tie Gunter Sick—Mr. Will Keiger Depot Agent at King.

King, Jan. 15.—There was quite an excitement in King to-day. The Grabbs M'f'g. Co., team ran away, but no serious damage was

Little Mattie Gunter is real sick. Hope she will soon be able to enter school again.
The Farmers' Quick Step'Phone

Line will be extended as far as the widow Grabb's. The material is already ordered.

ready ordered.

Mr. Edgar Spainhour, from
Roanoke Va., is visiting his parents this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie White
visited at Mr. Charlie Fulp's Sun-

day. Mr. Willie Keiger is depot agent

here now.

It has become evident that at the coming session of Congress the administration will ask for a large addition to the navy.