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WALNUT COVE NEWS

THE TOWN STILL IMPROVING

Mr. Jacob Fulton Remodeling His Home—Mr. John Lackey Comes in Town From Colorado and Will Live at the Cove.

Walnut Cove, January 16.—Mr. Downing and Mr. Bolt, from up north, are stopping at the Cove Hotel for the winter.

There is another lot of horse traders in town. The market for mules and horses seems to be quite active this winter.

Mrs. Cassell, a widow lady living in Stokesburg, was taken to St. Leo's Hospital at Greensboro this week. It seems she has cancer of the neck caused by a tack in her neck. Her foot will have to be amputated. Quite a serious operation considering her age.

Mr. Sam Green, who lives about two miles north of town, has a little daughter very sick with appendicitis. It is about the third attack, we think. They will carry her to a hospital in a few days.

Mr. John Lackey landed at Walnut Cove Saturday night from Rocky Ford, Colo. He brought his family and aims to live here. He has not yet decided what business he will engage in. He says Mr. Matt Lackey's wife has been dead for some time. We hope Mr. Lackey will decide to locate here, for we gladly welcome all good citizens.

Mr. Jacob Fulton says coming events cast their shadows before. He is looking for greater prosperity and better times than ever before, therefore, he is enlarging his store, putting in more shelves and extending his store, putting in large plate glass windows and working over the front, otherwise improving his store building so he can accommodate his friends.

Mr. Harry Davis says there is a mighty pretty girl who lives about two miles north of town, and he wanted to call on her one dark night and was afraid to go up the dark, haunted road alone.

Miss Mollie Gibson is at Mayo-dan sick. She will come home here Saturday if she gets able.

SUCCESSFUL ENTERPRISES.

Huntley-Hill-Stockton Co. and Boyles Bros. Co. Do Successful Business in 1908.

The stockholders of the Huntley-Hill-Stockton Company held their annual meeting in the office of the company Tuesday night. The reports of the officers showed that the company had done a most successful business during 1908, despite the panic. This company has one of the most up-to-date furniture stores in the State. They give a service that is equal to any furniture store in the larger cities and second to none in the South.

The old officers and directors were re-elected and Mr. Claude C. Marshall became a stockholder. The officers are: B. F. Huntley, president; J. F. Crouse, first vice-president; W. P. Hill, second vice-president; J. Frank Morris, secretary; M. D. Stockton, treasurer. The officers constitute the board of directors.

BOYLES BROS. CO. HAVE GOOD YEAR.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Boyles Bros. Co. was held at the office of that company last night. The report of the secretary showed that the firm has enjoyed a splendid business for 1908 and that the business for the fall of 1908 was greatly increased over the fall of 1907. The old officers were re-elected: D. R. Boyles, president; R. W. Gorrell, vice-president; C. O. Boyles, secretary and treasurer. The directors are D. R. Boyles, R. W. Gorrell, C. O. Boyles, P. A. Gorrell and W. C. Boyles.

WALNUT COVE ROUTE 1

Walnut Cove Route 1, Jan. 19.—Farmers are having a few more nice days to begin their new crop.

Mrs. Arthur Newsom has been in poor several days with neuralgia but is able to be out again.

Mrs. Luther Mitchell, who has been sick, is rapidly improving. Messrs. Gray Rutledge and Thos. Wood visited at Winston Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Cora Young went to Winston on business Monday, returning Tuesday morning.

Mr. Milton East, of Vade Mecum, was here Monday.

Mr. N. D. Mitchell, of Walnut Cove Route 3, was in town Monday.

VADE MECUM NEXT SUMMER.

Mr. A. F. Moses Says It Will Again Be Open For Guests.

Mr. A. F. Moses, trustee of the Vade Mecum Springs Co., which was forced into bankruptcy several weeks ago, has returned from the springs, where he went to sell some live stock and other perishable property. Speaking of the matter, Mr. Moses stated that he was confident that he would be able to dispose of the property in a manner that would not only pay off all obligations but would also make some money for the stockholders. The hotel will be open next summer.

While at Vade Mecum Mr. Moses disposed of three horses, three mules, nine cows, a lot of feedstuff and a storehouse filled with goods. The liabilities of the company are approximately \$15,000 and the assets are 400 acres of land, a 45-room hotel, 18 cottages and other smaller items.

Mr. Moses stated that the hotel would again be open next summer and thus give the people of Winston-Salem and the country at large a chance to summer there. The waters of Vade Mecum are really remarkable and are in great demand. Ex-Judge W. S. O. B. Robinson, of Goldsboro, recently telegraphed for a barrel of the water regardless of expense.

The announcement that the springs will again be open and that the stockholders will lose nothing will come as good news not only to those directly interested, but to the thousands who have visited this resort for years. —Winston Journal.

J. H. HAMPTON DEAD.

Stokes County Veteran Expires Suddenly at Age of 70 Years.

Germanton, Jan. 18.—Mr. J. H. Hampton, one of the oldest citizens of Stokes county, dropped dead at his home, near this place, late yesterday afternoon. He was very old—seventy-one years—and, though his death was not unexpected, his sudden taking away was a shock to his aged wife, who is also very feeble. Mr. Hampton served four years in the Confederate army, being a member of the 21st N. C. Regiment. He leaves besides his wife, several children and grand-children.

WALNUT COVE ROUTE 1.

Walnut Cove R. F. D. No. 1, January 18, 1909.

Dear Mr. Editor:

As it has been a good while since I wrote to the dear old Reporter, I will write a little.

There is a lot of sickness in this section.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hampton's baby is very low.

Mr. and Mrs. Smith's little child is very sick, and also Mrs. Lilla Tatum has been right sick, but is improving, we are glad to note.

Mr. and Mrs. James Young visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John R. Smith, Sunday evening.

Little Misses Emma and Fannie Meadows visited their cousins, Meddie and Beddie Meadows, Sunday.

Miss Bertha Meadows visited Miss Nannie Montgomery Sunday.

Mrs. Georgie Bowman, who has been quite ill, is improving we are glad to note.

The prayer-meeting at Palmyra has been changed from the fourth Sunday to the first, on account of preaching at Bethel Baptist church.

Miss Catherine Smith visited at Mr. Dock Tatum's Sunday.

"BILL"

Two Deaths at King.

W. W. Southern, a highly esteemed citizen of this county, died at 5:25 Thursday morning at his home near King, at the age of 72 years. The deceased was a well known farmer and a man widely known and will be greatly missed by the people of the community in which he lived. Besides a wife, three sons and four daughters survive. The deceased served in the war of 1861-65, in the 21st N. C. regiment. The funeral service and interment were held at Mt. Olive Friday at 1 o'clock.

Mrs. Susie Loggins, aged 92 years, died at 9:30 Wednesday morning, at her home near King, after an illness of several weeks. The deceased was the oldest resident of that section and a woman widely known for her good works. The funeral services and interment were held at Macedonia at one o'clock Thursday, conducted by Rev. Mr. Oliver.

STOKES COUNTY FAIR CAN'T FORD RIVER

LETTER FROM SECRETARY KIGER

Meeting of Stockholders at King Jan. 2.—Last Year's Fair a Success—Plans to Be Enlarged For this Year.

The stockholders of the Stokes County Fair Association met in regular session at King, N. C., Saturday, January 2.

The report of the secretary was read first, after which followed the election of officers. Nearly all the last year's officers were continued. The stockholders were pleased with the success of the last fair, and made a move at once to raise enough to pay for five acres more land.

The amount was soon subscribed to be paid in by February 1st. The present stockholders subscribed liberally and some sold and transferred stock to other good citizens of the county.

The Association now has nearly ten acres of land, five acres fenced, two good wells, two exhibit buildings, a poultry shed and a stock shed.

We propose enlarging our buildings this year, put the grounds in nice shape, and by next fall be prepared to accommodate exhibitors much better.

The Association wishes to impress on the minds of the people the importance of planning at once to produce something for exhibit at the next fair. If you give your crops special attention in order to raise something for exhibit you will increase the value of your crops beyond your expectations.

The State grants us aid in order that the people may be aroused to the possibilities within their reach.

Premiums will be paid on many things not included in last year's list, and you need not fear to make an effort. And to the ladies, let them begin now to produce the articles they desire to exhibit, as the managers expect to confine themselves to this year's productions in all departments.

Our Ladies Department last year received many compliments and we expect to have a much larger department this year.

While some may think they did not get justice—let us remember that the work of many hands was judged by the few and that all people are subject to errors—in behalf of our judges, I wish to say that as a rule, we think your judgments rendered were perfectly satisfactory.

Now we hope every stockholder will increase their stock and aid in every way for the betterment of this year's fair.

WILL R. KIGER, Sec.

PINNACLE.

Pinnacle, Jan. 18.—Miss Dora Wall, who has been very sick with grip, is improving.

Miss Myrtle Wall and brother, Ernest, spent last Sunday at Mr. D. L. Boyles'.

Little Ruby, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ludie Venable, is right sick at her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Lum Boles.

Miss Margaret Edwards left last Friday for Winston to visit friends and relatives. She will return next Thursday.

Miss Myrtle Wall gave a spelling match Friday night. There was a large crowd present, and twelve schools represented.

Mr. Alver Wright's little son 4 years old was taken sick Saturday at noon and died that night and was buried Sunday evening at 3 o'clock in the Shiloh cemetery.

Mr. C. H. Boyles and wife will move into their new residence this week. "ARNICE."

Holton and Millikan to Go

The gossip in Washington is that District Attorney Holton is to walk the plank. Ditto Marshal Millikan, of the western district, says Tom Pence in his special to the News and Observer. Both of these officials have served three terms, which is a rather remarkable length of service in these days of modern politics. Holton and Millikan were slated for dismissal four years ago, but Judge Boyd's interest in the two officials circumvented the influence of the organization leaders. The district attorney and the marshal of the western district are carrying the handicap of third terms, and it does not seem probable that they can overcome the opposition of the machine, which is boldly arrayed against them.

NUISANCE AT PINE HALL

A Drive of 15 Unnecessary Miles—Absence of Old Booze Noticeable—Homestead Law Should Be Repealed.

Pine Hall, Jan. 18.—Mr. R. N. Wall, one of our Justices of the Peace, was in town a few days ago. We are glad to see the magistrates waking up to the necessity of public improvements as to our roads. Mr. Wall takes the grounds we always have contended for, that there is no use of spending money on roads unless you bridge the streams on the roads. The road supervisors or some one else should be accountable for the condition of the ford at this place. The taxpayers are entitled to some protection; forbearance ceases to be a virtue some times.

The absence of old booze is very noticeable, as the whole country seems to be quiet and peaceable.

The ford of the river at this place is still impassable. It has become a public nuisance. One of our neighbors just across the river had promised to do some work for the brick people a few days ago and was forced to drive around by the way of Walnut Cove, a distance of 15 miles to get to his work, which was only one mile away.

Mr. Hall Parish is attending Smithdeal Business College at Richmond, Va.

Misses Nellie and Mamie Flior are in school at Clemmons, N. C.

The present homestead law should be repealed or amended by this Legislature. This law has long since served the purpose for which it was passed, and the necessity for such a law no longer exists; it no longer protects the honest man but is a legal shield to help dishonest men evade their honest debts. We hope to see this come to the front this Legislature.

An excellent sermon was preached here last Sunday by the new pastor, Rev. C. H. Clyde, from the text: "My Heart's Desire and Pray to God that Israel Might be Saved." The river being past fording as usual the congregation was very small.

Mr. Wade Chisman and wife and his wife's mother left Friday for Twin Falls, Idaho, where they expect to make their home. Wade was a splendid citizen, and will be badly missed by many friends here.

Mr. Riley George's Party—Other News From Walnut Cove Route 1.

Walnut Cove Route 1, Jan. 18, 1909.

Dear Reporter:

People in this section are very busy preparing for another big crop of tobacco.

Mr. J. M. Westmoreland purchased a fine mule a few days ago.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. George visited Mr. Henry George last Sunday.

Mr. Riley George is looking sad, as he did not see his best girl Sunday.

Mr. Riley George gave his friends a party last Friday night. Among those present were: Messrs. J. W. Hicks, Jessie Stephens, R. F. Hicks, Oscar Flint, Will Heath, Jonah Heath, Larry Westmoreland, Misses Nannie Flynt, Emily, Nelie, Eva, Nannie Rierson, Daisy Taylor. All reported a nice time.

Miss Nelie Rierson is looking sad since Mr. G. W. Lewis has left.

The Isom school, taught by Miss Kizzie Easter, is getting along fine.

Mr. James Plumer visited Mr. Riley George last Sunday.

Mr. Nick Kiser is no better, we are sorry to note.

Mr. Tom Rutledge came near losing his house by fire a few days ago.

Mr. Sam P. Heath, who is teaching school near Red Shoals, visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Heath, last Sunday.

An Error Corrected.

The Reporter's correspondent at Walnut Cove was in error last week in stating that Mr. Jacob Fulton would be a stockholder in the Stokes Grocery Co., which has recently opened for business at Walnut Cove. Mr. Fulton will not be connected with the firm in any way.

Maj. W. S. Ray returned Sunday from Francisco, where he had been visiting friends and relatives and courting since Christmas.

SOMETHING DOING AT KING.

The Town is Rapidly Growing—Various Items of News.

King, Jan. 18.—Mrs. Jack Gunter left last Wednesday morning to visit her sick daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Bill Hill, of Germanton.

Mr. Doff Tuttle and family visited their daughter, Mrs. O. L. Pulliam, last Friday.

Some of the young folks of King went out in the old pine fields Sunday morning, found a turkey as they thought; caught him, put him in a sack, and went to a neighbor's house to show their turkey, and let it out of the sack, and as soon as the ice melted off its wings he flew away. And to their surprise they found that it was a turkey buzzard.

Mr. Tom Baker and family, of Germanton R. F. D., visited relatives at King Saturday and Sunday.

All the Fair Associations of N. C., met in Greensboro the past week and Mr. E. P. Newsome represented the Stokes County Fair Association, and reports a nice time.

While we have about 400 population in our little village, we are doing a land-office business. Have one of the best known furniture plants in the South. They are working full time, still being behind with orders. We have four large dry goods and grocery stores that are working overtime.

We have two modern churches, which are largely attended.

We have one of the best schools in this section, taught by Mr. O. L. Pulliam and Miss Harriett Ross, assistant, with 115 enrolled. Lasts four months in the year.

Mr. Pulliam says he will continue to teach 2 months after free school is out.

We have a new and up-to-date barber shop, neat and clean as a pin.

We have 8 telephones in this place and three more to be put in as soon as possible. The Quickstep still holds the lead of the 'phones at this place.

We have 3 large lumber plants, all doing good business. These mills are owned and operated by the Grabs Manufacturing Co., and Caudle Bros. The Grabs Mfg. Co. have cut and put on sticks 75,000 feet since Christmas with one mill, which they got up of their own good skill; with turner that turns its own logs. By the touch of a button the steam and mill does the rest.

We have two R. F. D. mail routes going out from this place six days in the week. While this gets our postmaster out a little sooner, but he says he feels better by getting up early than if he slept late.

Anyone doubting the population of this place can find it to be a fact by meeting any passenger train at King.

We are reliably informed that we are to have a new hardware store. A bowling alley and a lively stable are soon to be established at this place. It is also rumored that we are to have a new hotel.

BLUE EYES.

Still Killing Porkers on the Ridge—Personals.

Sandy Ridge, Jan. 15.—Miss Mabel Amos is on the sick list this week, we are sorry to hear.

Messrs. Claud Hutcherson, Wallace Vernon and Elmo Biggs called on Miss Rakestraw Sunday afternoon.

The school here is progressing nicely.

Master Edgar Ellington has gotten almost well, we are glad to hear.

Rev. Bud Joyce will hold his regular appointment at Oak Ridge church Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Fannie Hawkins has returned home from Critz, Va., where she has been visiting. We are glad to have her in our midst again.

Mr. Carter had quite a crowd at his singing class Thursday evening.

Mr. Thomas Martin is remodeling his house.

Mrs. Hallie Hutcherson, of Madison, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Joyce, this week.

The ladies have been having several quilting parties since Christmas.

The people are still killing porkers in this section.

Mr. T. J. Davis is selling a patent fertilizer distributor, which bids fair to become of general use on the farms.

PRICES IMPROVING

REPORT FROM WINSTON MARKET

About a Million Pounds Sold Since Christmas At Average of \$10.40—Stokes Farmers the Principal Sellers.

Winston-Salem, January 19.—Tobacco on this market is selling well. Since Christmas something over a million pounds have been sold at an average of \$10.40. A big lot of the weed from Stokes is here today. Indeed Stokes is the principal seller these days.

Local buyers think that the balance of the crop will bring at least 10 cents average.

ANTI-TRUST BILL COMES UP

Is Introduced in Both Houses of Legislature -- Tax on Coca-Cola Being Discussed -- Scarborough's Seat Contested--Other Matters.

The famous sub-section "A" to the bill aimed at the trusts was introduced in both houses in the legislature the past week. The bill is the act of 1907 over again with this section back in it, making it unlawful for any persons or corporations to have any agreement, express or implied, to lower or prevent the increase in the price of any article they may desire to purchase.

The law-makers are after the coca-cola people again. A bill has been introduced to tax manufacturers and bottlers of all drinks containing the drug caffeine \$50 a year, for the benefit of the public schools. The bill does not touch coffee.

Mr. Scarborough, one of the Representatives from Wake county, has been served with a notice that right to hold his seat in the house would be contested. The charge against Mr. Scarborough is that he is holding two remunerative offices at the same time, being postmaster at Eagle Rock, N. C.

Senator J. M. Reynolds, of Stokes, introduced two bills in the Senate the past week, as follows:

To pay jurors in Stokes county. Relating to the government of appropriations to roads.

REYNOLDS IN LEAD FOR POSTMASTER.

Present Postmaster of Winston-Salem Has Strong Support For Another Term.

Winston-Salem, N. C., Jan. 12.—It is learned from the highest authority that Postmaster C. A. Reynolds has the indorsement of State Chairman Adams and Congressmen-elect J. M. Morehead, requesting his reappointment as postmaster for Winston-Salem for another term of four years.

It is also stated from a perfectly reliable source that before Messrs. Adams and Morehead gave their indorsement, the state chairman received a letter from the first assistant postmaster-general, stating that an investigation into the affairs of the Winston-Salem postoffice showed them to be in splendid shape, etc. The assistant postmaster-general also expressed the desire that the state chairman recommend the reappointment of the present postmaster, which he promptly did. Congressman-elect Morehead, it is understood, when notified of the letter received by Mr. Adams, promptly wrote a letter adding his indorsement in connection to the one given by the state chairman. In accordance with the action referred to it would seem that Lawyer J. T. Benbow's aspiration for the postmastership will come to naught.

Meetings of Farmers' Union.

The Stokes County Farmers' Union will hold its next county meeting in Danbury on Saturday, February 13, 1909.

Mr. E. A. Rothrock, secretary of the Union, writes the Reporter that it is expected to have a good speaker address the farmers at that time and everyone is invited to come out.

Isom's Union, near Walnut Cove, will meet at Isom's school house on Friday night, Jan. 22nd.

Marriage License.

James W. Durham, 28, to Margaret Smith, 24.

Luther Sullivan, 22, to Maud Flippin, 22.

Banner Scales, 21, to Hattie Scales, 18; colored.