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## WALNUT COVE NEWS

### MORE IMPROVEMENTS NOTED

Mr. Hedgecock Begins Work On His Large Dry Kiln—Payne Opens a Meat Market—Mrs. Hill Burton Sick—Other Interesting Items.

Walnut Cove, Feb. 1.—Mr. Stull, of Botetourt county, Va., is stopping at the Central Hotel for a few days. He is on his way from the South and says it is so warm here he could not stay.

Mr. D. S. Watkins left Friday for a trip south and stopped to see his brother, Dr. Thos. Watkins, at Advance.

Mr. Jacob Fulton says his large plate glass for the front of his store has arrived and will soon be put in place.

Payne has just completed a city market, which will add much to the looks and convenience of the town.

Mr. John Fulton has commenced to ship goods from his wholesale house. He left Monday on a business trip, and also Mr. J. A. Petree will leave on an extended trip.

Mr. Hedgecock will commence work Monday on his large dry kiln over at his brick plant.

Mr. Cabell Hairston has gone to Virginia on an extended visit to relatives.

Sorry to hear of the critical illness of Mr. J. M. Martin, of Winston. He is an old Stokes citizen.

Rev. A. L. Betts passed through town today on his way to the union meeting at Oak Level Guilford county.

Messrs. A. W. Davis and Joseph Whitton have gone over the mountain to buy mules. Mr. Davis' wife and children have gone to Kernersville to visit her parents while away.

Mrs. Cassell is getting on nicely. She had her foot amputated and is on crutches and will soon leave the hospital and come home.

Mr. Riddick left here this morning for East, Va.

If the young man who took the little pearl handle revolver from Central Hotel will bring or send it back, there will be nothing said, otherwise, somebody may look for trouble.

Mr. Dault Davis' store was entered and robbed of a watch and other articles of value a few nights ago.

Mrs. Hill Burton is right sick. Hope she will soon be better.

### A Surprise Birthday Party for Miss Zenia Green—Other King News Of Interest.

King Route 2, Feb. 1.—The young people in this neighborhood gave Miss Zenia Green quite a surprise last Monday night, it being her birthday. Those present were Messrs. Ollie Pearson, Arthur Kiser, Oscar, Lee and Cicero Cromer, Walter Moser; Misses Lula, Daisy and Beatrice Moser, Myrtle and Maud Kiser. All seemed to enjoy themselves fine.

Mr. Tom Lawson, who has had typhoid fever some time, is much improved, we are glad to say.

Mr. Oscar Cromer called on Miss Myrtle Kiser Sunday.

Mrs. Nannie Moser, who has been sick for some time, is better. The young people are expecting good time at the quilting this week at the home of Mr. W. H. Kiser's.

Mr. Nat Greene, who has been sick with pneumonia, is out again. Messrs. Lee and Cicero Cromer and Arthur Kiser called on Misses Lula, Clemmie and Beatrice Moser Sunday evening.

### BROWN EYES.

Messrs. W. H. White, of Germantown Route 1, and Robt. Johnson, of Walnut Cove Route 1, paid this office a visit yesterday.

## TOBACCO MARKET

### PRESENT CROP AVERAGE, \$10.19

At Winston the Price Holds Up Well, and the Warehousemen Are Doing their Best For the Stokes Farmers.

Winston, N. C., Feb. 3.—Breaks are small at all the warehouses here today. Prices are holding up well.

Since the market re-opened on January 4th the sales have aggregated 2,926,272 pounds, an increase over the corresponding month of last year of 1,154,620 pounds. The average for the past month was \$10.45 per hundred, and for January, 1908, it was \$11.92.

Since the beginning of the present tobacco year the market has sold 19,650,233 pounds, an increase over the corresponding months of last year of 9,174,400, or nearly 100 per cent. increase. The present crop has averaged thus far \$10.19 per hundred, against an average of \$10.52 for the same months. However, in this year's crop the August sales are included, a change having been made in the date of the tobacco year, and as the August sales consisted of over 700,000 pounds of primings, which never make a high average because they can be used for only a few purposes on account of their inferior quality, the average for the past two years can hardly be compared. Taking the sales from September 1 to February 1 both of years in question and the average would be about the same.

The warehousemen here wish to say to their many Stokes friends that they are doing their best for them, and will continue to do so, and that they will guarantee the highest prices for the balance of the 1908 crop.

### MEMBRANEOUS CROUP FATAL.

Death of Little Earline Mitchell, Other Dillard News.

Dillard, Feb. 2.—According to the ground hog, we will have a lot of winter yet.

There has been quite a lot of sickness in this vicinity for the past few days. Most all the sick are improving at the present.

Mr. Gilmer Williams, of Martinsville, Va., spent last night here.

Messrs. Anderson Duncan and Russell Mitchell, who have been in school at New Bethel Academy, visited their parents Saturday and Sunday.

Earline, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Wilson Mitchell, died last Thursday with membranous croup. She was two years and six months old. She had been sick for several days, but her condition had not been considered serious until Wednesday. Dr. Wilson, of Madison, was summoned to attend on her, and also a specialist from Winston came, and all that loving hands could do was done, but nothing availed. Little Earline was a sweet child and her presence is sadly missed. The parents have the sympathy of all their friends.

### Next Saturday, February 6.

I wish to take this method of thanking my friends for the nice trade they are giving me for a starter, and especially the people of the surrounding neighborhoods for the nice produce trade. Those good ladies of the country who have brought me chickens, eggs, butter, produce, etc., received good prices for it. I want others to come. I am daily receiving new goods of all kinds, which will be sold either for cash or produce at the lowest prices.

Everybody cordially invited to come next Saturday, February 6. Something nice for you.

A. J. FAGG,  
Danbury, N. C.

## Distressing Accident Near Davis' Chapel

### MR. JOHNNIE ADKINS FATALLY INJURED

Thrown By a Mule Early Monday Morning, He Was Found in the Road Unconscious With Skull Badly Fractured—Death Came Today At 11:30 A M Affair Casts a Gloom Over Community--Was An Excellent Young Man.

Mr. John S. Adkins, familiarly known as "Johnnie," was thrown from an unruly mule near his home five miles east of Danbury early Monday morning, and received injuries from which he died at 11:30 o'clock today.

The accident occurred on the hill between Davis' Chapel and Snow Creek. Mr. Adkins had started to Danbury, and was riding a young mule, which he expected to trade to Smeak & McCreary here for one more easily managed. When half way down the hill, the animal it is supposed became unmanageable, and threw the unfortunate young man on his head, fracturing his skull. He was found a short while afterwards by Mr. John W. Young, and was unconscious. Help being summoned, Mr. Adkins was removed to his home near by, and physicians sent for. Once he recovered a semi-consciousness, but soon relapsed into insensibility.

An operation on Tuesday by Dr. W. L. McCleas, of Danbury, and Dr. H. T. Bahnson, of Winston, revealed a fracture of the skull from a point above the left ear to near the base of the brain,

probably four inches in length, from which a portion of the brain had oozed. The physicians pronounced the case entirely hopeless. After lingering until today about 11:30 o'clock, Mr. Adkins died without having recovered consciousness.

The deceased is survived by a young wife, formerly Miss Della Martin, of Pine Hall, and two young children; by an aged mother, Mrs. Hiram Adkins, and sisters and brothers as follows: Mrs. M. T. Chilton, of Danbury; Misses Lizzie and Susie Adkins, of Red Shoals; Messrs. Jay and Henry Adkins, of Red Shoals; Mr. Chas. Adkins, of North Dakota, and Mr. James Adkins, of Winston.

The funeral and burial will take place tomorrow (Thursday) at the family grave-yard near Red Shoals, and will be conducted by Revs. D. A. Binkley and Chas. Hutcher-son.

The extremely sad affair has cast a gloom over the neighborhood, and a large section of this part of the county. Mr. Adkins was a most excellent young man. A large circle of friends here and elsewhere sympathize deeply with the sorrowing relatives.

## NO MEETING MONDAY KILLED IN MINE

### TWO OF COMMISSIONERS SICK

But Quite a Crowd Was on Hand to See the Board, to Confer With Horse Traders or Transact Other Business.

There was no meeting of the County Commissioners here last Monday, owing to the illness at their respective homes of Messrs. Thomas M. Lawson and Jerry P. Smith, members of the Board, both gentlemen being unable to be present. Mr. John W. Gann, chairman of the Board, however, was on hand, but could transact no business on account of lack of a quorum.

Quite a large crowd was here on matters of business with the Board, to confer with horse traders, or attend to other business.

### Clearance Sale To Make Room For New Goods.

Beginning Saturday, February 6th, at 8:00 o'clock, and lasting two weeks, Mrs. R. L. Hartman & Son, of Hartman, will begin a big clearance sale of dry goods, shoes, notions, etc., to make room for new spring goods. This will be an excellent opportunity for you to get bargains, and you should not fail to attend the sale, as more than a thousand dollars worth of goods will be sold at and below cost.

### Card From John R. Smith.

NOTICE—I have the contract to sell Stokes and Rockingham counties a patent Wheat Separator and I will guarantee the machine to take every grain of cockle out your seed wheat. I will sell the machines at \$15 each. Let me know if you want one and will see you at once. Your friend,  
JOHN R. SMITH,  
Walnut Cove, N. C., Route 3.

Mr. J. F. Shelton paid us a pleasant call Monday.

## THE LEGISLATURE ADDRESS TO FARMERS

### HOMESTEAD BILL COMES UP

Representative Fagg From Stokes Heard From on Haymore's Fox Bill—The Trust Bill With Teeth Before Committee Today.

Raleigh, Feb. 3.—The long-expected bill to amend the constitution as to the homestead exemption arrived in the House, fathered by Representative Kendrick, of Gaston. It proposes to change Section 1 of Article 10 so as to make the personal property exemption \$200 instead of \$500, with the provision "But no merchant shall be allowed an exemption out of his merchandise or stock in trade; and Sec. 2 by reducing the real property exemption from \$1,000 to \$500, providing "But no real or personal property shall be exempt from sale for taxes or for payments of obligations contracted for purchase of the same, nor shall partnership property be exempt from sale of partnership debts." The bill provides that the vote on the proposed amendment be taken at the next general election.

Mr. Haymore's fox-protection bill for Surry caused a little ripple. Mr. Fagg wanted an explanation. He thought foxes were hurtful to agricultural interests. He got the explanation. Mr. Haymore informed the House that the protection was desired "so there will be more foxes to run in fox time."

But Mr. Haymore made a slip and gave the closed season, October to February, instead of the other way, and Mr. Majette was on his feet to say that if that were to be the closed season he would oppose the bill.

The trust bill with teeth is now before the committee.

### PRETTY MARRIAGE AT DALTON.

Miss Alice Salley Takes Mr. Willie Brown for Weal or Woe—Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Coe to Go On Southern Trip—Personals.

Dalton, Feb. 1.—Dr. M. D. Phillips carried his little daughter, Julia, to Greensboro last week to Dr. Banner for an examination of the head. She has been suffering severely for several days, but glad to know her case was not very serious, and is much improved.

Last Tuesday at 1 o'clock, P. M., at the home of Mr. W. D. Salley his daughter, Miss Alice, became the bride of Mr. Willie Brown, of Winston, the ceremony witnessed by several friends and relatives of both bride and groom.

Afterwards they had dinner and left on the 3 o'clock train for Winston, accompanied by several of the guests. The bride wore a suit of blue and gray.

Mr. Ed Shultz spent last week with his parents, returning to Roanoke, Va., yesterday.

Mr. C. J. Shultz has been suffering again with rheumatism for the past week.

Little Marvin, son of Mr. C. T. Hamm, has been right sick for several days.

Dr. M. D. Phillips has had a slight attack of pneumonia the past few days; unable to practice, but is much better.

Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Coe expect to leave next Saturday on a trip to Jacksonville, St. Augustine and Tampa, Fla., and Toccoa, Ga., and back to Ontario, Va., to visit Mrs. Coe's parents. They will spend several weeks.

Miss Myrtle Wall expects to have another spelling match next Friday night at Chestnut Grove.

Mr. J. S. D. Pulliam was in Dalton last Tuesday on business. Prof. W. A. Flynt's school is progressing nicely and good attendance.

"EVA."

### BY PRESIDENT ALEXANDER

Delivered at First Annual Meeting of North Carolina Farmers' Union Held at Monroe, Dec. 16th, 1908.

As I behold this vast concourse of strong, intelligent men, I feel that this is an auspicious occasion for our organization. I recall the fact that the blood that flows in the veins of the men before me today is the same blood that carried their colors farthest at Gettysburg and was the last to furl them at Appomattox. Blood will tell. We are legitimate sons of an ancestry of which we are all proud. Proud of their record in war, and proud of their achievements in times of peace.

Returning from the battlefield to impoverished and devastated homes, without money, without credit, labor conditions utterly demoralized, our forefathers, with heroic courage, began the work of rebuilding our Southland and by an indomitable will, pluck and perseverance they have bequeathed unto their children the greatest country in the world today. Then is it not reasonable to expect that the sons of such noble sires will press forward, conquering and to conquer, even unto far greater achievements than those of their fathers? We know furthermore that great industrial achievements are not the result of individual effort, but of the combined labors of the many. No chain is, however, stronger than its weakest link, therefore, any organization whose principles and policy do not contemplate and provide for the prosperity of the individual members that make up the whole, is founded upon the sand, and will not withstand the storms of discontent, lack of confidence, suspicion and accusation, which are sure to assail it sooner or later. But I am glad to say, that we represent an organization founded upon an Eternal, God-given principles of justice, equity and the Golden Rule. An organization in which the combined labors of the many are united for the uplifting and betterment of the whole body. An organization in which one member of the body can not say, to another, "I have no need of thee." Unlike the great combinations of capital which seek to bespoil the many for the enrichment of the few, the Farmers' Union is seeking for justice to all and special privileges to none.

We aim not to tear down, but to build up. We desire not nor seek for prosperity at the expense of adversity to other vocations, but since we are the only real producers of wealth, we demand as our legitimate right, a just and equitable distribution of that wealth. We believe in the righteousness of our demands, but we do not for one moment advocate or countenance unlawful means to that end.

We deplore the fact that there have been outbreaks of lawlessness in our land. In some cases it was possibly due to a mistaken sense of oppression, of injustice, of the deprivation of rights; in others to a spirit of pure lawlessness and rebellion against authority. But in either case, the perpetrators of these crimes were in the wrong and should be sought out and brought to justice. You can never right a wrong by committing a greater one. And right here I want to submit that the Farmers' Union has never been in any way connected with or responsible for the crimes of the so-called Night Riders. We recognize the fact that our success depends upon our united efforts along legitimate lines. No doubt many of us have seen hard times and have been greatly discouraged, and our spirits

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