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THE TOLL ROAD

RECEIVING ENCOURAGEMENT

Movement On Foot To Extend Turnpike To Stuart, Virginia—Winston-Salem Citizens Interested In Road.

The work of soliciting stock in the proposed sand-clay turnpike from the Forsyth county line to Buck Island bridge on Dan river, via Walnut Cove, Meadows and Danbury, is receiving much encouragement at the hands of the people both in and out of the county.

N. E. Pepper, of the Reporter, left last Thursday for Winston-Salem in the interest of the road, where it was expected to present the proposition to the city's Board of Trade at its regular monthly meeting Thursday evening and ask the citizens of the Twin-City to take stock in the road, but owing to the absence from the city of a number of the members of the Board, the meeting was postponed until Thursday evening of this week, when the matter will likely be brought to their attention.

The Winston Daily Sentinel of Saturday has the following in regard to the matter:

Editor Eugene Pepper, of Danbury, who has been here in the interest of the movement to build a turnpike from the Forsyth line via Walnut Cove, Meadows, Danbury and Piedmont Springs, went to Mt. Airy this morning. He will return here the first of the week and remain for the meeting of the Board of Trade next Thursday night, when he will present the proposition to the business men of the Twin-City.

Mr. Pepper stated this morning that a delegation from Stuart, Va., is expected here next week to appear at the Board of Trade meeting and urge the business men to co-operate with the citizens of Stuart in extending the proposed turnpike to that place. The distance from Piedmont Springs to Stuart is nineteen miles. The Stuart people argue that with a good thoroughfare from that town to Winston-Salem more leaf tobacco would be brought to this market and that much trade that now goes elsewhere could be secured by the Twin-City merchants.

Editor Pepper finds much interest here in the proposed turnpike.

Republican Convention Called To Meet.

Raleigh, March 11.—State Chairman John M. Morehead of the Republican state executive committee has just issued the call for the state Republican convention to convene in Raleigh at noon on May 15 for the purpose of electing four delegates at large and four alternates for the national convention at Chicago June 18 to nominate candidates for president and vice-president. Each county is to have not less than two delegates and the basis of representation to be one delegate and one alternate for every one hundred votes or fractional part thereof cast by the Republican party for governor in the last election.

Much Land Changes Hands In Western North Carolina.

A syndicate of bondholders has taken title to more than 30,000 acres of hardwood timber lands in northwestern North Carolina. The land is not far from Wilkesboro in Alleghany, Wilkes and Ashe counties. The land cost \$472,000 and will be developed at a cost of \$1,000,000.

NEWS OF MEADOWS.

Mr. Jno. Neal Improved—School To Close With Box Party Saturday Night.

Meadows, N. C., March 11.—Mr. Jno. Neal, Sr., the oldest man in this community, 92 years old, who has been seriously ill for a few weeks, is much improved.

Mrs. Mary A. Hicks, who has been very sick for several days, is no better.

A new baby arrived at Mr. J. Frank Pepper's last week. It is a girl this time.

The little son of Elder Gabriel Boles, aged about 12 or 13, died last week of hookworm disease. He was buried at the family graveyard.

Mr. W. P. Sands, who is suffering with cancer, is not improving, we are sorry to say.

The long looked for stork visited Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Hicks a few days ago, bringing a girl.

The subscription school at Meadows is very largely attended. They are going to close with an entertainment and box party Saturday night, March 16th.

Miss America King, of Pilot Mt., is visiting friends in this neighborhood.

A new preacher, Elder Morton, preached at Clear Spring Sunday. A very large crowd attended.

Mr. Sam Tuttle, of Winston, spent Saturday and Sunday with his mother.

Mr. Brady Tuttle, who has been ill with rheumatism, is better.

MR. REID WRITES AGAIN.

Answer To Letter of Mr. Y. S. Smith—Citizens of Peter's Creek Township Requested To Attend the Good Roads Meeting.

Danbury Route 1, Mar. 11. Editors Reporter:

Please allow me a little space in your valuable paper to answer a letter of recent date from Mr. Y. S. Smith, in which he says that I have given up that his long haired man is the ugliest. Now, I will say that he must show his man before he claims to win out, as you see that he is trying to get out of it by saying he has been away from him about three years and putting Mr. Frank Ross to the front. So you see Mr. Smith invited me over to go with him to see his long haired man and not to bring a cannon, that a gating gun would do, and he said when I looked under those long eye brows I would see that half had not been told. So I say if we have that sort of a man in Stokes county I want Mr. Smith to be sure and bring him to Danbury on the first Monday in April, as we are going to have a Republican convention on that day, and let us all see him for ourselves, for if I was to take my gun and go over there and see him and not get killed and come back and say that Stokes had such a man in her borders it would be hard for me to make my people believe it. So come on boys and pick your man—one that is ugly and wont get mad, for it's all for fun and you will find me at the bat when it comes my time.

We want everybody in Peter's Creek township to be at our good roads meeting at Shepard's school house on the 16th. Very respectfully,
H. H. REID.

Want a live agent to represent Chalmers' automobile. GARLAND DANIEL, Greensboro, N. C. 13mar4t

Mr. Sweetening King, of Capella, was in town Tuesday.

WANTED—A TRAIN

WINSTON TO MARTINSVILLE

A Passenger Train Going Into Winston-Salem From Martinsville, Va., In the Morning Would Be Great Convenience To Stokes County People.

The Reporter is glad to know that the Retail Merchants Association and the Board of Trade at Winston-Salem are making a strong effort to induce the N. & W. Railroad to put on an extra train between Martinsville Va., and Winston-Salem, by way of Walnut Cove, to arrive in Winston-Salem in the morning and return in the afternoon.

Such a train would be a great convenience to the people of the southern half of Stokes county, as well as to the patrons of the road in the other counties. This would allow them to go to the Twin-City and return the same day, giving them several hours to do shopping and attend to other matters, whereas under the present arrangement it requires two days to go to Winston and back. The consequence is that most of us do not go as often as we would otherwise, and both the city and the railway company lose by not furnishing us such a train.

It is hoped that the business men of Winston will be successful in their efforts to secure this train.

THE TELEPHONE.

Some Things It Has Accomplished In One Neighborhood.

In my neighborhood every family has a telephone and I know of nothing which has helped this community so much. From a "shack" of a school building they have risen to a nice painted building and the term which used to be four months is now seven, and the teacher's salary is almost twice as large. There was no library, now they have a small but well assorted one, and the books are read with interest by everyone in the community. An Improvement Association has been organized and the school ground is being worked on. The money was raised to build this house and all other funds needed for expenses, by plans talked over and planned over the phone. They have a parents' meeting over the phone (we are all on a line). The number of pupils is small, but every child in the community of school age attends. Furthermore, the older sons and daughters are attending college.

This is what the telephone has done for us and it will do the same thing for any community, I believe. You try it and see.—Miss Lorien Annette Craig, in The Progressive Farmer.

Two More Snows Are Yet to Come This Spring.

According to those who keep up with the signs of the times and the weather, two more snows are yet to come this spring. Those who have counted say that there still lacks two of being as many snows as there were foggy mornings last August. And never has a winter gone by, they say, that snow did not cover the ground as many times as there were foggy mornings in August, except that winter which came after that August in which a certain farmer of a neighboring county declared he counted 42 foggy mornings.

Mr. H. M. Flinchum, of Red Shoals, was in town a short while today.

ROADS NO BETTER

TRAVEL ALMOST SUSPENDED

The Continued Snow and Rain Keeps Highways In Almost Impassible Condition.

The continued snow and rain has converted our highways into canals of red mud mortar, ranging in depth anywhere from six inches to two and one-half feet. In many places the roads are all but impassable and travel has been almost entirely suspended. Occasionally a four-mule team is seen passing at a snail's pace drawing a very light load. Our people are indeed paying a burdensome road tax these days.

Dr. J. Walter Neal, of Meadows, who was here Monday, stated that he had never before seen the roads in as desperate a condition as at present, and that even the by-ways and plantation roads were in a terrible condition, having been cut up by wagons in their efforts to avoid the dangerous places on the public road.

Dr. Neal is an advocate of better roads and stated while here that he would lend his support to the building of the toll turnpike between this place and Walnut Cove. He is of the opinion that the road will be a paying investment for its stockholders—and he is in position to know. In speaking of the amount of travel over the Danbury-Walnut Cove road, the doctor told the Reporter that during his illness some months ago while sitting on his porch he counted in one day one hundred and forty vehicles pass his home, and the occasion was not a special one, the principal number of the vehicles being wagons loaded with tobacco. Dr. Neal stated that a conservative estimate of the number of vehicles passing this road daily on an average would place it at not less than forty and probably fifty or more.

G. C. Mumford Released From Jail.

Sheriff C. M. Jones received a message yesterday from Sheriff Cook, of Alamance county, stating that bond had been arranged there for G. C. Mumford, who was wanted in that county for retailing. Mumford has also paid off the fine and costs against him in this county, and was yesterday released from jail here. He left for Moore's Springs soon after being released.

Yesterday the Second Ground Hog Day.

Forty days have now elapsed, according to one school of computers, since fateful February 2, whereon a certain diffident quadruped "saw the ground-hog's shadow ere himself and ran dismayed away." Tradition affirmeth that after forty days of disgusted hibernation, he cometh forth again, to see what luck he may have withal. If he again behold his shadow, straightway again he fleeth, until a fortnight more shall have become history. This, then, is the eventful day on which we shall learn whether winter's vertebrae has yielded to spring's delicate (almost imperceptible) manipulations. And may today be dark!—Charlotte Observer.

Chamberlain's Cough Remedy has won its great reputation and extensive sale by its remarkable cures of coughs, colds and croup. It can be depended upon. Try it. Sold by all dealers.

Mr. Wiley Mabe, of Danbury Route 1, was here Monday.

SMITH-FLEMING.

License Issued For the Marriage of Mr. J. Moses Smith and Miss Ada Fleming.

License was issued yesterday by Register of Deeds Slate for the marriage of Mr. J. Moses Smith and Miss Ada Fleming. The young couple passed through Danbury enroute to the home of Mr. Smith from Sandy Ridge, where Miss Fleming has been teaching the past winter, and while here the license were secured. It was not learned just when the event is to take place, though it is presumed that it will be right away.

Miss Fleming is a Yadkin county lady, her home being at Booneville, but she is well known and popular in this county, having taught several winters in the public schools. She was principal of the Buffalo school the past winter.

Mr. Smith is a young hard-working farmer and good citizen of the Francisco section.

The Reporter extends congratulations in advance and joins their many friends in wishing them a long and happy married life.

WESTFIELD LETTER.

Much Horse Trading Last Week—Mr. W. H. Tilley Improving—Personals.

Westfield, Mar. 11.—The farmers of Westfield are getting very much behind with their work on account of the rough weather. Very few have sown their plant beds and there has been but very little plowing done.

Hurrah! for Miss Nuff Said and Miss Jinkins, for summing up courage enough to answer Tar Heel Charlie's letter. Doubtless many more girls would answer if they only could sum up the courage. Girls, it is leap year, and when you strike a business proposition you should be game.

Westfield has just gone through with the greatest horse trading week it ever had. Something like a dozen horses and mules changed hands.

Miss Mand Payne has accepted a position as school teacher at Mills' school house in Va. Miss Maud has a fine record as a teacher and any school is fortunate to secure her services.

Mr. Foy O. Mangum has returned to Westfield, after spending five months at Buries' Creek attending school.

Mr. W. A. Tilley is improving slowly, we are glad to not.

Mr. Williams has arrived from Arkansas to be at the bedside of his sick mother. A young man always realizes that a boy's best friend is his mother.

Mr. Arthur Inman, who holds a position in Durham, was here last week visiting friends and relatives.

The boys and girls are getting stirred up some as to what three will get the medals. It is trying on some to speak before an audience, while there are others that do not seem to care for it.

YOURS TRULY.

Big Shipment of Tobacco.

Thirty-four cars loaded with leaf tobacco for the R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company arrived here last night and this morning. They came from Virginia and other markets where the company has buyers.—Winston Sentinel.

Mr. J. C. Kiser, of Mizpah, was among Danbury's visitors today.

CHAPERONE CHOSEN

BY VOTING CONTEST GIRLS

Mrs. Dr. J. W. Neal, of Meadows, Is Elected To Accompany Successful Girls In Reporter's Voting Contest To Seashore During Coming Summer.

The eight young ladies recently elected in the Reporter's popular voting contest have chosen Mrs. Dr. J. Walter Neal, of Meadows, to act as their chaperone and accompany them on the trip to the seashore at Wrightsville beach the coming summer.

It has not been decided at this writing just what time the young ladies will go, but it will probably be the latter part of June or first of July. The date will be published just as soon as it is definitely decided upon, as a number of the friends of the young ladies will no doubt accompany them on the week's trip.

The names of the eight young ladies comprising the party are as follows:

- Miss Jettie Morefield, of Sandy Ridge Route 1.
- Miss Annie Blair, of Danbury.
- Miss Annie McAnally, of Saxton.
- Miss Daisy Dearmin, of Westfield.
- Miss Mary Matthews, of Germantown.
- Miss America King, of Pilot Mountain.
- Miss Roxie Taylor, of Campbell.
- Miss Effie Gentry, of King.

TO PETITION COMMISSIONERS

Citizens Will Ask That New Road Be Established Between Clemmons' Ford and Buck Island Bridges.

A petition will be passed upon at the next meeting of the Board of County Commissioners in which it is asked that the public road be changed or rather that a new road be established between the new bridge across Dan river at Clemmons' old ford and the Buck Island bridge. It is learned that by establishing a road parallel with the river a good grade can be had and it will shorten the distance considerably from the northern part of the county to the county seat.

Delightful Evening at Home Of Mr. and Mrs. Hedgecock.

Walnut Cove, March 11.—Mr. and Mrs. Hedgecock, their mother, Mrs. Adams, and sister, Miss Rhoda Adams, were at home to a dozen of their friends yesterday evening. The guests consisted of the following: Mr. and Mrs. O. N. Petree, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Winslow, Misses Myrtle Samuel, Ollie May Ripple, Elizabeth Crist and Elizabeth B. Vaughn; Messrs. N. R. Hedgecock, J. R. Voss, Roy Vaughn and E. C. Byerly. A most bountiful dinner was enjoyed, and the guests will long remember the evening so pleasantly spent with their friends.

Date Changed For King High School Commencement.

King, Mar. 10.—The date for King High School commencement has been changed to March 13th, 14th and 15th. The recitation contest will be Wednesday night. The declamation contest Friday afternoon. Friday night as a climax to the occasion "The Deacon," a comedy-drama in five acts, with sixteen characters, will be presented. And the medals will be awarded.