

## WALNUT COVE SCHOOL DOINGS

**"Womanless Wedding" Given—Planning For Another Big School Building—News Of The Cove.**

Walnut Cove, May 9.—The high school here has just closed after a most successful year. Commencement began on Friday evening and continued until Monday night. The graduating sermon was preached by Rev. Douglass Rights, a Moravian minister of Winston-Salem. The graduating exercises took place at the school building Monday afternoon, there being nine members in the class. A very interesting and entertaining lecture was delivered Monday night by Dr. W. B. Moss, of Chapel Hill. The patrons and friends are highly pleased with the accomplishments of the school, especially during the past two years. Our school is now an accredited high school, being in the A class, as rated by the State. We have four high school teachers, in addition to the seven intermediate teachers, and pupils graduating in the high school can enter any college in the State without undergoing examination. The State has recently appropriated \$1250.00 for a laboratory and to improve the school library. The present buildings being insufficient we are preparing to erect a \$30,000.00 building in a short time, very likely during the present year. Two of the grades were taught in the knitting mill this year on account of the lack of room in the present school buildings.

The play "The Womanless Wedding," given Saturday night under the auspices of the Parent-Teacher Association, was a scream from start to finish. Mr. Paul Fulton, as the bride, was very handsome in a lovely white be-ruffled dress, made en train, with a bridal veil arranged cap effect, bordered with what was supposed to be orange blossoms. Mr. Carl Joyce was the groom. Prof. Duncan was becomingly attired in a pink evening dress with hat to match and played the wedding march. Dr. J. W. Slate, representing a little 6-year-old girl, was sweet in a dainty frock with cute curls bobbing around. He carried the wedding ring in heart of a cabbage head. Mr. George Fulton performed the ceremony which started off with something like this: "Peach blossom, will you have this swiveled lemon to be your wedded husband," etc. All of the characters were splendid and the play was much enjoyed by the large audience.

Mr. Shockley, the agent of the Southern railway here, is at the Lawrence hospital in Winston-Salem, having recently undergone a minor operation there.

Mr. P. T. Harrington left last week for Alexandria, Va., to visit his mother who is ill and who has since passed away, according to a message received here yesterday from Mr. Harrington.

R. W. Smith, of the Friendship section, was given a hearing before Esq. S. C. Rierson Thursday morning on the charge of interfering with the county road forces several days ago. He was bound over to the next criminal term of Stokes Superior court.

In the future Rev. J. T. Ratledge will preach at the Methodist church here on the first Sunday evening in each month.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Matthews visited Mr. Matthews relatives at Stoneville this week.

Mrs. T. J. Davis and Mrs. C. E. Davis spent Monday in Winston-Salem.

Mrs. W. L. Vaughn is visiting friends near Asheville.

Mrs. Will Vaughn, of Winston-Salem, spent a few days here this week with Mr. and Mrs. P. H. Linville.

Miss Minnie Cates, of Greensboro, spent the week end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. O. J. Cates.

Mrs. J. T. Hire, of Greensboro, spent the week end here with friends.

Mrs. Beverly N Jones, of Winston-Salem, accompanied by her infant son, are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Jones.

Mr. D. C. Taylor, of Quaker Gap township, was a business visitor here today. As will be seen elsewhere in this paper Mr. Taylor is announcing himself as a candidate for Sheriff of Stokes.

## STOKES OFFICERS GET TWO STILLS

**Captured Sunday Night In the Sandy Ridge Section—Also Got Some Beer—County Jail Overflowing With Stills.**

If Sheriff Turpin and his deputies continue to bring in blockade stills at the rate they have been capturing them for several weeks the county will soon have to provide additional quarters for them, as the county jail will soon be full.

On Sunday night the Sheriff went to eastern Stokes, accompanied by deputies W. F. Fagg and John A. Young, and brought back two coppers, one of 60 or 70 gallons capacity and the other of about 40 gallons. They also destroyed several barrels of "mash." Neither of the stills were in operation when discovered and no one was seen around either of the still places. The stills were found just south of Sandy Ridge.

The stills which have been captured by the Stokes officers recently are all apparently well made and are copper. No steel drums or wooden crude affairs are being taken any more. The stillers are evidently making money and securing better equipment.

## Articles On Liquor Traffic Endorsed

Dear Mr. Editor:

Will you please give space in your splendid paper for me to most heartily endorse the articles on the liquor traffic written by Mrs. R. H. Morefield and Mr. F. E. Petree in the last and in this week's Reporter.

I sincerely hope the pen of the ready writers of our county will keep the prohibition ball rolling until we have a clean county.

We are thankful for what has been accomplished in the past few months, but we must keep pressing to the fore, "with malice toward none and with charity for all."

The blockader does not realize just how much he demoralizes the county, yes, we might say the world, else he would stop the business of death and destruction. Solomon, the wisest man, says: "Who hath woe? Who hath sorrow? Who hath contentions? Who hath babbling? Who hath wounds without cause? Who hath redness of eyes? They that tarry long at the wine: they that go to seek mixed wine."

"Look not thou upon the wine when it is red, when it giveth its color in the cup, when it moveth itself aright. At the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder."

"Thine eyes shall behold strange women, and thine heart shall utter perverse things."—Prov. 23:29-33.

What we need and must have are God-loving and God-obeying officers, who will execute the law, and here we are reminded of the poem by Sir William Jones: What Constitutes a State:

"Men, high-minded men,  
Men who their duties know."  
Mr. Turpin has been fearless in executing the law. Why make any exception? We want to pledge ourselves to stand by him and help make our county one of the very best.

The Bible should be carefully taught in our schools, Bible temperance especially.

Alcoholized brains are like colored glass, we cannot transmit the light of truth unless we are under the power of that holy habit—sobriety.

May every home that we love be the home of peace; may every life that we cherish escape the curse of drink; may every child in our county grow up sweet and pure and true; may every man that has lent to woman his attention at this hour belong to the great army of the gentle czar who is willing to welcome women even to the throne room of government.

"Strike 'till the last foe expires,  
Strike for your altars are your fires,  
Strike for the green graves of your sires,  
God and your native land."

Yours for all that is grand and good.

MRS. J. SPOT TAYLOR.

Mr. E. A. Covington, of Pilot Mt., Route 1, was a visitor here yesterday. While in Danbury Mr. Covington qualified as executor of the will of the late J. P. Covington, whose death is noted elsewhere in this paper.

## TO BUILD ROAD VIA MOORE'S SPRINGS

**Letter From State Highway Commissioner Doughton Imparts This Information—The Survey To Start Soon.**

It is learned here today that Mr. J. R. Bennett, of Danbury Route 1, has just received a letter from State Highway Commissioner Doughton in which he states that the route for the State highway from Danbury to Westfield will be by way of Moore's Springs, instead of through Peters Creek township.

Mr. Doughton recently visited Stokes and went over the two proposed routes mentioned above with a view to selecting one or the other for the highway leading to Surry county.

It appears now that a road is assured for Peters Creek to connect with the State highway somewhere near Piedmont Springs or the Buck Island bridge. In fact it is learned that the State highway commission would have built the road through Peters Creek had not these citizens been assured of a connection with the highway.

Since it has been definitely decided as to the route of this road it is expected that engineers will be sent here at once to make the necessary survey in order that contract may be let for the road.

## Patrick Officers Get Winston-Salem Men

The officers in Patrick county are getting to be more active than usual in the apprehending of whiskey haulers, according to the Stuart, Va., Enterprise. That paper this week tells of the capturing of an outfit on this side of Stuart the past week. The account of the capture follows:

On Monday afternoon Stuart authorities learned that a load of whiskey would be transferred at Walter Deatherage's, five miles south of Stuart, from a Ford car to a North Carolina Dodge roadster. The officers were soon on the scene and hid themselves in the woods near Deatherage's house and had not been there long when two cars drove up. The officers made an investigation and found that the whiskey had been unloaded from the Ford car and was hidden near the Dodge ready to be loaded on. The Ford car was being driven by Will Foley and Hoge Smith and the Dodge roadster was in the possession of Arthur and Harvey Deatherage, of Winston-Salem. All of these men were arrested and brought to Stuart together with the two cars and the whiskey, there being 56 gallons of the whiskey. The cases of the four men were sent on to the grandjury.

## A Birthday Dinner; News Of King

King, May 5.—The relatives of Mrs. T. F. Newsom gave her a surprise birthday dinner Friday. Quite a crowd in attendance and it was an enjoyable occasion for all who were present.

Mr. Thomas B. Smith purchased at auction here Saturday the W. E. Hartman residence on West Main street, consideration being \$3900.00. Mr. Smith will move his family here.

The Davene Vaudeville Shows, which were here all last week, are playing at Westfield this week.

Mr. Theodore Newsom, of this place, has gotten out a complete vest-pocket history of the United States. The book is alphabetically arranged and is the only thing of its kind ever seen in this section.

Mr. Sam Oliver, of Greensboro, is here on business today.

Mr. Buck Kirby cut an ugly gash in his foot with an axe yesterday. Dr. Griffin attended him.

Mrs. W. G. Tuttle and little T. D. are spending the day here with relatives.

Mr. T. G. Newsom went to Winston-Salem on business today.

Mr. C. A. Wall, of Campbell, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Annie Wall, was here yesterday enroute to Walnut Cove, the young lady expecting to visit the dentist. Miss Wall, who has been a student at Hiddenite school, was forced to give up her work on account of poor health and has been advised by her physician to have some of her teeth extracted.

## WHEAT CROP IS INJURED BY RAIN

**Influenza Continues To Rage In King Section—Mrs. G. W. Smith Improving—News Of Yadkin Township.**

King Route 2, May 8.—On account of so much wet weather recently it is thought that the wheat crop in this section has been damaged considerably. Up until recently the prospect for a fine wheat crop was never better.

There has been very little corn planted in this section up to this time, while tobacco plants are ready to set. Farmers are generally very much bothered with their work on account of so much rain.

A number of the citizens of this section attended the big auction sale of land at King Saturday. A very large crowd was at the sale but they did not seem to be interested in buying land or town lots but came out for a good time. Several of the sales made were not confirmed by the owners of the property.

We learn that Mrs. G. W. Smith, who is in the Martin Hospital in Mt. Airy, is improving nicely and will be home within the next two or three weeks.

There are still several cases of flu in this section. Looks like the malady is hard to get rid of.

Mr. G. W. Smith and son, Fount, made a business trip to Danbury Saturday.

In the recent death of Mr. J. P. Covington Stokes county loses one of her very best citizens. Mr. Covington resided at Brim Grove and had been ill for some time, passing away last Saturday morning at 3 o'clock. Mr. Covington was elected as county surveyor for several times and was a well known citizen. The remains were laid to rest at Brim's Grove cemetery Sunday, Rev. Hanes, of Mount Airy conducting the funeral.

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## MUCH SICKNESS AT CAMPBELL

**Mesdames W. P. Ray, Mary Ann Martin and Mr. Tom Clark Among Those Afflicted—Revival Meeting In Progress.**

Campbell, May 6.—A protracted meeting is being held at Peters Creek Baptist church by Revs. Eugene Olive and J. H. Hall, of Mt. Airy.

This community very pleasantly remembers Mr. Olive, he having assisted Mr. Hall in a series of meetings here last summer and it is needless to say that every one who hears him enjoys his sermons and are very anxious to hear him again.

After a long illness Mrs. Mary Ann Martin is improving, her many friends are pleased to know.

Mrs. Ernest Rogers, who has been sick since last July, is recovering, her many friends are glad to know. Mrs. Rogers is a splendid woman and a good kind neighbor. Her illness has been long and tedious.

Mr. Tom Clark continues very low with a complication of diseases.

Miss Rilla Merritt delightfully entertained her young friends Wednesday evening, giving a birthday dinner on her 20th birthday. A bountiful supply of good things to eat filled a large table and all present enjoyed it very much. Miss Merritt was the recipient of a lot of nice and useful presents.

Mrs. W. P. Ray is suffering at this writing with high blood pressure and rheumatism.

The school at Peters Creek will close on Tuesday, May 9th.

## HAIRSTON FARM WAS SOLD SATURDAY

The Hairston's Quarter Belevs Creek farm of 533 acres was sold at auction Monday by the Atlantic Coast Realty Co. and Messrs. J. D. Humphreys and L. M. Swink, and brought the sum of \$12,180.00. The land was divided up into twelve farms and was purchased by different citizens, principally Sauratown township men. Each tract sold is held open for 20 days in order that an opportunity may be given anyone to put an increased bid of five per cent on the sales, such bids to be filed with the Clerk of the Court of either Forsyth or Stokes county.

## PASSING OF TWO GOOD CITIZENS

**Messrs. J. P. Covington and J. H. Alley Passed Away Last Week—Both Prominent In Their Communities.**

Mr. J. P. Covington passed away early Saturday morning at his home on Pinnacle Route 2, after an illness of several months duration. A few days since Mr. Covington suffered a stroke of paralysis from which he never rallied. He was aged about seventy-six years.

The deceased was an excellent citizen and was well known throughout the county, having at one time been county surveyor. He was engaged in that work from time to time for a period of about forty years. The deceased was a faithful member of the Baptist church for many years.

Besides his wife and other relatives Mr. Covington is survived by two sons and two daughters, namely: Mr. J. A. Covington, of Colorado, and Mr. E. A. Covington, of Pilot Mt., Route 1; Mrs. R. H. Mitchell, of Reidsville, and Mrs. Lilla Gordon, of Pilot Mountain.

Mr. John H. Alley died almost suddenly at his home three miles east of Danbury late Thursday evening of the past week. Mr. Alley had apparently been in his usual health during the day and had gone to the stable to milk the cows when he was suddenly stricken, probably with heart failure, and when found he was almost speechless, passing away in a short while.

The deceased was aged about 75 years and his death marks the passing of another one of the few Confederate veterans of this county. He was among the county's best and most worthy citizens, and was a firm believer in the doctrines of the Primitive Baptist church. Interment was made in the family burying ground near the home of the deceased.

Mr. Alley is survived by his wife and three sons and three daughters, as follows: Messrs. J. H. Alley, of King, and Gibert and Sam Alley, of Danbury Route 1; Mrs. L. B. Simmons, of Walnut Cove; Mrs. James L. Tilley, of Smith, and Mrs. Scott Simmons, of Sauratown township.

## JAS. P. COVINGTON.

Mr. James P. Covington was born Sept. 12, 1845, died May 6, 1922, aged 76 years, 8 months and 24 days. He was married to Mary J. Gibson on the 10th of January, 1871. To their union were born six children, three sons and three daughters. Besides his wife one son, Thomas J. and one daughter, Mrs. Nora Napier, have preceded him to the grave. On October 24, 1909, he was again married to Laura A. Powers, who survives him. Besides his wife he leaves two brothers, J. H. Covington, of Mizpah, and W. R. Covington, of Pilot Mt. Route 1, two sisters, Mrs. Emily Heath, of Winston-Salem, and Mrs. W. A. Simmons, of the Brown Mountain section, two daughters, Mrs. Lilla Gordon, of Pilot Mountain, and Mrs. R. H. Mitchell, of Reidsville, and two sons, E. A. Covington, of Pilot Mountain, Route 1, and J. A. Covington, of Florence, Colorado. The latter being unable to attend the funeral. He also leaves 31 grand children and a host of friends to mourn his loss. He united with the Baptist church about 40 years ago. Since that time he has been actively engaged in church work and has been instrumental in establishing churches and Sunday schools. He seemed to find great pleasure in the service of the Lord. He was one of the county's most useful citizens and was always interested in the welfare of his community. The funeral services were conducted by his pastor, Rev. J. H. Hanes, at Brim Grove Baptist church Sunday. His granddaughters acted as flower bearers. His popularity was shown by the many hundreds of people who gathered to pay their last respects to him. While we mourn his loss and shall greatly miss him we believe and rejoice that he is sweetly resting in that beautiful home where sorrow and pain never enters and where we at last hope to meet him again.

HIS GRANDSON.

Messrs. J. C. Carson and Curtis McGee, prominent Germantown citizens, were in Danbury a short while yesterday.

## COUNTY TO BUILD NEEDED ROADS

**Connections Between Improved Roads Already Constructed To Be Financed By County As A Whole.**

The Board of Stokes County Commissioners will issue bonds at their next regular meeting, first Monday in June, for the purpose of raising money to build a number of badly needed links of road in the different sections of the county connecting various important and improved highways built, building or to be built. This decision was reached last Saturday at a meeting in the court house here between the county commissioners and the township commissioners, following conferences that had been held between the boards of township commissioners and citizens of their respective townships.

At Saturday's meeting about 95 miles of roads were asked for by the various townships, all requesting help with the exception of Sauratown, who with splendid and unselfish spirit, through its spokesman, Mr. C. E. Davis, announced its hearty support and willingness for these links to be built by the county, and asking no mileage for itself.

While the Board of County Commissioners are unanimous in support of the plan for making the needed connections, it is believed that they will probably not accept the estimates for all the mileage asked for, and some demands may be considerably shaved down, yet it is certain that a number of badly needed connections will be built at the general county expense without delay. The Board is looking favorably toward a general county unit system of roads, and will have an eye single to this policy. Otherwise in a number of sections of the county investments of citizens for good roads are well nigh useless as far as the county is concerned.

Every township of the county was represented at the meeting by its board of road commissioners, as a whole or in part, as follows:

Danbury township—E. R. Nelson and Noel Oakley.

Sauratown township—C. E. Davis, M. D. Linville and H. G. Tuttle.

Meadows township—W. T. Fowler and others.

Yadkin township—Dr. Bernard, Dr. Helsabeck, Hooker and others.

Quaker Gap township—C. A. Mickey, J. W. Pell and others.

Big Creek township—J. C. Frans, J. W. Simmons and Ed Slate.

Peters Creek township—Eli Nelson, Hense Flinchum and Monroe Fagg.

Snow Creek township—J. J. Priddy, H. T. Corn and others.

Beaver Island—J. M. Fagg and others.

There was a large number of citizens present besides the township commissioners.

It is believed the most needed connections will cost from \$130,000 to \$150,000, and the county can probably sell its notes at a premium of \$10,000 to \$15,000.

It was stated by the Commissioners that the Board would carefully investigate the different quotas called for and that none but such roads necessary to the county as a whole will be built.

## MRS. PATTERSON COMING HERE

**To Speak On Non-Political Subjects In Stokes Soon—Candidate For Congress**

A letter received by a Danbury lady this week from Mrs. J. Lindsay Patterson, of Winston-Salem, who is the nominee of the Republican party for Congress in this district, states that she expects to visit Stokes during this month and will probably speak at several points in the county.

Mrs. Patterson's letter in part is as follows:

"I am planning a series of non-political talks on national and international subjects in Stokes and Surry counties during May, and of course want to go to Danbury. There is so much now affecting us as Americans—not as politicians—that I think for the present it would do us all good to get together and forget our differences, and discuss the things that concern our national welfare, without giving thought to party."