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STOKES POLITICS TALKED OF

J. F. Spruill, Candidate For Solicitor, Expects Full Strength Democratic Party and Some Help From Republicans.

The following article in regard to the race for the office of Sheriff in Stokes is copied from the Lexington Dispatch:

Davidson county voters are somewhat interested in the race for Sheriff in Stokes county, because of the fact that Stokes is in this judicial district and the situation there may have some effect on the race for Solicitor, for which office J. F. Spruill, of this city, is the Democratic candidate.

Party issues have more or less been forgotten in Stokes and "wet" and "dry" are largely the watchwords of the campaign. Hamp Turpin, the present Sheriff, is running as an independent and has strong Democratic and Republican support. J. F. Dunlap has been nominated by the Republican convention, and Mr. Fry by the Democrats. Mr. Fry is said also to be a "dry," while the influence of the "wets" in the Republican convention is alleged to be responsible for the nomination of Dunlap over Turpin.

Sheriff Turpin was given office when the Sheriff of Stokes county, Mr. Shelton, was deposed from office by the county commissioners after he had gotten into considerable trouble at Winston-Salem. Since taking office Sheriff Turpin has sailed into the blockaders in the hills of Stokes and has captured outfits by the score, with large quantities of whiskey and supplies. He is continuing his warfare against illicit liquor traffic while conducting his campaign.

When the Republicans refused to renominate him there sprang up a strong movement to have the Democrats nominate him as their candidate. After a hard fight in the Democratic convention this proposal was voted down and Mr. Fry got the call. Turpin then announced as an independent candidate and is appealing to both Republicans and Democrats on his record for enforcement of the prohibition laws.

Mr. Spruill, who demonstrated his popularity in Stokes county in the Democratic primary, is keeping his hands off of the county fight but is keeping in close touch with the situation, and it is believed he will poll the full Democratic strength and probably also draw some strength from the Republican ranks because of the split-up in party solidarity.

Successful Revival At Davis Chapel

I have just closed a very gracious meeting at Davis' Chapel church, the best country church on the charge. Twenty-four persons were received on profession of faith. It was the best meeting that has been in that church on this charge in many days, if not many years. Brother P. E. Parker did all the preaching. Many of those converts seem like new persons. They give every evidence of conversion. Nearly all of these are regular attendants upon Sunday school. Under the hand of God the Sunday school has had very much to do with their salvation. Many of my neighboring churchmen say many things against the Sunday school. But I am sure that the Holy Spirit has never lead or moved any one to say anything against the Sunday school. Brother Parker is appointed as missionary evangelist. He wishes to have the same relation next year. I trust the Bishop will see proper to re-appoint him to this work and I heartily commend him to the pastors serving mission charges. That is the kind of work the Board expects him to do. And he does it well.

Fraternally,
J. J. EADS,
Pastor Circuit.

Danbury, N. C., Oct. 6, 1922.

Schools Opened Monday

The public school here opened Monday morning with fair attendance. Misses Grace McCollum, of Rockingham county, and Essie Morefield, of Walnut Cove, are the teachers in charge of the school.

FORMER STOKES MAN DIES IN VA.

Seaton Houser Passes Away At Dewitt, Va.—Rufus Slate Is Seriously Ill—Other News Of King.

King, Oct. 9.—Mr. Seaton A. Houser, aged 55 years, of Dewitt, Va., passed away Saturday. Mr. Houser was a native of this community, moving to Virginia several years ago, where he went into the mercantile business. He dropped a revolver on the floor and the weapon was discharged, the ball striking him and breaking the bones in his leg. He was carried to a hospital where he developed pneumonia. The remains will be brought here and interment conducted from Mt. Pleasant church, of which Mr. Houser was a member from early boyhood until he removed to Virginia.

Several from here attended the Winston-Salem fair last week.

W. T. Bowles, a hustling young farmer, who resides just south of town, harvested 555 shecks of soja beans from a 5-acre field and there were 45 large two horse loads of the beans.

Work on S. W. Pulliam's new dwelling on West avenue is nearing completion.

E. P. Newsom returned yesterday from a business trip to Winston.

Quite a number of farmers carried tobacco to Winston and to the receiving station at Pilot Mt. today.

W. Everett Hartman made a business trip to Elkin today.

Miss Claudie Stone, of High Point, is at the bedside of her mother, Mrs. B. J. Stone, near here, who is very sick.

J. S. D. Pulliam made a business trip to Winston today.

Everything is in readiness for the big Stokes County Fair, which comes off next week. Wednesday of next week will be Winston-Salem day and a large attendance from that city is assured on that day as there are so many Stokes people in Winston-Salem. This will give them an opportunity to meet old friends.

S. Rufus Slate is very sick at this writing at his home here.

Mrs. P. J. Gunter, who has been very sick, is slightly improved, we are glad to note.

NOTED CRIMINALS ARE PARDONED

Sidna Edwards and Friel Allen, Members of the Allen Gang Who Shot Up the Hillsville Court, Turned Loose.

Richmond, Va., Oct. 6.—Sidna Edwards and Friel Allen, two of six men convicted of shooting up the courthouse at Hillsville in 1912, were given conditional pardons today by Governor Tinkle, of Virginia.

At the same time the Governor refused pardons to Sidna and Wesley Edwards, sentenced to 35 and 27 years' imprisonment, respectively, for the affair in which the presiding judge, T. L. Massie, Commonwealth Attorney, W. M. Foster, Sheriff L. F. Webb, and a young woman were killed, and Dexter Goad, the clerk, and several jurymen were wounded.

Sidna Edwards was under sentence of 15 years and Friel Allen was serving 18 years, both being convicted of murder in the second degree.

Governor Tinkle, in announcing the pardons to Sidna Edwards and Friel Allen, declared that their prison record was without a mark during the entire period of their confinement, that both are reformed young men and will in the future lead law-abiding lives, and in addition, he was lead to believe Sidna Edwards to be of a rather weak mentality. He said he believed the purpose of the law to have been accomplished by the length of the time they had served, and for "these and other reasons was granting them a new trial in life."

No Teachers Here For Examination

Supt. of Schools J. C. Carson was here Tuesday for the purpose of conducting an examination of public school teachers but there were no teachers here, and the examination was not held.

M. E. CONFERENCE CONVENES OCT. 18

Monroe Is Preparing To Entertain Hundreds Of Methodists—Bishop Denny Will Preside Over Conference.

Monroe, Oct. 9.—Citizens of this city are bending every energy in preparation for the meeting of the Western North Carolina Methodist Conference, which convenes on Wednesday, Oct. 18, and continues until the following Monday. This conference is not coming to Monroe as a body of denominationalists, but as a great religious assembly in its annual meeting. It is the biggest assembly in State Methodism, and usually convenes in the larger cities of the state, but it has been invited to Monroe this year, and the people of all denominations are co-operating splendidly in their preparations for its entertainment.

Mayor Vann and Sanitary Commissioner Trull are calling upon the people to clean up the city and have it spick and span before the 500 delegates from all over Western North Carolina arrive, since the impression Monroe makes upon this body of ministers and lay delegates will be heralded among 125,000 people represented by this conference.

This will be the 33rd session of the conference, and will be presided over by Bishop Collins Denny, of Richmond, Va., who is one of the most able preachers and also one of the scholarly men in southern Methodism. Bishop Denny was elected bishop at Asheville in 1910 and this is his second time to preside over the Western North Carolina Conference. Prior to his election to the bishopric he was professor of philosophy in Vanderbilt University. He is a native of Richmond and his home is in that city.

Mr. Kurfees Replies To Mr. Bernard

Editor of the Reporter:
I see in your issue of Sept. 27th that Mr. Bernard, (or "Claudius M. Bernardic," as they call him down east where he came from), still survives, but shows signs of an early demise.

I had hoped that his passing would be painless, but he seems to be struggling rather hard.

Now, Claude, you fellows are not troubled near so much over who wrote the Flippin article as you are over what it contained.

Mr. Flippin seems to have been pretty well posted. He has a nice line up on you boys and knows how to draw it to the queen's taste. But right here I wish to repeat that I do not deserve any credit, nor am I in any way responsible for Mr. Flippin's information. Neither do I have a monopoly on quotations from Mr. Roosevelt. You should give "honor to whom honor is due."

The readers of the Reporter will nodoubt learn with regret that you have decided not to write again, because, if reports are true, every time you write you make votes for Turpin.

But perhaps Mr Turpin and his friends can prevail upon you to write a few more times and make it unanimous for him by November 7th.

But listen, Claude, you say I am a "one idea man." Well, I should think one idea on any subject is plenty, if it is the right idea. So don't trouble yourself about the number of ideas I have, but face the issue squarely and show that I am wrong, if you really think I am.

You talk as though this Turpin idea is altogether mine. You were never more mistaken in all your life. I am not leading in this fight, but am just a follower—following the good men and women of the county who are pleased with Mr. Turpin's reputation as officer.

My work keeps me out of the county most of the time; hence I cannot take an active part in county affairs, but I am not at all afraid to follow the host of good men and women—both Democrats and Republicans, who are determined to uphold Sheriff Turpin's record of law enforcement.

JOHN W. KURFEES.

VOTE ON PAY OF THE LEGISLATORS

People Asked To Say Whether Or Not They Will Raise Pay Of The North Carolina Law-Makers.

Asheville, Oct. 10.—The Buncombe county Board of Elections today notified all elections officials of the provisions made by the last session of the general assembly for an election to be held this fall in connection with the general election and in which the people will decide whether the representatives of the various counties in the legislature serve for four dollars per diem or their pay be increased to \$10 per diem.

Since the present rate of pay is not sufficient for ordinary living expenses incurred by the representatives while they are serving their constituencies it is believed by political leaders here that the public will vote for an increase for the legislators.

J. D. FULK LEGATEE OF WIDOW McBRIDE

Will Of Old Lady Bequeaths Property To Grandson.

Mrs. McBride, an elderly lady about 75 years of age, widow of the late William Nelson, and who was a few years since married to Mr. McBride, died at her home in Peter's Creek township last Thursday, after a lingering illness with complications incident to old age.

It is learned that Mrs. McBride left a will bequeathing her property to her grandson, J. D. Fulk, with whom she had recently lived. The estate consists of about forty acres of land, \$1,000 in cash, and considerable personality.

Little Interest Shown In Politics Here

The Republican county and legislative candidates are out this week touring the county on a speaking tour. It is stated that at most of the appointments their audiences are very small.

Hon. W. D. Siler, of Pittsboro, had an appointment to address the Democratic voters here Tuesday night of this week, but was forced to cancel the appointment for lack of a sufficient audience.

It is probable that as little interest is being shown in politics here as has been the case in many years.

Two Arrests Made By Sheriff Turpin

Sheriff Turpin arrested Bob Pratt, of Sandy Ridge, Saturday on the charge of manufacturing whiskey. Pratt gave a \$250.00 bond for his appearance this week before Justice J. W. A. Dodson, of Sandy Ridge.

Herman Bennett was arrested at Walnut Cove Saturday by Sheriff Turpin and taken to Winston-Salem, where he is wanted on the charge of giving a worthless check.

Death of Little Girl.

The little six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henderson Morefield, of the Walnut Cove section, died last Tuesday afternoon after a short illness with something like cholera morbus. The interment was held at Clear Spring Baptist church Thursday afternoon, a large number of sorrowing relatives and friends being in attendance. Mr. and Mrs. Morefield have the sincere sympathy of their many friends in their bereavement.

New Garage For Cove.

Walnut Cove is to have another automobile garage soon. Mr. John Bailey, Jr., who has for some months been operating one of the county's big road tractors, will resign his position on the 15th of the present month to engage in the automobile repair business on his lot in Walnut Cove. For the present Mr. Bailey will use the building now on his lot, and in the spring will probably put up a new building.

R. J. BUYS 54,000,000 POUNDS TOBACCO

Kentucky Co-Ops Make Huge Sale Of Practically All Stocks In Hand At Price Of Many Million Dollars.

It will be interesting news to Stokes county friends of the Co-operative Marketing Association, as well as to all others, to learn that R. J. Reynolds Tobacco Company this week bought practically all of the stocks of tobacco held by the Kentucky Burley Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association, amounting to 54 million pounds. The price paid by Reynolds is not known, though it must have been close to 15 million dollars. This was the biggest tobacco deal ever pulled off.

Remarkable Progress Of Education In N. C.

At a recent meeting of the former students of the North Carolina College for Women at Greensboro, President Foust reviewed the many changes in North Carolina during the past 25 or 30 years, especially in the educational field. He declared that North Carolina was not the same State it was 25 years ago. "A great State," he said, "is not made up of soil, resources and climate, but of an intelligent citizenship. North Carolina is a new and different state because of the work done by these pioneers thirty years ago."

Reviewing the tremendous strides forward the state has made in agriculture, manufacturing and various lines of industry, Dr. Foust showed how great were the changes. He stated that in 1900 the elementary and high schools of the state were receiving a total of only \$950,000, whereas in 1922 about \$20,000,000 would be spent on these schools. In 1900 only \$47,000 was given in North Carolina for the maintenance of its higher institutions of learning, and only \$8,000 for enlargement of plants. In 1921 the state gave \$1,282,000 for maintenance of these institutions and \$4,120,000 for enlargement.

This indicates, he said, that North Carolina has at last realized her power as a state, and that she can do large things for her boys and girls. She will do large things in the future. There is a new social consciousness, which places the interests of the community higher than those of any single individual. North Carolina is developing today a broad, liberal democracy, and it has determined that the boys and girls of the state must be educated, he said.

President Foust expressed the belief that he would live to see three things realized in North Carolina: a school term for every boy and girl of 8 or 9 months, a standard high school in the reach of every child, and adequate provision for higher education so that every one who wished might be able to get college training.

Preparing For Hard-Surface Road

It is learned that work has been started on the underpasses on the road between Walnut Cove and Winston-Salem, preparatory to hard-surfacing this road at an early date. There are two of these underpasses, one just this side of Walkertown and one just beyond the town. They will eliminate the two railroad crossings at these points. It has been stated that each of the underpasses will cost between twenty and thirty thousand dollars, the work being equivalent to building a railroad bridge thirty feet long in addition to the cost of the excavation, etc.

Stokes Young Man Under \$500 Bond

Citizens here from Peter's Creek township today stated that Delma Clark, of that section, was arrested Saturday on the charge of cutting and mutilating the automobile of Ernest Rogers, of the same section, Clark being given a hearing in the case before Justice of the Peace W. P. Ray, who bound him over to Superior court in a bond of \$500.00.

DENTAL CLINIC PROGRAM FIXED

Dr. Foster, Of State Board Of Health, To Visit Many Of The Public Schools Of The County To Care For Children's Teeth.

Appointments for Dr. Foster, of the State Board of Health, have been arranged for a large number of the schools of the county, for the purpose of examining and treating the teeth of the school children in the county. The places and dates for the clinic are as follows:

LAWSONVILLE SCHOOL HOUSE, OCT. 16 TO 18.

Monday, Oct. 16, Lawsonville and Sands' schools.

Tuesday, Oct. 17, Jute and Campbell schools.

Wednesday, Oct. 18, Smith and Ore Bank schools.

DANBURY, OCT. 19 TO 21.

Thursday, Oct. 19, Danbury school.

Friday, Oct. 20, Hartman and Young school.

Saturday, Oct. 21, Moore's Springs and Bennett schools.

FRANCISCO SCHOOL HOUSE, OCT. 23 TO 25.

Monday, Oct. 23, Francisco school.

Tuesday, Oct. 24, Asbury school.

Wednesday, Oct. 25, Leak's and Frans schools.

FLINTY KNOLL SCHOOL HOUSE, OCT. 26 TO 28.

Thursday, Oct. 25, Flinty Knoll school.

Friday, Oct. 27, Gibson and Brim schools.

Saturday, Oct. 28, Brown Mt. and Boaze or George schools.

PINNACLE, OCT. 30 TO NOV. 4.

Monday and Tuesday, Oct. 30 and 31, Pinnacle school.

Wednesday, Nov. 1, Volunteer school.

Thursday, Nov. 2, Kallam and Perch and Flat Rock schools.

Friday, Nov. 3, Dry Springs school.

Saturday, Nov. 4, Chestnut Grove school.

MT. VIEW SCHOOL HOUSE, NOV. 6 TO 9.

Monday, Nov. 6, Mountain View school.

Tuesday, Nov. 7, Capella school.

Wednesday, Nov. 8, Creson and Mount Olive schools.

Thursday, Nov. 9, Haw Pond and Oak Grove schools.

MEADOWS SCHOOL HOUSE, NOV. 10 TO 11.

Friday, Nov. 10, Meadows school.

Saturday, Nov. 11, Stuart school.

GERMANTON, NOV. 13 TO 16.

Monday, Nov. 13, Germantown school.

Tuesday, Nov. 14, Chaffin and Palmyra schools.

Wednesday, Nov. 15, Petree and Flat Shoal schools.

Wednesday, Nov. 16, Friendship and Pine Log schools.

WALNUT COVE, NOV. 17 TO 18.

Friday, Nov. 17, Tuttle and Piney Mountain schools.

Saturday, Nov. 18, Oak Hill and Fulp schools.

Pinnacle Bank Cashier Marries At Chester, S.C.

Chester, S. C., Oct. 7.—A pretty wedding was solemnized on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Lipford, when their daughter, Annie, became the bride of Roley R. Houck, of Pinnacle, Stokes county, N. C. The ceremony was witnessed by the family and a few relatives. Rev. J. H. Yarborough performed the ceremony.

The bride was attractive in a suit of navy blue poiret twill, with accessories to match. She is an attractive and popular young woman, and has scores of friends who will be interested to learn of her marriage, as she has taught in several sections of the States of both South and North Carolina.

Mr. Houck, who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Houck, of Granite Falls, N. C., is now cashier of the Bank of Pinnacle, N. C. He is a young man possessing many fine traits of character.