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STOKES MAY HAVE STATE MAKE MAP

Excellent Maps of Surry and Wilkes Counties Have Just Been Completed By State Engineers.

The Reporter last week received from Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, State Geologist, a copy of the map recently made of Surry county by the State. The map is five or six feet square, showing the lines of each township, all the public roads, streams, railroads, schools, orchards, farms of many prominent citizens and various other things that go to make up a first-class county map.

The map was made by State engineers, the State and county sharing the expense of making it. The copy of the map received by this paper was called to the attention of the Stokes Board of Commissioners, who examined it and instructed Engineer N. S. Mullican to take the matter up with the State and ascertain upon what terms and conditions such a map would be made for Stokes county.

It is thought that in case Stokes has a map made, enough of them could be sold to citizens of the county, as well as outsiders, to take care of the county's part of the expense. Such a map of the county has long been needed and it is hoped that the commissioners will be able to make the necessary arrangement with the State for it.

The following in regard to maps made for Surry and Wilkes counties may be of interest to some:

Chapel Hill, Jan. 10.—Water power development in North Carolina will be materially stimulated by studies which the State geological and economic survey, in connection with the University's school of engineering, has begun and which it plans to carry steadily forward to completion.

The State of North Carolina is today doing more investigating of water powers than all the rest of the South together. This fact led the State to make not long ago a request that the United States Government's Southern headquarters for this same work, be moved from Atlanta to Asheville. The logic of the situation was so plain that the government complied.

A survey of Surry and Wilkes counties, just published, is the opening gun in a campaign which will not be ended until all the power possibilities of the State are put down in black and white, with complete facts about stream flow, drainage areas, storage capacities, and the physical and financial difficulties involved in the flooding of farm lands, the relocation of railroads and highways, and, in some cases, the encroachment upon towns and villages.

The author of the Surry and Wilkes report is Thorndike Saville, hydraulic engineer in the school of engineering. He is working under State Geologist Joseph Hyde Pratt and in co-operation

ROAD CONTRACTS TO BE LET FEB. 1

One From Stokes Line At Fulp To Winston-Salem—Another From Wright's Store To The Reynolds School.

Announcement is made from Raleigh by the State Highway Commission that among the many road projects to be let by the commission on Feb. 1st next will be one from the Stokes county line at Fulp to Winston-Salem, the road to be of hard surface construction. Also the road to be built from the Reynolds' school, in Quaker Gap township, to Wright's store, in Big Creek township, will be let to contract at the same time. The road from Winston-Salem to the Stokes line is only 11.35 miles in length, as it will begin at the end of the cement road several miles this side of the Twin City. The road in Quaker Gap and Big Creek will be 9.67 miles in length and of gravel or soil.

It is stated that the highway commission will let contracts again the latter part of February, at which time the contract for the last lap of the Mt. Airy-Dobson-Danbury road will be let.

The reports of the letting of road contracts referred to here was sent out by the highway commission since the announcement of letting of contracts printed elsewhere in this paper.

With the completion of the hard-surface road from Winston-Salem to Fulp and the road from Danbury to Clemmons ford bridge, which will be let to contract soon, Winston-Salem will be connected with Mt. Airy by a first-class State highway by way of Danbury, about 20 miles of the 55 being of hard-surface construction.

To Organize Literary Society Here

All the ladies of Danbury who are interested in organizing a literary society are invited to meet at the home of Mrs. John Taylor on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 23rd, at 2:30 o'clock.

Representative C. M. Hauser was home from Raleigh Saturday and attended the meeting of farmers here on that day. Mr. Hauser stated that in the opinion of many of the members of the General Assembly, the road bill to issue fifteen million more road bonds would pass overwhelmingly.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Carter, of Mt. Airy, and Mrs. John G. Fulton, of Walnut Cove, spent Sunday afternoon here with friends.

Frank Bullin, of Madison Route 3, was here on business today.

with the United States Government, the State department of labor and printing, county authorities, and manufacturers. His assistants in measuring stream flows and gathering other data bearing upon the problem are engineering students in the University. They use the summer vacation period for the work, and it is through this that many of them earn sufficient money to continue their education.

LETTER OF THANKS FROM MR. BELLAMY

For Stokes County's Contribution To Near East Relief Fund—Campaign Has Been Closed In This County.

A letter of thanks from Col. Geo. H. Bellamy, State Chairman of the Near East Relief, has just been received here by Miss Josie Pepper, county chairman of the relief work in Stokes.

The amount assessed Stokes was \$720.00, but only \$545 was raised and \$64.00 of this amount is to be paid later on pledges, while the full amount assessed the county was not raised, it has been decided to close the campaign.

The letter from the State Chairman follows:

Miss Josie Pepper,
Danbury, N. C.

Dear Miss Pepper:

Your letter of January 13th, enclosing check for \$484.83 has just been received, for which I enclose official receipt, and pledge cards for \$64.00. Please express to the people of Stokes county, who contributed this money, the appreciation of our State Committee, and accept for yourself the personal regards of both Mr. Daniels and the writer.

I trust Stokes county will soon come up to its mark of \$720, which will insure the lives for another year after July 1st of the twelve little children now in North Carolina orphanages at Tribizon and assigned to your county for food, clothing, shelter and education.

These little children whom we are taking care of in our orphanages and building into the new Armenian nation will be the future leaders in the Near East, and you can realize their gratitude to Americans and of these particular twelve to Stokes county, N. C.

Cordially yours,
GEO. H. BELLAMY,
State Chairman.

JOHN D. PETREE PASSES AWAY

Had Recently Purchased Big Farm In Stokes and Was Preparing To Remove Here With His Family.

Thomasville, Jan. 5.—John D. Petree died at his home in the western part of town Saturday morning, aged 49 years. His wife and seven children survive, several of the children being small. The oldest boy, Gilbert, is large enough to take his father's place in looking after the outside affairs of the home. Mr. Petree was a son of the late J. F. Petree, who died last fall and was buried at the old home in Forsyth county. A brother and sister are living, W. H. Petree, of Tobacoville, and Mrs. John Robinson, of Greensboro.

Mr. Petree had recently purchased a 200-acre farm in Stokes county, after selling his nice home and his last work was done on his new home preparatory to moving his family.

HOME BURNED AT KING SUNDAY

Residence Of E. W. Rumley Is Burned—John Smith Sells Mercantile Business To Paul Johnson and Scales Boyles.

King, Jan. 15.—Mr. E. W. Rumley, who resides in east King, near the fair grounds, had the misfortune to lose his home by fire yesterday about noon. Mr. Rumley's family left home early yesterday morning going to Winston-Salem to visit relatives, so there was no one at all at home when the fire caught. It is learned that Mr. Rumley carried no insurance on his buildings, while his household furniture was partially covered by insurance. This was practically a new house. The fire caught in the kitchen but it is not known just how. Only a few articles were saved by neighbors who arrived too late to save much of the property.

Mr. E. P. Newsom returned Friday from a business trip to Winston-Salem.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Tuttle, of Rural Hall, spent Sunday with relatives here.

Messrs. Paul Johnson and Scales Boyles have purchased the mercantile business of Mr. John Smith on the corner of Main and D-pot Streets and will conduct the business at the same old stand.

Mr. O. J. Johnson, of Pilot Mountain, is here on business today.

Mr. and Mrs. Russell Love, of Winston-Salem, spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mr. Paul Fulton, the popular young salesman, of Walnut Cove, is here today calling on the merchants of King.

Mr. W. E. Hartman went to High Point on business today.

Judge Stack On Marriage and Divorce

Greensboro, Jan. 12.—The declaration by Judge A. M. Stack in Superior court yesterday morning that instead of making divorce more difficult to secure, marriages ought to be made more so by the posting of such intentions at church doors not less than 30 days before the nuptial event takes place and expressing his hope that the state legislature will make it an indictable offense for any person to receive a revolver from a mail order house, was brought about when Beattie Smith was haled into the courtroom to answer a charge of an assault with a deadly weapon with intent to kill and a charge of carrying concealed weapon.

Monroe, Jan. 12.—Judge A. M. Stack, who is holding his first court in Greensboro, enjoys a unique distinction. He was once the law partner of two governors of North Carolina, Bickett and Glenn, and up until he took the oath of office, was the partner of John Parker, late Republican candidate for governor.

Bill Introduced For \$15,000,000 More Bonds

The much-talked-of bill to issue fifteen million more State bonds to complete the State highway system was introduced in the General Assembly at Raleigh Monday by Representative R. A. Doughton. It is stated that in the opinion of many of the Legislators the bill will pass easily.

COUNTY BOARD MET HERE MONDAY

Yadkin Township Delegation Appears Before Commissioners—County Will Not Purchase Mules For Road Work.

The county commissioners were in special session here a few hours yesterday, members S. P. Venable, E. F. Stone and R. T. Spencer being in attendance.

A delegation of the citizens of Yadkin township appeared before the Board in regard to the location of the proposed new road from Volunteer to Chestnut Grove in Yadkin township. There are three proposed routes for this road and each route had its advocates here. The Board sent County Engineer Mullican to Yadkin to make some surveys before a adopting location for the road.

The commissioners have been trying out a bunch of thirty mules with a view to purchasing them for road work in the county, but at yesterday's meeting it was definitely decided not to buy the stock.

TOBACCO MARKET HAS AVERAGED \$26

Winston-Salem Warehouses Have Sold More Than Twenty Nine Million Pounds Of The Weed Since Opening.

Winston-Salem, Jan. 15.—Leaf tobacco sales on the local market since the warehouses resumed their sales on January 2, up until the close of the week ending January 13, totaled 1,190,282 pounds and sold for \$298,171.94, an average of \$25.06 per hundred pounds.

This is a slight decrease in the price as compared with the weeks preceding the holidays, however, the quality of tobacco offered for sale has not been so good. Good tobacco is still bringing a fancy price, some as high as 60 and 70 cents per pound.

SEASON SALES.

Since the market opened last September, a total of 29,049,910 pounds have been sold for \$7,777,059.43, an average of more than 26 cents per pound.

The sales are comparing favorably with those of last year. The figures stated above are the official figures given out by the Winston-Salem Tobacco Board of Trade.

New Secretary State Is Appointed

Raleigh, Jan. 13.—Governor Morrison tonight tendered the appointment of secretary of state to W. N. Everett, of Rockingham, member of the Sandhill section.

Mr. Everett is expected to accept the place, though he was not ready to make an announcement tonight. He looks upon the tender of the appointment as a high honor, and his close friends anticipated he would make known his willingness to assume the office, delaying, however, actual acceptance until the legislature adjourns.

BUILDING ROAD TO VIRGINIA LINE

Two Contractors With Mules and Machinery Are Now At Work, One Outfit Near Buck Island Bridge and the Other Above Lawsonville.

A force of men, mules and machinery furnished by contractor J. T. Platt began work this week on the road leading from Lawsonville to Stuart, Va., and the road will be built and soiled as far as the Virginia line at Bill Abe Martin's store.

Another road force furnished by J. Spot Taylor is grading the road from Buck Island bridge, near Piedmont Springs, to Lawsonville. This work was started last week.

The Stokes commissioners have been assured by the Patrick county authorities that they will meet us at the Virginia line with a good road. This is good road news to both counties. With the completion of the State highway from Danbury to Westfield, we will be connected up with Stuart, Va., by a good soil road all the way.

FUSSING OVER ROAD LOCATION

People of Yadkin Township Are Very Much Interested In the Road From Chestnut Grove To Volunteer—Other Items.

King Route 2, Jan. 15.—The farmers of this section are about through marketing tobacco. Mr. Will Smith carried a load of the weed to Winston-Salem last week and reported fair prices.

Some of the farmers of this section have begun burning plant land for 1923 crop. They say this crop will be short on account of the high price of fertilizer.

The people of this section and the Chestnut Grove section are very much interested in the location of the road from C. H. Boyles' to Chestnut Grove church. Road fights are very interesting but cause a lot of confusion, but the people must recollect that the county is not able to build a road to everybody's door at present. In a few years if nothing happens the roads will be as convenient as the rural mail.

A lot of people of this section attended the funeral of Mr. B. J. Savage at Pinnacle last Sunday.

There is some flu and pneumonia in this section at present. The boys of this section who are attending school at King report a nice time and are having a good school under the supervision of Prof. H. A. Carroll.

SCRIBBLER.

Mr. and Mrs. Moore Are Improving

Rural Hall, Jan. 12.—The many friends of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Moore who have been quite sick the past two weeks are glad to know they are able to be out again.