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STOKES MAY BUILD AND OPERATE COUNTY-WIDE TELEPHONE SYSTEM

Mass Meeting of Citizens Called For Saturday, June 23, To Get Sentiment of People and Discuss Details--County Commissioners Will Be In Session To Hear What Citizens Have To Say--Three Thousand Phones In County Now But They Are Not Getting Service.

The Board of Commissioners of Stokes are considering building and operating a county-wide telephone system, and a special meeting of the Board will be held at the court house here on Saturday, June 23rd, when the citizens are requested to come out and discuss the matter with the commissioners.

The meeting of the Board is being called at the request of a number of citizens who appeared before the commissioners here Monday in the interest of a telephone system for the county.

Among the citizens appearing before the commissioners here Monday was Rev. R. W. George, Stokes' largest tax-payer, and he was so anxious to see the county build a telephone system that he offered to loan the county the money to build it with.

It was suggested by some of those present that the county build lines touching each township of the county and maintain them so as to give good service, charging probably five dollars per year for each telephone on the lines. It was stated that there are now more than three thousand telephones in the county with only a small per cent of these getting even local service.

The county owns several lines now that have been bought in for taxes due on them.

If the commissioners should decide to build a telephone system the primary object would not be to make money for the county but to render service to the people, charging only enough for the service to make it self-sustaining, and if it should not be self-sustaining the money certainly would be well spent, since such a telephone system is a public necessity as are roads, etc., and no one thing could be of more benefit or convenience to the people. After operating the system for a reasonable time the cost of maintenance could be ascertained and the rates adjusted so that the amount of revenue derived would cover all expenses, including interest on the investment.

It is hoped that the citizens will attend the meeting Saturday, June 23rd, and help the commissioners adopt the best ways and means of carrying out the plan. It will certainly mean a great deal to the people of the county to have a well-maintained telephone system touching every section of the county.

David Reid, of Madison Route 3, was here a short while Friday.

PIEDMONT HAS GOOD OPENING

More Guests Registered On First Day Than For Years--Opening This Season Was Earlier Than Usual.

The Piedmont Springs Hotel had its formal opening Friday with a good number of guests. In fact the hotel probably had more guests at the opening than it has had for years, especially since the opening this year was two weeks earlier than usual.

Among those who registered at the hotel for the week end were:

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Herndon, Mrs. W. O. Spotswood, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Campbell, J. O. Woodall, F. B. McGhee, Miss Lucy Tucker, Miss Mable Willis, C. A. Jenkins, C. A. Jenkins, Jr., Miss Mary Hodge, Miss Elsie Hines, J. K. Norfleet, Jr., E. M. Shepherd, Mr. and Mrs. J. Knoop, Miss Virginia Snider, S. W. Apperson, Mr. and Mrs. F. A. George, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Bolt, Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Nissen, Mrs. H. E. Pollard, Mrs. Oscar Shepherd, Mr. and Mrs. S. R. Warner, Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Gibbs, Mr. and Mrs. H. Coker, Mr. and Mrs. C. V. Strickland, and Miss Lucile Norman, all of Winston-Salem; Miss Ora Wilson, of Leaksville; Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Yates, of Winston-Salem; General A. J. Bowley and Ryle, of Fort Bragg, and Mrs. R. C. Nimrock.

STOKES BONDS SELL WELL

\$60,000.00 Issue For Roads Brings Premium Of \$3,666.55 --Largest Premium Of Any Bonds Ever Sold In County.

The sixty thousand dollars bonds recently authorized by the Stokes authorities for road building were sold to the highest bidder here yesterday, bringing a premium of \$3,666.55. Sidney Spitzer & Co., of Toledo, were the highest bidders. The bond-buyers agree to pay for printing of the bonds and for the attorneys fees. The bonds will be prepared and excused as soon as possible.

The premium paid on these bonds is said to be the highest ever paid for Stokes county bonds.

The \$15,000 school bonds of Walnut Cove school district were also sold here Monday and brought a nice premium.

A. M. Shelton and young daughter, of Sandy Ridge, visited Danbury Monday.

WALNUT COVE HAS PAYING INDUSTRY

Sand Plant Is Loading Eight Cars Daily--Machinery Now Being Placed In Veneer Plant--Other News Items.

Walnut Cove, June 5.--The machinery is now being installed in the new veneer plant here and it will begin operations at an early date. The building for this plant is three stories high and 100 by 200 feet in size.

Zimmerman Bros. sand plant here is now shipping about eight car loads of sand daily to every section of the county. Their sand is of fine quality and has been approved by the State Highway Commission.

The Sunbeam Society of which Miss Ora Boyles is leader, gave an enjoyable entertainment at the Baptist church here Sunday night.

Rev. J. L. Powers, pastor of the Baptist church, has resigned on account of ill health.

Memorial services were held Sunday at Salem Chapel church near here with quite a number in attendance.

Miss Myra Samuel, of Ohio, is visiting her aunts, Mrs. R. L. Vaughn and Mrs. C. Stultz.

Miss Louise Baker, of Reidsville, is the guest of Misses Hutcherson.

Those attending the National Shriners convention in Washington this week are: Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Fulton, Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Tuttle, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Davis, Mr. and R. A. Hedgecock and M. N. Wheeler.

J. B. Woodruff, who is spending the summer at Moore's Springs, was at home a few days the past week.

John Burton and Mr. Shockley, who recently underwent operations at Moore's Springs, have about recovered. Mrs. John Burton and Miss Lucy Burton visited them a few days last week.

Mrs. Edwin Carter has gone to Mt. Airy to spend some time.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Davis and family visited friends here last Wednesday.

A number of young people attended the dance at Moore's Springs Saturday night in compliment to two popular visitors, Miss Louise Baker and Miss Thelma Neal's guest. Among those in the party were Misses Thelma and Carrie Moore Neal, Nell, Katherine, and Margaret Hutcherson, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Davis, Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Hutcherson, Messrs. Matt Tuttle, Eugene Dodson and Charlie Rierson.

The town will be enlivened with the return of the girls and boys this week from the various colleges: Julia Hairston and Carrie Moore Neal from Salem; Eugenia Wheeler from Dayton, Va.; Elizabeth Fulton from N. C. C. W.; Nellie Chilton and Bertha Neal from Guilford College; Ruth Woodruff from Virginia; Ralph and Frank Slate from

BUILD ADDITION TO STOKES JAIL

County Commissioners Award Construction To R. R. King--Building To Cost Upward Of \$18,000--Will Be Modern.

The County Commissioners last Monday authorized the construction of an addition to the county jail here of about the same dimensions as the present building.

The construction of the building was awarded to R. R. King, of Danbury, who estimates the cost of the building at about \$18,000. There is no fixed price as Mr. King will receive cost plus ten per cent for the building. Work will begin within about thirty days.

The addition to the jail will be of brick and concrete and it will be as near fire proof as possible. Steam heat will be used throughout both present building and the addition, bath rooms with hot and cold running water will be installed in the residence portion of the building as well as for the jail proper, and the whole building will be wired for electricity, making it modern in each particular. Separate apartments will be arranged for white and colored and for male and female inmates, making it conform in this particular with the requirements of the State.

Business Doubles In Register Deeds Office

Register of Deeds J. R. Bowen states that during the past month the amount of work and fees collected in the Register's office were more than double that of last May.

Painting M. E. Church At Davis' Chapel

W. E. Joyce left today for Red Shoals where he will paint the Davis Chapel M. E. church. This church was only finished a short time since, the old church having burned some time ago.

Wake Forest; Bill Hairston from Bingham; Ralph Tuttle from University; Reeves Jones from Richmond.

Misses Nell and Katherine Hutcherson, Louise Baker and Thelma Neal spent Saturday in Winston-Salem shopping.

Miss Velma Burge is in Winston-Salem with her brother who is ill in the Twin City hospital.

Mrs. C. J. Lamb and baby visited her parents, Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Jones, last week.

Mr. and H. H. Davis spent Friday in Winston-Salem.

Mrs. O. J. Cates went to Greensboro Sunday to see her daughter, Miss Minnie Cates, who is ill there.

Mr. Alex Flinchum has remodeled and improved his home on South Summit St.

Dr. R. G. Tuttle and Jacob Fulton have recently installed radio phones.

J. M. ALLEY GETS BOY AND STILL

Arrest Of Others Seen At Still May Follow--J. S. D. Pulliam Does Not Improve--A Marriage and Other King News.

King, June 4.--Mr. James Culler, who holds a position at High Point, spent Sunday with his family here.

Gibert Love of King and Miss Della Mae Rogers of Francisco were quietly married here Thursday only a few of the near relatives and friends being present. Rev. T. F. Pardue officiated.

The Modern Woodmen team defeated the Rural Hall nine in a game of baseball here Memorial day. The score stood nineteen and one.

Quite a number of King people attended the memorial services at Winston-Salem Wednesday.

Francisco defeated the King Woodmen team in a game of ball here Saturday. The score stood thirteen and eleven.

Mr. James R. Bowen register of deeds of Danbury spent Sunday with friends here.

Constable Alley seized a blockade distillery three miles west of town Saturday night. Will Stone aged sixteen years was also captured at the still, there were two more men at the plant but they made their getaway. Their identity was known by the officer and it is thought that they will be captured within a few days.

Mr. Lester O. Pulliam of Winston-Salem spent Sunday with his parents here.

Messrs. P. W. Gunter and Clint Spainhower made a business trip to Winston-Salem today.

Mr. J. S. D. Pulliam who has been seriously ill at his home here shows no improvement we are sorry to note.

Mr. J. S. Schaub left this morning for Mount Airy where he goes on a business trip.

The condition of Mr. Wiley Johnson who is in a Richmond Va. hospital is reported not to be very encouraging.

Dr. E. N. Tomlinson of Winston-Salem was among the visitors here yesterday.

Work will be commenced within the next few days on Mr. O. O. Grabs' new service station which is to be built on Main Street.

Mr. John Morefield of Vade Mecum Springs was among the business visitors here today.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. McGee of Thomasville spent Sunday with relatives near here.

M'RAE HARTMAN SERIOUSLY HURT

Young Son of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hartman Has Skull Fractured In Auto Accident Near Dillard, Stokes County.

McRae Hartman, the five-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Everett Hartman, of King, had his skull fractured and was otherwise hurt Sunday afternoon in an automobile collision near Dillard, this county. The child was immediately taken to Lawrence hospital in Winston-Salem and an operation was performed in hope of saving the little fellow's life. At this writing (Tuesday) he is reported to be doing as well as possible under the circumstances.

It is stated that the boy was in a car which his uncle, George Hartman, was driving when it collided with another car driven by Mack Heath, young son of Hugh Heath. Both cars were badly damaged.

Paul Taylor and sister, Miss Grace Taylor, left Monday for Washington to attend the meeting of Shriners.

COURT JURORS DRAWN MONDAY

Summer Term Of Court Convening Here On July 9 Will Be Presided Over By Judge T. J. Shaw--Civil Court.

At the meeting of the county commissioners here Monday of this week jurors were drawn for the summer term of Stokes Superior court. The court, which will be for the trial of civil cases only, will be presided over by Judge T. J. Shaw, of Greensboro, and will convene on Monday, July 9, continuing for one week.

Names of the jurors drawn for this term of court are as follows:

Drew Joyce, L. A. Richardson, J. M. Hampton, W. T. Dunlap, B. B. Oakley, R. M. Covington, R. L. Christian, Will Owens, R. L. Mitchell, J. A. Hauser, G. W. Lawson, Foy Smith, Roy Alley, J. M. Covington, J. A. Stone, J. Chester Ferguson, W. E. Tuttle, D. R. Amos, Levi M. Jessup, R. B. Hutcherson, J. B. Young, W. J. Sands, Ira W. Moser, W. C. Moore.

IN STOKES JAIL ON SERIOUS CHARGE

Ed Simmons Fires Shot Gun At Two Boys While They Were Swimming In the River--Boys Not Seriously Hurt.

Ed Simmons, colored, of Walnut Cove, was placed in Stokes jail last week, charged with shooting at Henry Rothrock and Wesley Linville, the young sons of Messrs. E. A. Rothrock and P. H. Linville, of Walnut Cove. The boys were in the river swimming near the home of Simmons when apparently without cause he fired on them with a shot gun, several shots hitting the boys. They were not seriously hurt as they were some distance from Simmons.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Give Dinner Party

Gap, June 3.--Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Taylor gave a dinner party in honor of their sisters Misses Essie and Mildred Moorefield of Walnut Cove on Saturday June first.

Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. William Lowman and family, Mr. and Mrs. Holton Easley of Winston-Salem, Mr. and Mrs. Mechum, of Mocksville, Mr. Lee from Danville, Mr. and Mrs. Young of Statesville N. C. After dinner was served the guests and hostess, motored to Moores Springs for the dance.

Automobile Wreck Near Lawsonville

Two Ford cars, one driven by Dewey Shelton and the other by Sam Reid, had a head-on collision near Lawsonville yesterday. Both cars were badly damaged but the occupants of the cars escaped with slight bruises.