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## ROAD CONTRACTS LET BY STATE

Highway From Pilot Mt. To Mt. Airy Only One For This District—Bidding Lively and Higher Than Usual.

Raleigh, Oct. 10.—Road and bridge construction let to low bid by the State Highway Commission today totalled \$2,131,635.10 and added to the mileage 78.36.

Of this, hard surface construction is over 41 miles and soft road 37 miles. The bidding was lively and slightly on the upgrade.

The only road let to contract in this district was that between Pilot Mountain and Mt. Airy, 10.54 miles, grading only. McDowell Construction Co. got contract for grading at \$77,495.60, while the bridges went to C. H. Heilig for \$72,560.75.

As this road is to be graded only it is presumed that it will be hard-surfaced later, the road having been authorized for hard-surface some months ago.

According to one newspaper report this will be the last letting of contracts for 1923.

## Will Likely Leave This County Soon

It is learned with regret that John D. Smith, of Peter's Creek township, will probably leave Stokes at an early date to make his home in Pilot Mountain. Mr. Smith purchased a nice residence lot in Pilot some time since and is now preparing to erect a home on it. His object in leaving is to get near a good school. Mr. Smith who is a member of the Stokes county highway commission, is an excellent citizen, and will be greatly missed in the county. It is hoped that he will reconsider and decide to remain in Stokes.

## Farmers Digging Gold In Stokes

Greensboro News.

The owner of some Sauratown mountain property thinks he has discovered gold on it. Lots of the farmers in that section have been digging green back out of the ground this year. The trouble with most North Carolina gold discoveries is that it takes a dollar to dig 90 cents worth of the metal.

## Work Started On Annex To Stokes Jail

Work was started this week on the annex to the county jail for Stokes. The steel and other material to be used in the building has already been placed on the ground. The building will be modern in every particular when completed. R. R. King, of Danbury, is the contractor in charge of the work.

## COURT CONVENES HERE MONDAY

Judge O. H. Allen Will Preside Instead Of Judge T. J. Shaw, the Latter Being Ill—Large Criminal Docket.

The two weeks' fall term of Stokes Superior court for the trial of criminal and civil actions will convene in Danbury next Monday, October 15th. Judge O. H. Allen will preside at both terms of the court. Judge T. J. Shaw, who was expected to hold the court, is indisposed at his home in Greensboro, and will not be able to preside. It is stated that the criminal docket is large and that it will likely consume almost the entire first week. The civil docket is not larger than usual.

The jurors drawn to serve at the two weeks' term of court are as follows:

### FIRST WEEK. (Criminal Term.)

J. Wesley Morefield, W. J. Booth, Elkin Smith, John W. Redmon, J. F. Lawson, J. A. Heath, R. C. Meadows, W. A. Rodgers, C. S. Pitzer, J. R. Martin, J. M. Simmons, Ed. Priddy, R. F. A. Baker, W. O. Vaden, J. S. Merritt, W. H. Browder, P. D. Fulk, C. T. Hamm, J. B. Alley, Toby Booth, A. C. Amos, J. B. Midkiff, Frank Martin, S. M. Scott, Sam Meadows, Strawdy Martin, J. A. Weisner, F. E. Smith, H. H. Brown, C. E. Hunter, Euel Hutcherson, O. R. H. Morefield, J. R. Bondurant, E. M. Adkins, Grover S. Hall, E. R. McKenzie.

### SECOND WEEK. (Civil Term.)

C. D. Slate, J. D. Young, W. H. Davis, W. T. Jones, R. L. Lawson, John G. Fulton, Fred Glidewell, Luther Woods, R. L. Durham, S. T. Edwards, R. R. Roberts, J. E. Tilley, H. C. Gordon, W. H. Southern, Clade M. Tuttle, W. A. Nunn, Geo. Cox, W. J. Poor, Rufus Nelson, F. J. Petree, Luke O. Priddy, J. L. Christian, D. L. Smith, A. J. Amos.

## Former Stokes Man Candidate For Sheriff

Frank Pringle, son of Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Pringle, of Stokes, who has been a resident of Virginia for some years, announces his candidacy for the office of Sheriff of Patrick county in this week's issue of the Stuart, Va., paper. The election for State and county officials will be held in Virginia this fall. In his announcement Mr. Pringle states that he believes in strict law-enforcement and that if he is elected the selection of his deputies will be governed by the wishes of the law-abiding citizens in the respective communities from which they come.

## Stokes Men Pinched In Rockingham

B ze Throckmorton and Nat Priddy, citizens of Danbury Route 1, were arrested at Mayo-dan recently on the charge of speeding. The officers are reported to have found a small quantity of whiskey in the car after making the arrest and the men and the car were held under bonds.

## FARMERS ARE DISSATISFIED

Unless Prices Pick Up the Co-Ops Will Get A Boost—First Advances By Co-Ops Much Better Than Last Year.

Without an exception farmers who have sold tobacco recently report that it is low in price and great dissatisfaction prevails among them. Scores of them are considering signing up with the co-ops and unless the market gets better soon the co-ops will certainly get a boost in new members.

The best tobacco growers in this section who have tried the market have done well to get an average above twenty cents a pound, while the average tobacco grower is falling considerably below this figure. The average price is probably around 12 or 13 cents after the warehouse charges are deducted and farmers will certainly not be able to meet their obligations at these prices.

It is stated by members of the Farmers' Co-operative Marketing Association that the first advance payment on some tobacco pooled this week has been greater than the entire price paid for the same grade of tobacco on the warehouse floors of the open market. For instance, the co-ops state that a tenant on the farm of R. J. Petree, in Meadows township, this week pooled a part of one of his grades and sold the other part of the same grade on the warehouse floor at auction, and that he received as a first advance on the pooled tobacco sixteen cents per pound, while that sold at auction brought only fourteen cents per pound.

## Copper Captured In Northern Stokes

Deputy Sheriff Monroe Fagg, of Route 1, last week captured a large copper still in the northern section of Stokes, near the Virginia line. The still was not in operation at the time it was captured. The copper was placed in the county jail here for safe keeping.

## Taking Evidence In Divorce Case

Depositions were taken here yesterday in the case in which J. L. Forkner, of Princeton, W. V., is suing his wife for divorce. Several witnesses and attorneys were in attendance. Mrs. Forkner resides on Danbury Route 1, while the suit for divorce is being brought in Princeton, W. V., the present home of Mr. Forkner. He is engaged in the mercantile business there.

## Stokes County Fair Starts Tuesday

The Stokes county fair opens at King Tuesday next. The premium list for this fair is more attractive than ever before and the exhibits will nodoubt be good. A great many citizens of this section expect to attend the fair.

## SPECIAL TERM STOKES COURT

Ordered By Governor At Request Of Local Bar and the County Commissioners—Convenes December 3, 1923.

At the request of the local bar and the Board of County Commissioners, Governor Morrison has ordered a special term of Superior court for Stokes county, for the trial of civil cases only, for the term to convene on Monday, December 3, 1923. Judge C. C. Lyon, one of the State's emergency judges, has been assigned by the Governor to preside over the special term of court.

The special term of court is made necessary by the great accumulation of cases on the civil docket, and it is hoped to clear these up.

## COUNTY TO SELL SCHOOL HOUSES

Consolidation Of Schools In Several Districts Renders Buildings Useless To County—Some Are Valuable.

The Stokes Board of Education is preparing to dispose of a number of school houses and lots both in Meadows and Quaker Gap township. Since the consolidation of the schools in these townships these school houses will not be used any more, and the proceeds from their sale will be turned into the county treasury. The sales will be held at Germantown Nov. 1st and at Reynold's school on Nov. 2nd. Notice of the sales appears elsewhere in this paper.

## Ambulance For Walnut Cove

P. T. Harrington, proprietor of the Stokes Hardware & Furniture Co., at Walnut Cove, was a visitor here yesterday. Mr. Harrington stated that his company has purchased a handsome ambulance for its own use and that it would arrive this week.

Mr. Harrington, who is a licensed embalmer, has recently been getting some nice testimonials of his work. Recently he shipped a body to Garysburg, S. C., and has just received a letter from the undertaker there commending his work in the highest terms.

## Sales Are Light On Tobacco Market

Sales of tobacco at the warehouses are light. Farmers reported that yesterday some of the warehouses finished the day's sale in Winston-Salem before noon. Prices are so low that farmers are not enthusiastic about selling as usual. They are putting over going to market, hoping that prices will improve.

Wheat-sowing is in order and farmers will do well to get a full crop in the ground in view of the low price of tobacco.

## FIRE DESTROYS MUCH TOBACCO

Will Smith and Jerry Baker Lose Nine Barns of the Weed—Sam Baker Loses Good House—No Insurance.

Will Smith and Jerry Baker, of Meadows township, suffered a heavy loss Saturday night when nine barns of tobacco belonging to them was destroyed by fire, the loss being near \$3,000 with no insurance. Seven barns of the tobacco belonged to Mr. Smith, the other being owned by Mr. Baker. The building in which the tobacco was stored, which was a two-story building, was formerly occupied by Sam Baker as a residence, and was owned by him. No insurance was carried on the building.

The force of workmen engaged in building the highway to the Hanging Rock development, near Flat Shoal, were camping and making their headquarters in the lower rooms of the burned building at the time of the fire, and some of the men barely made their escape before the building fell in. One young man reported that he lost all of his clothing and about forty dollars in cash. The origin of the fire was not known.

## Charter For the Eastern Star

Walnut Cove, Oct. 19.—On the evening of September 7th the Grand Matron formally presented the charter issued by the Grand Chapter in June, to Walnut Cove Chapter No. 127, at Walnut Cove.

After the ceremony of constitution the following officers were duly elected and installed by the Grand Matron: Mrs. Lillian M. Harrington, worthy Matron; Mr. P. T. Harrington, worthy Patron; Mrs. Milda L. Hutchison, Associate Matron; Mrs. Mary H. Ramsey, Secretary; Mr. Russell McPherson, Treasurer; Miss Rebekah Harrington, Conductress; Mrs. Margaret W. Davis, Associate Conductress; Mrs. Floy L. Wheeler, Chaplain; Mr. Wade L. Marshall, Marshal; Mrs. Addie Mae Tuttle, Organist; Mrs. Mrytle C. Bailey, Adah; Miss Gladys Wheeler, Ruth; Miss Nell Marshall, Esther; Miss Cora Davis, Martha; Mrs. Margaret Hedgecock, Electa; Miss Kathleen Marshall, Warder; Mr. B. Pinnix Bailey, Sentinel.

At the close of the meeting refreshments were served and a pleasant social hour was enjoyed. The Chapter room was beautiful with its decorations of flowers and draperies of the five colors.

The Grand Matron was accompanied to Walnut Cove by Sister Louise M. Fowler, Junior Past Grand Matron, who assisted in the constitution and installation ceremonies.

Mr. William E. Shaw, Jr., of Boston, Mass., who has been the guest of Miss Rebekah Harrington for the past week, has returned home.

## BIDS WANTED ON POWER PLANT

For Walnut Cove, and Work Will Be Started Soon—Co-Ops Open Warehouse and Prospects Are Encouraging.

Walnut Cove, Oct. 10.—Bids will be opened tonight for the construction of the dam and power house for Walnut Cove's electric power and light plant. It is expected that a number of bids will be submitted, and it is the intention of the town officials to begin work as soon as possible.

The farmers' co-operative tobacco receiving station opened here yesterday morning with a good lot of tobacco being on hand and prospects are encouraging for a much larger business than was done last year. A great many new members have been signed up this year.

V. W. Ham, Walnut Cove's popular barber, left yesterday for the hospital to undergo an operation for tonsillitis.

Julian Vaughn left yesterday morning for Chatham, Va., where he goes to accept a position with the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association. He was connected with the market at this place last year.

The first frost of the season was seen in low places here Monday morning. The frost was not heavy enough to do any damage.

## Dr. Highsmith Coming To Walnut Cove Soon

Walnut Cove, Oct. 11.—Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, State Supervisor of High Schools, of Raleigh, will address the patrons of Walnut Cove school in the new school auditorium on Thursday night, Oct. 18, at 7:30 o'clock. The faculty is arranging a short program for the occasion and urge the attendance of every one interested in the welfare of the school. No children are expected to attend.

## Meeting Of Womens' Missionary Society

The Womens' Missionary Society met yesterday afternoon at the Presbyterian church. The meeting was presided over by the President, Mrs. H. M. Joyce. The topic for the meeting was "Christ Winning China." Interesting papers were read by Mrs. W. G. Petree, Mrs. A. J. Fagg, and Mrs. John Taylor. A vocal solo by Mrs. N. E. Pepper was enjoyed. The program committee for the next meeting is composed of Mrs. A. J. Fagg and Mrs. M. O. Jones.

## Ford Car Burns After Turning Over

A Ford car, reported to have been owned and driven by Ralph Hall, of Meadows township, turned over Saturday night near Hairston's ford bridge, in Sauratown township, and was burned up. Mr. Hall escaped without injury, it is learned.