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TWO MEN TAKEN AT DISTILLERY

Jim Mabe and Flinchum Stephens Give Bond In Case Charging Them With Violating Prohibition Law.

Jim Mabe and Flinchum Stephens were arrested Saturday by Sheriff Dunlap and deputies while engaged in manufacturing whiskey near their homes in Beaver Island township. The still and a small quantity of whiskey were taken with the men, when they were found at the plant while it was being operated at full capacity.

The men were given hearings before Justice Dock Carter, near Pine Hall, and their bonds fixed at \$500 each, which they promptly gave.

SCHOOL OPENS AT FRANCISCO

Twenty-seven Students Enter High School Department—Prof. O. H. Hauser Is Principal—Session Will Continue Eight Months.

The high school department of the Francisco school opened Monday with Prof. O. H. Hauser acting principal and with twenty-seven pupils enrolled. The other departments of the Francisco school will not open until October 6th, the opening of the high school being made possible by private subscriptions. The term will continue for a period of eight months.

The Francisco citizens are enthusiastic over their school and this year promises to be the best in the history of the school.

THE STOKES CROP NOT HURT

Too Much Rain In Some Sections of State Did Much Damage To Tobacco.

The state crop reporting service predicts that this year the tobacco crop in North Carolina will be approximately 119,000,000 pounds less than last year. Too much rain in the eastern part of the state has caused much damage to tobacco and other crops and a recent drouth in the Old Belt has cut short the prospective yield. Rockingham, Stokes, Surry and other counties in this section, however, had already begun priming before dry weather began.

Children Bitten By Maddog

Walnut Cove, Sept. 15.—Miss Bertie Mae Neal has just returned from a week's stay at Piedmont Springs.

Several children through this section had the misfortune of being bitten by a mad-dog last week and are under treatment.

The bridge across Town Fork is about completed, we are glad to note.

BOY KILLS HIS BROTHER

Deplorable Accident Occurred At Francisco Wednesday Afternoon When Paul Shelton Shot Wilbur Shelton.

On Wednesday afternoon Paul Shelton, twelve-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shelton, shot and almost instantly killed his nine-year-old brother, Wilbur Shelton, the accident occurring near the Shelton home, a short distance from Francisco in the northwestern part of Stokes. The shot was fired from a 22-caliber rifle and the bullet entered the back of the head, death resulting in about two hours.

The particulars of the distressing accident as given the Reporter are that the two Shelton boys had been sent to the pasture near by to bring up the cow for milking. Paul took along his rifle to kill birds and he states that he was in the act of shooting at a bird when the gun fired prematurely, the ball hitting Wilbur in the back of the head. The shot was fired at close range, the boy's hair being burned by the powder. There was no eye witness to the shooting but citizens of the community have no doubt but that it was purely accidental.

BOB BRYANT WILL SERVE TIME

Sentenced At Last Term of Stokes Court and Appealed To Supreme Court—To Give Trusty's Bond.

Bob Bryant, of Winston-Salem, who was tried at the last term of Stokes court on the charge of violating the prohibition law and given a sentence of eighteen months on the roads, will return to Stokes at once and begin serving his sentence. He took an appeal to Supreme court but will not await the decision of the court. The county highway commission passed a resolution Monday allowing Bryant to give a trusty's bond of \$1,000.

It will be recalled that Bryant and another man by the name of Ball were captured last fall near Germantown by Stokes officers as they were passing through with a Ford load of whiskey.

Most of the tobacco remaining in the fields will be housed this week, and by the end of next week there will be very little of 1924 crop left standing. The recent favorable weather has had a wholesome effect upon the season's yield, and has tended to give the weed more weight.

Miss Lucile Martin left this week to attend school at Madison.

W. N. REYNOLDS VISITS STOKES

Spent Short While At Nancy Cox Memorial School—Was Impressed With Need Of Road To County Seat.

William N. Reynolds, prominent citizen and big tobacco manufacturer of Winston-Salem, paid the county seat of Stokes and other sections of the county a visit the past week, and while here he spent a short while at the Nancy Cox Memorial school in Quaker Gap township. This handsome school building was given to the people of that section of the county by Mr. Reynolds in memory of his mother, who resided there before her marriage.

In coming to the county Mr. Reynolds drove over the road leading from the Forsyth line to Danbury and he was strongly impressed with the need for re-grading and hard-surfacing this road, which is entirely too narrow and crooked to be safe to travel over. He expressed himself as hoping to see the State Highway Commission hard-surface this important road at an early date.

TEACHERS MEET HERE OCT. 4

To Outline Work For County During Coming Year—Organize Local Unit Of State Teachers' Association

A county-wide meeting of Stokes county teachers will be held at the court house in Danbury on Saturday, October 6th, at which time the work for the coming school year in the county will be outlined and other important questions in regard to school work discussed.

The local unit of the State Teachers' Association will also be organized at the meeting, and blanks and school registers distributed to the teachers.

As there seems to be slight misunderstanding among some as to the dates for the opening of the schools, Supt. of School J. C. Carson requests this paper to announce that schools will be opened on the following dates: Reynolds' school, Oct. 6th. Meadows school Sept. 29th. All short term schools, Oct. 6th.

Paul Taylor, who is operating a warehouse at Kingstree, S. C., writes that tobacco is selling high there considering the quality of the offerings.

Both of the candidates for Governor are coming to Danbury soon to address the Stokes county voters. Mr. Meekins comes on Friday of this week, Sept. 19th, and Mr. McLean will be here next Tuesday, Sept. 23rd. Both candidates will no doubt have large crowds out to hear them.

BRIDGE BIDS WERE HELD UP

Highway Commission Had Bid On Concrete Construction Lower Than On Steel—To Be Re-Let On October 6.

Bids on the building of seven steel bridges in Stokes were received Monday by the county highway commission. Steel & Libby, of Knoxville, Tenn., submitted a bid in which they offered to construct concrete bridges for less than the other bidders asked to build them of steel. The board had not asked for bids on concrete construction but since it was found that they could be built for less money, it was decided to allow all of the bidders to have a chance at the concrete construction on the 1st Monday in October. In the meantime the plans submitted by Steel & Libby have been forwarded to the State Highway Commission at Raleigh for their approval.

There were five bids placed on the seven bridges, but the board declined to say which of these were the lowest bidders on the steel work, since none of the bids will be accepted if it is decided to use concrete. Those bidding on the bridges were Luten Bridge Co., Steel & Libby, Foster Construction Co., R. R. King, Brinkley Bridge Co.

STOKES MAN KILLED BY TREE

Frank Scott At Pinnacle Had His Back Broken While Felling Trees On His Farm Last Week.

Pinnacle, Sept. 12.—Frank Scott, aged about 50 years, was seriously injured about 9 o'clock this morning when he was struck by a falling limb from a tree. Scott, was engaged in felling trees on some land near Pinnacle, suffered a broken back.

A telephone call was sent to Winston-Salem and an ambulance from the Vogler's funeral parlors left immediately for Pinnacle. Mr. Scott was taken to Martin hospital, Mt. Airy, and at 2:30 this afternoon was under the x-ray.

Mr. Scott, whose home is near Shoals, had been employed to clear some land near Pinnacle, and was engaged in this task when a large limb broke from a tree and before he could escape fell directly on on him.

LATER—A message from Mt. Airy states that Mr. Scott died soon after reaching the hospital.

Mayor P. H. Linville, of Walnut Cove, was among the visitors here Monday. He stated that so far nothing definite had been learned in regard to when the State would start work on the road from Fulp into Stokes.

TOBACCO MARKET OPENS OCT. 1

Tobacco Board of Trade Fixes This As Definite Date—The Crop Is Good—Big Year Promised.

Winston-Salem September 15—At a meeting of the executive committee of the Tobacco Board of Trade this morning at the Piedmont warehouse, it was decided to open the Winston-Salem leaf tobacco markets on October 1st.

The decision on the opening date was practically all the business discussed by the committee, and it was unanimously decided that this would be the best date.

With the opening on October 1st, the warehouse men of Winston-Salem are looking forward to one of the biggest years in the history of the tobacco market in Winston-Salem.

The crop thruout this section of the country is regarded as exceptionally good this year, and it is confidently expected that the aggregate pounds and the average price will be at an exceptionally high figure.

Last year the poundage ran up to around forty-three million, and it is expected that even this high figure will be eclipsed this year, with the average per pound running even higher.

A full complement of buyers representing all of the large tobacco companies of this country are expected to be on hand for the first sales and will remain in Winston-Salem thruout the season. Every company buying for this and foreign countries will be represented by buyers.

As last year, there will be a second sale for one warehouse each day, as there will be but four sets of buyers for the five warehouses, Piedmont, Browns, Planters and Peppers.

Tobacco farmers and the public generally will be interested in the information that the date of the sale has been determined.

Practically all of the tobacco warehouse men who have been on the early South Carolina market during the past few weeks have returned to this city, and are getting everything in readiness for the big opening.

Visiting At Lodge Of Commissioner Hanes

Mr. and Mrs. J. Porter Steadman were week-end guests of Highway Commissioner and Mrs. A. S. Hanes at their lodge near Elkin.—Winston Journal.

R. E. L. Francis, of Francisco, was among the visitors here Monday. Mr. Francis is just completing a new residence.

The infant of Mr. and Mrs. Clady Mabe died at their home at Meadows Sunday morning following an illness with colitis and spinal meningitis. The bereaved parents have the sincere sympathy of their many friends in their loss.

MORE COUNTY ROADS ORDERED

Stokes Highway Commission Had a Busy Day Here At Its Special Meeting Monday—Good Number Of Citizens Here.

A contract was awarded to J. T. Platt Construction Co. by the Stokes Highway Commission Monday for the construction of a soil road which will complete the direct highway from Danbury to Madison, Rockingham county. The road from Danbury to Prestonville has already been completed by the Platt Co. and the county forces, while the road from the Rockingham line to Madison is a fine soil road. This county will when this road is completed have a fine soil road all the way from Madison to Mt. Airy through Danbury and the heart of Stokes.

At Monday's meeting of the highway board here the Big Creek township commissioners were instructed to build a road from Flint Tilley's mail box to Geo. W. Hutcherson's, the road to be built next in order. They were also instructed to build a road from Sam Nunns' to Pinch Gut creek at State highway bridge. These roads are to be of standard width and soiled.

The board ordered that a road be constructed from Bob Smith's to Geo. Smith's in Yaddin township. This is to be the next road built in that township.

Engineer Mullican was instructed to survey the John Mickey and J. Adkins road and secure the proper location for the road.

There were a number of citizens before the board asking for roads, etc., in several townships of the county.

MR. McLEAN COMING SEPTEMBER 23

Will Address Stokes County Voters In Court House At Danbury, Tuesday, Sept. 23, At 2 o'clock P. M.

Announcement was made Monday by Chairman E. W. Carroll that Hon. A. W. McLean, Democratic candidate for Governor, would address the voters of Stokes at Danbury on the political issues on Tuesday, Sept. 23rd, at 2 o'clock P. M.

Mr. McLean is an able speaker and his coming is looked forward to with much pleasure by the Stokes Democrats. He is popular here, having defeated Mr. Bailey in the primary in Stokes by a large majority.

Chairman Carroll hopes to see a large number of citizens out to hear Mr. McLean on the 23rd inst.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Joyce are visiting Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Joyce at Westfield this week.