

## STOKES SCHOOLS TO BE CONSOLIDATED

### A High School In Reach of Every Child In the County Was Assured By the Action of Stokes Officials Yesterday.

By an almost unanimous vote, at a joint meeting of the board of county commissioners and the board of education held here yesterday, the schools of Stokes county are to be consolidated and a high school is to be placed within reach of every child of school age in the county.

The plan as worked out by the board of education and the State authorities, provides for the erection of modern school buildings at Danbury, Sandy Ridge, Lawsonville and Francisco, and the enlarging of the school buildings at King and Pinnacle.

The buildings to be erected and those to be enlarged, with the amounts to be expended at each place, are as follows:

- Sandy Ridge building, \$15,000.
- Lawsonville, \$15,000.
- Francisco, \$15,000.
- Danbury, \$18,000.
- King, \$25,000.
- Pinnacle, \$10,000.

Funds for the erection of the school building at Danbury are available now, having been secured from the State building funds, and contract will be let for the erection of the building on July 8th. The other buildings will be financed by the county, and construction work will be started on them just as soon as possible.

A very desirable building lot was secured by the school board Monday for the Danbury school. It was purchased from Dr. W. V. McCanness and is located on the western end of Danbury on a nice elevation. The old school building and lot here will be sold at public auction at an early date and the money applied on the new lot.

## Charlotte Leads All Towns Of State

Charlotte, June 24.—Charlotte's automobile license sale of \$17,000 last Monday exceeded by \$2,000 the highest one-day record made by any office in the State last year, according to R. A. Doughton, State Commissioner of Revenue.

This record was made on the opening day of the sale of 1925-26 automobile license plates. The rush was continued, unabated throughout the week. Charlotte expects to put out more than \$250,000 worth of plates this season.

The opening day in Raleigh brought \$14,000 to the State treasury.

## Guilford Tobacco Crop In Bad Condition

Greensboro, June 24.—The tobacco crop in Guilford county is in a serious condition owing to the long continued drought, says county farm demonstrator J. I. Wagoner. Much of it is "buttoning," he said, which is an alarming condition. It is far too early for the plants to button.

In some sections of the county rain has fallen in spots and the tobacco is better in these sections and considered safe for a while yet.

## Drought Hurts Crops Around Madison

Madison, June 24.—The drought which has prevailed in this section since the second week in May continues unbroken except for light showers. Much tobacco that was planted during the first week of June had died and other crops are showing the effect of the dry weather. Corn is also being seriously affected by the lack of rain and by a worm that is destroying the roots of the stalks, one farmer declaring that at least a third of his crop had died from this cause.

Prof. Hardy Carroll, who has been acting principal of the Mount Airy graded school the past session, has returned to his home at Mizpah, and was a visitor in Danbury Monday.

## READY TO TURN ON THE JUICE

### Walnut Cove's Power Plant Is About Finished — Catching Fish In the Dan—New Residences Being Erected.

Walnut Cove, June 23.—The electric power plant for Walnut Cove is now about completed and as soon as some minor adjustments are made the juice will be turned on, which event our town's people have anticipated for some time with much satisfaction. It is assured us that there will be plenty of power to replace all the oil engines that have been used here for years for various purposes. The power will also be sold to Pine Hall for operating the brick plant there and other purposes. It is rumored that a new contract may be let to enlarge the dam on the Dan in order to furnish additional power for industrial use.

The second well now being dug to augment the town's water supply has reached a depth of over 550 feet. Water has risen to within 30 feet of the surface. It is hoped to turn on the water for use in a few days.

The cement road between Walnut Cove and Fulp has been completed this way as far as the railway crossing and traffic has been turned over the finished section, eliminating the detour between here and Winston-Salem.

Several new homes are being erected on north Main street. The nice filling station being built by Neal Bros. on Main street will soon be finished and will add much to the attractiveness of this section of the town.

Fishing in Dan river near the new power plant has become quite a fad with some of our citizens. When the gates are closed in the dam and the water is allowed to run off below it is an easy matter to catch large fish and some fine ones weighing from 9 to 10 pounds have been taken.

This section was visited by a fine rain Wednesday last. It was badly needed, crops having suffered severely recently from the drought.

Misses Carrie Moore and Cordie Neal left last week for New York, where they will spend some days before sailing for Europe to spend the summer.

Ralph Tuttle has returned from school at the State University and will spend the summer with his parents here.

## Marriage Licenses Issued Recently

During the past few days Register of Deeds John J. Taylor has issued license for the marriage of the following named young couples:

- Meggs H. Flippin to Beulah E. Jessup.
- Joe Austin to Ethel Scott.
- C. C. Lassiter to Elizabeth Potent.
- James W. Bennett to Susan Boles.
- Reid Dorsett to Bonnie Gordon.
- W. S. Cole to Flossie Warren.
- O. L. Snider to Clemmie Gordon.
- H. B. Morris to Elma Isley.
- Major Martin to Tiny S. Spencer.
- Coy E. Rhodes to Pearl Rhodes.
- Robert A. Beck to Doris Christian.
- William Shelton to Sadie Flinn.
- Paul Westmoreland to Hope Boles.
- C. A. Wall to Mary Duncan.
- Harry Lawson to Mollie Lloyd.
- Clemson Stuart to Mary Stuart.
- Joe Hairston to Lillie Welch.

## Road Commissioner Cameron Resigns

Raleigh, June 23.—John Cameron, of Kinston, for four years State highway commissioner, for the second district, has resigned that position. Governor McLean announces the appointment of Charles R. Wheatly, of Beaufort, to fill the vacancy.

## R. S. COLLINS HURT BY CAR

### Was Driving Through King At Time of Accident—Big Time In King On Fourth July—Three Base Ball Games.

King, June 22.—R. S. Collins, of Westfield, was driving along Main street in West King Friday afternoon in a Ford touring car when suddenly one of the radius rods came loose and the car dashed down a 4-foot embankment and hit a stump, demolishing the car. Mr. Collins was huried to the King Drug Co's. place and was attended by Dr. Stone, and Dr. Helsabeck, who found that he had 4 front teeth knocked out, a lacerated lip and his right finger was broken and cut. While his wounds were very painful, fortunately he was not seriously hurt. Mr. Collins was alone at the time of the accident.

Henry Moser, aged 70 years, died at his home 4 miles South of town Friday almost suddenly with apoplexy. Mr. Moser was one of our best citizens and will be greatly missed in his community.

There will be "something doing" in King on July 4. Three big baseball games will be played. Supper and refreshments in the afternoon for everybody and a general good time. You are invited to come and be with the crowd.

Forest fire on the Sauratown mountain north of King has been raging for some days, burning everything in its path. Mr. Wesley Eaton's residence was burned Saturday. Several hundred acres of fine timber has been burned over.

Dr. S. F. Tillotson, who underwent an operation at Martin's hospital in Mt. Airy last week for appendicitis, is reported to be getting on nicely.

Rev. Oscar Helsabeck, of Richmond, Va., is spending several days with relatives here.

The M. W. A. ball team of this place defeated the "Red Goose" team, also of King, in a game here Saturday. Score 14 to 8.

Mrs. Knox Leeson, and children, of Richmond, Va., are visiting relatives here.

Dr. Ernest Griffin removed with the knife a cancer from the face of Mr. Julius Eaton, of Pinnacle, yesterday.

## July Fourth To Be Big Day In Madison

Madison, June 22.—Preparations for a joyous, though safe, sane and sober, observance of the fourth of July have been about completed by local citizens, it is learned, and if the weather man gives us a fair day it will be an occasion long to be remembered here and throughout the entire section by the citizens who attend. Madison expects to entertain not less than ten thousand visitors on this gala occasion.

And entertainment is what it will be for there is going to be something doing all day and far into the night. The hungry will be fed and the thirsty will be given drink. Members of the entertainment committee are responsible for this interesting statement.

The drinks will be soft but everything will be free and the public will find a hearty welcome awaiting them.

## Bantam Rooster Mother Of Chicks

Lexington, June 12.—Six fine little chicks were hatched out Monday morning after a bantam rooster belonging to Mrs. Ernest Smith, of this place, had sat upon the eggs for the required period of time and according to news from the chicken lot there is no prouder "mother" in Lexington.

It may have been the heat or it may have been some other cause that made the bantam rooster act that way, but several weeks ago he began to sit around on bricks, etc. When he persisted eggs were put under him and he stuck to the job until his reward came Monday morning.

Germany expresses willingness to cut out poison gas in warfare. There would be less danger of warfare if all nations would cut out poisons gas in propaganda.—Louisville Times.

## WALNUT COVE PERSONAL ITEMS

### M. E. Church Observes Children's Day—To Turn On the Lights Saturday—Locating Madison Road.

Walnut Cove, June 23.—The M. E. church here observed Children's Day with a very interesting and enjoyable program.

Several delegates from the missionary society of the Walnut Cove M. E. church attended the district Missionary Conference held in Leaksville-Spray Wednesday, 12th.

Contractor Jones has about completed the Walnut Cove power plant, and expects to turn on the lights Saturday night.

Mrs. Russel Smith spent the week end with relatives in Statesville.

Miss Alma Chilton returned the past week from a visit to relatives in Greensboro.

Miss Margaret Hutchison visited friends in Reidsville last week.

C. S. Austin and H. C. Hartman attended a dance at Elkin Friday night.

Mrs. A. A. Fowler and Misses Sara and Elizabeth Mitchell, of N. C. C. W. summer school, were home for the week end.

Attorney G. L. Jarvis and S. C. Rierson returned Friday from a trip to Asheville.

Misses Myrtle Burge and Lucile Snow and Mrs. Geo. Fulton spent Tuesday afternoon in Winston.

Miss Mildred Morefield, of Winston-Salem, spent the week end with her parents here.

Mrs. C. J. Lamb and little daughter, Nancy, of Greensboro, are visiting Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Jones.

E. G. Gilmer spent the week end with his daughter, Mrs. Fardy, in Wilmington.

Dr. and Mrs. Beverly Jones and Dr. Reeves Jones spent Sunday with their parents here, Dr. and Mrs. A. G. Jones.

A party of engineers are in town for a few weeks making a final location of the road between Walnut Cove and Madison.

Misses Eunice and Gladys Morefield and J. W. Morefield spent a few days in Charlotte last week.

Dr. and Mrs. R. G. Tuttle, of Winston, spent Sunday with Mrs. J. A. and Miss Lucy Burton.

Miss Helen Rierson, of Charlotte, is visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Rierson.

R. W. Slate, of High Point, was a visitor here Sunday night.

Lawrence McKee, of Raleigh, was in town Sunday night.

Dr. John Bolt and G. L. Jarvis visited Danbury Tuesday.

A. T. Bare, of Winston-Salem, was here Saturday purchasing property on which to erect business and residential houses some time soon.

Geo. King, of Martinsville, was in town Monday.

## This Story Sounds Altogether Too Tame

Greensboro News.

Report comes that in Texas a farmer inserted an advertisement in a newspaper like this: Lost—One Jersey heifer. To the one who returns her I will give a drink of Four Rose whiskey, 10 years old." And the next morning there were nine men with Jersey heifers standing in his yard. The story on the face is ridiculous. If the incident had taken place in Guilford the number of those standing in the yard next morning would have been 932, not counting those who had already fought their way into the house.

## Summer School Opened Monday

The summer school for Stokes and Surry county teachers, being held jointly by the two counties, at Pilot Mountain, opened Monday. Reports are that the enrollment is large.

It was fortunate for the person who invented the word scoff-law that full payment was made in cash and not at the rate of so much for every time anybody used it.—Ohio State Journal.

"A saxophone will last as long as fifteen years," declares a trade journal. Not if we can help it.—Punch.

## FOUR YOUNG BOYS ARRESTED

### Charged With Robbing Home Of Cal Amos Near Sandy Ridge—One Held For Court, Three To Reformatory.

Frank Dalton, Hoyle Smith, Guy Butler and John Taylor, aged respectively 10, 12, 13 and 15 years, all claiming Greensboro as their home town, were taken into custody Monday afternoon by Constable Hardy Ziglar, of Snow Creek township and brought to the county jail here charged with breaking and entering the home of Cal Amos at Sandy Ridge Sunday afternoon and taking a number of articles from the home, among these being a shot gun, a rifle, a razor and other things.

The young offenders were given a hearing in the Juvenile Court here yesterday and Judge A. J. Fagg ordered that the three youngest be sent to the State reformatory for youthful criminals, while Guy Butler, the 15-year-old boy, was held for Superior court under a \$100.00 bond. All of these boys are being held here until Mr. Fagg can confer with the authorities of the reformatory. Butler has not yet furnished bond. The parents of the boys in Greensboro have been notified of their arrest.

At the time of their arrest the boys were passing through the Sandy Ridge section driving a Ford car. They stated that they had been over in Virginia and were on their way home. Constable Ziglar overtook them only after a hard race for several miles.

## BILLY SUNDAY CLUB IN STOKES

### Evangelistic Services At Hartman Each Night This Week —Request For Services At Piedmont Springs.

Winston-Salem, June 24.—The Billy Sunday Club of this city is doing some effective evangelistic work through its various gospel team organizations.

Under the plan of service the clubs are assigned to visitations among the various communities of this section of the State.

Probably the most outstanding feature of activities this week is the series of meetings being conducted at Hartman school house in Stokes county. This request was for a series of meetings starting last Sunday to continue nightly through next Sunday. Each evening representatives of some team here have been assigned by Dr. Chas. J. Alexander, the captain, and the services by each group have proven most successful, there being a wonderful interest shown by the seventy-five or more attending each service.

A request has been received from Piedmont Springs that the Club arrange a series of services to be held at that resort beginning next Sunday.

## Wheat Yield Low In Davidson County

Lexington, June 29.—Wheat yields in this county will not be as good this year as last, in the opinion of many growers. Some fields have turned off shocks liberally but the heads are not quite so well filled as last year. In other places the straw did not mature as well as it did last year. Many bumper yields were reported last season, which saw one of the most wheat crops in the history of the county. Too low temperature followed by excessive heat prevented proper maturity, it is said by farmers. However, the crop as a whole is not expected to be much below last year's production. Most of the wheat in Davidson has been cut and the threshers are ready to begin their work.

## McLean and Lacy Will Close Big Loan Deal

Raleigh, June 23.—Governor McLean and State Treasurer Lacy left last night for New York to close the deal for \$15,000,000 of the \$19,000,000 short term notes recently authorized by the council of State.

## TO HOLD SCHOOL ELECTIONS SOON

### King and Hawpond Districts Will Vote On Special Taxes Aug. 11—Hawpond Wants A Junior High School.

On petition of citizens of King and Hawpond school districts the county commissioners yesterday ordered that school elections be held August 11th in each of the districts.

In the King district the object of the election is to vote on increasing the tax rate for school purposes to the amount of 31 cents on the hundred dollars, this additional tax to be used to enlarge the school building, etc. Officers of the election were named as follows: Registrar, Charles R. Carroll; Judges, V. T. Grabs and V. T. Hartgrove. Voting place, King.

In Hawpond district it is desired by the advocates of the election to levy a special tax not to exceed fifty cents on the hundred dollars for the purpose of establishing a junior high school at some point in the district. The officers named to hold the election in that district are: Registrar, R. S. Redding; Judges, R. B. Tuttle and J. O. Bennett. Voting place, store of J. M. Redding & Son.

## IREDELL COUNTY BEATS STOKES

### Will Have 87 Miles of Hard-Surface Road When Projects Now Under Construction Are Finished.

Iredell county has recently had excellent consideration at the hands of the State highway commission. When projects in that county now under construction are completed Iredell will have eighty-seven miles of perfectly smooth hard-surface highways. Six of these hard roads lead to the county seat—Statesville. Five of them are already completed leading into Statesville.

Stokes county has not been so highly favored by the highway board. When the project from Fulp to Walnut Cove is finished Stokes will have less than three miles of hard-surface road, and none to its county seat—Danbury. What's the matter with Stokes? They evidently are under the impression that Stokes belongs to Virginia.

## KILLED MAN AND FOUND NO LIQUOR

### Deputy Sheriff Searches Car Of Boone Man and Kills Him When He Protests Rough Treatment.

Blowing Rock, June 21.—H. W. Wooten, deputy sheriff of Watauga county, is in jail at Boone, N. C., charged with the murder of Leona and Triplett, as the result of an altercation between the officer and Triplett, following the searching of Triplett's car last night.

Wooten searched the automobile of Triplett occupied by himself and 2 friends. The officer found no liquor and Triplett began remonstrating with the officer, claiming that he had been attacked, pulled his gun and killed Triplett.

A hearing will be given Wooten tomorrow.

## Arch Dodson To Have Hearing Monday

Arch Dodson, a young man of the Meadows section, was arrested here Sunday, charged with operating an automobile while intoxicated. He furnished bond pending a hearing before Justice I. J. Young next Monday.

## G. Rufus Shelton Hurt When Team Runs

G. Rufus Shelton, of Danbury Route 1, was severely injured Monday when his team ran away, throwing him from a load of wheat on the wagon and breaking several ribs, as well as injuring him otherwise. Mr. Shelton's many friends hope he will soon be well again.