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CITIZENS HOLD MASS MEETING

Resolutions Passed In Which County Officials Are Requested To Hold Down Taxes, Etc.

The mass meeting of citizens held at the court house here Monday "to consider ways and means to prevent further indebtedness being put on the county," convened at 10 o'clock and organized by electing Thos. H. Gerry, of Walnut Cove, permanent chairman, and Jas. M. Fagg, of Dillard, secretary.

The meeting was addressed on the importance of reducing taxes by R. B. Tuttle, J. M. Fagg and others after which the following resolutions were read and adopted:

1. Resolved: That the Chairman be vested with power to select one democrat and one republican from each township to act as a Permanent Tax Committee, subject to the call of the Chairman.

2. Resolved: That the committee be instructed to solicit contributions to a fund to be used to employ counsel to instruct them as to what are the rights of the tax payer.

3. Resolved: That the County Highway Commissioners be asked to spend the maintenance money on the upkeep of the roads now built and not on the roads in construction.

4. Resolved: That the County Commissioners be requested to refuse to increase the county indebtedness for any purpose without first submitting it to the people and a majority vote indicates such is their desire.

5. Resolved: That any public servant who shall deliberately order expenditures in excess of the allotment to their department is heartily condemned by the people and the said people will prosecute the offender to the extent of their power.

6. Resolved: That the County Commissioners be asked to record their vote of acceptance of the school budget, to go over the same carefully and reduce it wherever possible.

7. Resolved: That the Board of Education be requested to require the Superintendent of Public Instruction to have his office in the room at the court house which was set aside for that purpose.

8. Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be presented to the respective Boards and unless our recommendations are acted upon, the Chairman is hereby instructed to call a meeting of the tax payers for further action.

9. Resolved: That a committee be sent with an invitation to the County Commissioners, the Board of Education and Highway Commissioners to come up and discuss with us ways and means of reducing the county expenditures.

10. Resolved: That when Stokes County gets out of debt, we build good school houses in each township in the county.

11. Resolved: That any officer that fails to comply with these resolutions, be asked to resign his office.

Two citizens, one Democrat and one Republican, were then named for each township to act as a Permanent Tax Commission.

A committee was then appointed to wait on the members of the board of county commissioners, the highway commissioners and the board of education, requesting them to come up in the court room and make any statements they might desire. H. H. Williamson, chairman of the board of commissioners, Jno. L. Christian, chairman of the board of education, S. P. Christian, chairman of the road board, and J. C. Carson, superintendent of schools, each made short talks. Mr. Carson stated that his board had not and did not expect to ask for an increase of taxes on account of schools, explaining that before approving the school budget of \$80,000.00 the board had been assured of sufficient increase in the equalization fund from the State to pay the interest on the \$80,000.00 and create a sinking fund sufficient to pay the principal in 20 years without a penny of taxes from the county either for interest or principal.

At the conclusion of Mr. Carson's statements a number of those who opposed the school budget were heard to express themselves as having been misinformed and that they had changed their opinions. It is likely that a majority of those pres-

LET CONTRACT FOR SCHOOL HOUSE

Building To Be Erected At Danbury In Time For Opening Fall Term Of School—Nine Bids Received.

At a meeting of the Board of Education held here for that purpose yesterday a contract was awarded for the erection of a school building at Danbury at the price of \$17,835. Sam T. Johnson, contractor of Graham, was the successful bidder.

Nine bids were placed on the building by as many contractors, as follows:

Franklin Matthews, \$24,332.
L. B. and C. A. Neal, \$23,150.
Boyles Building Co., \$22,485.
Leaksville Lumber Co., \$22,348.
J. H. Cook, \$22,130.

J. M. Hopper Co., \$21,000.
John H. Wood, \$19,950.
Jas. A. R. Davis, \$19,250.
Sam T. Johnson, \$17,835.

The Board of Education had in hand \$18,000 for this building and it will be noted that the figures come within their estimate.

Mr. Johnson stated that he would begin placing material for the building at once, and the contract calls for its completion in time for opening of school in the fall.

The funds for the Danbury school building were not included in the school budget recently adopted by the county boards.

TWO ELECTIONS FOR SCHOOLS

To Be Held Aug. 11th In King and Hawpond School Districts—King Would Take In Five Other Districts.

Acting upon petitions filed with the board the county commissioners on Monday of this week that board ordered that elections be held in King and Hawpond school districts to allow the citizens of those communities to vote on the proposition of levying special taxes and consolidating the schools of the respective territories in which the elections are ordered.

Both elections are ordered to be held on the same day—August 11th. In the King district Chas. R. Carroll is named as registrar and V. T. Grabs and V. T. Hartgrove are made judges, the voting place being King. An entirely new registration of all voters is required. The boundaries of the district which will vote include King, Dry Springs, Oak Grove, Mt. Olive, Mountain View and Creson school districts. The proposition to be voted upon is to levy a special tax not exceeding twenty-one cents on the \$100 valuation of property to supplement the school funds of the districts mentioned.

In the Hawpond district R. S. Redding is made registrar and J. O. Bennett and R. B. Tuttle are to act as judges, the voting place to be at Redding's store. A new registration for this election is also ordered. The territory included in this district is defined in a notice in regard to the election appearing elsewhere in this paper. The tax proposed in the district is not to exceed fifty cents on the \$100 valuation of property and the proceeds to be used to supplement the school funds of the special district.

Revival At Walnut Cove Opened Sunday

The revival services at Walnut Cove Baptist church began Sunday with large congregations and a splendid interest. The pastor, Rev. O. E. Ward, delivered both the morning and evening sermons. Rev. J. A. Snow, will assist the pastor in the meetings, preaching each evening at 7:15 o'clock. He is a forceful preacher and an earnest revivalist and all are assured of much good by hearing him throughout the meetings. All are invited.

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ent who opposed the budget went away from the meeting feeling much better toward their county officers, after finding that they were trying to build several new school houses in the county without cost to the tax payers.

NINE APPLICANTS FOR PENSIONS

Stokes Pension Board Was In Session Here Monday—J. R. Turner May Be Placed On First-Class List.

The Stokes pension board, composed of J. Walter Fowler, chairman; E. W. Carroll and T. W. Tilley, held their semi-annual meeting at the court house Monday.

Before the board were applications from nine old Confederate veterans and widows of veterans who desire to be placed on the pension rolls of the State. Their names and addresses follow:

Rev. R. W. George, Francisco.
Mrs. Sallie Southern, Germantown Route 1.

Mrs. Luzzetta Edwards, Pinnacle Route 2.
William W. Smith, Lawsonville.

David Bennett, King Route 2.
Mrs. M. P. Caudle, King.

Mrs. J. Ann Martin, Sandy Ridge.
A. T. Edwards, Pinnacle.

Mrs. Mary Jane Oakley, Sandy Ridge.
J. R. Turner, of Beaver Island township, made application to be placed in the first-class, being totally disabled. He is now in the fourth-class.

The application were approved or disapproved by the county board and forwarded to Raleigh for the consideration of the State pension board.

ROAD BUILDING IS SUSPENDED

County Highway Commission Will Hear No More Petitions For New Roads Until After January 1, 1926.

No more petitions or applications for the construction of new roads in the county will be heard or considered by the Stokes County Highway Commission this year, according to a resolution unanimously passed by that board at their regular meeting here Monday. The entire attention of the commission will be given to completing roads now under construction and maintaining those already built.

Other business transacted by the board Monday was only routine, such as checking up accounts and paying bills.

DANBURY HAS LIVELY DAY

Four County Boards and Farmers' Association Were In Session Monday, While Mass Meeting Of Citizens Added To Crowd.

The county seat had a big day Monday when a thousand or more of the citizens of the county visited the court house on various and sundry missions. Some came to attend the regular meeting of the county commissioners, a great many had business before the road board, as usual, others came on business in connection with their schools, as the school board was sitting in session. Then there was the meeting of the Farmers' Co-operative Marketing Association which drew still others.

The pension board heard the claims of a number of applicants for pensions, that board holding its regular semi-annual meeting. And added to all these was a good bunch of citizens in attendance on the mass meeting of tax-payers, so that all together the crowd was a large one. It looked like the village might have been celebrating the fourth of July, and nearly all seemed to be in good spirits and good humor in spite of the heat and the dry weather.

Saw Mill Burned At Moore's Springs

The saw mill of W. G. Moore, located near Moore's Springs, was destroyed by fire of unknown origin Saturday night. With the saw mill a large lot of lumber was burned. The loss was quite heavy on Mr. Moore, as it is stated that he did not have any insurance.

PRIZES AWARDED IN CONTESTS

Miss Gretna Tillotson Had Best Dressed Ford—T. J. Rierson Badly Cut By Scythe Blade—King News.

King, July 6.—Mr. Ernest Hendrix has purchased from E. P. Newsom a nice business lot on South Depot street on which he will erect a new store building. He expects to be ready to open up September 1st.

Messrs. P. H. Newsom and W. E. Hendrix have just returned from a business trip to Galax and Fries, Va.

Mr. T. J. Rierson happened to what came near being a serious accident here last Friday afternoon. He was grinding a scythe blade at the King Milling Co.'s plant on East Main street. The blade was being ground on an emery wheel when the end caught in the belt and was thrown against his head, cutting an ugly gash to the skull across his forehead. His hand was also cut pretty bad. Drs. Stone and Helsabeck attended him. His wounds while very painful are not regarded as serious.

Mr. J. S. D. Pulliam, who has been on the sick list for some time is able to be on the street again, we are glad to note.

Mr. Charlie Dalton, of Charlotte, was among the visitors here yesterday.

The 4th of July celebration here was a big success, hundreds of people being in attendance. Miss Greta Tillotson was the winner of the ten dollar prize for the nicest dressed up Ford. Kester Burrow won second prize. Fred E. Shore, Jr., won the prize for the worst run down Ford that would run. Time Bolejack, aged nine years, won first prize for climbing greasy pole, the second prize was awarded to Dorcie Boles. Buford Manning won first prize in the sack race, while Daniel Preston won second. Four games of baseball were played during the day. The first game was between "The Red Goos" boys of King and Canella, score twenty-one and one in favor of the home team. Second game "The Red Goos" and South Side Cotton Mill of Winston-Salem. This was a good game and the final score stood five and four in favor of the "Goose". In the third game "The Red Goos" boys shut out Old Richmond, score three and nothing. The fourth and last game was the only game lost by the King boys. The Modern Woodman team of King and Lewisville were the contestants, and the score stood seventeen and fourteen in favor of visiting team.

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Baker, of High Point, were among the visitors here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Pulliam spent Sunday with Mr. Pulliam's parents on West Main street.

Mr. John Loggins, of West, Va., is spending several days with relatives here.

Messrs. Jas. R. Caudle and E. P. Newsom are planning to attend the 27th national encampment of United Spanish War Veterans to be held at St. Petersburg, Fla., August 27th to Sept. 1st.

Mr. Nute Madearis, of Winston-Salem, is here on business today.

WILL PURCHASE MAPS OF STOKES

County Commissioners Will Sell Them To Citizens At Actual Cost — Map Made Jointly By County and State.

The map of Stokes county, which has been in process of preparation for some months, is now ready for distribution, and an initial order for one thousand copies has been placed with the printers by the county commissioners. The county will sell the maps to citizens at actual cost, which will probably be around \$1.00 each.

This map, which shows the township lines, school districts, highways, streams, etc., was gotten up jointly by the county and the State Geological Survey, each sharing in the expense.

Mr. and Mrs. Tilden V. Sizemore, of Germantown Route 1, visited Danbury Tuesday.

MORE TIME YET TO BUY CAR TAGS

For Second Time State Grants Extension—July 15th Fixed As Expiration Date For Old License Plates.

Word was sent out from Raleigh Tuesday afternoon that another extension of time in which to purchase automobile plates had been granted, July 15th now being fixed as the last day in which car and truck owners can use their old license plates.

The reason given for this second extension of time is that the offices selling the tags are completely swamped with orders for tags and were unable to get them to owners before the first time limit expired.

The Winston-Salem license bureau has sold about 12,000 tags so far. Some citizens who have been there from Stokes this week report that a long waiting line is constantly in front of the tag window. The office is open from 8 in the morning until 5 in the afternoon.

MORE CASH PAID TOBACCO GROWERS

Eastern Carolina Co-Ops Get Checks and Statements—Old Belt Next.

Distribution of another payment, though comparatively a small one, through co-operative receiving points in Eastern North Carolina from July 1 until July 7, added to the checks which have recently been distributed in South Carolina belt and those to be distributed shortly in Virginia, will run the money end of the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association's first quarterly settlement above a million dollars.

More than half a million was distributed in the South Carolina belt several days ago and with the checks went to each member a full, detailed statement showing what grades of tobacco had been marketed and for what they were sold by the association for him. Cordial approval of growers throughout the South Carolina belt has been given to the new quarterly statement method of payment.

While the total in Eastern North Carolina is not so large as the South Carolina total, it is made upon the same new basis of settlement ordered by the association directors. Checks going into Eastern Carolina are for only a few grades which have been sold. They cover, in the main, the lower grades of scrap including B1, B7, B8, B10, B11, B Scrap, D1, D2, D9, D10, D Scrap, E6, E7, E8, F7, and H7.

Eastern Carolina growers may receive these checks, with statements, at their receiving points from July 1 to July 7 but after the latter date it will be necessary for them to send their participation receipts to Richmond.

The steady flow of co-operative checks, providing cash money in loan seasons as well as in the fat ones, is attracting more new contracts than anything else, according to co-operative workers in the South Carolina belt.

The quarterly statement system is meeting with distinct approval for it furnishes the grower an opportunity, at all times, to take a satisfactory inventory of his assets to check against his bills payable, or liabilities.

After the Eastern Carolina distribution, which began last Wednesday, checks and quarterly statements will be distributed in the old belt of Virginia and North Carolina covering payment on all grades sold up to May 31.

Dr. E. W. Owens Locates In Danbury

Dr. E. W. Owens, of Pilot Mt., has located in Danbury for the practice of his profession, having arrived here Monday. He will be joined by his wife, now visiting relatives in Nashville, at an early date. Dr. Owens, who is a son of J. I. Owens, former Stokes county commissioner, recently graduated at Vanderbilt University, Nashville, Tenn. He will have offices in the new Petree building.

SHOT THROUGH BOTH LUNGS

Hugh Stovall, of Peters Creek Township, Is Near Death's Door—Zack Campbell Held Without Bond Charged With Shooting.

Hugh Stovall, aged about 30 years, a well known young farmer of Peter's Creek township, was shot and probably fatally wounded, Tuesday afternoon. He was immediately carried to the Stuart, Va., hospital, and little hope for his recovery is entertained. The latest reports from there are that he is in a very dangerous condition, being shot through the body, the bullet piercing both lungs.

Zack Campbell, 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Megs Campbell, who reside near the Stovall home, is charged with the shooting, being held in the county jail here without bond.

According to statements of Mrs. Stovall and her sister, Miss Lillie Frazier, who were eye witnesses of the shooting, Campbell came to the Stovall home Tuesday afternoon about 1:30 o'clock with pistol in one hand and his cap in the other and was met at the door by Mrs. Stovall. He asked for Miss Frazier, stating that she and Mrs. Stovall had been telling his girl some things about him that were untrue. After some words about the matter, it was stated, Campbell slapped Mrs. Stovall. Hearing the disturbance Mr. Stovall came out and told Campbell not to strike his wife any more, whereupon Campbell fired at Stovall, at a distance of about two steps, the pistol ball entering his right side and passing entirely through the body. Campbell then walked away and was arrested about an hour later by officers P. L. Flinchum and R. M. Fagg a short distance from the Stovall home. It was stated that when Campbell came to the Stovall home he was drinking so that he staggered.

Dr. J. H. Ellington attended young Stovall immediately after he was shot and with his advice the wounded man was rushed to the hospital. It was learned here last night that he would be operated upon at once, but the result of the operation could not be learned today.

The shooting is greatly deplored since both men come from the best families of the community in which they reside.

News Items From Germantown Route 1

Germantown Route 1, July 5.—Mrs. Florence Tuttle, who has been on the sick list for several days, is able to be out again her many friends will be interested to learn.

Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Hartgrove spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. and Mrs. Roy White and children and Mrs. J. C. Kiser.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy White and children visited Mr. and Mrs. Ollie White Sunday.

Mr. Callie Tuttle, who is attending the summer school for teachers at Pilot Mountain, spent the week-end with home folks.

Messrs. Harry Joyce, Lloyd Wall and Jack Vernon, of Madison Route 3, spent a short while with friends near Friendship Sunday.

Miss Muril Boles spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Sallie Fowler. Mrs. Joe Montgomery and children visited Mrs. M. F. Tuttle Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Boles, of Winston-Salem, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Jennings Tuttle and Miss Marshall, of Rural Hall Route passed through Sunday enroute to Moore's Springs.

Among those who visited Miss Unie Kiser Sunday were: Misses Charlie Holland, Cleone Boles, Kiser, Pearl Holland, and Messrs. James Kiser, Brodus Rutledge, Jas. Jones, Posie Slate, Charlie Rutledge and others.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. White spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Manie Tuttle.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Yates and family, of Randolph county, spent Sunday with their daughter, Mrs. Ernest Boles.