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R. W. GEORGE'S RESIDENCE BURNS

Had Only Been Finished A Few Weeks Since—All Contents Destroyed—Will Rebuild At Once.

The residence of Rev. R. W. George at Francisco with its contents were destroyed by fire Sunday morning about 11 o'clock while Mr. George and other members of the family were attending church. The origin of the fire is unknown as it caught in the upper story and had made considerable headway when discovered.

The residence had only been completed a few weeks, the former residence on the same site having been destroyed by fire during the past spring. This is the fourth time Mr. George has lost his home by fire since he began housekeeping.

It is stated that Mr. George will rebuild at once and is planning to make the new home as near fire-proof as possible.

The residence destroyed was a large ten-room house and was fitted with electric lights, running water, etc., and the loss was heavy. It was not learned whether Mr. George carried any insurance or not.

SLOW TAXPAYERS WARNED TO ACT

Heavy Penalty To Be Imposed Soon On Delinquents In Paying Dues.

Edinburgh, July 22.—The state department of revenue today issued a statement concerning delinquent payment of license taxes in which it is stated that all persons, firms or corporations who have not secured license for carrying on or practicing such business or profession will be subjected to the payment of the tax, plus a twenty per cent penalty after August 1.

The statement also points out that the revenue act of 1925 imposed a license tax on several business and occupations not heretofore taxed. Among these are the following:

Automobile tires and accessories; automobile trucks for hire; barber shops; battery service and tire repair stations; construction companies; cotton buyers and sellers on commission; electrical supplies, dealers in; employment agencies; florists; gasoline filling stations; junk dealers; radio instruments or accessories; disc or cylinder records; public stenographers; swimming pools; and wrestling or boxing matches.

The Article By Mr. Sanderford

July 21, 1925. Editor Danbury Reporter, Danbury, N. C.

Dear sir:

Two weeks ago you carried an article in your paper written by one W. W. Sanderford and I was very much interested in his article, as he seemed to be fair and to have been a close observer. I really thought his article was timely and well to the point on a lot of the things he mentioned, in fact I believed he was some one residing in Stokes county and not from far away Georgia, as he claimed to be, but since seeing an article in your last issue by Mr. Williamson I have come to the conclusion that he was a foreigner and must be our enemy instead of our friend. I notice from Mr. Williamson's article that he has actually brought to our peaceful and prosperous county the destructive boll weevils. Now a thing like this strikes terror to the hearts of the bravest for we have been told how in a few weeks time they have devastated whole counties in Georgia and laid waste the toils of farmers and blighted their fairest dreams of a bounteous harvest.

But we should not be alarmed, for Mr. Williamson assures us that steps will immediately be taken to drive him out, and another thing that should give encouragement is the fact that so far this pest has only invaded a small section of the county around Pine Hall.

READER.

WANTS ROAD TO COUNTY SEAT

Former Forsyth County Commissioner Sees Importance Of Road From Walnut Cove To Danbury.

John D. Waddill, former county commissioner in Forsyth writes the Winston Journal as follows:

To the Editor of The Journal: May 1, through the columns of your paper, say to those that are interested in the national highway from Winston-Salem via Walnut Cove to the Virginia line, that it will soon be completed through Walnut Cove and the survey has been made from there to Madison and from there it will tap the good road at the state line with the good road coming from Roanoke, Va. This road will mean much for Forsyth county.

When this road is completed it will give Stokes county about ten miles of hard surfaced roads, which represents a very small amount of the state's money for hard surfaced roads in Stokes county. The part that has been built, or is under construction, is a few miles on the extreme eastern part of the county and the other few miles on the extreme western part of the county.

Now, by all means the state should build a good road, which should be a hard surfaced road from Danbury, the county seat of Stokes county, to Walnut Cove, connecting there with the national highway and on to Winston-Salem. This road, if built, will go into the heart of Stokes county, connecting with a good soil road to Stuart, Va., the county seat of Patrick county. As it is now, there is a good soil road leading from Danbury to Mount Airy and naturally the trade, or produce, goes to Mt. Airy instead of Winston-Salem. If this road is built from Danbury to Walnut Cove, which is only nine miles, as under the new survey it cuts out all the dangerous curves and makes it a considerable distance shorter than the present road, Winston-Salem would then have almost the entire trade from Stokes county and the adjoining counties of Virginia; in fact, the apples would be in Winston-Salem in the mornings before the dew dried off of them.

Now it is a matter of business for the business men of Winston-Salem to use every effort to have the state complete the 9 miles of road mentioned. It is not necessary to wait until next year to build this road, as labor is as plentiful now as it will probably ever be, and there are plenty of contractors in the state. Then, let it be built this year, 1925.

J. D. WADDILL, Dennis, Forsyth county, July 27, 1925.

Meadows Township Man Arrested

Nat Bowles, a citizen of Meadows township, was arrested by prohibition officers Shelton and Flinchum Friday and placed under \$500 bond for his appearance at court. It is stated that the officers found some beer and parts of a still near the home of Bowles.

Woman 80 Years Old Hurt When Auto Turns Turtle

Winston-Salem, July 22.—Mrs. Nancy Dodson, aged 80, had both arms and her collar bone broken near Madison when the automobile in which she and others were riding ran into a sandbank, and turned over, according to a report received here today. Mrs. Dodson lives with her daughter, Mrs. Ogburn Landreth, a few miles from Madison. A daughter of Mrs. Landreth was driving the car.

Miss Lula Duncan, of Stokes county, a guest of the Landreths, also suffered a broken collar bone. All of the other members of the party escaped with slight bruises.

No bids having been received for any government-owned property in the last forty-eight hours, we are forced to the conclusion that Henry Ford has gone on a buyer's strike.—Life.

STOKES COUNTY S. S. CONVENTION

Will Be Held With Quaker Gap Baptist Church August 11 and 12—Good Program Has Been Arranged.

Officers of Stokes County Sunday School Association are of the opinion that one of the most interesting and helpful, as well as one of the most largely attended, Sunday School meetings ever held in the county will be the annual County Sunday School Convention at Quaker Gap Baptist church, on Tuesday and Wednesday, August 11 and 12. Programs of the convention have been mailed to all pastors and Sunday School superintendents in the county, with special invitations to attend the conventions themselves, and requesting that they try to get all of their Sunday School teachers and officers to attend.

The convention program includes addresses and conferences on practically all phases of the work of the modern Sunday School. In arranging the program the small Sunday School was given much attention. During the Convention there will be question and discussion periods, when those present will have opportunity to give and get information concerning any Sunday School problem.

The Stokes County Sunday School Association is one of the units of the North Carolina Sunday School Association, in which Sunday School workers of all evangelical denominations participate. At this time ninety-eight of the one hundred counties in the State are organized into County Sunday School Associations; many of which are completely organized and doing fine work.

NEWS ITEMS FROM WALNUT COVE

To Pour Cement On Road From Walnut Cove To Madison—Low Water Curtails Electric Lights—Filling Stations Closed on Sunday.

Walnut Cove, July 28.—It is learned that contractor George Martin has accepted the offer of highway commissioner Alex Hanes and will continue the hard-surface road from Walnut Cove on to the Stokes line in the direction of Madison. Mr. Martin will complete the pouring of cement in Walnut Cove within three weeks and has just purchased a new large concrete machine to be used on his new contract between Walnut Cove and Madison. The distance to be hard-surfaced between here and the Rockingham line is some 7 or 8 miles.

Electric lights are being turned off about one o'clock at night, owing to the shortage of water in Dan river. A large storage of water is in stock, but owing to the long drought, the water in the river begins to show a shortage.

Traffic has been turned on all the highway completed which extends to the Southern depot.

J. A. Lewis who had his Ford stolen a few days ago, found it parked on the road a short distance from here. It was in bad condition.

Julian Vaughan will leave here this week for South Carolina where he will be engaged in the tobacco business.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Dodson returned Friday from a visit to relatives in South Boston, Va.

The Virginia Well and Drilling Company which drilled the wells for the town's water supply, left Friday for some point in Maryland.

Joe Welch, of South Walnut Cove, is making extensive alterations on his home.

All filling stations within the incorporation have been ordered to be closed during church hours on Sunday here.

The Pine Hall Brick Company, of Winston-Salem and Pine Hall, have just completed an electrical line from the Walnut Cove Power plant to Pine Hall, a distance of six miles and in the future the Pine Hall plant will be operated by electrical power. The Pine Hall plant of the Company is operating full capacity, turning out 60,000 face brick daily.

PLANNING BIG DAY AT KING

Co-Ops Will Have Rally and Picnic—Address By Congressman—News Items Of "Biggest Little Town In N. C."

King, July 27.—On Saturday, Aug. 29th, the Tobacco Growers' Co-operative Association will have a big picnic and rally here. In addition to other good speakers a congressman will deliver the opening address. The committee on arrangements are very busy making preparations and working out details for this big rally. Not a stone will be left unturned to make this the biggest day of the kind ever held here. A brass band will be present to make music for the occasion. Everybody invited to come and bring a basket. The regular meeting of the 12th district will be held here at the same time.

Mr. L. A. Rutledge, who resides on North Depot St., is the owner of a cat which is the mother of three kittens, she has also adopted a young rabbit into her cat family. The rabbit is growing nicely and seems to be perfectly at home.

Mr. and Mrs. M. T. Spainhower, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Newsum and Mrs. Anne Grabs spent the day Friday in Mount Airy.

A great hole was knocked in the roof of the rice home of Mr. E. A. Moser on West Main St. during the electrical storm here Wednesday evening.

The "Red Goose" ball team of this place took one away from Tobaccoville on the King diamond Saturday. The final score stood 11 to 2.

Messrs. James Rumley, Spencer Slate and C. D. Slate, Jr., and Misses Vivian Garner and Eunice Lawson attended preaching at Westfield Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Conrad, of Winston-Salem, spent Sunday with the family of Mr. W. I. Runley on Dan river St.

Miss Geneva Highfill, of Guilford College, has been spending a few days with Miss Anna Mae Fowler in West King, where she has been most beautifully entertained. These two ladies were in college at Guilford together in the years 1922 and 1923. They left Monday for Guilford where Miss Fowler will spend several days with Miss Highfill.

E. P. Newsom received a radio message Saturday from R. W. Finter at Newark, N. J. This is an old comrade of his with whom he soldiered during the Spanish-American war. He had not heard from him in over five years. The message was picked up at Winston-Salem and mailed to him here.

Mr. J. Rufus Wall, of Winston-Salem, was among the visitors here Sunday.

A Sunday School was organized in the new Christian church here yesterday. There were sixty nine enrolled. Mr. M. T. Spainhower was elected superintendent. Mr. Felix Spainhower, assistant superintendent, and Miss Cla Slate secretary. Following is a list of the teachers elected: Mrs. R. A. Helsabeck, Mrs. Dr. H. G. Harding, Mrs. Charlie Moore, Mr. W. W. Southern and Mr. L. E. Galloway.

Mr. John Smith has moved into his new brick home in Pilot View, the new development just east of town.

Miss Anna Mae Fowler returned last Thursday from Barto, Punta Gorda, Lakeland and other cities in Florida where she spent four weeks with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Wall, and other friends. Miss Fowler reports having seen some very large fish on her trip, some weighing fifty and sixty pounds. She also reports a good fruit crop. On her return she stopped over in Cerro Gordo, N. C., where she spent two enjoyable weeks with friends and at the home of Miss Jewell Immann, a classmate of hers while at Guilford College. Miss Fowler states that the crops there are more promising than in any state she passed through while on her trip.

Rev. David H. Wilcox and sons, David, Jr., and Westbrook, of Winston-Salem, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Brown on West Main St.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. West spent Sunday with relatives in Axton, Va. The new tenement house being

WANT STOKES TO TAKE PART

In Celebration To Be Held At Guilford Battle Ground July 4, 1926—Prizes For School Pupils.

Next year being the 150th year of America's independence preparation is underway for a great celebration at Guilford Battle Ground on July 4, 1926.

This paper is in receipt of the following letter from Mr. E. E. Mendenhall, the resident commissioner, which expresses itself:

Greensboro, July 23, 1925. Editor Danbury Reporter:

Preparations are now underway for a real fourth of July celebration in 1926 at Guilford Battle Ground, it being the 150th year of our independence. It is desired that Stokes county participate in this celebration. Some very valuable prizes will be offered school pupils for the best compositions on the Battle of Guilford court house, fought March 18, 1781. The Guilford Court House National Military Ground is maintained by the National Government, commemorating this battle. It is desired that some special effort be made by teachers in our schools to encourage the pupils to write compositions on this subject and be at the Battle Ground July 4, 1926.

E. E. MENDENHALL, Resident Commissioner.

ROCKINGHAM LAW HALTS ROAD LOAN

Special Enactment Is Discovered Which Invalidates Proposal.

Ridgville, July 22.—The proposition for this county to lend the state highway commission \$400,000 to build that part of the national highway traversing this county between Mayodan and the Virginia state line has been withdrawn, as it has been found that a special law introduced by Senator Sharp at the last session of the general assembly prevents the issuance of bonds by the board of commissioners for building new roads without first submitting the question to a vote of the people. Following is the bill:

An Act to Regulate the Issuance of Bonds in Rockingham County.

Section 1.—That the board of commissioners of Rockingham county or other governing body of said county shall not issue and sell any bonds of said county or create any obligation of said county necessitating the issuance of bonds of said county without the same be submitted to a vote of the electors of Rockingham county and ratified by them.

Section 2.—That nothing in this act shall apply to the powers laid down in Article 7, Section 7, and Article 9, Section 3, of the Constitution of North Carolina, but said necessary expenses in said article in so far as they apply to Rockingham county, shall mean the building of public buildings, roads and bridges destroyed by fire, storm or flood or acts of God, and the building and equipping of public school buildings where there are no buildings to carry on the public schools for six months, and none can be obtained without being built by proceeds from bonds or loans for said purposes.

Italy has extended to its women the right to vote and to fight in time of war, but as yet has been unable to devise a law which will compel them to descend from a street car correctly.—Life.

erected for the Jones-Fowler Co. on West Main St., has been completed.

Little Miss Louise Brown spent the week end with the family of Dr. S. S. Flynt in Rural Hall.

The relatives and friends of Mrs. William Pulliam gave her a surprise birthday dinner at her home in West King yesterday. Quite a large crowd was present and all seemed to enjoy the occasion immensely. Mrs. J. H. Medearis and daughter, Miss Pauline, of Greensboro are guests at the home of Mrs. S. H. Brown and sisters on West Main St.

Mr. Max Samet, of High Point, is a business visitor here today.

CATCH OF CARP IN DAN RIVER

One Weighs 11 1-2 Pounds—Dry Weather Causes Gloom Among Farmers—News of Madison.

Madison, July 25.—One carp weighing 11 1-2 pounds and 21 smaller ones, several of which weighed three or four pounds each, were caught in Dan river, a few miles below town, one day this week by Abe Neal and a number of his neighbors, of near Stokesdale. The fish were captured with a seine.

News of this successful raid on the river dwellers spread rapidly and Dan river soon had almost as many men and boys in it as fish, possibly, but no other big catches have been reported. Mr. Neal probably understands the wiles and ways of the finny denizens of the deep better than those who undertook to follow his example.

According to a number of farmers themselves, gloom now rests heavier on all tillers in this vicinity because of the prolonged dry spell and unpromising condition of the corn and tobacco crop than at any time during the present generation. Never, it said, has upland corn been so cut off by drought. The stalks have managed to tassel out but few shoots have appeared.

Rain even now would help the corn crop a great deal but it will have to come in a very few days or it will be too late, as this is the season when the shoots appear, if they appear at all. Tobacco, of course, has a better chance to recover than corn.

LIST DOZEN JOBS FOR NEXT LETTING

State Highway Commission Will Take Up Road Projects On August 25—None From Seventh District.

Twelve highway construction projects will be let to contractors at a State Highway Commission letting on August 25, according to a tentative list of projects made public yesterday.

The tentative list of projects follows:

Project 193, Tyrrell county: Trestle over Piney Branch.

Project 131-B, Gates county: Sand asphalt between Reduce and Gatesville.

Project 219-B, Duplin county: Sand asphalt from Kenansville to Pink Hill.

Project 397, Robeson county: Paving from the junction of Routes 20 and 23 to the South Carolina line via Rowland.

Project 416, Durham county: Standard hard surface from the Durham city limits to the Granville county line.

Project 514, Caswell county: Veneer macadam on Route 14 from Yanceyville to the Virginia line.

Project 558, Montgomery county: Hard surface from the end of project 557 on Route 74 to Wadeville.

Project 594, Rockingham county: Grading and bridges from the Stokes county line to Madison on Route 77.

Project 674, Rowan county: From paved street in Salisbury to Federal Aid Project 114 in Spencer.

Project 675, Rowan county: Hard surface from Salisbury to China Grove.

Project 720-B, Caldwell and Catawba counties: Grading and bridges from Lenoir to Catawba county line on Route 17.

Project 906-A, Buncombe county: Grading and bridges from New Bridge to Weaverville.

Harold Neal Died Wednesday

Harold Neal, aged 30 years, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Neal, of Mizpah, died at the home of his parents last Wednesday after an illness of several weeks with typhoid fever. He is survived by his young wife, having been married only a few months, and by his parents, as well as several brothers and sisters. The funeral and interment was held at the family graveyard near the home.

Dr. W. V. McCanless and children visited Winston-Salem last week.