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KING CITIZENS STRONG FOR SCHOOL CONSOLIDATION

Reports That Tax Rate Would Be Increased To 61 Cents Are Denied—Board Of Education and Attorneys Issue Statements.

Citizens of King and community are showing strong interest in the election on school consolidation to be held in that district on next Tuesday, August 11th. Advocates of the consolidation of the schools who were in Danbury this week handed the Reporter the following statement in regard to the tax rate:

It has recently been circulated as an argument against the proposed consolidation in King and surrounding school districts that the tax rate will be 61 cents instead of 31 cents.

This report is absolutely false as is clearly shown by section 238 of the Public School Statutes, published below.

Below is published statements from the County Board of Education and from J. D. Humphreys, County Attorney, which will leave no person in any doubt as to the falsity of this widespread report, which is only another attempt on the part of the opponents of consolidation and better schools to stop progress which has already come to stay in other progressive communities:

STATEMENT OF SCHOOL BOARD AND THEIR ATTORNEY.

State of North Carolina.—Stokes County.

If the vote in the King District, as now consolidated, carries for local tax, for thirty-one cents on the \$100.00 worth of taxable property, the rate is substituted for the 30 cents now on same, and instead of being thereafter 30 cents it will be 31 cents on the \$100.00, the 31 cents being substituted for and instead of the said 30 cents on the \$100.00.

Reference, Sec. 238, Public School Law, 1923, as amended (See page 63.)

This August 3, 1925.

J. D. HUMPHREYS,

Attorney for Board of Education of Stokes County, North Carolina. We, believe, concur in, and approve the above opinion.

J. L. CHRISTIAN, Chairman,
J. R. FORREST,
W. S. STEELE.

STATEMENT OF ATTORNEY N. O. PETREE.

To Whom It May Concern:

My law library was burned on February 8th, 1925, and I do not have a copy of the public school law, and do not pretend to say just what the law is in the matter, without having time for investigation, but it is my best judgment that any tax that may be voted in a special school district, which includes the town of King, in Stokes County, would be uniform in the entire territory embraced within the district outlined in the petition and order for the election.

N. O. PETREE.

PUBLIC SCHOOL LAW OF NORTH CAROLINA.

Article 18, Section 238.

SPECIAL SCHOOL TAXING DISTRICT. If a majority of the special school taxing district shall vote in favor of the special school tax, then it shall operate to repeal all school taxes heretofore voted in any local tax or special charter district located within said special school taxing district, etc.

During these closing days of the campaign for consolidation and the building of a real school for our children, the voters should be on their guard for false reports such as these calculated as a last resort to defeat a righteous cause at the polls.

Consolidation with a bigger and better school is bound to come in our community and those who have a part in bringing it will have something to be proud of in the years to come and will not need to hang their heads in shame as the opponents of these measures will.

AGED STOKES WOMAN DEAD

Auto Wreck Two Weeks Ago Proves Fatal To Mrs. Nancy Dodson.

Madison, Aug. 2.—Mrs. Nancy Dodson, 80 years old, who was seriously injured in an automobile wreck two weeks ago, near town, succumbed to her injuries Thursday morning, her death occurring at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Ogburn Landroth, of the Eden church community. Funeral services for Mrs. Dodson were held at the Dodson family burial ground, in Stokes county, Friday afternoon.

She is survived by several grown sons and daughters and by a large number of grand-children.

Capitol of Stokes Should Have Road

Stokes is one of the great counties of North Carolina. There is every reason in favor of and no reason we can think of against the building of a hard-surface road to the capitol of Stokes, giving her people dependable highway connection with Winston-Salem and the rest of the State.—Winston Journal.

Mrs. Claud Boyles Undergoes Operation

Mrs. Claud Boyles, of Walnut Cove, was operated upon for appendicitis at Martin Memorial hospital in Mt. Airy Thursday. Her many friends will be glad to know that she is getting along nicely.

W. G. Petree made a business trip to Greensboro last week.

PULLIAM FAMILY HAVE REUNION

Entertained At Home Of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Newsom—News and Personal Items Of King.

King, Aug. 3.—Mr. O. O. Grabs left Thursday for Hollywood and other cities in Florida. He expects to be gone about a week.

King, Dry Springs, Oak Grove, Mount Olive, Mountain View and Creeson's school districts will vote on consolidation Tuesday, August 11th.

Mr. Max Samet is having an addition built to his store building on North Depot St.

Mr. A. S. Boles, of Washington, D. C., spent the week end with his parents here.

The King Tigers defeated Pilot Mountain in a game of base ball played on the King diamond Saturday. The final score stood nine and two.

Mr. and Mrs. Bryan Pulliam, of Winston-Salem, spent Sunday with relatives here.

The ladies aid society of Trinity M. E. church met with Mrs. G. W. Thomas on last Thursday afternoon. The meeting was called to order and devotional exercises were rendered. The subject, "Being Neighborly," was discussed. Several talks were made and some beautiful thoughts were brought out on the subject.

Three new members were enrolled. During the social meeting Mrs. Thomas, assisted by Miss Edith Culler, served delicious cake, pickles and lemonade.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Caudle, of Winston-Salem, spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mrs. Dr. Ernest M. Griffin, of King and Mrs. W. M. Moore, of Winston-Salem, spent the day Friday with relatives and friends in Davie county. They report a very pleasant trip.

Mr. Ray Kiser, of Winston-Salem, was among the visitors here Sunday.

Mr. A. H. Newsom, of Clemmons, was a visitor here Sunday.

The "Red Goose" ball team of this place defeated the Jefferson Knickerbockers in a game played on the King diamond Saturday. The score stood eleven and five.

Mr. S. L. Pulliam, of Moore county, and formerly of King, is spending a few days with relatives here.

The Blue Ridge Furniture Manufacturing Co., who recently started operations here are working every day and seem to be enjoying a nice business. They are planning to put on several new hands in the near future.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Tuttle, of Rural Hall, spent Sunday afternoon with the family of Mr. T. F. Newsom in Walnut Hills.

Mrs. B. W. Ward and children are spending a few days with relatives at Denton.

A reunion of the Pulliam family was held here Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Newsom in Walnut Hills. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Pulliam, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. D. Pulliam, Joseph Pulliam, Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Pulliam, Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Moser and little Glynn, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Newsom and children, Mrs. C. R. Newsom and Charlie Ross Newsom, Jr., all of King and Messrs. C. L. Pulliam, James Pulliam and Reba Pulliam, of Winston-Salem, and Messrs. S. L. Pulliam and Omar Pulliam, of Jackson Springs, and Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Tuttle and children, of Rural Hall. Mr. S. L. Pulliam, who resides in the peach section of Moore county, brought with him a crate of fine peaches and several nice watermelons and muskmelons which made a good melon and peach feast for the crowd. The occasion was much enjoyed by all present.

Cruel!

"Can you drive with one hand?"
"You bet I can."
"Then have an apple."—Life.

She Was Observant

A new paint has been invented which renders submarines practically invisible. This should be used in an attempt to brighten up some of our statutes.—London Opinion.

DR. C. J. HELSABECK ILL AT HOSPITAL

Undergoes Operation For Appendicitis—Veneer Plant Buying Many Logs—Walnut Cove News.

Walnut Cove, Aug. 4.—Dr. C. J. Helsabeck left today for a Winston-Salem hospital where he will undergo an operation for appendicitis.

Several cases of typhoid fever have been reported in this section in the past few weeks. A careful investigation has been made of those cases and a large number of people are taking the inoculation.

It is understood that electric lights will be extended on Main street as far as the corporation line when the streets are finished. This will be beyond the Gilmer Smith veneer plant.

The Gilmer Smith veneer plant has for the past few weeks been busy hauling logs for the winter supply. It is stated that the plant has shown a steady increase in business since it was established several years ago. E. C. Gilmer, manager of the plant, has a sub-lease on the tenant houses of W. H. Sanders which will be used by his employees the coming year.

W. C. Bear, who purchased a tract of land in south Walnut Cove, is building a nice home which will add to the attraction of that part of town. It is understood that Mr. Bear will engage in the poultry business.

Mrs. W. L. Vaughn has recently been right sick, but shows improvement now.

Ralph Chilton left Saturday for Washington, D. C., where he will spend a few days.

A majority of the homes in town now have city water connections.

The pouring of concrete on the State highway through Walnut Cove has now reached a point near the center of town, only the distance from there to the depot to be poured yet. It is expected to finish the work in about a week or ten days.

Trip To Moore County

Editors Reporter:

Recently the writer made a trip to Moore county, to see the roads, the crops, the people and the country. Moore is a little over 100 miles from Stokes county, and you can go on a good road all the way, part of the time on hard-surface. Accompanied by Mr. R. G. Hall and Mr. Grady Gann, of Rockingham, we sped away early one morning going by way of Winston-Salem, High Point, and Asheboro.

Arrived at Carthage, which is a beautiful and prosperous town in the heart of the peach belt, we dropped over to see Mr. A. G. Martin and his excellent family, who live a mile north of Carthage. Mr. Martin is a former Stokes citizen. He is well fixed in Moore. Owns some 2,000 acres, and raises tobacco, cotton and fruits. Mr. Martin is also a large dealer in fertilizers. He has been living in Moore for some 12 or 15 years. The general idea of Moore county is flat, hot, swampy, unhealthy, miasmatic. But not so, Mr. Martin's section—and all about the Carthage region—the country resembles Sauratown or Beaver Island township—fine lands, well drained, beautiful homes, productive soils, excellent roads, progressive and prosperous people. Mr. Martin has a well in his back porch, some 50 feet deep, with water as cold and palatable as most any found in Stokes county.

A great development has hit some sections of Moore—particularly the southern part—where northern mill-laires are working wonders at Pinchurst, Southern Pines and other places.

Crops in Moore at the time of our visit were far ahead of ours, much more rain having fallen there than here.

The party of us after spending the day with Mr. Martin, and enjoying his hospitality, returned home late in the evening, coming by Siler City, Chatham county, Greensboro and Madison.

Our grandchildren may accept the monkey theory on the record of State legislatures.—Wall Street Journal.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION FOR STOKES BEGINS AUGUST 11

At Quaker Gap Baptist Church, Near Capella—Contest Among Sunday Schools—Program For Two-Days' Session.

Beginning at 8:00 o'clock Tuesday night, August 11, and continuing through Wednesday, the Stokes County Sunday School Convention will be held at Quaker Gap Baptist church, near Capella.

Participating in the convention program will be Miss Flora Davis, Associate Superintendent North Carolina Sunday School Association, and Miss Freda Bose, Educational Superintendent New Orleans Council of Religious Education. Among the local county workers taking part on the program will be the following: Rev. A. L. Hunter, Rev. Mr. Wellman, H. R. McPherson, and pastor of Quaker Gap church.

One feature of the convention will be the presentation of a beautiful pennant to the Sunday School having in the convention the largest number of representatives, sixteen years of age and over, according to the number of miles traveled. The contest is open to all Sunday Schools in the county. The pennant will be presented at the close of the session on Wednesday afternoon.

An unusually large attendance of workers from the entire county is expected. All sessions of the convention are open to the public, and all who are interested in the advancement of the Sunday School, whether they are active workers or not, are invited to attend.

The full convention program is as follows:

TUESDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 11.

8:00—Song.
8:15—Scripture Reading and Prayer. Rev. A. L. Hunter.
8:45—Reaching the Adults. Miss Flora Davis, Raleigh, Associate Superintendent, North Carolina Sunday School Association.
8:50—Youth and the Church. Miss Freda Bose, New Orleans, La., Educational Superintendent, New Orleans Council of Religious Education.
9:20—Record of attendance.
9:30—Adjourn.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, AUGUST 12.

10:30—Song.
10:45—Scripture Reading and Prayer. Rev. Mr. Wellman.
10:45—The Sunday School Organized for Service. Miss Freda Bose.
11:15—Business Period:
Reports of Officers.
Appointment of Committees.
Record of Attendance.
11:35—Song.
11:40—Our Common Task. Miss Flora Davis.
12:10—Offering of County and State Sunday School Associations.
12:25—Announcements.
12:30—Adjourn.

Dinner at the Church. Everybody Come and Bring a Basket.

WEDNESDAY, AFTERNOON, AUGUST 12.

2:00—Song.
2:15—Scripture Reading and Prayer. Pastor Quaker Gap Church.
2:15—Song.
2:15—Preparing and Telling a Story. Miss Freda Bose.
2:50—The Sunday School Teacher That Succeeds. Miss Flora Davis.
3:20—Suggestion and Problem Solving Period. Everybody requested to present their suggestions and problems for discussion.
3:50—Business Period:
Reports of Committees and Election of Officers.
Place of next meeting.
Presentation of Attendance Pennant.
4:00—Adjourn.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, AUGUST 12.

8:00—Song.
8:15—Scripture Reading and Prayer. H. R. McPherson.
8:15—Song.
8:15—Worship in the Sunday School. Miss Freda Bose.
8:50—Song.
8:55—Trained Workers for the Sunday School. Miss Flora Davis.
9:30—Adjourn.

SPECIAL NOTICE.

A pennant will be presented to the Sunday School having in the Convention the largest number of representatives, sixteen years of age and over, according to the number of miles traveled. Records will be taken at each session of the Convention. The pennant will be presented at the close of the session on Wednesday afternoon.

H. R. McPHERSON, President.
J. L. CHRISTIAN, County Secretary.

Death of Ben Morton; Next Winter Is To Be Long and Hard, Men of Science in Paris Say

Winston-Salem, Aug. 3.—The funeral of Benjamin P. Morton, who died at a local hospital Sunday afternoon, was conducted this afternoon at 2 o'clock from the home of Mrs. W. E. Bell, of 412 East Thirteen and one-half street, and at 4 o'clock from the Pine Hall Methodist church by Rev. George W. Lee. Burial was in the church burial ground.

Mr. Morton was 25 years of age, and was a native of Stokes county. During the world war he served as bugler with Company E, 105 Engineers of the Thirtieth division, and was in active service during a number of campaigns in France. Following his discharge in 1919 he secured a position with the Reynolds Tobacco Company, as mechanic, and had been making his home at 412 East Thirteen and one-half street.

The deceased is survived by his grandfather, S. M. Throckmorton, of Pine Hall, and an uncle, J. W. Throckmorton, of this city.

A New York physician claims to have discovered a sure cure for hip trouble. He should be enlisted in the Prohibition enforcement squad.—Omaha Bee.

Paris, Aug. 2.—Next winter will be long and hard, is the deduction made from researches which have been carried on by the astronomer priest, Father Gabriel, and which Prof. Guillaume Bigourdan, director of the Paris observatory, has described to the Academy of Sciences.

Father Gabriel has discovered that the lunar solar cycle of 744 years is divided into two periods of 372 years and four periods of 186 years. He says that the weather follows these periods and that this winter will be as severe as were the winters of the years 1553 and 1740. His observations are based on researches in to the works of historians, poets and writers which were likely to give weather indications.

A Martyr to Truth

"And what are you in for, my poor man?"
"Ninety years. I was a high school teacher and I told my pupils there wasn't any Santa Claus."—Judge.