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CHAIRMEN NAMED FOR STOKES

To Aid In Soliciting Funds For Memorial Fund For Woodrow Wilson—Names of Contributors To Be Enrolled At Memorial Building.

County Chairman, John L. Christian, has appointed the following named township chairmen to assist in soliciting funds for the Woodrow Wilson Memorial fund:

R. E. L. Francis, Francisco; Miss Laura Ellington, Sandy Ridge; Mrs. S. P. Christian, Westfield; Mrs. H. S. Foy, Germanton; J. E. Dalton, Pine Hall; Mrs. Jesse George, Westfield; P. O. Frye, Pinnacle; Mrs. R. R. King, Danbury; Dr. J. L. Hanes, Pine Hall; C. E. Davis, Walnut Cove.

Stokes county has been assessed \$500.00 as her share of this fund, which will be used for the establishment of the Woodrow Wilson memorial in Staunton, Va., and the names of every contributor will be permanently enrolled and placed on exhibition at the memorial building in Staunton and in the library of congress at Washington city.

The purpose of the campaign, which is nation-wide, is to raise money sufficient to take over Woodrow Wilson's birthplace in Staunton, Va., and constitute it a memorial, which will include furniture of the period, books and periodicals relating to Mr. Wilson and his times and many other relics of interest to this and future generations. The plan also is to restore the chapel on the grounds of Mary Baldwin College, adjoining the birthplace, where Mr. Wilson's father preached and where the war-time President was baptized and to build on the new site of the college a Wilson Memorial Hall. The whole would form a birthplace memorial to the late Presidential shrine which would form a permanent inspiration to the youth of America.

STOKES ROAD TO COST \$170,760.30

State Received Bids On 154 Miles of New Roads Yesterday—Keen Competition Among Contractors.

At Raleigh yesterday the State highway commission received bids on 154 miles of new roads to be constructed in the State. Total bids for the work amounted to \$2,428,854.51. There were eighteen projects in the letting.

The only road in this district on which bids were received was for hard-surfacing the highway from Walnut Cove to the Rockingham county line, on the Madison road. This is route No. 77 and L. L. Tinsdale, of Wisconsin, was the low bidder, his figures being \$170,760.30 for the seven miles of paving.

The projected work drew a record number of bids, and keen competition among the contractors gave the State a regular bargain on one of the biggest lettings of the good roads program.

The eastern counties will get the banner jobs, Wilson, Edgecomb, Beaufort, Robeson, Cumberland and Bladen having projects for long stretches of hard surfacing.

N. L. Cranford Is Candidate For Sheriff

N. L. Cranford, of Winston-Salem, Democrat, yesterday announced his candidacy for sheriff of Forsyth county, in opposition to the incumbent, Sheriff J. B. McCreary.

"All that I have to say is that I am a candidate for the office and should the people see fit to elect me I shall endeavor to serve the taxpayers to the best of my ability," said Mr. Cranford.

Riley F. Boyles Seriously Ill

C. O. Boyles, prominent merchant of King, who was a visitor here Monday, stated that his father, Mr. Riley F. Boyles, of Capella, was seriously ill at his home. Mr. Boyles will be eighty years of age at his next birthday.

C. HELSABECK HAS ACCIDENT

Train Starts Forest Fire—New Coat of Oil For State Road—An Interesting Game of Ball.

King, May 3.—Clarence Helsabeck cut an ugly gash in his foot while cutting wood at the wood pile at his home three miles south of here last week. Dr. G. E. Stone dressed the wound.

Born unto Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jackson, a fine son. The young fellow arrived yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Pulliam, of Summerfield, spent the day Sunday with Mr. Pulliam's parents in West View.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Kirby are the glad recipients of another baby girl.

The King Tigers defeated Capella in a very interesting and exciting game of baseball played on the King diamond Saturday. Gray Moore, of Tiger fame, was the star player. The final score stood four and three. This was decidedly the best game that the King people have had an opportunity of seeing this season.

Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Pulliam, of High Point, spent Sunday with relatives here.

A. M. Caudle, who holds a position with the Southern Railway Co., spent Sunday with his parents in Walnut Hills.

Ray Kiser, of Winston-Salem, was among the visitors here Sunday. John Collins and family, of Mt. Airy, spent Saturday and Sunday with his brother, A. F. Collins, on south Depot street.

Rev. Paul H. Newsom filled his regular appointment at Mt. Airy Sunday.

R. G. Fulk, who has been very sick at his home near here for several days, shows some improvement today, we are glad to note.

J. S. Boyles, of Walnut, spent few hours here Sunday with friends.

The east bound passenger train on the Atlantic and Yadkin Railway put out fire just west of town yesterday afternoon. It burned over several acres before it was extinguished.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hutchins, of Winston-Salem, spent the day Sunday with Mr. Hutchins' parents on east Main street.

Thomas E. Smith, who holds a position at Hendersonville, spent Sunday with his family here. Mr. Smith states that there is a big boom on in the Western part of the State.

Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Spainhower, of Winston-Salem, were visitors at the home of Dr. and Mrs. H. G. Harding on west Main street Sunday.

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

A large force of men are at work on the new power line being built from Winston-Salem to Mt. Airy, and which touches King. The force are at work just west of town and good headway is being made on the construction of this new line.

R. W. Inman, of Mt. Airy, is here on business today.

Miss Ethel Kirby, of Winston-Salem, spent the week end with her sister Mrs. Henry Hauser, on south Depot street.

A force of state men are here putting down another coat of oil on the oil road between here and Pilot Mtn.

The condition of Mrs. T. F. Calloway, who has been very sick for several weeks, remains about the same.

C. J. Kirby, who holds a position with The Southern Railway Co., spent Sunday with his family in Walnut Hills.

Rev. E. A. Holton held a real helpful service at the Moravian church last Sunday afternoon.

On the second Sunday in May at 1 o'clock, p. m., Billy Sunday team No. 15, will hold services at the Moravian church here.

"Uncle" Dee Tillotson, of the King community, was here Monday looking in on the sessions of the various county boards. Mr. Tillotson will be seventy years old on his next birthday, but he still takes an active interest in county affairs.

DOGS COST STOKES MUCH MONEY

Claims Filed Against County For Damage Done by Canines—C. H. Lunsford Again Loses Several Sheep.

The State dog law provides that damages done to citizens and property by dogs shall be paid out of the funds arising from the tax on dogs, according to the statement of attorneys for the board of county commissioners. But this fund has long since been exhausted in Stokes, and many claims against the county continue to come in. The law also provides that the county may sue owners of dogs which depredate on citizens and that funds derived from this source may be used to pay claims against the county on account of damage by dogs, but, it is found by the Stokes authorities that many of these are insolvent, and hence funds from this source are not adequate to meet the heavy demands on the county. So the board of commissioners are at a loss to know where the money is to come from to pay off claims that arise from damage done by dogs in the county.

At Monday's meeting of the county commissioners C. H. Lunsford, of Yadkin township, reported the loss of nine sheep, killed by dogs. Mr. Lunsford stated bill would be filed for the loss probably at next meeting of the board.

C. E. Francis, who was bitten by a maddog at his home near Francisco recently, filed bill against the county for \$100.00 to cover cost of taking Pasteur treatment and loss of time.

R. T. Pell, of Big Creek township, asked for \$100.00 for the loss of three dogs which he was forced to kill when bitten by a maddog.

J. P. George, J. F. Nunn and J. C. Evans, of Big Creek township, were appointed by the commissioners to investigate the two claims mentioned above and report the same to the board at the June meeting.

In the case in which B. W. Hall recently asked for \$100.00 for the loss of two dogs, the commissioners appointed to investigate the matter allowed Mr. Hall \$30.00, but he refused to accept it, and will likely bring suit against the county.

DEMOCRATS ON ROAD QUESTION

Party Is Pledged By Its Platform To A Continuance Of the Present Highway Construction Program.

The State Democratic platform as adopted at Raleigh last week has the following in regard to roads:

"We rejoice in the remarkable progress that has been made toward the fulfillment of the promise of our platform of 1920, for the establishment and maintenance of a state system of highways.

This great achievement is being carried on and will be completed without levying any taxes on property by the state for this or any other purpose, and with a system of financing that will adequately maintain all roads in the state system, pay interest on indebtedness contracted, provide for the full payment of all bonds as they become due and payable, and a substantial additional sum for new construction. It illustrates anew the capacity of the democratic party to provide for the state's large needs as well as small, honestly, economically and efficiently, and free from narrow partisanship. We pledge the party to a continuance of the present highway construction program as rapidly as practical from the sources of revenue heretofore set aside and dedicated to that purpose. The state should render every assistance possible, after providing for the completion and maintenance of the state system, to aid the counties in organizing efficient systems of connecting county roads."

Ollie Hicks, of Meadows, who was here Monday, is suffering from a broken shoulder. The accident occurred while he was at work on the bridge being erected across Dan river at Hairston's ford.

CANDIDATES SLOW IN FILING

J. R. Nunn Enters Race For Sheriff On Republican Ticket—There Will Be Others—Time of Filing Expires May 22nd.

According to the record of Chairman S. P. Christian, of the county board of elections, only one county candidate has filed for the June primary so far, this being J. R. Nunn, of Quaker Gap township, who is candidate for Sheriff on the Republican ticket.

It is stated that Sheriff J. Frank Dunlap will also file for the same office and that probably E. R. Nelson, of Piedmont Springs, will enter the contest, making three Republican candidates for sheriff.

Otis T. Shelton, of Sandy Ridge, is being urged by his friends to run for the county to file for Sheriff on the Democratic ticket. Mr. Shelton was in Danbury Monday but did not commit himself as to whether he expected to run or not.

CHILDREN HAD NARROW ESCAPE

Residence of R. L. Durham At Westfield Destroyed By Fire Friday—Mrs. Durham Saved Children.

The residence of R. L. Durham, a farmer of the Westfield community, was destroyed by fire Friday afternoon. Nothing was saved from the building and no insurance was had on the property.

Mrs. Durham made a fire in the kitchen stove preparatory to preparing the supper and went out to the spring some little distance from the home to get a bucket of water. She left two small children asleep, each in different rooms. When she returned from the spring the fire had spread to both rooms and she ran through the flames and brought out the children one at a time. Mrs. Durham was painfully burned about the hands and face.

Mr. Durham, who was in Danbury Monday, stated that he had just purchased enough provisions for his family for the summer and these were all burned.

Negro Put Up Liberty Bonds As Security

Walnut Cove, May 3.—When Jas. Bailey, negro, was arrested yesterday at Walnut Cove by Pat Smothers, deputy sheriff, and state officer for the Norfolk and Western Railroad for having whiskey in his possession he produced \$1,000 in government bonds as bond for his appearance in court at Danbury.

Deputy Sheriff Smothers was on the trail of another negro, but when Bailey saw him, he moved his "dogs" so rapidly in the other direction that the officer became suspicious and gave chase. When he caught the negro he found two and one-half gallons of liquor in his coat pockets.

Forsyth County To Help Old Soldiers

Forsyth county will give each old Confederate soldier \$50 during the ensuing year, according to decision made recently by the county commissioners. Widows of old Confederate soldiers will also be presented with a like sum. This sum will be payable in two installments, one on September 15, 1926, and one on March 15, 1927. This pension will be in addition to the State pension and will be taken out of the general county fund.

Escaped Convict Brought Back Here

Sheriff J. F. Dunlap returned Sunday from Portsmouth, Ohio, where he went after Walter Hairston, colored, who escaped from the roads in Stokes a year or more ago. Hairston was serving an 18 months sentence for violation of the prohibition laws. He will complete his term on the roads here now.

HARD-SURFACE ASSURED FOR DANBURY-WALNUT COVE HIGHWAY IN NEAR FUTURE

Stokes County To Loan State \$200,000 For Its Construction—Funds Secured By County Monday At Low Rate of Interest—Contract For Paving To Be Let In June Or July—Will Be No Increase In Tax Rate To Pay Interest On Loan.

SPEEDERS KILL DOGS HERE

Citizens Have Had Narrow Escapes From Fast Drivers—Owner of One of the Dogs Killed Demands Damage.

Recently several Danbury citizens and children have had some narrow escapes from being hit by fast moving cars and trucks, while two dogs were killed last week by the speeders, it is learned.

Special complaint has been made of the several drivers of trucks who are hauling lumber through town constantly. It is charged that they travel through the village often at a rate of speed that it would be impossible for them to stop the heavily laden trucks in any reasonable distance. It was one of these trucks that ran over a dog or two last week in passing through town. The owner of one of the dogs is demanding a substantial sum for the loss of the dog.

ELECTION AT WALNUT COVE

C. R. Hutcherson Defeats P. H. Linville For Mayor—Old Board of Commissioners Re-Elected Monday.

Walnut Cove, May 4.—In the municipal election held here yesterday the present Mayor, C. R. Hutcherson, defeated P. Hanes Linville by a substantial majority, while all except one member of the present board of town commissioners were re-elected.

The ticket as elected Monday is as follows: Mayor, C. R. Hutcherson, Commissioners, H. H. Davis, W. L. Vaughn, J. A. Weisner, and J. L. Welch. The election was rather quiet.

GUILFORD TO LEND \$250,000 FOR ROAD

Will Finance Widening of Greensboro-High Point Link To 30 Feet.

Greensboro, May 4.—Guilford county commissioners this afternoon voted to lend the State Highway Commission \$250,000, half of the sum needed to widen the Greensboro-High Point road link in route No. 10, to thirty feet, straighten it and repair it. The commissioners also voted to build another soil road from Greensboro to High Point north of the present route. Provision will be made for hard-surfacing it in a few years.

Elder Fagg Is Combination Citizen

Elder J. A. Fagg, one of our former Stokes citizens now residing in Winston-Salem, was a visitor here today. He was on business, of course, but the newspaper man never knows what his business is unless he tells it. Sometimes he is selling groceries for his wholesale store, sometimes soliciting patronage for his tobacco warehouse, often he is here to conduct a funeral service or marry a couple. This time he was calling on our merchants. Mr. Fagg stated that he would again be with Brown's Warehouse this season.

Stokes Guano Dealer Gets Train Load

Will A. Smith, fertilizer dealer of King, was a visitor here Tuesday. Mr. Smith recently received a solid train load of guano at one shipment. He reports that farmers around King are preparing for full crops of tobacco but are rather blue over the lack of rain.

Hard surface for the State highway between Danbury and Walnut Cove was apparently assured Monday when the Stokes county commissioners passed a resolution agreeing to loan the State \$200,000 for the work, and at the same meeting borrowing the necessary funds on short term notes at a very low rate of interest. While this road will cost considerably more than the figures mentioned above, the State agrees to put up the additional funds.

A large number of interested citizens of the county were here Monday and urged the commissioners to lose no time in accepting the liberal offer of the State recently made through highway commissioner, A. S. Hanes, of Winston-Salem.

While a great many of the counties of the State have loaned the highway commission money for the construction of roads in their respective counties, Stokes is the first county of the 7th district to avail itself of this plan, and for this reason the county will undoubtedly have to pay interest on the loan, very long, as the money will be paid back by the State out of the first available funds, it is said.

It is expected that contract will be let for the surfacing of the road mentioned above in June or July of this year, so that a good part of the road at least can be finished before the winter months. The grading of this road is now progressing rapidly and will be completed in July or August. The bridges and culverts will also be finished soon.

The Danbury-Walnut Cove highway is one of the most important and most heavily traveled roads of the county and is used by a much larger per cent of the people of the county than any other highway in its borders, and we will be very fortunate indeed in getting it paved by making the State a loan of only about two-thirds of the money necessary for the work. The county will have to pay only a small amount in interest and there will be no increase in the tax-rate as this small amount can be taken care of out of the general county funds.

NEW RULING BY COUNTY FATHERS

In Future They Will Not Pay Usual \$20 For Stills Captured When Federal Officers Are With Raiding Party.

A State law requires boards of county commissioners to pay twenty dollars for each still captured by county officers and recently the Stokes board has paid for a great many coppers. At the session of the board here Monday it was stated that in a great many instances where bills had been turned in by county officers a Federal officer had really been the principal in capturing the still and was merely being assisted by the county officers. The Federal law, it was stated, directs that the still be destroyed as soon as captured, but it has been the practice in many cases for the Federal officer to allow the county officer to take the still, with the result that he collects \$20 from the county.

The county commissioners stated Monday that, in view of the fact that there has been much criticism of the board on account of this custom, in the future they would not pay claims for the capture of stills where a Federal officer was the principal in making the capture.

Bitten By Rabid Dog Last Week

C. E. Francis, of Francisco, who was a visitor here Monday, was bitten by a rabid dog last week and is undergoing the Pasteur treatment. Mr. Francis was at his stable preparing to feed his stock when the dog attacked him.