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STOKES ROAD HAS HEAVIEST TRAFFIC

Traveling Salesman Who Covers Several Counties Each Two Weeks Finds Most Cars and Trucks On Danbury-Walnut Cove Road.

A prominent traveling salesman who has for five years or more been covering Stokes, Forsyth, Yadkin, Surry and a part of other counties every two weeks, was questioned this week as to which roads in this section had most traffic on them, and he unhesitatingly gave it to the Danbury-Walnut Cove highway.

This salesman, who travels the Boone trail from Winston-Salem to Elkin once each week, stated that he saw at least two cars on the Danbury-Walnut Cove road to one on the Boone trail. He explained that the counting of traffic on this road was done right near the city limits at Winston-Salem, which gives it a big boost, but that out from the city a few miles traffic was comparatively light.

Heavy traffic was found on the Mt. Airy-Winston-Salem road and on the Walnut Cove-Walkerton road, but the Stokes road has more cars and trucks than any rural road in the Seventh highway district, in the opinion of the salesman, who was questioned about the matter because he was in better position to know than others.

With the completion of the hard-surface from Danbury to Walnut Cove the traffic on this highway will no doubt increase largely.

TOBACCO AVERAGE LAST WEEK \$29.18

For Week Ending Thursday Night—Sales Heavy and Tobacco "Up the Stalk" Selling.

Fairmont, Aug. 28.—Tobacco from up the stalk is now coming in freely and but for the printings and trash grades, not yet exhausted, the average on this market probably would be around \$35. The medium grades are still selling, many of them, at almost double the price of last season, and nondescript and green tobacco which last season had practically no friends is now eagerly purchased.

A great many of the better grades of tobacco, from up-the-stalk sell as high as \$75, but the advance this season in the price of the higher grades is not in proportion to the advance on the medium grades; if it were prices would be as stiff as they were in the never to be forgotten year of 1919. As this market draws tobacco from so many counties, some of good quality, others of common quality, its average should be this season a pretty fair barometer for the whole of the South Carolina belt.

Counting its entire sales of good, medium, common, scraps and trash regardless of the price, the official average for the tobacco week which ended Thursday night was \$29.18; total pounds for the tobacco week 901,008. The season's average up to that date is \$23.75. The season's average for the same selling period last season was \$18.16.

Squirrel Law Is Out Sept. 15th

There is said to be an abundance of squirrels in the forests in this section this year, but the law forbids hunters from shooting them until Sept. 15th. Some hunters are not observing the law to the letter, it is said. Game laws are taken more as a joke anyhow, and only a small per cent of the people know or care anything about them.

MYSTERIOUS FIRE OCCURS HERE

Oil From Two Kerosene Lamps Destroys Table In Home of Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor and Building Is Not Ignited.

Quite a mysterious fire occurred here in the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Taylor last night, and everyone is wondering how it started and how it stopped.

In the front hall of the Taylor home there was a console table with a large mirror hanging just above it. On the table were two large kerosene lamps, each containing probably a quart of oil. Yesterday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Taylor left home before night, looking about the home carefully for fire before going and locking all the doors and windows. When they returned home soon after dark it was found that the table had been destroyed by fire, both lamps and the large mirror smashed and lying on the floor in the ruins and the fire had gone out of its own accord after burning the table and the half gallon of kerosene oil on the wood floor of the hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor are positive that they did not light the lamps before leaving as it was before night and no one could have gone in the home, as every door and window were just as they left them. So the origin of the fire and the fact that it went out without igniting the building after burning a half gallon of oil on the floor will probably remain a mystery.

TWO ARRESTED AT DISTILLERY

John Bowman and Will Wall Of Pinnacle Section Furnish Bonds For Appearance At Federal Court.

John Bowman and Will Wall, of the Pinnacle community, were arrested at a blockade distillery near their homes last week by Prohibition Agent W. C. Matthews. The still was said to have been in full blast when found by the officer. It was destroyed, together with some whiskey and beer, and the men were given a hearing and placed under \$500 bonds, which they furnished.

HAYES COMING TO STOKES SOON

Republican Candidate For U. S. Senate To Address Stokes Voters Soon.

Hon. Johnson J. Hayes, of Wilkesboro, Republican candidate for the U. S. Senate, is billed to address the voters of Stokes at a date to be announced soon. A letter from Mr. Hayes states that he hopes to be here some time this month.

Mr. Hayes is one of the most prominent Republicans of the State and is a forceful speaker.

FORD TO ENTER AIR EVENTS SATURDAY

Three-Motored Monoplane Will Compete In Efficiency Race Later.

Philadelphia, Aug. 28.—Henry Ford has entered his new galeet three-motored metal monoplane in the national air races which will be held at Model Farms in Southwest Philadelphia September 4th, to 11th. It was announced today. The plane will be flown here from the Ford airport at Dearborn, Mich., and demonstrated in a series of flights during the race period.

On September 11 it will compete against other big freight and passenger carriers in the air transport speed and efficiency race which will be flown over a twelve-mile course for a total distance of 129 miles.

Public Hospitals. (Lexington Dispatch.) Dr. W. S. Rankin, the very capable representative of the Duke endowment fund for hospitals of North Carolina, finds that counties in the State now have in hopeful prospect the early investment of \$550,000 in public hospitals, mostly for the treatment of tubercular patients. For this object the Duke endowment will contribute a considerable portion of the cost of annual maintenance for an unlimited period. This provision gives a much more inviting prospect to those counties that may be thinking about tubercular hospitals. The first cost is not so much a deterrent to many of them as the prospect of a considerable outlay each year for maintenance.

With the growth in population and wealth of many of our North Carolina counties the need for public hospitals will increase. The State does not care for the need for tuberculosis hospitals. It merely demonstrates what can be done and in the demonstration saves many a life for useful service to the State. But many others go beyond the point of repair because the State can take care of only a relatively small proportion of the infected and they die while waiting their turn.

James Martin, of Madison, former Stokes citizen, was a visitor here yesterday.

Major Steadman's Address At Danbury

Major Chas. M. Steadman's address at the Old Confederate Carnival here last Friday night was as follows:

Ladies and Gentlemen: I esteem it a very high privilege to be present here today. I have learned that this festival is the outcome of an effort being made by the ladies of Danbury to raise a fund to erect a monument to the soldiers of Stokes county in the war between the States.

In remote ages far removed from the era in which we dwell, in the centuries of the Roman and Grecian Empires, when their civilization was in the meridian splendor of its greatness, monuments were erected to their illustrious dead to mark their resting place, or to perpetuate in the memory of mankind some epoch in their history, or to designate some spot made sacred by deeds of patriotic valor, that the traveler from other lands may halt his footsteps as he approaches the sacred shrine and realize that he is treading on hallowed ground.

In Egypt in the days of her ancient glory, when renowned in arms and art, the pyramids were reared more than 2,000 years before Christ. These wonderful monuments were erected by the Shepherds Kings as tombs for themselves and descendants, that their reign might not be forgotten. These facts have been established by their exploration in recent years and the deciphering of Egyptian writings confirming the statements made by Grecian historians, Herodotus, Diodorus, and Strabo.

The erection of monuments can not be said to have been transmitted by any one people to another. It is a custom born of all nations. The higher their ideals the more universal is the custom. Everywhere throughout this broad land of ours monuments dot the landscape. They are the memorials of the love and gratitude of a great people for those who have contributed to their glory in war and prominence in peace.

I know full well how inadequate I am to do justice to so splendid a theme as the glorious career of the soldiers of Stokes county. Their name and fame belong not to Stokes county alone, nor to North Carolina, but are the common property of the American people and will be preserved by them in their pristine splendor when the monument which you shall cause to be erected here has perished by decay and crumbled into dust. My friends let us never fail to defend the fame and achievements of the brave men whom the South sent to the battle field.

Death, which destroys the pomp and power of this world, has only placed the seal of immortality upon their lives. The sacred charge of their fame is entrusted to you, my countrymen and countrywomen. Guard it devoutly, bravely, justly, and truly, that it may remain untarnished in its pristine glory, not alone with this generation but with all those who may come after us until time shall be no more. Let the glorious example left by them be preserved for untold ages and for every people from the rising to the setting sun. If history be false, let tradition preserve it, and on every anniversary of our memorial days let eloquence proclaim it as a heritage for all humanity, which it has elevated and adorned with a pathos and glory which belongs to the civilized world.

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JOHN BURGE LOST BARN TOBACCO

Ku Klux Parade In King Friday Night—Moravian Sunday School Picnic—Reunion of Sprinkle Family.

King, Aug. 30.—John Burge, who resides here, had the misfortune to lose a good barn of tobacco by fire last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Loggins are the glad recipients of a fine baby girl.

A. S. Bales, of Washington, D. C., spent the week end with his father, who resides near here.

Mrs. C. F. White is spending several weeks with her son, Walter J. White, in Des Moines, Iowa.

The Ku Klux Klan staged a big parade here Friday night. The streets were lined with people to see the parade. A very interesting talk was made by a member of the Klan in which he outlined just what the Klan stood for.

Several people from here attended the Sprinkle reunion at Lewisville Saturday. They all reported a fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. Chan Gunter, of Mt. Airy, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives here.

The Wilson Motor Co. have purchased the business of The Cabin Motor Co. on east Main street and will take charge of the business this week. The Wilson Motor Co. will for the time being, continue to operate their garage and service station at the intersection of Main and School streets. Mr. E. N. Phillips, formerly of The Cabin Motor Co. has not yet made known his future plans.

The King Tigers defeated Lewisville Saturday on the Lewisville diamond. The score stood 13 to 10.

The King Moravian Sunday school went on a picnic Saturday. The picnic dinner was spread on the nice lawn at Mr. R. A. Moore's spring in Forsyth county. It was a very enjoyable occasion for all who attended.

Attorney Plemmon Runday, of Elkin, was here Saturday attending to some legal matters.

The Red Goose team of King and Capella, played a very interesting game on the King diamond Saturday, resulting in a score of 10 to 6 in favor of the home team.

Dr. L. E. Kiser, of Statesville, spent Sunday with his parents, who reside near here.

Ray Kiser, of Winston-Salem, spent Sunday with relatives and friends here.

Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Schaub and Miss Clodie Stone, of High Point, spent Sunday with relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Newsum, of Mount Airy, were among the visitors here Sunday.

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TO BUILD DAM 559 FEET HIGH

On Yadkin River 18 Miles From Salisbury—40,000 Horse Power Will Be Developed—Form 22-Mile Lake.

Salisbury, Aug. 31.—In an authenticated story the Evening Post today announces the beginning of work tomorrow on the big power dam which the Tallahassee Power Company is to build at High Rock on the Yadkin river to the point of section which is 18 miles below Salisbury and the dam will span from the Rowan to the Davidson side of the Yadkin. The construction will be under the personal direction of W. S. Lee, chief engineer of the Southern Power Company and power generated will be distributed by the Southern Power Company. The big task of cleaning out the lake basin will be done by the Tallahassee Power Co. under the direction of General Manager Copp. The Southern Power Company will establish headquarters at High Rock in Davidson and the Tallahassee Company has already established offices in Salisbury.

It will be 550 feet high and will be about 200 feet wide at crest. It will be sufficient to generate 40,000 horsepower hydroelectric power. The lake basin will reach 22 miles and cover nearly 20,000 acres with a shore line of 800 miles and five miles of southbound Southern Railway track will be relocated and this will be done by the Walton Company, contractors.

Something like a thousand workmen will be used in cleaning out the lake basin. The total cost is not announced but is said to be several million dollars. The Tallahassee Power Co. will control the reserve water in the great lake. Aside from developing power the lake will be used as a reserve reservoir. Work is to be completed about January 1928.

TO RE-ORGANIZE HEALTH BOARD

State Will Be Divided Into Districts With Deputy Health Officer In Charge of Each.

Raleigh, Aug. 29.—A sweeping plan of re-organization of the administration of the state board of health, a change formulated at a recent conference of the executive committee and bureau heads, is to be put into effect as soon as Dr. Charles O'H. Laughinghouse takes charge on October 1. The change is one of plan rather than of staff, board officials say.

Under the proposed system the state will be divided into four districts with a district deputy health officer in charge and directly responsible for the work of each section. It will mean, officials say, the elimination of at least three bureaus and the probability of the change of title of a half dozen or more of the present health officials.

The district plan, the idea of Dr. W. S. Rankin, former health officer and the executive committee, was experimented with in 1923, but because of Dr. Rankin's absence it was abolished.

All bureaus except those of sanitary engineering, education, vital statistics, and partially the bureau of maternity and infancy, will be abolished, and estimating in this new plan it has been figured by the board that the budget for the biennium next July will be approximately \$412,000 a year, about \$8,000 a year less than the present allotment. However, several thousand dollars over the allotment were spent during the past year.

3,274 Lives Taken By Auto In 35 Weeks

Washington, Aug. 30.—The automobile took a toll of 3,274 lives in the first 35 weeks of this year in 66 cities throughout the nation on which the Department of Commerce has accurate information. In this period the death rate from automobile accidents averaged 18.4 per 100,000 as compared with 17.5 for the same period last year.

Norfolk, Virginia, had the slowest rate with an average of 9.4, while Camden, New Jersey, with an average of 43.5, was highest.

Want Danbury Road Hard Surfaced To Virginia Line

After the highway between Walnut Cove and Danbury is hard-surfaced, there should be no delay in extending the permanent road construction to the Virginia line beyond Danbury. This is the view as expressed by Stokes county citizens in Winston-Salem the past week. They were free to declare that with the extension of the main thoroughfare to the Virginia line, it would not only mean increased traffic, but would bring a larger amount of produce and tobacco from the mountain Virginia counties to the Winston-Salem market.—Daily Sentinel.

Terry Simmons Bitten By Moccasin

Terry Simmons, citizen and farmer of Big Creek township, was here early Monday morning in search of medical aid, having been bitten by a highland moccasin. Mr. Simmons was preparing to feed his stock and while he was picking up fodder the snake bit him on the foot. He was made very sick by the poison but it was thought that there would be no serious results from the bite.

W. W. Dodson, postmaster at Sandy Ridge, was a business visitor here today.