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STOKES LAND IS ASSESSED AT \$29

Tax Books Show That 284,963 Acres Are Listed—Average Value of Town Lots \$674—County Has 2236 Dogs And Only 39 Sheep.

According to the Stokes county tax books the 284,963 acres of land in Stokes county is worth an average of about \$29.00 per acre, the total value being \$8,223,105.

The 939 town lots in the county are worth on an average \$674 each, or a total of \$642,618.

The county has 2236 dogs listed and 724 of these are worth \$10,875 according to their owner's estimation, while 1512 have had no estimate of their worth stated, being listed only as subject to the dog tax of \$1.09 and \$2.00 for school purposes.

Only 39 sheep were found in the county, their value being placed at \$342.

Following is an abstract of real and personal property as listed for the tax year of 1926 in Stokes:

REAL ESTATE.

284,963 acres land, \$8,223,105
939 town lots, 642,618
Timber and leased land, 7,461
Manufacturing properties outside of incorporated towns, 17,700

\$8,890,884

PERSONAL PROPERTY

1214 horses, \$55,440
3352 mules, 194,449
1281 cattle, (other than milk cows,) 14,083
3857 milk cows, 102,207
4826 hogs, 45,344
39 sheep, 342
21 goats, 64
724 dogs, 10,875

\$422,814

MISCELLANEOUS.

Stocks of merchandise, \$237,521
Manufacturing material, 42,851
Value of personal property from which \$300 exemption is deducted, 72,166
Solvent credits, 1,602,227
All other property, 55,5394

\$2,480,162

CORPORATIONS.

Telegraph and telephone and express companies, \$724,467
Excess valuation by State, 78,798
Domestic corporations, 32,682

\$835,947

Grand total of all property listed, \$12,630,807
There are 2876 white polls and 263 colored.

The total number of dogs listed for school tax of \$1.00 and \$2.00 each is 2236.

Property listed by white citizens is valued at \$11,506,984, while property of colored is listed at \$286,876.

C. D. Smith Goes To Guilford County

C. D. Smith and family, of Snow Creek township, recently removed to Guilford county, where Mr. Smith will engage in farming. The family has a host of friends in Stokes who regret to lose them but wish them much success and happiness.

Walnut Cove Firm Installs Machinery

The enterprising firm of Walnut Cove Motor Co has just installed at a cost of a thousand dollars additional machinery for overhauling automobiles, and with their force of expert mechanics they are now prepared to make old motors operate like new ones.

John W. Priddy was here from Snow Creek township Monday.

16 STATEWIDE BILLS PENDING

Only Five Important Bills Finally Passed On By Either House.

Raleigh, Feb. 20.—With only 12 working days left, the legislature Monday begins consideration of major legislative work for the session.

During the first seven weeks of the session only one state-wide bill of special interest was enacted into law; the provision for changing the date of the automobile license year so that plates will be bought in December rather than in June.

COSTS \$100,000.

Automobile owners will pay for the change in license year to the tune of about \$100,000, which it was estimated this change would cost.

Twenty-five cents extra will be added to the half-year license which will be bought next June. While this is the main state-wide bill that has been ratified, both houses have disposed of other measures by killing them.

Among major casualties are the attainment clause in the compulsory school law, urged by the parent-teachers' association, which failed to get by the house, and the constabulary law which was killed in committee.

16 MAJOR MEASURES.

Among major measures this legislature now has before it for consideration during the next two weeks are:

1. The Australian ballot.
2. All educational measures.
3. The county government bills.
4. The proposed amendments to the constitution.
5. The general appropriation bills.
6. The revenue bill.
7. The \$30,000,000 road bond bill.
8. The statewide regulation of traffic.
9. The omnibus bill appointing county school boards.
10. The governor's proposal to establish a radio broadcasting station, which is included in the appropriations bill.
11. Workmen's compensation act.
12. All fisheries bills.
13. The machinery bill.
14. Forestry conservation bills.
15. Judicial districts.
16. Smith-Hargett highway bill.

ALL IN COMMITTEE.

Nearly all of these measures have been thrashed out in committees and most of them have not been before either house. The last of the bills recommended by Governor McLean for reform of county government will be introduced in the house on Monday. Three of these measures are already in the calendar and are being considered by committees. The other two bills cover amendments to consolidated statutes dealing with tax deeds and foreclosures of certificates for sale. The other deals with collection of taxes in counties.

SOME HALF THROUGH.

Among state-wide measures that have passed one house and are pending in the other, measures not included in the listed above which have not been considered by either house except through committees are:

1. State-wide game bill, passed by house, pending in senate.
2. Bank liquidation bill, passed by senate, pending in house.
3. Redistricting state for new superior courts, passed senate but killed in house with notice of motion to reconsider Tuesday.
4. The committee substitute for the road bill dealing with authority of highway commission in the location of roads, passed senate, pending in house for special order Monday night.

Charlie A. Wagoner, of Dillard, was here Monday.

LEGISLATURE MUST HUSTLE

Will Have To Pass 1,000 Bills To Equal Record of Last Assembly.

Raleigh, Feb. 21.—With only two weeks to go the General Assembly must pass more than 1,000 laws if it equals the record of the last Legislature.

The 1925 body got exactly 1,225 bills through in its 60-day working period. The present assembly, with 40 days behind it, has passed only 215 bills.

So far this year the House has received 837 new bills. The Senate has taken in 649. For numbering purposes resolutions are counted the same as bills. The total is 1,486.

Last year when both houses had adjourned the records showed that the House had been responsible for 1,813 introductions and the Senate 1,524—a total of 3,337.

The total shows something of legislative mortality—only a few more than a third of the bills presented in 1925 were passed. The remainder died in a number of ways—adverse committee action, slaughter by actual vote, or lingering death on the table. A bill voted to be tabled dies if not recalled before the assembly adjourns. It takes a two-thirds vote for recall and few ever are.

Legislative observers say the present assembly can't approximate the record of the 1925 body.

"They got away to a start too late. The rush of the last days can't make up for it," they aver.

Monday, Judge Winston, of the House, announced a motion to expedite passage of local measures by placing them directly on the calendar and not sending them to committee.

Local measures, however, are passed on an average of one in two minutes when things are working smooth. They don't clog legislative machinery. It is the state-wide bills, important measures such as finance, appropriation, election and judicial bills, requiring roll calls on successive days and invariably bringing long debate that takes the time. That is the kind of bills before the assembly for the last two weeks. Not an optimist has been found to say the 1927 assembly will approach the volume of its predecessor.

Clinton Wall To Training School

Clinton Wall, 13-year-old Pinnacle boy, who was arrested at Winston-Salem the past week, on several charges, has been admitted to Jackson Training School at Concord, and County Welfare Officer J. C. Carson has arranged for conveying the boy to the school this week.

REPORTER TO ISSUE SPECIAL ANNIVERSARY EDITION APRIL 13

To celebrate the fifty-fifth anniversary of the establishment of the Danbury Reporter, a special issue will be published on April 13th, 1927.

The primary purpose of this special issue is to advertise and promote the best interests of the county and promote its progress by publishing for the first time a history of the county and its development, as nearly complete and authentic as may be secured.

With this in view this special issue will be greatly enlarged, to twenty-four pages or more, giving special sections to Winston-Salem, Greensboro, Madison, Mount Airy, Walnut Cove, King, Pilot Mountain, and our neighboring cities. The circulation will be greatly increased

MOCK TRIAL HERE SATURDAY NIGHT

Dr. R. H. Morefield and P. C. Campbell Are to Be Arraigned On Charge of Robbing Sheriff Dunlap's Smoke House.

A mock trial will be held here at the court house Saturday night, Feb. 26th, under the auspices of the citizenship committee of the Fine Arts Club.

The case to be called for trial is the one in which Dr. R. H. Morefield and P. C. Campbell will be charged with the larceny of a considerable amount of fresh meat from the smoke house of Sheriff J. Frank Dunlap a few nights since. The judge presiding will be his honor W. R. Young, while James B. Joyce will represent the State as solicitor. Witnesses to testify are as follows: J. Frank Dunlap, J. S. Taylor, N. E. Pepper, Edwin Taylor, J. G. Bradshaw, S. A. Flinchum, Dr. E. W. Owen, Mesdames R. H. Morefield, R. R. King, J. E. Martin, Walter Petree. A special venire of twenty persons will be summoned from which the jury will be selected. They are as follows: Mrs. A. J. Pringle, Miss Neva Newsom, Monroe Fagg, Manie Stephens, Jesse Bill Lawson, Miss Ola Morefield, Mrs. Jacob Fulton, Roba Browder, Weldon Smith, W. C. Nelson, Miss Carrie Hole, Nick Stephens, Alex Flinchum, Mrs. Paul Davis, Dixie Nunn, Miss Maude Ray, C. A. Arndt, P. H. Robertson, Wren Sheppard, Homer Moore and C. C. McGee.

The attorneys in the case are: John Taylor, W. G. Petree, M. O. Jones and Elmo Petree. This event promises to be one of the most interesting held here for some time and a large attendance is expected. A small admission fee of 10 and 20 cents will be charged.

TOBACCO SALES LIGHT TUESDAY

\$3,890 Pounds Sold On The Winston-Salem Market — Weed Brings \$12,959.

Sales on the Winston-Salem tobacco market yesterday totaled \$3,890 pounds and netted the growers \$12,959.04, an average of \$15.45 a hundred pounds. Little tobacco awaits sale in the warehouses this morning.

Play To Be Given By Meadows School

The Meadows high school will give a play, "Fun On the Podunk Limited," Saturday night, Feb. 26. Proceeds to go to library.

Supt. of Schools J. C. Carson was here Monday.

TOURIST CAMP FOR WALNUT COVE

W. H. Sanders Is Promoter of New Enterprise — Work Started On Park At Hairston's Ford—N. & W. Railway Making Improvements.

Walnut Cove, Feb. 21.—The latest enterprise towards developing the many resources around Walnut Cove is the tourist camp being laid out by W. H. Sanders on the hard-surface road toward Winston-Salem, which is route 77 of the national highway. A log-cabin filling station is being built and the camp site will be equipped with all conveniences for tourists, electric lights, etc. Mr. Sanders owns the well-known mineral sulphur spring which is near by and it will undoubtedly be developed in connection with the tourist camp.

Work is progressing nicely on the park and play ground at the Hairston ford bridge on the Dan on the Walnut Cove-Madison hard surface road which is being developed by a company composed of Walnut Cove citizens. Already ten acres of forest has been cleared of underbrush and small growth. Numerous kinds of wild animals will be placed in the park. Swimming, boating and dancing will be some of the amusements provided by the management.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Woodruff and Mrs. Bernice Allen left Monday for their homes in Des Moines, Iowa.

A teacher meeting was held here Friday with fifty teachers in attendance. In the morning during chapel period, the primary grades entertained them with a George Washington program. The business session was held at 1:30 o'clock.

Madison and Walnut Cove like only two days of work by the contractor of being connected by a concrete road. Only a few feet is to be poured near Hairston's ford bridge. It is understood the contractor will begin pouring concrete about March 15th.

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Vaughn and Mrs. Nannie Fulton returned to their homes here Saturday after a visit of several weeks in Florida.

Bill Fulton and Miss Mary Frances Davis attended Keith's in Winston-Salem Friday night.

William Hairston, of Martinsville, Va., spent the week end here with his parents.

Mrs. Sanders Rierson, Jr., of Mt. Airy, spent last week here.

The building for Walnut Cove's new ice plant has been completed and the machinery will be installed in time for operation before warm weather.

The N & W railway has several forces of men at work between Walnut Cove and Winston-Salem installing the electric signals and putting up wire for bringing current for their operation. It is the general impression that this railway will be double-tracked between Winston and Roanoke in the near future.

The Burton Drug Co. has recently put in one of the new Orthophonic victrolas for the pleasure of their patrons.

R. W. Hedgecock and son, N. R., have secured a lease for a term of years on the Walker brick plant and yard at Walnut Cove. They are arranging to begin operations of same early in March. The supply of suitable clay for brick making is said to be almost inexhaustible on the Walker place and the leasees plan to manufacture millions of them every season. The senior Hedgecock has been engaged in the business more than fifty years, conducting yards in Winston-Salem, Bethania and formerly at Walnut Cove.

KING REAL ESTATE IS GOING GOOD

John Smith Sells Vacant Lot At \$142.85 Per Front Foot —New Church And Other Buildings To Be Erected.

King, Feb. 21.—The work of tearing down the old Butler building at the corner of Main and Depot Streets is well underway and as soon as this building can be removed work on the new home of the King Drug Co. will be commenced and hurried through to completion. This new building will be constructed of pressed brick and will be two-stories above the ground with basement, will be modern in every way with steam heat and sewerage. The contract calls for completion in 30 days. The King Drug Co. recently purchased this lot from John Smith for which they paid him \$142.85 per front foot. Your correspondent remembers when this lot changed hands for \$215.00 or \$20.00 per front foot.

Mrs. C. N. Boles and children have returned to their home in Monroe, Va., after spending several days with relatives here.

A. S. Francis is having material placed on the site in Pilot View preparatory to erecting a new home. It will be constructed of brick veneer and will be a nice home when completed.

The Southern Power Company has a force of men at work on south Depot street erecting the new substation for furnishing King, Dalton, Pinnacle and Rural Hall, with power and lights. About thirty days will be required to complete the station.

Robert Cook, who holds a position with the Southern Railway Co., spent Sunday with his family in Walnut Hills.

O. T. Fowler, of Pilot Mtn., has purchased from The King Drug Co. their drug store building and lot on east Main street. They will give possession as soon as their new building is completed.

Miss Una Petree, daughter of Mr. W. A. Petree, won the medal for the best essay on Abraham Lincoln presented to the student in the King high school writing the best essay on Lincoln. The medal, which is a nice one, was presented by the Illinois Watch Co., of Springfield, Ill., through E. P. Newsom, the local jeweler here.

Peyton Hutchins, of Winston-Salem, spent Sunday with his parents here.

Material is being placed on the site on west Main street and work will soon be commenced on another new church. The name of this new place of worship will be The King Baptist Mission.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Moser, who reside on west Main street, are the glad parents of a new baby boy.

Banks Turner, who holds a position at Winston-Salem, spent Sunday with his family in Woodland Heights.

Mrs. W. A. Smith, who underwent a major operation in the Lawrence hospital at Winston-Salem, a few weeks ago, has returned to her home here and is getting on nicely.

Ex-Sheriff S. P. Christian, of Westfield, is a business visitor here today.

C. W. Patterson, of Pilot Mtn., is here today looking after some business matters.

Ex-Sheriff H.D. Turpin Moves To Moore Co.

Ex-Sheriff H. D. Turpin, of Pinnacle, is this week removing with his family to Moore county, where, it is learned, he has purchased a good farm. The good wishes of Mr. Turpin's friends in Stokes go with him and his family.