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HIGHWAY FORCES MISINFORMED

Danbury Citizens Glad To Cooperate With State In Keeping Street Clear For Patrolmen—Most Cars Parked Here Belong To People From Distance.

U. L. Fisher, associate district engineer, told Winston-Salem newspaper men a few days since that the highway forces were "forced to abandon the up-keep of Danbury's main street because of the multiplicity of automobiles parked on it at all times and the refusal of the owners to move them."

"We have requested time and again that these cars be moved so we could fix up the link between the road on one side and that on the other side of the town but we cannot get any assistance from the citizens or the officials of the place," said Mr. Fisher. "The highway commission will be only too glad to put the street in condition and maintain it, but how can we when it is filled with cars and the drivers will not move them off for us to work? The street is in very bad condition, I presume, from what I hear but we are powerless to do anything until the cars are taken off the street and kept off until we are able to do the work."

Mr. Fisher has evidently been misinformed by some one, as will be found by him if he will consult citizens here. A majority of the cars parked on the streets in Danbury are usually those of people here from a distance, and as Danbury is not an incorporated town, the State highway commission is supposed to deal with them just as they do on the highways anywhere else. However, speaking for the citizens of Danbury, not a man could be found here who would not be glad to move his car at any time or to keep it away from the street at all times, if necessary, to make way for the patrolmen.

TRAINS WILL BE TAKEN OFF

In Spite of Strong Fight Against It the Corporation Commission Grants Request of A. & Y. Railway.

Of interest to large number of people in this section is the announcement which comes from Raleigh that the A. and Y. passenger trains 32 and 33, running from Mount Airy to Sanford will be cut off. This order of the corporation commission will not go into effect until a star mail route out of Greensboro has been provided by the Federal Government. The Corporation Commission also directed the railroad receivers to provide through freight service leaving Greensboro at 10 a. m. and Mt. Airy at 4 p. m.

This road has been operating four passenger trains daily, two each way serving the nearby communities of Rural Hall, Walnut Cove and adjacent territory.

There have been many protests from communities along the line against the suspension of the trains but the Corporation Commission found that business did not justify continuance.

REID GEORGE HURT IN WRECK

Truck Went Off High Embankment Sunday Afternoon—Coon, Driver of the Truck, Was Unhurt.

Reid George, young man of the Francisco community, had his left leg broken just above the knee Sunday afternoon when a truck in which he was riding went off a high embankment on the Virginia road five miles north of Danbury. A young man by the name of Coon was driving the truck and he was unhurt, although the machine turned completely over two or more times and landed in a ravine on its side.

Coon stated that he was not driving fast when the truck left the road, but was not paying particular attention to the road just at that time.

George was taken to a Winston-Salem hospital, where he is reported to be resting very well. The truck was almost completely demolished.

H. H. BROWN GETS DAMAGE

Son of Stokes Man Killed By Train Last Year—Father Given \$5,000 By A. & Y. Railway.

H. H. Brown, of Yadkin township, Stokes county, will be paid \$5,000.00 for the death of his son, Arlie Brown, who was killed while in the employ of the A. & Y. railway last November. The young man was a brakeman on the train and was killed near Greensboro. The action against the railway was settled in Federal court at Greensboro last week.

BABIES FOR STOKES FAMILIES

John J. Phoenix of Childrens Home in Greensboro Wants To Place Some Attractive Children in Families Here.

The Reporter in just in receipt of a letter from John J. Phoenix, Supt. of the Childrens Home in Greensboro, in which he says he has ready for adoption more than twenty attractive children and babies, and he is especially anxious for good families in Stokes to have some of these.

At present Mr. Phoenix has ready for adoption the following:

Ten baby girls, ages 1 month to 2 years.

Five baby boys, ages 2 months to four years.

Eight boys and girls, ages 5 years to 10 years.

This paper would suggest to those interested that they run down to Greensboro and see Mr. Phoenix and the children out at the Childrens Home.

When some men do you favors they never let you forget it.

Few men will admit being wrong as long as there is a chance to make others believe they are right.

Lots of men secretly envy the tramp's don't care disposition.

Many a true word is spoken by mistake.

A patent medicine testimonial occasionally thrusts greatness upon a small man.

W. L. NELSON WRITES FRIENDS

He Is Operating Tobacco Warehouse On Fairmont Market—Prices Are Fair Down There.

Fairmont, N. C., Aug. 12. Editor Danbury Reporter:

As many of my old friends among which your paper circulates have asked me to write them as to the tobacco market down here, I am going to ask you to publish this letter so they can read it for themselves and see "how the cat is hopping."

This is the largest of the border markets. It opens with the South Carolina markets and opened last Tuesday. It has three sets of buyers and they sell tobacco just like they do in Winston and other large markets. The opening day was the largest in the history of this market notwithstanding it has been running as a tobacco market for over 10 years.

On the opening sales there were 4,560 baskets of tobacco—all except about 5 per cent. of them "primings". They have very high color and the average for the entire sales, scraps included, was \$19.41. There were a few baskets of tobacco higher up the stalk and these sold for from \$60 to \$80, although it is not the time to sell those grades of tobacco.

Last year's opening sales the average was \$16.91. While the tobacco as you will see, sold for \$2.50 per hundred higher than it did last year, yet it was largely due to the quality being better, and on a whole prices were just about like they were last season—maybe a shade higher.

Our warehouse, Sharpe, Jones and Nelson's, is one of the best and largest in this section. Its built of solid brick and we practically had it full from wall to wall the opening day.

Sales have not been quite so heavy since Tuesday on account of rain, but we expect to sell nearly a million pounds on Monday.

The crop down here is fine—the best they have had in years. Nearly all of it has been pulled. The tobacco is very much like the tobacco grown in the Eastern counties of Wilson, Pitt, etc. Brighter than the Old Belt tobacco, but not as much body.

Every indication points to good prices this fall in the Old Belt.

W. L. NELSON.

Piedmont Team Defeats Danbury

In a strongly contested match game of setback at Piedmont Springs Saturday in which Danbury was contesting against Piedmont Springs, Danbury lost to Piedmont. The latter took three straight games of 11-up from the former with Danbury 17 in the hole. The line-up was as follows: Piedmont—John W. Ross, of Jacksonville, Fla., and Mr. J. Spot Taylor, of Piedmont Springs, Danbury—Dr. R. H. Morefield and J. John Taylor. The Piedmont team has so far been unable to induce Danbury to try another game. It is believed that Danbury has retired permanently.

"The best substitute for brains is Silence."

MAY EXTEND 89 TO GREENSBORO

Virgil Robertson, Prominent Greensboro Man, Says Prospect Looks Bright For Concrete Road From Walnut Cove To Greensboro.

Virgil Robertson, prominent citizen of Greensboro during the past eleven years, but native of Forsyth county, where he served two terms on the board of county commissioners with the late Pleas Hanes, was in Danbury a few days since in the interest of a concrete road from Walnut Cove to Greensboro, running right down the railroad by way of Belews Creek, Stokesdale, Summerfield and Guilford Battle Ground.

Mr. Robertson's proposition—and he is strongly backed by Mayor Jeffreys and hundreds of Greensboro people—is to extend route 89 from Walnut Cove to Greensboro. Route 89 is the road from Mt. Airy to Walnut Cove via Danbury.

This road is greatly needed as can be seen from a look at the State highway map. Hard-surface now extends from Greensboro to Stokesdale but from Walnut Cove to Stokesdale it is a very crooked dirt road and needs to be regraded as well as paved. A part of this stretch lies in Commissioner Cox's district and part in Commissioner Hanes' district. Mr. Cox, it is stated, will gladly pave his part of it, and it is generally believed that Mr. Hanes will take care of the part in his district.

Other articles in this paper, to which attention is directed, give particulars in regard to the road.

COUNTY TO SELL NOTES SEPT. 5

Proceeds Will Be Used To Defray Expenses of County Pending Collection of This Year's Taxes.

The county commissioners will offer for sale \$60,000 in notes of the county on Sept. 5th, same to mature March 5, 1928.

This action is made necessary, it is stated, on account of the new law in regard to county government. Formerly the county has been overdrawing its account in order to take care of current needs at this season of the year just before tax collecting begins, but under the new act this cannot be done. Before drawing a check the various departments of the county government must have the funds in the bank to cover the check. Hence the necessity of borrowing a little cash for a few months.

Rooster Adopts Brood of Chicks

Wesley Hall, a good farmer of Danbury Route 1, who was here today, told The Reporter of a remarkable incident. Recently a hen at Mr. Hall's home which had a large brood of young chicks died, leaving the chicks. A game rooster promptly adopted the chicks and is raising them. Mr. Hall says the rooster scratches for them all day and at night hovers them just as the old hen did.

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BUSINESS DEAL HERE YESTERDAY

J. H. Flinchum Buys Garage and Filling Station of Zeb Smith—Consideration \$6,300.00.

The filling station and garage which has been owned and operated here by Zeb Smith the past several years was purchased yesterday by J. H. Flinchum, of Danbury Route 1. The consideration was around \$6,300.00.

It is learned that Mr. Flinchum remove to Danbury and will make several improvements in the business and building. Mr. Smith has not announced his plans for the future.

This garage has had a splendid business all along and sells large quantities of gasoline and oil. With the completion of the new cement road it will no doubt have even more business.

FINISH CONCRETE ROAD TODAY

Will Be Opened To Traffic In Two Weeks—News Is Hailed With Delight Here.

The pouring of concrete on the Danbury-Walnut Cove highway will be completed today if there is no hitch in the machinery or the weather, and in two weeks the road will be opened to traffic. This is no ordinary news to people of this section who have been anticipating this event with much pleasure.

The concrete on this road is all open to traffic now except two miles.

BURWELL OVERBY IN STOKES JAIL

Makes Break For Liberty While Being Tried Here Yesterday—Several Charges Against Prisoner—Bond Fixed At \$2,000.00.

Burwell Overby, of the King section, was arrested yesterday by Sheriff J. Frank Dunlap on a warrant charging him with the destruction of property, beating his wife and other misdeeds. He was brought to Danbury yesterday for trial and while Justice N. A. Martin was hearing the case Overby, who was handcuffed at the time, kicked the screen door of Martin's store from its hinges and made a break for liberty. He was caught after an exciting race over back fences, gullies, etc., running several hundreds yards.

Overby was bound over to Superior court in a bond of \$2,000.00, which he has been unable to furnish so far. He was under bond at the time of his arrest yesterday in two separate cases, one for the larceny of a large quantity of fresh pork and another for violation of the prohibition laws.

Good Road To Stuart, Va., Now

The Virginia State Highway Commission has just completed the grading of a fine, straight, wide highway from the Stokes line to Stuart, Va. This paper was informed this week by Stuart citizens that this road would be hard-surfaced within two years without a doubt.

BETTER MAIL SERVICE WANTED

Question of Two Mails a Day Is Revived—Uncle Sam Offers To Make Second Trip Without Cost To Postoffice Department.

The question of two mails a day between Danbury and Walnut Cove has been revived, and it is hoped by Danbury people that some action will be taken in the matter.

At present the mail received here, with the exception of that from one train, has to lay over in the Walnut Cove office for a day and night, making the service very poor.

Uncle Sam East, the mail carrier, has offered to bring an afternoon mail from Walnut Cove for one year free of cost to the postoffice department, as he makes an afternoon trip anyhow. Uncle Sam prefers bringing the mail at two loads rather than all of it at one load, as it taxes his car too heavily at one load. After he leaves Walnut Cove with the morning mail six or eight trains being mail there which has to lie over until next day, giving this office poorer mail service than it had twenty years ago when the mail man walked or drove a buggy, before good roads were even thought of.

FIXING COUNTY TAX RATES

Boards of County Commissioners Must Take Into Consideration Various and Sundry Things.

Raleigh, Aug. 15.—The fixing of the tax rates by the board of county commissioners so as to meet the sum appropriated by the county for the current year is required by law at the meeting of the board this week.

In levying upon the taxables of the county, the board must take into consideration not only the sum already appropriated for county purposes but the figures of the supplemental budget, which is a statement prepared by the county accountant showing the increases or decreases in unencumbered balances and surplus revenues, the amount of miscellaneous revenues collected in the preceding fiscal year from sources other than taxes, and the estimate of taxes uncollectible in the current fiscal year.

Under the law the board shall not estimate miscellaneous revenues at figure greater than ten per cent more than the actual receipts from miscellaneous revenues in the preceding fiscal year, as reported by the county accountant in the supplemental budget.

The probable tax rate for the current year has created considerable public interest. In many counties the distribution of the equalization fund has made it possible to decrease the rate for school purposes, but this has not always resulted in a reduction of the general rate. Some counties, however, have already announced lower rates.

Osa Smith had the misfortune to lose a barn filled with good tobacco by fire last Sunday.