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TO ASK FOR FARM DEMONSTRATOR

Stokes Lions Club Passes Resolutions In Regard To Matter — County Would Pay Only Part of Expense—Road Committee Reports.

At the regular meeting of the Lions Club of Stokes County at Walnut Cove Monday night a larger number than usual was in attendance on account of the importance of action to be taken.

The first matter of importance was the report of the road committee, who read the response from the highway commissioners and civic bodies relative to the Greensboro-Walnut Cove-Mt. Airy highway. The Greensboro Chamber of Commerce took immediate action by resolution of its board of directors to the State highway commission and recommended that the Stokes Lions Club immediately secure the endorsement of our county commissioners and county road board, which will be done at once. It was reported that the Mt. Airy Chamber of Commerce, Retail Merchants Association and the Surry county officials would immediately endorse the proposal for this county seat to county seat highway.

The Committee appointed to suggest and report on a primary object and aim for the Stokes county Lions Club to concentrate its efforts upon, suggested in the form of a resolution that the club undertake to establish and promote diversified farming in the county and that they immediately undertake to secure a farm demonstrator for this purpose. This resolution was adopted as read and messages were read from Hon. J. W. Graham, Prof. I. O. Schaub, of State College, and others, giving information which shows that the county bears only part of the expense. It was shown that the State and the Federal Government each bear a part of the expenses of a farm demonstrator, and the committee was instructed to accompany Mr. E. S. Millsaps, U. S. District Agricultural Agent, before the Stokes county Board of Commissioners on Monday, Oct. 3rd, in a formal request for an appropriation covering a part of the expenses for a farm demonstrator for Stokes county.

TOBACCO MARKET OPENS TUESDAY

Eight Tobacco Warehouses Will Be Ready At Winston-Salem—Farmers Urged To Market Slowly.

The Winston-Salem tobacco market opens Tuesday next, Oct. 4th, with eight warehouses and plenty of buyers ready to handle the big fine crop of tobacco.

Farmers are urged by the warehousemen to market the weed orderly and not glut the market.

Schools Open Next Monday

The short term schools of the county open next Monday. Supt. Carson has promised the Reporter a complete list of the names of all teachers of the county with their addresses.

STOKES JURY CONVICTS MASLIN

Former President of Merchants Bank & Trust Co. Given Sentence of Five To Eight Years By Judge Stack.

Winston-Salem, Sept. 24.—Sentence of five to eight years in the state prison was imposed on Thomas Maslin, former president of the defunct Merchants Bank and Trust company, soon after he was found guilty in superior court here today of embezzling trust funds held by the bank.

Sentence was pronounced by Judge A. M. Stack, of Monroe, following the verdict of a jury chosen from Stokes county, in which it was found that the former banker had embezzled and misappropriated funds belonging to E. K. Polites, of this city.

Just before sentence was imposed Col. F. B. Hobgood, of Greensboro, counsel for the defendant, moved for arrest of judgment and the granting of a new trial based on the same grounds made by counsel for quashing the bill of indictment and also alleged errors committed by the court during the trial.

All of these motions were overruled, and Col. Hobgood gave notice of appeal to the supreme court.

Appeal bond was fixed at \$1,500, while the appearance bond was continued at \$5,000, it being explained to the court that the defendant was already under \$5,000 bond in each of the other indictments.

The jury was given the case following a 45 minute charge by Judge Stack. He instructed this body that it could find the former bank president guilty of all three counts in the bill, embezzlement, abstraction, and misappropriation, the last two, the last, or on no count. He carefully reviewed the evidence as presented during the trial which has lasted for five days.

The defendant took both the verdict and the judgment calmly.

There are still other indictments against the defendant, charging receiving funds in a bank knowing it to be insolvent, abstracting records from the bank and embezzlement from funds of the Frank Snipes estate.

WORK STARTS AT VADE MECUM

Concrete Is Being Placed Around Spring As First Move Toward Development of Property.

It is learned here that the development of the Vade Mecum Springs property will now go forward as rapidly as possible. Just what the plans of those in charge are could not be learned today, but a large force of workmen are there this week building forms and pouring concrete adjacent to the mineral spring. Contractor R. R. King, of Danbury, is in charge of this work.

Stokes people, as well as a host of admirers of this beautiful property throughout the whole State, will learn with pleasure that the Vade Mecum property is to be developed and beautified.

D. C. Wood, of Route 1, was here today.

KING POPULATION KEEPS GROWING

Six New Comers Arrived Past Week—Death of Mrs. Gray Vogler—Other News Items.

King, Sept. 26.—Mrs. Gray Vogler, aged about twenty-two years, died at her home in Winston-Salem early Sunday morning from ptomaine poisoning. Mrs. Vogler is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. Right Wall, who reside three miles west of here. The deceased is survived by her husband, her mother and father and several brothers and sisters. The interment was made at Mount Pleasant church near here Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Pullivan, of Greensboro, spent Sunday with relatives here.

The following births were recorded here last week: Mr. and Mrs. O. O. Rutledge, a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Wiley Smith, a daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gatewood, a son, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Nance, a son, Mr. and Mrs. Ross Smith, a son, and Mr. and Mrs. Raleigh Hall, a daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Claud Stone, of High Point, were among the visitors here Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Love, Jr., of Salisbury, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Love Sunday.

Will Hauser, who has been very sick at his home here for several days, shows some improvement today.

Miss Kate Perry Stone, of Charlotte, is spending a few days with her mother, Mrs. B. J. Stone, who resides just south of town.

Prof. J. C. Carson, of Germantown, was here Monday looking after some business matters.

O. T. Fowler, of Pilot Mtn., was among the business visitors here Monday.

HENRY FORD'S BROTHER DEAD

Dies of Heart Disease While Inspecting An Old Cottage—Was Real Estate Dealer.

Detroit, Sept. 28.—Victim of heart failure that had troubled him for weeks, John Ford, wealthy real estate operator and brother of Henry Ford, died alone in an unoccupied cottage in Fordson last night, the body, lying on a bed left in the cottage by its last tenant, was found shortly before 6 o'clock this morning by Fordson police and Robert W. Ford, a son, who began search when Mr. Ford failed to return to his home from a meeting of the Fordson City Council, of which he was president.

The cottage, recently purchased by Mr. Ford, is but a few squares from the Ford homestead, and it is believed Mr. Ford went to the place to inspect it when he was stricken.

Pending the formality of a postmortem examination, the body was held today in a mortuary establishment in Dearborn. It later will be removed to the Ford home where funeral services are to be held Friday, with burial in Grand Lawn cemetery, not far from the spot where William and Mary Litegot Ford settled when they came to the United States from Ireland, and where Henry and William Ford were born.

SHERIFF DUNLAP "MOPS UP"

During Past Ten Days He Has Taken Three Men, Five Stills and Thousands of Gallons of Beer In Stokes—Calculated To "Dry Up" county.

If Sheriff J. Frank Dunlap keeps up the pace he has set during the past ten days he will certainly be awarded first prize by the national Anti-Saloon League and besides there won't be any egg noggs at Christmas time.

For some reason the Federal government has seen fit to remove all the prohibition agents from this territory, and the work of looking after the violators of the 18th amendment has been left up to the Sheriff. The record shows that he has not been failing to "carry on."

Near Belews Creek, in eastern Stokes, a few days since, he captured two men—Robert Smith and John Martin—along with a 75-gallon still and 13 barrels of beer. The men were tried and bound over to court. Both gave bond.

Last Wednesday, at the Buck Davis place, on Dan river, he took a 40-gallon still and two barrels of beer.

On Thursday last, near the water tank just east of Walnut Cove, he seized a 75-gallon still and 21 barrels of beer.

In Dry Hollow, a lonesome spot, near the Walnut Cove-Pine Hall road, last Friday, a 50-gallon still and 10 barrels of beer were confiscated.

The past Sunday morning, near Oak Grove church, in the Sandy Ridge section, 7 barrels of beer was found but the still had been removed.

Near Walnut Cove, Sunday afternoon, Geo. Fulton, colored, was taken, together with a 60-gallon still and 12 barrels of beer. Fulton is in jail at Danbury awaiting a hearing.

On all of the raids mentioned above Sheriff Dunlap was accompanied by his son, Deputy Sheriff Henry Dunlap. On the Dry Hollow trip Ralph Chilton accompanied the officers, and Carl Joyce was with them when they brought in Geo. Fulton, colored, and his outfit.

WINSTON COPS SEIZE OPIUM

Twenty Bottles of Costly Balm Found In Raid On Chinese Laundry.

Winston-Salem, Sept. 28.—Twenty bottles of opium, said to have been smuggled into this country from China, were seized today when police raided a laundry operated here by Leong Wong, 26-year old Chinese.

Leong was placed in jail, in default of \$1,500 bond, charged with violating the narcotic law.

A chemist here made an analysis of the opium and reported that it is of the strongest variety.

To Be Tried For Violating Game Law

Ruffian Sheppard, of Lawsonville, will be given a hearing here Saturday before Justice N. A. Martin on the charge of shooting squirrels out of season. Robert Lawson and others are witnesses for the State.

FIRST MEETING OF STOKES TEACHERS

Will Be Held At Danbury Saturday—150 Instructors Are Expected—Jule B. Warren, of N. C. E. A., Will Deliver Address.

The first county-wide meeting of Stokes teachers for this school year will be held in the school building at Danbury on Saturday next, Oct. 1st, about one hundred and fifty instructors of the public and high schools of Stokes county are due and expected to attend.

Probably the outstanding event of this first meeting will be the appearance of Prof. Jule B. Warren, of Raleigh, head of the North Carolina Educational Association, who will address the teachers at some length and they are looking forward to hearing Mr. Warren.

Each year the business of teaching school is being made more interesting as well as more important to those engaged in the profession. Supt. Carson expects to have something special at each meeting to interest the teachers, as well as help them in their work.

Various other matters will engage the attention of the educators Saturday and the meeting is expected to be one of the best yet held.

OVER 500 GAME LICENSES ISSUED

Stokes Hunters Preparing To Get Busy—The County Officials Expect To Sell As Many More.

Game Warden R. R. King and Clerk of the Court A. J. Fagg have sold between 500 and 600 hunting licenses to Stokes citizens since the hunting season opened this fall. A majority of these licenses were for hunting in the county only, the price of which is \$1.25 each, however, a number of them were State licenses which are \$5.25 each.

In the opinion of the county officials at least as many more licenses will be sold. Farmers have been so busy that they have not had time to hunt so far, and, moreover, at this season of the year money is not as plentiful as it is supposed to be a little later.

The Reporter expects to give the exact figures on hunting licenses in the near future, as it will be interesting to know just how many citizens procure licenses.

Business Done By Buses In July

Raleigh, Sept. 29.—Buses in North Carolina carried 210,493 passengers, collected \$219,526.32 in gross revenue in July, R. O. Self, State bus director, announces. The report was the first comprehensive monthly survey of bus operations in the State obtained since the State took over regulations of bus lines on March 2, 1925.

The report showed that in July there were 87 exclusively passenger bus lines and 16 combination passenger and express or exclusively express lines in operation in the State.

Every income earner in the United States pays about one dollar each day for support of government.

TAX RATE SHOWS AN INCREASE

Stokes Citizens Will Pay Only Twelve Cents More On \$100 Valuation This Year—Rate Is \$1.79.

The tax rate in Stokes county for the present year has been fixed at \$1.79 on the hundred dollars valuation. Last year's rate was \$1.67.

In the face of the fact that the general expenses of the county increase each year and the further fact that more bonds for roads and schools are being issued each year, it was absolutely necessary to increase the rate slightly.

An interesting statement of the financial affairs of the county, prepared by county auditor J. R. Voss, appears elsewhere in this paper, showing the total valuation of property in the county, the indebtedness, etc.

TO SPEND HUGE SUM FOR POWER

Duke Interests Will Put Out \$25,000,000 More On Electric Current In North Carolina and South Carolina.

Charlotte, Sept. 28.—Announcement that a program of construction involving the expenditure of \$25,000,000 will be undertaken by the Duke interests, was made at headquarters of the organization here today.

Details of the projects to be undertaken in developing electrical power in the two Carolinas were not made known but it was stated that the work is a part of a \$100,000,000 program of construction for which W. S. Lee, head of the Duke enterprises has plans on his desk.

The announcement said that the industrial development in North Carolina and South Carolina during the past year has been more than double that anticipated and that much additional construction will be necessary in 1928 to meet the growing demand for hydroelectric power.

Young Reynolds Turns Up In A St. Louis Cafe

St. Louis, Sept. 28.—Richard J. Reynolds, 21-year-old president of the Reynolds Airways, Inc., of New York, who was missing for 11 days, was found last night in a chop suey restaurant on North Grand Boulevard, by operatives of the Hargraves Detective Agency which had been retained by Reynolds' stepfather and the trustee of the Reynolds tobacco fortune.

The young heir was with a girl and another man. He at first denied he was Reynolds but later admitted it. He said he knew nothing about the furors created by his disappearance until he read an account of the search for him in a St. Louis morning newspaper.

He said he was merely on vacation and used a name not his own because he "did not wish to be bothered." He had been to Chicago, he said, and had seen the Tunney-Dempsey fight, and then come to St. Louis.

E. C. Gray, of Lawsonville, was among the visitors here today.