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FIGHT IN CONGRESS FOR FARM RELIEF

Sixty Million Dollars Loan Fund Bill Has Passed the Senate—The Hoover Administration Opposes It, But Is Willing to Grant \$25,000,000.

It is no doubt interesting to the farmers of Stokes and other counties who are suffering with the effects of the terrible drought of 1930, to read that the federal congress is battling for their relief.

Thousands of farmers will not only be unable to make another crop without help, but cannot go through a long and possibly severe winter unless measures of help are provided. Many of them are without sufficient food for themselves and their stock, having experienced almost a total crop failure. It is not believed the Stokes tobacco crop will average over five or six cents. This means the growers cannot pay their taxes, or furnish even the most meager comforts for their families.

A bill is now before Congress appropriating \$60,000,000 to be used as aid to farmers. This bill has already passed the Senate, but in the House has been temporarily side tracked. The administration is opposed to a fund larger than \$25,000,000. Led by Senator Robinson of Arkansas, an unyielding fight is being made for the full 60 millions, many members declaring this fund insufficient, and going on record for \$100,000,000 aid, or even more.

Out of this battle will be sure to emerge practical and saving relief for the farmers, who must have feed stuffs, seed and fertilizers if they grow another crop.

Card From

Rev. D. W. Allen

Editor Reporter:

We have now a branch organization sponsored by the chapter of the Winston-Salem Red Cross, to administer help to the Stokes county people who are in need. This organization desires to state that any assistance which any other organization wishes to tender our people, or any aid which any individuals may desire to render, may be made through the present existing organization in the county.

We hope in every community of the county may be formed committees who will collect donations of money, food or clothing which anyone desires to give, and that the same may be distributed through our existing organization.

Thus by concentrating our efforts through this channel, we may avoid duplications, and reach the best results.

D. W. ALLEN,

DEATH OF SENATOR LEE S. OVERMAN

Expired in Washington Thursday After Short Illness—Was 76 Years of Age.

News was received here today that Senator Lee S. Overman of North Carolina, died in Washington Thursday of hemorrhage of the stomach. He had been sick only a few days, and his sudden death was a great shock to his family and friends. The Senator was 76 years of age.

Mrs. O. M. Southern Died Last Friday

Walnut Cove, Dec. 10.—Mrs. Amanda Flynn Southern, aged 37 years, wife of O. M. Southern, died in a Winston-Salem hospital Friday after being critically ill for ten days or more. An infant died several days previous. Funeral services were conducted at the Salem Chapel Christian church by Rev. J. C. Campbell and Rev. Charlie Hutcherson. Interment followed in the church graveyard. The deceased was a member of the M. E. church here. She is survived by a husband and nine living children. Pallbearers were: J. R. Voss, H. E. Blackburn, H. H. Davis, W. H. Tuttle, James Hutcherson and Emory Rothrock.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Sands entertained at a very delightful dinner at their home in Walnut Cove on Thursday evening with o'possum as the "piece de resistance." Covers were laid for Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Davis, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Davis, Rev. and Mrs. D. W. Allen and Miss Lucy Burton.

Sunday School Class Meets

Walnut Cove, Dec. 10.—The December meeting of the Walnut Cove Baptist Euzelian Sunday School class was held at the home of Mrs. J. I. Moore on Tuesday afternoon with 8 members present. M. I. B. Neal, president, presiding.

The meeting opened by singing the class song, "Brightly Beams Our Fathers Mercy." The scripture reading by Mrs. J. D. Johnson was taken from the nineteenth Psalm which was followed with prayer offered by Mrs. P. G. Smith.

The Bible study for the month on the Book of Numbers was led by Mrs. W. F. Marshall and was greatly enjoyed by everyone.

The minutes of last meeting were read by the secretary and approved by the class.

The first meeting of the New Year will be held January 13th with Mrs. C. J. Helsabeck hostess.

During the social hour the

RESIDENCE USED FOR SCHOOL

Instead of Using Church For School Pine Hall People Find Desirable Place At Roberts Home.

Since the destruction of the Pine Hall school building by fire recently the school is being conducted in the residence of James Roberts, just across the river from Pine Hall, instead of in the churches, etc., as was erroneously stated in our last paper. This information was given us today by J. R. Blackwell, one of Pine Hall's good citizens, who was here on business. It was expected at first that the church and other buildings would be used but Mr. Roberts kindly tendered the use of six rooms in his large brick residence, making a very desirable temporary school house.

The Roberts home was formerly the old Archie Robertson homestead and is a pretty homestead, with nice grounds, etc.

Parent-Teacher Meeting Held

The Parent-Teachers' Association met Monday afternoon in the school building immediately after school. A splendid program had been arranged along the lines of the approaching Christmas season. Rev. F. E. Hartsfield had charge of the devotional period and after reading a chapter explained the gifts of the wise men which were brought to the infant Jesus and told Van Dyke's story, "The Other Wise Man." Miss Taylor read O'Henry's story, "The Gift of the Magi." A piano solo, "Christmas Bells," by Miss Ragland concluded the program.

Mesdames W. G. Petree, J. W. Hall and E. P. Pepper were appointed program committee for next month.

Total Population of U. S. Now 122,775,046

Washington, Dec. 10.—The 1930 population of the United States is 122,775,046.

This figure was announced a short time ago by the Census Bureau as the final of the compilation it stated at the beginning of the year. All revisions have been completed.

The census report shows the number of inhabitants of the forty-eight states increased in the preceding decade by 17,064,426, or 16.1 per cent. The 1920 population was 105,710,620.

In the column showing the percentage of increase by states was a key to several important trends of the past ten years.

Miss Mary Patterson, nurse of J. C. Lorman of London, was

AUTOMOBILE TAGS BLACK ON YELLOW

Present Tags Expire December 31—State Name Changed to Bottom.

Large raised yellow figures emblazoned upon a background of glossy black will be the color scheme of the new North Carolina motor vehicle license plates. The new tags will go on sale in many towns over the entire state on December 15th.

The 1930 tags will expire December 31. The new plates will be of a design different from the current tags. The present system of designing the horsepower of the motor vehicle by letters of the alphabet will be supplanted next year by the figures 1, 2, 3 and 4. These figures will appear in a small square in the center of the tag. The word "North Carolina—31" will appear at the bottom of the new tag instead of at the top, as at present. The tags will be distributed through the various branches of the Carolina Motor Club. The tags are being manufactured by inmates of State's prison at Raleigh. State officials have for the past few years manufactured the automobile plates in the prison at a saving of many thousands of dollars to the taxpayers of the State.

Sale prices of the passenger car, motorcycles, and trailers will remain the same as this year, officials say. Passenger cars with "A" classification will sell for \$40; "B" classification \$30; "C" classification, \$20; and "E" classification, \$12.50. A graduated scale of prices will be charged for trucks, depending upon the capacity, horsepower, type of tires used on the heavy trucks.

Several proposed legislative bills are on the program of the American Motorist's association. The proposals will be brought to the attention of members of State assemblies by the association. One of the major bills, which will bear the endorsement of the organization, is the universal licensing of all automobile drivers.

Clint Rierson

Captured This Week

Clint Rierson, formerly of the Moore's Springs section, charged with assaulting ex-Sheriff E. O. Shelton, Jim Booth and others about a year since, and who has been evading officers, was this week captured by Deputy Sheriff Cleve Lawson. Rierson was given a hearing here yesterday before Justices L. J. Young and J. B. Joyce and held for Superior court under a \$500 bond, which he failed to give and was re-

TO SAVE THE FARMERS LANDS

Bill Introduced in Congress This Week to Prevent Land Banks From Foreclosing Mortgages Or Deeds of Trust On Farms Until the Farmers Can Make Another Crop.

It looks like the leaders of the nation are at last awakening to the fact that the farmers must have help if farming is saved in this country.

Senator Smith introduces a bill in Congress to protect farmers from foreclosures of their mortgages or deeds of trust to land banks until they can make another crop.

Senator Smith takes the view that the government has everything to lose and nothing to gain by expelling farmers from their lands. The lands are of value only when they are habitations of farmers. For the government to take them in is usually a step toward converting them into deserts.

Senator Smith's bill will no doubt meet with a hearty response in the hearts of thousands of farmers who cannot meet their obligations to the land banks.

It is said that the government has foreclosed on about 40 million dollars worth of farm lands during the last few years, mainly in the South.

Marriage Licenses Issued Stokes Couples

The following are among the marriage licenses issued by the Clerk's office at Stuart, Va., during the month of October to Stokes couples:

Edgar Mabe and Lillie Bouldin, of Lawsonville.

Wm. E. Mabe and Addie Mabe, of Walnut Cove.

Wm. A. Smith and Thelma Woods, of Danbury Route 1.

C. G. Woods and Leen Mabe, of Sandy Ridge.

W. T. Shelton and Alice Frances Steele, of Sandy Ridge.

Albert Deatheridge and Annie Martin, of Lawsonville.

James Hall and Stella Bennett, of Danbury.

C. O. Mabe and Dessie Ann Mabe, of Danbury Route 1.

Macon Frye and Venda Hall, of Francisco.

Claude R. Moore and Ruth Smith, of Sandy Ridge.

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Arthur Clark and Sevia Penn, of Brim.

Johnnie Conner and Jessie Hughes, of Danbury Route 1.

Sam Brown In Stokes Jail

Sam Brown, of Sauratown township, charged with operating a car while intoxicated, was brought here last night and lodged in jail. It is learned that Brown wrecked his car on the road somewhere near Walnut Cove. He will be given a

MOVEMENT TO AID THE DESTITUTE

Another Meeting of Citizens Here Thursday Night, Attended By Red Cross Officials—Relief Promised For the Suffering.

The movement to bring Red Cross aid to the destitute and suffering, was further expanded this week, when prominent Stokes county citizens were in conference with Red Cross officials from Winston-Salem and Charlotte.

Thursday night at the Presbyterian church an informal discussion took place, attended by a number of Danbury citizens, both ladies and gentlemen, by Rev. Mr. Griffin, head of the Winston-Salem chapter of the Red Cross, and by Mrs. Fry, of Charlotte, who is one of the directors of the Red Cross Organization in the State. Others present were Rev. D. W. Allen and Paul Fuiton, of Walnut Cove, and Matt Simmons, of Lawsonville.

A number of cases of extreme need or suffering were reported to Rev. Mr. Allen, who is chairman of the Stokes county organization for providing relief to the suffering.

The Red Cross is able and willing to help our people, but all applications for relief must be investigated and authenticated before practical assistance will be rendered.

In the discussions which took place it developed that there are several hundred cases of extreme need in the county who cannot be adequately taken care of by the county at this time owing to the failure in the crops together with the bank trouble which has tied up the available cash of practically everybody, including the official funds of the county.

Repairing Highway Danbury to Buck Island

State highway forces are here this week making repairs on the tarvia road between Danbury and Buck Island bridge. Small holes have appeared in the road since it was re-surfaced last spring.

Judge Stack Remarks On Hard Times

Judge A. M. Stack is holding court in Winston-Salem this week. In sentencing a liquor dealer to the road the Judge said: "There is one good thing about the financial depression—it has stopped some from buying liquor and is hurting the business of the bootleggers."

Licensed to Sell Spirits.

The Stuart Enterprise says the Conner Drug Store, of Stuart, was granted license to sell ardent spirits, etyl or grain alcohol on prescription and