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## TAX SALES MAY BE DELAYED

Stokes Farmers Assemble At Danbury and Ask County Commissioners To Postpone Advertising Property For Sale—Commissioners Will Wait As Long As Possible.

Stokes county farmers assembled in the county court house here Monday three hundred strong and passed resolutions asking the county commissioners to defer advertising property for sale for taxes until Dec. 1.

The meeting was called to order at 10 o'clock by Jas. W. Young, one of Meadows township's prominent farmers, who had taken the lead in bringing about the gathering. Mr. Young stated the object of the meeting as being to devise ways and means to postpone the sale of land for taxes, calling attention to the fact that under the law the county commissioners were required to advertise the property of delinquent tax-payers to be sold on the first Monday of June.

An organization was effected by electing Jas. W. Young chairman of the meeting and N. S. Mullican secretary. After speeches by H. H. Williamson, J. C. Frans, E. W. Carroll, J. W. Fowler, R. E. L. Francis, N. S. Mullican and others, a committee composed of one citizen from each township was appointed to wait on the county commissioners. The board was in session down stairs and the committee brought in their report within an hour favorable to the plan suggested by the people.

The board of commissioners, who already had the matter under consideration, passed a resolution deferring the sale of property for taxes temporarily, however, no definite date was set for holding the matter up.

## Candidate For Solicitor Here

Candidate for solicitor in this district, Gaston A. Johnson, of High Point, delivered a short speech in the court house at Danbury Monday, addressing an assemblage of farmers who had met to devise ways and means of getting the county commissioners to hold up the sale of property for taxes. Mr. Johnson was accompanied here by Mr. Lee Gibson, of High Point.

## To the Democrats Of Stokes County:

I desire to be your candidate in the coming election, for the House of Representatives, and ask for your votes in the June primary on the following platform:

Reduce the Sheriff's salary from \$3500 to \$2100, reduce salary of the Register of Deeds from \$2400 to \$1500.

Repeal law requiring couples proposing to marry to produce health certificate. Also reduce cost of marriage license from \$5 to \$3, and repeal marriage banns law.

Reduce price of automobile licenses so that they will cost, say from \$5 to \$15.

Revalue land every two years. Change date for holding primary from June to July or August.

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E. CARR GANN,

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Robt. Sisk spent the week-end in Winston-Salem.



A crowd of Danbury and Winston-Salem young ladies and gentlemen who spent the night on Moore's Knob to view the sunrise from the crest of the mountain. At dawn the air was cold, and blankets were in much demand.

## ONLY 50 PER CENT OF TAXES PAID

Tax-Payers Of Stokes County Are Far Behind With Their Obligations — Looks Like Property Will Have To Be Sold For Taxes.

According to a statement made at the mass meeting of citizens here Monday, when they had assembled to devise ways and means to postpone the sale of property for taxes, only about fifty per cent of the taxes for 1931 have been paid in Stokes. The county commissioners were asked to defer the time for selling property for taxes, and the board agreed to postpone it a few days, but the law says that property on which the tax is not paid must be sold on the first Monday in June. It is learned that some other counties have postponed the sale notwithstanding the law.

## Announcement.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Sheriff of Stokes county, subject to the action of the Republican primaries in June. I will sincerely thank my friends throughout the county for their support.

If nominated and elected, I will serve the whole people faithfully to the best of my ability.

Yours truly,

HOBART BROWDER.

Germanton, N. C., May 5, 1932.

## A Correction.

It was stated in the last issue of The Reporter that Zeb Smith, white, and Ben Smith, colored, had been arrested at Martinsville, Va., in a liquor affair. This was incorrect, Zeb Smith not being arrested. The parties involved in the trouble are "Brother" Smith, white, and Ben Smith, colored.

## Announcement.

To the Voters of Stokes County: I hereby announce myself a candidate for House of Representatives on the Republican ticket of Stokes county, subject to the primary to be held on June 4th. If nominated and elected I will faithfully represent all of the people of Stokes county to the best of my ability. I stand for rigid economy in both county and State governments, with the elimination of unnecessary offices.

DR. R. H. MOREFIELD.

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## Statement Of A. R. Phillips

A. R. Phillips, who recently announced himself as a candidate for the House of Representatives, subject to the action of the primary in Stokes county, makes the following additional statement:

"I would favor the following legislation:

"1. Economy in county and State government with reduction of salaries consistent with efficiency and present economic conditions.

"2. Revaluation of farm lands and other real estate, listing same for taxation at its cash value.

"3. No tax on land bearing growing timber except a severance tax, that is to say, a moderate tax at the time of timber sale. (This measure would bring about the much-talked-of "reforestation," now being futilely attempted by our State at considerable expense to the tax-payers. It would also cause a vast increase in the fertility of lands now open for cultivation.)

"4. Full State support of schools, and the elimination of the 15c. ad valorem tax as now existing.

"5. Text books should be furnished free of cost to all children in our schools.

"6. In general, it would be my ambition, if elected by the voters of Stokes county, to represent them, to throw every energy to the relief of the agriculture in our county as well as every other county in the State of North Carolina. I shall support any and every measure that might tend to better the condition of the people of Stokes, as well as the citizens of the State as a whole.

"A. R. PHILLIPS.

"Dalton, N. C."

## John William Hawkins Caught By Warden

Just as he pulled his trout line from the Dan river here yesterday with one of the fish on it weighing five and one-fourth pounds John William Hawkins was arrested by Deputy Game Warden Toby Booth Hawkins, was carried before Justice L. J. Young and taxed with the cost, while the long line with numerous hooks on it was destroyed by the warden. Fishing has not been prohibited with pole and line but with long lines with more than one hook it was prohibited. However, any kind of fishing from May 1 to June 10, inclusive, will be contrary to the State's fishing laws.

## DESTRUCTION TO TOBACCO CROPS

Insects Wreaking Much Damage in County—Many Farmers Will Be Unable to Grow Half Crop.

The rapid rate at which insects are destroying tobacco plants in the beds in some sections of Stokes county is reaching an alarming stage. For instance, in the Moore's Springs section Mr. E. E. Yarborough stated today that he nor his neighbors would be able to put out anything like a full crop of the weed should the destruction stop now. Your correspondent has talked with farmers from other sections of the county who state about the same thing. So far, however, the ravages of the bugs has not reached all sections of the county, but each farmer talked to reported more or less damage.

## Fire At Capella.

The five-room dwelling house of Mrs. Maggie Gibson, located near Capella, in Stokes county, was totally destroyed by fire Wednesday morning about 9 o'clock. Mrs. Gibson had just stepped out to the back lot when she noticed the fire and its origin is unknown, but was probably from the kitchen flue, and the entire room was in flames when she reached it. Only a few of the bed clothes were saved. It was thought that she had enough insurance to cover part of the loss, which is probably \$1,500. Two other families resided in the house with Mrs. Gibson and both lost all their belongings. They were away from home at the time of the fire.

## Farm Loan Board Quits In Stokes

The last meeting of the government farm loan board was held here Saturday when 245 more applications for loans from farmers were received. The board has not completed tabulating the total number of applications or the total amount asked for by farmers, but it will be considerable.

Prof. E. C. Ellis, who has acted principal of the Southmont high school for the past 12 years, was here today seeing old friends. Prof. Willis, who was reared in Stokes county near Walnut Cove, practiced law at Wilkesboro for some years before entering the teaching profession. He has many friends here who are always delighted to see him back home.

## Woman's Missionary Society Meets

Walnut Cove, April 26.—The April meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society was held Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Tom Welsh as hostess. The devotionals were conducted by Mrs. A. G. Jones, president, assisted by Mrs. J. E. Fitzgerald. Readings from the Missionary Voice were given by Mrs. H. H. Davis and Miss Georgia Dalton. "Are Movies Fit For Children" was the topic ably discussed by Mrs. M. O. Jones. The mission study lesson on Korea was led by Mrs. C. J. Lamb. Mrs. Fitzgerald, Mrs. J. L. Welsh, Mrs. E. F. Michael and Miss Dalton were called upon to present phases of the lesson, which they presented in a very interesting and instructive way. During the social hour which followed the business meeting, the hostess, assisted by Mrs. Welsh, served delicious delicious refreshments.

## Moir Hawkins Suffers Accident

Moir Hawkins, of Sandy Ridge, was in Danbury Monday carrying an arm in a sling, having recently suffered several broken fingers when his team of mules ran with the wagon while he was loading guano. Mr. Hawkins' name has been mentioned as a candidate for the House of Representatives on the Democratic ticket.

## Committee Named

The Stokes county board of education, in session here Monday, appointed new school committees in the several school districts of the county. It was stated, however, that in nearly all cases the old committees were re-appointed. Other than this work the school board transacted only routine business.

## Taking Away State's Rights

Eugene Meyer, of the Federal Reserve Board, comes out against State's rights by declaring that all State banking charters should be eliminated, and the financial situation be put under Federal Reserve.

## NEAR FIRE AT WALNUT COVE

Town's Most Important Industrial Plant Almost Goes Up In Smoke When Fire Is Discovered In Roof of Veneer Plant.

Walnut Cove, May 4.—What came near being another big fire for Walnut Cove was discovered in time to be extinguished last night in the roof of the large veneering plant in the southern part of town. The fire was eating its way slowly and the firefighters were able to conquer it with chemicals. It was discovered by E. F. Michaels, an employee of the plant, and when the alarm was given it created considerable excitement, as the residents are just now beginning to recover from the experiences of two recent fires, when the residence of Miss Lucy Burton was burned, followed closely by the fire on Main street, when a store building was destroyed, the bank damaged, the State building burned and other buildings were damaged. The veneering plant is owned by J. W. Jones. The damage to the building was not large and was covered by insurance, it was stated.

## E. Carr Gann States His Platform

E. Carr Gann, representative from Stokes in the 1925 general assembly, formally announces that he will again be a candidate for the same position in the June primary. In making his announcement Mr. Gann sets forth his platform which may be seen in his card in this paper.

## Germanton Citizen Passes Away

Germanton, May 5.—Pink Hill, prominent Germanton man, passed away at his home Wednesday morning following an extended illness. Funeral services will be held today and interment will be in the Browder graveyard near the home. Elders J. Watt Tuttle and W. J. Brown will conduct the services.

## To Build Bridge Over Little Yadkin

A delegation of Yadkin township citizens appeared before the board of county commissioners here Monday at the regular session of the board and asked that the board request the State highway commission to build a bridge across Little Yadkin river at a point between Pinnacle and Chestnut Grove church. The gentlemen stated that the road, which has already been graded, is almost useless on account of the lack of a bridge. The commissioners granted the request of the citizens and will make formal request of the State for the bridge. It is learned that the structure would not be an expensive one and that the State authorities will no doubt grant the request.

## Announcement.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for the lower house of the General Assembly, on the Democratic ticket, subject to the action of the June primary. I will appreciate the support of all my friends.

J. S. GARNER,

King, N. C.