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TRIMMING DOWN STOKES TAX RATE

COMMISSIONERS MEET AND FIX THE SCHEDULES FOR 1932—WHILE VALUATION IS OFF UPWARDS OF MILLION, OLD RATE OF \$1.25 STANDS—SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS CUT DOWN.

Taxes will be slightly lower in Stokes for the year of 1932, considering the shrinkage in valuations.

The board of county commissioners were in session here Tuesday, affixing the tax schedules for the ensuing year. The old county tax rate of \$1.25 was left unchanged, while the rates in the special school districts were in most cases lowered, as follows:

Walnut Cove 18; last year the rate was 23.

Germantown 18; last year it was 30.

Meadows, King, Pinnacle, Pine Hall, Westfield, each placed at 18. Last year these carried rates of 25.

Volunteer was fixed at 5; Asbury nothing.

Since last year there has been a shrinkage in county property valuation of between 500 thousand and one million dollars. Yet the authorities were able to leave the old county valuation at \$1.25.

Plant Gardens For Health's Sake

Dr. Roy Hege, health officer for Stokes, Forsyth and Yadkin counties, together with Misses Lillian Fowler and Lucy Leary, Stokes county health nurses, as well as the nurses in Forsyth and Yadkin, are joining the State Board of Health in urging the people to provide a diet, in the fight against pellagra, that contains certain food elements contained principally in leafy vegetables—such as turnip greens, collards, cabbage, kale, mustard, lean meat, fish, poultry, eggs, sweet milk and buttermilk. It is stated that the disease is caused by eating foods deficient in the elements contained in the above named vegetables and meats. Dr. J. M. Parrott, State Health Officer, at Raleigh, sends out a statement this week with alarming facts in regard to the increase of the disease in the State. For instance, more cases were reported during the first eighteen days of August, this year, than for the whole of the month last year. People are urged to plant late gardens and produce as much of the leafy foods referred to above as possible. The disease is curable, it is stated, but it cannot be accomplished by drugs. The proper diet is absolutely essential.

Westfield Church Has Fine Revival

Rev. H. A. Hauser, pastor of Westfield Baptist church, and Dr. J. T. Smith, physician and minister also of Westfield, have just closed a series of revival meetings at the Westfield church in which there were seventy-two accessions to the church, sixty of these being baptized by the ministers. It is believed by the Westfield people that this was one of the greatest revivals ever held in that section.

WALL AT DANBURY SATURDAY NIGHT

REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS OPENS CAMPAIGN—ATTACKS EXTRAVAGANCE OF STATE GOVERNMENT—BELIEVES KIRBY PREFERABLE TO HANCOCK.

Republican candidate for congress in the fifth district, L. L. Wall, of Winston-Salem, opened his campaign here Saturday night when he spoke in the court house to a fair-sized audience.

Attorney J. W. Hall, of Danbury, Republican candidate for the Senate in Stokes, introduced the speaker in a few complimentary remarks, predicting that he would be our next representative in congress.

After telling a joke at the expense of his red hair, Mr. Wall took up the discussion of several of the ten points of the platform on which he said he was running and as laid down in a pamphlet which he is distributing. The larger part of his address was devoted to taxation, and a good part of this was a comparison of taxes as between those paid to the State and those to the Federal government. It was pointed out by the speaker that since 1916 taxes levied by the federal government had increased from one to two dollars, whereas in North Carolina during the same period the increase had been from two to seven dollars, and that the State government had had extravagance in all departments. Discussing the question of choosing a position as between capital and labor, the speaker said he believed in fairness to both, but his remarks left the impression that he believed his opponent, Representative Hancock, has chosen the former. He said that so far as he personally knew the only speech Mr. Hancock had made since he had been in congress was against the bill before the house which would guarantee depositors in banks against loss, and that just before this came up Mr. Hancock came to Winston-Salem and had a long conference with the president of that city's largest bank. Mr. Wall would have more stringent immigration laws for the protection of this country. He believes in the abolition of the absentee ballot, believing that it gives opportunity for fraud and corruption. Coming down to the payment of the soldiers' bonus, he said this was no new obligation and would eventually have to be paid and that therefore he favored paying it now "if possible," believing that it would relieve a lot of disturbance now going on over the matter. As to prohibition, the speaker favors the retention and enforcement of the 18th amendment, and will "not stand for the legalized sale of whiskey." He did not mention beer and light wines.

Referring to his two opponents, Representative Frank Hancock, the Democratic nominee, and Attorney Dallas C. Kirby, running on the Independent ticket, the speaker said that he "sincerely believed that of the two men, Mr. Kirby would make the best representative because he was nearer the common people."

WALTER COLLINS ARRESTED MONDAY

CHARGED WITH MANUFACTURING WHISKEY—ALLEGED TO HAVE BEEN AT STILL WITH CAZZIE MABE—MEN ARRESTED NOW BEING FINGER-PRINTED.

Walnut Cove.—Walter Collins, residing 4 miles east of here, was arrested today by Deputy Marshall R. C. Brown and officer G. D. Ratledge, of Winston-Salem, and carried to Danbury before U. S. Commissioner N. A. Martin. It was alleged that Collins was at the still taken near Walnut Cove last Friday when Cazzie Mabe was arrested. The officers found Collins at his home today and after taking him before the commissioner he gave bond in the sum of \$500 for his appearance at the next term of Federal court in Winston-Salem. It was noted that the officers took Collins' finger prints, and inquiry from them revealed the fact that they are now required to fingerprint all men arrested. This requirement has been in effect only about one month, it was stated by the officers. A regular little printer's roller is carried along with ink and a glass plate. The man puts his fingers down on the glass, after it has been inked, one at a time, and then the fingers are placed, one at a time, on a blank prepared for the purpose and the transfer is made. The blank also contains a description of the man as to height, weight, age, color of eyes, etc.

Danbury Men Attend Road Letting

S. P. Christian and Berkley Smith returned last night from Raleigh where they attended the letting of contracts for roads and bridges by the State highway commission. Bids were received on both the road and bridge on the route between Danbury and Stuart, Va. The bridge over Dan river just north of here will be 800 feet in length and of concrete. At the north end the bridge will have a fork, one prong of the bridge taking traffic from Stuart and the other from Mount Airy. The bridge will be unique in this, there being no other of the kind in this State, so far as is known.

Want Stuart Road Location Changed

Petitions are being circulated here, asking the State authorities to change the survey on the Danbury-Stuart, Va., road so that the highway will pass through the village of Lawsonville, instead of leaving it entirely as the present survey shows. Contract for the road is advertised to be let on Sept. 1. It is stated in the petitions that while the present survey straightens the road to some extent it saves only 900 feet in distance. The matter is being brought to the attention of Mr. Jeffreys and the members of the State highway commission.

Mrs. Charlie Joyce and daughter, Miss Evelyn Joyce, of Winston-Salem, and Miss Mary McAdoo, of Greensboro, were the guests of friends here Sunday afternoon.

GROVER GRAVITT SHOOTS HIMSELF

HIS AIM WAS POOR, AND THE BULLET LODGED IN HIS SHOULDER—CLADIE NEWSUM AND PAUL SLATE LEASE ROLLER MILL—OTHER KING ITEMS.

King, Aug. 31.—Mr. and Mrs. Emmitt White, of Laurinburg, are spending a few days with relatives here.

Miss Edna Kirby, of Portsmouth, Va., is spending a few days here the guest of her sister, Miss Lucy Leary. Lester Pulliam and family, of Durham, spent the weekend with relatives here.

Grover Gravitt, aged about 45 and married, operator of a service station three miles east of town, shot himself through the shoulder at his home Friday night. It seemed that his aim was poor and he was not seriously hurt. He is recovering in the Baptist hospital at Winston-Salem. No reason is assigned for his rash act except that he has been in very poor health for some time.

Daniel "Happy Dan" White, of Roanoke, Va., is spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. C. F. White, who resides here.

Roscoe McGee is spending some time with his brother, Ralph McGee, in Toledo, Ohio.

Rheuben Kirby, planter, who resides near here, was held up and robbed of ten dollars by two negroes at Winston-Salem Saturday morning. As Mr. Kirby emerged from a building one negro held a gun on him while his confederate searched him.

Mrs. Mactoria Williams, of West End, Moore county, is spending some time with relatives here.

E. P. Newsom and C. S. Newsom made a business trip to Winston-Salem Saturday.

Preston Knight, planter, who resides just west of town, had the misfortune to lose a good barn of tobacco by fire Saturday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Lawson, of High Point, were week end visitors to relatives here.

Coster Collins cut an ugly gash in his hand while cutting tops Monday.

A. L. Dean, of Winston-Salem, was here Monday looking after some business matters.

Cladie Newsom and Paul Slate have leased the King Roller Mills and took charge of the business Monday.

The following births were registered here last week: To Mr. and Mrs. Kirtis Watts, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Everette Spease a daughter; to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Wilson, a son, and to Mr. and Mrs. Kirtis Boyles, a daughter.

Olive Thomas, of High Point, is spending a few days here the guest of relatives.

Ed Ingram Held Under \$500 Bond

Ed Ingram, negro, who shot Creed Hairston, negro, at Walnut Cove some time since, was given a preliminary hearing in Justice T. H. Perry's court yesterday. Probable cause was found and Ingram was held for Superior court in \$500 bond, being returned to jail when he failed to secure bond. Ingram and Hairston, who were near neighbors, had some words over chickens in their gardens, when Ingram is alleged to have gone in the house and got his shot gun, shooting Hairston in the face and arm. Hairston had been unable to attend a hearing until yesterday.

Attorney A. L. Brooks, of Greensboro, was a business visitor at the Stokes court house today.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Stone, of Winston-Salem, spent Sunday after-noon in Danbury with friends.

SUGAR CHEAP IN ZIFFY ISLAND

WALNUT COVE RACKETEERS RETAILING IT AT \$2.00 PER HUNDRED—STOKES FARMERS NOT PLEASED WITH PRICES RECEIVED FOR TOBACCO ON SOUTHERN MARKET.

Walnut Cove, Aug. 27.—Charge with breaking and entering the wholesale store of the Meador Grocery Co. in Walnut Cove, Geo. Welch, Geo. Fulton, Jule Hairston and Joe Len Hairston, negroes, were last night lodged in the Stokes county jail to await a preliminary hearing on the charge of robbery early next week. The robbery is alleged to have been committed Thursday night, when 1200 pounds of white sugar was taken from the store in 100 pound bags. It was not possible to tell whether other articles were taken or not. The robbers entered the storage room at the back of the Meador store by taking off a sheet of the metal of which the walls were composed. Sheriff John Taylor and Deputies Carl Ray and Berkley Smith soon got on the trail of the robbers when they searched the car of Geo. Welch and found sugar spilled in the bottom of it. Geo. Fulton was then taken and he gave the officers considerable information, resulting in the arrest of the two. One of the men then admitted that he had sold 400 pounds of the sugar to a man residing near Walnut Cove at \$2.00 per hundred pounds. This 400 pounds was recovered, and it is likely that the other 800 pounds will be located soon. One of the men arrested, Geo. Fulton, has a long record in Stokes court, having served several terms.

A very few Stokes farmers have so far hauled tobacco to the eastern North Carolina markets and sold it, and and it is stated that they were not very well pleased with the prices received. It is believed by tobaccoists in this part of the State that it is a great mistake for our farmers to carry their tobacco into the Southern belt to sell it. The quality of the weed grown in this tobacco belt and that grown in the Southern belt is vastly different. It is stated by tobacco men long experienced on both markets, and our type of tobacco should be sold only in the old belt.

M. Rex Gass, of Winston-Salem, a recent visitor here, and one of the most experienced men in the many intricacies of the tobacco business in North Carolina, is of the opinion that farmers would make a great mistake to sell any part of their crops on the Southern markets, where the quality of the weed is so different from ours, and this action could only result in a loss to the farmers.

Supt. of Stokes Schools J. C. Carson stated today that everything was being put in readiness for the early opening of the schools. The first three cars of coal are being placed at the buildings now. It will require four more cars. Teachers have been secured for all the schools and the opening is expected to move off smoothly.

BIG GUNS TO SPEAK FOR DEMOCRATS

CAMPAIGN IN STOKES WILL INCLUDE ADDRESSES BY SEVERAL OF THE STATE'S GREATEST ORATORS—BAILEY, REYNOLDS, EHRLINGHAUS AND BOUNTAIN ON THE PROGRAM.

The Stokes county Democratic organization in Stokes has secured a large number of the leading campaigners in the State, who will speak at various points in the county beginning Sept. 24 at Walnut Cove and closing November 5 at Pinnacle. Included in the list of speakers are a number of the most eloquent and forceful orators in the State, notably Senator Josiah William Bailey, Hon. Robert R. Reynolds, candidate for the Senate; Hon. J. C. Ehringhaus, candidate for Governor; Hon. R. T. Fountain, who was a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Governor in the late primary; and Hon. Clyde R. Hoey.

Hoey is billed for the first day of the first week of court, at Danbury, Oct. 17, at one P. M. On Wednesday following, Oct. 19, at Danbury, Hon. R. R. Reynolds will address the citizens in the court house at one o'clock P. M. On Monday, October 24, at Danbury, at 1 P. M., the second week of court, Hon. J. C. B. Ehringhaus will discuss the issues of the campaign.

The full speaking schedule inaugurated by the Democrats, is as follows:

DEMOCRATIC SPEAKING SCHEDULE FOR STOKES COUNTY.

- Sept. 24th, 8 o'clock P. M., Pete Murphy, Walnut Cove.
- Sept. 28th, 8 o'clock P. M., Josiah William Bailey, King.
- October 1st, 8 o'clock P. M., John H. Folger, Pine Hall.
- Oct. 5th, 8 o'clock P. M., Frank Hancock, Westfield.
- Oct. 8th, 8 o'clock P. M., Tam C. Bowle, Francisco.
- October 12th, 8 o'clock P. M., Rufe A. Daughton, Reynolds.
- October 15th, 8 o'clock P. M., Frank Hancock, Lawsonville.
- October 17th, 1 o'clock P. M., Clyde R. Hoey, Danbury.
- October 19th, 1 o'clock P. M., Robert R. Reynolds, Danbury.
- October 19th, 8 o'clock P. M., Frank Spruill, Meadows.
- October 22nd, 1 o'clock P. M., Frank Spruill, Sandy Ridge.
- October 24th, 1 o'clock P. M., J. C. B. Ehringhaus, Danbury.
- October 26th, 8 o'clock P. M., Major L. P. McLendon, King.
- October 29th, 1 o'clock P. M., R. T. (Dick) Fountain, Germantown.
- Nov. 2nd, 8 o'clock P. M., S. Porter Graves, Walnut Cove.
- Nov. 5th, 3 o'clock P. M., Powell W. Gildewell, Pinnacle.

Alvis Carter Is Brought Back

Sheriff Taylor left this morning for Martinsville, Va., where he went after Alvis Carter, young white man wanted here on the charge of larceny and operating a car while intoxicated. Carter was under bond, his case having been called at a former term of Superior court, when he failed to appear. He is a native of the Sandy Ridge community.