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Sam Woods Writes

News From Stokes Visitors At The World's Fair — Rivalry Develops Between Them and the Cannon Dry Bunch — P. C. Starts a Speak-easy — Other Interesting and Sometimes Exciting Details of the Great Trip.

Reporter readers will no doubt be delighted to hear again from the distinguished Nine Stokes citizens who have been absent some time on a visit to the great World's Fair at Chicago. A couple of weeks silence had led their many friends to become uneasy lest some accident had befallen the delegation.

On today's mail from Chicago we received an interesting letter from Mr. Woods, one of the party, who recounts the experiences and adventures of our friends since the last report from them.

Mr. Woods' letter is printed in full below:

Checawgo, Sept. 17.

Mr. Editor:

If you will allow me space in your paper I will try to tell some more about the times we are having here at the Fair, as I know the people of Stokes county are anxious to hear from us, and as this is our last week here, we are aiming to take up our departures and go back home next week, as Hence Flinchum keeps on writing P. C. about the fodder, which he says is burning up, and Cooney he says there is political matters which are demanding his attention back home.

Well, I would first like to inform you about the actions of Preacher Cannon's crowd which are still here and cutting a big swell, and are very stuck up. They are biggety as that coco-cola truck driver that comes to Danbury and orders the merchants to git up their empty bottles, and then scratches his head to study how much he will let them have.

That Cannon crowd walks about here like they was feenanshurs, or something. They appear to have plenty of money, and smoke big black segars. They are feeling their oats, I'll say they are, and when they meet up with our crowd they high-hat us. Some of them spit through their teeth. Fonsy Nunn has got on a new big white Stetson hat, and a loud red necktie, and wears green socks. He looks to me like Peerpint Morgan or Al Kapone. Sebe Shelton has got the biggest watch chain on I ever seen, it is as big as a cow chain, and he wears white britches and white shoes. He has bought him one of these walking canes with a curve in it, and he whirls it over and over in his hand as he skips along the avenues. He looks 20 years younger than he did the last time I seen him. He looks to me like he was putting on some kind of city airs, as every once and a while he yawns like he was bored, and had that rich man's disease which they call ennooy or some sich a name.

There was one thing that happened that I was glad of, though. Rufe King was always toting around a big bunch of chattle mortgages, which he told everybody was worth \$400.00, and one day down on the Midway a gangster black-jacked him and took them mortgages, but about a hour later he come back and begged Rufe to take his papers back and apologized for taking them, and told Rufe they wasn't worth a damn.

I have been told Slitts and Budwiser's stock has gone up 200 pints since this Dry Bunch hit town.

Well, the unbecoming conduct of the Bishop's crowd has got plum away with Captain Creakman and he lowed he would git even with that gang of cheap politishians before he left if it cost his Dan River Park.

Cooney is a man of powerful revolution, so he lays down and figures it out how to do it. He says he can't study out a thing till he lays down flat on his back.

After a while he jumped up and says, "hell, I know how now to fix 'em."

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KING SIGNS FOR TOBACCO CUT

NINETY PER CENT. OF THE FARMERS AGREE TO CURTAIL — DEATH OF MRS. WHEELER KISER — DEATH OF RALEIGH SOUTHERN — DEATH OF J. ALLEN COOK — OTHER KING NEWS.

King, Sept. 20—Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Palmer entertained their son, Odell Palmer, and several of his close friends from Elkin and a large number of friends in the community at a chicken stew given at their home Wednesday night September 13. The Palmer and Robertson string band made music for the occasion. Many social games were played on the lawn. Chicken was served to seventy-five people which was enjoyed to the utmost by all who were present.

Thomas E. Smith is placing material on the site preparatory to erecting a new brick veneer home on School street.

The remains of Mrs. Wheeler Kiser, aged about 60 years, who died at their home in Madison Wednesday, were brought back here and laid to rest at Mount Olive Cemetery Thursday afternoon at one o'clock. The deceased is survived by the husband and several children.

Master Junior Gregory, whose leg was broken in an automobile accident more than three weeks ago, was carried home Wednesday. He has been in King under treatment of Dr. E. M. Griffin.

Dr. R. S. Helsabeck, S. V. Burge, C. S. Newsom, Junior Stone and Billy Helsabeck left Saturday for Swannboro where they go on a fishing trip.

Raleigh Southern, aged 31, died at the home of his brother, Joel Y. Southern here Sunday night from Bright's disease. The deceased is survived by the widow and two children, one son and daughter. Five brothers also survive. They are, Frank Southern of Burlington, Henry Southern of Durham, Jesse Southern of Winston-Salem, Pink Southern of Germantown, R. 1 and Joel Y. Southern of Kings. Three sisters are also left to mourn the loss. Mrs. Hessie Adkins of Surry county, Mrs. Lillie Prim of High Point and Mrs. Carrie Carroll of Germantown, Route 1. The funeral service, which was in charge of Romie Adams of Kings, was held at Bethany Lutheran Church near Flat Shoal Monday afternoon at four o'clock and burial followed in the church cemetery.

A very enthusiastic meeting of tobacco growers was held here Saturday night. S. J. Kirby, of Walnut Cove, made a very interesting talk and a large number of planters signed contracts to cut their acreage. It is estimated that fully ninety per cent of the growers in this immediate section have signed contracts.

The following births were recorded here last week: To Mr. and Mrs. Gid Rutledge, a daughter; to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Dwisains, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Boles, a daughter; to Mr. and Mrs. John Cole, a son; to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Holefield, a daughter; and to Mr. and Mrs. Bud Baker, a daughter.

BURNIE D. SMITH SUICIDES

SON OF DR. J. T. SMITH, OF WESTFIELD, SPLENDID AND POPULAR YOUNG MAN, TAKES HIS OWN LIFE — ACT RESULT OF DESPONDENCY OVER PHYSICAL DEFECT—FUNERAL AT WESTFIELD WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.

Monday evening about 7 o'clock, Burnie D. Smith, aged about 35, died with a bullet through his brain fired by his own hand, in the backyard of his home at Westfield.

The first person to discover the tragedy was the Rev. Mr. Hughes, a next door neighbor, who rushed to the scene, finding Mr. Smith in a dying condition with a revolver lying by his side.

The family, consisting of Mrs. Smith and two children, aged 7 and 12 respectively, were quickly aroused. Neighbors soon arrived and bore the unfortunate young man into his home, where he breathed his last within a few moments, without speaking or recovering consciousness.

The distressing affair has cast a pall over the entire Westfield section, where young Smith was a familiar figure and loved for his fine qualities of heart and character. He was a son of Dr. and Mrs. J. T. Smith of Westfield. He is survived by his wife and two children.

No cause can be assigned for the deplorable incident except that the young man was despondent over his impaired physical condition. During the World's War, through which he served with distinguished honor, having volunteered in the first contingents from this State, Mr. Smith received an injury to his foot which had caused him much pain and suffering, as well as inconvenience. He had sustained a number of operations on the member, when had never perceptibly improved. Recently he had been very despondent over his continued disability. It is believed that worry and depression over his condition affected his mind, and led to the unfortunate ending of his life.

Mr. Smith had a wide acquaintance, and was well known and highly respected by a large circle of friends.

The funeral will be held at Westfield Baptist Church Wednesday evening, he having been a consistent member of that church. Interment will follow in the cemetery adjacent.

J. Allen Cook, aged 78, died at his home one mile south of town Thursday morning following a lingering illness of several months. The deceased is survived by the widow and two sons, Dewitt Cook of Trinity and J. Robert Cook, of Tobaccoville R. F. D. 2. Three grandchildren also survive. The deceased had spent his entire life in Stokes county and was liked by all who knew him. The funeral service, which was in charge of Rev. Romie Adams and Rev. Herman Newsom of Kings, was held at Mount Olive Church Friday morning at eleven o'clock and burial followed in the church cemetery.

STOKES GOES OVER THE TOP

EIGHTY PER CENT. OF THE CROP SIGNED FOR CURTAILMENT — THE IMPORTANT WHEAT CAMPAIGN.

(By S. J. Kirby.)

The tobacco grower's campaign for signatures to the agreement for acreage reduction has gone over successfully in Stokes county. The indications are that the percentage of the crops signed here will run above eighty before the last hour for accepting contracts which is Wednesday night at midnight, September 20. The rush of work in priming and curing tobacco during the past few weeks has kept many men from attending the meetings and hearing the plan discussed.

A great many men in different sections of the county have volunteered their services to hold meetings or to make the farm canvases for signatures to the agreement. Among these certainly should be mentioned the names of J. L. Christian, of Pinnacle, and A. B. Phillips of Dalton, who have averaged one or more meetings a day since the campaign started. In addition to these there are more than 40 committeemen who have worked hard for the success of this drive. A full report on the results of the campaign will be announced in next week's papers.

The tobacco campaign has somewhat overshadowed the Federal plan for wheat acreage reduction and cash payments by the Government to wheat growers who cooperate in the plan. Both campaigns are of importance.

September 25 has been set as the last day on which wheat growers will be permitted to sign the applications for allotment contracts and to share in the adjusted payments. The wheat literature has been mailed out to every grower listed as averaging above six acres per year. The bulk of this material is so large that it may cause some to hesitate to consider it. However the yellow sheet is the main one and if it is signed the grower is safe. The other information asked for can be filled in even after September 25. Really the only thing asked for is the name of the owner and tenant or tenants with the postoffice address of each, the size and location of the farm, and the crops with the acreage of each now being grown on the land.

Committeemen will be named in each community to assist growers in making their applications for contracts. The plan is much simpler than one would at first think.

The wheat plan should appeal only to those farmers who now produce more than their home requirements on their farms. Its benefit comes in increased money returns for the crop. The government will pay approximately 25 cents per bushel on fifty four percent of what has been the average production on the farm during either the last three or five year periods.

A list of wheat growers meetings in which this plan will be discussed and aid given to those who wish to file applications for allotment con-

WALNUT COVE SCHOOL STATUS

ENROLLMENT BIDS TO BE HEAVY ON OPENING DAY — EFFICIENT FACULTY WAITING TO BEGIN THEIR EDUCATIONAL DUTIES.

A recent survey of the school shows that 235 children will be enrolled on the first day, Sept. 22, in the first three grades of Walnut Cove white school, requiring five teachers with an average enrollment of around 47 students; 95 students are expected in the fourth and fifth grades, 111 in the sixth and seventh; and 207 students in high school, making a total of about 640 students expected in the Walnut Cove schools the first day. These figures do not include Rosebud school.

Because of the increased enrollment in the high school and the good attendance maintained in the high school last year, an additional teacher has been granted the school by the Education commission.

The list of the teachers and the duties of each is as follows:

Principal, Mrs. Anne Fulton Carter, graduate of Walnut Cove High School, and the Woman's College of the University of North Carolina. Mrs. Carter has done graduate work towards her master's degree at Columbia University, New York City and the University of North Carolina.

Mrs. Carter will teach Senior English, American History and a course in History I or II.

The other high school teachers will be:

Mr. George Yelverton, of Frement, N. C., graduate of Guilford College, and last year a high school teacher at Flat Rock in Surry county. Mr. Yelverton will teach history and first year mathematics.

Mr. Resinold Marshall, German-ton, N. C., graduate of Guilford College. Mr. Marshall will teach English and Science IV.

Mr. Walter Mason, Mebane, N. C., graduate of the University of North Carolina, and last year a member of the high school faculty at Newton, N. C. He will teach mathematics and science.

Miss Mary Neal, graduate of Guilford College who will teach English III and foreign languages.

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Contracts is given below. Growers are urged to sign their applications and either return them by mail or to bring them with them to one of these places.

Quaker Gap township, Reynolds school, Sept. 19, 2:00 P. M.

Yadkin township, Pinnacle school, Sept. 19, 7:30 P. M.

Danbury township, Danbury court house, Sept. 20, 2:00 P. M.

Meadows, Germantown school, Sept. 20, 7:30 P. M.

Braver Island township, Dillard school, Sept. 21, 2:00 P. M.

Peter's Creek township, Lawsonville school, Sept. 21, 7:30 P. M.

Snow Creek township, Sandy Ridge school, Sept. 22, 7:30 P. M.

Sauratown township, Walnut Cove school, Sept. 23, 7:30 P. M.

Big Creek township, Francisca school, Sept. 25, 7:30 P. M.