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## SANDY RIDGE LADY SUICIDES

**MRS. JESSIE MAY MARTIN FRANCIS DIED TODAY FROM SELF - INFLICTED WOUND - ILL HEALTH PROBABLE CAUSE.**

Today about 10 o'clock Mrs. Jessie May Martin Francis shot herself through the heart with a shotgun, dying instantly. She had been ill for some time with a nervous disorder, which probably unhinged her mind.

Mrs. Francis lived with her husband near Sandy Ridge. She was aged 21 and had been married a year to J. D. Francis, who is a son of J. A. Francis.

She is survived by her husband, her father, J. V. Martin, two brothers, Richard and Paul; seven sisters, Lola, Nellie, Frances, Laura, Mary Lou, Ada and Maggie Martin.

Sheriff J. J. Taylor received the news and went to Sandy Ridge to investigate today. He returned about noon.

## CHANGE IN HEALTH SET-UP

**MISS NICHOLSON TRANSFERRED TO FORSYTH, MISS HAMILTON TO YADKIN - WORK OF COUNTY NURSES HAS BEEN CREDITABLE.**

Miss Kate Nicholson and Miss Dorothy Hamilton, who have been Stokes county health nurses for several years, are leaving Stokes this week. Miss Nicholson is transferred to Winston-Salem and Forsyth county, while Miss Hamilton goes to Yadkin county.

This change is in accordance with a new set-up in the county's health programs and arrangements, by Dr. Roy Hege of Winston-Salem, who is health director for Stokes, Forsyth and Yadkin counties.

During their residence in Stokes the work of Miss Nicholson and Miss Hamilton has been noticeable for its energy and efficiency. Miss Nicholson has been stationed at Walnut Cove and Danbury, and she has become very actively interested in a number of projects for better health conditions. She took the lead in the movement to build a TB hospital on the County Home grounds for the care of sufferers unable to gain admittance to regular sanitariums. There being no funds available for the expense of this institution, a plan was adopted to solicit private contributions and to raise money from the proceeds of entertainments. It is learned that a good start had been made toward the desired end.

Miss Hamilton, who had been stationed at King, had the care of the western half of the county's health work, and her services were reported as highly creditable. Both these young ladies during their stay in the county here formed many pleasant acquaintanceships and friendships. Their friends wish them well in their new respective fields.

## Death of Mrs. Annie Thornton Priddy

Sandy Ridge, June 22.—Funeral services for Mrs. Annie Ruth Thornton Priddy, wife of C. W. Priddy, were conducted at the Sandy Ridge Presbyterian church this afternoon by the Rev. R. M. Hardee, pastor of the Stoneville-Methodan Methodist charges. Burial was in the church graveyard.

Mrs. Priddy died at a Martinsville hospital last Sunday afternoon. She was a graduate of the 1934 class of Stoneville High School and had been married for about one year. She was a member of the Sandy Ridge Methodist church and had lived in that community her entire life.

Surviving are the husband; a two-day-old infant child; her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Thornton, of Sandy Ridge; two sisters, Mrs. John A. Dodson, and Miss Jean Thornton; and one brother, Ross Thornton, all of Sandy Ridge.

## Lightning Strikes Hog.

Asbury, June 21.—During the heavy electric and wind storm that passed over this section of Stokes county on Route No. 2 Mount Airy near Asbury on Thursday, June 10th, lightning struck and killed a fine hog for Crissie Moore. They had just got to the house away from the hog pen when the lightning struck the hog. They were badly shaken up but not seriously hurt.

## SURRY TOBACCO IS HARD HIT

**NEARLY HALF DESTROYED BY DISEASE—ROCKINGHAM, FORSYTH, YADKIN AND STOKES CROPS ALSO GREATLY INJURED—MUCH GOOD TOBACCO IN STOKES, BUT SOME FIELDS ALMOST WIPE OUT - INCREASED ACREAGE.**

The Mount Airy Times says the Surry county tobacco crop is already nearly half destroyed by the disease which nobody seems able to pronounce, but which is variously designated as flea beetle, blue mold effects, and other disorders.

Reports from Rockingham, Forsyth, Yadkin and other counties of this belt also indicate a serious damage to the crop of tobacco.

In Stokes many crops of good tobacco are reported, though some fields have been practically wiped out. The Reporter is not able to estimate at this time the extent of the injury that has been inflicted, but it is probably not over 25 per cent. The shortage resulting will doubtless be compensated by a considerable general increase in acreage.

Uncle Alex Golding, colored, aged around 90 years, is in a critical condition from a stroke of paralysis sustained Tuesday.

## CONFED. WIDOWS GET PENSIONS

**NO OLD SOLDIERS LEFT, BUT THE WOMEN COME IN FOR HANDSOME REMUNERATION.**

The last of the ex-Confederate soldiers has gone to join in the final reveille, but a number of their widows are still here, and this week they are receiving their semi-annual June pensions as follows:

### CLASS A WIDOWS.

(Receive \$159.00 twice a year.)

Mrs. S. G. Arrington, widow of S. G. Arrington of Co. H, 51st Reg. N. C. S. T.

Mrs. C. N. Ferguson, widow of J. H. Ferguson of Co. G 21st Reg. N. C. S. T.

Mrs. C. J. Hampton, widow of A. M. Hampton of Co. G, 21st Reg. N. C. S. T.

Mrs. A. G. Jones, widow of Dr. A. G. Jones of Co. K, 63rd Reg. N. C. S. T.

Mrs. J. Ann Martin, widow of R. T. Martin of Co. H, 22nd Reg. N. C. S. T.

Mrs. Jane Ring, widow of S. F. Ring of Co. B, 1st Junior Reserve, N. C. S. T.

Mrs. Mary A. Smith, widow of E. E. Smith of Co. D, 4th Reg. N. C. S. T.

### CLASS B WIDOWS.

(Receive \$50.00 twice a year.)

Mrs. M. P. Caudle, widow of W. A. Caudle of Co. E, 59th Va. Reg.

Mrs. Mary E. Gentry, widow of R. G. Gentry of Co. E, 57th Reg. N. C. S. T.

Mrs. Sallie Gibson, widow of Lee Gibson of Co. B, or D, 52d Reg. N. C. S. T.

Mrs. Sarah A. Hicks, widow of Abel Hicks of Co. F, 21st Reg. N. C. S. T.

Mrs. A. R. Jones, widow of A. R. Jones of Co. A, 2d Reg. N. C. S. T.

Mrs. Rachel E. Moore, widow of F. L. Moore of Co. G, 22d Va. Reg.

Mrs. Nancy Rebecca Neal, widow of Alex Neal of Co. A, 6th Reg. N. C. S. T.

## Mr. and Mrs. Jones Brown Entertain

Mr. and Mrs. Jones Brown of Mount Airy entertained at a delightful dinner party at their home on North Main Street last Saturday, honoring their house guests, Mrs. Emma Prather Gilmer of Oklahoma City, Okla.; and Mrs. Lilla Prather Jarvis of Washington, D. C.

Guests of Mr. and Mrs. Brown besides the honor guests were: Mr. and Mrs. John Prather and Mrs. Geo. Sparger of Mount Airy; Mrs. R. T. Joyce and Mrs. Carrie Joyce Galloway of Westfield; Mrs. Hallie Neal Saunders and Mrs. Rebecca Stack Alexander of Monroe, N. C.; Chas. D. Prather of Washington, D. C.; and Mrs. Jessie Pepper Christian of Danbury.

## WPA TO DROP LARGE NUMBER

**REDUCTION OF RELIEF ROLLS IN STATE ATTRIBUTED TO BETTER BUSINESS.**

Raleigh, June 21.—State officials of the WPA said today 3,750 persons were being dropped from relief rolls in North Carolina, but attributed the reduction to better business conditions, rather than decreased federal appropriations.

Fred J. Cohn, publicity director, said the cutting of the rolls had no connection with economy legislation pending in Congress. He added he did not know whether passage of the proposed \$1,500,000,000 relief bill would have the effect of increasing or decreasing this state's allotment of WPA funds.

E. C. Dorsey, state director of the WPA employment division, revealed relief rolls had been dated almost daily since April. A total of 26,280 Tar Heels were receiving aid from the WPA on April 30, he said, compared with the 22,530 who will be on the rolls at the end of this month.

The persons dropped, George W. Coan, Jr., state administrator, said, either have been transferred to other federal agencies or have found employment in "seasonal occupations or recovering private industry."

The State administrative staff, he added, has been reduced in proportion to the decrease in relief recipients. He pointed out that the financial division had discharged 22 employees following consolidation here of five district finance offices.

During the last two years Coan stated, North Carolina has received approximately \$24,000,000 in federal WPA funds.

## COURT NOT TILL AUGUST 23

**A MISUNDERSTANDING AS TO THE DATE OF THE MID-SUMMER TERM—IT WILL BE A WEEK'S TERM ONLY AND WILL BE FOR THE TRIAL OF BOTH CRIMINAL AND CIVIL CASES.**

Court will convene August 23, and there will be no term in July as was previously understood.

The term in August will be for a week only and it will be a mixed term, in which both criminal and civil cases will be tried.

The change in the court arrangement results from an act of the last legislature. Formerly a term in July was held and it was usually only for the hearing of criminal cases. But now both criminal and civil cases will be tried in this late summer session, and it will doubtless continue a full week.

The above information comes from State Legislative Librarian H. M. London of Raleigh, in response to the inquiry of Clerk J. W. Tuttle's Office.

## Fine Record of Winston-Salem Production Credit Association

Thus far during the year of 1937 The Winston-Salem Production Credit Association made 679 loans in the amount of \$110,524.00, as compared with 598 loans in the amount of \$88,245.00 made during the year of 1936. Two hundred thirty-three of these loans are made to farmers of Stokes in the amount of \$38,336.00 as compared with 188 loans in the amount of \$27,555.00 during the year of 1936.

The Association serves the farmers of Alleghany, Ashe, Caldwell, Davidson, Forsyth, Stokes, Surry, Watauga, Wayne and Yadkin counties.

The officers and members of the Association are unusually proud of the fact that there has been less than \$1.00 charged to bad debts during the entire history of operation, and that every loan reflected by the records of the Association is now in current condition. There are 834 holders of 1,639 shares of class B stock in the amount of \$5,135.00. This stock is a protection to the \$100,315.00 class A stock held by the Production Credit Corporation and investors which include 48 former B stockholders.

The B stock is protected by a cash reserve in the amount of \$5,475.00, or its equivalent in guaranteed bonds. This reserve is constantly increased. To be sure, the class B stock is a safe and desirable investment in that it is guaranteed by a substantial and increasing reserve; it is stock in an Association that has not as yet experienced a loss equivalent to the cost of a down stock class; it is stock that entitles the holders thereof to participate in the control of the Association.

J. R. Forrest of Francisco is the Stokes County Director.

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## KING COUPLE MARRIED IN VA.

**FRED WHITE LEADS MISS EMMA LEE NEWMAN TO THE ALTAR - OAKLEY BAKER AND MISS DELLA LONG ALSO WEDDED - CEMENT ROAD COMPLETED - OTHER NEWS OF KING.**

King, June 23. Mocksville lost to the King Tigers in a game at Mocksville by a score of 9 to 1 Saturday.

Mrs. O. G. Gals, who underwent a capital operation in the Baptist hospital, Winston-Salem, last Monday, is reported to be getting along as well as could be expected.

Fred White, young son of Mr. R. C. White, and Miss Emma Lee Newman, attentive young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Landis Newman, motored to Hillsville, Va. Saturday where they were united in marriage. After a short honeymoon trip they will be at home in Forest Grove Avenue.

Old Palmon of Winston-Salem visited relatives and friends here Saturday.

Misses Lula Brooks, Elsie Hutchens and Mrs. Lula Pulliam spent Saturday in North Wilkesboro and Boone.

L. J. Kiser has moved into his new home on Main street which was recently completed.

The work of pouring cement on the new link of the Lakes-to-Florida highway extending thru Stokes county touching the towns of King, Dalton and Pinnacle was completed last Wednesday. The traffic will be turned on this beautiful 23-foot road just as soon as the cement has time to set-up.

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