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F. T. Llewellyn Resigns As Clerk of the Superior Court

Sends in Resignation to Judge of This District—To Retire to Private Life on His Farm—Action a Surprise.

Readers of The News and residents of this county will learn with surprise mingled with regret of the resignation of F. T. Llewellyn as Clerk of the Superior Court of Surry County. The action of Mr. Llewellyn came as a surprise to his friends but was not taken until he had given the matter long and serious consideration. Tuesday of this week he forwarded by letter his resignation as clerk to Judge Roy L. Deal, at Winston-Salem, to whom he officially resigned and at the same time transmitted a copy of his letter of resignation to W. P. Carter, of this city, attorney for the Board of County Commissioners. The resignation takes effect Monday, Oct. 3rd, and in the meantime it will be the duty of Judge Deal to name a successor to fill the office until the next election. While Mr. Llewellyn was elected last fall for a term of four years, yet his successor cannot be named for a period longer than the next general election, which is next fall, and then the candidate is voted upon for a term of two years, thus getting the regular term of office back in its old cycle, that is of being selected every four years. But an appointee cannot hold longer than the next general state election.

Mr. Llewellyn realized that his act would cause surprise among the people of the county and in an interview to the editor of The News Thursday morning said that he could not reconsider his action. While the interview was in progress friends made a last appeal for him to not let it go so far as to be published in the press, but Mr. Llewellyn explained at length that the time had come when he felt he owed it to his own self and to his family to relinquish the office. At the end of his first term of four years he expressed a desire to retire from office but on the insistence of friends he consented to accept the office a second time, considering that he owed his county and his party his services in return for the confidence they had reposed in him. While Mr. Llewellyn is not in poor health, yet he says that he is not strong physically, and that there are times, often too, at the close of a day's work that it is impossible for him to get any rest at night on account of his nervous and weakened physical condition.

"There has not been the least bit of friction in the conduct of the office," stated Mr. Llewellyn, "and the only reason I have for resigning is the duty that I see I owe to myself and my family. I realize that my act will prove embarrassing perhaps to my friends and to the party which nominated me on its ticket, and I want to assure every resident of the county that I fully appreciate every consideration and every support they have given me since I have been Clerk."

Mr. Llewellyn stated he was leaving the office with no recommendation as to who should be named his successor, and that he was not pulling for any one. In fact as far as this newspaper could learn Thursday there has been no one suggested that would accept the appointment. While the office pays a salary of \$4,300 per year, it is estimated that the Clerk would only receive around \$2,000 net after paying the salary for a stenographer and an additional helper the most of the time. For the amount of work and the responsibility involved Mr. Llewellyn says the office should pay at least \$6,000.

In retiring from public office Mr. Llewellyn will go back to his farm. He owns 300 acres of land in the western part of the county which makes him a substantial living and he considers a quiet and peaceful life on the farm the only kind of life that will restore him to his usual health and physique.

While the question of naming a successor rests with the resident Judge of this district, who happens to be Judge Deal of Winston-Salem, it is recognized that it is up to the Democratic Executive Committee of the county to make recommendations to His Honor. All the party leaders are at sea as to who to suggest, and

as late as Thursday afternoon no one had been suggested as being a possible appointee. But it is a safe opinion that as soon as the resignation of Mr. Llewellyn becomes generally known there will be several applicants to the office.

Miss Merritt Will Display Pictures in Greensboro

Miss Katherine Merritt will place her art work on display in Greensboro next week in the studio of Miss Gertrude Smith, 123 Church street.

Miss Merritt is just starting her career as an artist and her pictures are attracting considerable attention. She is specializing on portrait work and her skill and willingness to work won her much recognition while she was a student at the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts and two Cresson Traveling scholarships which furnished her the opportunity for study of the finest Old World paintings by the great masters in all the famous art galleries of Europe.

Miss Merritt has improved all the opportunities which have been her's and has returned home to make art her life's work in her native state. She has had several orders for portraits in this city and her work has been very highly complimented. Her display in Greensboro is her first attempt to put her work before the public and she is extending a cordial invitation to any of the home people or our Greensboro readers and those in nearby points to visit Miss Smith's studio during the week and view her work.

At other times she invites all who are interested to visit her studio, in the home of her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Merritt, in this city where she will be glad to show them her work.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Carter moved Tuesday from the Joe Haynes residence on Rockford street to the Marion residence on Rockford next to the S. P. Graves residence.

Three Warehouses Ready For Tobacco Opening Tuesday

Next Tuesday Marks Beginning Of Tobacco Sales—Farmers Urged to Avoid Glutting Market

Every one is waiting with expectancy the opening of the local tobacco market next Tuesday. On that day the three large auction warehouses of this city will begin receiving tobacco. All is in readiness for the event; a full force of hands has been gathered together to care for the weed; the houses have been remodeled and in one instance considerably enlarged to take care of the crop; and never before has the market had a better set of buyers. Practically all the men, buyers and dealers, who have to deal with tobacco are just back from the markets in South Carolina and Georgia and they have returned to Mount Airy with a season of experience that will enable them to sell and buy tobacco on this market to the best advantage.

The farmers have been intensely interested in every particle of news that has gone out from the markets below here and they are urged to remember the results that followed the glut of the weed on the South Carolina and eastern North Carolina markets. This condition is most likely to occur in the larger tobacco centers where vast quantities of the weed are rushed to the market faster than the facilities can handle it. It is for this reason that from year to year more people are coming to realize that the smaller tobacco market oftentimes becomes a better market than the larger ones. The smaller centers like Mount Airy do not have the rush and are always able to handle the breaks with speed and without the aspect of a glut, consequently there is no sudden drop in prices.

The Mount Airy warehouses are in the hands of an experienced tobacco man as can be found in the state and there is no possible way for the grower to lose by bringing his tobacco here, while on the larger markets he will have the uncertainty of running into a glut of the weed.

KIWANIANS MAKE GOOD-WILL TOUR

Party Makes Swing Through Carroll and Patrick Counties.

Leaving here this afternoon, Thursday, a party of Kiwanians started on a good-will tour across the Blue Ridge, making the first stop at Hillsville. From there they will take the Danville pike, making short stops at Laurel Fork, Mayberry, Meadows of Dan, arriving at Stuart about six o'clock. The good people of Stuart will have supper prepared for the party and a program has been arranged for the stop at Stuart. This trip is a forerunner of other good-will tours that will be made by the Kiwanis Club during the fall.

The Club will hold its regular meeting at the Blue Ridge hotel Friday evening at 6:30. Every member is urged to be present. Secretary Snow says a lively program has been arranged and promises the members that there will be no long-winded orators, no cut and dried speeches, but an hour of fun and frolic. The program is in charge of Rev. E. Gibson Davis, chairman of the music committee.

Woman's Club Resumes Activities in October

The Mount Airy Woman's Club will begin its regular series of activities with the October business meeting to be held Friday afternoon, October 7 at 3:00 o'clock in the Community Building.

Preceding this meeting will be the meeting of the council on Monday evening when the president, Mrs. C. C. Hale, will go over the plans for the year with her officers and heads of committees.

The council of the State Federation is in session in Statesville Thursday and Friday of this week and the action of that body will govern in a measure the activities of all clubs in the state.

Of special interest to the Mount Airy Club is the district meeting to be held in Thomasville October 22.

VETERANS ENJOYED FAIR LAST WEEK

Small Remnant of "Last Brigade" Given Keys To Gate.

Twenty-six Surry County Confederate Veterans gathered on the corner of Main and Franklin streets Thursday morning for their free trip to the Carolina-Virginia Fair and dinner on the grounds sponsored by the Daughters of the Confederacy.

All traffic was held up and Victor's Band played Dixie as the Veterans were placed in the waiting cars for the trip to the grounds, after speeches by J. H. Folger and W. J. Byerly. The officers, carrying flags of the Confederacy, occupied the front cars. Free admission was provided at the grounds and as they arrived a string band played Dixie.

Through the courtesy of Mr. West the manager of the shows and Messrs. W. J. Byerly and William Sydnor the boys were carried through all the attractions on the midway a special escort being provided for this trip by the management.

A trip through the exhibit building and dinner provided by the Daughters of the Confederacy completed the morning program and they were given seats in the grandstand for the races the band again playing Dixie as they arrived. Ice cream cones refreshed them as the afternoon wore on and after the races they were taken to the Agricultural Hall where they enjoyed the display and were treated to apples by the management, bringing to a close "a perfect day."

Messdames J. D. McCollum, C. W. Meeks, Willie Gentry, J. D. Smith, O. R. Moore and J. C. Hollingsworth on behalf of the U. D. C. had charge of arrangements and accompanied the Veterans throughout the day.

New Building In Progress In Pilot Mountain

Dr. J. B. Smith, of Pilot Mountain, is erecting a building in that town that will be the home of his drug stores when completed. The building is 60 x 60 feet and two stories high, the upper story to be used for offices. The walls are of granite quarried from stones near that town and laid by an experienced builder, D. J. Midkiff, of Mount Airy who discovered the quarry and got out the stone for the new store. The whole when completed will be a credit to the town and to its citizens.

Boy Shot Himself In Ankle

Arvin Norman, 15 year old son of Mrs. Bettie Jane Norman, of the Round Peak section, shot himself in the ankle last Friday while out squirrel hunting, the accident occurred on the old road between Mount Airy and Round Peak when he either dropped or struck his gun. He was brought to the hospital in this city and the authorities are trying hard to save his foot, he is getting on very well but it is not yet certain whether or not the injured member will have to be amputated.

Mrs. Richard Brannock Dies Suddenly

Mrs. Dorcas Brannock, wife of Richard Brannock died at her home on Spring street Monday following a stroke of paralysis which came as she was performing some of her household duties and she expired about two hours after being stricken. Mrs. Brannock was about 65 years old and is survived by her husband, she was the mother of three children all of whom preceded her to the spirit world. Funeral service was conducted from the home Tuesday afternoon by the Rev. J. C. Grier and the remains laid to rest in Oakdale Cemetery.

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Boy Scouts Organize Band

On Friday Sept. 24 Troop No. 1 Boy Scouts of America had its regular meeting. After payments of dues and the assignment of members to the different patrols, each scout was given an opportunity to tell what he enjoyed most at the fair. F. F. Blevins then took charge of the meeting and organized a Scout Band; there were ten boys who signed up, with more being added later. After getting all of the instruments and music the band hopes to furnish music for the different fraternal and civic clubs of Mount Airy.—Bertha.

Mount Airy Business Houses "Tell The World" In News

Stocks of Merchandise In Readiness for Arrival of Market Season.

Not in the history of Mount Airy have the merchants and business men of the city made the preparation they have this year to meet the demands of the trading public during the coming fall and winter months. The stores are being filled with merchandise from the northern markets and there is a determination among the merchants to give the public an article at the very lowest price, together with serviceable materials.

Readers of The News will, no doubt, be pleased to note that they will be able to keep track of the many articles that will be offered them by our merchants through their advertisements that will appear in these columns during the coming weeks. The News has an advertising service that is being used extensively by the merchants and this service should be of inestimable value to the buying public as a guide to purchasing goods.

Perhaps the greatest interest this week in this section is the opening of the tobacco markets in this city next Tuesday, and reading from the advertisements in this issue one is forced to believe that all are back of the farmers and are going to pull for the market and do everything possible to get the grower the most dollars for his crop of tobacco. All three of the local warehouses will from week to week keep the public informed as to the market through these columns and this week they are urging the farmers to sell on their local market and avoid the danger of glut and low prices on the larger and more congested centers.

Real estate bids fair to begin moving with the marketing of crops and the real estate dealers of Mount Airy have a message in a page advertisement this week offering their service to the public.

Holcomb and Midkiff bring to a close Saturday their special autumn sale of shelf hardware. A glance over their large advertisement will suggest items that you may be in need of. They are also featuring the new tire by Goodyear—Ford sizes selling for \$5.25.

Harman's Shoe Store, only exclusive shoe dealer in the city, has added the Silver Star line of ladies' hose and has a special value at \$1.95. W. G. Lewis, now located at W. W. Burke's old stand, believes in using the columns of The News and for next week has a special sale on shoes that should appeal to the public.

According to all reports "it won't be long" until the new Ford will be on the market and in the meantime other car manufacturers are making a strong bid for patronage. The News now has large contracts for some of the popular make cars which will be advertised during the next six months. Chevrolet, sold by Dio Lewis, will be one of the largest users of space in this paper. The president of General Motors has taken a personal hand in the advertising program of his agencies, and this week, in an open letter to the editor of The News expresses his faith in the advertisements his concern has been running in this paper for the past month, and at the same time gives out some information about what General Motors is. Smith Motor Co., is pushing the sale of Pontiac and Oakland cars, using these columns to carry their message to the people. Swanson Motor Co., another dealer of General Motor cars, the Buick, starts off next week with their message to the readers of The News, and this week they announce the opening of a first class repair department.

W. E. Merritt Co. wants the public to know the many uses that Duroc, made by Dupont, can be put to and is therefore giving a free demonstration of this paint product tomorrow and Saturday.

The drug stores are not oblivious of the value of newspaper space and all have a message for the reader. Turnmyre & Lamm in addition to their drugs also carry the latest books and fiction. Realizing that the farmer does not get what he should for his tobacco, M. A. Clark, proprietor of Mount Airy Drug Co., comes out and says he up to the merchants to sell the farmers at the lowest possible price. W. S. Wolfe specializes in prescription work, day and night. The Bazell Store, better known as Hollingsworth Drug Co., can supply every need in the drug line.

The trust department of The Bank of Mount Airy knows the importance of people making wills and arranging for that inevitable time when they will have to release their hold on this earth. They stand ready at all times in assisting in managing estates.

The First National Bank, the oldest bank in the county, urges the importance of a bank account, as it lends confidence and strength to any one to have some money on hand and at his call.

J. D. Smith Clothing Store has a large shipment of Stetson hats. A Stetson is known by all as a hat of high quality and this store is supplied with all sizes and shades.

N. W. Dobbins is moving to sunny Florida and must close out his business. This week he advertises a number of used cars at extremely low prices.

B. & H. Service Station, are the newly appointed dealers for Dodge cars and trucks, and operate the largest service station in the city. They also have several used cars for sale.

Everything needed with which to build a house can be had at J. C. Hollingsworth Lumber Co., from lime and cement for the foundation to asbestos for the roof. They are dealers for Security cement.

Although R. W. Kay's store is located at Bannertown and out of Mount Airy, he has found it a paying proposition to advertise in The News. He is running a special on "Full-O-Pop" hen feed and laying mash.

If its anything electrical it can be had at the S. P. U. Co. They now have a special offer on a percolator set. Their advertisement gives full details.

For fifty years Prather's have sold clothing to you and your fathers here in Mount Airy and this store bids the tobacco growers a welcome to the city and to this market which opens next Tuesday.

At the opening of the schools students will begin to make purchases of class pins and rings. Leonard's in this city is prepared to furnish school jewelry of all kinds made to order.

"You'll be delighted," says Emmett Ayers, "at our wonderful display of fall goods." He and Will Beamer and Miss Mary J. Creed are proprietors of Mount Airy's A. B. C. Store, located in front of the First National Bank. They don't have room in their ad to tell about all their values but invite you to their store to see for yourself.

All the children know where to find "Buster Brown" and when you see Buster Brown's picture in advertisement you know it is that of Hale's Dept. Store. Look for Buster and Tige this week, you'll find them on the local page and a message of the many values that can be had at Hale's.

Charlie Fulton has no Fords to sell—there'll be no more Fords, that is of the old Model T type, but watch these columns for announcement of the arrival of the new ones that Henry is now turning out. "It won't be long," says Henry Ford, and that expression has become popular over night.

It would be impossible for The News to carry the advertisements of all our merchants in one issue and there are many who failed to get space in this week's issue. However they are busy preparing their stocks for the opening of fall business and next week will find them sending out their message to the buying public through the columns of The News. And readers of this newspaper can do no one thing that would mean more to their interest than to keep close watch on advertisements here-in published. By reading them one can keep track of the styles, the prices and the materials that are in vogue, and also while sitting by the fireside at home, with a copy of The News in your lap, one can more easily decide what items are desired and then next day make the trip to town and secure them without any disturbing hesitancy and uncertainty as to what to select. Make out your list from the advertisements and then purchase by that list on your arrival here.