

Caswell County Linked With The Virginia Line

Caswell county's public square is now linked with the Virginia state line, just beyond Gatewoods, by one of the very best paved roads in North Carolina, according to expressions from a number of excellent good road men who have driven their cars over the wonderfully fine herring bone finish.

This smooth and inviting surface has already been thrown open to the travelling public from Yanceyville to a point beyond Hogan's Creek, with the promise that the remaining stretch from the later point to the Virginia connection will likewise be open in a few more days. There yet remains a considerable amount of shoulder construction on the route, but it is now indicated that this work will be put over with the quickest possible dispatch. When finally completed, it is generally believed that this road will carry with it the most splendid reputation for efficiency in construction.

Fed by the streams of travel down No. 65 from the Rockingham county line; from No. 62 leading from Trollingwood, and finally from the magnificent oiled surface of No. 14 from the public square at Yanceyville to Prospect Hill, the Danville-Yanceyville hard surfaced road will most certainly be one the heaviest traveled routes anywhere in this section, it is believed.

Caswell county's historic public square will shortly be covered beneath a strong sheeting of concrete, it is now indicated. With practically all of the excavation work in shape, and with the merry music of the mixer ringing out from early morn to dewy eve, promise of an early completion is most evident.

The scope of the work takes in the entire surface of the public square and when finally completed such a thing as age-old red mud of the plot will be unknown. This work, it is related, is a cooperative one, in which the State of North Carolina, the Caswell county board of commissioners and the Caswell county road commissioners and abutting property owners are the contributing parties.

INCREDIBLE STORY OF A DOG AND A SQUIRREL

There is a Boy Connected With It, Too.

This is squirrel hunting season.

One night last week there was a bunch of men gathered at W. T. Oliver's store in Milton. There were G. G. Donoho, Jim Brandon, Field Gordon, and several others. Some of them were setting on the counter, some on nail kegs and the rest of them were standing around, backed up against the counters.

Capt. Donoho said, "I want you to hear that squirrel story that was just told here a while ago." So he goes out and brings in the man who had just told the following yarn:

A man had a single barrel, muzzle loading shot gun which he kept in the rack, loaded. He had told his boy he couldn't use the gun. But one day the boy had such a hankering to go squirrel hunting that he decided to take the gun out and kill him a squirrel. He thought if he could bring back a squirrel with him his father's displeasure would be appeased.

So he called up his dog and went on out to the woods with the gun. Pretty soon he spied a squirrel up in a tree, got a good

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REGISTRATION BOOKS OPEN ON SATURDAYS

The registration books of Caswell county will be open on each Saturday through October, the last Saturday in the month being challenge day.

Those who wish to make use of the franchise now in the possession of all the citizens of this republic on the condition that they be registered had better have themselves registered if this has not already been attended to, say the authorities.

JAIL SENTENCE IMPOSED FOR PEDDLING LIQUOR

Judge Hatchett Commits Louis Collins to Jail on Two Counts.

In a trial before the Recorder's Court at Yanceyville last Tuesday, Judge T. H. Hatchett presiding, Louis Collins, of Purley, was found guilty of transporting and selling the anti-Volstead product.

It is understood that Sheriff John H. Gunn and his deputy assistants made a raid on last Saturday night and caught Louis red-handed.

The report that comes to The Messenger over the wire is that Judge Hatchett put the clamps on Louis and fixed him so that he will not be annoying the law-abiding citizens of Purley and demoralizing the neighborhood for at least eight months, the length of the jail sentence imposed.

It is also learned that the Judge gave the county commissioners the privilege of hiring Louis out to the Alamance county officials to work on the roads of Alamance.

TEACHERS OF CASWELL TO DO EXTENSION WORK

Superintendent Isley Appeals For Large Attendance.

Caswell Teachers:

Dr. Dashiell of the Extension Teaching Department of the State University will be in the Bartlett Yancey school auditorium, Yanceyville, next Saturday, October 16th, at 10:30 o'clock, to begin work in the extension class. A course in "General Psychology" or "The Psychology of Learning" or a course in English can be given Mr. Little of the Department says. Likely the second course named is the best for teachers who have not had it.

This course gives credit in renewing or raising certificates; or toward A. B. degree. I think the fee is \$10.00 for the course.

To qualify for this course college entrance credit must be offered or the Elementary B. certificate will qualify one to enter.

Please read over this letter with all teachers.

All teachers who are interested should be on time for the course, October 16th, 10:30 o'clock.

Around 30 teachers at the meeting Saturday, October 2nd, decided to enter the extension class.

This is a personal appeal to you and to the other teachers to help get the work started and to help keep it going. The class will need you.

Most cordially yours,
Robert W. Isley,
County Superintendent Schools.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Long and Miss Alice Thompson, of Haw River, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Thompson, Sunday.

Assistant Attorney General Renders Decision

Says Caswell Messenger Is "Proper Vehicle For Legal Notices."

The report has come to us that some legal advertising and notices have been withheld from the columns of The Messenger because it is being printed out of the county. On hearing this we wrote to the Attorney General of North Carolina for his opinion and decision in the matter. Assistant Attorney General, Frank Nash, replied to our letter saying that The Caswell Messenger is a "proper vehicle for the publication of legal notices." This settles the matter, and no one need hesitate to publish any legal advertising or notices whatsoever for fear that they would not have full force in law, or would not be valid, or would be illegal in any sense of the word. Notices and advertising published in The Caswell Messenger are of full force in law, and meet with all the requirements indicated by the law.

The letter of Assistant Attorney General Nash on this subject is printed in full below:

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
DEPARTMENT OF ATTORNEY GENERAL
RALEIGH

DENNIS G. BRUMMITT, Attorney General
Assistant Attorneys General:
FRANK NASH
CHARLES ROSS
JOHN H. HARWOOD

October 4, 1926.

Mr. Cecil Jones,
Yanceyville, N. C.
Dear Sir:

The Caswell Messenger, under the circumstances detailed in your letter of September 30th and as it appears upon inspection of the paper itself, is published in Caswell County in such way as to make it a proper vehicle for the publication of legal notices.

Yours truly,
FRANK NASH,
Assistant Attorney General.

FOURTH QUARTERLY CONFERENCE AT NEW HOPE

Milton Circuit Officials Will Meet on October 23rd.

The fourth and final quarterly conference of the annual conference year for the Milton circuit will be held at New Hope church on Saturday morning, October 23rd, at 11 o'clock.

The stewards and other officials of the churches on the circuit are appealing to the members to meet their church obligations for the year, prior to the 23rd, if possible. It is their desire to be able to render a good account for each of the churches at the conference at New Hope.

And The Messenger is asked to say that a full attendance of the stewards, trustees, and other officials is earnestly desired.

MRS. C. W. MEADOWS DIES SUDDENLY

The sympathy of the entire neighborhood went out to the bereaved husband and children of Mrs. Claude W. Meadows, this week when her life suddenly passed away at her home near Gatewood Store.

Mrs. Meadows was the mother of eight children, the youngest being only four months old. Besides her husband and children she leaves a widowed mother and three sisters to mourn her loss. At the time of her death the four youngest children were ill with whooping cough.

CASWELL SINGERS CONVENTION TO MEET IN YANCEYVILLE

The Caswell County Singers Convention will meet at Yanceyville on the fifth Sunday in October, at 2 o'clock p. m., says Rev. I. T. Underwood, one of the promoters and leaders.

Littie Helen Fry Long, of Durham, is a guest of her grandmother, Mrs. J. M. Long, this week.

POURING CONCRETE ON NO. 14 ENDED OCT. 5

Road Will Be Open For Traffic In 14 Days.

The Messenger is in receipt of the following message with regard to the completion of the construction work on highway No. 14 leading from Yanceyville to Danville.

After the last of the concrete poured on October 5th has been allowed to set for 14 days it is said that the highway will be opened for traffic.

All Caswell will rejoice in this good news, and there is no doubt but that numbers of the Danville people will be equally glad.

A correspondent from the Gatewood-Shady Grove neighborhood sends the following report:

The construction of the new road is nearing completion. The pouring of concrete was held up on Friday by rain but they resumed work on Saturday, and it is believed that that portion of work will be completed by Tuesday, October 5th, as planned. It is certainly a systematic management and an orderly crowd. It is a pleasure to see so big a piece of work going on so smoothly and with such entire absence of disorder. Strictly business seems the motto. On Saturday the mixer was about half way between Gatewood and the residence of Mr. N. C. Hodges when work began in the morning, or it may have been a bit nearer State line. A detour for those on Shady Grove road was for several days through fields and woods of Mr. E. W. Carter. But on Friday a bridge was placed across road at junction of Shady Grove and Yanceyville roads eliminating that detour, except for those living on left. The dry fall has been greatly to the advantage of the construction force.

Mr. and Mrs. Cleve Wagstaff, of Person county, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Stephens.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Snapp Injured In Auto Accident

CASWELL POULTRY OWNER WINS PRIZES

S. R. Allred, of Caswell, county exhibited 28 pure-bred Ancona chickens at the Six-County Fair held recently at Mebane. He won eleven ribbons and \$26.00 in cash, with first and second prizes on all birds except two.

Mr. Allred says that he is exhibiting chickens at the Virginia State Fair, Greensboro and Columbia, S. C.

It is a source of much gratification that the people of Caswell are getting rid of scrub chickens and cattle, and replacing them with pure-bred stock.

CASWELL AND VIRGINIA OFFICERS MAKE RAID

Capture a Still on The Virginia Side.

Sheriff Gunn, of Caswell and his deputies last week assisted the Virginia authorities in capturing a still at or near the home of a Mr. Doughty, who lives just off of highway No. 14, so it is reported.

And according to this report fifteen gallons of hooch were also found on the premises and confiscated or poured out.

The Messenger will endeavor to secure a more detailed and accurate account of this raid, which is considered to be one of more than ordinary importance, since it involves one of the king bees of the blockading business.

TEACHERS' CONVENTION MEETS AT YANCEYVILLE

Athletic Association For County Planned.

Through Miss Alice Taylor, a member of the faculty of the Cobb school, it was learned that plans are being laid for the organization of an athletic association to be formed by the seven larger schools of the county—Cobb's, Yanceyville, Pelham, Semora, Leasburg, Anderson, and Prospect Hill.

Miss Taylor was present on last Saturday to help in the organization of the athletic association of the county, and to assist in arranging a schedule of games.

It was learned that Cobb's basketball team was the prize team of the county under the coaching of Miss Taylor. The friends of athletic sports throughout the county say that they would like to see the teams of the various schools composing the association display real sportsmanship this year, and be able to play together in harmony, without the exhibition of ill temper and unbecoming jealousies.

THE POLITICAL POT IS BEGINNING TO BOIL

As November the 2nd approaches the candidates for the various offices to be supplied this year are beginning to bestir themselves. The citizens, who wish to vote intelligently should post themselves on the issues and should hear the candidates. And those who hope to vote at all should be sure to be registered.

J. E. KING, OF CASWELL, HAS OPENED AN OFFICE IN BURLINGTON

Our fellow citizen, J. E. King, together with G. W. Holmes, Jr., of Alamance, have the Homelite Sales Agency for the state, with headquarters at Burlington.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Snapp, well known citizens of the New Hope community, were painfully injured in an automobile accident Saturday afternoon around four o'clock, when the car in which they were riding, was struck by a Dodge touring car driven by Jack Fuqua, near the Williamson curve on the county road leading from Yanceyville to Milton, about three miles east of this place. Mrs. Snapp sustained the fracture of several ribs and was seriously cut about the face. Mr. Snapp, while injured to a slighter degree, still received painful cuts about the head and arm.

Four persons were in the Dodge car at the time of the contact, and neither of them was hurt. In the Dodge car, beside the driver, Jack Fuqua, were John Dowdy and two women from Danville. The entire party was from Virginia. The car, it was said, belonged to John Dowdy.

Mr. and Mrs. Snapp were brought to Yanceyville where they received first aid treatment by Doctors Malloy and Gwynn.

Sheriff Gunn and Deputy Barker, immediately after the accident, visited the scene of the wreck where they found both cars badly smashed. Particulars of the wreck, it is understood, will be made known here Tuesday when Fuqua will be given a hearing before the Recorder's Court.

It is understood that the Virginia car belongs to John Dowdy who lives on No. 14 not far from the North Carolina line, and that Jack Fuqua, John Dowdy and two young women from Danville, were returning from a visit to friends in the Semora section and were on their return home when the accident occurred.

MRS. TUCKER HOSTESS TO MILTON BOOK CLUB

Mrs. J. E. Tucker was hostess to the Milton Book Club on Thursday afternoon, September 30, at her lovely country home, "Longwood." There was no literary program, the time being given to a business session, which included unfinished business from last year. Election of officers, making the new roll, selection of new books and arranging the programs.

The officers for the year, 1926-1927, are as follows: Mrs. J. E. Tucker, president; Mrs. C. B. Austin, vice-president; Mrs. M. S. Angle, secretary; Mrs. W. L. Thomas, Jr., librarian. The opening meeting for the year will be held by Mrs. C. B. Austin, on October 14th. Three new members were invited to join. Mrs. J. L. Satterfield, Mr. F. G. Baldwin, and Mrs. John Newman.

At the close of the business meeting, Mrs. Tucker, assisted by her sister, Mrs. Ellen Donoho, served delicious refreshments.

The guests present on this occasion were Mrs. William Morris, of Shanghai, China, and Mrs. Theodore D. Caswell, of Augusta, Ga.

COMMISSIONER FRANK PAGE OF RALEIGH, IN YANCEYVILLE

It is reported that Highway Commissioner Frank Page was in town a short while the other day. It is presumed that he was investigating the road construction work already done, and planning for future operations.

A real story should be written about your visit, Mr. Commissioner. And it is to be regretted that it can't be done this week.