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## STATE CONVENTION SUNDAY SCHOOLS IN SALISBURY

The North Carolina Sunday School Association will hold a convention in Salisbury, November 22, 23, 24. The first session will be Monday, November 22, following a parade conducted by Salisbury and Rowan county people. The sessions will be in Rowan county's beautiful and commodious community building. Everything about the convention will be in keeping with the motto: "A School Rather Than a Convention."

### Some Directions

Those who expect to attend are asked to send their names to Mr. Frank R. Brown, Salisbury. Delegates will be met at the station and conveyed to Community Hall, where they will register and be directed to their homes by Boy Scouts. Free entertainment will be provided, including lodging, breakfast, and supper. At noon the delegates will lunch at their own expense. Ladies representing the Associated Charities will serve dinner Tuesday and Wednesday at moderate cost in large building across the street from Community Hall. Each delegate will pay a fee of one dollar, and be entitled to a badge, convention program, entertainment, and all the privileges of an accredited delegate. Reduced railroad rates on the certificate plan from all parts of the State will be offered. Delegates should see that their local agents are prepared to sell tickets on the certificate plan at least four days in advance.

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ingly fortunate in securing Mr. W. A. Brown of Chicago for the entire convention. He is a man of wide experience and possesses rare initiative genius. On two previous occasions he greatly aided the State Association in initiating two advanced pieces of work, viz.: the launching of city and community training schools and campaigns for the employment of whole-time superintendents of County Sunday Schools Associations. The management worked hard and long to secure Mr. Brown, knowing that he is just the man needed for the coming convention, since a number of advanced steps of much significance are to be taken that call for good statesmanship well mixed with optimism of which Mr. Brown is full to overflowing.

### Some Speakers

The following speakers have already been secured: Mr. A. W. McAllister, Rev. W. L. Hutchins, Prof. W. C. Jackson, Mr. Gilbert T. Stephenson, Mr. J. M. Broughton, Jr., Mr. M. W. Bradham, Dr. Edgar W. Knight, Dr. W. S. Rankin, Dr. Thos. A. Newlin, Prof. E. J. Coltrane, Mrs. E. R. Michaux, Miss Martha Dozier, Prof. A. R. Williams, Prof. P. L. Wright, Dr. C. W. Byrd, Dr. Anna Grove, Miss Willie Young, Mrs. E. H. Hoffman, Miss Clara Cox, Hon. Lee S. Overman, Judge Jeter C. Pritchard, and Mr. W. C. Smith.

### The Subjects

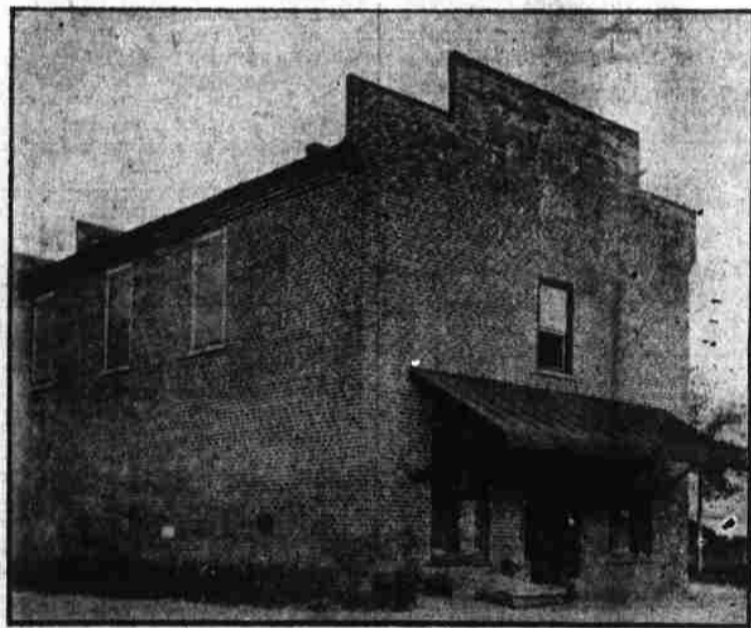
Some of the subjects to be discussed are: Sunday School Propaganda and Christian Citizenship; City and Community Training Schools; The Sunday School, Public Health and Sanitation; The Sunday School and Adult Illiteracy; The Challenge of the College to the Sunday School; The Challenge of the Sunday School to the College; What a County or Community Survey Should Include; Correlated Sunday School Work with the High School; The Gary Plan; Whole Time County Sunday School Superintendent; The Chautauqua Circuit Plan for Holding County and Township Conventions; Inclusive Cooperation; The Department of Education; Why Study the Bible; The Bible Teacher; Some Fundamentals in Bible Study and Bible Teaching. The conferences are planned to cover all divisions and departments of present-day Sunday School organization, management, and activities. Below are given under classified heads some of the most interesting points about the convention:

Constituency.—All Sunday schools workers throughout the State, including all denominations.  
Delegates.—All State, county, and township officers, and two or more delegates from each school, depending upon the size of the school. Organized classes may send delegates and individuals may volunteer. Schools and classes would do well to pay the traveling expenses of carefully selected delegates.  
Speakers.—William A. Brown, of Chicago, the congenial, versatile, and able Field Secretary of the International Sunday School Association; Miss Minnie E. Kennedy, General Secretary of the City Sunday School Association of Birmingham, Ala., and a large number of State speakers will insure a great inspirational and educational program.  
Conferences.—The afternoons will be given over exclusively to conferences covering a wide range of interests. These conferences will be held in churches situated near the Community Building.  
Music.—This is to be in the hands of the Salisbury people, who are well prepared to furnish music adapted to a convention of this kind.  
Parade.—To be conducted by the Salisbury and Rowan county people, and is expected to be the largest and best formed parade ever conducted in connection with a State Convention.  
Pageant.—On Wednesday evening for the closing session a pageant will be given which will demonstrate in a most interesting and entertaining manner the history, development and progress of religious education from the days of the patriarchs down to the modern Sunday school organization as we have it today. This is a reproduction of the pageant given at Chicago during the International Sunday School Convention of 1914. Nothing of its kind has ever been staged for a State Convention in this State.  
Exhibit.—Up-to-date Sunday school supplies will be on display throughout the convention. This exhibit, which will be both educational and commercial, will be provided by the denominational publishing houses principally.

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When your head aches you simply must have relief or you will go wild. It's needless to suffer when you can take a remedy like Dr. James' Headache Powders and relieve the pain and neuralgia at once. Send someone to the drug store now for a dime package of Dr. James' Headache Powders. Don't suffer! In a few moments you will feel fine—headache gone—no more neuralgia pain.



(Photo by Staff Photographer.)  
Old courthouse of Stokes county, erected when Germanton was the county seat. This building was erected about 1825, following the burning of the first building erected in 1793. The original design was preserved as shown above.

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### HONOR ROLL REPORTED FOR THE GIDEON SCHOOL

The honor roll for Gideon school for the first month, ending November 5, is reported as follows:  
First grade—Billy Gann.  
Third grade—Gladys Gann and Hilary Flynn.  
Fourth grade—Beasie Dunlap.  
Sixth grade—Violet Gann.  
Seventh grade—Ella Flynn.  
L. E. ADKINS, Teacher.

## A CONNECTING LINK BETWEEN FORSYTH AND STOKES

Buildings and Old Fort Reminder of Revolutionary Days—Facts About the Place.

### INTERESTING HISTORY GATHERED BY VISITOR

Some of the Early Settlers Were Famous North Carolinians.

The Forsyth Highway Commission has constructed many links of highway in the county during recent months that contribute materially toward perfecting a system of roads, not only for the county, but for the State and inter-State travel. Probably one of the most important is the link to Germanton, forming a connection with the Stokes county highways and on to Virginia.

The Germanton road has just been completed, and but for the fact that there has been no rain since to give the forces an opportunity to operate the road machine over it, it is a model road. Soil roads are never their best until they have passed thru a series of rains followed by the road shaping machine or drag as required. They are supposed under ordinary conditions to become "seasoned" only after they have been traveled and dragged for a year or thereabout.

Leaving the road from this city to Rural Hall at the store of David James the new Germanton highway strikes across a beautiful country for the foot of the mountains. It follows the crest of a ridge with graceful curves and on easy grade all the way to the Stokes line. All along the highway the scenery is beautiful, and at points travelers are prone to pause and gaze up and down a valley, or across rich agricultural lands to the wooded heights of the hills beyond the valley.

Beautiful for motoring, it also fills a long felt need of Winston-Salem, as well as the demand of people living in the county of Stokes and across the border in the State of Virginia. For years the business men of Winston-Salem have pleaded, in the interest of the people of Stokes and of Southern Virginia who sell their tobacco and other farm products on the local market, for the construction of a good road by a direct route into the heart of Stokes county and on to Virginia. The patronage of these splendid people is appreciated by the business men of Winston-Salem and they found no trouble in convincing the highway commission of the importance of the construction of this road. The completion of this road forms the connecting link with the highway from Danbury to Walnut Cove, and also with the good roads into Rockingham county.

The Germanton road will prove of great commercial value to Winston-Salem and a convenience that will be appreciated by the people in the upper part of Stokes, as well as hundreds of prosperous farmers just across the line in Virginia.

**Much of Historic Interest.**  
This splendid highway connects with the good roads of Stokes county in the town of Germanton, and Germanton suggests much of historic interest to the highway.

Both Stokes and Forsyth counties have a vital interest in this, the only town of that name in the United States. It also bears the distinction of being the first county seat of Stokes, of which Forsyth county was at one time a part. An interesting lay can be spent by tourists and travelers along the new highway by stopping at this village and inquiring of its early days. The residents to this day are principally descendants of those who resided in that section as far back as 1790.

**Part of Rowan Before 1770.**  
This part of North Carolina was formerly a part of Rowan county. In completed can be seen for some distance winding along the hills forming the northwestern slope creating the valley. As in days of old, when the territory from Germanton to Danbury was called "Egypt," on account of the abundance of corn and other grains, it is still in the heart of a rich agricultural section. Also, as of old, it is a convenient stop-over for those who travel cross-country from Virginia to points in North and South Carolina and on to Florida.

**Some Interesting History.**  
A Sentinel representative recently visited the community and gleaned the following items which will no doubt be of interest to Sentinel readers:

Following the establishment of the county seat of Stokes county at Germanton the first court was held in 1790, at the residence of Gray Bynum, 1 1/2 miles east of Germanton, the courthouse not being completed until about 1793. Upon a recent visit to Danbury Dr. Wade H. Bynum of Germanton was shown the original record of the first session of this court. There are still to be seen the remains of the chimney of the house in the center of the grove in which it was located.

Anthony Hampton, father-in-law of Gray Bynum and the father of General Wade Hampton, of Revolutionary fame, and grandfather of Colonel Wade Hampton who was with General Jackson in the battle of New Orleans as aid to General Jackson and great grandfather of Gov. Hampton, of South Carolina, was original owner of these lands. Gray Bynum married Margaret Hampton, sister of the first Wade Hampton, and bought all the Hampton lands when they removed to South Carolina.

One of the first to settle at Germanton was John L. Bitting, father of Col. J. A. Bitting, who was one of the pioneer residents of Winston. Others who settled there and engaged in the first business at the county seat were Jeremiah Gibson, father of Col. Isaac Gibson, who was for a number of years a resident of this city and who died here several years ago; Alexander Moody, Joshua Banner, Dr. Andrew Bowman, John Forsyth, Harmon Miller and others.

**Old Account Book.**  
An old account book used by Jeremiah Gibson, with accounts dating between 1806 and 1816, is now in the possession of Mrs. E. J. Styers, at Germanton, and it bears the names of many persons prominent in the early history, not only of the State but, of the nation. Some of them are familiar in this section and represent some of our most prominent families. There are accounts against Col. Joseph Winston, Col. Benjamin Forsyth, 1770 Rowan included the present Rowan, Surry, Yadkin, Davie, Stokes and Forsyth counties. In that year Surry county was formed out of what is now Surry, Yadkin, Davie, Forsyth and Stokes counties. They remained in Surry county until 1789, when an act of the legislature provided for the formation of Stokes county and appointed Mr. Gray Bynum to locate the county seat and select the site for the courthouse. After studying the territory Mr. Bynum selected the lands, then a part of the estate of Messrs. Henry and Michael Frey, which was the original grant from the State to their father, Valentine Frey, when he moved to that section from Salisbury. This grant comprised much of the lands which surround what is now Germanton.

**Purchased Twenty Acres.**  
The commission of Gray Bynum was to "select the capital" of the new county of Stokes, and this he did. He purchased 20 acres of land and employed Henry Banner to survey the property, and cut it up into town lots. He named the town Germanton. The town of Germanton today is built around the site selected originally for the courthouse. It is nestled in the hills a few miles from Sauratown mountain, at a point elevated to overlook a valley of scenic beauty. The model highway which has just been the Goldings, the Hills, the Glens, Freys, Gibsons, Bittings, Daltons, Poindexters, Bownmans, Martins, Hamptons, Bynums, Winslows, Sheltons, Westmorelands, Haineses, Moores, Holbrooks, etc. The accounts charged in English pounds, shillings and pence. The father of Col. Jack Martin who built the famous Rock House near Vade Mecum Springs and who made the famous raid on Tories' Den, was one of the pioneers at Germanton.

Mr. Jerry Gibson, one of the first settlers, was the father of Col. Isaac Gibson, and grandfather of Abraham Gibson, the latter marrying Miss Gray, of Winston-Salem, a sister of Messrs. J. A., E. S. and E. E. Gray. Mrs. W. H. Marler, also of Winston-Salem, is a descendant of the Bownmans, mentioned above. Harmon Miller, father of Mr. Frank Miller, of Winston, was one of the early settlers of the town.

The Hamptons also have a long line of descendants. Mrs. James Harrison was a member of this family and she was a close relative of President William Henry Harrison. Gray Bynum, one of the original settlers at Germanton, was a member of commission that built the Surry county courthouse, as well as the first courthouse of Stokes county.

**Sold Estate in 1776.**  
In 1776 Anthony Hampton sold his estate in Stokes to Gray Bynum, his son-in-law, and moved to Tiger River, which was then near what is now Spartanburg, S. C. Just four years later he and his entire family were victims of an Indian massacre, instigated by the British as a result of the family's activities against the British government in the Revolution. Only a grandson, John Bynum, who was a youth and on a visit to his grandfather, escaped. Gray Bynum was the great-grandfather of Judge W. P. Bynum, of Greensboro, Dr. Wade H. Bynum, of Germanton; Mrs. Kyle, of Tennessee; Thomas Settle and Curtis Bynum, of Asheville.

There now only remain three buildings to remind one of those early days of excitement and struggle. The home of Henry Banner still stands and is occupied by a descendant of the original owner.

**Old Fort to Protect From Indians.**  
An old tradition tells of an old fort built by the early settlers for protection from the Indians that then roved the valley about Germanton, but not until the force of convicts excavated for a section of the new highway was it definitely located. At a point near the Westmoreland home the convicts encountered relics of this old fort, consisting of pieces of pottery, knives, forks, etc. Some of these have been collected and are being preserved by residents of Germanton.

Another building recalling the days of the Revolution is that occupied by Mr. John Banner. It is an original log house, presenting excellent workmanship for those days of crude implements. It retains its rock chimney, with the picturesque old-fashioned fireplace of wide dimensions. Mr. Banner is also a member of the first family by that name residing in that section, which was first known as Town Fork. Another old landmark is the building in front of the Methodist church at Germanton. It was formerly a part of the old Harmon Miller estate and is now owned by Mrs. H. H. Riddle, of this city.

**Body of Gen. Joseph Winston.**  
General Joseph Winston, admired by every Carolinian, died and was buried at his home at Germanton, his body remaining there for about one hundred years. Ten years ago Major Joseph Morehead arranged for its removal to the historic old Guilford Battle Ground, and Dr. Wade H. Bynum, of Germanton, assisted in the removal.

**The Old Courthouse.**  
Presented herewith is a photograph of the old courthouse in which the records of Stokes county were kept for many years, and in which now are stored many interesting articles to remind one of the early days of the community. Among them is the parapher-

alia of the Masonic Lodge which at one time active at that place. This building is not the original building, tho it is built on the same plan and of the same material. The first house was built in 1793 and in 1825, or thereabouts, the first courthouse was destroyed by fire. It was immediately rebuilt, ever, and the accompanying cut shows the reconstructed house. It was the fire that revealed the line in that section. The foundation was constructed of stone that was quarried near the of the courthouse, and when the log burned the character of the stone was revealed to an observer, and it was opened and operated for some time. It has been closed during recent years, however. The property is now owned by Messrs. M. I. and J. C. Stewart, Winston-Salem.

**Buried in Same Grave.**  
Another interesting place in Germanton is the grave of Michael Dorothy Frey. The original tombstone still marks the place where they were buried. The inscription shows that they were born in 1745 and 1747, respectively, and that they died on the same day in 1815, and were buried in the same grave.

**Named After Germans.**  
How Germanton got its name is a matter of speculation, as there is no record of its origin. Traditions of the founder, Gray Bynum, would suggest the origin in the fact that the Freys, from whom the site was purchased, were natives of Germany, and Dr. Andrew Bowman with whom he was closely associated was also a native German.

**Prominent Families.**  
Germanton has many prominent and interesting people today. One interesting personage is Mr. R. J. Savage. Mr. Savage is also a member of the old line of early settlers of Stokes. For some years he lived in Stokes county west of the gold fever, and was subject to the gold fever. Mr. Savage was most successful, amassing a goodly fortune before returning to his native state. He now owns and operates a large farm near Germanton and has also large investments in Seattle, Washington.

Dr. L. H. Hill is another interesting personage, and one who can give a royal evening's entertainment in the past of old days. He is also thought on current events. He was surgeon attached to the 53rd N. C. Regiment during the War Between the States, and on the recent visit to experiences in the war, and also called that at the battle of Gettysburg Dr. H. T. Bannson was with him. Dr. Hill and the late Dr. Shann, of Salem, were college mates.

**Original Characteristics.**  
Germanton today maintains much of its original characteristics. Its splendid citizens still continue to offer a good old hospitality of the Southern home. It has not yet been commercialized, there being no manufacturing. There are many general stores which serve the travelers, who will rapidly increase in number now since the good roads have been extended in every direction thru this section.

**Mercantile Interests.**  
Mr. H. McGehee now conducts a general merchandise business in the old courthouse building. Other business men and residents include Messrs. M. McKenzie, E. J. Styers, R. L. Tittle, R. T. Beck, Y. S. Smith.

**Roller Mill Needs.**  
A good roller mill in Germanton, is regarded, would prove a profitable investment. The town is located in fertile section where thousands of bushels of wheat and corn are produced.

**Famous For Schools.**  
The town of Germanton has always been famous for its schools. In early days the schools were patronized by students from many States in the South. The school was taught in the early days by the late Dr. Everhart, father of Capt. Lay H. Everhart of the U. S. Navy, now retired. Capt. Everhart was with Admiral Mahan during the famous battle of Manila Bay.

The schools are today maintaining the high standard of former years, keeping pace with modern methods and practices. The attendance this year is large and splendid progress is being made. The schools have been under the direction of Prof. J. C. Cooper for several years, and he and his popular family are held in highest esteem by both patrons and pupils.

**Paper Published in 1857.**  
Few there are who know that Germanton at one time boasted of a newspaper. A copy of this paper dated Saturday, October 31, 1857, is now in the possession of Mrs. Styers. The caption of the paper was "The Rail-Road Car" and was edited and published by G. M. Bacon, father of Mrs. W. V. Reville, and Edward and Thomas Bacon, who formerly lived in Winston-Salem. It was a weekly paper of four pages of five columns each, 12x18 inches, sent for \$1 per annum payable in all cases on receipt of the first copy.

An advertisement of the *Wachovia Paper Mills*, at one time operated in Salem, appears with the following production: "PEOPLE OF THE SOUTH! Encourage Home Manufacture!" At the bottom of the advertisement appears a note for *The Sentinel* and the Press to insert for two months and render account to R. L. Patterson & Co., Salem, N. C.

Other advertisements are of *Stokes' Man's Magazine*, published at Salem, I. S. Gibson, dealer in "staple and fancy dry goods, hardware, shoes, ware, groceries, boots and hats, etc.," Wm. H. Beard, tailor; John Kingsbury, coffins and cabinet maker; and others. A news item tells of the renovation of the floor and saw mill of William A. Bolejack, Esq.; that it has been tested and makes a satisfactory turn out of flour of the best quality; price \$2.50 per hundred lbs.

Another note says: "The derangement in financial affairs has caused a heavy depreciation in the price of negroes of all grades in Richmond." A conundrum: "Why was St. Paul like a horse? Ans: Because he was Timothy."

Another: "Why is a grain field like a group of children? Because when the heads bend and nod they should be cradled."

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