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AMONG THE THOUS- AND ISLANDS.

Polk County Citizen Writes In- teresting Account of His Visit to that Region.

WILL RETURN TO POLK TO RE- CUPERATE.

Friday is unlucky. I went in swimming off the dock at sister's cottage on Murray Isle, got chilled and have the rheumatism in my right leg. Will have to return to Polk county to recuperate, before long.

The wonderful St. Lawrence river, which is here 12 miles wide never looked so blue. But this cold spell after the hot wave makes one want plenty of blankets at night.

Saturday we found an eel on the line. That night we caught a two pound pickerel while trawling from the row boat. Our island has 30 cottages and a hotel, but has scarcely a spot among the glacier washed granite for a war garden. Milk, ice and vegetables and groceries are brought to our dock. Our water system is operated by a small gasoline engine which anyone can start. The "put-puts" are heard constantly passing, like the autos on land. Fortunately the steady breeze down stream from Lake Ontario has blown away the flies and mosquitoes. A lull in the breeze will, I fear bring them back.

Today we did not attend the big tabernacle meeting at Thousand Island Park, but listened to an eloquent sermon in a little stone union chapel on Grenelle Island, only a half mile from our cottage. What should be presented at the close of the sermon but an appeal from Livingston college for the colored workman at Salisbury, N. C. In 1901 the college sent us the jubilee singers, but this year, when travel is very limited they send us only a letter of appeal.

Who should I meet at F. L. Park general store but an old friend, Morris, who had spent eight winters in Tryon, and asked after Mr. Hester. He was surprised to learn of the new Peoples Bank and our general progress.

Next week at Gouverneur Village founded by Gouverneur Morris, we hold our village fair. Will write you how the children's exhibit looks.

Sincerely,
A. F. CORBIN.

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COLUMBUS.

School opens here Monday, the 26. We hope to see many of our Polk county boys and girls enrolled.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Lewis, Miss Elinor Lewis and Miss Margaret Raper, who spent six weeks in Columbus this summer, have returned to Charlotte. Miss Lewis will be a Senior this year at Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hill and family of Rutherford county, will arrive this week to take charge of the dormitory. Mr. Hill is brother of Mr. W. H. Hill, of Columbus.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Cantrell, of Spartanburg, S. C., visited Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Mills, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Mills received word from their son, Claude, that he had been wounded, but hopes to soon leave the hospital and rejoin his company.

Mr. Ezra Constance, who is now in the aviation service, has arrived safely "overseas."

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Green, of Greens Creek, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Constance.

Mr. and Mrs. Waters and children, of Spartanburg, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Davenport.

Rev. R. N. Pratt filled his appointment at the Baptist church, Sunday. An offering for the relief of the Jews was taken at the evening service.

Rev. Kidd will preach at the Presbyterian church fourth Sunday at 11 a. m.

Harold Feagans, 2 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Feagans, died Wednesday, of membranous croup, and was buried, Thursday, at Greens Creek Baptist Church. The family has our sympathy in their bereavement.

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FROM OUR FRIENDS OVER THE COUNTY

Some Items of General Interest Gathered By Our Correspondents From Various Sections of Polk County

MELVIN HILL.

The protracted meeting is still in progress, and there have been several conversions, also some five or six persons restored to church fellowship.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Reed, last Saturday evening, twin babies, a boy and girl.

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Blackwell, of Inman, visited relatives here Sunday.

Mr. B. B. Stacy and two sons, of Chesnee, took dinner with Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Stacy, Sunday.

Mr. James Waldrop arrived home from Irmoria, S. C., last Friday. Some complaint about mosquitoes down there.

Mrs. Self, of Henrietta, visited her daughter, Mrs. Joe Morris, last weekend.

We are having some cool north winds today, Monday.

Mrs. Martha Sanders returned home Monday, after a week's stay with relatives here.

The singing concert last Saturday night was a grand success. The class sang exceedingly well to a large audience. But the two duets alone, sang by Prof. Jones and wife, were worth going many miles to hear, and the double quartet was just fine, and everybody enjoyed the occasion.

PEA RIDGE.

Mr. Sam Gosnel and wife were guests of M. C. Gosnel, Saturday.

Mr. J. M. Richards and daughter, Bessie, from Gaffney, S. C., spent the week with relatives here.

Misses Mossie Edwartz, Bessie Richards, Messrs. Bert Edwards, Jodie Wilson and Jesse Foy, were visitors at E. G. Thompson's, Sunday.

Mrs. J. T. Green and children visited her mother, Mrs. J. T. Waldrop, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnnie Thompson attended the birthday dinner at Mr. C. P. Jones', Sunday.

Miss Allie Connor is spending several weeks with relatives in Tuxedo and Hendersonville.

Arthur Thompson writes home from France that he has received the NEWS and enjoys reading it very much, also that he has been at the front and likes it much better than the rear.

Mr. Grady Edney and wife spent the week at Mr. Bud Mills'.

Miss Lizzie Dalton spent Friday night at Otis Dalton's.

Misses Mossie and Dorcas Edwards spent Wednesday night with Miss Bessie Thompson.

SONGS YOU SHOULD KNOW.

AMERICA.

My country, 'tis of thee,
Sweet land of liberty,
Of thee I sing:
Land where my fathers died!
Land of the pilgrims' pride!
From ev'ry mountain side
Let freedom ring.

My native country, thee,
Land of the noble free,
Thy name I love;
I love thy rocks and rills,
Thy woods and templed hills;
My heart with rapture thrills
Like that above.

Let music swell the breeze,
And ring from all the trees
Sweet freedom's song;
Let mortal tongues awake;
Let all that breathe partake;
Let rocks their silence break—
The sound prolong.

Our fathers' God, to Thee,
Author of liberty,
To Thee we sing:
Long may our land be bright
With freedom's holy light;
Protect us by Thy might,
Great God, our King!

FISHTOP.

Curtis Newman started to Saluda one day last week, his mule balked with him, and he got his produce all mixed up, and returned home. His father said he would "show the young idea how to shoot," and stepped into the buggy, but the buggy turned over with him and very badly damaged it, so he went home.

E. J. Bradley was in Henderson county last Saturday Sunday, and Monday. Saw many good fields of corn, also saw an auto with several occupants wreck, as they were returning from Camp Wadsworth. Nobody seriously hurt.

Prepare for the Fair.

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TRYON ROUTE 1.

The revival services closed at Bethlehem, Friday night. To God we give the glory for 31 conversions and 4 accessions.

Meeting began at White Oak, Sunday. We hope a glorious revival will be the result.

Many on the route attended the quarterly meeting and church dedication at New Hope, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. J. W. Jack and family moved to Columbus this week, where Mrs. Jack will help teach in the C. H. S.

HILLCREST.

Mrs. J. W. Clarke, of Rutherfordton, has returned home after spending a few days with her niece, Mrs. C. E. Gray.

Mrs. Turner, Sr., who has been with her son, Mr. John Turner, since the death of his little daughter, has returned to her home.

Mrs. Lawson Williams, whose husband was killed in France several months ago, is visiting her relatives-in-law, Mr. Terrell Williams and family.

Miss Fannie Dickerson, of Rutherfordton, is visiting Miss Mary Camp.

Rev. Geo. Archibald has been holding a series of meetings at the Cox school house.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Stocton are spending awhile in Cleveland county.

Mrs. Henry Foy, of Mill Spring, is visiting her mother, Mrs. Williams.

Mrs. Mary A. Smalley is with her daughter, Mrs. John McKinney, of Mooresboro.

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WALKER.

We had a fine rain in this section, Sunday, and farmers were glad to see it.

There was a baptizing near Mr. Earl Head's, Sunday evening. The Mormons baptized four of Mr. Head's children.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Morgan visited Mr. Jack Foller, at Brickton, N. C., last week.

Mr. Hosea Hoots and family, of Flat Rock, were guests of Mr. W. J. Bishop and family, Sunday.

Mrs. Florence Holbert and children visited Mr. W. J. Bishop, Sunday.

Several people from this section attended services at Refuge, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Bradley visited Mr. Hood McCraw, Sunday.

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WARRIOR MOUNTAIN.

Jack Constant attended church at Mt. Lebanon, Sunday.

Messrs. J. H. and H. L. Arledge have gone to Charlotte to accept government positions.

The new desks and blackboard have been installed in the school building.

Mr. Clarence Newman is in New York with measles. The others of his company are "Somewhere in France."

Miss Alice Arledge spent last weekend with her sister, Mrs. Bonnie Bishop, at Horse Shoe, N. C.

Rev. J. B. Arledge returned, Sunday from Morgan Chapel, having had two baptizings, one Friday, one Sunday.

Preparing a supply of food for winter seems to be the chief occupation of the housewives of this section. Canning, drying and sulphuring fruits and vegetables.

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STAY AT HOME.

Mr. McAdoo, Director General of American Railroads, in a recent circular advises the American people to do just as little traveling as they possibly can. In fact he says that the object of advancing passenger rates was to discourage traveling as much as could be done. But it does not seem to have had the desired effect. He says that there is considerable complaint about the crowded condition of passenger trains, but that everything that can be done is being done to give comfort and convenience to those who must travel. Among many other things said in the circular:

"Among the many patriotic duties of the American public at this time is the duty to refrain from traveling unnecessarily. Every man, woman and child who can avoid using passenger trains at this time should do so. I earnestly hope that they will do so. Not only will they liberate essential transportation facilities which are necessary for war purposes, but they will save money which they can invest in Liberty Bonds and thereby help themselves as well their country; and the fewer who travel, the more ample the passenger train service will be."

So heed the advice of Mr. McAdoo, and if you have no business away from home, stay there. The amount of money you would spend for railroad fare and other expenses on a trip would buy Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps.

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FARM HINTS FOR
POLK COUNTY FARMERS.

Keep your eye and mind on the Polk County Fair, October 9, 10 and 11. Make it the best county fair in North Carolina. It need not be the largest to be the best.

Remember from now till next wheat harvest, that your Government, in order to take proper care of your boys now fighting the battles for human freedom, asks you to increase your acreage of wheat this fall ten per cent. And the average yield should be increased at least that much. The Government MUST have the wheat.

Now is the time to sow winter legumes and cover crops. Sow crimson clover with rye, or alone, sow hairy vetch and crimson clover; sow bur clover; sow all kinds of clover; sow now and next spring; only be certain to sow. But don't sow in a hap-hazard, wasteful way. Procure bulletins on growing the different clovers and prepare and sow at the right time, in the right way, and success will be certain.

Prepare now for sowing grass and clovers for pasture. Prepare the land and prepare it properly, and sow at the proper time, about September 10 to 15th, or a little earlier, and there is no reason why you should not succeed.

The preparation of the soil for either grass or clover is important. Everybody knows how to prepare land for producing turnips. Prepare your land, and the same kind, as for turnips, land that will grow good turnips will grow either good clover of any kind, or good grass, and will make good pasture. Don't expect poor or dead land to make good grass and pasture. A dead horse won't work for you, nor a dead man can work. Then why expect dead soil to work.

Good pasture yields, acre for acre, better profits to the family in milk and butter, than any other acreage on the farm. Now put it to the test in Polk county. Buy your seed now. Don't lose another year. Act at once. If in doubt what kind of seed to use, inquire in person or by mail and I'll give you my best service.

Respectfully,
J. R. SAMS, County Agent.

HELPS TO BREAK DOWN BARRIERS.

Mr. Charles M. Schwab Delivers Address Teeming With Genuine Patriotism.

COMMUNITY SINGING.

No move of recent ears has grown so rapidly or proved more popular than community singings. The country districts of North Carolina have enjoyed these musical treats for many years, but not until lately have the towns and cities taken up the idea.

In New York many such gatherings are held every Sunday, and large crowds attend them. In this manner much is being done toward breaking down the so-called social barriers and bringing about a better understanding between the people. The same situation is true in almost every large city in the country.

Speaking at one of these community singings, Mr. Chas. M. Schwab, Director-General Emergency Fleet Corporation, upon being introduced to the audience, said:

"The duty of all mankind at this time engaged in a war for democracy and democratic ideals is to educate themselves in song, as song is more potent than words in expressing the feelings of a nation. This is not the time for a rich man or poor artist or artisan or any class distinction. It is the time for everybody to get together."

"I would rather be a poor boy in the trenches, baring my breast to German bayonets, than a millionaire banker failing to do my utmost for my country. This is the day of democracy, and the aristocracy of the future will be no aristocracy of birth or wealth, but the aristocracy of men who accomplish things for their country."

"What a great thing it is to say, 'I am an American citizen.' Let no activities lead you in any direction not in furtherance of our success in winning the war. Let us be a people of one mind, one soul, one thought—of country."

"Community singing will do more to accomplish a bringing about of our single-mindedness—bringing our souls together—than anything else. There is no emotion that song cannot express, and when the boys now 'over there' return with the laurel wreaths of victory let us greet them with song."

"We must all say to ourselves, 'Let me lay aside everything else now and take up the battle of mankind.' Our flag has never gone into an unjust war and never will. We will see this war through to the end, and there can be no question when terms of peace are discussed what our position will be, for there is only one way for us, the way of common decency and humanity."

"We are spending huge sums to wage this war—huge sums only to build ships. But the purchase price of democracy, my friends, will be cheap, no matter what the price."

Next to President Wilson probably Mr. Schwab is the most talked of man in America today. A man of great wealth, born of aristocratic parents, no man has done, or is doing more to help win this war than Mr. Schwab. A man of immense wealth, he gave up a life of great ease and volunteered his services to the United States, and is receiving no pay for same. The master mind at once brought order out of chaos, and the Emergency Fleet Corporation is today building ships much faster than the Hun U-boats can sink them. Surely the opinion of this man is worth something.

Tryon not to be outdone, has taken up the community singing and services are held in the Lanier Library rooms every Sunday at 5 o'clock p. m. Come out and enjoy an hour's most enjoyable time. Meet old friends and make new ones. Singing and short and informal talks upon things that we should be more conversant with, are on the program. Come out.

—W. S. S.—

GOV. BICKETT COMING.

Word has been received that Gov. Bickett will deliver an address at Columbus, some time soon. The first date set was for September 28th, but an effort is being made to have it changed to October 10th, the second day of the Polk County Fair.

An all-day patriotic meeting will be held, and other good speakers will be with us. An old-fashioned basket dinner will be served on the grounds.

We will tell you all about it just as soon as the date is definitely agreed upon.

—W. S. S.—
ALL-DAY SINGING.

Plans are being perfected for an all-day singing in Tryon at an early date. All the choirs in Polk county are going to be extended an invitation to attend.

Short patriotic addresses will be made, and the day given over to a patriotic program.

We want every choir in the county to prepare as many songs of a patriotic nature as possible.