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FOURTH OF JULY AT COLUMBUS.

Biggest Celebration Ever Held in Polk County Will Take Place at That Time.

COME EARLY AND STAY LATE.

Everything is moving along nicely for the big Fourth of July celebration at Columbus. The committee on arrangements report a good speaker will be secured and a program that will afford much pleasure, will be carried out.

At a meeting of the committee a few days ago, the following program was arranged, and it is hoped will be carried out. If any changes are made our readers will be notified:

- 11 a. m.—Singing, "Star Spangled Banner"
- 11:30—Prayer.
- 12:00—Address.
- 12:00 p. m.—Dinner.
- 2:00—Song by Boy Scouts.
- 2:30—Parade of Sunday schools, Boy Scouts, Secret Societies.
- 3:30—Address on County Fair—W. T. Lindsey.

It is hoped to have several songs by the young people; banjo selections by the middle aged, and Christian Harmony by the old people.

Rest assured that an interesting program is being arranged, and the day is going to be a big one. Everybody in Polk county should make it a point to be there.

We hope to have still more to tell you next week.

GEORGE H. WARNER.

Never did 'Round Hill' look lovelier, nor the birds sing more sweetly than on Friday afternoon when Mr. Warner's friends assembled to do him final honor. It seemed as though all rough places had been made smooth, every road, tree and shrub at its best. Never did that grand truth "corruptible must put on incorruptible, this mortality must put on immortality" come more full and clear than from the lips of his friend, the Rev. H. Norwood Bowne, and a sincere and more heartfelt prayer than that of another friend, the Rev. Dr. Daniels.

Comparatively little is known here in Tryon of Mr. Warner's early life. He did not talk about himself, and only a few were acquainted with his previous years. Indeed, among all his friends and relatives, Mr. Holden, who was present at his funeral was the only one who attended his wedding more than half a century ago. But few survivors of those days can tell of faithful work in business, of cooperation later, with his brother, Charles Dudley Warner, in editing that great literary production, "The World's Best Literature," involving five years of careful, thorough, unbroken toil. He bore with great fortitude financial losses caused by another's crime. With great kindness, and what is rarer, great forgiveness, Mr. Warner was among the first of his victims to secure his freedom when aged, sick and in prison.

We here know of his love of nature; of his talent for landscape gardening; his interest in young people; his helpfulness among his colored friends. His peaceful and blessed passing from earth should also be known. Dr. Grady called it what he had never seen before—"a transformation rather than a death."

FISHTOP.

Fine weather now. Seems to have come to stay.

But next week is court, and that will set old Polk county back many thousands of dollars.

"O, consistency, thou art a jewel." Misses Pearl and Bertha Laughter visited C. Arledge's, staying overnight, Saturday last.

It was quite a treat to see so many wagons at once last week moving the surveying squad, tents and utensils down to Mill Spring.

Well, Brother Lynn, I have to report the killing of three large rattlers last week, here.

T. W. and J. B. Bradley attended the singing at Mount Lebanon, last Sunday.

Isaac Walker was in this section one day last week.

We learn Dewey Hill has gone to Hendersonville with a wagon load of snap beans.

With snap beans, cabbage, peaches, cherries, strawberries, and dewberries for pies, we are beginning to enjoy life once more.

TRYON ROUTE 1.

I wish to correct a mistake in last week's paper. It was lambs not lumber, that Mrs. R. G. Hamilton had for sale.

Misses Pearl and Essie Edwards have returned home from Brevard school for the summer vacation.

Messrs. Floyds Toney and Frank Edwards spent Saturday night with Miss Sallie and Mr. John Carpenter.

Messrs. Corbin and Linton were callers on the route, Monday.

SALUDA.

The Heriots, of Charleston, S. C., are up for the summer, and are having a family reunion at their newly painted home, in Saluda, the Melrose Inn.

Mr. R. A. Parler has returned from the Johns Hopkins hospital, in Baltimore, very much improved in health.

The "Little Nieces of Uncle Sam" cleared over eight dollars at their second sale of ice cream and cake, week, thus making sure another month's support for the orphan in France recently adopted by them.

Dr. and Mrs. Smith are getting their baby hospital ready for the business of the season in their line.

Miss Rosa Box is attending the commencement exercises at Piedmont college, Demorest, Ga., but will return this week.

Mrs. Zeigler and sister are occupying the cottage of Mr. Bolich, for the summer.

Miss Louise Lane is visiting friends in Savannah, Ga.

Miss Hattie Howe, of Charleston, S. C., is visiting her old friend, Mrs. Wm. Staton, for a few weeks, before opening her own cottage.

Miss Annie Waring has returned to Saluda for the summer, and is to be found at her home, "Hillrise."

Mrs. Jenkins, of Miami, Fla., is busy getting her hotel ready for summer tourists.

Dr. and Mrs. Moorer, of St. George, S. C. have been at their cottage for several weeks, but have returned to their home in St. George, till later, when they will come up for the season.

The commencement exercises of Saluda Seminary were held last week, and the school is now closed till Oct. 1st. The new buildings are nearing completion, and will be ready for use when school reopens.

Mrs. Edmund Credle and Mrs. Smith, of Beaufort and Hyde counties, came to Saluda for a short visit with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Jones. They have been attending the meeting of the confederation of Women's Clubs in Asheville and Hendersonville.

The Rev. W. B. Allen, M. A., and Mrs. J. O. Darby spent several days in Asheville attending the Diocesan convention of the Episcopal church. Mrs. Darby was a delegate of the Woman's Auxiliary.

COLUMBUS.

Mr. J. R. Cantrell, of Spartanburg, is spending a few days with relatives in Columbus.

Miss Marie Burgess and Vada McMurray, of Elon college, returned home last week.

Mr. John Burgess, of Davidson college, returned home last week.

Mrs. Lindsey Smith and daughter, Coy, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Laughter, of Lynn.

Mr. E. W. S. Cobb and Mrs. J. W. Jack spent a few days in Marion, N. C., last week, on business.

Misses Corinne and Jeannette Reagan were the guests of Miss Grace Holbert, of Lynn, Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Lizzie Dedmond is visiting relatives at Cliffside this week.

Messrs. Arthur Pitman and Claude Edwards spent Sunday in Columbus.

Mr. Wilbur McGinnis, of Abolene, visited friends in Columbus, Sunday.

Mr. Harrison Gibbs, of Asheville, spent Sunday in Columbus.

Mrs. Lindsey Smith and daughter, Coy, and Inez Hughes, spent a day last week with Mrs. J. R. Smith, near Columbus.

Church services at the Baptist church next Sunday.

MILL SPRING.

The farmers are taking advantage of this beautiful weather, and are very busy.

Everybody come to the children's day at the Methodist church, next Sunday.

The Baptist Sunday school at this place is planning to go to Chimney Rock Sunday, June 22. We will carry our quarterlies and song books, and have school same as we do each Sunday. All the members are expected to go and carry well filled baskets.

The conveyance will be arranged for the members, so what can hinder you? Be ready to start by 7 o'clock a. m., and make up your mind to have a big time.

Railroad surveyors have pitched their tents on Mr. J. H. Gibbs' farm, and are "traveling on" with the survey.

We were glad to see the Brevard girls at church Sunday.

Mrs. J. H. Steele is boarding at the home of J. H. Gibbs.

Several of the railroad surveyors spent the week-end in Saluda and Asheville.

Hubert Gibbs spent last Sunday in Columbus.

Don't forget the community club meeting at the school house next Saturday night.

Mr. J. R. Sams made us a pleasant call last week. We always welcome him.

Mrs. J. M. Lewis visited Mrs. W. G. Egerton Sunday afternoon.

A number of the little folks attended a birthday party at the home of Miss Mabel Pack, last Wednesday night.

Mrs. J. H. Cochran was the guest at Sunny Brook farm, last Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Ben Ross, who has been attending school at Raleigh, has come home to spend his vacation.

MELVIN HILL.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Higgins, last Monday, a baby boy.

Mrs. Norris has arrived home from a month's visit with her daughter, at Clifton.

The little child of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Edwards, who was so low, is thought to be a little better.

Mr. Major Willis, who went to the hospital with a broken leg, some time ago, is home now, and can get around on crutches.

Wheat is about ready to harvest in this vicinity.

Farmers are getting caught up with their work pretty well, now, since they have had some dry weather.

SILVER CREEK.

The Sunday school at Silver Creek is progressing nicely with E. A. Arledge as superintendent.

Mrs. Zach Swain, of Spartanburg, has been spending the past week with relatives in this section.

Miss Mary Ann Bradley was the guest of her brother, Mr. Harrison Bradley, Saturday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Splawn and baby, Jesse Jr., were guests at Mountain View farm, Sunday.

Mrs. John Wilson and son, Paul, motored up from Rutherfordton and spent Saturday and Sunday with Mrs. Wilson's father, Mr. Clement Arledge.

Little Glenn Arledge Jr., is very sick.

Lost: On Sunday, May 18, 1919, a short grey coat between Mill Spring and H. P. Arledge's, belonging to Miss Grace Arledge. Finder will please leave coat at E. W. Bradley's.

MILL SPRING ROUTE 2.

Mr. T. N. Wilson has been very sick for the past week.

Mr. J. W. Pitts and little son, Fred, made a business trip to Tryon, last Monday.

Mrs. Bill Bradley visited relatives in this section, Saturday and Sunday.

Little Carrie Bradley spent last week with her grandmother, Mrs. George Bradley.

Mrs. Coggin, from Spartanburg, S. C., is spending a few weeks with her son, F. R. Coggin.

Miss Minnie Ruppe spent Sunday night with her sister, Mrs. J. W. Price.

CROSS KEYS.

The young cotton is dying to a large extent in this neighborhood. The cause, we think, is from the cold weather of last week.

We are glad to say the cotton gin, which the farmers are going to build at Sandy Plains, is well on its way. The erection of the building will begin soon. The plant will cost \$10,000. We have a few shares on hand we will be glad to sell to any one wishing to buy, as we want cash to pay for the machinery.

Misses Bertha and Margaret Cantrell of Landrum, were seen in this vicinity, Sunday afternoon.

Miss Gladys Flynn spent Saturday night at Misses Miley and Docia McKinney's.

Miss Violet Toney spent Saturday night with Miss Nora Welborn.

Rev. Hunter, of Hillcrest, will preach at Sandy Plains on the second and fourth Sunday evenings in each month.

SUNNY VIEW.

A large crowd from here attended the W. O. W. celebration at Hendersonville, Sunday, and report a splendid time.

Mr. Dewitt Helton has been released from the army, and is now home. We welcome the boys home again.

Misses Myrtle and Ura Whiteside, Grace and Oma Gibbs were pleasant callers at Mrs. S. J. Helton's, Sunday last.

Mr. Ralph Edwards and Mr. Tolbert Odell were in this section, last Sunday.

Prof. E. W. S. Cobb and Mr. J. R. Sams were at Sunny View, Saturday, and made splendid speeches on school affairs. Come again.

Mr. T. N. Wilson who has been ill, is now improving.

Messrs. Hobart Whiteside, Bill Jackson and Tench Edwards report they will be home from overseas by July first.

Messrs. Willie Mills and Tolbert Odell were callers at Mr. U. S. Gibbs' Sunday last.

Mrs. W. W. Gibbs visited Mrs. G. S. Whiteside, last week.

MILL SPRING ROUTE 1.

Hello to all. We have woken up at last.

Rev. W. W. Womack preached at Lebanon, Sunday, as Rev. Shelton could not be there. Our Sunday school is getting better, we are glad to say. May we have a larger school from now on.

Miss Bessie Thompson and sister, Exie, were guests at A. A. Edwards', Sunday.

Several girls and boys from Cleveland motored over and spent Sunday with relatives.

Walter Dyer has returned from overseas.

Ralph Edwards robbed some bees, Tuesday, and to his surprise, was made sick by eating the honey.

Those who motored to Hendersonville one day last week report a good time, except when they were having blowouts and punctures.

A party of girls and boys were fishing, Saturday, just for fun, and had all the fun they wanted together with two strings of fish with about twenty-five on each string.

Misses Bessie Thompson, Mollie and Dorcas Edwards went to Rock Springs, Sunday, and enjoyed some fine singing. You all remember Rock Springs choir, do you not?

Sunday school at Big Level is progressing nicely.

RED MOUNTAIN.

Mr. Jack Lawter is very ill at present.

Private Major Jackson has returned from overseas. Friends and relatives are glad to welcome him home again.

Mr. Posey Brown, of Spartanburg, was a visitor at his uncle's, Mr. J. P. Dimsdale's, Sunday.

Mr. Pritchard Dimsdale has returned home from Spartanburg.

A WORD OF APPRECIATION.

Campobello, R. 4, S. C., June 2 1919. Mr. Copeland, Tryon, N. C.

Dear Mr. Editor: Am writing a line of thanks for the history of Polk county, Columbus and Tryon.

Was so very much interested in said history, and shall preserve same. Many, many thanks.

I appreciate it all the more, as Polk and Columbus are my native county and town, as my father was clerk of the court at Columbus about the years 1864-68, as well as I can recollect.

Thanking you again, and wishing you every success, am gratefully yours, etc.,

MRS. J. W. STACY.

THE BOY SCOUTS.

A movement is on foot for a campaign; starting June 8th, and lasting until June 14th to raise a large number of associate members of the Boy Scouts. It will cost \$1.00 for each person. Polk county's quota is twelve.

We sincerely trust that our quota will not only be raised, but will be trebled or quadrupled. All during the war, the Boy Scouts were found anxious and willing to do all in their power to help in the work. Not only in this work, but in all other movements the Boy Scouts have never failed to respond to any call made upon them. The boys deserve this recognition, and we not only believe, but have every reason to know that Polk county will do the right thing by them.

HILLCREST.

Dr. W. L. Wilson, of Lincolnton, N. C., preached a fine sermon to a large congregation on Sunday, June 1st.

Quite a number of our young people enjoyed a welcoming party given Mr. Broadus B. Flynn by his parents, Saturday night. Mr. Flynn is one of our soldier boys recently home from France.

Rev. R. N. Hunter made a flying trip to Charlotte, last week bringing back with him his little son, William Henry.

Miss Ruth Rogers went to the Rutherfordton hospital, Monday, for treatment for stomach trouble.

Miss Ellen M. Chick of Saluda Seminary, spent several days with Mrs. J. H. Norville and Miss Margaret Brian.

Mrs. W. B. Valentine has returned from her visit to Anderson and Spartanburg.

PULL FOR POLK, OR PULL OUT.

This is the Splendid Advice Given by Our County Agent, Mr. J. R. Sams.

SEASONABLE SUGGESTIONS.

By all means the garden should not be neglected.

Cultivators should be kept going to prevent crab grass from growing.

What about that permanent pasture? If it is as good as you want it, just let it alone. If it can be improved then get busy and make it better.

What about hay at \$45.00 to \$60.00 per ton? Think for a year ahead. Plant cow peas, soy beans, velvet beans, sorghum cane for roughage, sudan grass, etc. Now is the time. Don't neglect it.

Get sorry for that pig in the pen. Sow a lot in cow peas or soy beans, rope and turn him in and watch him grow.

Look after lice and mites on poultry. Now is the serious time of the year for little poulters.

There is a premium offered for best collection of legumes, hay and pasture grasses grown on farms, for Polk County Fair. Now is the time to collect samples. Burr and crimson clover have almost passed out, orchard and tall oat grass is just now on hand, also alsike and red clover, timothy and red top will be in by and by, so take advantage of all these clovers, cow peas, both tame and wild, soy beans, grasses, etc. This prize is offered to any person living in town or on a farm, in Polk county, matters not how little or how much land; just so you grow the grasses and legumes on it and collect and take them to the Polk County Fair.

Then don't forget in your push to be patriotic. Begin to feel more patriotic now, and be boiling over by the Fourth of July. Bring the wife and all the children to Columbus. Leave only the dog at home on that day.

Last, but by no means least, let every man, woman and child in Polk county cultivate the Polk county spirit. Let's adopt the slogan, "Polk County is My County." The best county in the world. But if it lacks anything let's roll up our sleeves and pull together and make it the best. Everybody should either PULL FOR POLK OR PULL OUT.

Respectfully,
J. R. SAMS, County Agent.

MAJOR BALLENGER GIVEN DISCHARGE AND RETURN SHOME.

Major E. G. Ballenger, who went into Uncle Sam's "overseas" service with Atlanta's organization, the Emory hospital unit, has arrived at his home in this city after having received his discharge at Camp Dix, N. J.

Major Ballenger is one of the most prominent physicians in Atlanta, and he will resume his professional work at once.

Dr. Ballenger left Atlanta with the Emory unit, but in a short time was detached from that organization, having been sent to the 26th division. He saw service on the front for many months and was in the lines at Verdun when the armistice was signed. Afterwards Dr. Ballenger was transferred to the 7th corps, and served as neurologist for that organization until his return to America a few days ago on the steamship Victoria.

In speaking of his experiences in Germany, where he was stationed at many points with the army of occupation. Dr. Ballenger said he had traveled over Germany to a large extent, visiting among other cities Coblenz and Treves, where many of the American boys are serving.

"Upon arriving in New York," said Dr. Ballenger, "many people asked me regarding the popularity of President Wilson among the nations represented at Paris and many of them have an idea that the President's lack of popularity was attributable to his unpersonality, or to his failing to measure up to the right standard, but thinking people who have been on the ground readily recognize that whatever unpopularity our president suffers among the European nations is not from his failing to do the right thing for the common good of the world but because he listens neither to France, England, Italy or Germany, but steers a course that bodes good for all peoples.

"We should not judge President Wilson's work at the peace conference by his popularity, or his lack of it among the nations gathered at the peace table," said Major Ballenger. —Atlanta Constitution.

Lake of Sulphate.

A lake near Biggar, Saskatchewan, and about three hundred miles northwest of Regina, has been found to be saturated with sodium sulphate, and the deposit under the lake and along the edge to be nearly 97 per cent pure sulphate. The mineral is used extensively in the manufacture of sulphuric acid, in photography and other industrial purposes. The lake occupies an area of about two hundred acres. The edge is muddy, but on boring down a solid bed of mirabilite crystals is found.