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Tryon is the hope of Polk
County and one of the beacon
lights of Western North Caro-
lina.

Let's make it one of the
cleanest, most healthful and most
beautiful spots through which
tourists pass and a community
in which our visitors and our-
selves will take pride.

We can be clean by cutting
the weeds, removing the rub-
bish, keeping the papers from
blowing around the streets,
carefully looking after the back
yards and if you have a pig pen
or a cow or horse stable by all
means see to it that they are
kept clean so that they can not
furnish a breeding place for the
germ carrying fly who would
never be in existence except for
our own carelessness in furnish-
ing him a breeding place.

Remember that we have natu-
rally ideal health conditions
and that unhealthful ones are
due entirely to our unclean con-
ditions created by ourselves.

With everybody's co-opera-
tion we can have a beautiful
town. The degree will depend
entirely on the effort that we
are willing to put forward. It
takes a great deal of money to
build a great many beautiful
buildings; but the proper set-
ting of adaptable trees and
shrubbery with all spaces filled
with hardy grass does not re-
quire any great expenditure and
growing grass does not require
any great expenditure and
makes toward civic pride and
leads attraction to the passerby
and homefolks as well.

We suggest that all property
owners along the paved
streets plant Bermuda grass in
the parking space between the
paving and the side walks. If
you don't think this will add
beauty both to the town and the
individual property just take a
stroll up Melrose Avenue on the
North side.

Besides adding beauty it helps
maintain the filling and conse-
quently supports our pave-
ments and sidewalks which
were nearly all built on loose
fills.

Our supply reservoir is carry-
ing from one-half to full all
through this dry weather, giv-
ing us good water pressure for
fire or any other purpose; but
the continued success in high
water pressure depends on our
constant co-operation.

Club work with boys and girls
on the farm, is now considered
the most important work the
Farm and Home agent of a
county can perform; and to this
end we are planning to hold a
club encampment at Columbus
N. C., beginning Tuesday after-
noon August 2, and ending Fri-
day August 24.

The purpose of this assem-
bling of boys and girls, is to find
and train leaders for future club
work in each community in the
county. It will be expected of
parents that cooperate with us
in making this project a suc-
cess, by willingness to allow
their sons and daughters to
participate, and by furnishing
their children with the neces-
sary provisions and bed cloth-
ing to enable them to be com-
fortable while encamped.

We are selecting competent
helpers who will give your sons
useful training for future life,
if you will only cooperate with
us in this enterprise. Fifty is the
limit we can arrange to take,
and we would like to get them
as nearly as possible from every
school district in the county.

We want boys and girls who
are already actually doing some
kind of club work, and those
who will now enroll and train
for club work next year.

We ask for the material aid
of all farmers and business men
of Polk County in helping us
make this gathering a success;
and especially we ask every
man and woman in Columbus
and the surrounding communi-
ty to do their level best to aid
us in every way they can.

Respectfully,
S. M. Padgett, Home Agent,
J. R. Sams, Count Agent

LEPER COLONY
HAS 399 CASES

Victims' Faces Now Beam With
Hope on Small Island in
the Mic'-Pacific.

Kalaupapa, Island of Molokai, T.
H.—A spirit of happiness almost in-
conceivable and a peace that passes
the bounds of human understanding
walk with tragedy through the iso-
lated, cliff-guarded, surf-ringed strip of
shore that has given this portion of
the Hawaiian archipelago the name of
"the lonely leper isle of Molokai."

A visitor to the colony, forewarned
of the horror it holds, finds all of that
horror and more that cannot be dis-
cussed. But he finds also that the
heavy fog of gloom which once envel-
oped the tragic, narrow stretch be-
tween the sea and the towering cliffs
has been dissipated by a ray of light
arising from the favorable results that
have attended the use of the Dean
chaulmoogra oil specific during the
last two years in checking the ravages
of the oldest disease in the world.
The hope that springs eternal in the
human breast is ever present now at
Molokai, even in the most advanced
cases.

399 Lepers in Colony.
The number of patients here now is
399, composed of 263 males and 136
females. Racially the groups contain:
Belgian, 1; Chinese, 14; Filipinos, 12;
Germans, 2; Hawaiian, 239; part Ha-
waiian, 83; Japanese, 10; Portuguese,
27; Porto Rican, 3; Korean, 8. There
are 35 non-leprous employees at the
colony, ten non-leprous children of
leprous parents and 35 other non-
leprous residents.

A man of wealth, of power and of
influence throughout the territory ac-
companied the legislators to the island.
He made directly for the hospital as
soon as he landed from the vessel's
small boat. When the main body of
the visitors reached the hospital he
was sitting beside one of the beds,
weeping. The bandaged form upon
the bed was his son.

Babies Are Free From Plague.
But all is not sorrow at the saddest
spot on earth. Some distance from
the hospital is a nursery. On the day
of the legislator's visit it contained
ten unusually healthy looking babies
ranging from two weeks to five
months in age. They gurgled, smiled
and laughed, and shook tiny, chubby
fists at the visitors. Although one or
both of their parents are afflicted with
leprosy, the most searching examina-
tion possible has failed to show a
trace of the disease in any one of the
children, or in scores of others who
have been born to patients at the set-
tlement.

The children are cared for by the
territory.

Stole 75-Cent Ride;
Got Religion; Pays

Chicago.—Some years ago, John E.
Marker, Cincinnati, stole a ride on a
Pennsylvania train which would have
cost him 75 cents had he ridden in the
regular way.

From his home in Cincinnati he has
sent the 75 cents to the Pennsylvania
company, addressing a letter to A. H.
Shaw, general passenger agent.

"As I'm living a Christian life and
can see that it is a duty to straighten
up my back life, I will send you sev-
enty-five cents (75c) to pay for a ride I
stole from the Pennsylvania Co. a few
years back," Marker wrote.

"The city I got on at was Colum-
bia City and I rode to Fort Wayne on a
freight, took passenger back. Was
after work and I got it so I took a pas-
senger back.

"I want to say that a real true de-
voted Christian life is a very wonder
and glorious life. And if one digs
down deep in his heart, and get all his
sins purged out by God he will be
ready for the 'Holy Ghost' and Fire
which is the power God gives His
people that follow Him in all the light
He has. I do hope and trust you will
find this experience if you have not
got it. It is for you, if you want it. In
God I trust you will and may His
richest blessing fall on you and your
people."

Florida Motorist Has
Fight With Alligator

Moore Haven, Fla.—While driving
along the road between his plantation
and the Laa Hoo Farms, Mr. Ed. Fri-
erson had an experience that he will not
soon forget. A five-foot alligator ran
out on the road in front of the car.
Mr. Frierson came to a full stop at
once as he did not care to have an
argument with the gentleman. He
could not avoid hitting Mr. Gator, how-
ever, which made the king of the
swamps full sore, and with a rush he
grabbed the front wheel with his pow-
erful jaws and started to shake the
car to pieces. Mr. Frierson jumped
out of the car and grabbing a large
rock, he struck the gator on the head
rendering him unconscious and caus-
ing him to relinquish hold on the
wheel. After this Mr. Frierson did not
lose any time getting away from the
scene of battle, jumping into his trusty
car and making for other parts as fast
as it would carry him.

Poet Stops Sale of Letters.
Berlin.—Gerhard Hauptmann, Ger-
many's leading poet, obtained a tem-
porary injunction against the sale of
letters written by him to Otto Brahm
in 1899. Hauptmann found the letters
being auctioned for their autographs
by a Berlin antique dealer.

That man who says women may be
expected to make greater strides in
the future hasn't noticed the new
skirts.

An automobilist who persists in ig-
noring the traffic cop may show inde-
pendence, but not necessarily good
judgment.

Drivers are having more and more
difficulty keeping their automobiles
from going right on after running over
a pedestrian.

It may be an interesting taste for
martyrdom that causes a woman
dressed that way to smile in the face
of a north wind.

A doctor says man should ape the
gorilla if he wishes to be strong, but
too many already are making mon-
keys of themselves.

They say that the modern novel is
suffering a breakup. So that was it!
Many persons thought it was breaking
out with something.

A Paris scientist says dishonesty is
a nerve trouble. We knew that all the
time. Thieves have more nerve than
they have conscience.

Marriage by radio is a clever
scheme. It keeps the groom from
cluttering up the premises where the
ceremony takes place.

A 348-pound lady swimmer can dive
from a height of 50 feet into a shallow
pool, which undoubtedly entirely dis-
appears when she arrives.

We are a splendid and vigorous race,
and it might pay some foreign coun-
tries to find out how many calories
there are in chewing gum.

That Brazilian millionaire who is
taking to Europe his own cow and 25
hens must have accepted the report
of food shortage abroad at full face
value.

W. F. LITTLE
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When We Let the Eye Browse.
An eye specialist says that green
quiets the nerves. The long green
certainly has a soothing effect on most
of us.—Boston Transcript.

NOTICE

North Carolina,
Polk County.
In the Superior Court.— Min-
na Lanford vs. A. M. Lanford.
The defendant above named
will take notice that an action
entitled as above has been com-
menced in the superior court of
Polk County to obtain a divorce
from the bonds of matrimony
in favor of the plaintiff upon
the grounds of adultery and

five years separation from his
wife by said defendant; and
the said defendant will further
take notice that he is required
to appear at the next term of
the superior court of said coun-
ty to be held on the first Mon-
day in September, 1923, at the
court house of said county in
Polk County, North Carolina,
and answer or demur to the
complaint in said action, or the
plaintiff will apply to the court
for the relief demanded in said
complaint.

This 26th day of July, 1923.
J. H. CARSON
Clerk of the Superior Court.



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