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LINK UP THE HIGHWAYS

Now that the hard surface road between Tryon and Columbus is completed and open to traffic the various civic bodies of the county are urging the continuance of the road into Rutherfordton. Such a road would be of unlimited value to this county in building of the county and the establishment of recreational facilities at Turner Shoals after its completion next year. This lake, as we understand, is to be but one of a chain of four and possibly five to be constructed in the Green River valley.

Western North Carolina is rapidly arriving at the conclusion that the lack of lakes is now practically the only drawback to an otherwise perfect recreational center. Many communities throughout the western counties are urging the construction of lakes and a few have already built lakes for their tourist trade. The Blue Ridge Power company is placing this chain of lakes in our county for the development of power is overcoming the only serious recreational lack that Polk county had among it many advantages that can be offered the pleasure seeker of both North and South.

It remains now for the county to bring pressure to bear on the Highway Commission to link up the Appalachian and Asheville-Charlotte highways through our county in order to tap these two main arteries that lead into the Land of the Sky and bend every effort to make this county attractive enough to induce tourists and the motoring public to sojourn within the borders of the county. With a hard surface road or even a well kept top-soil road across the county many tourists could be diverted across the county to the Pacolet valley road or going the other way toward the Chimney Rock road at Rutherfordton. The Chamber of Commerce and other civic organizations of this latter city might be induced to cooperate with Polk county organizations to place this matter before the State Commission to their own advantage as well.

POLK COUNTY MEMORIAL

Five years have gone by since hostilities ceased between the warring nations in the Great War of 1914-18. Polk county lost sons in the World War and gave her quota of men and women to the Service of their country for whom no memorial has as yet been erected. Cities, communities and States throughout the nation have honored those who served as well as those who paid the supreme sacrifice by fitting memorials.

A move is now on foot to adopt the Tryon-Columbus highway as a Memorial with the erection of a suitable monument bearing a tablet setting forth the war record of Polk county at Columbus. Every organization in the county should foster this movement and there could be no more fitting day for the dedication of the Highway as a memorial than Armistice Day, Sunday, November 11.

Interest is being renewed in a Polk County Memorial to those who paid the supreme sacrifice as well as those who served in the various branches of the Service during the World War. From time to time various commendable plans for memorials have been discussed by the members of the committee appointed shortly after the cessation of hostilities in 1918. Among these were a monument and a community house for the county.

With the approach of Armistice Day interest is being renewed in the memorial and varying suggestions are being discussed again. It has recently been suggested by W. A. Cannon, secretary and treasurer of the Memorial Association that the new Tryon-Columbus Highway would make a fitting and lasting memorial to those men and women who served their country from Polk county. Communication with the State Highway Commission brought permission from that body to the people of the county to set apart the highway with a suitable marker as a memorial. The plan has been discussed to erect a creditable marker or monument at the Columbus end of the highway upon which a tablet could be placed setting forth the facts concerning those who served from the county.

Many of the schools of the county have pledged their support to the Association in this undertaking and the committee desire to hear further from the people of the county as to their opinion on this manner

of commemorating those who served. Any contributions that may be made toward this memorial may be sent to any bank in the county or to W. A. Cannon at Lynn.

"ARBOR DAY"

Friday, "Arbor Day" throughout the country has this year a double significance as it marks the birthday of Warren G. Harding, whose tragic death in California served to emphasize in the popular mind in which his qualities of love and sympathy has become a national asset.

On his trip through the West and Alaska there ran through all the speeches of the late President a note of keenest appreciation and note for the preservation and perpetuating of natural resources for the common use and enjoyment. The same simple and reverent instinct that made him a lover of his kind grew in him an unacted but sincere regards for nature and an understanding of what it means to human beings. That he was deeply interested in the conservation of forests, in the beautification of the of the land in the popular interest was made manifest time and again in eloquent public utterances.

The hundreds of thousands of school children who will participate in Arbor Day exercises next Friday have the opportunity through the planting of Harding Memorial Oaks not only to aid materially the essential understanding of the place the tree takes in the common life, but to gain a positive exercise through example in a wholesome patriotism.

Many a high flier ends in a low dive.

At the bathing beaches there is sun-burn enough for all.

Long ago the novelty was worn off the automobile killings.

How carefree the man who has had his vacation and recovered.

Prosperity makes a good political argument just as long as it lasts.

Turn to the right is a good motto, but it's best to slacken speed before turning.

What's become of the old-fashioned prejudice against "short-haired women"?

Experts say that fruit is best when it ripens on the stem. Does that mean bananas also?

Disarmament's strongest point is that nations that arm to the teeth always show them.

Barbers propose a dollar hair cut. The effect of that is perhaps too horrible to contemplate.

Polk County Agent

J. R. Sams Department

A SPIN TO COOPER GAP

George Taylor Farm

The first farm visited was Mr. George Taylor's. I first inspected the garden and found growing cabbage, collards, tomatoes, fresh and green peppers of all kind and many other useful vegetables.

We then inspected a clover lot that shows a good stand and promises to do well, even without lime.

In addition to these evidences of thrift, I had a clicking down at the branch and on close inspection I found a hydraulic ram pushing water up to the house on an elevated site of beauty.

Mr. Taylor informed me that he is preparing to have lumber sawed to enter the Better Home and School Campaign.

Andy Lynch Farm

Near by is Mr. Andy Lynch's farm. Here I found Mr. Lynch hard at work taking up Porto Rican sweet potatoes. Looking across the premises, I saw a green field and asked Mr. Lynch what kind of weeds were growing on that hill?

He promptly replied, "that is not weeds, it is red clover, that thing that Polk county farmers say wont grow in Polk county." I asked him how much land it took to make clover grow that way. He replied that he used nothing but a little stable manure. Mr. Lynch says he means to make clover grow to enrich his land and to feed his stock.

N. T. Wilson Farm

Mr. T. N. Wilson was gathering corn, the ears looked like opossums hanging by the tail. It was corn sure enough.

Mr. Wilson is a live wire, and with such men and improved Roads and Schools, old Cooper Gap Township will be a royal place in which to live.

School Notes

TRYON GRADED SCHOOL

By Gendall Brownie

At the meeting of the Boys Literary Society held last Friday afternoon recitations were given by the members and an oration by Leon White.

The first five grades will give an entertainment in the school auditorium Friday evening the proceeds of which will be given to school work.

The School basket ball are being whipped into shape to carry off the laurels in the interscholastic basket ball league formed recently which includes Columbus, Landrum, Campobello and Tryon.

Movies

STRAND THEATRE

FRIDAY

BETTY COMSON
IN
ALWAYS THE WOMAN
A GOLDWYN FEATURE

SATURDAY

JACK HOXIE
IN
THE CROWS NEST
A REAL WESTERN

MONDAY & TUESDAY
ROUNDING UP THE LAW
A TALE OF THE OLD WEST

NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Governor of North Carolina for a pardon for Gum Burnett, who was convicted of Manufacturing Liquor at the Fall Term Superior Court of Polk county 1922, and sentenced to a term of 2 years on the public roads of Madison county.

All persons opposed to the granting of said pardon are invited to forward their protest to the Governor with out delay.

This 31st day of October, 1923.

Signed Mrs. Gum Burnett.

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