

POLK COUNTY NEWS

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Press reports of an "earthquake" in the neighborhood of Asheville, Saluda and Hendersonville reflect that sensitiveness to news which is grandly superior to fact. There may have been a tremor of minor character, caused by a landslide, even the passing of heavy freight train, but the geological formation of the mountain regions is not favorable to the occurrence of a true earthquake.

Western North Carolina mountains are composed of the oldest crystalline rocks, gneisses, granites, schists and diorites of pre-Cambrian age, greatly folded and turned on their edges. An earthquake is caused by a slip of rock in a fault. In the case of these most ancient formations of the mountain regions. Time has done with its changes and produced the acme of the eternal. On the west and east of the mountain region, including the Blue Ridge and the Great Smokies and the intervening country, there are younger sedimentary rocks, limestones, shales, marbles, quartzites, etc., of the Cambrian age, but all rocks of Western North Carolina are old geologic formations, the most ancient of which is called the Carolina gneiss. There are formations of less antiquity, but all of them are done with the changes, chances and adjustments of which earthquakes are born.

In the Piedmont earthquakes are possible and the sandhill section and eastern North Carolina it is conceivable that a great slip might produce a considerable shaking. When the mountains seem to shake—if they really do—it is the shudder that runs through their taut construction, by analogy as wind over a fire.—(Natural Resources.)

With a loaf of bread in Germany costing five billion marks—which could have been \$1,250,000,000 in the old days—the intellectual Allies are beginning to set aside all question of reparations. They are wondering whether they can hold Germany together and prevent the appearance of another and worse "Russia."

The learned Harvard Professor in his book on the mob declares that even a gathering of ergymen by certain influences could be turned into a murderous mauling mob. Our animal ancestors are still alive in the brains that we inherit from them.

The St. Louis Star readers great tribute to the country in its exposure of a medical diploma mill, turning loose upon the country an army of ignorant, dangerous men equipped with "diplomas" authorizing them to practise medicine and destroy life.

Editor Polk County News: Seeing in your issue of Nov. 1, at Mr. John G. Weaver has a copy of the first issue of the News published in the county, I am sending you a little data that might prove interesting to your readers. I may be wrong in some of the names but as far as I can remember, the history of the Polk County News runs something like this:

Established about the year 1893 by V. Fowles, and printed at Hendersonville. Mr. Fowles was a great "printer" but he soon grew tired and gave the reins of ownership over to Mr. McDowell who was then associated with the Central Industrial Institute, now Stearn's High School. For a year or two the paper was edited by W. W. Vandiver, a lawyer, who in turn sold to Will K. Jones. Mr. Jones purchased an outfit—consisting of a few cases of type and a Washington hand press, and moved it to Columbus in 1899. The printer, then a boy set the type and got out this issue; he distinctly remembers how blistered his hands were when he finished with the press that day.

Mr. Jones sold the outfit to Rev. T. Croker of the Columbus Presbyterian church. Later Mr. Croker sold to Mr. F. M. Stearns of Cleveland, Ohio, who had large real estate holdings in the county. Mr. Stearns believed in newspapers, but being a newspaper man, he leased the paper to anyone who would do it.

When began a moving parade of printers who never remained long enough to get the paper on its feet. It was then that John Caregie, Arthur Corcoran, John Bierbaum, and John Louis Smith tried the game. It was during the latter that the Stearn's estate sold the paper to Geo. B. Cobb, who moved it

to Tryon a little over 10 years ago. A short time later he sold it to W. F. Little who in turn sold to Messrs. Copland & Bush, and when Mr. Copland retired it reverted to Mr. Bush who is now conducting the only paper in the "Good old County of Polk."

John Louis Smith
Gaffney S. C.

Nov. 6, 1923

Many New Volumes Added To Library

With the increase in the numbers of the annual winter visitors and the subsequent demand for books at the Library, Miss Oliver, librarian announces the placing of the following new volumes on the shelves:

Fiction.
The Lonely Furrow, Maud Diver; The Fascinating Stranger, Booth Trakington; The Garden Party and Other Stories, Katherine Mansfield; The Sea Hawk, Rafael Sabatini; The Alaskan, J. Oliver Curwood; The Day's Journey, W. B. Maxwell; The Enchanted Garden, H. J. Forman; Faint Perfume, Zona Gale; The Invisible Gods, Edith Franklin Wyatt; The Quare Woman, Lucy Furman; Mr. Podd, Freeman Tilden; Man of the Forest, Jane Grey, Men-Like Gods, H. G. Wells; The Clinton Twins, Marshall.

Biography.
Letters and Recollections of Alexander Agassiz, edited by George R. Agassiz; The Story of a Varied Life, An Autobiography, by W. S. Rainsford; Damaged Souls, Gamaliel Bradford.

Sociology.
A Study of American Intelligence, Carl C. Brigham; American Individualism, Herbert Hoover; Women at the World's Cross-roads, A. Maud Royden.

Religion and Psychology.
Prayer as a Force, A. Maud Royden; Behaviorism and Psychology A. A. Roback; Life of Christ, Giovanni Papini.

Other Volumes.
A History of the United States of America, Henry W. Elson; Tramping with a Poet in the Rockies, Stephen Graham; and Poems of Alice Weywell

1923 TREASURERS REPORT FOR MONTH OF OCTOBER TOWN OF TRYON, N. C.

Receipts	
October 1, Balance	283.70
Water	1,104.10
License	5.00
Taxes	2,130.12
Taxes, Poll	20.00
Rent	45.00
Total	3,587.92

Disbursements	
J. T. Green Lbr. Co Lumber	18.44
Kilpin Motor Co. Gas & Repairs	1.85
Tryon Electric Co. Lights	69.38
Calhoun Office Supply Co.	2.80
Farmers Federation, Soil for footpath at footpath at foot of Godshaw Hill.	83.40
Polk Co. Telephone Co.	3.50
Stalling-Johnson Co., Fixtures & Supplies	12.51
Polk County News Co. Printing	28.14
Carolina Hwd. Co. Supplies	12.55
J. E. Lindsey-Blacksmith	2.00
R. W. Early-Refund of Sept. Water Rent	2.25
H. McMillin Refund on 1922 Taxes	1.75
S. B. Edwards-Postage Stamps	2.00
Peoples Bank & Trust Co. 6 Months Int. on 12,000 Street Bond	360.00
E. Jones, Treas. Firemans Relief Fund	37.43
W. F. Swann-State Statutes Band & White-Printing	20.89
Edna Jones, Clerk-Salary from 8-20 9-20	75.00
W. S. Green, Mayor Salary from 5-9 10-9	250.00
W. A. Wilson, Police-Salary for October	100.00
Bud Mills, Salary for Oct.	60.00
Pay Roll-Labor on Streets	5.00
Pay Roll-Labor on water Works	29.25
Pay Roll-Labor on Water Extension	88.00
Pay Roll-Labor on Intake Repairs	43.00
Fred Wofford- Bal. on Oct. Salary	14.00
Total	1,338.14

November 1, Balance... 2,249.78
Summary Of Disbursements

Water Works	205.31
Streets	6.75
Police	174.00
City General	452.81
Permanent Street Improvement	101.84
Int. on Bonds	360.00
Miscellaneous Income	37.43
Total	1,338.14

I, Edna Jones, Town Clerk do hereby certify that the foregoing Statement of Receipts and Disburse-

ments for the Town of Tryon for the month of October 1923 is full, true and correct as appears on record in my office.

Witness my hand and official seal this 6th, day of November 1923.

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Slogans—Visit the schools today Better trained and better paid teachers, more adequate buildings

Illiteracy Day
Thursday, November 22nd, 1923
Illiteracy—a menace to our nation

An American's duty toward the uneducated

Let every citizen teach one illiterate

Slogans—No illiterate by 1927—it can be done

Visit the schools today

Community Day
Friday, November 23rd, 1923
Equality of opportunity in education for every American boy and girl

Rural schools—City schools—Colleges

A public library for every community

Children today—Citizens tomorrow

Slogans—Visit the schools today An equal chance for all children A square deal for the country boy and girl.

Physical Education Day
Saturday, November 24th, 1923
Playgrounds
Physical education and hygiene The great out of doors

The country's need of forests, soil, roads, and other resources.

Slogans—A sick body makes a sick mind.
Playgrounds in every community—Athletes all

HENDERSON TO HOLD APPLE SHOW FRIDAY

Henderson county is making extensive plans for the poultry and apple show to be held at Hendersonville on Friday and Saturday of this week.

John Ewbank, president of the show organization, expects the affair to be one of the best and most representative that Henderson county has ever held despite the fact that the fruit crop this year fell short of last year's crop.

PIANIST ENTERTAINS LANIER CLUB MEMBERS

The first meeting for this year of the Lanier Club was held this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock at the Library. The meeting was well attended and a delightful programme was rendered, consisting of a piano recital by Miss Willette Wilborne and readings from Hamlet by Dwight Smith.

Miss Wilborne is a pianist of considerable talent and her renditions of a number of her own compositions delighted an appreciative audience.

Mr. Smith, who is well known for his histrionic ability, read the soliloquies from Hamlet.

At the next meeting to be held Thursday, November 22, Professor Russell Agassiz will answer the interesting question "Is Mars Inhabited?" Guests are accorded a cordial invitation to attend.

Tea was served at the meeting this afternoon by Mrs. W. F. Smith, Mrs. A. L. Hill and Mrs. James Rion.

NORTH CAROLINA WEEKLY INDUSTRIAL REVIEW 10-27-23

Kings Mountain—City to make sewer and waterworks improvements costing \$50,000.

Fayetteville—Contracts let for construction of Price Charles Hotel. Balfour—\$65,000 cotton mill plant to be constructed on 200-acre site in this vicinity.

Charlotte—Mill men and others interested in the textile industry in this section do not expect curtailment but look for increasing demand at better prices.

Wilmington—Carolina Steamship Line to make sailing of three steamers per month from this port.

Raleigh—Contracts let for construction of new Thompson gymnasium at State College, to cost \$215,700.

Wilmington—Southern Gas and Oil Company to move headquarters to this city.

Charlotte—Plan considered for construction of a new road from this point to Lee county line.

High Point—Thomasville and Denton Railroad plans extension of lines.

Winston—Largest tobacco crop in history being harvested in this section since opening of local market.

Chapel Hill—Construction of three new dormitories costing \$336,000 to house 348 students, to be started on

State University campus. Building construction in 16 principal southern cities shows ten per cent increase over September of last year.

Do you know that the Red Cross spent \$7,000,000 assisting thousands of ex-service men last year.

Do you know that 126 Red Cross chapters in North Carolina in the last year have assisted 5,652 ex-service men.

Do you know that Red Cross nurses made 24,562 visits to North Carolina homes where sickness and disease threatened human life.

Do you know that Red Cross courses in First Aid, Life Saving,

and Home Hygiene are vital contributions to the welfare of your State.

Do you know that the Red Cross spent \$163,592.00 aiding thousands of disaster victims in the South last year.

Do you know that the Red Cross gave nutrition instruction to 36,399 children in the South during the last year.

The American Red Cross is the embodiment of practical idealism, with a deep faith in spiritual things, tempered by hard common sense.

"Our country could secure no higher commendation, no greater place in history than to have it

truthfully said the Red Cross is truly American"—President Coolidge

The American Red Cross is one of the most powerful agencies for peace that mankind has ever devised.

The American Red Cross affords an opportunity to every individual to link himself with a mighty force for human welfare.

Wherever disease or disaster strikes, there you will find the Red Cross.

Help the Red Cross do everywhere what you would do if you were there.

The American Red Cross supports the cause of civilization. The American Red Cross is the service of all who suffer.



Are Your Eye Muscles Functioning Properly?

If your eyes do not focus properly a blurred image is thrown upon the retina. We can supply you with glasses that will make your eye pictures clear and distinct. Let us examine into the causes of your eye discomfort and prescribe the proper lenses.

R. E. Biber
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103 W. Main St.
Spartanburg, S. C.

ANNOUNCING

The Annual Opening of the
MOUNTAIN INDUSTRIES
Sales Rooms and Gift Shop,
Thursday, November 15.

Here will be found Xmas Suggestions.



Santa Claus

Will soon be getting ready for his annual visit. Wise shoppers will scan the columns of the NEWS for holiday hints and many money saving bargains will be offered by enterprising merchants. Patronize the advertiser first---It will pay you to take this hint and

Shop Early