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With these modern advantages at an attractive price, these new trucks are expected to obtain a prominent place in the favor of the commercial-car buying public.

EDITORIAL OF LATE CLAUD C. WASHBURN

(From Minneapolis Tribune) AUG. 13, 1926

The following editorial appeared in the Minneapolis Tribune on August 13th on the life of Mr. Claude C. Washburn who passed away a few days ago at his home in Minnesota.

The untimely death of Claude C. Washburn, of Duluth, has not only cut short a literary career of great promise, but has taken from Minnesota's small circle of distinguished men of letters a craftsman it could ill afford to lose. Born in Mankato, and a resident of Duluth, Mr. Washburn was entirely Minnesota, yet of a type not frequently encountered in a state only yesterday graduated from pioneerhood. A large part of his life had been spent in Italy, and he was much at home on the other side of the Atlantic as here. Equally with English, Italian was his language; and he had the ripe background of a citizen of the world.

Mr. Washburn's work was too sensitive and delicate, perhaps, to force itself on the attention of the man on the street, but his essays and novels were followed and admired by the discerning few. Although the comparison would not be finely exact one might liken him, in a way to the earlier Henry James. Like James he spent his later life abroad; like James, he was interested in the comedy of international manners; and like James, he was not only extraordinarily well educated but possessed of uncommonly astute and subtle critical perceptions. Far from as widely known as that other titan of Minnesota letters, Sinclair Lewis, he was much admired by Lewis, whose, houseguest, indeed, he had been for a few days just prior to his death.

All those who knew Claude Washburn felt and responded to his charm. The finest shade of meaning attached to the word "gentleman" seemed to have been reserved especially to fit him. He had the manners, the courtesy, the cultivation, the kindness, the bearing, and the background of the gentleman. The best of two civilizations were blended in his, and not only a rich and observant mentality but a rare and gently personable served to make him a memorable experience to any one who came in contact with him. It is an infinite pity that so gifted and lovable an individual should not have been permitted to finish out the normal span of life.

MR. F. B. BACON ENTERTAINS VISITORS

Provides Delightful Luncheon For Several Guests.

Mr. F. P. Bacon President of the Tryon Development Company entertained a number of the visitors from Charleston West Va. at a delightful luncheon served in the Lake Lanier tea room, Tuesday August 24. His guests on that occasion were W. M. Hester, the Treasurer of the Company, Mrs. J. B. Kemper and daughter, Miss Kemper; Mrs. A. C. Lambert and Mr. J. B. Frazelle all of whom journeyed from Charleston West Va. to see the great development at Lake Lanier.

Hurried Chicago bandits got only \$9,000, missing one case of booze.

Sometimes when we think we see faces they're the same old faces in a new makeup.

WHERE HELP IS NEEDED



HIGH LIVING COSTS AND UNJUST TAXATION HURT AGRICULTURE

Here in America our land and land-taxation problems are being more seriously studied than ever before.

Many authorities declare that much of the present agricultural distress is due to the high farm land values, but seemingly forget that farm-land values have increased but little in comparison with city-lot values where single blocks sell for millions of dollars, and that the high land costs and rental costs of city industrial establishments, city stores, etc., are all saddled on the consumer in the form of higher prices. In fact a great part of the farmer's trouble is found in the fact that our city population and industrial population which grew tremendously extravagant during the hectic days of the World War have practically refused to decline from the costly living standards then established. The manufactured goods the farmer must buy; the merchant from whom he buys them; the banker, doctor, and lawyer whose professional services the farmer must have — all these and their families now maintain a scale of living, dressing, entertaining, traveling, etc., whose exorbitant costs must be paid by "the ultimate consumer," — and naturally the class which is least effectively organized to "get its share" bears the brunt of the burden. That is why the farmer suffers most. He pays the penalty of the "high cost of living" of other classes.

Taxation burdens, too now bear most unequally on the farmer. Farmers in rural counties must often pay a much higher rate per \$100 of property to get a short-term school than city residents pay to get a full-term school. The farmers' wealth is being drained into the cities where the wealthier and more favored classes reside, while these cities as yet help little to maintain schools, etc., in the rural sections from which their patronage and wealth are drawn. Nor is this all. Not only has the national government coddled manufactures and commerce at the expense of other classes but state and local governments have done the same thing. Notice this paragraph from Mark Sullivan:

"The president of the Pennsylvania Manufacturers' Association, Joseph Grundy, testified that he advanced a very large sum in the interest of one of the candidates for the Republican nomination for Governor. When queried about his motive Grundy said, quite candidly, that for fifty years manufacturing companies have been exempt from taxation in Pennsylvania; and that the opposing candidate for Governor was known to favor laying a tax on manufacturers."

"In this part of the country if a manufacturing concern comes to town and starts a business, it is often exempted from taxation for a term of years; but if a boy stays on the farm and tries to build a house for himself or otherwise improves things, he is taxed higher."

The whole rural problem, in our opinion, is really nothing else than just getting a square deal for agriculture. And in the main, we believe that result can best be achieved, not by striving to get some special privilege to offset those given other classes, but by standing squarely on a platform of "equal rights to all and special privileges to none." — Clarence Poe, in The Progressive Farmer.

You don't have to go to Quebec or Alaska to see a gold rush or a rush for gold.

A Kansas lady killed a man who tempted fate by becoming her seventh husband.

If Frante ever pensions her ex-Premiers we never get that four billion she owes us.

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LONG TRIP PLANNED

Lake Lanier Buses to go Five Hundred Miles

The Tryon Development Company have inaugurated a new policy in regard to bringing visitors to their property from a great distance and instead of using RR transportation, are going to send some of their parlor car busses to various cities and bring visitors overland in them to the property at Tryon.

One of these schedules will include a round mileage of 1050 miles and a week will be required for the trip; however as the routing will be through the Allegheny mountains and down the Shenandoah Valley, again crossing the mountains at Asheville, N. C. it will undoubtedly provide one of the most interesting journeys that people, from the cities in that section of America have ever enjoyed.

Birds Lightning Victims?

David L. Beach of Athol, N. Y., found a large number of sparrows apparently lifeless on the ground early one morning. He picked them up and one by one they revived. It is believed they had been shocked in an electrical storm of the night before while in nearby trees.

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COLUMBUS P. T. A. ASSN. MEETS AT HOME OF MRS. COBB

The Executive Board of the Stearns High School P. T. A. was called together by the President, Mrs. E. W. S. Cobb, at her home on Friday evening August 27 to make plans for the coming year.

The President had previously appointed for her Executive Board the following Chairman of Membership Committee: Mrs. John Arledge Chairman of Publicity Committee Mrs. J. W. Jack.

Chairman of Program Committee, Miss Vadah McMurry, Chairman of Social Committee, Miss Lois Holderbaum, Chairman of Civic Committee, Mrs. W. S. McDowell, Chairman of Welfare Committee, Mr. Ira Swanmann, Chairman of Ways and Means Committee, Mr. N. L. Wessinger. At the May meeting of the P. T. A. Mr. Herman Walker was elected Vice President; Miss Kathrine McChesney, Secretary; and Mrs. Fred Blanton, Treasurer; E. W. S. Cobb, County Superintendent and Miss Ida Seidel, County Supervisor, being honorary members were present.

The first meeting of the P. T. A. will be held in the auditorium of Stearns High School, Friday evening September 3 at 8:00 p. m. A short program will be given followed by an informal reception for the faculty. A cordial invitation is extended to the public.

MRS. J. W. JACK, Chairman of Publicity Committee.

LYNN NEWS

The Lynn Graded School will open its doors for the 1926-1927 session on September 6th. All pupils are asked to be on the school ground by 8:45 Monday morning. All of the patrons are invited to be present for the opening exercises.

There will be a picnic at the Lynn Baptist church Sunday September 5th. Everybody is invited to come and bring a basket with them.

A revival will start at the Lynn Baptist church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock to be held by Rev. Morgan.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Lee Lavender have moved to our community.

Mr. Lavender will open up a law Mr. Lavendar will open up a law will hold a position in the Lynn School this year.

Miss Rachel Capps gave a birthday party Tuesday evening. About thirty boys and girls were present at the party. After many games were played refreshments were served. All returned home after spending an enjoyable evening wishing Miss Capps may more happy birthdays.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE POLK COUNTY NEWS

To the Editor of the Polk County News:

This communication is not offered by me for publication as a member of any Committee or as a member of the Chamber of Commerce, but as a citizen of Tryon and a taxpayer I personally assume its full responsibility.

First, as printed in your last week's issue, the request for a Committee to look into the matter of water rates was made by the Mayor after the Commissioners had issued their printed schedule under date of August 6th, which met with a good deal of opposition from the citizens of Tryon. This Committee appointed by the president of the Chamber of Commerce at the request of the Mayor, made its report and ten days before it was printed the Mayor was asked by you for a communication from him so that the two reports could be compared and considered by the property owners whose real estate is pledged to pay the interest on the bonds as they fall due, amounting to some \$13,000 per year, and also to pay the maturity of the bonds as they become due. According to the printed report submitted by the Mayor and Commissioners dated August 6th, the town of Tryon has only 400 users of water, 148 of which have no sewer connections, 201 are sewer, 45 are sewer and are larger users, and 6 are still larger users.

Now it is contended by the Mayor that if the report of the Committee is adopted it will greatly reduce the water revenue, while the Committee contends that if the minimum charge of \$1.75 for the unsewered users and \$3.00 for the sewer users is maintained, the number of users being the same as those in the Mayor's report, that the revenue will not be reduced by giving the sewer and unsewered users in class 1 and 2 more water for the same money. From these two classes most of the revenue for water rates will be received. If the town of Tryon has expended \$217,000.00 for a gravity water supply that will not supply its property owners with water at as fair and reasonable rates as other mountain towns, but they must pay more than double what these other towns are paying, then either the bonded indebtedness was too large or the expenditure has not been wise and judicious. The average rate brought to my attention for water from gravity sources from surrounding towns is 28 cents per thousand, with a minimum of 10,000 gallons while the rate fixed by the report submitted by the Mayor is \$1.11 or \$1.00 net, and the maximum for 3,000 gallons is \$3.00. The Committee recommends that 5,000 gallons should be allowed for \$2.00, or 60 cents per 1,000 gallons.

But I am forced to find some other solution for the objection of the Mayor to the recommendations made by this Committee, and in reading the report of the Committee I find the following recommendation that may possibly have some bearing: "Your Committee recommends that no lower rates than above revised rates be made, and that no concessions therefrom be granted to anyone." Now I am informed that there are some fifty-eight users of water in a part of the town who are being supplied through one meter at a quantity rate. If these fifty-eight users of water were considered as separate units it would secure a minimum revenue of \$174.00* per month, or \$2,088.00 per year, less the amount they are paying through the one meter system. Then I am informed that part of these users are outside of the town of Tryon and 50 percent extra would be added, or a minimum of \$4.50 per month, besides a deposit of \$4.50 each to insure the payment of their bills. If there are fifty-eight houses in this district and I am advised they all or nearly all have sewer connections, then there being a charge of \$50.00 for each sewer connection, it would yield a revenue of \$2,900. Now the report of the audit for sewer connections for the entire town of Tryon for the year ending May 31, 1925 was \$521.60, and the year ending May 31, 1926, extension and connections, \$600.00, \$1,121.60 being the entire amount shown in the audit report.

If there's anything in strike waves, one has just reached England from Pennsylvania.

A political prisoner is the fellow who tries to get out for office and can't make it.

It's worth a lot to live in Florida, but not at the price some of her lots are selling for.

Life is what we make it. If we make it.

The way of the transgressor is hard, but catching him is the hardest.

Every dog has his day, but the trouble is in knowing which day it is.

Well, Wall Street ought to help the farmers. They made Wall Street possible.

These items would add to the revenue in gross figures the sum of over \$5,000, which would help very much in making up the amount of fixed charges that are to be raised.

Mayor Green's administration has nothing to fear in the way of an economical and honest management of municipal affairs, but there is a lurking suspicion in the minds of the citizens that there has not always been an equalization of revenue from the sources referred to in this communication, and this suspicion should be cleared up.

The citizens of Tryon are ready and willing to cooperate with the Commissioners in securing a more efficient and better condition of municipal affairs, and I presume to call the Commissioners' attention to one feature which I believe deserves their attention. Namely that private business of the town of Tryon is now and has been for some time associated in the same small building where

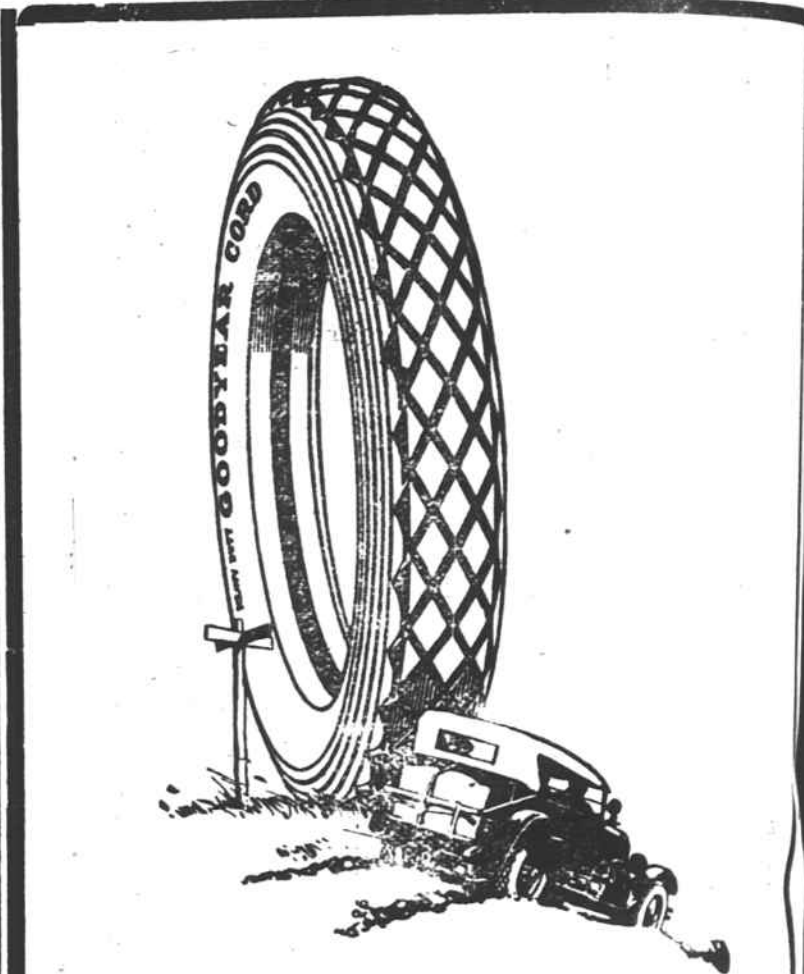
FOR SALE — To make room for my young pullets coming on I will sell 10 nice hens and one rooster about 14 months old Rhode Island Reds good laying strain. Hens \$1.50 cockerel \$2.00. J. F. EUDY, Tryon, N. C.

Mayor conducts his coal between two gasoline filling stations and should a fire occur there, a question that the records of the town would be destroyed. The payers of Tryon are now called on to pay \$2,500 for a map of the water pipes which has been destroyed by fire. Now that we have a new Chamber of Commerce, it is the Mayor's duty to see that these safe deposits are made in the town of Tryon. It is more secure and reliable where the citizens would come to act municipally. It is the duty of any other citizen.

If I am a citizen, I presume your Column will be glad to say something to the effect that

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