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Remembers Tryon After 50 Years

Scn of Tryon's first mayor sees name of Ballenger-Jackson Co., in a national magazine, and immediately gets homesick for childhood days of fishing in Vaughn's Creek. This country affects people that way. The letter is as follows:

San Antonio, Texas,
Nov. 10th, 1937.

The Ballenger-Jackson Co.
Tryon, North Carolina.

Dear Sirs:

Seeing your firm's name listed in Goodhousekeeping Magazine (Chatham Blanket advertisement), reminds me of my boyhood days spent in your city, until I was 14 years of age. My father, now deceased, was a minister there, also school teacher, county surveyor, and Tryon's first mayor. Two of my schoolmates were Claude and Edgar Ballenger, also their sister, Mamie. I feel that one or both of these boys are connected with your firm, if so, and you remember me. please write to me when you have the time.

I am 63 years of age (last October 19th).

Here are some of the names of families I remember: Garrison, Smith, Jones, Fisher, Goodell, Weaver, McAboy, Whitney, Beatson. Simms, Hampton.

When I was there Smith and Ballenger had a general store, which was burned down. My father rebuilt their store. I recall the Pacolet River and Vons Creek

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Sunday was a beautiful day. Miss J. E. Parsons of Fairfield, Iowa, who is spending the winter in Tryon with her cousin, Mrs. Willis Parsons, is a member of the Fairfield Congregational church of which the Rev. C. P. Burnett's father was a pastor in 1872, soon after he came to America from England. Preacher Percy, himself, was born in England The widow's mite: The Rock House Art Gallery across from the depot is being made more attractive all the time. Mrs. Couper has planted Italian Rye, built rock walls, set out shrubbery, etc. Sometime ago Agent T. G. Miller won a prize from the Southern Railway for having the neatest depot and grounds in this division. On the other side of the park between the Baptist church and the Washburn building is room for more improvement. The Washburn building has been undergoing constant remodeling and repainting and now houses four concerns: the Book & Paper Shop, Helen Harwood—dresses, Mrs. Averill—dress-making, and the Farmers Federation gift shop. The Baptists have been making improvements for their new pastor who arrives this week from Kannapolis, the big towel town Here is a Strange As It Seems con-

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