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Merchants Meet Tonight

All merchants and service station operators are asked to meet tonight at 8 o'clock at Missildine's hall to discuss plans for forming a merchants association and other business matters of interest to retail merchants. B. L. Ballenger will preside.

Tax Listing Begins

Tax listing all over Polk County will begin on Thursday morning. In Tryon township the listing will be in charge of Mrs. B. E. Samples, assisted by Mrs. Julia Brock. From January 2 to 9 taxes may be listed in Tryon at the Old Town Hall on Maple street. For two days, 10th and 11th at Story's store, Lynn; on the 13th and 14th at Davenport's store, Soumerco; and from the 15th to 31st back in Tryon again at the old town hall. Other tax listings according to township haven't been announced.

Rogers Leaves Sunday

Carroll P. Rogers leaves on Sunday for Raleigh where he will represent Polk County in the State Legislature. Mr. Rogers is a veteran legislator having represented Polk County twice and Henderson County once. He is already a member of this year's inaugural committee chosen to help make plans for Governor Broughton's inauguration.

Reports from Albania state that the Greeks have driven the Italians away from Klisura and stopped an Italian tank attack.

Save the Wild Flowers

Editor of The Citizen-Times:

The voice from Tryon, in Sunday's Citizen, Peoples' Forum, lamenting the wanton destruction of our mountain laurel—their roots being converted into smoking-pipe bowls—must have appealed to every lover of nature in Western North Carolina. Only a few days before, it will be recalled, the death knell of the dogwood was sounded—again for pipe bowls; “only the older (more beautiful) trees being suitable!”

With the possible exception of the rhododendron, the mountain laurel and the dogwood are the most treasured flowers in our mountains—highly to be valued, even practically. For, sentiment aside, our wild flowers are a business asset—especially to a country that stresses, with pardonable pride, the greatest variety of flora in America.

The use of trees for lumber, wood products, fuel, etc., is an economic necessity. While we accept this, is it not highly significant that the federal government has a well established, nationwide forest and park conservation program—the one for wood conservation, the other, for the preservation of natural beauty?

I think my greatest civic pride in Western North Carolina is that, during a residence here of 40 years, nearly two millions of acres of land have been set aside for the regulated use and enjoyment of the people of this country. This vast area includes the Great Smokies, the Unakas, the Nanta-

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