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CURB REPORTER

Weather Wednesday: High 83 low 66 . . . Rotary Meets Friday night at 6:30 at Oak Hall. At which time 25 soldiers from Camp Croft will be guests of the Rotary and Kiwanis clubs. M. R. McCown will be in charge of the program. The soldiers will put on a benefit show at 8 o'clock at Tryon Theater for the United War Fund. . . Eventually we hope to have an interesting story from Lieut. George D. Cooksey, Jr. who came down in his burning plane over enemy territory in France, and was protected by the French underground who dressed him in peasant clothes. He lived and worked with the French people until the American troops entered his section, and he was made a prisoner of war of his own country until his identification was proved. Then he went on a lecture tour to airmen who were getting ready to fly over Europe. In one of the groups he lectured a lieutenant came forth, a lieutenant came forth, it was Lock McGeachy, a fellow Eagle Boy Scout and Tryon school mate. . . Another story we want is one from Grady Clark who was on an England bound ship when it was torpedoed in icy waters off the Greenland coast. He floated 40 miles for nine hours in the icy water until he

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COLUMBUS NEWS

School opened Monday as had been scheduled. There was a steady drip, drip, outside, but inside all were warm and dry. At the last moment, Dr. Coletrane sent a message saying he was unavoidably detained, was very sorry and would come down later in school year. Rev. Vause, one of the new high school teachers, did a fine piece of pinch hitting, as he termed it. Prof. Tolliver and Dr. Brooks made short addresses. In spite of the inclement weather the most of the children were present this first day, all happy to be back in school.

Miss Marion L. Shepard left Sunday for Chapel Hill where she will enter the university for post graduate work.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Edwards arrived Friday from Atlanta for a visit with relatives in the county. They spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Edwards. With them were Mr. and Mrs. Bill Nesbit and children of Edneyville Mr. and Mrs. John Lyle Edwards and son, Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Edwards and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Earl Edwards, Mrs. Myron Hilyar and Miss Clara Edwards. The only ones of the family not present were Ray Edwards and a sister, Mrs. Tom Young, both in the far west. The Cookseys, The Jacks and the Feagans joined this Edwards clan in the afternoon. Roy has been away for years. This is the second trip he and his wife have made home this summer.

Mrs. J. W. Newman and daughter, Mrs. John L. Smith are back

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