

Polk County is all set for A Merry Christmas. About 50 young people of the college set are in Tryon for the holidays, and all over the county from various colleges have come students and relatives from distant places to make this a joyous time . . . On Tryon Route One at the Rzeppa Tri Branch Farm. Miss Priscilla Moore, Miss M. Whitney are hosts at bridge tonight; the Brundages are giving a dance Tuesday night at the Parish House; Miss Marv Sovers and Miss Virginia Donald riving a masquerade party at the Country Club on Friday. There will be something going on every day . . . Mrs. Harold Jay has sold her interest in the Red Bird Associates to Mrs. Caroline H. Hale, who will continue the business . . .

BUDDY

## HOSPITAL NEWS

George Jenks of Tryon and Paul Hardesty of Saluda have been discharged after treatment.

New patients include Virgil Wilson, Tryon; C'arence Camobell, Landrum Route 1: Mrs Jack Melton, Mill Spring; Mrs. Minnie Gosnell, Trvon; James H. Peeler, Camvobello Route 1; Mrs. Thomas E. Brown, Tryon; Mrs. John Herbert, -Columbus.

STOCK OF BANK HERE

A group of citizens have purchased the controlling stock of the Tryon Bank & Trust Co., from Edwin Duncan of North Wilkesboro, executive vice-president of the Northwestern Branch Bank system.

Mr. Duncan acquired his controlling interest from Julian B. Hester in April 1946, and with 13 other stockholders owned the entire stock of 25 shares.

The directors of the bank felt it to be the best interests of the community and of the bank for the stock to be shared by more people in the community and upon that basis friends of the bank were in-vited to buy the stock of Mr. Duncan. The entire stock of the bank is now owned by 44 friends of the community instead of 14.

The bank has enjoyed a steady growth under able leadership and has grown into a two million dollar institution.

The present officers are as follows:

W. C. Ward, President; C. M. Howes, Vice-President; John G. Landrum, Jr., Cashier.

L. A. Avant, R. E. Brantlev, C. M. Howes, R. O. Andrews, W. C. Ward, J. T. Arledge, John G. Landrum, Jr., Directors.

## FATAL SHOOTING HERE

Pope Wingo, young colored man and grocery truck driver. fatally shot Bubber Dean about 25, Sunday shortly after noon at the home of Arthur Suber where the two were playing cards with some other men.

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