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Weather Friday: high 71, low 44, Rel. Hum. 45; Saturday high 71, low 36, Rel. Hum. 43; Sunday high 71, low 50, Rel. Hum. 55

Frank Sims and Fred Anderson of the Mecklenburg ABC were in Tryon Friday to confer with Mayor C. D. Stevens and the Tryon Council in regard to establishing an ABC store in Tryon. The men stated that they were primarily interested in seeing that the store was operated properly and that high type men trained for the job would be in charge. They report that the system in Mecklenburg County is a great success compared to any other system ever used. . . .

Days noted for its good hotels and eating places Tryon is growing in this respect despite the loss of the Auberge. Buckingham Inn Coffee Shop opened Saturday morning with a bang and is staying open every day all day long, under operation of Tuck and Dotty Taylor of Myrtle Beach, S. C. Mill Farm Inn will re-open Wednesday, Oct. 17th, seeking luncheons, dinners, teas, breakfasts, etc., from the general public as well as serving its own house guests. Mrs. Ethel Gardner Sturgis, the new owner, has made extensive improvements to the inn. On the same Harmon Field road, Brintnall's Seven Hearths is operating a craft

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GEORGE E. BELL

George Eller Bell, 82, retired telegraph operator, and civic and political leader of Tryon passed away about midnight Saturday at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Ralph S. Jackson. He had been ill about three months.

Funeral services will be held Monday afternoon at 3 o'clock at the McFarland Funeral Home with the Rev. Orville H. White, pastor of the Congregational Church officiating. Interment will be in the Tryon Cemetery where members of the Jeff L. Nelson Masonic Lodge of which he was a past worshipful master, will give the Masonic burial service. The following Masons will act as pallbearers: G. Lotan Pace, E. R. Goodyear, Ernest Kerhulas, Paul Smith, Byron Rector, Demus Chapman.

Mr. Bell is survived by his widow, the former Miss Elizabeth Powell; one daughter, Mrs. Ralph S. Jackson, Tryon; one granddaughter, Mrs. Rutledge Carter of Albuquerque, New Mexico; a brother, David Bell of Asheville and one sister, Mrs. Mary Roberts, Hot Springs, North Carolina.

Mr. Bell was a native of Buncombe County. He moved to Tryon in 1912 as a telegraph operator for the Southern Railway System. Later he established and operated the Postal Telegraph Co., office for many years until his retirement just before the consolidation of the two companies.

For the past seven years he had been on the staff of the Tryon Theatre.

Mr. Bell was a trustee of the Congregational Church for more than 10 years; a former vice-chairman of the Polk County

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