

## NOTED WRITER SEES NEW THOUGHT NEED IN NORTH CAROLINA

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of creative writing and advanced composition work. He is spending his summer vacation with his wife and two small children at the home of Mrs. Ralph Zachary on Maple street where he has taken an apartment. Mr. Phillips mother, Mrs. Lucy Phillips of Rockingham, N. C., is a counselor at Rockbrook Camp for girls, near Brevard and has been connected with that camp for eight years.

Although a young man, Russell is an accepted and accomplished writer, having written several biographies, a novel and books of travel. He is a veteran newspaperman, the call of the press having lured him to London where he for three years worked in various departments on the London Daily Press, as the only American member of the staff. He has also been associated with newspapers in New York and Philadelphia.

One of Mr. Russell's first books was a biography, "Benjamin Franklin, First Civilized American." Other biographies include, "John Paul Jones, Man of Action" and "Emerson, the Wisest American."

A story of travel through Mexico and Yucatan is "Red Tiger," a book full of rich and exciting experiences encountered while Mr. Russell and an English artist were traveling in that country. The book covers a period of four months, the duration of the trip. Mr. Russell and his artist friend started out upon the exploration without the approval of their friends who insisted that they were fools for traveling into the interior of what was at that time a practically unknown territory. "Red Tiger" was one of the very first books to be written about that section of the world, although numbers have appeared in the years since its publication.

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## QUEBEC NEWS

(By Lucille Henderson)

Miss Flora McCall, of Turkey Paw, S. C., is spending a few days this week with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. T. C. McCall.

Mrs. John H. Reid is visiting her daughter, Mrs. C. L. Sanders of Lake Toxaway.

Mr. and Mrs. C. S. McCall and Gene Moore went to a grave decoration at Macedonia church last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Chapman, who have both been quite ill, are now in much better health.

Mr. Dwight Hardin, Mr. John Robinson and Mr. Mack Robinson were visitors at Sylvia Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Dwight Hardin is spending some time with her mother at Horse Cove.

Mr. and Mrs. Marcus McCall are visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. C. McCall this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Noah Whitmore had an ice cream supper Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Owen and daughter, Emilee Josephine, are spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Owen.

Mrs. Annie Odell visited Mrs. Lesa Loving Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Robert Simmons and Miss Dovie Galloway of Easley, S. C., visited friends at Reids last Sunday.

Misses Rebecca and Betty Jean Smith spent Saturday night with Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Smith at Rosman.

Misses Lillian and Opal Dodgin spent Sunday with Miss Lucille Henderson.

R. T. Fisher, Jr., and little sister, Darline, visited their grandmother, Mrs. Gideon Miller, one day last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyle McCoy visited Mr. and Mrs. T. T. Miller of Lake Toxaway one day last week.

Miss Clara Thomas is spending some time with her sister in Easley, South Carolina.

Mrs. Lesa Loving visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gideon Miller last Saturday.

Mr. Berry Robinson and family moved to Tryon Monday where Mr. Robinson is engaged in work.

Mr. Broadus Henderson, who graduated from the University of North Carolina last spring, has secured work in Greenville, S. C., starting off at a salary of \$90 a month.

Garland Jones of Etowah visited Oscar Henderson last week and Oscar returned home with him for the week-end.

Misses Mary and Geneva Young of South Carolina spent Saturday night with Miss Mildred McCall.

Mrs. Harvey Galloway of Easley, S. C., is spending a few days with friends at Reids.

Mrs. D. H. Miller of Sapphires, spent Thursday night of last week with her brother, Mr. C. W. Henderson.

Miss Lucille Henderson spent Monday night with Miss Rebecca Smith.

Mr. Paul Mullinex of Easley, S. C., has been visiting Mr. G. C. Whitmore the past week.

The children of this community, with smiles on their faces, marched out from their homes to the schools Monday morning, the elementary school children going to Quebec school where Rev. A. J. Manly and Miss Dorine Lee hold forth as the teachers, and the high school pupils boarding the buses for Rosman high school, all apparently expecting to do their part in a good year's work at school.

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the tropical and semi-tropical jungles of Southern Mexico, a section in distinct contrast to the dry, dusty, unfertile regions of the north, Russell and his companion led by friendly Indian guides visited beautiful temples seen by few white men.

They witnessed in their imagination while browsing through the old temples of the Mayans, the elaborate religious exercises of those Indians who possessed an unusually high type of civilization, having been familiar with astronomy, agriculture, and architecture. They also visited the sacred city of Yucatan, Cheneteza and crossed the mainland of Mexico from the Atlantic in canoes, by horseback, and on foot, eventually arriving with their guides on the shores of the Pacific ocean.

Arrested twice as a spy, Russell was once released on his own parole, when he consented to report to the nearest Commandant for trial, whereas he was arrested for taking pictures of a forbidden area on the coast of Yucatan. When he reported to the Commandant, and explained the situation he was allowed to keep his pictures and granted permission to take as many more as he desired. He found the Indians to be a very friendly and congenial people although they do resent the attitude taken by so many tourists who look down upon them as being inferior.

The Commandant explained to Mr. Russell that tourists were not to take pictures of the unusual scenes in the cities, such as the buzzards walking the streets, as tame as pigeons, taking back to their friends a biased conception of what the country really represents. In this way gruesome pictures are sometimes painted when the buzzard is really a tame bird protected by law and a valuable scavenger.

Entirely dependent upon the Indians for guiding purposes, Russell often fished and hunted with them. On one occasion he camped on a sort of Robinson Crusoe Island for several days with Indians who could speak neither English nor Spanish and it was necessary to use what knowledge he had of their language and sign language in order to be understood. He found that forty different languages are used in Mexico, the natives of one mountain sometimes speaking a language that their neighbors on a nearby hill could not understand.

Professor Russell has a knowledge of French, German, Spanish and Italian which has served him well while traveling in Europe and other sections of the world.

He is author of a novel "Fumblers" and of "Harvesters," being a book of short biographical sketches of great men. The latter book covers a period of 700 years beginning with Frederick II of Sicily, Holy Roman Emperor and ending with Thomas ADD COLLEGE PROF

Jefferson, connecting the lives of the men mentioned in such a way as to reveal to the reader that their lives were all attached to the same thread.

A new biography, "Life of William the Conqueror" is now in the hands of publishers and will be released in the near future. Professor Russell takes a keen delight in writing biographies, since he says that he has gained more himself in reading such works than from any other type of writing. To him the study and the observation of a man's failures and successes, especially a man who despite the handicaps and hardships of unfavorable circumstances has risen above them to fame contains an unsurpassable fascination.

"North Carolinians do not realize that imaginative thinking is as valuable in its place as practical thinking, although the one should not exclude the other," Russell declares. "North Carolina is in desperate need of a school of writers who will write the viewpoints and stories of North Carolina people. This state never has realized the value of native writers and the contributions they have to offer.

"A concrete example of the possibilities of native writers is the results obtained from the writings of Mrs. Christian Reid of Salisbury who after a horseback trip through Western North Carolina wrote an article entitled "The Land of the Sky." This name has often been used in the years since the article was printed and has become a name for the Western section of the state, serving as a valuable advertising medium."

Professor Russell believes that a North Carolina school of writers is gradually growing and he mentions such writers as Thomas Wolf and Mrs. Fielding Burke who form a nucleus for the fiction group; Paul Greene, drama; Wilbur Daniel Steele and O'Henry, short stories; John C. McNeil and James L. Pierson, poetry.

He has observed that natives of the state wait for some outsider to come in to tell them about the beauties of the precious laurel and rhododendron which they chop down and apparently try to stamp out so unmercifully. Their appreciation of great leaders and writers of the state has been the same, and only when they are awakened to this fact will North Carolina find her true place in the world of literature.

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## "Two-Millionth Visitor" Gets New Set of Tires



July 28 there was a sudden stirring in the Firestone Factory and Exhibition Building at "A Century of Progress," Mrs. Chaucery Larsen of Northfield, Minn., found herself being formally presented with a set of Firestone High Speed Tires, fresh from the molds and bearing the World's Fair medallion. Manager

C. D. Smith made the presentation to the "two-millionth visitor," in the colorful surroundings pictured above, with a capacity crowd of visitors applauding. The Larsens had motored to the Fair, and one of the things they wanted to see most was the Firestone Factory and Exhibition Building including the manufacture of tires.

## INTERESTING MEET HELD BY TEACHERS

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the teachers and principals of the schools in a manner that was befitting community leaders, and that those things which were too knotty for clearance by the teacher and his or her principal were to be brought to the superintendent's office where every service possible would be rendered.

"You are a part of the community in which you are teaching, and as a representative of the county school system and the state of North Carolina you are expected to lend every cooperation to both parents and pupils, observing the Golden Rule in all things, but at the same time remembering that you have your right and your specific duties to perform," Mr. Bush advised the teachers.

Bus drivers are to be cautioned by the teachers, the superintendent said, in regard to the two-mile law passed by the legislature, and in every way possible aid in keeping expenses to the minimum.

Professor Hutchinson, head of the Canton city schools, and executive member of the North Carolina Education association, spoke briefly and convincingly of the work being done by his association, urging all teachers to give their support to the association, and as a reason for this support enumerated some of the services that have been rendered the teaching profession in the state by the association, with particular reference to the last session of the General Assembly, when, he asserted, the Bowie group were after "knifing the teachers of the state" political purposes. He stressed the point that teachers should know how and what representatives in the General Assembly were going to do about matters pertaining to schools and urged that teachers and their friends ascertain before voting for any man, his position on school questions. He declared that the education commission of North Carolina was doing its utmost under the handicap they are operating due to insufficient appropriations made by the General Assembly, both for teachers and the schools.

Julian Glazener, teacher of agriculture in Brevard high school, very emphatically declared to the teachers that the time had come when teachers of Transylvania and other counties of the state should know who the man was that would represent them in the next legislature and know beforehand how he stood on school questions. "Call it enterpolitics or call it whatever you may," he said, "if we teachers are alert we will know the standing of any man before he is sent to the legislature." He, too, stressed the fact that as never before there was a need for cooperation among teachers and school officials and declared that he believed that Transylvania's group would "go all the way" in this cooperation.

Randall Lyday, teacher of agriculture at Rosman high school, and C. M. Douglas of the Transylvania Times spoke briefly, after which Professor G. C. Bush was chosen as head of the local unit N. C. E. A., with Mrs. Bush as secretary.

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## THE TIMES ADOPTS NRA CODE MONDAY

People Asked To Cooperate In Getting Paper Printed In Shorter Hours

Effective Monday morning of this week The Transylvania Times adopted the Blue Eagle and is now operating under the provisional code of the weekly newspapers over the United States as proposed by the National Editorial Association and approved by the Associated Weeklies of Western North Carolina and the North Carolina Press association.

The code under which this newspaper is operating coincides in the main with the President's blanket code with a few exceptions, these exceptions being of interest only to the profession. Minimum hours of work are the same, 49 hours per week, with minimum wages higher than that in many other lines.

Working under the code will naturally necessitate some re-adjustments in the office of The Times and carry with it extra costs in the production of the county newspaper, as in other lines of endeavor, but the paper is glad to cooperate with other progressive firms, not only in Transylvania county but the country over. With shortened hours in the shop weekly wages are not to be decreased in the shop, the scale, in conformity with the newspaper code and in keeping with the President's blanket code having been put in effect the first of August.

The public, advertisers and readers, are asked to do their part by giving us news items and advertising copy as early as possible.

Under the code adopted, and which will be put into effect immediately upon details being completed by the National Editorial Association, prices of printing, advertising and circulation will be fixed by the governing body of the newspapers the country over and will be strictly adhered to in The Times shop as well as other shops in the nation. Price of The Times per year, \$1.00 in the county and \$1.50 outside, will remain in effect possibly this week and next, after which time price per year will be based upon cost, which will make it considerably more than is now being charged. Likewise, with adoption of a cost finding system that is uniform throughout the nation, prices on printing will be fixed by the governing body, and in all likelihood will rise perceptibly. Until this new ruling has been put into effect, prices of printing that have been in vogue in The Times office for the past months will continue.

People wishing to renew their subscription before the price of the pa-

## KEYSTONE CAMP IN CLOSING EXERCISES

Eleven States Represented In Enrollment—Awards To Campers Given

Keystone Camp, for Girls, owned and directed by Miss Fannie Holt of Jacksonville, Florida closed its eighteenth season in "The Land of Waterfalls" here Tuesday evening with the final banquet.

Eleven states and the District of Columbia were represented at Keystone this year and the counselor staff was drawn from a wide territory.

At the conclusion of the banquet Tuesday evening, Miss Fannie Holt, camp director, presented the campers awards. Miss Mary K. Watson, of Charleston, S. C., was chosen as the Camp Spirit Girl, the highest award of the camp season, Miss Watson also received her camp letters.

Camp letters were presented to Virginia Kaulback of New Bedford, Mass.; Mary Margaret Musselman of Quincy, Ill.; Mae Hampton of Gainesville, Fla.; Molly Weeks of Winston Salem, N. C.; Marjory Adams of Miami Beach, Fla.; and Edna Earle Wilson of Bartow Fla. Sally Maxey, aged six, of Charlottesville, Va. was awarded a pennant for achievements as the youngest camper.

The counselor staff, chosen for personal qualities as well as for training and experience consisted of the following: Riding, Miss Jean Moore, Jacksonville; music, Miss Dorothy Dale, Nashville; crafts, Mrs. C. Seton Fleming, Jacksonville; dramatics, Mrs. Russell Snow, Cocoa, Fla. and Mrs. Edward Everett of Atlanta; marksmanship and archery, Miss Margaret R. Pace of Miami; swimming, Miss Harriet Baker of Jacksonville and Mrs. Houston Harper of Washington, D. C.; tennis, Miss Helen Marsh, of Concord, N. C.; dancing, Miss Frances Gats, of Jackson, Miss.; secretary, Mrs. H. C. Barringer of Jacksonville; dietitian, Mrs. D. Kaulback of New Bedford, Mass.; registered nurse, Mrs. Kenneth F. Maxey, of Charlottesville, Virginia.

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