

SHORT LOCAL ITEMS.

Local Items Too Short for a Head Grouped Together.

Wanted. Good party to take Log Cabin Inn for the summer. See F. M. Stearns, Columbus.

The "new spring hat" seems to be no hat at all.

Mr. James Ridings went to Spartanburg one day last week.

Geo. Henderson and Miss Ethel Nance were married last Sunday.

Dr. Grady and W. H. McFarland, of Tryon, were in the city Monday.

Atty. "Jolly Old George" Justice, of Rutherfordton, was here last week.

I. Curtis Arledg, of Tryon, spent Saturday night and Sunday at home.

Mr. Bomar, of Spartanburg, was here Friday of last week on business.

Maj. W. E. Strong and W. H. Stearns, of Tryon, were here on Monday.

Z. B. Nance had the misfortune to loose a mule and an ox one day last week.

If you have no hat at all to wear, you are "strickly in it," bareheaded is the fashion nowadays.

The crowd in town on Monday was unusually large, there being quite a number of land sales.

T. M. Ruppe, of Cooper's Gap, paid his respects to THE NEWS on Monday with a cash subscription.

Jules Baumberger closed his meat market at Tryon last week and returns to Saluda for the summer.

The paint brush is being used on the W. A. Cannon residence by L. H. Cloud, putting on the finishing touch.

Mr. Geo. Henderson, brother of our townsman and Marshal, H. L. Henderson, visited in town last week-end.

Dr. Meriwether, the dentist, is again among us prepared to render professional service in his line. He is stopping at the hotel.

It is whispered that D. F. Morrow, of Rutherfordton, will enter the campaign for Congress in this district. "Hurrah for Morrow!" Who next?

Judge Hampton and son, "Dock" returned on Monday from their Texas trip. They attended the Confederate Reunion at Dallas, and report a big time.

Miss Mattie Jones, of Myra, who is well known in our town as one of the former students in school here, was married recently to Mr. Grayson Holbert. THE NEWS extends good wishes.

Between 75 and 100 voters in this county failed to pay their poll tax before the first day of May, and are therefore deprived of voting in the election this fall. This number is about equally divided between the two parties. There were less in Polk than any other county in the State. In some counties the number ran up to 2000.

Robt. Parker is again in the clutches of the law. After the decision of his case in Esq. Hill's court last Saturday he appealed to the Superior court. It is a very unfortunate thing for a young man to be so often arraigned before the courts, it portends a perilous future for him as well as indicates a defiant attitude toward law and order, which always ends calamitous for such a man.

The Sunday schools of the Methodist and Baptist churches have united for the summer months. The following officers were elected Sunday: Superintendent, H. L. Henderson; Assistant, J. E. Shipman; Sec'y. & Treas, W. S. Croker. Also the following teachers were elected: Class No. 1, N. H. Hill; Class No. 2, J. E. Shipman; Class No. 3, Mrs. B. A. Gray.

The Columbus Base Ball Team has been re-organized and are now ready to meet all local teams. The following officers were elected: Manager, J. P. Morris, Captain, Jno. Carnegie, Coach, W. S. Croker. The boys are in high spirit and intend to play good clean ball. While there are many things against them, still we believe they will give a good account of themselves.

A squad of hands are at work on the mountain road today.

Dr. Shankle, of Saluda, registered at the hotel on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Hall visited THE NEWS family on Monday.

Miss Emma McFarland is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. M. Burgess here this week.

F. W. and Miss Susie Miller returned on Wednesday from their visit to the "Land of Flowers."

If you do not get your paper let us know and the missing copy or copies will be supplied if possible.

Miss Hyde, who spent some time in our village a year or so ago, is expected here to visit friends this week.

C. E. Page is using the paint brush on townsend & Cannon's store house, improving its exterior appearance.

Mrs. Romans, of Quaker City, O., is in town on an extended visit, the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hughes and Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Miller.

Mrs. A. E. Owen, of Hendersonville, who is held in very high esteem and pleasant recollection by our people is expected here today.

We are now getting in a good supply of stationery and can furnish you envelopes, note and letter-heads, bill-heads, dodgers, cards, blank mortgages, etc., at pleasing prices and on short notice.

A new awning has been placed over the front entrance to townsend & Cannon's store, which adds much to the appearance as well as the comfort of the place—comfort especially to "loungers."

The reason that Master Ralph McFarland run from the top of the hill home the other night, was simply because he could not fly. Ralph heard chains rattling in the woods and immediately had business at home.

The prospects for enlarging the area of our county seems to be quite inevitable. We understand that the line which divides Polk and Henderson is to be permanently established this week by a joint survey, made by surveyors from each county, and that original papers will place the line at least one mile west of Saluda, thus throwing a strip of very valuable property in favor of Polk.

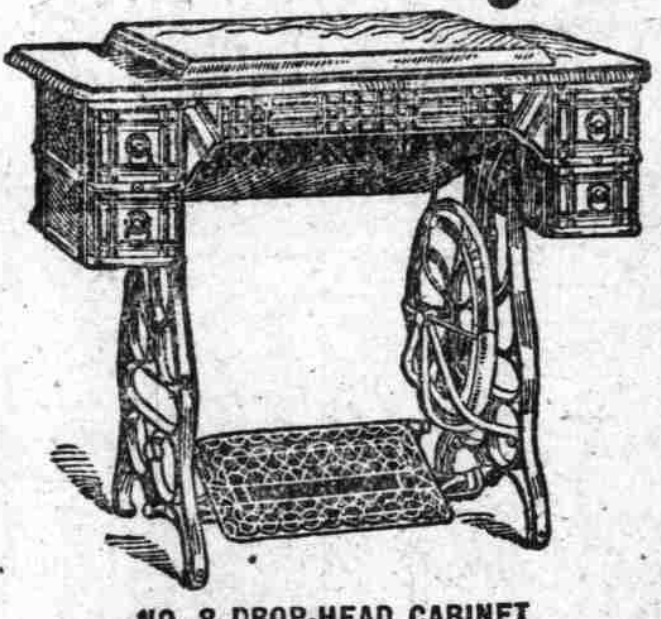
O. T. Baynard, of Mill Spring, C. C. of the Columbus Lodge K. of P., was at his post on Tuesday night. Bro. Baynard has been for several months in feeble health, but is now quite much improved. The Lodge was glad to have him in the chair once more. The relief committee reported on the case of Bro. E. B. Cloud, whose sickness has been mentioned in former issues of THE NEWS, and their report is to the effect that he is rapidly improving and has dismissed the nurse.

Hail Storm Last Friday.

Polk county was visited by a severe hail storm on Friday of last week. Gardens and small grain suffered and in some instances almost totally destroyed. The storm of hail, it seems, began in the vicinity of Tryon and moved in a southeasterly direction. In some localities more severe than in others, Melvin Hill and adjacent section was badly damaged.

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COM. MEETING.

The Commissioners met pursuant to adjournment. A full Board was present.

Ordered that Jason Blackwell be released of poll tax for 1901, on account of him being too old for poll tax.

Ordered that John Boone be released of poll tax for the year 1901, on account of infirmity.

Ordered that J. T. Turner be released of poll tax for the remainder of his life, which he is due a poll tax on account of infirmity.

Ordered that J. A. McCraw be released of double tax for 1901.

Ordered that J. A. McGuinn be released of taxes on \$254, the same being listed by C. E. Justice.

Ordered that Patsey Pritchard by sent to the poor house.

The following bills were presented and ordered paid:

M R Russell support of John cantrell	\$30 00
W H Stearns for A French part payment on Lynn bridge	300 00
W H Stearns for A French balance on Lynn bridge, (old warrant cancelled and new one given)	1194 00
A L Pipman petit juror	5 60
L M Brown land purchased for taxes sold for 1900	13 04
Dr Grady services as county physician	40 00
J T Waldrop for John Dalton officer of grand jury	13 10
J T Waldrop various j tickets	101 60
J W Newman jail fees	8 55
H P and G H Arledge support of poor	120 75
J R Rhodes commissioner	3 20
T P Covington	3 30
L M Brown judgement vs co commissioners	218 01
t c Hampton various half fees	10 77
J T Waldrop	28 27

List Taker's Notice.

I will be at the following places on the days mentioned for the purpose of listing taxes:

Pearidge, Wed	June 11 1902
Mill Spring	Thur " 12 1902
W. M. Justice's	Fri " 13 1902

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