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Notice of Election.

ORDER FOR ELECTION.

Office of the Board of Commissioners of Polk County, North Carolina.

At a meeting duly, legally and regularly called and held by the Board of Commissioners of Polk County, in the court house, in the said county on 10 day of September 1907, it being made to be said Board that a number of the citizens of said county have subscribed to the capital stock of the Bat Cave Railroad Company, and have been engaged in an effort to build a railroad through Polk County from a connection where satisfactory traffic arrangements can be secured for said road in a way by which said Railway will be independent in its operations, thereby securing the best rates that competition will make for our people, said railroad to be constructed a distance in no case less than twenty-five (25) miles within the County and to be constructed via or near Mill Springs and Columbus;

And whereas a petition has been filed signed by a number of citizens of Polk County, requesting this action on the part of this board,

And whereas the best interest and prosperity of Polk County depends greatly upon the construction of said railroad,

And whereas the construction of said railroad will bring directly into the County taxable property of approximately one-half million dollars, to say nothing of the taxable property that will flow into said County by reason of said railroad,

And whereas the wisest financial policy for the county will be subserved by extending to the construction of the said railroad material aid by said County,

And whereas the subscription hereinbelow mentioned is necessary to aid in the construction of said railroad in which the citizens of the county have an interest,

THEREFORE IT IS ORDERED by the Board that the question of subscription to the capital stock of said Company in the sum of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS (which amount this Board proposes to subscribe) to be paid in County bonds to mature in not less than thirty years with 5 per cent interest coupons attached, payable semi-annually at the place provided for in said bonds, the interest on said bonds and the bonds themselves at maturity to be paid by taxation as provided by law, shall be submitted to the qualified voters of said county as provided by charter of said company and Chapter 61, Vol. 1, of the Revisal of 1905 of North Carolina, on the 29th, day of October, 1907, which election is hereby ordered for the purpose of voting for or against the proposition to subscribe the said amount of stock agreed on by the Board of County Commissioners, and at which election the said voters shall vote a ticket as follows: Those favoring the subscription shall vote a ticket upon which shall be written or printed, "FOR Subscription," and those opposed shall vote a ticket upon which shall be written or printed, "AGAINST Subscription," if the majority of the voters of said county shall vote for subscription, then the Board of County Commissioners, through their chairman, shall subscribe to the capital stock of said company the sum of FIFTY THOUSAND DOLLARS to be paid in bonds specified above, which said bonds shall be issued upon conditions following, viz: The said bonds shall not be issued and delivered to said company or to any one else until after said company or its assigns shall have complete and put in operation a standard gauge railroad in compliance with the construction contract submitted for the inspection of the Board at this date from a physical connection via or near Mill Springs and Columbus and beyond those points, a total distance within the county of at least twenty-five miles and that a regular schedule of train service for freight and passengers be in operation as evidenced by the publication of a schedule in a newspaper published in Columbus; provided, however that one-half of the bonds shall be issued and paid to said Railway Company of the railroad as above specified to Columbus; and provided further that when said conditions have been complied with, then the said Board of Commissioners shall issue and pay to the said company the said County bonds in exchange for the same amount of the capital stock of the said Bat Cave Railway Company at par,

under the following terms and conditions: That the said Railway Company shall have issued at that time first mortgage 5 per cent thirty year gold bonds of the denomination of \$1,000 each of the Railway Company, at the rate of Twenty Thousand Dollars per mile, such bonds to be secured by a first mortgage on all of the existing and after acquired property of the Railway Company, which mortgage is to secure not only said bonds but may also provide for a further issue of such bonds at a rate not to exceed Five Thousand Dollars principal amount per mile of said railroad; but in that event such additional bonds are to be retained in the treasury of the Railway Company to be issued only as follows, to-wit: Twenty Five Hundred Dollars per mile of such additional issue for the acquisition, at par by the Railway Company at its election of stock issued pursuant to this subscription to its capital stock, provided such acquisition be lawful, and the remaining Twenty-five Hundred Dollars per mile of such additional bonds to be used only to secure money for the payment of interest upon other bonds of the company when the purpose of the Company is to acquire, and the Board of County Commissioners hereby consents and agrees that the Railway Company shall have the right at its election, to acquire its said stock with the Railway bonds aforesaid for that purpose.

Provided further that under no circumstances shall the County bonds be issued except upon the conditions set forth above, unless the road as specified above shall be completed by July 1 1912.

C. A. CARSON,
Chairman Board of County Commissioners

Attest,
F. M. BURGESS
Clerk to B. C. Coms., Polk County.

PRECINCT	REGISTRARS	JUDGES
Columbus	J. B. Page	J. D. Carpenter & A. Jackson
Mill Spring	F. C. Jackson	E. B. Edwards & J. R. Williams
Pea Ridge	H. T. Green	W. L. Gibbs & J. R. Phillips
Big Level	W. H. Ledbetter	C. D. Elliott & W. W. Gibbs
Jackson's Mill	Le Roy Constant	Vance Thompson & M. A. Jackson
Tryon	R. B. Engel	W. H. McFarland & E. Brownlee
Saluda	Q. C. S-onner	T. E. Pace & G. W. Pearson
Green Creek	J. A. Feagans	Henry Calvert & M. A. Cornwell

That the said registrars at said voting precincts shall revise and correct the registration books so that they will show a truthful and accurate list of the qualified voters in his precinct, and register all such as may apply under the law to be registered.

That the said election be advertised for thirty days by publication in The Polk County News at Columbus and by posting a notice at said voting precincts and that said election in all particulars shall be held by said judges and registrars as provided by law.

C. A. CARSON,
Chm'n B C C for Polk County.
F. M. BURGESS,
Cl'k B'rd Coms. Polk County.

Office Board of Election, Sept 10, 1907, Polk County N. C.

The order as set forth above appointing Judges and registrars for the election mentioned in said order is approved and ratified and so far as the judges and registrars are concerned, made by us, the Board of Election in meeting assembled.

N. T. MILLS,
W. J. GAINES,
Board of Election for Polk County.



12 Reasons Why YOU Should Vote to Subscribe \$50,000 to the Bat Cave Railroad Co.

- 1 It will give Polk County a great trunk line, equal to the best in the United States, from the grain and coal fields of the North west to the South Atlantic ports.
- 2 It will be a 600 mile shorter route from the grain and coal fields to the Panama Canal than Galveston, Texas, which is the principle Gulf port, putting us in a most commanding position in regard to the trade of the Orient, making the towns on the line the most desirable for manufacturers to meet the requirements of that trade.
- 3 It will touch every important railroad system of the South short circuit them for business to and from the important trade centers, bring to our doors the advantages of them all, yet belong to none of them.
- 4 There will be about 30 miles of standard gauge road in Polk County, which will extend from the Rutherford County line, near Chimney Rock to the lower end of Greens Creek Township, which with the present railroad facilities will give every township in the county a railroad.
- 5 The parties proposing to build the road have ample funds to complete it.
- 6 No bonds are to be issued until the road is in operation, with a regular schedule of trains.
- 7 The County's stock will be secured by a first Mortgage Bond on the Railroad which pays 5 per cent interest, the same rate that the County's Bonds draw, therefore the County cannot lose a cent.
- 8 The taxes the county will get from the railroad, at the lowest rate any road is assessed in the State, will be at least

\$2,500 00 every year, which would pay the interest on the bonds if we get no interest on the Railroad bonds.

9 It will bring hundreds of thousands of dollars of outside capital and of people into this county which will be taxed, in addition to the railroad itself.

10 It will give us a competing line of railroad and thereby reduce our freight rates at least 10 per cent. Who pays this freight and who is benefitted by reducing it? Every person who buys anything out of a store that is not raised in this county pays some of this freight money. Every person who sells cotton, or potatoes or apples, or tan bark or pulp and acid wood, cord wood or lumber, or anything to be shipped out of the county, pays a part of it. They are the people who will be benefitted. If you buy or sell anything you will be benefitted.

11 If we fail now, in all human probability WE will never have another chance to get a railroad in Polk County.

12 The construction of this road will fulfill the dream of a lifetime of the best business men of Western North Carolina.

IN CONCLUSION:
The gain to the people will be immense.
The risk nothing.
The taxes will be reduced instead of increased.
It will only cost you the effort of coming to the polls on October 29th to do yourself and your children and your county and incalculable good.
Will you do it?
REMEMBER that if your stay away that you vote against it.

Respectfully submitted for your careful consideration by
J. G. HUGHES
F. M. STEARNS
J. P. ARLEDGE
H. C. MORGAN
W. M. JUSTICE
W. G. NEWMAN
J. E. SHIPMAN
J. F. WILLIAMS
J. W. McFARLAND

PUBLIC SCHOOL OPENS OCT. 28.
Public school term opens Monday Oct 28, at the Central Industrial Institute with Prop. Zack Whitesides as principle and Miss Eliza Newman assistant a good attendance from this district desired and the parents are urged to prepare all children of school age prompt and regular attendance.

The following gentlemen renewed their subscription to the NEWS, this week.

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| Thomas F. Mills | Arlington, S. C. |
| J. A. Davis | Melvin Hill, N. C. |
| F. C. Jackson | Mill Spring |
| Dr. H. H. Edwards | Mill Spring |
| W. M. Pitman | Lynn |
| L. J. Fisher | Lynn |
| Mrs. J. T. Daniel | Landrum S. C. |
| G. P. Green | Landrum " |
| R. B. Engle | Tryon |
| W. B. Arledge | Columbus |
| J. H. Norville | " |
| Dennis Jackson | Dennis |
| J. T. Green | Mill Spring |
| J. W. McFarland | Poors Ford |
| W. R. Jackson | Landrum, S. C. |
| G. W. Denton | Tryon R. F. D. 1. |

COMMISSIONERS' REPORT.

Commissioners met Oct. 7th, all being present and the following business disposed of to-wit:

The bond of J. H. Gibbs as County Surveyor was presented and approved.

The resigning of Dr. Earle Grady as member of sanitary committee was presented and accepted. Pursuant to the notice the sanitary Committee met in the Commissioners office at Columbus at 12 o'clock on Oct. 7 and Dr. Grady was elected, County Health officer.

Ordered Treasurer pay the following to-wit:

- J. R. Smith, poor house keeper \$7.50.
- J. W. Newman, jail fees to date \$42.28
- C. H. Wilson, conveyance prisoner to jail \$5.73.
- A. G. McMurray, service as Judge \$1.00.
- G. N. Parker for transportation of Robt. Parker to insane asylum, \$18.74.
- William Mayes, jail repairs, \$14.00.
- D. E. Conner, for lumber for bridge 35.00.
- Dr. Salley for bill filed this date \$42.00.
- F. E. Cushing, borrowed money due April 7th 1908 with 6 per cent interest payable semiannually out of the bridge fund \$500.00.
- F. E. Cushing, borrowed money due April 1th, 1909 payable out of the bridge fund with interest at 6 per cent payable semiannually \$500.00.

Polk County News, advertising order for R. R. election, \$10.00.

- A. L. McMurray for account filed to date, \$1.38.
- T. F. Thorne for 3 days service as tax assessor in Saluda Township, \$6.00

Ordered by Board that James Gibbs be discharged from jail as sane person upon the certificate of Drs. Salley, Engle and C. A. Carson B. C. C.

There being no other business the Board adjourned.
F. M. BURGESS,
Clerk to B. of C. C.

E. H. Shipman
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