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Road and Other Improvements Contemplated In this Section

COLUMBUS COLUMN
Personal and General

Who said electric light for Columbus?

Dr. Earl Grady of Tryon was in town Friday.

Great day! Gee! but aint we having fine weather.

Mr. John L. Jackson went to Saluda last Thursday.

Mr. C. D. Elliotte visited in Cooper Gap Saturday.

Have you renewed your subscription to the News?

Mr. W. E. Hill went to Landrum Monday on business.

Writing paper and envelopes for sale at the News office.

Mr. Jesse Splawn of Mill Spring visited in Columbus Sunday.

Register F. M. Burgess was a business visitor in Lynn Monday.

Tryon Hosiery Co's advertisement will interest you this week.

Mrs. C. D. Elliotte is visiting relatives in Maiden, N. C., this week.

Attend the good roads meeting Monday—and bring some "gelt" along.

Mr. W. J. Gaines of Tryon was a business visitor in Columbus Friday.

Attys. Shipman & Williams were in Tryon last Friday on legal business.

Mr. John Carpenter of Tryon No. 1 was in town Tuesday on business.

Mr. E. L. Jones of Landrum, S. C., was in town yesterday on business.

Mr. Frank Jackson of Mill Spring visited relatives in Columbus Saturday.

Go to F. F. Allred's Jewelry Store in Rutherfordton when your watch needs fixing.

Messrs. R. F. McFarland and F. B. Williams were business visitors in Landrum Tuesday.

Get quotations on flour, feed, etc., in quantity at the Ballenger Co.—prices 'way-way down.

Mr. and Mrs. W. Schumann of Cambridge, Ohio, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hughes.

Mr. James Ormand left Monday for his home at King's Mountain, N. C., having received word that his grandmother was ill.

Thirty dollars subscribed this week toward the road—now don't you believe we are going to get it? Hope so, and hope you will help.

The new seed catalogue of T. W. Wood & Sons, Richmond, Va., has just been received—people buying seed from this house are always well pleased.

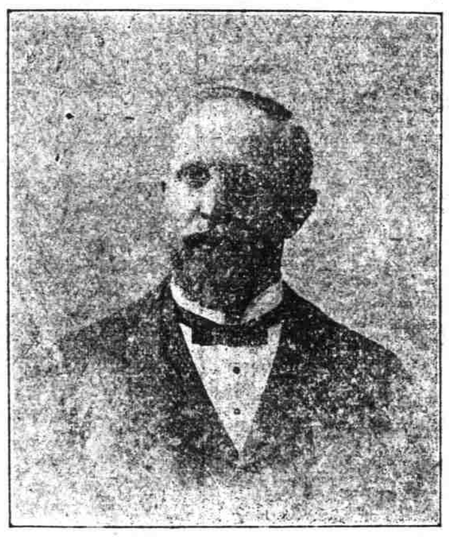
Mr. John L. Jackson keeps adding to his stock of merchandise all the time with the end in view to never lose a chance to make a sale—call in, always welcome.

Miss Maude Ruppe (of Cooper Gap) the popular primary teacher of Columbus High School, represented our town at the Polk Co. Sunday School Association held at Greens Creek Saturday and Sunday.

Screven's mill, better known as the old Weaver mill, on the Columbus-Tryon road, is running daily, and although only opened for business a few weeks ago, the mill is kept busy grinding corn for the wayfarers passing that way. The expense undergone to remodel and overhaul the old mill shows Mr. Screven's hopefulness for a new and enterprising Columbus now near at hand.

Mr. F. M. STEARNS CALLED HOME

Father of Columbus High School Dies Suddenly



Mr. F. M. Stearns died suddenly Sunday at his home, 10023 Euclid Ave., Cleveland, Ohio, after a ravaging siege of fever of four weeks duration Through all his sickness his mind was ever on Columbus and the mountains he loved so well, and it was hoped by his family that the fever would abate sufficiently to bring him here. He rallied slightly for a few days but his great age and the fever were too much to combat with and he suddenly succumbed.

Mr. Stearns was 78 years old and for the past twenty years his life was divided between his home in Cleveland and his property here on the mountain—Log Cabin Inn—where he spent some six or eight months each year building new roads and improving old ones leading to this now well known hostelry, and opening to lovers of Nature miles upon miles of panoramic beauty.

Columbus High School stands as a monument of his philanthropy toward our little hamlet, while his secret acts of kindness were legion. There will always be a warm and tender place in the hearts of our people for the little old man whose annual visits to Columbus were most cheering and helpful.

Mr. Stearns leaves a wife, two daughters and one son and a host of relatives and friends to mourn him.

CAPT. W. H. RUCKER ANSWERS LAST CALL

His Six Grandsons of the Arledge Family Bear His Body To Its Final Resting Place

Capt. W. H. Rucker of Green Hill, Rutherford Co., died at his home Friday night of heart trouble at the age of 78 years, after an illness of nearly two years. He leaves a wife and eight children, all of whom were present at his bedside during his last moments.

Rev. Mr. Hunt conducted the funeral service, which was held at Mountain Creek Church Cemetery Sunday at 2 o'clock, according to the special program arranged by the Captain the day before he died. A large gathering of relatives and friends were present at the interment.

Six sons of Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Arledge, of Columbus, grandsons of Capt. Rucker, were the pallbearers.

LYNN.

Correspondence of The News.

A Memorial Service was held at Chapel Sunday afternoon in memory of the late Miss Alice E. Bird, who was principal of our school for about two years. Rev. Mr. Anderson of the Episcopal Church of Tryon conducted the services. The chapel was appropriately decorated and an enlarged photo of Miss Bird, presented to the school by her brothers, was placed upon the teacher's table in a prominent position. Messrs. W. F. Swann and W. W. Ballard and Miss Early spoke to the audience of Miss Bird s Christian life, of her enthusiastic support of the Sunday School and Christian Endeavor Society, and of her good influence on all the young people. Especially selected music was rendered and the service was closed with a prayer by Mr. Ralph Erskine.

The building of a Baptist Church at this place has been talked of for some time but as yet nothing definite has been done.

Our little town is to be incorporated, making the bridge the cutter one half mile. We hope this will have a good effect.

The Tryon Hosiery Co. are installing a fire extinguishing system—one of the best in the County.

It is rumored that a 40 h. p. auto car is to be put on the road between Lynn and Tryon to accommodate the public.

Mr. Shields is dividing business with the city water supply. He is now furnishing the Mimosa and contemplates extending across the river and supplying others also.

The Mimosa Hotel has been improved by a very extensive and expensive piazza, it being 16 ft. wide on the front and 14 ft. wide on the south side. Billy knows just how to arrange things to make his guests comfortable.

Dr Grady comes to see us now in a new up to date automobile.

Mr. Esterbrook, who owns the Esterbrook Hill, is stopping at the Mimosa.

Messrs. Clayton Constant, Gaither Panther and Luna Newman [illegible] enlisted and served three years in the U. S. Army are at home looking hale and hearty.

It looks like Polk County was coming to the front from the amount of material hauled by in the last few days to build two iron bridges across Green River.

The I. O. O. F. at this place keeps plenty of fresh meat on hand all the time.

Wm. Mays has been quite indisposed for several days but is now improving and we hope will soon be out again.

Uncle Davie Stearns, who has been on an extended visit to his daughter, Mrs. Graham in Charlotte, has returned looking hale and hearty.

Grayson Newman has been nursing a bad hand for several days caused by boils.

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NOTICE OF RE-SALE.

BY VIRTUE OF THE POWER VESTed in me by a decree of the court in a special proceeding entitled, "Lindsey Thorn et al, ex parte," by which it was ordered that the estate of the late James A. Thorn be sold for partition among his heirs, as tenants in common, and by an order of resale, the bid at a former sale having been raised ten per cent. within twenty days after date of sale, I will on Monday, the 13th day of February, 1911, at 1 p. m., at courthouse door in Columbus, re-sell at public auction to the highest bidder land lying and being in the State of North Carolina and County of Polk and described as follows:

Tract No. 3. Beginning at a pine on side of road; thence S. 75 deg. W. 195 poles to a post oak; thence N. 80 poles to a post oak; thence N. 45 deg. E. 14 poles to a pine (dead); thence N. 80 deg. W. 20 poles to a black oak, Prince's old corner, and across Columbus road; thence N. 20 deg. E. 30 poles to a black oak, Prince's corner; thence S. 85 deg. E. 18 poles to a pine stump, Hamilton's line; thence with said line S. 25 deg. E. 150 poles to a pine, Hamilton's corner; thence N. 65 deg. E. 54 poles to a stake and pointers in Spartanburg road; thence with said road S. 31 deg. E. 110 P to the beginning, containing 114 acres more or less.

Terms of sale one-third cash on date of sale, one-third in six months and the balance in twelve months from said date, being optional with purchaser as to payment of the entire purchase price within the twelve months.

This the 14th day of January, 1911.

J. M. LEWIS, Commissioner.
E. B. CLOUD, Atty.

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