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COLUMBUS

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A Merry Christmas to all. Christmas gift! The News for a year for a dollar.

Glad to state Mrs. E. B. Hill is up and around again.

Atty. D. F. Morrow of Rutherfordton was here Monday.

Mr. J. T. Waldrop of Millspring was here Tuesday on business.

Mr. G. E. Edwards of Mill Spring was a business visitor in town Monday.

The Polk County teachers will meet at courthouse in Columbus January 5th, 1912.

Mr. Jesse Barnett of Greens Creek was a business visitor at the register's office Friday.

Mr. Solomon Gallert, a prominent lawyer of Rutherfordton, paid our town a visit last Thursday.

Messrs. F. M. Burgess, R. F. McFarland, E. B. and L. H. Cloud and D. V. Talant attended the road celebration at Tryon last Thursday.

Mr. J. T. Green, one of the "thin gray line," residing in Polk County, was in Monday to subscribe to the News for his son, J. F., in Texas.

The tottering old gray line of veterans left from a once valiant army presented themselves at the clerk's office during the past week to receive their yearly pensions from the State.

The Farmers' Union meeting to be held last Saturday at Columbus failed to materialize. Mr. Nunn, the representative of the Union, was on deck, and one or two farmers put in an appearance. There not being enough show for organization here, Mr. Nunn proceeded to his next meeting place, at Mill Spring.

POLK COUNTY JAIL FIRE.

The negro prisoners, Harrison Mills and Clauie Lipscomb, in jail for larceny, were about to be roasted alive in a fire that started at one of the windows in their cell about midnight last Friday, but for the prompt response to their cries for help by Jailer McFarland, who extinguished the blaze with a few buckets of water; none too soon, however, for in a few minutes more the fire would have been beyond his control.

The negroes say they do not know how the fire originated. They are now better protected from all harm, to themselves and others, in the steel cage.

TRYON CELEBRATES.

The completion of the automobile road from Spartanburg to Tryon was elaborately celebrated last Thursday at the Mimosa Casino at Lynn.

Fifteen automobiles paraded the macadam road between Tryon and Lynn all the morning carrying participants in the celebration to the big meeting held in the large hall of the Casino at 1.30 p. m. Many prominent men of North and South Carolina addressed the meeting and congratulated Tryon for its zealous endeavor in the building of better roads.

A bountiful table of refreshments awaited the arrival of the participants at the Mimosa and an elaborate spread was ready for them at Oak Hall on their return to Tryon, the large crowd doing ample justice to both. Tryon's keyword is "Improvement," and it is fast becoming the most picturesque and ideal resort of the South.

It is "Do" that does it—"Talk" is only talk.

LAND and MORTGAGE DEEDS For Sale at the NEWS OFFICE

BRIEFS FROM MELVIN HILL.

Correspondence of The News. Mr. G. A. Branscom and Master Frank started for Florida Friday.

The recent rains have stopped the plowing in this vicinity.

It's a girl at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Morris, 10th inst.

Mr. W. B. Feagan of Columbus is visiting his children at Melvin Hill, at this writing.

Mrs. Rachael Westbrook visited her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Carmel Westbrook, of Beaumont, last week.

Upon receiving the sad intelligence of his father's death, Mr. John Tipton returned home from Mitchell County Thursday.

Mr. John Beaver left Melvin Hill and has gone to Arkwright Mills to take charge of a section of spindles.

Mr. Walter Westbrook and family have moved to this town, and are occupying the house next to the Branscom residence.

Mrs. K. C. Gilbert seems very much worse at this writing.

Wishing a very good Christmas and many returns to the editor and all News readers.

GRETCHEN.

Mr. Samuel Westbrook Passes Away.

On December 11th at the Beaumont Mills, South Carolina, Mr. Samuel Westbrook died after an illness of two weeks with typhoid fever. Mr. Westbrook took sick immediately upon his return from a visit to relatives at this place. His body was laid to its last long sleep in the Mill Creek cemetery December 12th. He leaves a wife and two little children, father and mother, four brothers and four sisters to mourn their loss. Their many friends and neighbors extend sympathy to them in their bereavement. C.S.

Mr. Curtis Tipton Accidentally Killed.

On Tuesday evening, Dec. 12th, while driving across the bridge near his home, Mr. Curtis Tipton's horses became frightened and unmanageable and dashed the unfortunate man against a tree, death resulting almost instantly.

Mr. Tipton moved here from Mitchell County about two years ago. He leaves a wife and eight children at home and some two or three married. Their neighbors and friends all extend sincere sympathy to them in their distress.

Burial occurred at Mill Creek cemetery on the 14th. C.S.

NOTICE.

Bids will be received by the Board of County Commissioners for Polk County, for dry rock abutments for bridge on Cove Creek in Saluda township, to be let Monday, Jan. 1, 1912, to the lowest bidder, the Board reserving the right to reject any or all bids. This Dec. 5th, 1911. F. M. BURGESS, Clerk to B. C. C.

NOTICE.

J. F. Cockran enters 25 acres of land more or less in Columbus township, Polk county, N. C., on the waters of Horse creek and Facolet river, joining lands of J. B. Cleveland, W. H. Stearns and the land formerly owned by W. H. McFarland and the Hellman farm. Entered Dec. 1, 1911. F. M. BURGESS, Entry Taker.

NOTICE

Having qualified as administrators of W. M. Thompson, deceased, all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present them to the undersigned administrators within twelve months from the date of this notice—if not presented duly proven this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery; and all persons owing said estate are requested to make immediate settlement with the administrators. This 25th day of November, 1911. Z. V. THOMPSON, H. A. CASE, Administrators.

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR POLK COUNTY

FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 1st, 1911.

DECEMBER 1910

Eli Jackson, services as registrar Jackson's Mill, Nov. 1910	\$ 12 54
J R Williams, services as registrar Mill Spring, Nov 1910	12 96
John C Morgan, repairs on bridge as per bill this day filed	10 00
R F McFarland, jail fees to date	18 60
J N Mitchell, services as judge of election, Mill Spring, Nov 1910	6 00
E B Golet, services as judge of election and other expenses, at Saluda, Nov 1910	7 50
J R Smith, keeping poor to date	38 75
Dr. E Grady, services as county health officer to Nov 1910	50 00
J F Riding judge of election at Columbus, Nov 1910	4 00
J W Newman, ditto	4 00
F L Weaver, judge of election at Lynn, Nov 1910, as per bill	8 00
W M Barnett, registrar of election Greens Creek, Nov 1910	3 00
John Stacy, bailiff at Greens creek election Nov 1910	2 00
Elias Moore, bailiff at Pea Ridge Nov 1910	2 00
N T Mills, services and expenses as chairman for Board of Election 1910	18 65
Tryon Township Highway Commission, for interest on the good road bond issue for borrowed money	137 04
A L Hill, for an account for arrest of O P Smawley	5 10
H P Arledge, ex-treasurer, over-payment on bridge fund since Nov settlement	18 17
H P Arledge, over-payment of Co. fund since Nov settlement	22 44
F M Burgess, services as clerk to B C C and other expenses as per bill	27 98

JANUARY 1911

T A Rippy, 2 days as judge of election at Tryon Nov 1910	4 00
Jonathan Turner for J B Turner, lumber for Whiteside bridge as per contract	30 65
Tryon Bee, publishing Highway Commission report	13 50
R F McFarland, jail fees to date	15 80
W W Gibbs, judge of election Big Level Nov 1910	4 00
Polk County News, advertising and supplies as per bill this date	46 30
A L Hill for John Moore, for services as registrar of election at Tryon Nov 1910	20 58
J R Smith, keeping poor to date	43 15
J P Arledge, for an account filed of expenses as per bill this date	8 62
J W Kennedy for J B Arledge, for abutments at Mill Foster place	149 16
T G Egerton, 2 months support of Elvy Griffin's son to date	13 00
D J Halford, building 2 bridges in Cooper Gap township	15 0

FEBRUARY

L C Gibbs, holding inquest over Oliver Thompson	7 70
Edwards & Broughton, supplies as per bill of this date	15 35
E E Missilline, drugs etc as per bill this date	8 80
Everett Waddy Co, mortgage record No 17 as per bill this date	12 50
R J Tate, inquest juror over Oliver Thompson	1 5
R O Covington, ditto	1 50
T M Cudd, ditto	1 50
Arthur Tate, ditto	1 50
D B Lancaster, ditto	1 50
Otis Smith, ditto	1 50
John E Thompson, witness fees in Oliver Thompson inquest	50
J A Dunahoo, ditto	50
J E Bannon, ditto	50
Jonathan Turner, lumber as per contract for Whiteside bidge	9 35
G W Pearson, lumber and repairs on bridge in Saluda township	10 04
W M Russell, 3 months support of John Cantrell	15 00
Tilda Horton, 3 months support of her son to date	9 00
J F Jones, bridge over Hughes creek as per bill of this date	12 00
J R Smith, keeping poor to date	35 35
J A Feagans, 2 days services as judge of election at Greens creek Nov 1910	4 00
L L Tallant, money refunded on land sold for taxes not located	1 66
M A Jackson, 3 days services as judge of election at Jackson's Mill Nov 1910	5 00
J B Arledge, building abutments for Cove bridge on Green river as per contract	117 5
Martha Johnson, over-payment in taxes for year 1910	2 75
Ellis Walker, for the captured still of 1910 not paid for	15 00
R F McFarland, jail fees to date	31 65
S B Weaver, for money paid on land sold for taxes not found	1 89

MARCH

Carolina Engineering Co, for contract on Foster bridge over Green river	1850 00
J B Turner, balance on contract for lumber for Whiteside bridge	10 39
Polk County News, advertising and stationery as per bill this date	7 25
Mrs. Toney, 1 months support of son	3 00
J R Smith, keeping poor to date	29 98

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