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## COLUMBUS NEWS

A Happy New Year to You. Come out to the entertainment tomorrow night.

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

Somebody said the weather was "abslush!" If he meant more than usually sloppy he told the truth.

The Columbus Lodge Knights of Pythias held meetings Monday and Tuesday nights and initiated Major Hutcherson into the order.

Major Hutcherson, who has been "seeing Georgia" and doing business there for some time, came in last week to spend the holidays at home.

Rain interfered with the plans of our men to do away with the Presbyterian Hill the past week. Keep up the fire of enthusiasm and try it again the next fine day.

Bob McFarland's latest hunting tale is that he killed four birds on a rise and crippled another in two shots on Christmas Day. Ed Cloud, lawyer-like, asked who was with him and the answer was "Nobody."

Messrs. Jackson and Fowler of the Underwood Typewriter Co. of Spartanburg were up on a visit to the former's home a few days the past week. The bad weather spoiled their expectations of a little hunt. Better luck next time, boys.

Professor and Mrs. E. W. S. Cobb were called suddenly away from Christmas festivities Monday morning by a special delivery letter informing Mr. Cobb of his mother having taken suddenly and critically ill at her home at Seafala, N. C.

Wash Hill, who is known for his veracity, is wondering at the skeptical smiles of his friends since he told them of having discovered a bunch of mistletoe growing in a maple. C. Columbus saw that same smile, Wash, 420 years ago when he said the word was round. Wonders never cease.

The Arledge Hotel was the scene of a happy family reunion on Christmas Day. All the members of the family being present but Mr. Curtis Arledge and his wife and baby, who are in Philadelphia, Pa. "My hog didn't take salt," Mr. John P. Arledge was heard to say, as if he could expect it to after twenty-seven Arledge appetites had gathered around the Christmas table to do justice to it.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hughes gave a delightful Christmas dinner to a few friends last Sunday. The hostess, who has been quite ill for a long time, seemed to be her sprightly self again as she moved about looking after her guests. A very pleasant hour or two was enjoyed by the company after the symposium of turkey and all the trimmings in listening to a choice selection of music from a phonograph.

**Land Deeds FOR SALE at the News Office.**

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## ENTERTAINMENT FRIDAY NIGHT.

The Christmas entertainment of the Columbus High School, which was to have been given last Friday night, was called off on account of the bad weather. Instead, a special entertainment consisting of the Christmas Cantata, some songs and piano selections, arranged by Miss Landis, will be given this Friday night at the High School. Admission free.

The play, "The Hair of Mount Vernon," by the high school students, will probably be given at an entertainment on Washington's Birthday.

## GREEN RIVER NOTES.

Correspondence of The News. Mr. William Davidson, who has been attending school at Boiling Springs, returned home last week to spend the holidays.

The members of Green River Church gave their retiring pastor Rev. Barney Jackson, a nice little "pounding" on his last round, the effects of which he is not likely to forget soon.

Wedding bells have not been heard here as yet this Christmas but their merry chimes may greet our ears before the holidays are over.

The school at this place has numbered almost 70.

What our people need is to vote special tax in this district and build a modern school house; employ two teachers and have a longer school term for these bright, intelligent boys and girls. Nothing else will be more in keeping with the progress of the community.

A Merry Xmas and Happy New Year to the News and its many readers.

## "RAG DOLL."

## FARMER'S UNION.

County Meeting At Sandy Plains.

Dear Editor: Will you give me space in your valuable paper to say that there will be a county meeting of the Farmers Union held at Sandy Plains schoolhouse on Saturday, January 6th, 1912, at 10 o'clock. Everybody is invited to attend. All members of the Union are expected to be present as important business will be transacted.

J. G. Raburn, County Sec'y.

## 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. 31st, 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 Picolet river, joining lands of J. B. Cleveland, W. H. Stearns and the land formerly owned by W. H. McFarland and the Hullman 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. CAE, Administrators.

LAND and MORTGAGE DEEDS For Sale at the NEWS OFFICE

## ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR POLK COUNTY

FOR YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31st, 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. Ridgway, 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. Sawley	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. Rippey, 2 days as judge of election at Tryon Nov. 1910	4 00
Jonathan Turner, lumber for Whiteside bridge as per contract	30 65
Tryon B. E., 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 00

### FEBRUARY

L. C. Gibbs, holding inquest over Oliver Thompson	7 70
Edwards & Broughton, supplies as per bill of this date	15 35
E. E. Missidine, 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 50
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. Dushoo, ditto	50
J. E. Brannon, ditto	50
Jonathan Turner, lumber as per contract for Whiteside bridge	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. Fegans, 2 days services as judge of election at Greens creek Nov. 1910	4 00
L. I. 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 50
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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To the

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