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"Long May It Wave."

Polk county is going "Over the Top" and then some.

—W. S. S.—

It looks as if every county in North Carolina would go "Over the Top."

—W. S. S.—

The farmers of Polk county are coming to the front in royal style and subscribing liberally for Liberty Bonds.

—W. S. S.—

The slacker is getting to be a scarce animal in Polk county, and what few are left had better take warning ere it be too late for their state of health.

—W. S. S.—

Just as soon as the town and country districts of Polk county understood each other and realized that their interests were the same didn't they both get busy?

—W. S. S.—

Austria has offered to make peace with Italy, but Italy has the example of Russia before her eyes, and when she makes terms it will be with her other allies. No separate peace for Italy.

—W. S. S.—

Every person who has been asked to do something in this drive cheerfully responded, and results show what can be accomplished in Polk county when everybody is working for the same purpose.

—W. S. S.—

All is over but the shouting, and considerable of that has been done. We are practically "Over the Top" as a county, but let's have no let up until every township in the county has raised its quota.

—W. S. S.—

"Allied lines remain firm; not a break or dent," is the welcome news for the past few days. The German loss in both killed and wounded is enormous. The Kaiser and fellow murderers are beginning to see the end, and are considerably perturbed over the matter.

—W. S. S.—

23 FOR THE NEWS.

With this issue the NEWS is twenty-three years old. Like so many other newspapers the life of the NEWS has not been a bed of roses. It has had many trials, struggles and vicissitudes. But in all its trials it has had many staunch and loyal supporters. Probably at no time of its entire career has the paper been published under such adverse circumstances as during the past four months. By the burning of the power house of the Tryon Electric Service Co. we have been without power most of the time, except at night thus compelling us to do the major portion of our work then. This coupled with the fact that both freight and express shipments have been very irregular, has caused us much vexation and worry.

During the year's time that we have had the NEWS we have endeavored to improve the paper and make it in reality a NEWSPAPER. Today there is not a sheet in Western North Carolina, nor in fact but few in the State that gives its readers every week any where near the amount of local or home news as we do. We have been compelled to make some very heavy investments to bring the paper up to its present standard, and we will frankly admit that the results have not been as satisfactory as we wished, or as we expected. However, we still have faith in Polk county; and believe that the people will come to our assistance and help us maintain the standard we have set.

To those who have so loyally stood by us, we are under lasting obligations, and hope that you will continue to stand by us, and whenever the chance occurs, speak a good word in our behalf.

—W. S. S.—

TOBACCO FOR THE SOLDIERS.

With the increased number of American soldiers in France comes increased requests for tobacco. We have not asked our readers to contribute anything to this fund for quite awhile. But now the most urgent appeals comes for this cause, and we can but appeal to the generosity and patriotism of our readers for money

for the purchase of tobacco for our soldiers. Over there, tobacco is a little sacrifice upon your part to contribute a dollar or more, and think of the pleasure it gives to one of our brave fighters to be at all times fully supplied with plenty of tobacco. This tobacco is purchased with your money and then turned over to the Red Cross for distribution, thus enabling that organization to further endeavor itself to our soldiers.

We would like to have a large donation to send in during the next week.

—W. S. S.—

MILL SPRING ROUTE 2.

Several from here attended preaching at Big Level, Sunday.

Messrs. A. G. Dimsdale and F. R. Joggins visited Mr. G. S. Whiteside, Sunday last.

Messrs. John and James Bradley and Taylor Brown visited Mr. W. D. Hilton, Sunday.

Mr. Dexit Hilton took dinner with Mr. Holbert Whiteside, Sunday.

Mr. Clyde Wilson spent Saturday night with Mr. Bill Jackson.

Mrs. James Bradley visited Mrs. William Gibbs, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. U. S. Gibbs visited Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Taylor, Sunday.

Mr. Landrum and Birch Jackson made a flying trip to Camp Sevier Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. H. Gilbert visited Mr. J. G. Corn Sunday last.

Mr. Squire Brown has returned from Spartanburg, S. C.

Mr. Martin Gilbert says his idea is for every farmer to put in an extra acre for the purpose of buying Liberty Bonds.

Arkansas Jackson visited little Bessie Hilton, Sunday last.

Boys and girls, do you realize that the German youngsters are at war with us? They are working and raising all they can for the support of their men at the front. If we want to show our patriotism we must outdo them, and "Can the Kaiser."

La, la, Big Level of course Sunny View will boost for the NEWS.

Rah, rah, for our soldiers.

—W. S. S.—

COLUMBUS.

All members of the Junior Red Cross are requested to send in all wash cloths, also knitting on hand. A Red Cross meeting will be held with the Betterment Club meeting May 4th.

Mr. N. T. Mills is on the sick list this week.

Dr. and Mrs. H. H. Edwards and Aylen, Aylen spent Sunday in Mill Spring, attending the patriotic meeting at Bethlehem church. Also visiting old friends. The women not only talked Liberty Bonds, but bought them.

Mrs. C. D. Elliott was in Mill Spring, Sunday.

Columbus is missing the teachers and students who have returned to their homes since the close of school.

Mr. J. W. Arledge and Miss Minnie Arledge, Mrs. J. E. Shipman and children, of Hendersonville, are visiting the family of Dr. W. C. Boston, at Forest City.

Fred Case is very sick at this writing.

Rev. Kidd from Hillcrest, preached at the Presbyterian church Sunday. Services will be held, every fourth Sunday.

Services at the Baptist church every first and third Sunday, Rev. Pratt pastor.

Mrs. Jane McKimmon, of Raleigh, State Home Demonstration Agent, will speak to the ladies of the county at the court house, next Monday. Everyone should avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing this talk, as it will be of much interest to all.

Mr. C. L. Sams, son of J. P. Sams, Polk county Farm Demonstration Agent here. He came to Polk county in the interest of bee culture.

—W. S. S.—

TRYON ROUTE 1.

Let's all be Americans now, the eyes of the world are on America, the cry comes flashing across the seas for help. Have you shown your true American blood by attending the Liberty Loan rallies and buying bonds? If not, and you will not, you are deemed a slacker. It's up to you, what will you do?

Three cheers for each of the patriotic talks which were religiously rendered as to Uncle Sam's requirements on the Liberty Loan, Sunday, at Bethlehem church, by a bunch of true Americans from Tryon.

What kind of an American are you? It's time to show what you intend to do.

The "Star Spangled Banner" don't make you stand and cheer, then what are you doing over here?

Many children on the route (would have been glad to say all) are preparing war gardens and patches, on which they are going to raise tomatoes, corn, cotton, etc., to sell and buy Thrift Stamps, War Savings Stamps to help our army to go "Over the Top" and our navy to send German submarines to the bottom. One little girl, age twelve, was so patriotic after she had ordered her a pair of white shoes she sent a letter after the money before the order could be filled, stating that she wanted the money back so that she could buy Thrift Stamps with it, and she would wear her old, last year's sandals.

Wasn't it a thrilling sight to see Old Mother Nature's great torpedo which scanned the southeastern sky last Tuesday evening?

Another auto wreck on the road near Hamilton bridge, last night. Are the roads greater than the tax?

We are glad to hear that Fox Mountain is to have a Boy Scout's lodge. The boys are rallying it up, is it not the thing for our boys? Let's hear from others of experienced opinion.

Mr. Joe Carpenter is in from his new home in Tennessee, visiting relatives and his boyhood home.

—W. S. S.—

MILL SPRING.

Sunday school opened at the Baptist church, Sunday.

Mr. Leo Brisco, of Hopewell, Va., is visiting relatives.

Mrs. P. G. Brisco and daughter, Minnie, visited Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Brisco, Sunday.

The Liberty Loan rally, day of Mill Spring, Sunday, was a success. Everyone enjoyed the talks given by Dr. Taft, B. F. Copeland, W. F. Little, G. H. Holmes and Lieut. Copeland of the U. S. Navy. The latter told of some of his experiences, which thrilled our hearts, especially those who have relatives in service. They secured fifty-two hundred dollars in Liberty Bonds. "Look out for us, we are little, but loud." White Oak is going to do her part to help carry Polk county over the top.

The death angel visited the home of Nesbit Walker last Wednesday, April 17, and carried away the soul of the darling babe, Maggie Sue. The body was laid away in the Baptist cemetery, Thursday. We extend our deepest sympathy to the bereaved family.

"A flower too sweet for earth, transplanted to bloom in Heaven."

Mr. J. M. Lewis was a caller at the home of Mr. J. H. Gibbs, Sunday.

Messrs. Bergon Hues, N. E. Arledge, and I. C. Arledge and wife, of Spartanburg, visited Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Arledge, Sunday.

Miss Lethea Barber was a pleasant caller at Sunny Brook farm, Sunday.

The young people met at the Baptist church, Sunday afternoon, and organized a Christian Endeavor Society. Twenty members were enrolled, and the following officers elected: Lethea Barber, president; Esther Gibbs vice president; Frank Jackson, secretary; Edward Barber treasurer; Bessie Hamilton, organist; Pearl Edwards, assistant organist. Program committee, Frank Jackson, chairman; Sue Gibbs, Walter Edwards. Music committee, Bessie Hamilton, chairman; Lookout committee, Ernest Gibbs, chairman; Edward Barber, Roscoe Hall. Social committee, Esther Gibbs, chairman; Elsie Edwards, Frank Edwards. This is a joint meeting between both churches, which will be held at the Methodist church next Sunday afternoon at 7 o'clock. Esther Gibbs, leader. Everybody come, let's have more members.

Hurrah for the farmers. They are doing their bit.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Edwards and Aylen, of Columbus, visited in Mill Spring Sunday. We are glad to see some of our old neighbors back at home.

Mrs. J. M. Lewis and Melva visited at W. G. Egerton's, Sunday.

Grover Thompson and Lee Johnson, of Camp Sevier, visited home folks, Sunday.

Miss Edith Gibbs returned to Atlanta, Ga., after a short visit at home.

—W. S. S.—

MELVIN HILL.

The cold, cloudy, weather still prevails, and the cotton seed is staying in the ground.

Mrs. Morris, who has been very sick, is some better.

The little baby of Mr. and Mrs. Bill Edwards, was found dead in its bed, last Thursday morning. This is the third baby in this section to go this way.

Mrs. John Webb, who has been in a dangerous condition for some time, is thought to be improving.

Mr. W. O. Morris, of Chesnee, visited his mother, Sunday.

Mr. J. T. Waldrop and family who lived here several years ago, but have of late resided in South Carolina, have decided to come back to Melvin Hill.

Roy Cantrell was taken suddenly with appendicitis, Friday, and hurriedly taken to the Rutherfordton hospital, where he was operated on. He was doing fairly well when last heard from.

Messrs. S. P. and T. B. Jones, of Brooklyn, S. C., attended religious services here, Sunday.

An unusual sight was witnessed by a number of persons here last Tuesday evening, about dusk. There appeared right near the moon what looked like a cloud of fire and smoke, which formed into a large ball, about the size of the moon; and taking a southeasterly course the ball of fire went at terrific speed, leaving a trail of smoke behind, and after several minutes there was a terrible explosion in the southeast. Some think it was a meteor, while others thought it an air ship at practice. No one seems to know for certain just what it was.

Elders A. Branscom and W. A. Reed were off on a preaching expedition Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. Walker Gilbert, of Inman, visited home folks, Sunday.

—W. S. S.—

HILLCREST.

(Too late for last week.)

Miss Vada Spurlin and Mr. Roland Feagans gave their many friends a surprise by slipping away and getting married, Sunday afternoon. Rev. Mr. Jackson performed the ceremony. We wish them a long and happy life.

Mrs. Jones, of Asheville, is visiting Miss Cox, at Green River Plantation.

I hold no brief for any slacker, but justice demands the editor's attention be called to the fact that Lindsay Cochran, advertised in last week's NEWS as a selective draft delinquent, died recently after a long illness. This probably accounts for his family's neglect to attend to his questionnaire.

A too-wet-to-plow Monday sent many of our citizens to Landrum and Rutherfordton this week.

Mr. J. H. Brian is quite ill.

Miss Milla McKinney is also on the sick list.

Miss Priscilla Camp left Monday, for a visit to Athens, Tenn.

Rev. and Mrs. G. E. Kidd have returned from a visit to Virginia, where they were given a cool reception by the weather.

Mr. Mark Miller has placed his little daughter in Hillcrest Institute. Our people are showing some interest in the Third Liberty Loan, but they are far from realizing the importance of the matter. It is a shame to North Carolina that only one out of a thousand in this state bought bonds in the Second Liberty Loan campaign. But it will be far worse to fail in this Third Loan.

—W. S. S.—

Typewriter second sheets for sale at the NEWS office at 25c per hundred.

JOY TOASTED CIGARETTES.

Through the patriotism of the citizens of this country thousands of smoke kits are being distributed to American soldiers in France. Authorities agree that men in the trenches need cigarettes almost as much as food and munitions.

Doctors, nurses, and commanding officers all join in the demand which has awakened in this country a great movement to keep our boys supplied with smokes.

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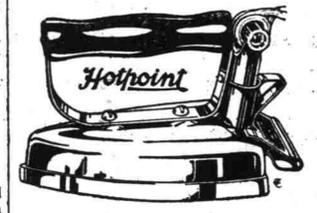
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NOTICE.

Having qualified as Executor of the last will and testament of B. F. Turner, late of the county of Polk, this is to notify all persons who are indebted to the said B. F. Turner to make settlement at once; and all claims against the said B. F. Turner must be presented to me within 12 months from this date or their payment will be barred by statute of law.  
This 16th day of April, 1918.  
J. H. RHODES, Executor.

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