

FROM OUR FRIENDS OVER THE COUNTY

Some Items of General Interest Gathered By Our Correspondents From Various Sections of Polk County

COLUMBUS.

Miss Eula Jackson has returned to school after being absent for two weeks.
Mrs. E. W. S. Cobb, and children are on an extended visit to her father near Winston Salem.
Mr. Ernest McMurray left Sunday to enter school at Chapel Hill.
Miss Bertha Pendergast was in Tryon Saturday.
Rev. McCain of Rutherfordton and Miss Clara Morris of Union Mills were here Sunday night speaking in behalf of the seventy-five million Baptist campaign.
Mr. Edwin Constance who is stationed at Hampton Roads Va., was home on a few day's pass last week.

ABOLENE.

We are sorry to learn that J. C. Davis is on the sick list this week.
Miss Callie Calvert, of Fingerville, is spending the week here with relatives and friends.
Mrs. Z. M. and Carrie Walker spent Sunday afternoon with Mrs. C. W. Davis.
Mr. Jack Scoggins spent Sunday with J. A. Davis.
Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hines returned home one day last week from Campobello, where they have been visiting relatives.
Mr. M. F. Wilkins made a business trip to Rutherfordton Monday last.
Mr. J. M. Davis made a business trip to Landrum, Monday, last.
Mrs. Sarah Hayes, aged 81 years picked 93 pounds of cotton one day last week.
Let everybody be at the Fair next week, and everybody carry something to exhibit.

HILLCREST.

Mr. Earle Head spent the week-end with his sister, Mrs. M. A. Smalley.
Mrs. Carrie Hickman and daughter Miss Margaret Hunter, spent the week-end at Morganton.
Mr. and Mrs. M. Georger Misses Lucy and Mattie Abrams and Mr. Marshall Abrams motored to Asheville Friday.
Mrs. Finley of Marion is visiting her mother, Mrs. Owensby.
Rev. R. N. Hunter spent several days with relatives in Charlotte and vicinity, last week, bringing his little daughter, Rachel, home with him.
A pleasant innovation in this neighborhood is the weekly community singing recently instituted at Hillcrest school.

SILVER CREEK.

Mr. Zach Searcy was not present for the singing at Silver Creek, Sunday. There were many disappointed because of his absence, although we had some good singing. Rev. T. W. Arledge, of Sandy Springs conducted services in the morning.
Mr. C. E. Justice, of Rutherfordton made a business trip up to his farms one day last week.
Born to Mr. and Mrs. Zach Searcy on last Thursday, a boy.
Miss Alice Arledge, of Saluda, spent the past week with relatives in this section.
Messrs. Will Foster and Joe Page were visitors at Mountain View farm, Saturday night.
Mrs. William Green and daughter, Minnie, spent last week-end with relatives at Warrior mountain.
Only five more days and we hope to be witnessing the greatest Fair we have ever had in Polk county, at Columbus.

LYNN.

Rev. R. N. Pratt, pastor of the Baptist church, and Rev. A. S. Caldwell, pastor of the Presbyterian church of this place, both have regular standing appointments, and by this arrangement the Lynn people have good preaching every Sunday night. There being no church building, the school building is still being used for church and all kind of services, but the accommodations are inadequate and keeps a great many people from attending the services. It is to be hoped that some plan may be adopted in a very short time by

which the church building now started may be finished.

W. J. Ballard, who was in the famous 30th Division, is in attendance at the reunion at Greenville, this week.

It's only a few days till the Fair. Are you ready? The Fair will be just what the people make it.

Rev. W. M. Shelton, pastor of the M. E. church of Mill Spring, was the guest of Mr. R. D. Gray, principal of our school, last Saturday night.

John T. Panther and P. N. Hood, will, go this week to the Green River Association, as delegates from the Baptist church at this place. The Association meets with the Camp Creek church, Rutherfordton county, N. C.

A new arrival at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Ballard a few days ago. It was a boy; No. 2—congratulations.

And for fear we forget a new arrival at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Mally Thompson. It was a girl (No. 2 again); we congratulate.

The teachers of the Lynn school gave a box supper and voting contest at the school house, Saturday night. Rev. Mr. Shelton, of Mill Spring was present and made an interesting talk in the interest of the Lynn school and education in general. In addition to the boxes sold, the ladies of the Betterment Association sold cake and lemonade. Miss Mamie Durham, of Tryon, won the cake in the contest. The receipts amounted to \$63.01 and will be used by the school trustees to purchase some equipment for the school. All present report a good time.

Miss Gladys Smith, of Columbus, has been added to the staff of teachers of the Lynn school.

The Odd Fellows Hall has been secured temporarily for some of the classes of the school.

Several of our young people attended some of the meetings of the chautauqua at Tryon, last week.

A little child of T. A. Ravan was quite badly burned a few days ago, but is fast improving.

Mrs. Dewey Lewis left last Sunday morning to join her husband at Wilmington, N. C., where they will make their present home.

Well, it's dry, dry, dry, and cool nights but my what a fine time for gathering the hay.

W. F. Swann is wielding the paint brush on the new annex of the school building.

A new roof is being put on the teachers' dormitory this week.

MELVIN HILL.

Cotton picking is in full swing now, and the indications are that the crop will open and be gathered sooner this year than usual.

Mrs. Ada Waldrop went Sunday to visit her mother Mrs. Morris of Clifside who is quite sick.

A number of the Melvin Hill church members attended the business meeting of a committee at Mill Creek last Saturday.

Mrs. Jesse Jones is spending some time at the home of her husband's parents at Brooklyn.

Mr. Elzie Horn who recently returned from Detroit, was in this town Saturday.

The debate here last Saturday night was quite entertaining, and was more or less instructive. The subject was Resolved that war is more destructive than Intemperance. The negative won the decision.

Elder Miller preached a very interesting sermon here Sunday night on the subject of our conversations and how we use our tongues; and we are sure that everyone present felt that he needed a stronger bridle for his tongue than he had ever had before.

Mr. S. S. Lawter made a business trip to Spartanburg, Monday.

Miss Roddy, of Green River, attended Sunday school here, Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Toney, of Sandy Plains, made a short visit to relatives here, recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Morris, of Henrietta, were in Melvin Hill, Sunday.

We have been having a few cool nights lately, but no frost as yet.

Success and good luck to the NEWS and its editor.

THE CHAUTAUQUA

This county has just completed a Chautauqua that has probably done as much for the community as anything in the past years. It has demonstrated to all of us that anything with merit and an uplifting tone will meet with great favor in this section and that in every man's soul in this section is a yearning for knowledge. A circus can come for one day and draw a large crowd largely because a crowd is expected to gather and many people want to be in a crowd, but this Chautauqua came for three days with six performances and drew larger crowds with every succeeding day.

The music was enjoyed but the real drawing was made by the speakers who had a message in forceful language that we wished to hear. All of us may not have what we generally understand as education but all of us have a desire to live better, for our own sakes, for our children, or for the community, and it was this chance to hear men and women tell us the methods and results of education that we came in such large crowds to learn.

Colonel Gerhart gave us a masterful lecture on education, showing what it meant and its purpose. The Chautauqua director gave us two lectures showing the need of education and its results. Miss Lambert spoke one afternoon on home-making and community spirit and showed us the benefit to be derived from co-operation in everything we do. She showed us how dependent we are on the young people of this section and their proper development both in school and at home and how much the future depends on the proper training of our children. Miss Maltby, a Red Cross nurse, explained in plain language the prevention of disease and the home care of the sick. She illustrated to the amusement and instruction of all how to prevent a child from sucking its thumb. It was just such simple instruction that taught the value of a Chautauqua every year in this county. The crowds that came every day to this tent showed how anxious and ready we are to learn something that will benefit our home living and our community life.

Every performance had as a part of its program music and comedy enough to entertain all and lend variety. None of us will forget soon the recitation by Miss Agnes about the little boy who found the pie in his mother's pantry and wrestled with his conscience for some time as to whether or not it was wrong to take a piece. He argued that aunt Mabel said the preacher was not going to heaven and the preacher said that no one else was going there so he reckoned it would be a lonesome place anyway and that he might just as well take the pie.

Twenty men of Tryon this past season had the courage to guarantee the amount necessary to bring this Chautauqua to this county and their foresight and efforts at success have been appreciated by all. For next year the following citizens of this county have asked to be guarantors and with the addition of three more names the total list of forty names will be complete and we will again have a chautauqua for a three-day season with a complete change of program.

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| B. L. Ballenger | F. P. Bacon. |
| C. W. Morgan | Eugene Brownlee |
| W. B. Stone | J. T. Green |
| J. M. Early | J. A. Steelman |
| J. C. Fisher | J. B. Hester |
| F. S. Wilcox | A. F. Corbin |
| A. L. Hill | Mrs. J. W. Kenned |
| G. H. Holmes | Nelson Jackson, Jr |
| W. H. Stearns | R. O. Andrews |
| W. C. Ward | J. F. Black |
| J. N. Jackson | Dwight Smith |
| W. W. Creamsman | C. Bush |
| W. Y. Wilkins | G. F. Stone |
| Earle Grady | W. F. Little |
| W. B. Wigel | Louis A. Avant |
| C. W. Ballenger | W. F. Swann |
| Chas. J. Lynch | H. N. Bowne |
| W. T. Lindsey | T. W. Ballew |

"Bully."

The word "bully" as a familiar term of address was employed in the time of Shakespeare and no doubt was old even then. In the sense of praise-worthy, excellent as, "That was a bully dinner," it is used both by Americans and by British subjects.

TRYON

Miss Mary-Lindsey visited Spartanburg friends, Tuesday.

Mr. C. J. Lynch went to Columbia, S. C., on business Monday.

Mr. Nelson Jackson transacted business in Asheville, Tuesday.

Mr. E. J. Bradley of Fishtop, was in Tryon on business Tuesday.

Mr. C. W. Ballenger is transacting business in Atlanta, Ga., this week.

Mrs. A. Herford, of Baltimore, Md. is visiting Mrs. Chas. J. Lynch at Riverside.

Miss Morley and Miss Snow are spending two or three weeks in Spartanburg.

Waverly Hester left Sunday to attend school at State University at Chapel Hill.

Miss Beach and her sisters, Mrs. Warner and Mrs. Ball, spent Monday in Asheville.

Don't forget the Polk County Fair at Columbus next Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Elmo Caldwell left Sunday for Nashville, Tenn., to attend the Vanderbilt University.

Miss Loraine Stone will leave Tuesday next for Chicago, where she will visit relatives.

Karl Kelly and George Smith attended the reunion of the 30 Div. at Greenville, this week.

Mr. F. P. Bacon returned home Saturday from a business trip to New York and Philadelphia.

Mr. G. P. Bollman and bride, of Pittsburg Pa., are spending a few days in Tryon at Oak Hall.

Mrs. J. T. Williams and sister, Miss Clara Pue and Miss Loraine Stone spent Tuesday in Spartanburg.

Mrs. E. L. Anderson, and little son Ned, are spending the winter in Tryon with her mother, Mrs. Lyon.

Mr. C. S. Corwin, who has been spending the summer in New York, returned to Tryon, Saturday last.

Dr. W. W. Gray and son, Lieut. John Gray, attended the reunion of the 30th Division at Greenville, this week.

Mr. George Claxton and family, who have been residing in Tryon for the past year, moved to Spartanburg, Monday.

FOR SALE:—Ford Touring Car in good condition (looks and mechanically) will sell reasonable. Write or call L. C. Pace, Saluda, N. C.

Meet your friends at the Fair next week. They will be there and you ought to be there with them. Let's all go and make it one big get together event. It will do you good.

FOR SALE:—Between two and three tons Soy Bean hay; well cured and in first-class condition. Can be seen at Miss Carter's barn in Pacolet valley. Miss F. Hudson.

Mr. J. B. Cleveland, of Spartanburg accompanied by Mrs. Cleveland and Misses Nellie and Amelia Scriven, were guests of Mr. W. J. Scriven out on Route 1, Tuesday.

The big event of the year for Polk county will take place on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of next week. We refer to the Polk County Fair. Prepare to attend and meet your friends. They will be there—so ought you.

Rev. H. N. Bowne, Dean of the Convocation of Waynesville, attended a very enthusiastic meeting of the Convocation at Bevard last Tuesday and Wednesday, in the interests of the Nation-Wide campaign of the Episcopal church.

Rev. H. N. Bowne and Miss Ruth Bowne left for New York on Monday to be gone about a week or ten days. Mrs. Bowne accompanied them as far as Spartanburg. Mr. Bowne has been summoned as one of the witnesses in the Ferris will case. The hearing is to take place in White Plains, N. Y., on Oct. 6th.

One of several Tryon visitors in Saluda, says it is worth the journey weekly to have dealings with the postoffice. The purchaser of a postal card or one cent stamp is greeted as though he were a guest, not a customer and his mail handed him as graciously as if he were being decorated for distinguished services.

After a busy but pleasant summer in central and eastern Massachusetts, Miss Edith Thurston spent several days in town this week. Her mother expects shortly to join her here. Instead of reopening her school in Try-

POLK COUNTY FARM AND HOME DEPARTMENT

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LAST WORD BEFORE THE FAIR.

Before this issue reaches the farmers all the community fairs will be over. Saluda is already over and Columbus, Mill Spring and Sunny View will be a matter of history this week.

Next week, Wednesday the 8th, Thursday the 9th and Friday the 10th will be the Polk County Fair at Columbus. Mr. Swann and Miss Flentye, of Lynn, may be seen at any time from now till the Fair is on relative to registration of exhibits. They will be at Columbus the first day of the Fair especially to register all exhibits. Mr. Ed. D. Weaver, Buncombe county's efficient County Agent will judge the Fair on the 9th, as he must judge at another fair on the 10th.

Now the Polk County Fair is what Polk county farmers and business men make it; therefore it behooves every farmer to come and bring something that has been produced on their farm, whether it possesses high quality or not. Bring it along and show the willingness to co-operate with your neighbors in a good work. There is nothing quiet so helpful in developing a community as the community fair. Then in order to develop the county, let all these communities, and the people from all sections of the county attend the county fair and bring something to help make it a success. It is a "sorry" fellow who will come to the fair and hang around and say of exhibits, "Well, I left much better stuff than that at home." If you think you have

on, this season, she will assist her cousin, Miss Sarah Thurston, of Havana, in conducting that lady's English-speaking school in a suburb of the Cuban capital. Mrs. Thurston will accompany her daughter. The Cuban-American lady became favorably known to the residents of Tryon, on her visit to her relatives here last winter. She gave at the Lanier Club a very interesting and informing talk on life in Cuba. While their many friends made during their long residence, will regret their absence, they can but congratulate them on what seems to be a very favorable and fortunate, business operation, as well as a chance to enjoy a semi-tropical winter.

TO THE PEOPLE

I am called to New York as witness to testamentary capacity of the late Mrs. Ferris, whose will is being contested. As this is a jury trial, although set for the 6th inst, the delays of the law are such that I may be disappointed in not getting back to Polk County in time for our County Fair.

I hope that every officer and every one interested in the development of this grand mountain country will aid in making this County Fair a Great success. Come on the 8th and help to get ready, come on the 9th and have a good time and come on the 10th and elect officers for the coming year.

W. T. LINDSEY President
Polk County Fair.

MOUNTAIN VIEW.

Several from this section visited Selenor Jackson, of Mill Spring route 1, Monday. We are informed that she is very ill.

Mr. J. T. Ruppe spent Friday and Saturday nights at Mr. H. H. McCrains'.

Mr. Holbert Jackson, of Hendersonville, attended preaching services here, Sunday.

Messrs. Furman Jackson, JayCorn, Oscar McCrain, Miss Mary Ann Bradley and Mrs. Sallie McCrain motored through this section Monday. We suppose they were on their way to Rutherfordton.

Several attended prayer service at Mr. H. H. McCrain's, Saturday night. Glad to note that the painting of Mountain View church is finished and is looking a great deal better.

Misses Carrie Jackson, Alice McCrain, Messrs. Hobart Jackson and Henry Garrett attended the singing at Silver Creek Sunday afternoon. All report a nice time.

the best stuff in the county, have the courage to bring it and set it right up by the other fellows and see which is best. If you are in doubt as to whether yours is best, then bring it along and help out by showing the best you have. The business men of the county should attend the Fair in order that they may become better acquainted with the farmer an "vice versa" so that better business relations may be cultivated.

J. R. SAMS, County Agent.

Brief Farm Topics to Think About.

This is the Fair season all over the country and should be a season of thankfulness and rejoicing.

If you do not have the best of everything to bring to the Fair; bring the best of everything you have; and perhaps you will have the best of something.

DON'T GROUCH; SMILE; GRIT YOUR TEETH WHEN THE STORM OF LIFE HITS YOU HARD, AND HELP THE OTHER FELLOW; AND SEE HOW THE SUN WILL SHINE OUT.

Speak well of your town, your community and your neighbor; or get out and find a place where you can.

Wheat sowing time is near at hand. Sow nothing but the best re-cleaned seed, treated for smut, and plant only in a good soil, well prepared, at the proper time, about Oct. 15th to 28th—and expect a good crop to follow.

EDUCATIONAL RALLY

The public school officials in Polk County are laboring under many disadvantages because of conditions over which they have no control. Considerable adverse criticism has been and is yet being made regarding educational conditions in this county. There are none who rely more fully than the educational officials that the public schools in Polk County are not doing what they should do for the people of the county. But there are questions that come up for the consideration of the Board of Education that the general public know nothing about, and therefore are unable to intelligently either criticize or help the educational forces in the county.

On the second Saturday in November there will be held at Columbus, N. C., beginning at 10:30 o'clock an EDUCATIONAL RALLY in which all the people of the county whatever may be their calling or occupation are asked to take an active part. A better knowledge of the conditions that are confronting us in the work of education will make it possible for all the forces in the county to work together harmoniously and effectively.

Let me urge that every teacher in the county of whatever name or order be present at this meeting, and that you come with a contribution for the better organization of the school work. Every committeeman is urged to be present and discuss the educational situation from his standpoint. The preachers, the lawyers, the doctors, the editors, and business men are cordially and earnestly asked to be present at this meeting and to take an active part in the discussions. And last but not least every man and woman who has any interest in the educational welfare of Polk County are earnestly requested to attend this meeting and take an active part in the work which means so much to the welfare of Polk County.

E. W. S. Cobb County Supt.

PEARIDGE.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Gosnell spent several days last week with relatives near Spartanburg.

Arthur Thompson left Sunday afternoon for Greenville, S. C., to attend the reunion of the 30th Division. Miss Mae Philips is visiting at Mr. John Reed's this week.

Mr. Ralph Edwards, Misses Iva Gosnell and Bessie Thompson were callers at Mr. N. E. Williams' Sunday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Moore spent Saturday night at Mrs. E. Taylor's.