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NEWS ITEMS FROM HERE AND THERE

Notes Relative to the Tryon Thermal Belt.

Visited the premises of J. H. Turner and James Butler, and found that on the branches at the foot of the mountain and in low places there were signs of slight frost during the late cold waves. But a little up the mountain side, Irish potato tops and beans and other tender vegetables were unharmed. I also found no damage whatever to apples, peaches, pears, plums, cherries and quinces, which were growing in profusion. The very small peach trees were loaded as well as the old ones.

This section of the Thermal belt is in the cove above what is known as the Horse Shoe Bend of the Southern Rail Road fill, about one mile west of Tryon, N. C. I then crossed the valley to a section of the same belt, under the brow of Big Warrior mountain, owned and operated by captain W. T. Lindsey, Tryon, N. C. Here I found practically the same conditions as in the Horse Shoe Bend Cove. Apples, peaches, and grapes entirely without injury either by wind, freeze or frost. I then descended to the lower levels where I found more or less damage to all the above named fruits—At Dr. von Kahalden's orchard and vineyard. There was in the low lands along the small branches, slight sign of frost, on grape vines and apples almost a failure. There was slight sign of wind in the vineyard; but the effect was entirely negligible. I then visited Rev. J. F. Black's orchard and vineyard, and found no damage by freeze, frost or wind. It is questioned by many whether there be a thermal belt in Polk county, and to all "Doubting Thomases" I challenge them to set the day and meet me in Tryon and let me make proof by taking you through the belt, both above and below, where you may see for yourself. This is one of many years that will show so conclusively, not only that there is such a thing; but exactly where it is. Anyone desiring to locate an orchard or vineyard in this belt would do well to make investigation this year.

In years when fruit is plentiful every where, it is difficult to find where this belt begins and where it quits off; but this year the line of distinction is very clearly shown. Of course there are peaches, apples and grapes in sheltered sections outside of the thermal belt; but in the belt these fruits are common and plentiful. And orchard and vineyard owners in this belt, who have cared properly for their trees and vines will reap a rich reward this year. I am aware that other sections of the mountains claim thermal belts; and in as slight degree they exist. In Henderson, Buncombe, Haywood, Madison and perhaps all the mountain counties in a very limited way have little pockets of favored places; but there is but one great thermal belt in our great mountain section and the heart of this is along the foot of the Polk county mountains extending into South Carolina and northeastwardly; but not so marked anywhere as in Polk county. When one visits our mountains and see their construction and relation to each other; it becomes plain where in the fundamental reason lies for this thermal belt. It is here all right, and if fruit and truck

growers up in the cold climates knew what I know about it, and if wealthy health seekers knew the health giving qualities of this climate; they would break their necks boarding trains to get here.

Honor Roll For 1st. Grade For Month of April

Hubert Butler, Russell Sherill, Julia Crawley, Dalice Wafford, Clinton Ballew, Mack Avrill, Carroll Leonard, Sarah Esther Millikin, Jean Campbell Beatson, Charles Bartleson. Honorable mention. William Bridgeman, Nellie Bradley, Eunice Rollins, William Bradley, Rosa Ballew, Ruby Newman, Hester Ballew, Ruth Williams, Elizabeth Avant, Evelyn Covell. Miss Ollie Freeze (teacher)

Third Grade Honor Roll for April.

Elsie Wofford Mary Monroe. Honorable mention. Horace Newman, Edward Lankford, Emma Pettitt, Iantha Pate.

To The Voters of Tryon Graded School District.

Attention of the public is called to the regular election on May 3rd, this election will give opportunity to safeguard our interest by electing those who will serve best on the board of trustees for Tryon graded school.

The time has come for the people of the town of Tryon to open their eyes and help our children secure the education that is justly due them. On these young sons, and daughters will devolve the heritage of cares and responsibilities of community, States and Nation. Your trustees are the guardians elected to see this duty well done. We see families leave our town each year for other schools, saying as they go that our school is not what it should be, others are saying that they will go unless the school is improved. What can we do to improve our school and make it a credit to our town.

1. Employ teachers who will cooperate with each other and patrons of the school.
2. Bring together the patrons, teachers and trustees in common accord by house to house talks, public gatherings or other methods with a view of establishing close cooperation for school improvement.

3. To stand with an open eye and avoid the cropping out of personal feelings that may gain open expression and work havoc with the work of an educational nature among children.

These are only a few principals I believe in, if you approve of these and others like them vote for me. RALPH S. JACKSON.

Advertisement.

Meeting of The County Agricultural Board at Green's Creek.

Last Saturday a meeting was held of this board at the school house for the purpose of discussing matters relating to agriculture in the Greens Creek section. H. P. Corwith, president of the board, with Mrs. Corwith and family, accompanied by J. W. Dunn, secretary of the Saluda Board of Trade, drove over for the meeting. There was a good attendance of the local farmers and their wives, and a very interesting conference was had, necessitating an afternoon session.

The morning session was opened with prayer by Rev. Hunter, pastor of the Hillcrest mission. H. P. Corwith presided and addressed the meeting specifically.

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FOR TOWN OFFICE Following is a List of Candidates for Town Officials, Their Platform Etc.—Its Up to You.

Mr. Editor,
Dear Sir:—

Only three weeks till election of a Mayor and three commissioners to serve the town two years. We have read the paper from top to cover and find no one wants the position, that is no one, so far, has been guilty of saying they would accept the position if elected.

Personally we believe in Tryon and do not think, but know, it is the best town in North Carolina, and in announcing myself as candidate for Mayor I do so with the idea that I am to be supported with the following:

First. We must do something toward permanent improvements for the town.

Second. Public meetings should be held every three or four months to report to the tax payers what has been done during the period and suggestions as to what should be done in the future.

Third. The Town belongs to the tax payers and not to any one class or clan. If we are to amount to anything we must get together.

If you believe in these things VOTE FOR ME.

E. E. MISSILDINE.
(Paid Advertisement)

To The Voters of The Town of Tryon.

Greetings:—As our election for Mayor and three commissioners is but a few days off, and so far no one has announced himself for any of the offices. I am asking your vote and influence for the office of Commissioner.

If I am elected I promise to do all within my power for the following:

1st. To make permanent public improvement to the extent of the town's ability.

2nd. To bear no allegiance to any man or set of men, always using my vote for the best interest of all the people.

3rd. To have a public meeting once each quarter, that you may know how your money is being spent.

If you believe in, and want these things VOTE FOR ME.

WAYNE W. CREASMAN.
(Paid advertisement)

To The Voters of Tryon.

I am a candidate for town commissioner. I am in favor of permanent public improvements and if elected will do all I can for the welfare and advancement of Tryon and its people.

T. W. BALLEW.
Advertisement.

Editor Polk County News;

Several friends requested me to announce myself as a candidate for Commissioner. My platform is, push Tryon and ask the voters to vote for me.

T. H. COGGEY
(Paid advertisement)

Tryon, N. C.
April 15, 1921

To the voters of Tryon.

I hereby announce myself a candidate for Mayor of the town of Tryon for the ensuing term. I wish to state that I do not seek the office for any honor or glory it brings, but having plenty of time to devote to the duties of the office, I believe I can be of service to the town in that capacity.

I am in favor of permanent improvements, but cannot promise this as such actions necessitate a Bond issue which is left entirely to a two-thirds majority

vote of the taxpayers. I am further in favor of the restoration of law and order.

I further advocate improved civic and sanitary conditions and the improvement of streets and sidewalks in the remote sections of the town. I would also recommend to the honorable board of aldermen economy in the operating expenses of the town. I do not consider public quarterly meetings advantageous to the welfare of the citizens as this has been tried out and many good resolutions passed which died with the closing of the meeting. But I would respectfully invite the citizens of Tryon to attend the council meetings and hear all resolutions that are passed and protest against anything that is not beneficial to the tax payers and also to make their wants known and insist upon their wishes being considered.

If the above platform meets your approval, I respectfully solicit your vote on May the 3, I also earnestly request that you give the matter of selecting three councilmen who you think are progressive.

Respectfully submitted,
G. E. BELL.

Advertisement

Two candidates, one for Mayor and one for Commissioner, announced themselves for the coming town elections in the last issue of the Polk County News.

The following wish to announce their candidacy:

For Mayor

G. E. Bell.
F. P. Bacon.

For Commissioner

Mrs. E. G. Holden.
T. W. Ballew.
B. L. Ballenger.
C. N. Sayre.
T. H. Coggey.

The above all stand for progress, more and better Town improvements, and for good honest government subject to the laws of the State and the Nation.

Advertisement.

I am a candidate for Town Commissioner and will appreciate your support. Am in favor of permanent public improvements.

CHAS. N. SAYRE.
Advertisement.

Services at the Episcopal Church.

Holy Communion.....8:00 a. m.
Sunday School.....10:00 a. m.
Morning Prayer and Sermon 11:00 a. m.

Bible Class.....4:00 p. m.
FRIDAY
Christian Healing Prayer Circle, 4:00 p. m.
Litaney Service.....4:30 p. m.

THE CASH TALKS.

Our terms on job work are cash on delivery, all legals are cash in advance. We keep no books so please do not ask for any other terms.

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The Traveling Library

The Civic League has received the information that the N. C. Library commission stationed at Raleigh will send to Saluda one of the libraries at an early date. Upon its arrival the library will be placed in the Community room.

At The Congregational Church.

Rev. W. A. Black, A. M. Pastor.

Bible School Sunday morning at 10.

Public Worship and Sermon at 11.

Bible Studies in Acts Wednesdays at 4. p. m.

Tourists and all citizens cordially welcome.

FROM OUR FRIENDS IN THE COUNTRY

Items of Interest Gathered From Various Sections of Polk County by Our Corps of Faithful Correspondents.

Saluda.

The "Average Man" a play made up of Tryon actors will be given at Library Hall this Friday night. The proceeds will be divided equally between the Civic League and the Tryon people.

Mrs. Walter Jones and her music pupils gave their annual recital at the home of Mrs. Jones last Friday night. Everyone present enjoyed the well rendered program.

Fred Bishop, Doran Fisher, John T. Coates Jr., W. R. Summey, Girley Laughter and Frosty Thompson attended the 18th semi-annual log rolling association W. O. W., at Arden, N. C., April 25.

Dr. Salley has returned from his trip north.

S. D. Newton, of Cleveland, Tenn., spent the week-end with his family at the Mountain House.

Claude M. Gilbert formerly of Saluda, was a visitor in town Monday. Claude has finished a two years course in the Army Aviation school and is now an Army flyer.

Albert Salley has returned from Asheville.

Lessie May Pace went to Hendersonville last Wednesday.

Mills Nabers went to Camp Oteen last Tuesday.

If you want an Oakland car in good condition see C. Bush or ask Nabers in Saluda. They can tell you.

P. H. Bailey had the following guests last Sunday: Helen, Mabel and Erskin Hambricht, of Greenville, Jonathon Bailey, Verdie Harden, Norine Moore and Hubert Hambricht, of Cowpens.

Mrs. Lee Hart has returned home after a visit to Spartanburg.

The ladies are hoping that their vote which will be cast for Mayor and Aldermen May 2, for the first time in Saluda will result in the good of all concerned.

Frank Bishop is in Baltimore this week.

Hallie Singleton is spending Friday in Tryon.

Community Meeting.

The community services continue to grow in favor, and the attendance last Sunday was larger than those previously held. At this meeting arrangements were completed to assist the county road force in clearing the Saluda-Tryon highway of obstructions in the way of stones, or difficulties of any kind, before the arrival of the Asheville visitors next Wednesday afternoon. It was also arranged to complete the cleaning up of the ground taken over for park purposes, as in this site will be held the public speaking incidental to the visit of the Asheville folks.

It was also announced that by next Sunday without doubt there would be available a sufficient number of secular song books to supplement the rich singing that has been characteristic of the meetings already held, and, in addition, an out of town speaker would probably deliver an address on some topic of interest.

Speeding by Automobiles Discouraged at Saluda.

On Saturday afternoon last a young man, who came from Lynn, was apprehended by the officers, after a spirited pursuit, for speeding through the town at an approximate rate of 35 miles an hour.

While preparations were being made to put him under bond, he broke arrest, and reaching his car, made a break for liberty, necessitating further pursuit.

He was caught the second time, and put into the lockup, where he remained for some time, being considerably under the influence of liquor. Upon being released he was placed under bond, and at the hearing this morning was fined, and warned against repeating his offence.

The officers have been instructed to arrest freely all violators of the speed ordinance.

Still Captured by the Saluda Officers

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We the undersigned, officials of the City of Saluda, announce ourselves candidates for re-election on next Monday May 2.

For Mayor

H. L. Capps.

For Commissioners

M. A. Pace.

E. B. Guice.

P. H. Ward.

G. R. Little.

We stand for progress, improvement in all lines of city property, Law and order and a strict enforcement of the Prohibition Laws. Advertisement.

Fishtop.

Another heavy rain on Friday last, set back the farmer again.

There seems to be quite a bit of fruit notwithstanding its severe trials. The Japanese plums are all full but the home grown. The Chicasaw varieties are a failure, and seems that the first crop of figs are all lost.

Harrison Arledge and wife, visited his father-in-law Saturday and Sunday.

I Henderson, J. B. and E. J. Bradley went to Saluda Saturday.

Mrs. Ewert Levi and baby with their oldest son, went on an extended visit to see home folks in Henderson county, Saturday.

T. W. Bradley sang at Mountain Grove church Sunday.

J. B. Bradley attended the singing Sunday.

Coy Levi went to Saluda Saturday on business.

Honor Roll For Second Grade.

Janet Durham, Irene Monroe, William Fisher, Earle Rion.