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## OUR COUNTY AGENT'S DEPARTMENT

Some Timely Talks to Polk County Farmers, and others, on Timely Subjects, by County Agent, I. R. Sams.

### To the Farmers of Polk County.

I believe you will bear witness with me, that within the memory of the oldest man living in Polk county, there has not been a season like this. Since last December, there have been but few days the farmer could plow on account of too much water in the soil; not that there has been continuous rains; but because that before the land would be dry enough for plowing, another rain would come. From December to this good day May 16th, on account of this peculiar weather condition, farmers in this county have not completed the planting of cotton, and the planting of corn is away behind. Also gardens and truck have fallen far short of calculations made last winter. It seems at this time that a short cotton crop in this county is inevitable, and that all early maturing crops will be short. What the late season crops will be, is problematical. The mental attitude of the farmer toward these peculiar weather conditions is beautiful indeed. As a general thing, farmers feel instinctively, that a kind providence in his own way is working out for the farmer blessings which he has not had the wisdom hitherto, to work out for himself. This is a splendid mental and spiritual attitude to work out for himself. This is a splendid mental and spiritual attitude to have. We cannot control weather conditions; however, we can make the best possible use of weather conditions from day to day as the days come and go. Farmers have never had greater opportunity to think, and to think seriously, and wisely. Our business is to feed and clothe the world; or to furnish the necessary raw material for the purpose. Present natural conditions may be such as will help the farmer regulate production in such a way as to bring about an adjustment between supply and demand. Let us in these strange times take warning that there is an over ruling providence who sends the sunshine and rain. The cold of the winter and heat of summer, the storms and floods, which are regulated by natural laws; and perhaps are brought about by our misdeeds and improper management of forest and soils after the forests have been removed. Therefore let me admonish every farmer and every land holder, beware of the responsibility on him or her to be the best steward possible, and as above stated, think seriously and wisely of present day duties and go forward with quiet, but determined effort to make every day count for something better than yesterday. Let us every one have real service to the world as our slogan and watch word.

in the way of orderly management of soil, no part of the land is attempted to be cultivated, until properly prepared. Mr. Voorhies was once a member of the State Horticultural Society of the state of Michigan and as such had, and made use of such position as made him quite a specialist in the propagation and care of fruit trees, vines, shrubs, plants etc. Mr. Voorhies has now growing in an experimental way, many fruits not common to this section, which have made rapid growth and seem to be perfectly at home. His main projects are fruits of various kinds and truck. Peach trees are now laden with fruit; some of which are almost ready for the market at this time. He is also propagating apple and pear trees from the seed and doing his own grafting and budding. His trucking projects are fully as interesting as his fruit operations. The cabbage, Irish potatoes, head lettuce, spinach, and numerous other vegetables and berries show wonderful skill in process of development. The strawberry especially as grown by Mr. Voorhies is an object lesson worthy of imitation by every farm home in Polk county, as well as the homes of the town dwellers. Mr. and Mrs. Voorhies hold no monopoly on their great store house of useful knowledge of orchard, vineyard and trucking; but stand ready at any time to give out this information to young or old who seek such knowledge and are willing to take off time enough to visit their home. Any farmer in Polk county, who desires to improve his orchard, vineyard or trucking operations would do well to pay Mr. Voorhies a short visit and get a glimpse of what he is doing along these lines. Of course they have been here but two years, and had to begin at the bottom and great things have not been accomplished yet; but there has been enough to show conclusively to any inquiring mind, what our soil and climate will do for us if properly cooperated with. Mr. Voorhies says "We have three seasons here; Spring, Summer and Fall. That we have no winter."

**Notice.**  
By virtue of the power contained in a mortgage to me recorded in mortgage record No 13, page 89 of the register of deeds office for Polk county freely describing a track of land conveyed by A. J. Splawn to me on the 14th day of March 1918, and default having been made in the payment thereof I will sell at public auction for cash at the court house door in Columbus the above referred to land to satisfy mortgage cost interest etc. on the 9th day of June 1922.  
BONA RUSSELL,  
Mortgagee

**Church of the Holy Cross.**  
Holy Communion..... 11 A. M.  
the first Sundays  
Morning Prayer..... 11 A. M.  
all other Sundays  
Sunday School..... 10 A. M.  
Friday  
Liteny..... 4:30 P. M.  
Intersessions for the sick  
..... 4:50 P. M.  
Pure bred Dark Cornish Indian Game eggs. \$1.00 for 15.  
A. A. EDWARDS, Mill Spring, R. 1.

### Report of the Condition of the Carolina State Bank.

at Saluda in the State of North Carolina, at the close of business May the 5, 1922.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	52,090.82
Demand Loans	1,350.00
Overdrafts, unsecured	173.22
United States Bonds and Liberty Bonds	1,000.00
All other Stocks Bonds and Mortgages	16,230.00
Banking Houses, 1,250 furniture and fixture	2,250.00
All other Real Estate owned	301.57
Cash in vault and net amount due from Banks, Bankers, and Trust Companies	6,763.37
Checks for clearing	37.84
Drafts for collection	140.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>80,336.82</b>
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	5,000.00
Surplus Fund	5,000.00
Undivided Profits less current expenses and taxes paid	1,871.46
Bills Payable	20,000.00
Deposits subject to check	29,757.45
Cashier's Checks outstanding	162.01
Time Certificates of Deposit, Due on or after 30 days	36,545.90
<b>Total</b>	<b>80,336.82</b>

State of North Carolina.  
Polk County, May 15, 1922.  
I, H. B. Lane, Cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
H. B. LANE Cashier.  
Correct—Attest:  
W. C. Robertson  
M. A. Pace  
Q. C. Sonner  
Directors.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 15 day of May, 1922.  
P. H. Bailey, Notary Public.  
My commission expires Feb. 28, 1923

**Death of Wm. Hawley Smith.**  
Those formerly acquainted with William Hawley Smith who with his wife and son Leslie were pleasantly and widely known as Tryon winter visitors will regret to hear of his death at Peoria Ill., long his residence. An attack of "flu" in early winter ended fatally, about two weeks ago. Tryon recollections of the family were revived not long since by the marriage of Miss Dorothy Doubleday to Mr. Paul Smith, a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Smith. Later the expected birth of a great grandchild, fruit of this marriage so greatly interested him, that he declared his fixed purpose to survive that event if possible. When informed that it had occurred and that it was a girl the first in the family for more than 60 years, he summoned his relatives, bid them farewell, and calmly entered upon his final sleep. Mr. Smith has been for many years one of the great educational authorities in this county. His two books—"The Evolution of Dodd" and "All the Children of all the People"—especially popular with teachers,—have sold up into the millions, though Mr. Smith's failure to foresee any such success, deprived him of pecuniary advantage, he might have otherwise have gained. His achievements and newspaper connections brought him into acquaintance with many of the most distinguished authors, actors, artists, teachers, poets,

### Report of the Condition of the BANK OF SALUDA

at Saluda, North Carolina, at the close of business, May 5th, 1922.

RESOURCES	
Loans and Discounts	\$45,153.44
Demand Loans	4,050.00
Overdrafts, unsecured	558.48
United States Bonds and Liberty Bonds	7,250.00
Banking Houses Furniture and Fixture	6,300.00
All other real estate owned	750.00
Cash in vault and net amount due from Banks, Bankers and Trust Companies	6,191.87
Checks for clearing	168.56
Expenses	412.60
<b>Total</b>	<b>70,834.95</b>
LIABILITIES	
Capital Stock paid in	\$10,000.00
Bills Payable	5,000.00
Deposits subject to check	13,960.75
Time Certificates of Deposit, Due in less Than 30 days	29,755.70
Cashier's Checks outstanding	21.23
Savings Deposits	12,097.27
<b>Total</b>	<b>70,834.95</b>

State of North Carolina  
Polk County, May 17th, 1922  
I, P. H. Bailey, Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.  
P. H. BAILEY, Cashier.  
Correct—Attest:  
R. B. Staton  
J. M. Hearon  
Henry P. Corwith  
Directors.  
Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 17th day of May, 1922.  
H. B. Lane Notary Public.  
My commission expires March 20, 1924.

musicians, and public men of this country and abroad. Among them were, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Edward Everett Hale, Edwin Booth, Parepa-Rosa, Mark Twain, Gen. Logan, Artemus Ward, Petroleum V. Nasby, James G. Blane, U. S. Grant, Bill Nye, and scores of others of national fame. With Bill Nye he took part as dramatic reader in several of his lecturing tours. Those still living Tryon friends who used to warmly welcome his arrival and sojourn will deeply regret that all hope of doing so again, is ended.

**Home Demonstrator in Polk.**  
The N. C., Home Demonstration Department has sent one of its experienced workers to Polk county on a sort of prospecting tour, the results of which will decide whether or not our county is to have a worker of this kind regular in the future. Miss Padgett, this worker, is a native of eastern North Carolina, has been several years in the employ of the Department, and has been for two weeks visiting Polk county. She will continue to travel through the county for a month longer, and after her report is made, she may come to this work as a regular agent. A committee from the Lanier Club consisting Mrs. Grady, Miss Flentye and Mrs. Bacon, was instrumental in having Miss Padgett come, and to them credit is due for this forward step toward the general welfare of the people of Polk county.

J. L. Washburn left this week, for a well-known health institution at Rochester Minn., where he will undergo treatment. He has derived much improvement during his Tryon sojourn.

## LOCAL AND PERSONAL HAPPENINGS

Short Items of Local Interest Contribute by Our Friends and Gathered in Our Walks Around Town.

Paul Livingston was in Asheville Friday.  
Mrs. Buford Williams was in Hendersonville Friday.  
Mrs. Claude W. Ballenger will spend the month of June in New York City with relatives.  
Hon. T. T. Ballenger, of Atlanta, spent from Friday until Tuesday with relatives here.  
Mrs. Georgianna LeCount will spend the summer with her son and daughter in Connecticut.  
Mrs. Hallie H. Conrad and little Miss Betty are spending sometime with relatives in Winston-Salem.  
Mrs. Vance and Misses Vance and Yale are expected to return home the latter part of the week from a visit to Asheville.  
The Rev. Mr. Golphin of St. Matthews, S. C., will conduct the services at the Baptist church here next Sunday.  
S. E. Sloan was called to Salisbury on last Wednesday on account of the illness of his sister, whose home is in that place.  
Miss Margie Capps, who was called to Flat Rock last week on account of the death of her father, returned home Monday.  
Miss Phil Oliveras is visiting her cousins, the Misses Wanamaker, at Columbia, S. C., and attending commencement exercises there.  
Morgan Morris and his sister, Miss Kathleen entertained a party of young ladies on Saturday with an automobile trip to Chimney Rock.  
Leroy Williams and wife were in Hendersonville Sunday to see their son Burley, who is recovering from an automobile accident he was in last week.  
Mrs. Lightner and son Clarence left for New York Monday. He sails on June 6, for a European trip. Mr. Ligetner leaves for New York on Wednesday.  
Mrs. W. F. Smith has returned from a pleasant visit to her mother who is occupying the position of hostess at the Red Cross rooms at Camp Sevier, Greenville.  
Friends of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Cain will be pleased to learn that they will come to their summer home here June 1st. They will bring with them the family of their brother Mr. Lee Cain.  
Admiral Berry and wife, after spending the winter here, left yesterday, Admiral Berry going to Kentucky to visit relatives and Mrs. Berry to Williamstown, Mass., their summer home.  
The Rev. Mr. Cotton will lecture at the Congregational church Thursday at 8. He represents the Anti-Saloon League of the Carolinas and his address will bear upon the activities of the organization N. C.  
LeCompte Hill, the son of A. L. Hill and wife arrived yesterday from Iowa where for the past school session he has been in the home of his grandfather. He comes home with his diploma from the High School of Corydon.  
The entertainments given by pupils of the Grammar School and the High School last Friday and Saturday evenings did great credit to the teachers who prepared the bright young girls and boys for their fine presentations.  
J. N. Jackson & Son are moving their St. Louis office to Tryon. Howard Strong, nephew

of the late Wm. E. Strong of Tryon and son of the late Josiah W. Strong of New York becomes a part of the office force.

It is rumored that Robert Frost may buy and build upon the corner lot of about three acres of the Gillette estate, opposite the residence of Mayor Bacon.

The loss of one foot threatening George Holmes, by a disease of the ankle bone has passed. After a tedious delay he will be on his feet again sound and uncrippled. He and his family are to be most heartily congratulated.

The Misses Pitkin contemplates a fortnight's visit to Asheville shortly, occupying the residence of the Rev. Mr. Griffiths.—formerly of Tryon—which has been tendered for their accommodation during the family's absence in Washington.

The numerous friends of Miss Lucy Monday who has spent several summers here, will be glad to know that she will be a member of the school faculty for the next session. She with her young nieces, Lucy and Florence Moore will probably come early in the summer and take up her residence in Tryon.

Friday at four o'clock the final exercises of the Tryon school will take place at the school auditorium, at which time the diplomas for the grammar school graduates will be presented, promotion cards given to those who move up into the higher grade, and medals will be delivered to fortunate winners.

Donald Peattie was in a building directly opposite the Harvard Laboratory which was partly blown to pieces by a chemical explosion a few days ago killing 8 students and wounding 30 or more. Mr. Peattie formerly belonged to the class so terribly treated, but not long since was forced to leave it by the pressure of other studies.

When the Tryon school shall have closed Professor Simmons and family will go for a protracted visit to their old home in the eastern part of the State, the Misses Mann will return to their home near Raleigh, Miss O'Brien, to Greensboro, Miss Hamlin, to Barnesville, Ga. and Mrs. Watson, to her home in this county. Mrs. Kittrell and Mrs. Preston will remain for a while in Tryon.

One walking around Tryon notes the following new residences in course of construction: one just completed for the Misses Avant on Melrose Ave., Miss Carver's and Mr. White's just beyond the Avant cottage, and two other houses in a nearby vicinity, for Professor Simmons and Capt. Cawthray respectively. The Misses Nash also are having a residence in building on the Glenwalden Road.

The people of Tryon hear with sincere regret that the Rev. Dr. Pratt has resigned the pastorate of the Baptist church. When the Anderson (S. C.) Woman's College opens its Fall session both Dr. Pratt and his accomplished wife will be connected with that institution, and they will, of course, move their residence to Anderson. For about ten years Dr. Pratt has been pastor of the church here, and not his congregation alone, but all the people of the town recognize in him an elegant gentleman of the old school and a consecrated "Man of God."

### What You Can See at Mr. G. W. Voorhies.

Perhaps the farmers of Polk county generally do not know Mr. and Mrs. Voorhies. To such I want to give an introduction. Mr. and Mrs. Voorhies came to Polk county from Michigan two years ago last winter, and purchased land near Mill Spring and are rapidly transforming their place into a thing of beauty and usefulness. The first thing undertaken, was the removal of stumps, rocks and other obstacles