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Road Authorities of Three Counties Meet To Plan New Highway

New Road From Spartanburg to Chimney-Rock to Pass Through Columbns.

Representative business men and farmers of Polk County met last Friday afternoon with the County Highway Commissioners of Polk, Spartanburg and Rutherfordton counties, to discuss the matter of a new highway across this county linking the Spartanburg-New Prospect road with Rutherfordton-Chimney Rock road.

Business men and farmers from the central part of the county have been vitally interested in the proposed new road for sometime. When the plans for the new link were first discussed, there was considerable talk to the effect that a new road would be cut across country from Green's Creek entering the Rutherfordton Columbus road near Mill Spring.

The Columbus Board of Trade at once took steps to have the Green's Creek-Columbus road made a part of the link and sent a delegation to the mass meeting to urge this. Work has already been started on this road by the Polk County Commission, with a view of widening the road and top-soiling it.

At the present time the Mills Gap road has been improved from Spartanburg to New Prospect but the intervening five miles in Spartanburg county to the North Carolina State Line is in serious need of attention. According to members of the highway commission from across the Line, it is the intention of that commission to improve that section of the road at an early date.

Following speeches made by a number of prominent men from various parts of the three counties among whom were A. B. Calvert, Mr. Blackwood of Spartanburg, Mr. Gallert of Rutherfordton, and W. H. Stearns of this county, a resolution was passed by the assembly as follows:

Whereas Green's Creek Township of Polk County is the largest township in said county, has the largest population in the county, has the largest taxable property in said county, has more automobiles than all the rest of Polk County and pays more automobile license taxes than the rest of the county, and

Whereas, Green's Creek Township in Polk County at present has no State maintained highway, and said township is the natural outlet for travel from Spartanburg County and the mountains of Western North Carolina via a practical highway now in existence from that point where the New Prospect road leaves the South Carolina, through Green's Creek Township, via Columbus, in Columbus Township, Mill Spring in White Oak Township, to the point on the Rutherfordton County line at or near Buddy McGuinn's and thence in Rutherfordton County to the Charlotte-Asheville Highway, now

Therefore, it is resolved at a Mass Meeting of representative citizens of Polk County, at which the Road Commissioners of Polk, Rutherfordton and Spartanburg Counties were present, held at Green's Creek School House on the 27th day of July, 1923:

That the Highway above described should be adopted by the State Highway Commissioners of North Carolina for State maintenance at the earliest possible date, and with that end in view, Hon. A. M. Kistler, State Highway Com-

Southern Railroads To Spend 400 Million

New Mileage and Increase of Rolling Stock Planned

Nearly \$400,000,000 is now being expended by railroads of the South in the expansion of their facilities for the handling of traffic. This includes the building of some new mileage, the betterment of existing mileage and a great enlargement of rolling stock, for which orders have already been placed.

As shown by reports the railroads are doing their utmost to better transportation facilities, and the work which they are now doing is indicative of their appreciation of the needs of enlarged facilities and their determination to the utmost extent that business may justify them in providing these facilities to handle the ever increasing volume of traffic.

Columbus Board of Trade Active

The Columbus Board of Trade is out to show the rest of Polk County what a group of business men and farmers who believe in their community can do.

Last week the Columbus Board decided that three things were essential to the growth of the town: a modern hotel, a baseball diamond and a swimming pool. The following day after the meeting word was sent out that alterations to the present hotel would be made to bring it up to date in every respect. The money was forth coming for the pool and the ball-grounds.

Last Friday Columbus sent a large delegation of representative citizens to the Mass Meeting held at Green's Creek in order to assure themselves that the proposed new road would go through their community.

A picture show opened recently under the supervision of the school authorities in Stearns High School.

Columbus is placing itself on the map through the efforts of their Board of Trade.

Hospital Has Many Visitors

At one of the big hospitals in London as many as 3,000 visitors sometimes arrive to see patients in the day.

missioner of District No. 8 shall be asked to inspect said highway at an early date.

That a copy of this resolution be sent to Hon. A. M. Kistler State Highway Commissioner at Morganton, N. C. and to Hon. C. H. Moorefield, State Highway Engineer, at Columbia, S. C. at an early date.

(The Highway Commissioners of Polk and Rutherfordton Counties, N. C. and the representatives of the Highway Commission from South Carolina agreeing to work out their part of the roads to make said highway in fine condition before same is inspected with a view of getting said route to be taken over by the two States and make Highway.)

O. J. Zeigler, Chairman
Fred W. Blanton, Secretary.

In compliance with the resolution, a copy of the resolution was forwarded to A. M. Kistler, Eight District Commissioner, who wrote Mr. Blanton as secretary of the meeting to the effect that due to the heavy road programme now scheduled for North Carolina it would be impossible for the State to place the new road on the maintenance schedule for the time being but that at some latter date every effort would be made to do so.

Work on the new highway will be conducted by the Polk County Commission and will be rushed to completion at once.

State To Top-Soil The Rutherfordton Road

Tryon-Columbus Section Nearing Completion.

Work will start soon on improving the Columbus-Rutherfordton road according to word received this week from A. M. Kistler, Eighth District Highway Commissioner.

In accordance with the North Carolina State Highway Commission programme for linking all of the county seats of North Carolina, the commission will start widening and top soiling the Rutherfordton road. It is the present plan to eliminate a few of the more dangerous curves on the road. No plans are being made as yet to hard surface this road.

Work on the Tryon-Columbus gressing rapidly. All of the section of the highway is pro-rough grading has been completed and nearly all of the fine grading. The road has been laid and much of it topped as far as the rock crusher. This leaves approximately one mile yet to be completed. It is expected that the entire road will be thrown open for traffic by the middle of September.

Board of Trade Meets Next Week

Members of the Tryon Board of Trade are urged to attend a call meeting to be held Wednesday, August 8, at 8 o'clock in the Masonic Hall.

Several matters of importance to the community are expected to be brought to the attention of the Board with a view of taking definite action.

The last few meetings of the Board of Trade have not been well attended and officers of the organization are particularly anxious to have every member present.

One Million Cars In Half Year New Record

Ford Plants Average Over 6,000 Cars a Day.

Detroit, Mich., August 2—

The Ford Motor Company is now on its way toward the 9,000,000 motor it became known today when it was announced that Motor No. 8,000,000 went off the assembly line at the Highland Park plant Wednesday night, July 11, establishing a new million production record. Motor No. 7,000,000 was turned out January 17 of this year, so the company produced the last million motors in six days less than six months.

Production at the start of that period was around 4,800 motors a day and on the increase schedule in effect since has been brought up more than 7,000. The average for the period was slightly above 6,711 a day for the 149 working days or an increased manufacturing capacity the company was able to manufacture the last million motors in two months less time than the previous million. Motor No. 7,000,000 was produced eight months after the 6,000,000 motor passed off the assembly line which was on May 18, 1922, and nearly a year before that date, May 28, 1921, the 5,000,000th motor was turned out.

It was in 1915 when Ford Motor No. 1,000,000 was produced and under the steadily growing demand for Ford Cars and Trucks production has been mounting yearly and maintaining an annual output approximating that of all other automobile manufacturers combined.

Held Up.

Some men are held up as examples; others for what they've got about their

Womanless Wedding Makes Hit of Season

Hundreds Attend Marriage of Popular Couple.

The School Auditorium was the scene of the season's most brilliant social event last Tuesday night, when Gerald F. Stone, popular man-about-town, became the hesitant bridegroom of "Miss" Billie Stearns, debutante of several summers.

Long before the opening strains of Lohengrin's Wedding March sounded through the building there gathered in and about the auditorium, the elite, bon-ton and eclat of Tryon society. The traffic squad were kept busy providing parking space for the long lines of automobiles and Fords.

During the interval spent in waiting for the groom to muster sufficient courage, two courses of music were served by local "Bella-donnas."

Promptly upon the stroke of eight-thirty the groomsmen came in two by two followed by a gay galaxy of bridesmaids who rushed slowly up the aisle one by each. Next came all the sisters and aunts of the blushing bride who following tramped majestically to the altar in all her glory and maiden modesty.

It must be admitted that the groom, as he tremblingly awaited his bride looked as though he meditated on the joys incident to the occasion without finding much comfort in said meditations. Great credit is due him for the manner in which he concealed his fears and doubts.

After some little difficulty in straightening out the B and G when the ceremony began, a difficulty quickly righted by the bride who thereby announced herself as boss of the ranch, the service proceeded marred only by the vociferous objections of Baby Pink.

Following the wedding a formal reception was held for only the close relatives, friends and the town-at-large on the auditorium steps.

A collection was taken up at the door—for the benefit of the School Library. A substantial sum was raised.

Sunday Services at Tryon Churches

THE METHODIST AND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES OF TRYON.

Sunday School at 10:00 A. M., P. G. Moris, Superintendent.

Reverend Fikes preaches on 1st and 3rd Sunday mornings at 11:00 A. M., and 2nd and 3rd Sundays at 7:30 P. M.

Reverend Yaadell preaches on the 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11:00 A. M., and 1st and 3rd Sundays at 7:30 P. M.

The Presbyterian Church of Tryon.

Services next Sunday at 11:00 o'clock at the Methodist Church The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper administered at this hour—All are invited to worship with us.

Congregational Church.
W. A. Black, Minister.
Sunday School at 10 a. m.
Nelson Jackson Jr. Supt.
Public Worship at 11 a. m.
Christian Endeavor 7:15 p. m.
Alice Andrews, President.
Bible Study, Wednesday, 8: p. m.

TRYON BAPTIST CHURCH.

Services each Sunday morning at 11 o'clock.

One of Life's Ironies.

It is sometimes more difficult to prove that you are right than it is to prove the other fellow is wrong.

Thought for the Day.

It is not success but continued effort that makes us stronger.

Saluda Plans To Have New School Building

Contract to be Let For Structure of Nine Rooms and Auditorium

Contract bids for the new school building proposed for Saluda were announced this week. The Saluda school will be erected at an approximate cost of \$25,000.

The building is to be complete in every detail and will be large enough to care for about 200 or more pupils, and it is to be a 8 room building with an auditorium seating about 500 people.

The new school is to be built of stone and brick veneer. Contracts will be let next week.

Saluda Committies Appointed For Fair

At a meeting called by Miss Sarah M. Padgett last Friday at Library Hall, Saluda, the following committees for the Polk County Community Fair were formed with their respective chairmen:

Committee on serving, Q. C. Sonner; Pantry Supplies Committee, Mrs. John Bushnell; Art Committee, Mrs. A. De Vere Turner; Home Weaving, Miss Wilbar Stone; Tea Room Exhibits, Miss E. R. Martin.

Miss A. Nash is chairman of the Art Exhibit Committee for Polk County.

The following men were appointed a Booster Committee: P. H. Bailey, J. Davis, Eugene Sanders. These men are requested to accompany the other committees visiting through the county.

Miss Padgett and J. R. Sams expect to call a meeting this week at Friendship to assemble some of the joint committees and demonstrate new methods and exhibits and also to explain a booster programme for the Fair.

According to present indications the Greater Community Fair of Polk County to be held this year on Thursday, October 11, will be the largest ever held in the county. The Fair will be held in the County Court House from 10 o'clock in the morning until 6 o'clock in the evening. Exhibits placed in the building the day before will be carefully guarded overnight.

Thanks to the merchants, bankers and other business men of Polk County the Fair Premium List committee were enabled to have an attractive Premium List printed. The List will contain forty four pages and will be bound in an attractive blue cover. The surplus over and above the cost of printing and mailing the two thousand books will be devoted to prizes.

It was at first planned to have community fairs in each community throughout the county, prize winning exhibits at each of these fairs to be sent to a Polk County Fair and the winners here to exhibit their produce or handiwork at the North Carolina State Fair to be held at Raleigh. After some deliberation on the part of the Fair committee it was decided to hold a Community Fair for the entire county to be known as the Greater Community Fair of Polk County. Green's Creek Township is the only community that will hold an individual fair this year.

The Premium Lists will be forwarded to the List Committee the first of next week by the News Printing Office.

Thought for the Day.

Often the man of ability hasn't nerve enough to sell his ability while some men of limited ability sell their nerve.

Nothing to Brag Of.

An advertisement reads: "The best nuts are grown in America." True enough, but why brag about 'em?

Pediatric Seminar Convene On Monday At Saluda Hospital

Southern Specialists to Meet for Two Weeks Course. Free Baby Clinic for Polk and Adjoining Counties.

The Southern Pediatric Seminar will open its summer course in methods of diagnosis, prevention and treatment of children's diseases beginning next Monday, August 6, at the Infant's and Children's Sanitarium, Saluda.

The Seminar offers a splendid opportunity to the people of Polk and the surrounding counties, Hendersonville and Rutherfordton, for the treatment of ill or undernourished children.

There will be present during the course a large number of physicians who are considered to be the best children's ailments specialists in the South. The governing committee of the Seminar decided that it would be well to maintain a free clinic for Polk and adjoining counties.

The Southern Pediatric Seminar was organized by a group of Southern pediatricists who were interested in the advancement of their specialty and in the diffusion of the latest knowledge of children's diseases among those who are brought in contact with the most children. This group of medical men have volunteered their services to create a teaching center at which may be presented the latest developments in this important branch of the practice of medicine. The course is especially intended for the general practitioner.

Clinical material for the course will be chosen from the sixty beds available in the Infant's and children's Sanitarium.

In order to put the Seminar on a self-supporting basis, a registration fee of twenty-five dollars is charged. This is the only expense connected with the course. Accommodations may be found at any of the hotels or boarding houses in Saluda, Tryon or Hendersonville.

The Tryon Country Club is offering a special rate of five dollars for the two weeks of the course.

The Seminar will close Saturday, August 18. Seven lectures will be given daily by specialists.

Funeral Service For Mrs. James Brownlee

Funeral services for Mrs. James Brownlee, who died last Sunday night at 11 o'clock at Oak Hall, were held Tuesday morning from the Congregational Church, the Reverend W. A. Black officiating.

Six weeks prior to her death Mrs. Brownlee was taken ill with pneumonia. After a prolonged fight, she recovered only to suffer an attack of heart trouble during convalescence and died Sunday night.

The body was taken by her son, Eugene Brownlee, to the old family home Cobleskill, N. Y., for interment.

Mrs. Brownlee is survived by four sons, Eugene Brownlee, proprietor of Oak Hall, Tryon; Clayton Brownlee of Birmingham, Ala.; Dr. Harris Brownlee of Danburg, Conn.; and Clarence Brownlee of Vancouver, B. C.

Thought for the Day.

It is vastly better to get a man to work with you than merely to work for you.