

County Seat Plans To Have Seven Acre Lake

P. T. A. Will Meet—Hotel Progressing—Book Club Meeting—Locals.

The Board of Trade and the Town Commissioners are negotiating with Walter T. Hammett of Tryon to construct a dam. Mr. Hammett owns a large tract of land in Columbus lying on the hard surface road coming into town which is ideal for a lake and park.

By building a fifty yard dam, ten feet high, a lake covering several acres can be made, that will be surrounded by beautiful oak trees.

It is thought that the present plans will meet with success. The Board of Trade discussed this matter at several meetings last winter, but deferred action until recently.

Parent Teachers Will Meet

Friday At School Building

The Parent-Teacher Association which meets the first Friday afternoon in each month at 3:30 will hold its regular meeting in the school auditorium March 7th. All parents and teachers are cordially invited to attend these meetings. A prize is to be given at the end of the year to grade having the greatest percent of parents present at these meetings. At this March meeting a gold star is to be placed on the report card of every child whose parent attends the meeting.

Recently it was decided to have a nursery in connection with the P. T. A. meetings so that no mother would be kept at home on account of the care of little children. Mrs. Charles Davenport together with High School girls will take charge of the nursery at the March meeting.

Hotel At Columbus, Newly Remodeled, Will Open Soon

Messrs. Hamrick and Harris of Rutherfordton are going ahead with the work on the new hotel and expect to open it sometime this month. It is to have sixteen rooms, three baths, sewerage, electric lights, sleeping porches etc. It will be furnished with comfortable Simmons beds and will be modern in every respect and will fill a long felt need in Columbus. Mrs. R. F. McFarland will be in charge and those who have eaten her good fried chicken, home made biscuit, cakes, and pies know what to expect! Columbus has needed a hotel for a long time, but not until the Board of Trade took the matter up with the owners of the old hotel building and urged them to spend from five to eight thousand dollars in remodeling the old building did we realize a Modern Hotel for our little town. In urging this matter, the newly organized Building and Loan Association played an important part, as a loan from this Association helped to promote this forward step.

Book Club Will Meet

The Helen Stearn Book Club will hold its regular meeting Wednesday at the dormitory instead of meeting with Mrs. Sikes as formerly announced.

May Increase Water System

Columbus is coming to the front, with telephone, electric lights, more paved walks than any town in the State for its size, a modern hotel, a small water system, and with fine prospects of a larger water system that will accommodate a town of five thousand population.

The source of water supply from White Oak Mountain is now being surveyed by W. N. Willis and F. C. Wyse, engineers from Spartanburg.

Missionary Society To Meet

The Missionary Society of the Baptist Church will meet with Mrs. Stroup at the parsonage Tuesday afternoon March 11th at three o'clock. It is hoped that all members and those in-

SALUDA

The assistant postmaster was missed from his usual place for a couple of days, being confined at home on account of sickness.

Miss Lila Mae Guice, assistant instructor in music at Piedmont College, Demorest, Ga., spent a week at home, returning to the college on Sunday.

Mrs. G. R. Little went to Spartanburg last Saturday to visit her mother who is ill in that city.

Mrs. Arra Lankford, of Sonner & Co., has gone to Knoxville, Tenn. to buy Spring goods for the firm.

On account of the sickness of her mother Mrs. W. T. Moore is spending a few days in Greenville, S. C.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Cullipher went to Spartanburg last week end to visit their daughter, Mrs. Fred Bailey. On their return they brought back with them their grand-child little Miss Hazel Bailey.

Miss Janie Thompson returned last week from Asheville where she spent a few days with her sister.

After a week with friends in Spartanburg and Greenville Miss Arra Lankford returned to her place in the store of Sonner & Pace.

Mr. M F Arledge has gone to Asheville for a few days. Mr. Arledge has the contract for the erection of a chapel at the college of St. Genevieve of the Pines.

NEW COUNTY JAIL TO BE COMPLETED SOON

The steel cages for the new \$35,000 jail have arrived and are now being installed. According to the contractor the building will be completed within the next few weeks.

Will Build Winter Home Here.

Miss Lucy W. Peet of Chicago has recently purchased through Blake and Calhoun a tract of four acres near the residence of Mrs. Mary S. Graham on the Mimosa tract upon which she plans to build a bungalow of the Swiss type. The contract was awarded to C. N. Sayre.

Lanier Club Enjoys Musical Programme at Library.

Members of the Lanier Club enjoyed a musical programme this afternoon at the Library. The program consisted of solos rendered by Mrs. Dickinson of Michigan, Mrs. Bailey of New York, Miss Martha Jackson and Mr. Lawrence Mazzanovich. The musical was under the direction of Mrs. Carolina Beeson Fry, of New York City.

tended will be present as several important matters are to be brought up.

Miss Minnie Arledge spent last week-end in Hendersonville with her sister, Mrs. J. E. Shipman.

Miss Sallie Lynch spent a few days the first of the week with her friend, Mrs. Grady Yelton of Rutherfordton. Mrs. Yelton was formerly Miss Eva Clark and is pleasantly remembered in Columbus, where she frequently visited before her marriage in December.

The Polk County Books are being audited this week by Mr. Doar of Charlotte.

Mr. J. H. Shotwell of Rutherfordton spent the week-end in town visiting in the home of T. M. Lynch. Mr. Shotwell is a nephew of Captain J. Y. McIntyre who is in very feeble health at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Lynch with whom he lives.

Mr. H. H. Edwards of Rutherfordton spent the past week-end here with his family. Mr. R. C. Prince is out again after having been sick with la-grippe for several weeks.

Funeral Service For Mrs. Corwin Held Today

With the passing last Tuesday, March 4, of Mrs. Cecil Corwin (Emma Payne Erskine) Tryon has lost one of its best and most loyal citizens, and the social life of the town, one of its most hospitable and genial members. It is over forty years since Mr. and Mrs. Charles Erskine with their family began coming to Tryon, and for years their beautiful home of Lynncote was the center of social and artistic life in this town. Music, flowers, literature, art and all lovely things were the spirit of that home.

Emma Payne Erskine was born in Racine, Wisconsin, May 10th, 1854, and was the daughter of the artist Alfred Payne and his wife Olive Child. In 1873 she was married to Charles Edwin Erskine, who died in 1908. Seven years ago she was united in marriage to a life-long friend, Mr. Cecil Corwin of New York. Her children, faithful to the precepts of their home, have grown to honorable and successful man and womanhood, and her eleven grandchildren promise to carry on the high and aspiring ideals of the family.

American in the tenth generation on one side of Western New York State pioneer stock, and of English ancestry on the other side, Mrs. Corwin was intensely patriotic and a defender of the ancient ideas of this country. She was interested in whatever was progressive and her active brain and warm creative imagination far outstripped her powers of achievement. She painted scores of pictures, interpreting nature sympathetically and ardently, and was the author of no less than ten volumes chiefly fiction some of which—particularly those dealing with her beloved North Carolina—attained no small popularity.

She loved Tryon and its environs above all places. The beautiful golf course was her gift to the town, and the water system of Tryon was her idea, and in part her gift.

There was no activity of the village in which she did not take part, and no point at which our country touched the higher issues which had not her sympathy. Her last journey was taken to attend a convention in Washington in the interest of peace.

There passes from life now and then a man or woman so full of vitality, friendliness, aspiration and ardor that the dissolution of their bodies seems but an incident. Their eager and expectant spirits move on to further adventures and achievements. Such a person was, and is, Emma Payne Erskine Corwin. Her trust in her Creator and in the Christian religion never faltered. She has gone to such rewards as awaits those who have been faithful to these ideals.

Mrs. Corwin is survived by her husband, Mr. Cecil Corwin, by her daughters, Mrs. MacDiarmid Parish-Watson of New York and Mrs. Carroll Pickens Rodgers of Flat Rock, North Carolina; and by her sons, Alfred, Harold and Ralph Erskine of New York, and Malcolm Erskine of Racine Wisconsin.

Funeral services were held this morning at 11 o'clock from the Church of the Holy Cross, the Reverend C. P. Burnett, officiating. Members of the family will accompany the body of Mrs. Corwin to Racine where interment will be made.

W. J. GAINES WILL BUILD A. M. LAW RESIDENCE

The contract for the new residence of Mr. Andrew M. Law of Spartanburg to be built on the property adjacent to the Tryon Country Club was awarded last Tuesday morning to W. J. Gaines, contractor.

Work on the new home was started this morning and it is expected to be completed within six months.

Tryon School Adopts New Tuition Ruling

For years the Tryon School Board has considered the question of tuition for all children attending school from outside the Tryon Graded School District and so far has been able to care for these children without imposing a charge. It is regretted that this cannot be continued for it is our pleasure to offer schooling to any child anxious to use the very modern school equipment of the Tryon school.

Beginning with the year 1924-1925 opening in September a nominal charge per month will be made all children attending whose parents or guardians are not actual residents of Tryon Graded School District. This charge will be five (\$5.00) per month per pupil payable within ten days after the expiration of every school month, checks or cash to be remitted to W. A. Schilleter, Superintendent and all checks made payable to "Treasurer Tryon Graded School Board."

We define a resident of Tryon Graded School District as follows: One making their permanent residence within the limits of this district. One owning a residence within this district and spending a part of each year in this dwelling.

Because of lack of school facilities in the upper Pacolet Valley and mountain section of Melrose mountain and Dark Corner the Tryon School Board has contracted with the County Board to care for these children and is receiving from the County Board additional funds to offset this expense. These children are therefore exempted from a charge for tuition.

The State Board of Education has provided that any child living in a district where no High school is conducted may attend without charge the nearest High School available. Therefore no charge will be made for High School pupils from a district not provided with this higher education. Pupils attending the High School not permanent residents of Polk County North Carolina will be subject to this tuition charge.

Tryon Graded School District Board.

A. L. Hill, Chmn.
Nelson Jackson Jr.
James Lankford.
Tryon, N. C.
March 3, 1924.

TRYON GRADED SCHOOL

Honor Roll

High School

First year—Geraldine Sayre, Josephine Hill.

Third year—Ruth Andrews.

Second year—Miriam Strong

Elementary School

Seventh Grade—Zella Balleu, Katherine Jones, Myrtle Kuykendoll, Louise Andrews, Robert Burnett, John Kittrell, Allen Jervey.

Sixth Grade—Jean Beatson, Amar Ford, Mary Foster, Aberdeen Mills.

Fifth Grade—Myrtle Mills, Marie Ross, Earle Rion, Mary McFarland, Mary Sayre, Roy Blackwell.

Fourth Grade—Harold Dunlap, Elizabeth Avant, Lenore Goodwin, Nelson Leonard, Sarah Millikin, Carl Osteen, Eunice Rollins.

Third Grade—Adeline Fisher, Evelyn Covil, Modena Bradshaw, Donald Flynn, Glenn Kuykendoll, Ray Hart, Carrol Leonard, Bertha Blackwell.

Second Grade—Allen Calhoun, Bob Millikin, Billy Wilkins, Esther Andrews, Isabel Durham, Bertha Palmer, Elsie Mills.

Adv First Grade—Francis Ford Jennings Ford, Jane Jervey, Virginia Ward, Bertha Williams.

First Grade—Ruth Creasman, Lois Slate Avant, George Jones, Mildred Rippey, Elma Wilson, Lillian Ford, Jenell Gosnell.

TRYON ROUTE ONE

In landing at the famous construction at "Turner Shoals" we viewed the huge derricks mountous piers, the neat encampment, in various other structures accomplished by man, when finished will make old Polk a greater figure on the map, yet the scenes of the Great and Mighty Builder is by far the more picturesque, the beautiful river flowing over those monstrous granite rocks extending for above on either side, bedecked with mountain laurel, soy bean grass and ferns, sparkling riverlets trickling down those cliffs, are far more appealing to this observer.

Misses June Voorhies and Clara Edwards enjoyed horseback riding Sunday afternoon. Miss Virginia Sherfey and Marvin Edwards of Tryon were among the pleasant visitors at Walnut Grove Sunday afternoon.

The Misses Hague and Fagans' were among the afternoon visitors at the home of W. B. Edwards' Sunday.

We are glad to report Mr. W. C. Hague who has been confined to his room some time, much better.

Mr. and Mrs. James Page went to Landrum today, also Mr. J. J. Roupe.

Paul Hamilton was in Tryon Monday.

Mr. Squires did you mean for us to set lettuce the last of February regardless of our first snow, or wait until March? we have snow on north hill sides today, March the 4th.

C. of C. TO MEET AT OAK HALL NEXT WEDNESDAY

The March meeting of the Tryon Chamber of Commerce will be held at Oak Hall next Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Several of the new committees are expected to make interesting reports among which will be the highway committee and the advertising committee.

The meeting this month will be followed by an oyster supper and smoker. With the approval of the members it is expected that this will become a regular feature of the organization meetings.

SUNNY VIEW

School closed here last Thursday until Monday 17, on account of the measles in this section.

Misses Eunice and Gertrude Bradley and Mrs. Gartha McGuinn were the dinner guests of Miss Arkansas Jackson Sunday.

Mr. Dock Wilson was the dinner guest of Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Whiteside Sunday.

Mrs. Bessie Wilson of Columbus visited Mrs. Elmina Whiteside Sunday.

Bone Helton and Odell Dimsdale spent Sunday night at the home of Mark Laughter on Route 1.

Misses Bessie and Emma Helton were the guests of Lucile Taylor Sunday.

Mrs. Nellie Ammons visited Mrs. A. H. Lynch Sunday morning.

Mr. W. D. Helton made a business trip to Rutherfordton Monday.

Mr. Willie B. McGuinn visited at the home of W. D. Helton Sunday.

Miss Marie Hall of Columbus Stearns High School spent Saturday night with one of her school friends, Miss Esther Wilson in this vicinity.

Terrill Taylor and Dock Wilson passed through this section Sunday afternoon.

Misses Mertie and Carrie Bradley were guests at the home of J. J. Jackson Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Hobart Whiteside and Glover Stepp motored to Chimney Rock Sunday afternoon.

Town Will Increase Present Water System

Plan Adopted to Cost About \$28,000 Will Double Supply

Increasing the present water supply to about 547,000 gallons per day as a minimum supply, the town council adopted an ordinance this week providing for a bond issue of approximately \$28,000.

This amount will provide for the construction of a new dam and the laying of four inch pipe from intake number three, the rebuilding of the dam at intake number two and connecting this dam with number three, the laying of a six line from the junction point of the three intakes to the reservoir and the construction of a new reservoir below the present one, the old one to be used as a settling basin for the water supply. The new reservoir will have a capacity of about 200,000 gallons. The entire plan as accepted is an integral part of a much larger system that can be installed in the future making use of the present plan in its entirety.

The present capacity of the system is about 191,500 gallons per day as compared with 547,200 gallons per day with the new system.

PROHIBITION AGENTS GET TWO MORE STILLS

Two more stills were captured by Federal Prohibition Agent M. L. Hutcherson and deputies in the past ten days. A complete copper distilling outfit was located last week about three miles north of Mill Spring by the officers who stated that arrests will be made later.

Last Friday night the second outfit was located at Pea Ridge together with paraphernalia for a run. The federal officer was accompanied by E. Constant, C. C. West and Sheriff G. L. Thompson.

Drama Club Will Offer Two Plays on Thursday, March 18

Two plays will be read at the next meeting of the Drama Fortnightly Society to be held on Thursday, March 13, at the Parish House.

The first of these will be Browning's "In A Balcony", a two act poetic drama, and will be read by Miss Sarah Putnam, Mrs. R. B. Peattie and Mr. Lawrence Mazzanovich.

The second play is one written by Mrs. Peattie, "The Great Delusion." Those taking part in this play are Mrs. W. B. Stone, Mrs. Bess Bailey, Mr. Upton, Mr. Arnett and Mr. Skinner.

FISHTOP

We had some very cold spells for February. There was some sleet on the East side of the mountain on the eighteenth.

We hear that Isaac Arledge was bitten by a mad dog a few days back.

T. C. Laughter went to Saluda Thursday trading.

Miss Beula Bradley is visiting friends and acquaintances in Tryon.

E. J. Bradley was in Tryon on Monday on business.

We learn that Mr. D. C. Pace has engaged a saw mill man and is going to move to his lands here shortly.

Since writing the above we hear that Isaac Arledge only got the skin grazed through his clothing and that Amos Arledge did get bitten and has gone to have it treated.

We say away with the dogs. It would be safer for the people and better for the sheep. There was a two inch snow here last Tuesday and sixteen inches on the mountain tops.

C. C. Jones and T. E. Pace are visiting John McMurray at Fingerville who is sick.