

Locals

E. Kilpin was in Charleston business Tuesday.

B. Peattie transacted business in Spartanburg Wednesday.

Chas. P. Brown was a Spartanburg visitor last Friday.

B. McSwain and J. M. Sayers were in Tryon on business.

Mr. and Mrs. U. G. Speed of Asheville spent Sunday in Tryon.

Misses Edna Jones and Gertrude Sayer spent Saturday and Sunday in Asheville.

Mr. Chas. Williams, of Inman, S. C., visited her Mrs. J. J. Panther of Lynn Saturday.

The Crest Inn will remain open throughout the summer, with special rates for summer guests.

Boy Panther of Forest City, spending the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Panther.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Camp of Siler Creek were in Tryon Tuesday looking after business matters.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Buckner and the son, of Asheville, were guests of Mrs. Buckner's parents in Tryon.

Mr. Elmo Caldwell who is attending college at Raleigh is visiting his mother, Mrs. C. J. Caldwell, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Butler are spending this week with Mrs. Butler's parents in Pennsylvania County.

Morgan Morris came down from Asheville Friday for a visit with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Morris, returning Monday.

We are very sorry that by oversight on our part the announcement of J. R. Foster's death did not appear in last week's issue of the News.

Mrs. R. F. Thorne, her son, Frank Thorne, and Mrs. Wilds motored over from Landrum Monday and spent the afternoon visiting friends.

Mrs. Elizabeth Stevenson returned home Monday after a three month's visit with relatives in Charleston and other points in South Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. R. M. McCown, accompanied by Mrs. N. B. Jackson and Mrs. C. Bush, motored to Landrum Friday night to attend commencement exercises of the Senior Class of Landrum High School.

Miss Helen Morgan arrived Saturday of last week from Greensboro where she has been the past year. She will spend the summer vacation at home, expecting to reenter Greensboro next school term.

Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Schilleter accompanied by Miss Clyde Metcalf, Miss Catherine Hardy, and Miss Elma Dunlap, motored to Landrum last Friday night to attend the commencement exercises of the Landrum High School.

Friends in Tryon of little Miss Sara Lipscomb, niece of Mrs. Kennedy, will regret to learn of her recent painful accident in an automobile wreck near her home in Gaffney. She is improving and has left the hospital.

Mrs. T. T. Ballenger of Atlanta who has been visiting her son, C. W. Ballenger, and other relatives and friends, has returned to her home. Mrs. Ballenger is well known in Tryon and has a host of friends who are always glad to know of her arrival on her visits to this city.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Ward and Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Schilleter motored to Saluda Tuesday evening and attended commencement exercises at that place. Mr. Schilleter is principal of the Tryon City Schools, and takes active interest in all

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS AGO IN POLK COUNTY

Locals items gleaned from the files of the Polk County News of a quarter of a century ago:

Columbus: Geo. C. Justice was sworn in Friday evening last as town commissioner. Now George, get in your work, we expect lots of improvements.

Columbus: Sheriff Robertson, Mayor Hudgins, R. L. Garren, and others attended the county commissioners meeting Monday.

Lynn: Mr. John Monroe and Miss Inez Swann were married last week.

Lynn: A few of the citizens met at the hotel one night last week to select a committee to look after the school house location, plans, deeds, etc. F. P. Bacon, Frank Wilcox, and W. A. Cannon were appointed a committee.

Coopers Gap: Miss Adina Jackson and Mr. Foster were united in the holy bonds of matrimony last week.

Coopers Gap: The newspapers will have to visit us semi-weekly if the people want to record all the weddings in this community.

Saluda: Mr. J. C. Sonner, our popular station agent has had his newhouse painted which adds considerable to its former appearance.

Saluda: There was a sociable at Mr. A. W. Garren's, Ward's and the Grand View Hotel. A large crowd was present on each occasion.

Editorial by Will K. Jones: If you see something in this paper you don't like, don't jump on the editor about it. Remember we are very small, but if nothing else will satisfy, don't forget that we keep a club, a 44 British bulldog, and a pile of bricks handy, and our aim is good.

school work of Polk County.

W. C. Ward, manager of the Southern Mercerizing Plant with Mrs. Ward and their children, Althea and Billy, motored to Tarboro Friday of last week for a brief visit with Mr. Ward's sister, Mrs. W. A. Lane and family. They are expected home the latter part of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Missildine, Miss Edith Missildine, Mrs. Lydia Strong and Rev. W. O'Neill left Tuesday by auto for Winter Park, Fla. to attend the commencement exercises at Rollins College where Miss Eva Stuart Missildine will graduate on June 5th. Miss Missildine after the commencement exercises will accompany the party on the return trip to Tryon where she will make her home with her parents. Miss Missildine has been employed as a teacher and athletic instructor by the faculty of the Tryon City Schools for the coming year.

Mr. Morgan Morris who has been attending school in Asheville the past year was the honoree of a very enjoyable party Saturday night, the event being given for his birthday, by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Morris. The home was made very attractive with flowers and a cordial welcome was extended the guests. The evening passed in a happy social way with dancing and contests, and toward the close delicious refreshments were served. The guests list included Misses Alice and Ruth Andrews, Miss Lucille Smith, Miss Helen Morgan, Miss Catherine Hardy, Miss Mary Sharp, Miss Clyde Metcalf, Miss Rosa Amrosa, Mrs. Clarence Morgan, Miss Mary Morgan, Mr. Theodore Ballenger, Mr. Harry Morgan, Mr. Hargrove, Mr. Harrison, Mr. John Fulmer, Mr. Rudolph Hardy, Mr. Hugh White, Mr. Leon White, Mr. Jurkin, Mr. Embury Smith, Mr. Mitchell Andrews.

ST. GENEVIEVE'S GIRLS APPRECIATE TRYON COURTESY

The girls from St. Genevieve's in-the-Pines who visited Tryon last Thursday to give a picnic in honor of the graduates Miss Elma Wilson of Asheville and Miss Margaret Pike of Ambridge, Pa., seem very much impressed with the many courtesies extended them by The Mountain Industries as the following letter conclusively indicates:

St. Genevieve's College, Asheville, N. C. May 19, 1924.

My Dear Mr. Stone:

Let us thank you again for the lovely time which we had in Tryon.

We appreciate very much the time and attention which you gave us in taking us all around the country and pointing out the places of interest. Do not be surprised to see us again in Tryon.

Thanking you again, I am,

Most Gratefully yours,

(Signed) Margaret Turner

(written in the name of the college girls)

The young ladies enjoyed a special banquet prepared for them by the management of Pine Crest Inn, where delicacies of the season were served on tables beautifully decorated with spring flowers.

After the banquet they visited the shops of the Tryon Toy-Makers where Misses Charlotte L. Yale and Eleanor P. Vance conducted them through this interesting establishment, showing them the attractive display of mountaineer craftsmanship which has made the Toy-Makers famous.

At five o'clock they assembled at the Mountain Industries where Mrs. Stone had laid a pretty tea room that their picnic luncheon might be attractively served.

After luncheon the visitors viewed the varieties of handicraft exhibited in Mountain sales rooms, and seemed very much interested in Mrs. Stone's description of the primitive equipment used by the mountaineers.

The girls from St. Genevieve's were very enthusiastic over the beautiful little town and its surroundings and are apparently anxious to return at some future date.

P. T. A. ELECT OFFICERS.

The officers elected for next year at the meeting of the Payant-Teacher's Association last Monday were as follows: President, Mrs. W. C. Morgan, vice-president Mrs. H. Double-day; Treasurer, Mrs. W. F. Little; secretary, Miss Lea Jackson. The two members to serve as the executive committee with the officers of the association are Prof. Schilleter and Mrs. A. J. Jervey.

BOY SCOUTS NOTES.

All set for the meeting Friday night. We are ready to enter our new quarters at the Parish House. Every Scout must be on hand as very important Scouts matters are to be transacted.

If any Scout is planning to attend the Boy Scout Camp at Hendersonville the last week of June or the first week in July he must have his application blank filled out and properly signed by Friday night. These applications will be sent to Mr. Turner at Spartanburg immediately thereby insuring us a place at the table when "Mess call" is sounded.

Gymnasium apparatus, including, four mats, vaulting and horizontal bar, dumb bells, Indian clubs and punching bag will be installed upon their arrival, perhaps next week.

Scout James Carson was the first Tenderfoot pass the Second Class test and is now a full fledged Second Class Scout. James has left us, but in leaving left a mighty good example by passing his test. Others should follow his example.

COLUMBUS

(Intended for last week)

Miss Hannah Sikes returned to her home in Albemarle Friday after an extended visit to her brother and sister, Mrs. Mr. Frank Sikes and Mrs. Fred W. Blanton.

Miss Birtie Waldrop who has been teaching in the MillSpring School, spent a few days last week, with her friend, Miss Odessa Mills.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Presson of Monroe who were recently married and were in Western North Carolina on their honeymoon spent a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Sikes. Mrs. Sikes returned to Monroe with them on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred W. Blanton spent last week-end in Mooresboro, Mrs. Blanton and little daughter went from there to Albemarle where they will attend Redpath Chautauqua and visit for several weeks.

Among those visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. T. Mills last week-end were: Misses Evelyn Austen, Lillie and Lucile Knight, Messrs. Lawrence Brashier, John Kink, and Guy Henderson of Greenville S. C. Misses Pearl Keenan, Marietta Rogers, Ethel Remhart and Mr. Marion B. Mills of Spartanburg S. C. Misses Lee Thompson, Lois Wilson and Mr. J. C. Craddock of Asheville, N. C. The party enjoyed a delightful moonlight picnic at Hemlock Shoals on Saturday evening, on Sunday morning they enjoyed sunrise breakfast at Basin Spring, Mill Spring N. C. after which they motored to Pearson Falls for picnic dinner. After spending a delightful afternoon at the falls, the party returned to their homes.

Mrs. O. F. Ashburg Jr. of Charlotte is stopping at Boxwood Inn the guest of Mrs. J. B. Doar of Charlotte who has been spending several weeks in Columbus with her husband who is auditing the County books.

Mr. N. T. Whitesides of Vernon, Texas is spending some time with his sister, Mrs. C. D. Elliott. This is Mr. Whitesides' first visit "back home" in thirty-seven years.

The Baptist Ladies Aid Society met with Mrs. N. T. Mills Tuesday evening.

Mrs. D. C. Sheehan who had charge of the Dormitory the past year has returned to her home near Lynn. She will be missed in the church and Ladies Aid having been a good worker in both.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our deepest appreciation and thanks to the people of Polk County for their words of sympathy and useful gifts to us since our home was destroyed by fire, generous offering of May 25th, at Mill Spring. Methodist Church was greatly appreciated and will mean much to us in the future. Again we thank you.

Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Edwards.

Presbyterian Church Notes.

Rev. George W. Sheffer, pastor of the Presbyterian church will preach Sunday night. The subject for discussion is, The Joy of Living Now. These Sunday night sermons are along popular lines. Come Sunday night and find out why one should not worry. You are invited.

Progress is being made in the campaign for funds to build a new house of worship. Mr. McCown and Mr. Sheffer spent Monday in Asheville and Hendersonville in the interests of this campaign.

County Agent T. B. Brandon recently helped to overcome an outbreak of hog cholera in Martin County by treating 228 hogs for 13 farmers.

THE LETTUCE SITUATION.

Polk County Farmers should have ten thousand thanks and congratulations from the banks and other business concerns of the county.

Only six months ago they decided to grow head lettuce under the guiding hand of Mr. S. P. Squires, manager, and Wednesday they loaded the first car with 400 hampers of Iceberg head lettuce ever shipped from Western N. C. and this lettuce is of very high quality.

Several other car loads will follow on fast as the crop matures. While the markets are some what depressed on account of abundant production and crowded condition of immature and low grade stuff; we hope the price of our better quality stuff will satisfy our farmers.

The present crop is sufficient proof that Polk County can produce a quality of head lettuce that cannot be excelled by any section and the experience, the present effort to cooperatively grow and ship a new cash crop is a wonderful credit on the farmers who have so successfully put over this project. Notwithstanding the heavy glut or rain Monday the 400 hampers required to fill the car was delivered promptly and the car will be rolling within a short time. Mr. S. P. Squires is to be congratulated for his accurate planning and business like method of getting this lettuce together and shipped so promptly. The Southern Railway deserves praise for the prompt manner in which they handled their part of this undertaking.

While the farmers may not realize from this crop what they reasonably expected; they have proved to themselves that they have found another great cash crop, which added to cotton, and coming early in the season, will make every Polk County farmer feel glad he lives just where he does. It also proves that farmers can cooperate and as they learn they will.

Respectfully, J. R. Sams, County Agent.

LANDRUM HIGH SCHOOL

The Landrum School auditorium was filled to overflowing last Friday evening when the Senior Class of Landrum High School presented their graduating exercises to an appreciative and attentive audience. The program follows:

Violin Solo, Nannie Mae Mallory; Invocation, Rev. J. C. Hunnicutt; May Time, Chorus by High School. Rev. Mr. Neaves sang psalm, psalm 134 Rev. Mr. McSweeney of Clemson College who delivered a most eloquent address. The diplomas were presented by J. B. Lancaster County Superintendent to the following: Rachel Lee, Mary Lindsey, Eunice Watson, Annie Sevier, Mays Earle, Madelon Littlefield, Talula Hall and Broom Cantrell.

Rev. Mr. Nevelle presented to Mr. Truluck a beautiful gold knife which was a gift from the graduating class and very soon afterwards on the rostrum and after a few pleasing remarks presented Mr. Truluck with a genuine leather bill folder which was a gift of the faculty and High School pupils. Mr. Truluck expressed his appreciation to both the pupils and faculty for their thoughtfulness of him.

The last number on the program was a class chorus by the 11th grade—Good Night.

Farmers in Pamlico County recently shipped a car of soybeans cooperatively. The local price for beans offered by dealers then rose from \$1.50 per bushel reports County agent R. W. Galphin who handled the shipment.

Bathroom in Biplane.

A luxurious bathroom, complete with hot and cold water, white enamel walls and tiled floor, is fastened to a new type of giant biplane recently completed.

LETTUCE GROWING PROVEN SUCCESS

The first carload of Iceberg Head Lettuce left Tryon Wednesday morning for Birmingham, Alabama and P. C. Squires of the Farmers Federation says that taken as a whole he never saw a finer lot shipped to market from any point.

Well graded, adequately packed, and shipped in perfect condition this consignment of 419 hampers marks the beginning of a new industry for Polk County.

The following residents of this community were represented in the first carload shipment, the hampers packed by each bearing their individual names so that if adjustments are necessary they can be easily made.

J. C. Davis, Inman, Route 5.

Stuart & John Williams, Columbus.

George & Gordon Gibbs, Mill Spring.

J. I. I. Ridings, Inman, R. 5.

Lynn Waldrop, Mill Spring.

George Aid, Tryon.

Mrs. J. R. Foster, Mill Spring.

J. L. Jackson, Mill Spring R. 2.

W. B. McSwain, Landrum, R. 1.

Walter Powell, Landrum R. 1.

C. V. Elliott, Mill Spring.

In all eleven parties contributed lettuce to make up the initial shipment and Mr. Squires appears to be exceedingly pleased with the interest they have taken in the effort, and with their careful packing and grading.

The largest single head was grown by George C. Aid at the old Rankin vineyard and weighed two and one half pounds.

This shipment proves beyond question that Polk County is climatically suited to the culture of lettuce, and that it will produce just as fine crops of the Iceberg variety as California, Oregon, Idaho or other Western lettuce growing section.

The successful demonstration of the possibilities in lettuce growing means much to the farmers of Polk County as it provides another cash crop—a crop which cannot be successfully grown everywhere—and one for which there is a steady demand at a good price.

County Agent Sams who has cooperated with Mr. Squires and other Federation officials is also enthusiastic about the possibilities in lettuce growing. He states that few sections exist where the climate conditions are so favorable to successful lettuce growing on a commercial scale and that he hopes to see Tryon Iceberg Lettuce as well known in the markets of the country as Sun-kist Oranges or Kalamazoo Celery.

Movies

THE STRAND THEATRE
FRIDAY

Goldwyn Pictures Present
"Brothers Under The Skin"

Another good one to hold up the higher standard in pictures that the Strand is showing.

SATURDAY

William Fairbanks
in
"Spawn of the Desert"

MONDAY AND TUESDAY

Jackie Coogan
in
"Oliver Twist"

Prices for this one 20 and 40 cents. Special Matinee Tuesday at 3:30 P. M.

Children 10c

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Morgan, Mrs. Kittrell and Mr. and Mrs. P. G. Morris and John Kittrell and Morgan Morris and Miss Mary Morgan were among those who attended Commencement at Landrum last week.