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"News Too Modest in Claim," Says Noted N. C. Editor

"One of the best I've Seen During My Twenty-Five Years Experience in Weekly Field," Asserts W. N. U. Chief.

P. F. Callahan Boosts It "You Are Leading the Way," Says Vice-President of World Color Corporation, Publishers of Slim Jim.

"You are indeed to be congratulated on your progressiveness, for of all the publishers using our service you are leading the way. Rommel Messing, Vice President World Color Corporation St. Louis, Mo.

The NEWS of the past week shows up fine and dandy. It carries a good line of ads, well displayed and a larger number of fine reading matter features. The pictorial supplement shows up well and both it and the comic sheet ought to make a hit with your readers. In fact the current issue of the NEWS is one of the best looking weeklies I have ever seen in twenty-five years experience in the weekly newspaper game.

P. F. Callahan, Service Editor Western Newspaper Union Charlotte, N. C.

The Polk County News of Tryon, N. C., has just started issuing an eight-page section, with rotogravure and colored combs. It is quite the word in weekly newspapers, and if Polk County will support this publication as it should, it will be a large sized feather in the cap of Hendersonville's neighbor to the south-east. In styling itself the largest weekly newspaper south of the Mason and Dixon line, the Polk County News is modest and should take in both sides of the Maryland-Pennsylvania dividing line.—Hendersonville Daily Times.

Sunday School Association Meets At Greens Creek

It is announced by officers of Polk County Sunday School Association that the annual County Sunday School Convention will be held on Saturday night and all day Sunday September 14 and 15, in Greens Creek Baptist Church.

In addition to the out-of-county speakers who will take a prominent part in the program will be a number of prominent pastors and Sunday school workers in the county who will take part in the various sessions of the convention.

The arrangements for the convention are E. W. S. Cobb, secretary and H. H. Carson, secretary of the County Sunday School Association. These officers are relying on the cooperation of all pastors, superintendents and other Sunday school leaders in the effort to make the convention a success.

Following a plan started at the county convention last year, the officers have announced that again this year a pennant will be presented to the Sunday School having the largest number of representatives (seven years of age or over, according to the number of miles traveled). The number of representatives from each Sunday School will be multiplied by the number of miles from that church to the convention church, and the Sunday School having the largest total will receive the pennant among the Sunday Schools of the county. The Sunday School with which the convention is held, and others within one mile, will not compete for the pennant.

Giggle At This

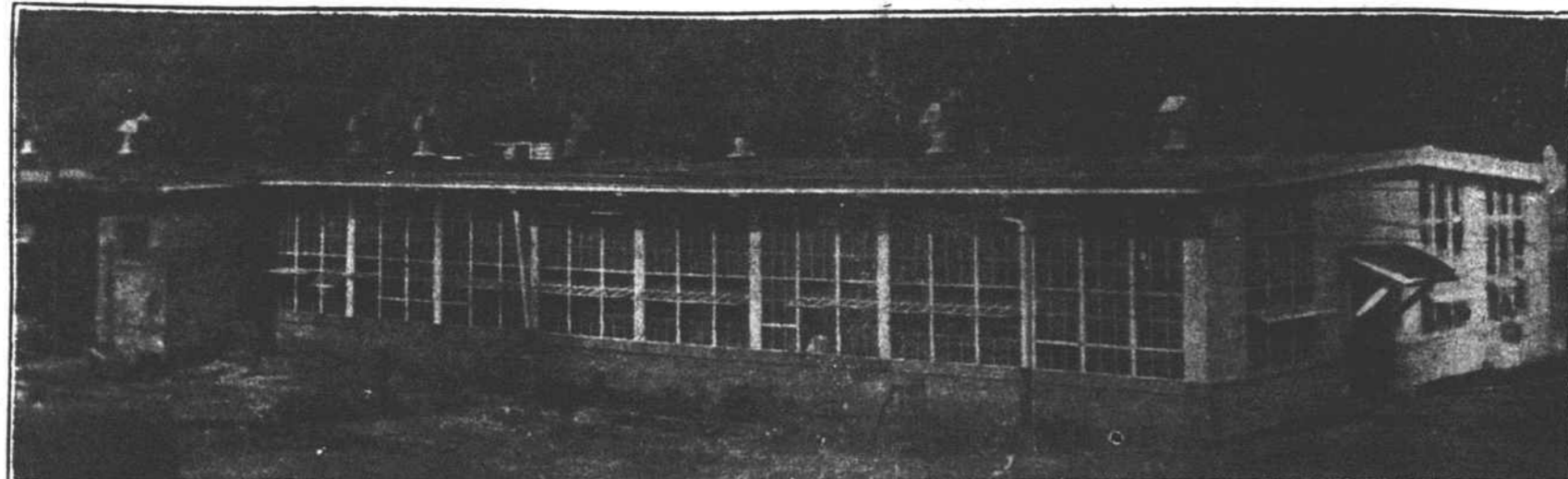
The captain of a disabled ship at sea, during a severe storm, went amongst the passengers and attempted to prepare them for any emergency. He knocked on a stateroom door and when told to enter, put his head in the door and announced to the young flapper sitting there busily engaged addressing picture postcards: "Miss, I think I had better tell you that we're in rather a precarious position. We've just lost the rudder of the ship."

Flapper: "Oh, that's alright, Captain. No one will notice, I'm sure. It's under the water and don't show anyhow."

Good Reason

He—I like stuffed olives best. She—Why? He—Oh, the dinner guests are not detracted in counting the seeds on others' plates.

Tri-Township Fair At Mimosa October Tenth To Be Big Event



Reeling Room of Southern Mercerizing Company's Plant in Tryon. This Concern will Display its product at the Tri-Township Fair, October 10th.

FREE! To Paid Up Subscribers

Beginning Sept. first every paid up subscriber to the Polk County News will receive without additional cost The Southern Planter, the oldest agricultural journal in America, twice every month for a year. This subscription is paid by this paper as a part of its program to help the agricultural development of Polk County.

MR. W. F. LITTLE APPOINTED TREASURER OF SCHOOL BOARD

At a recent meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Tryon School district Mr. W. F. Little was appointed as Treasurer of the Board to fill the vacancy made by the resignation of Mr. Nelson Jackson, Jr.

OPENING OF TRYON GRADED SCHOOL

The Tryon School opened on Monday Sept 1st with a very pleasing attendance. 40 students being enrolled in the High School and 260 students in the Elementary School. Since the opening date quite a few new students have enrolled making the present attendance in the entire school 318 pupils.

The Tryon High School has been very fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. T. G. Smith, as teacher of English and Latin, and Miss Leonora Jefferies as teacher of mathematics and history.

Mrs. Smith is a graduate of Winthrop College, receiving an A. B. degree in 1918. Since graduation Mrs. Smith has been teaching in the Spartanburg, and Forest City Schools.

Miss Jefferies is a graduate of Randolph-Macon College, receiving an A. B. degree in 1917. Since graduation Miss Jefferies has been teaching in Florida and Morganton, N. C.

We have one new teacher in the Elementary School and have been very fortunate in securing the services of Miss Eva Missilline as teacher of the fourth grade and assistant athletic director.

Miss Missilline is a graduate of Rollins College receiving an A. B. degree in 1924.

LYNN SCHOOL OPENS

Ninety-eight bright faced girls and sturdy boys of Lynn were ready for work when the Lynn Schools started off Monday morning, Sept. 8. All seemed ready for business, and ambitious to make the coming school year one of the best and most successful of record. Mr. Isley, the principal, will be ably assisted by Miss Hilda Burgess of Columbus, in the Intermediate department, and Miss Oma Reynolds, in the primary. The little village of Lynn is located in one of the most charming spots in the state, saturated with Indian history and legend, and the unsurpassed view of the surrounding mountains will no doubt be an inspiration to both teachers and pupils.

Salty Ham—If a salty ham is soaked in milk it will remove a great deal of salt, as well as improve the flavor.

Industrial Exhibit Assured For Fair; Art and Antique Exhibits to be Shown, Manufacturers, Retailers and Farmers Cooperate to make event Red Letter Day.

A thorough canvass of the manufacturers, bankers and merchants of Tryon township resulted in the following concerns being assigned exhibition space in the Tri-Township Fair Building at Mimosa.

- The Green Gate Shop
- Antique Furniture
- Quality Bakery
- Bakery Products
- Mountain Industries
- Mountain Crafts, Basketry etc.
- Southern Mercerizing Co
- Mercerized Products-Hosiery
- Tryon Hand Weavers
- Hand loom woollens
- Blue Ridge Weavers
- Hand loomed rugs, hand made baskets, art objects.
- Tryon Toy Makers
- Hand made toys and art objects
- Tryon Electric Service Co
- Electrical Labor Saving Devices
- The Ballenger Company
- Merchandise Exhibit
- Missildine Pharmacy
- "Retail" exhibit
- Tryon Chemical Company
- "Cleaning Compounds"
- Andrews Brothers
- Grocery Exhibit
- Tryon Pharmacy
- Sanitary & Drug Exhibit
- Tryon Banks
- Commercial Exhibit

Saluda has signified its intention to participate in a big way and the following well known residents of that city and township have been appointed as a committee. Rufus Stated, Albert Salley, Prof. Sawyer, James A. Pace, Mrs. Lunsford, Mrs. R. T. Hopkins, Lillian Herriot, Dorothy Corwith, Mrs. H. C. Sonner, Mrs. E. M. Salley and Jane Thompson.

Columbus has selected the following residents of that township to look after their interests. Rev. S.

A. Stroup, Prof. E. W. S. Cobb, Fred W. Blanton, Prof. McIntosh, Dr. E. D. Dedmond, John T. Smith, G. L. Thompson Herman Walker, Mesdames E W S Cobb, E. B. Cloud, J. W. Newman, E. W. Dedmond, Chas. Devenport, J. A. Feagan, N. B. Jackson, McMurray, McChesney, McDowell, McIntosh, Lindsey Smith, and Miss Vada McMurray.

A committee meeting will be held in Tryon at Missildine's Hall, Tuesday afternoon September 16th at 4 P. M. and every person on the committee mentioned above is requested to attend.

Manufacturers, merchants, orchardists, fruit growers and others throughout the county are requested to communicate with Charles J. Lynch, President of the Tri-Township Fair Association and make reservations for floor space at Mimosa at the earliest possible moment. The Association desires to have every progressive concern in the county represented, and they are open to suggestions from any source concerning ways to better the program and bring out the crowds.

Messrs Aid and Ellis will stage an art exhibit and Mrs. E. G. Holden has agreed to gather and arrange a collection of antiques, historical objects, old fire-arms, Indian curios and other things of like nature which are numerous in the homes of the community. Objects loaned for this exhibition will be taken care of and returned immediately after the Fair is over. Those having such objects which they are willing to loan will confer a favor on the management by communicating directly with Mrs. E. G. Holden, Tryon, by phone, letter or personal call.

The Tri-Township fair is worth boosting. It means a lot to every resident of the county, and with sufficient publicity it will attract a large crowd from outside the borders of the county—and once they are sold the possibilities of this section we have plenty of opportunities to hold them permanently. Get together and boost Polk County and watch it grow!

SILVER WEDDING RECEPTION

One of the most delightful receptions was given last Wednesday evening, Sept. 3rd by Mr. and Mrs. Pulaski Gray Morris in celebration of their 25th wedding anniversary. The place chosen by Mr. and Mrs. Morris was the Lanier Library which, with its decorations and furniture arrangement, had all the charm of the home, and at the same time was spacious enough to accommodate easily the large number of guests who came during the evening to greet the happy couple and offer congratulations. Receiving with Mr. and Mrs. Morris were their only daughter, Mrs. Buckner of Asheville and their only son, Mr. Morgan Morris with his lovely young bride, Mrs. Kirtrell, Mrs. Kennedy, Mrs. Millikin and Mrs. Morgan received at the door, Misses Lucile Smith and Margaret Doubleday presided over the punch bowl. They were assisted by Miss Leonora Jefferies of Gaffney, a member of the Tryon school faculty.

The Doubleday orchestra played at intervals throughout the evening enchanting music appropriate to the happy occasion and Miss Eunice Stockard and Mrs. Preston sang dear old love songs in their usual charming manner. At a late hour delicious refreshments were served by a bevy of high school girls. The gifts attested the popularity of the pair.

Besides a large number of Tryon friends there were present also an almost equal number of friends and former neighbors in Landrum where Mr. and Mrs. Morris resided before they came to make Tryon their home a few years ago.

Saluda, Columbus, Tryon

Industrial and Commercial Concerns Declare Day a Holiday. Public Schools Requested to Close. Cooper's Gap, White Oak, and Green's Creek Townships to be Represented. Premium List open to All Residents of Polk County.

The Tryon Chamber of Commerce in executive session went on record as being heartily in accord with the objects of the Tri-Township Fair Association and pledged its support in making the 1924 Fair at Mimosa a red letter day in Polk County history.

President B. L. Ballenger called the meeting to order promptly at eight o'clock Thursday evening and explained the purpose of the special meeting to assembled members.

Chas. J. Lynch, President of the Tri-Township Fair Association in a short and snappy address stated that in his opinion the success or failure of the fair depended largely upon the support of the Chamber of Commerce of Tryon and its members individually and collectively. Stressing the importance of the project to merchants, bankers, farmers and other residents, Mr. Lynch explained that he wanted to make the fair something really worth while and he felt sure that the Association could do it with the support of the Chamber of Commerce and Tryon business interests.

Mr. Sams, County Agent, told of the work he and Mrs. Padgett Smith, Home Demonstration Agent, had already done throughout the county and expressed himself as believing that the majority of Polk County people were heartily interested in the Fair and wanted to see it a success. Mr. Sams stated that in spite of the continued dry weather he could assemble a splendid agricultural exhibit, including corn, potatoes, yams and other products of the section. "From Tryon to the foot of the mountains and for three miles out, no section in North Carolina has greater agricultural possibilities," said Mr. Sams. "They may joke about our 'Thermal Belt', but such a belt exists and the farmers of the section know it from actual experience."

Mayor W. S. Green of Tryon said Polk County folks could depend on Tryon for solid support in putting over the fair. "If they want us, we'll daddly the whole thing," said Mr. Green with a smile.

Road Commissioner Stearns, who freely tendered the use of Mimosa Casino for the housing of exhibits said he believed the Fair would be of great interest to everybody in the county. Calling attention to the presence of Judge J. J. Gentry in the audience he expressed himself as believing that Tryon and other towns in the county could profit by the Judge's example in building rest stations for the use of tourists. Introducing Judge Gentry, Mr. Stearns requested that the South Carolina visitor tell the audience what he was doing on Bird Mountain.

Judge Gentry said that nothing would help the county more than close cooperation between the people of the cities and those of the farms and that in his opinion fairs had done as much as any other one thing to build up a cooperative spirit. When asked to exhibit at Mimosa he explained that his holdings in part lay in South Carolina, where he lives "but," said the Judge, "if you wish I'll put on a Bird Mountain exhibit."

Mrs. Padgett Smith recommended that the premium list be opened to all exhibitors whether residents of the three townships or not, and this was heartily agreed upon, thus allowing Green's Creek, Cooper's Gap, Mill Springs and other townships to enter their picked products in competition to the three townships represented.

Prof. Isabell of Green's Creek, stated that his township would take up the challenge and have representation. "We needed \$500 to have our schools placed on the accredited list. When I started out to raise it, folks laughed and said it couldn't be done. I had it oversubscribed in jig-time. That's the way, Green's Creek does things."

Mr. White, County Commissioner from Greens Creek, expressed his approval of the plan and said that the Association could count upon his personal support to the extent of his ability.

President Ballenger of the Chamber of Commerce of Tryon.

Bandit Protection Recently Installed In Tryon Bank

Peoples Bank & Trust Company Install Mechanical and Chemical Protective Devices

Prevents Bank Burglaries

Gas Bombs Drive Away Would-Be Burglars and Bandits. Approved by Police Officials

Acting on the theory that an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure the officers of the Peoples Bank & Trust Company have recently caused to be installed the latest devices in vault and safe protection, which include an automatic alarm system, triple automatic locking devices and gas bombs.

These bombs according to W. F. Little, cashier of the institution are of glass, so arranged that an explosion in the vault will release a trigger causing them to burst and overpower the would be burglars with deadly fumes. Three different gases are used in order to prevent the bandits from utilizing gas masks, it being asserted that no one mask is proof against all three gases.

The locking devices are so arranged that the blowing off of the lock will automatically cause the tripping of extra bolts and double lock all existing bolts so that they cannot be moved even though the locking mechanism is destroyed.

In addition to these devices the Peoples Bank and Trust carries ample insurance against both burglary and hold-up losses for as Mr. Little asserts "Anything that one man can build another man can't tear apart—given the time. Protective features are intended to multiply the time it takes to force entrance and increase the chances of detection."

The Peoples Bank and Trust Company carry membership in the National Bankers Association as well as the Carolina State Bankers Association and both organizations maintain an adequate field staff engaged in running down offenders against their members including burglars, hold-ups, forgers and swindlers of various sorts. These and the insurance companies have possibly done more to make bank deposits safe from lawless deprecations than any other agencies.

HENDERSON COUNTY WANTS MORE IMPROVED HIGHWAYS

The Hendersonville Chamber of Commerce has gone on record for a hard surfaced road program for that county.

In this expression they have struck the note of commercial and civic progress. Wherever hard surfaced roads have gone they have brought progress and prosperity. Transylvania County, our neighbor on the west, is a wonderful example.

Take a ride along the road to Brevard. Passing out of Henderson County, you drive on a hard surfaced road from the Henderson line all the way to Brevard. All along you will see prosperous-looking farm buildings and communities and fertile fields. This was not so until the hard surfaced road came to Transylvania. Look at Buncombe County.

A few years ago Henderson County woke up and started a program of hard surfaced roads. Look at this community now—one of the most prosperous for its size in the South. More hard surfaced roads will add to this prosperity. Nothing, says a daily newspaper which has the national circulation not enjoyed by the Daily Times, can do more to bring prosperity to a community than hard surfaced roads.

North Carolina was the first Southern State (Maryland being "betwixt and between") to formulate and bring to realization a hard surfaced road program. The result is that every state in the south is envying North Carolina, and nearly every state but Virginia is following in the footsteps of the Old North State. Virginia is the most backward state in the Union.

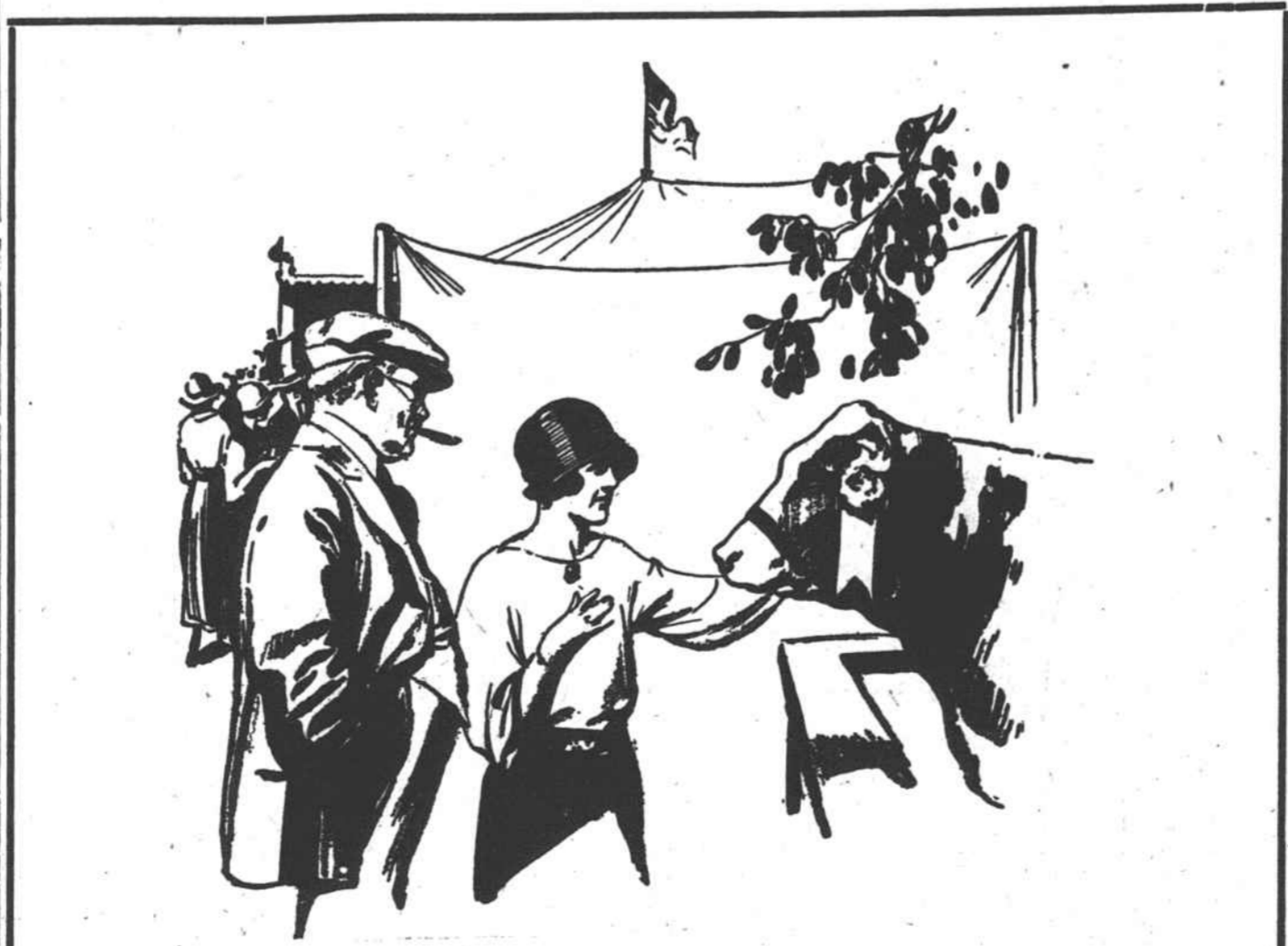
Good roads are the arteries of commerce. They not only promote commerce by bringing foreign dollars into a state, but they make for cheaper transportation and reduction in overhead of farmers' products and manufactures.

Bring on more good roads to Hendersonville and North Carolina.—Hendersonville Times.

Home Town Business Man

Happiness belongs to the firm of Watch and Waite Affiliated with Attitt, Early and Layte

Who's a director of the house of Doc and Dairitt, And President of the company of Grin and Bearitt.



Farmers of Polk County are heartily invited to exhibit their cattle, swine, poultry, farm products and mountain craftsmanship at the Tri-Township Fair to be held at Mimosa, October 10th. Premium list open to every resident of the county. Come and bring your family and friends. The big day of the year for Polk County. You can't afford to miss it.

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