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## New Tryon-Shelton Goes Over Top!

### RIDGE WEAVERS DISPLAY MANY UNIQUE GIFTS FOR THE HOLIDAYS

By Mountaineers of Scotch-Irish Descent in Polk County.  
Works of Art by Famous Artists Who Winter in Tryon  
Every Year. Their Popularity Grows Daily.

pleasure, interest and  
Tryon's arts and crafts  
found articles of all  
of Scotch-Irish descent,  
cool cove of Polk  
ys are attracted by  
baskets of all shapes and  
of beautiful colors, for  
from flower baskets to

profit may be had by paying a visit  
shops, the Blue Ridge Weavers,  
sorts, hand made and wove by the  
whose homes are on high mountain  
county.

### NEW MIMOSA HOTEL OPENS JANUARY 11th

Mr. William H. Stearns announces  
that the Mimosa Hotel, which was de-  
stroyed by fire ten years ago, is be-  
ing rebuilt on the same grounds and  
will be opened on January 11th.

The hotel is being built and  
equipped in such a way that all de-  
mands of the most exacting will be  
met. Every bed room is a large, out-  
side room and each room has its own  
bath and spacious closets. All equip-  
ment, furniture, bedding, rugs, etc.,  
is entirely new and of excellent qual-  
ity. Two sun parlors open on the  
Pacolet Valley view.

The dining room service will be  
under Mr. Stearns' personal super-  
vision and will sustain the reputa-  
tion enjoyed for so many years by the  
old hotel.

The surrounding scenery remains as  
always and the mountain driveways  
are greatly improved. A paved road  
connects the hotel with Tryon and  
there are excellent all year roads to  
Asheville, Greenville, Spartanburg,  
Rutherfordton, Lake Lanier and other  
places.

Mr. Stearns will be glad to cor-  
respond with those who are interested  
regarding rates and further particu-  
lars.

### EGERTON-EDWARDS

A marriage of much interest to  
the younger set throughout the coun-  
ty was solemnized Saturday after-  
noon, December 5th, at Landrum, S.  
C., between Miss Lona Egerton of  
Mill Spring, N. C., and Mr. Walter  
D. Edwards, assistant postmaster at  
Tryon, N. C. The Rev. G. A. Martin  
of Landrum Baptist Church officiated.  
Miss Egerton is the accomplished  
and attractive daughter of Mr. and  
Mrs. W. G. Egerton of Mill Spring,  
N. C. Mr. Edwards is the son of  
Postmaster and Mrs. S. B. Edwards  
of Tryon, and is one of our rising  
young men. The happy couple will  
be at home to their many friends at  
the residence of the groom's parents  
in Tryon after a short honeymoon trip  
to relatives in South Carolina.

### CHRISTMAS CARDS AND NOVELTIES

Buy your Novelties, Christmas  
Cards and Seals of the Lanier Club  
They will be on sale Tuesday and  
Saturday afternoons and Saturday  
mornings at the Library up to De-  
cember 25th.

### HANDSOME NEW BRICK BUILDING ON TRADE STREET

Work To Be Rushed To Completion and  
Will Be Occupied By C. T. Price.

Ground was broken Monday for a  
two story brick building on Trade  
street. The owners, Messrs. Wilkins  
and Heires, state that the building  
will be modern in every detail.

The plans call for a building of  
twenty-eight feet front with a depth  
of eighty-five feet, two stories high,  
and when completed will be occupied  
by C. T. Price, the furniture man.  
Mr. Price just recently opened busi-  
ness here, located near the Living-  
ston Hotel. The business was ex-  
panding at such a rapid clip that  
larger quarters had to be obtained.  
Mr. Price has been quick to see the  
possibilities of a greater Tryon, and  
when in his new quarters expects to  
have one of the finest stores in this  
section, store in keeping with the  
progress of Tryon and the surround-  
ing territory. Mr. R. A. Sexton is the  
contractor for the new structure.

### Buys Whole Town



When the government decided to  
abandon Nitro, W. Va., Hamilton  
G. Scott bought the entire town  
and turned it into a flourishing in-  
dustrial center.

### SALUDA NEWS

In Saluda the members of the Red  
Cross are, with a few exceptions, also  
members of the Civic League. So  
these organizations meet on the same  
afternoon at the same place. The  
meeting for this month was held at  
Overbrook, the residence of Mrs.  
Henry P. Corwith, and the weather  
being fine, there was a large attend-  
ance.

The business of the Red Cross was  
transacted first, about 60 enrollments  
for the New Year being reported with  
a prospect for others. The Xmas box  
for the soldiers at Otten was dis-  
cussed and the contents decided upon.  
Then the meeting adjourned, and  
after a short recess the president of  
the Civic League called that society  
to order and the business of that  
organization, at this time the case of  
the Community Playgrounds princi-  
pally, was transacted. In addition,  
several members were appointed by  
the president to furnish such Saluda  
items as might be of interest to the  
general public, to newspapers in  
nearby towns, so as to let them know  
that Saluda is on the map at last,  
and said she would subscribe to the  
Polk County News if such items were  
published by that paper. This meet-  
ing then adjourned and delicious re-  
freshments, including delicious ap-  
ples, for which Overbrook is noted,  
were served by the hostess. And we  
all motored home by the light of a  
most glorious sunset, feeling we had  
spent a happy and useful afternoon.  
MRS. A. M. BUSHNELL

### Honorable O. Max Gardner, State Christmas Seal Sale Chairman



Mr. Gardner made the following statement in regard to the Seal  
Sale this morning:  
"The holiday season just passed has been a source of genuine  
thanksgiving for many of us, most of whom are in the full enjoyment  
of perhaps the greatest blessing of all time,—good health.  
"To those of you thus blessed, this appeal is made in behalf of  
the less fortunate,—namely the undernourished child and the victim  
of tuberculosis. Invest heavily in TUBERCULOSIS CHRISTMAS  
SEALS. The bulk of this money remains in the communities where it  
is raised, and the balance helps to support the State and National  
Tuberculosis Associations, in return for which we receive the equiv-  
alent of an insurance policy that this noble work will carry on.  
"I regard this movement as one among the most humane and far-  
reaching of our day."

### TRYON ESTATES ARE BOOMING

Developments Opening Up With  
Mr. A. A. Merrick, Consulting  
In Charge.

Mr. A. A. Merrick, our able and  
progressive resident engineer, was in-  
terviewed by a News reporter this  
week upon the new real estate devel-  
opments in and around Tryon.

Mr. Merrick was quoted as saying  
that he had enough work on hand  
and more in prospect to keep his five  
crews of men on the jump to turn  
out work in the next three or four  
months.

The engineers in his employ now  
are Messrs. Thomas S. Maulden, a  
graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic  
Institute, Troy, N. Y., class of '91,  
one of the finest engineering colleges  
in America; S. S. Abernethy, Wake  
Forest, N. C.; J. M. Yonque, W. A.  
Jones, and a qualified surveyor, W.  
A. Wilson.

Among the many estates being sur-  
veyed and platted are Ryxhaven, on  
Tryon Mountain, with five acre villa  
sites laid out, fine scenic roads, and  
trails, and all other improvements.  
The plans call for the building of  
three artificial lakes of various sizes.  
When completed this estate will be  
one of the most beautiful in this sec-  
tion.

### PARENT-TEACHERS MEETING

Tryon Children.  
That the child who lives in Tryon  
is fortunate no one who attended the  
meeting of the Parent-Teacher's As-  
sociation, Tuesday evening at the Par-  
ish House, will ever question.

If he has never visited the public  
school itself, he should do so, thereby  
confirming his first impression. Such  
good music, such clear recitation, such  
graceful and charming dancing, and  
above all, such harmony between  
teachers and scholars you will not  
often find.

The Minuet was a beautiful sight—  
the little people in their white wigs  
and old-fashioned costumes were mod-  
els of dignity and grace. How was  
it done? You might ask Mrs. Watson  
who trained them, or you must be  
present at a rehearsal.

When every child born into the  
world can share the intelligence of  
the ages, can have music and beauty  
as so many in Tryon do have, the  
millennium will not be too far dis-  
tant. It's beginning in our beautiful  
public school.

Another that is being devel-  
oped is the famous Gillette Estates  
or, as it is commonly known, "Thou-  
sand Pines," formerly owned by Wm.  
Gillette, famed far and wide on the  
American Dramatic Stage, whose  
winter home was at "Thousand  
Pines," the residence which he built.  
This estate was recently purchased  
by three of Tryon's far-seeing and  
progressive business men and Mr. A.  
A. Merrick given the commission of  
cutting the estate up into villa and  
restricted residential lots, of which  
many have been sold to Tryon winter  
guests in the past few weeks. The  
estate covers approximately six hun-  
dred acres and takes in all of Piney  
Mountain.

The people of Tryon are to be con-  
gratulated upon having such an effi-  
cient and able engineer as Mr. Mer-  
rick is as a resident of Tryon, who is  
a graduate of the engineering depart-  
ment of the United States Naval  
Academy of Annapolis, Md.

### TRYON SCHOOL GLEANINGS

Monday morning our teacher told  
us that Mr. Schiltz had said the  
school could have one column in the  
newspaper each week. He gave the  
eighth grade the first week to re-  
port on. We have had quite a scram-  
ble for news. We had a very excit-  
ing time electing the editors. The  
following are for the eighth grade:

Mary Frey.  
Margaret Leonard.  
Clyde Edwards.  
Almar Ford.

These editors are to collect news  
from the whole school.

A. H., Eighth Grade.

Tryon Wins From Saluda.  
Boys win—Tryon 16, Saluda 15;  
girls—Tryon 18, Saluda 8.

In a double-header played between  
Tryon boys and Saluda boys, also  
the Tryon girls and Saluda girls,  
Tryon came out victorious in both  
games.

The game between the boys was  
one thrill from beginning to end;  
first one team was ahead, and then  
the other.

The girls' game was very exciting  
during the first half, but Tryon  
walked away with the score in the  
second half.

### Notes and Personals.

The first grade is enjoying having  
a gold fish in their room. It is the  
gift of a friend.

There have been several cases of  
chicken pox in this room lately.

Billy Williams returned to school  
Wednesday after an illness of sev-  
eral days.

### HONOR ROLL

Of Mill Spring School for September,  
October and November.

Tenth Grade:  
Virginia Brown.  
Clestelle Moore.  
Fae Gibbs.  
Nannie Walker.

Ninth Grade:  
Minnie Green.

Seventh Grade:  
Jamie Jackson.  
Nannie Huntsinger.  
Edna Pack.  
Addie Phillips.  
Mildred Veronee.

Sixth Grade:  
Alma Phillips.  
Pauline Walker.  
Joe Horon.  
Charis Brown.

Fifth Grade:  
John Spurlin.  
Annie Wilson.  
Edna Jackson.  
Adelle Shehan.  
Elma Walzer.

Fourth Grade:  
Mary Pritchard.  
Ethel Walker.  
Ruby Lynch.  
Kathleen Bell.  
Leroy Phillips.  
Roy Blackwell.  
Dahl Russell.  
Minnie E. Walker.  
Helen Duncan.

Third Grade:  
Sam Walker.  
Zelda Edwards.  
Wavalee Phillips.

Second Grade:  
Walden Newman.  
Lucille Waldrop.

First Grade:  
Margaret Brown.  
Lionel Cochrane.  
Walden Edwards.  
Myrtle Edwards.  
Vernie Sue Pritchard.

### ENTHUSIASTIC HOTEL DRIVE ENDS TUESDAY NIGHT WITH BANQUET AT OAK HALL HOTEL.

Tryon's Quota of \$165,000 Raised in Three Days By Popular Subscrip-  
tions. Dr. W. B. Boyd, Dean of Milligan College, Johnson City,  
Tennessee, Main Speaker of The Evening.

(By Staff Correspondent.)

A slogan presents a mental picture—forceful. After the meteoric conclu-  
sion of the hotel drive Tuesday night, a new slogan arises, "Tryon Tri-  
umphant." In much of the same spirit and with equal faith, as displayed by  
Hon. T. T. Ballenger and one other man forty-five years ago, when they  
met to plan ways and means for the building of the first Oak Hall, so  
met a company at a banquet in the later Oak Hall, to celebrate the suc-  
cessful addition of a new hotel on one of Tryon's beautiful hills.

Tryon claims many nobles for her own and the assemblage Tuesday  
evening spoke for the solidified vision of a community that dreams well and  
works to make the dreams come true, of the enterprises which will mark  
Tryon as the center of the "play-ground of the world."

Senator Bacon as toastmaster called for reports from the committee. The  
reading of the reports displayed the usual "go get 'em" spirit of Tryon and  
the successful conclusion of the Tryon-Shelton drive.

Following the reports, congratulatory talks were made by Mr. Carol  
P. Rogers, on behalf of the city of Hendersonville, and Mayor V. D.  
Guire of Lenoir.

Dr. Willis B. Boyd, Dean of Milligan  
College, Johnson City, Tenn., was the main speaker on the program.  
Dr. Boyd, a speaker of unusual eloquence, was thoroughly enjoyed by  
his listeners. His presence was a treat to Tryon. He was invited to  
speak at the gathering Tuesday night to "inject a little pep" in o the  
campaign. After the reports made by the chairmen of the different com-  
mittees, Dr. Boyd said he had nothing to say concerning the need of pep in  
Tryon, but that he could heartily congratulate the people of Tryon on the  
"community spirit" shown in this drive. "Such community spirit would  
insure success in any undertaking," Dr. Boyd is thoroughly familiar  
with the beauty and possibilities of Tryon and its vicinity, and now that  
we will have the much needed hotel to accommodate tourists and people  
who would spend much of their time here, the growth and success of this  
city is unlimited.

As Dr. Boyd said, "Tryon is the playgrounds of the world," and "has  
been painted by an artist with a brush made from the down of an an-  
gel's wing," why wouldn't a traveler pause and stay with us? And why  
isn't it a haven for artists and vacationists. It is.

In his closing remarks Dr. Boyd said that "as soon as his lit'le col-  
lege closed, he would get in his little car and come to Tryon." This town  
will certainly be glad to have such a personage in its midst.

The management of the Tryon-Shelton has already received requests  
for reservations, and after a few short months of construction Tryon  
will be the proud possessor of a hotel that any city would be proud to  
boast of, and may we not say that again, as always, "Tryon Triumphant!"

### OUT-OF-TOWN NOTES

Sunny View.

Thanksgiving days are all over,  
which we all enjoyed very much, eat-  
ing turkey and pumpkin pie, but we  
can all be looking forward with glad  
hearts for Christmas, and old Santa  
will soon be on his way, and we hope  
he will visit us everyone.

Mr. Posey Brown, who has had a  
position in Virginia, has stopped in  
our vicinity for several days waiting  
for his crew, where they will go to  
Georgia. We welcome him very much  
as he is noted to be one of our best  
citizens.

It was a shock to the whole com-  
munity to hear of our faithful pastor,  
Rev. J. J. Ruppe, dying November  
23rd from an attack of pneumonia.  
Mr. Ruppe was one of our best Chris-  
tians and was loved by all who knew  
him. He was the pastor of Coopers  
Gap Church for three years and six  
months, and helped in revival meet-  
ing for five years. He had a great  
influence toward the people. We  
miss his coming very much, but we  
feel assured he is at rest.

Blessed are the dead that die in the  
Lord.

The little twin babies of Mr. and  
Mrs. Glover Stepp were laid to rest  
in Coopers Gap cemetery November  
21st. We sympathize with the father  
and mother, but they were buried on  
earth to bloom in heaven.

Aunt Allmina Whiteside, who has  
been very ill for quite awhile, is dead  
and was buried at Coopers Gap No-  
vember 30th. The deceased was 87  
years of age. She leaves two sons,  
G. S. Whiteside and E. L. Whiteside,  
one sister to mourn her loss.

Mr. Posey Brown and Lola Gibbs  
were dinner guests of Lucile Taylor  
last Sunday.

R. C. Brown, who was seriously  
hurt while working on the dam of  
Lake Lure and has been in Ruther-  
fordton hospital, after having the mis-  
fortune of losing one leg, has re-  
turned home.

Messrs. Gertrude Badley visited  
Miss Bessie Helton Sunday.

Miss Fanny Biddy from Fruitland  
Institute spent the week-end at home.

Arkansas Jackson visited at her  
brother's, Bill Jackson, Thanksgiving.

The Red Mountain Sunday School  
is progressing nicely. A large at-  
tendance was present on last Sunday.  
BESSIE J. HELTON.

### Storm Center



Here is the latest photo of Ger-  
old P. Nye, of North Dakota, just  
named by Governor Sorlie to suc-  
ceed the late Senator Edwin F.  
Ladd. Nye's political policies have  
caused many Senators to vigorously  
oppose his being seated.

### TRYON BAKERY OPENS

The Tryon Bakery opened its doors  
to the public Wednesday, of this week  
after being closed for the past month,  
the former manager, Mr. Willis, be-  
ing in charge.

The new bakery has been thor-  
oughly renovated, and is sanitary in  
every respect. All new bakery equip-  
ment has arrived and been installed,  
freshly painted throughout with new  
show cases, ready to display cakes,  
pies, bread, rolls and all kinds of  
pastries. The management extends  
to the public a hearty welcome to  
come in and inspect shop and equip-  
ment at any time.

There will also be a special dis-  
play of all kinds of Christmas goodies  
to tickle the palate of the most fas-  
tidious.

Christmas decorations have been  
put up which will make the bakery  
so much more attractive to their pa-  
trons.

Tryon has long needed a good bak-  
ery and the general public should  
patronize and encourage Mr. Willis  
on the commendable appearance of  
his store and the goodies to be had  
there.

The News wishes the best of suc-  
cess to the management in their new  
business.