

COMMITTEE REPORTS ON WATER RATE

Committee Appointed by Chamber of Commerce Makes Report To Lynch

FIVE ON COMMITTEE

The following is a detailed report furnished Chas. J. Lynch, on the water situation in Tryon. This committee was appointed by the Chamber of Commerce at the request of the Mayor, after so many complaints were lodged against the water rates that were put into effect last month...

1st 5,000 gal. per m. gal. .60 net
2nd 5,000 gal. per m. gal. .50 net
next 10,000 gal. per m. gal. .40 net
next 20,000 gal. per m. gal. .25 net
next 60,000 gal. per m. gal. .20 net
next-all over 100,000 gallons .10 net

Supplemental to the revised rates per thousand gallons, we recommend the following as the minimum charge per month for water connections:

Table with 2 columns: Description, Min. Gal.
Unsewered, spigot only \$1.50 2,500
Sewered, spig. and toilet 2.00 3,333
Sewered, spig. t., bath 3.00 5,000
Boarding h., 5 rm. for. g. 5.00 9,000
Hotels 10.00 22,000

Above rates all subject to ten percent increase when water bills are not paid by 10th of following month.

Your committee recommends further that no lower rates than above revised rates be made and that no concessions therefrom be granted to anyone.

We approve of the requiring from each water user of a deposit of \$4.50 as a minimum for securing closer collection of water bills.

Water users living outside the town limits are not assessed for payment of water bonds, and for that reason we approve of charging them an advance of 50 percent over the rates current within the town limits.

We further recommend that each house be assessed as a separate user in figuring the minimum consumption; that each apartment in an apartment house be considered as an individual user, with the proviso, that in case it is desired to use water for several apartments, it will be permissible to install one meter for all. For example, should 20 sewer connections with bath be put on one meter, the minimum monthly water bill would be \$60.00, with an allowance to the 20 houses or apartments of 100,000 gallons of water; any additional water used to be charged for at the rates stipulated in the above revised schedule of rates.

While the revised and lowered water rates submitted, permit of a very appreciable increase in the minimum of water that can be used, it is the firm opinion of your committee, after careful figuring, that these rates will produce revenue equal to, and more than likely in excess of, the rates fixed by the Mayor and Commissioners.

In conclusion we recommend that the revised schedule of rates and minimum consumption set forth above be tried out for three months from August 1st, 1926, and before any other method of raising the needed water revenues is adopted.

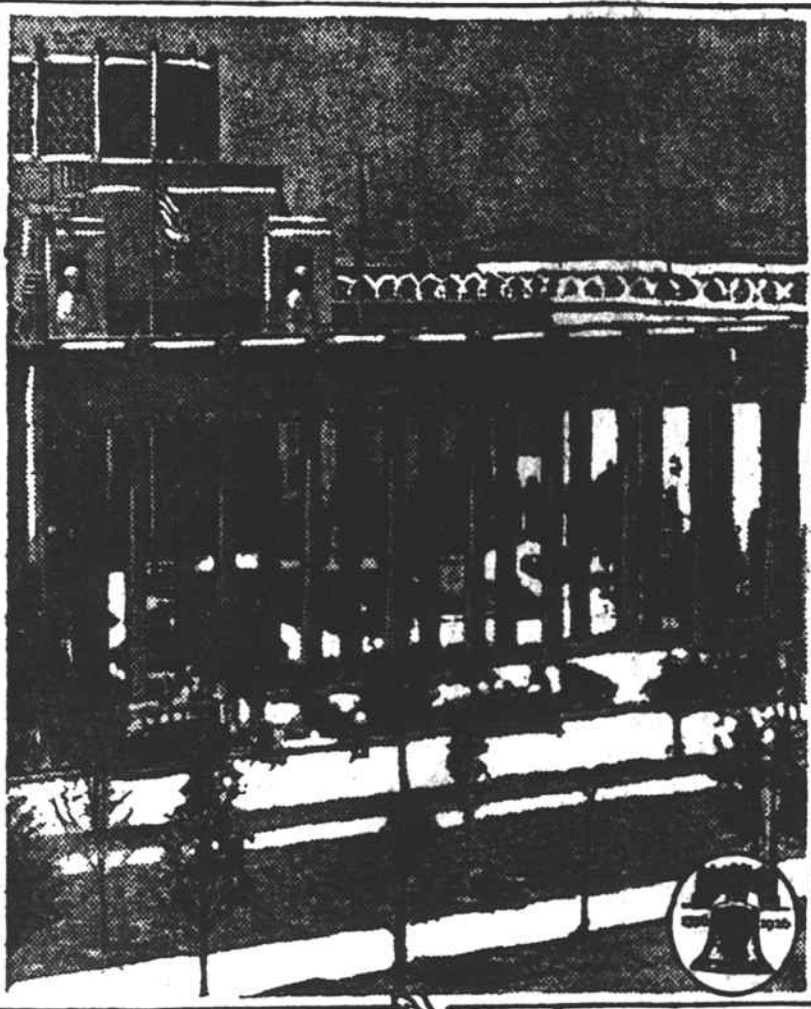
Yours very truly, JULIAN CALHOUN, A. L. BERRY, MAE I. FLENTY, W. R. MEHAFFEY, Committee.

Mr. Nelson Jackson, Jr., was unable to participate in the deliberations of your committee, owing to absence from the city.

BLANTON AND STEARNS HAVE BOOTH AT THE OHIO STATE FAIR

Mr D. C. Stearns of the firm of Blanton and Stearns of Columbus, N. C., is in Ohio this week attending the Ohio State Fair where this concern have a large Real Estate Booth advertising, Columbus, Tryon and the whole of Polk County. This display is being put on at a great expense and no doubt will be the means of attracting many people to this section of the country.

Pennsylvania's Contribution to the Sesqui



Here is the Keystone State's building at the great Sesqui-Centennial International Exposition at Philadelphia, celebrating 150 years of American Independence. In this huge structure Pennsylvania is displaying her progress from the arrival of Penn to the present day.

CHAMBER TO HOLD AN IMPORTANT MEETING

A meeting of much importance will be held Friday night by the Tryon, Chamber of Commerce at the chamber headquarters on Trade St. Many matters of great importance will be laid before the members and a full attendance is earnestly requested by the President.

WATERS IS STILL UNCONSCIOUS; NO ARREST YET MADE

Little Hope for Man Hit Over Head Is Held at Hospital

ASSAILANTS IS STILL AT LARGE

Little hope for the recovery of Woodburn Waters, 18-year-old Melrose, N. C., youth, who was hit over the head with a gun about 11 o'clock Tuesday morning by a man, alleged to be Claude Phillips, during a brawl at Tryon, was expressed at the General hospital last night. He has never regained consciousness.

Information secured from the sheriff of Polk county last night was to the effect that Phillips had not yet been arrested in connection with the matter. Officers have not been able to find him, the sheriff said and it is feared that he had fled.

The sheriff also stated that he knew nothing about the alleged altercation between the two men, other than that he had heard that the incident occurred at Phillips' home and that he had ordered Waters out of the yard.

The youth was brought to the General hospital about 9 o'clock Tuesday night in an unconscious condition and has remained that way ever since.

AUTO ACCIDENT HAPPENS NEAR LANDRUM

An automobile accident happened near Landrum, S. C., yesterday morning about eleven o'clock, when a Ford touring car skidded and ran into a car parked on the side of the road near Collins store. Both cars were damaged, two young ladies from St. Petersburg, Fla., were slightly injured, who were driving the car that skidded.

MAYOR PUBLISHES NOTICE TO CITIZENS AND TAXPAYERS OF TRYON

Mayor Greene has appearing in this weeks issue of the News a notice to the citizens and taxpayers of Tryon inviting the people to inspect the annual appropriation ordinance for the fiscal year beginning, June 1st, 1926 for the town of Tryon. The public is invited to inspect this ordinance and make such protests as they deem proper.

FANNIE HURST IS BEING SUED

Was Visitor in Tryon Last Winter

Fannie Hurst who was a visitor in Tryon last winter, is being sued by W. Seymour charges that the play "Mannequin" was taken from her story "Resemblance." And asks for an injunction restraining its further projection be issued. Miss Seymour names Fannie Hurst, Famous Players-Lasky Film Corporation and Liberty Magazine, Inc. as defendants she asks that she be awarded damages to the sum of \$600,000, and also asks the court that an accounting of all of the profits accruing from the plays theatre showing.

Awarded \$25,000 Prizes From Liberty Magazine

It will be remembered that Fannie Hurst received \$25,000 from The Liberty Magazine for this prize winning story, in addition to this prize Miss Hurst was awarded an additional sum of \$25,000 for novelizing the story, and the Famous Players had paid her a royalty under the privileges of filming it. The plaintiff alleged that in her bill of complaint that in May, 1925, she submitted to the defendant a story under the title "Resemblance" for consideration. She declares that the story was rejected and returned to her the following October. Shortly afterwards the picture called "Mannequin" was released throughout the entire world.

Only by a card system can be kept an account of the changes in the French government.

Uncle Sam shouldn't let the religious tramps take his eye off the Mexican oil can, and he probably won't.

THIS WEEK

- FARM NEWS. COUNTY NEWS. SOCIETY NEWS. WEATHER REPORTS. ILLUSTRATED FASHIONS. SPORTING COMMENTS. WEEKLY CARTOONS. FEATURE STORIES. WEEKLY COMICS. CHURCH NEWS. STATE NEWS.

MUSCLE SHOALS IS OUTRANKED

Plant On Susquehanna Will Be Third Larger

When the new hydro-electric plant is completed four miles from the mouth of the Susquehanna river, 75 miles from Philadelphia, it will be the second largest power unit in the world, ranking next below Niagara.

It will add 350,000 horsepower to the inter-connected pool of power in the heavily populated coast section and will save three-quarters of a million tons of coal annually. It will have a dam 300 feet longer than that at Muscle Shoals and a generating capacity one-third greater.

A village of two hundred people will be moved, as well as fifteen miles of railroad track, a wagon bridge and considerable farm improvements to make room for 8, 100 acres of reservoir.

The project is being constructed by the Philadelphia Electric Power Company an dis fifteen miles below a power plant that supplies Baltimore. These water powers are developed to supplement steam plants already operating.

PRESBYTERIANS NEW SUNDAY SCHOOL ORGANIZED

The Presbyterian congregation organized their new Sunday School the first Sunday in August with thirty-six enrolled. Last Sunday the attendance was forty-three. The officers and teachers are: Prof. W. A. Schilleter, Supt., David Caldwell, Sec.-Treas., Mrs. W. A. Schilleter, Supt. Cradle Roll and Beginner Dept. Mrs. A. S. Caldwell, Supt. Intermediate and Senior Dept., Supt. Adult Dept., Mrs. A. L. Berry, teacher Men's Bible Class, Mrs. Davenport Supt. Home Dept. The Sunday School meets each Sunday at 10:00 a. m. in the Grand Theatre.

TRYON SCHOOLS OPEN SEPTEMBER SIXTH

All Patrons and Friends Invited to Be Present For the Opening Exercises

The Tryon Graded School will open its doors for the 1926-1927 session on September 6th. All pupils are asked to assemble in the school auditorium by nine o'clock on the above date. We are especially inviting all patrons and friends of our school to be present for the opening exercises.

Pupils are requested to bring their green back song books to the opening exercises so we may have a few good snappy songs.

We are very glad to welcome into our midst the following new faculty members.

Dr. B. C. von Kahlden, teacher, and his pupils have always been prepared to enter any of the leading Eastern Universities.

Mrs. E. M. Preston, teacher of English and French. Mrs. Preston comes to us from the Saluda School where she has made an excellent record for the last three years.

Miss Lillah Hayne, teacher of Mathematics and History. Miss Hayne is from Columbia, S. C. though she is familiar with the North Carolina school system as she was teacher of Mathematics in the Passifern School at Hendersonville, N. C. last session.

Miss Addie Daniel, teacher of Fifth Grade. Miss Daniel has had five very successful years as a teacher in the Fountain Inn School at Fountain Inn, S. C.

Miss Letta Finch, teacher of First Grade. Miss Finch is a native of Spartanburg, S. C. though she has

taught for several years in the North Carolina Schools.

Miss Marf Harper, teacher of First Grade. Miss Harper is from Forsyth, Ga., she has taught for the past three years in Sherrill's Ford School at Sherrill's Ford, N. C.

Below is the complete faculty of the Tryon Graded School.

Mr. W. A. Schilleter, Principal and teacher of Science.

Dr. B. C. von Kahlden, teacher of Latin

Mrs. E. M. Preston, teacher of English and French.

Miss Lillah Hayne, teacher of Mathematics and History.

Mrs. Walter Jones, teacher of Music.

Mrs. Lois Preston, teacher of 7th grade.

Miss Lucy Monday, teacher of 6th grade.

Miss Pearl Keenan, teacher of 5th grade.

Miss Addie Daniel, teacher of 4th grade.

Mrs. Allen Jervey, teacher of 3rd grade.

Mrs. Richard Watson, teacher of 2nd grade.

Miss Mary Harper, teacher of Advance 1st grade.

Miss Letta Finch, teacher of 1st grade.

Mrs. C. W. Kittrell, teacher of 1st grade.

We have an increase of two teachers over our last year faculty which was made necessary by the great increase of pupils in the Tryon

SOUTHERN ROADS SHOWS GROWTH

Moved Huge Amount of Freight During Past Six Months

During the first six months of 1926, Southern Railway System moved a volume of revenue freight equivalent to carrying 7,239,320,000 tons a distance of one mile. This immense tonnage—made up of agricultural products, raw materials and finished goods—is the token of general prosperity in field and factory.

The total amount of business done by a railroad as a transportation machine is represented by the time known as "gross operating revenues. When a railroad continues to receive large and increasing revenues, it is clear that there is an extensive demand for transportation service throughout the territory which it serves. For the first six months of 1926 the following large systems led in total operating revenues:

Table with 3 columns: Road, 1926, 1925
Penn. R. R. \$336,516 \$317,799
N. Y. Cent. 192 182,416
Sou. Pac. 139,190 137,397
B. and O. 117,630 109,788
Southern 110,288 103,012
Atchison 109,091 106,402

The Pennsylvania Railroad with its heavy trunk line traffic, serving the highly industrialized state of Pennsylvania and the steel and coal regions, stands first in gross operating revenues. New York Central, the second largest eastern trunk line, also serving a thickly settled industrial territory, stands next. Southern Pacific, covering the entire southwest from New Orleans to the Pacific Coast with over 13,000 miles of line, stands third. Baltimore and Ohio another of the large trunk lines serving the industrial east and carrying a heavy tonnage of coal and steel, ranks fourth. Fifth in the list comes the Southern Railway System serving the territory east of the Mississippi and south of the Ohio and Potomac rivers with over 9,000 miles of road. Atchison, the second largest trans-continent system with about 12,000 miles of road, stands in sixth position.

dition of other non-operating income such as income from investments, must cover all fixed charges and dividends, and provide a surplus for improvements and additions to the property. As general business expands there is a growing demand for transportation service. The railroad must provide more freight cars and larger locomotive to haul them. It must build more freight yards and repair shops. It must install heavier rail and ballast, stronger bridges and automatic signal systems. It must do these things in order that it may move a greater tonnage freely and without costly delays. The ability of a railroad to make such improvements depends upon its ability to create a surplus and to pay fair dividends and thus maintain its credit. And so "net railway operating income" is of direct interest to every shipper and every person who directly or indirectly uses transportation service.

For the first half of 1926, Pennsylvania and New York Central stand first and second respectively in net railway operating income. Southern Railway System ranks next to these two great eastern trunk lines thus establishing its premier position in the business of furnishing good transportation to the states of the South Baltimore and Ohio, Southern Pacific and Atchison rank fourth, fifth and sixth respectively. The net railway operating income of these roads was as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Road, 1926, 1925
Penn. R. R. \$44,568 \$38,023
N. Y. Cent. 32,170 30,547
Southern 22,854 21,901
B. and O. 20,814 15,718
Sou. Pac. 19,346 15,150
Atchison 19,008 15,385

This advance of Southern Railway System into the front rank of great American railroads has been steady and consistent. It tells the story of the awakening and lusty growth of the new South. The prosperity of this favored region and that of its railroads must go on together. Southern is furnishing the best transportation service in the history of the South because its earnings enable it to "carry on."

BUSINESS IS PICKING UP IN REALTY CIRCLES

Business of the Polk Realty circles is taking on new life from the recent sales reported by Blanton and Stearns, real estate dealers of Columbus, N. C. They report the following sales this week. Contracted for 20 lots to Mr. and Mrs. Oliver of Jacksonville, Fla., who propose to establish a summer Y. M. C. A. colony in Thermal View, 3 lots to Grady Lindley in Thermal View. Sold one lot in Deaton Spring Park for Mrs. J. R. Martin, to H. G. Tarleton of Charlotte, N. C. Mr. Tarleton is an auditor and expects to locate in Columbus at an early date. The sale of a farm belonging to W. Y. Wilkins, located near Columbus, N. C., sold to J. M. Phillips who is the night superintendent at the Columbus Cotton Mills.