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PROPRIETOR OF OAK HALL IS DEAD

Rev. John Britton Clark of Washington, D. C. Is Speaker Here

EUGENE BROWNLEE DIES IN CLEVELAND

One of Tryon's Foremost Citizens, and Lived Here for Twenty Eight Years. Operated Oak Hall Hotel for Seventeen Years. Was Postmaster Here for Seven Years Body Buried in New York

IN BAD HEALTH FOR SOME TIME DEATH DUE TO STROKE OF PARALYSIS WHICH WAS SECOND STROKE

Eugene Brownlee, died Friday in Cleveland, Ohio, where he spent the Thanksgiving with his son, Gendall Brownlee, who was taking an electrical course in that city, through the University of Cincinnati. Mr. Brownlee passed away about ten o'clock at night when the two were stopping at the hotel. Death was due to a stroke of paralysis, this being the second stroke that he had suffered. Mr. Brownlee was about 51 years of age and was born in Cobleskill, New York.

according to Mr. Brownlee's attorney Mr. Kingsland Van Winkle of Asheville, N. C., who has been attorney for Mr. Brownlee for many years. Mr. Jackson stated that his father was out of town at the time of the death of Mr. Brownlee but stated that the hotel would be continued as before also that Miss Kavenagh would be retained and the entire force would be kept as was during Mr. Brownlee's ownership. Several of the help that are now in the employ of the hotel have been associated with Mr. Brownlee for many years.

Came to Tryon Year Ago Eugene Brownlee came to Tryon at twenty eight years ago, and lived in this section up until the time of his death. He held the position of Postmaster in Tryon for about seven years and made an efficient manager. Seventeen years ago he became manager of the well known Oak Hall hotel, and owned and managed this business until his death. Brownlee had been in bad health some time, but very few realized the end was so near. He left for Cleveland Monday a week ago appearing well and his death came as a great shock and surprise to his friends and business associates in Tryon.

A Helpful Citizen He was a great and helpful citizen in this community and always took very active part in the welfare of the town. He was a member of the Chamber of Commerce and had been active in that organization for many years. He was also active in other affairs that were for the good of the town. The "Oak Hall" was a marked success under his management, and was well known to tourists in all parts of the State. It was famed for the wonderful service it rendered, and for the hospitality that was dispensed. His guests, Mr. Brownlee had spent much time and money in building the Oak Hall to its high standing among the widely known hotels of the country and on a few months ago he spent many thousands of dollars in renovating and building three new cottages that are being used for guests in connection with the hotel.

SCHOOL WILL PRESENT PLAY A play entitled "A Poor Married Man" will be given by the Dramatic Club in the school auditorium on Green's Creek on Saturday evening, Dec. 1 at 7:30.

Miss Lura Young, Sara Lesene, Mrs. C. B. Whitted and Mrs. M. L. Leavelle spent the Thanksgiving holidays in Charlotte at the home of Mrs. Annie Galloway. Professor M. Leavelle returned from Asheville on Sunday night, after spending the holidays there. He reported that Mrs. McLean, whom he had looked after in the hospital is speedily recovering.



QUEEN MARIE One of the latest camera studies of the beautiful Queen Marie of Rumania. She is coming to the United States for a three-months' tour of the country and will be accompanied by her only unmarried daughter, Princess Ileana.

QUEEN MARIE SAID U. S. A. IS WONDROUS

Arrives in Paris on Her Way Back to Rumania After Her Tour

PRINCE CAROL IS NOT AT STATION

Ferdinand Expresses Opposition to Former Heir Apparent

PARIS, Nov. 30. — "Wonderful, wonderful, that country of yours!" Thus graphically Queen Marie of Rumania, described to the Associated Press correspondent her impression of America, from which she has just returned.

The queen reached Cherbourg on the Berengaria this morning and came by train to Paris, reaching here shortly before midnight. She alighted from her coach with almost a girlish skip. Then, turning to Prince Nicholas and Princess Ileana she said, "Come children, let's get to bed."

Meanwhile, the official spokesman of the party confided to the correspondent that he was so sure of the good impression the queen's visit had made in the United States that in the near future a big loan could be raised, based on the increased knowledge America now has of Rumania resources. He even ventured the hope that the loan might reach the sum of \$500,000,000.

The representative of the government emphasized that Queen Marie had not asked for a loan during her tour of the United States. She merely, said the spokesman, "put Rumania on the map," so that when the time comes to talk of a loan American financial circles will have a far better comprehension of Rumania's latent possibilities.

The queen believes that the Rumanian court is awaiting her presence and permission before deciding upon a surgical operation on King Ferdinand. Her present intention is to take the train for Bucharest on Wednesday night or Thursday at the latest.

The former crown prince was not present to greet his mother at the station.

Big Town Fire Dept.

Up to Date Equipment and Volunteer Brigade Make Department Efficient

NEW SIREN FOG HORN

Tryon's obsolete fire equipment is no more. It has yielded to Tryon's progress, and in its place there is the most modern apparatus it has been possible to purchase.

Fine, but not enough. The new machinery had to be manned to make it effective, and that has been splendidly done through the organization of a real fire fighting force. The Tryon Fire Department, composed of twenty-five active, intelligent young men, who will work under the capable supervision of Chief W. A. Wilson.

In a recent run, it took only 30 seconds to attach the fire hose to hydrant and have water pouring on an imaginary fire. Runs and drills.

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BULLETIN FOR

Achievement Edition HOME SECTION

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School System of Tryon, Early History of Tryon, Lanier Club, Polk County, Farming Section.

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Grape Industry, Charm of Tryon Gardens, Write up of Columbus, Home Building Plans, Fashion Page for Women.

SECTION D, 8 PAGES

North Carolina Highways, History of Mimosa Inn, Polk County Farmer's Federation, Fruit Profits of North Carolina.

CHRISTMAS TREE FOR CHILDREN

The 18th annual Christmas Tree for the children of the surrounding mountains will be held in the Parish House on Tuesday, Dec. 23rd. This tree is managed by Miss Katherine Beatson and is financed entirely by voluntary contribution. It is the one bright spot in the lives of more than a hundred of these children each year.

COLORED PAPER TO BE PUB. IN TRYON

A newspaper published in the interests of the colored race of Polk County will make its initial bow to the public next week. The paper will be edited by Rev. David M. Wood, of Tryon. It will carry many interesting notes of the colored race in this section together with a considerable amount of advertising matter. The paper will be published in Tryon and will be issued about once a month to begin with.

Tryon's newspaper is thirty one years old. Tryon has many unique industries.

LANIER DAM MOST FINISHED

The Dam at Lake Lanier is fast nearing completion a large force is being employed to rush the work. A considerable amount of water is already in the lake and when the giant structure is about completed it is expected to be filled with water. The new dam is considered by experts to be one of the largest ever constructed in the entire state especially for a development company.

HOLIDAY TRADE OPENS UP HERE

Holiday buying in Tryon, is reported already to have a good start many of the local merchants are displaying Christmas wares, and as a whole the stocks and assortments this year are larger than ever before. All of the local groceries stores have inviting and appetizing goodies on display for the holidays. Tryon merchants hope for a banner business and are doing all possible to encourage home buying.

Over Two Tons Paper For News

Over two and one-half tons of news print was required to take care of the big issue this week. Numbers of extra copies will be mailed to out of town people through out the entire country. Hundreds of extra copies have been sold until the supply was about exhausted. Much news of both county and state will be found in this issue, and many scenes of all parts of the state, county and town of Tryon will also be found.

WEATHER



FAIR TODAY MODERATE WINDS

Thursday fair; colder; moderate west shifting to fresh northwesterly winds.

Table with columns: City, Ml. Mx. Pc. Atlanta, 38 56 0; Atlantic City, 40 48 06; Boston, 40 46 42; Charleston, 46 60 14; Charlotte, 38 60 0; Chicago, 26 42 0; Cincinnati, 36 40 0; Helena, 32 46 0; Jacksonville, 48 62 64; Los Angeles, 60 82 0; Memphis, 46 58 0; Miami, 66 80 0; New Orleans, 50 66 0; Phoenix, 50 82 0; Raleigh, 38 56 0; St. L., 32 60 0; Wash., 32 48 0

An Old "English Tournament" is an event in Tryon. Tryon's annual Horse Show is held every April.

CLARK'S SERMON HEARD BY MANY

Delivers Impressive Sermon Before Large Audience at Erskine Memorial Church Pastor of First Presbyterian Church at Washington, D. C.

REV. CLARK HAS BEEN A WORLD TRAVELER AND IS CONSIDERED AUTHORITY ON BIBLICAL HISTORY

The setting for the sermon could not have been improved. The quiet, peaceful surroundings, the picturesque church overgrown with vines, the rich notes of the organ, the sunlight streaming through the stained glass windows, the speaker with his background of pastoral experience, the calmness of his face, the spiritual warmth of the man; all contributed to give reverence, dignity and attention to the words of the speaker. Dr. Clark took for his text the 32nd verse of the 18th chapter of Isaiah: "And My people shall dwell in a peaceful habitation and in a sure dwelling." No attempt is here made to give more than a brief review of his sermon. The preacher dwelt especially on that portion of the text that speaks of the "sure dwellings" of God's people.

had changed, the green and the red and the gold were gone, but the same mountains were there, Melrose Tryon and Hogback. The statements of science change, and the thoughts, the expression and conclusions of (Continued on last Page)

Earthly Habitations

In speaking of earthly habitations, Dr. Clark said his thoughts went back to Italy, to the road from Amalfi to Ravello where there are many little huts that cling to the mountain sides like bristles to the side of a vessel, that at any moment might be torn from their moorings. Unsure dwellings. He also spoke of climbing Mt. Vesuvius where the burning lava as it flowed down the mountain side had destroyed an entire village, with the exception of a little church. In such a place people must dwell in unsure dwellings.

Dwell in Pure Dwellings

People often live in the unsure dwellings of their emotions, dread, fear, apprehension of financial loss. But if their faith, their hope, their lives are anchored in God then they dwell in sure dwellings. All the strain of doubt and uncertainty is removed. God is the true foundation on which our lives should be built, the sustaining anchorage of our hopes which dispels unrest and apprehension.

Dr. Clark had asked number of men these vital questions which must be ever recurring to all thoughtful minds. "Who is God? Where is God? Are you conscious of God? Who is Christ? How did He differ from man? Where do you go when you die? To these vital questions there answers were always evasive, their thoughts confused. Give me something to hold to, some anchorage for the soul, has been the cry of mankind in all ages. And the answer of the text is God's answer to this cry: "My people shall dwell in sure dwellings in a peaceful habitation."

Facts do Not Change

The statements of man change but facts do not change; interpretations change meanings change as our minds become more enlightened, but facts do not change. This is true in the material sphere and must be true also in the higher development of life the spirit knows God. The Holy Spirit is that divine influence that leads us into a deeper consciousness of God that speaks to the heart and soul of man. When we yield to His influence and are under His guidance, and His truth we are in harmony with God's teachings. As he looked from his window this morning, Dr. Clark said, the foliage

Hospital Fire In Asheville

Several Patients Carried Out Before Flames at Pearson Sanitarium

BLAZE CAUSE UNKNOWN

Fire of unknown origin at noon Wednesday caused ten patients of the Pearson sanitarium on Pearson drive to take refuge in the streets and destroyed the roof and upper story doing damage estimated at \$5,000.

The fire started in the roof, it is thought by the firemen, and spread quickly to other parts of the building. The structure was in full blaze when the firemen from the central station reached the scene, though no time was lost, they said in getting the fire fighting apparatus there.

No one was injured. Several of the patients had been carried out before the firemen arrived and the others were able to leave the building without assistance.

Two hose lines were used and the time taken to extinguish the blaze was only five minutes firemen said. The patients were taken into neighboring houses temporarily.

The patients will be moved back into the building before Wednesday night it was announced by sanitarium attendants.

Contract On 2 Road Links To N. C. Let

FRANKLIN, Nov. 30. — Franklin people are rejoicing over the letting of two road contracts in Georgia which bring nearer the completion of a paved road between Asheville and Atlanta.

The contracts in question are for six miles of rolled base construction in Rabun county and eight miles of grading in Habersham, between Clarksville and Clayton.

The rolled base construction in Rabun, a county adjoining North Carolina, will extend from Mountain City to Tiger, and Highway Commissioner J. N. Holder of Georgia is quoted as having agreed to put the remainder of the highway through Rabun county as soon as the fills have settled sufficiently.

Later a top dressing will be placed on this base. Meanwhile, the stone base road may be used satisfactorily.

The road is easily passable now, although under construction, and cars travel it daily. Ordinarily, the entire route from Atlanta to Asheville may be made without the use of chains.