

FRANKLIN COUNTY SCHOOL COLUMN

Items of Interest to Teachers, School Committees, Betterment Associations and People Interested in Public Schools of Franklin County.

Edward L. Best, Superintendent

1. Miss Pauline Smith and Mr. John Blair of the State Department of Education worked with ten of the schools in the county last week helping them to make the school houses and grounds more comfortable and attractive. The entire week was spent with these schools and I am confident much good will result from their efforts. I will be glad for each of these schools to report to me what progress has been made along this line.

2. The following comes from Miss Alexander the Community Director: "We hope to meet all the people at the community service meetings, during the next two weeks. If you have never been to a meeting come once to see what you have missed. If you are a teacher or a school child try to have the best attendance that you have had at your school. An added attraction to the present program will be the county singing contest held in the following places: Mt. Grove, Thursday, January 27th; Cedar Rock, Tuesday, February 1st; Sandy Creek, Wednesday, February 3rd; Bunn, February 4th; Louisburg, by Louisburg and Mapleville, February 5th.

A prize of \$25 has been offered by the county community service. We hope the successful school will see fit to use this and other money for play ground equipment. Sandy Creek and Bunn are to be congratulated for their good attendance and attractive program last week. The best attendance during the whole two weeks was at Pearce on Saturday night, January 22nd. Two hundred and twelve people enjoyed the program."

3. The Committee on the Seventh Grade Examination composed of J. L. Price, Clara Long, Eugenia Boone, Mae Perry, Beulah Cyrus, E. N. Mitchell, Pattie Lou Smith, Lillie Mae

Aycocke and W. R. Mills held its 5th meeting in Louisburg, January 22nd. The following regulations were agreed upon:

1. The examination will be held on the 14th and 15th of April.
2. This examination is entirely tentative and is only one of the requisites for a Seventh Grade Diploma. For a pupil to secure a Seventh Grade Diploma he must not only pass this test but must also complete all the work that is given between the test and the close of the school. The Seventh Grade Diploma is therefore dependent upon two things, namely completion of the seventh grade work and passing the tentative examination.

Number 2, is expressed in detail that no pupil may get the idea that he may secure a Diploma by merely taking the examination even if the work has not been completed.

3. No pupil will be allowed to take the examination unless he has finished the work of the seventh grade.

4. The length of time required to complete a grade is 8 months or 160 days. The committee therefore decided that no pupil should be allowed to attempt the examination unless his record shows that he had worked in the seventh grade as many as 150 days.

There will be no deviation from this regulation unless the teacher can furnish evidence that the child is far above the average in intellect and has done extra work outside of school hours. Of course this does not mean that a child must have attended school 150 days this one school year as he may have done a part of the work in some previous year.

4. No pupil will therefore know whether or not he will secure his Diploma until the close of his school.

5. The final grading of the papers will be done by the following committee on Saturday, April 23rd in Louisburg; Katherine Dorsett, Eugenia Boone, Clara Long, Beulah Cyrus, E. N. Mitchell, Agnes Hunt, Lillie Mae Aycocke and E. L. Best.

6. After the examination each teacher will grade the papers of her pupils placing the grade on a separate sheet and this sheet with the other papers must be sent to the office by Thursday, April 21st.

7. An application blank that will be furnished must be filled out for

each child taking the examination. No papers will be graded unless accompanied with an application blank. This blank will ask for such information as the number of days the child has been in school, the amount of work completed, character of daily recitations and etc.

8. No Seventh Grade Diploma will be valid without the signature of the principal or teacher in charge of the school and the county superintendent.

9. There will be a Seventh Grade County Commencement held in Louisburg Friday, June 3rd. In the morning there will be an address by some noted educator and the Seventh Grade Diplomas will be delivered.

In the afternoon the athletic events will take place. The Field Events will be under the supervision of Miss Violet Alexander, the Community Service Director. The details for the program of this day will be given later.

10. The office will be glad to furnish any phase of the seventh grade work or examination. The teachers are urgently requested to familiarize themselves and their pupils with the regulations that a thorough understanding may be had before the date of the examination.

IV. It appears from an editorial written by the Editor of The Franklin Times that the schools of Rifeys, Royal and New Hope have already been consolidated into a central high school. As may be seen from the School Column of the same issue the consolidation has not yet taken place but some of the interested citizens are discussing the advisability of doing so. Of course this is a question that the people of these districts will have to decide for themselves and in behalf of the children of these Districts I sincerely hope that their decision will be to organize and maintain an efficient central high school where every boy and girl in the township may receive effective training.

COMMUNITY SERVICE PROGRAM AND SCHEDULE.

The following program and schedule has been announced by the community service work of Franklin County:

- Program**
1. The Wealth of the Nation.
 2. Mutt and Jeff in Switzerland.
 3. Robinson Crusoe, Part One.
 4. Robinson Crusoe, Part Two.
 5. Robinson Crusoe, Part Three.
 6. Jerry's Finishing Touch.

- Schedule**
- Monday night, Jan. 24—Popes.
 - Tuesday night, Jan. 25—New Hope.
 - Wednesday night, Jan. 26—Youngsville.
 - Thursday night, Jan. 27—Mt. Grove.
 - Friday night, Jan. 28—Wood.
 - Saturday night, Jan. 29—Royal.
 - Sunday night, Jan. 31—Inkleside.
 - Monday night, Feb. 1—Cedar Rock.
 - Tuesday night, Feb. 2—Seven Forks.
 - Wednesday night, Feb. 3—Sandy Creek.
 - Thursday night, Feb. 4—Bunn.
 - Friday night, Feb. 5—Louisburg.

FORECLOSURE SALE FARM LANDS

Notice of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust, made by Vernon Dunston and wife to J. B. Sykes, Trustee, dated Feb. 29th, 1918, and recorded in Franklin Registry, Book 224, page 62, default having been made in the payment of the debt thereby secured and demand for foreclosure having been made on said trustee by the holder of the debt thereby secured, the undersigned will on Monday, February 28, 1921, at the noon recess of Court, at the Court House door in Louisburg, offer for sale at public auction, to the highest bidder, for cash, that tract of land in DUNNS Township, part of the Fowler land and in said deed of trust conveyed and described as follows:

A certain tract or parcel of land situated in DUNNS Township, Franklin County, North Carolina, known and designated as farm Nos. 3, 4 and 5 on plot of property formerly owned by the Fowler heirs and known as the Dr. Fowler Place as surveyed and plotted by Joseph T. Inascoe, Surveyor, which said plot or map is recorded in Book 192, page 559 in the office of the Register of Deeds of Franklin County. The said three farm lots containing in the aggregate 97 and 53/100 acres, and being the tract of land conveyed by D. F. McKinne and wife and Malcolm McKinne and wife to C. N. Perry by deed bearing date Nov. 20, 1913, which is registered in Book 202, page 459, office of the Register of Deeds for Franklin County to all of which records reference is hereby made for a fuller description of said lands.

This Jan. 28th, 1921.
BENJ. B. SYKES, Trustee.
WM. H. & THOS. W. RUFFIN, Attorneys 1-28-21

NOTICE OF ACTION TO DEFENDANT.

North Carolina. In Superior Court Franklin Co. Before the Clerk J. S. MORRIS.

AMELIA LEVISTER. Amelia Levister, defendant above named, will take notice that an action or special proceedings entitled as above has been commenced in the Superior Court of Franklin County, North Carolina, for the purpose of having a sale of the dower tract allotted to Lella Levister in the lands of the late Penner Levister, which land is fully described in said dower proceedings in Book of Orders and Decrees No. 7 at page 436 et seq. reference to which is hereby expressly made for full description, said land being sold for partition, the defendant having inherited a one fourth undivided interest in said land from her father, Penner Levister.

And the defendant will further take notice that she is required to appear before the Clerk of the Superior Court of Franklin Co. at his office in Louisburg, N. C. on Feb. 28, 1921 and answer or demur to the complaint and petition of plaintiff in said proceedings, or the plaintiff will apply to the Court for relief demanded in said complaint and petition, to-wit:

HOME DEMONSTRATION DEPARTMENT.

The meetings the past week to make plans for improving the school grounds and to install playground equipment under the direction of Mr. John Blair, Director of School House Planning, State Department of Education, were well attended considering the extremely cold weather.

On Tuesday afternoon, Mr. Blair talked to the school at Mapleville. He suggested plan to include foundation planting, evergreens and places for simple playground equipment. On Wednesday morning he spoke to the school and community of Bunn. About 250 people were in attendance at this meeting. After this he talked to the high school pupils and Woman's Club on interior decoration. Immediately following this he met with the trustees to discuss plans for an addition to the building. The Woman's Club then met with him to make plans for laying out the grounds. They decided to put lattice around the foundation, lay out a drive way, plant out shrubbery and install saws, etc. for the smaller children, as the work for this year. On Wednesday afternoon quite a number of the Roberts people came out with tools to work but as the ground was frozen so hard no outside work could be done. Mr. Blair told stories and illustrated them on the blackboard for the children.

The trustees and Woman's Club met with him to make plans for improving the grounds. In spite of the ground being frozen six inches deep quite a crowd gathered at Seven Paths to work. The men filled in washes laid off the boundaries, etc., while the children had a jolly time playing games and hearing plans made for their playground equipment. The high school pupils and trustees met with Mr. Blair at Justice. An interesting meeting was held at Cedar Rock. No definite work could be done there as the ground is still covered with timber and brick from the new building. Mr. Blair was especially interested in this school as the plan for the new building came from his office. He will visit the community later to lay out the grounds when the building is completed. Meetings were held on Friday at Ingleside, Mt. Grove and Wood. The last meeting was held at Moulton-Hayes on Saturday morning. The men of the community spent several hours digging stumps and leveling the grounds. The small boys did their bit by piling up timber and brick left from the new building. Each principal will be sent a blue print to follow in carrying out the plans suggested by Mr. Blair and the Agent has blue prints of the play ground equipment. \$25.00 worth of shrubs will be given to the school that makes the most improvement in its grounds. \$10.00 worth for the second best and an additional prize to each school that install the playground equipment. Dr. Brooks, State Superintendent of Public Instruction, says Franklin County is taking the lead in this ground improvement work. Let's make each school ground so pretty that Franklin will be noted for its attractive schools and other counties will follow the example we have set.

The first of Dr. Burrell's illustrated lectures was given at Hickory Rock on Friday night. The souvenirs shown were of much interest, especially the costumes. Dr. Burrell impersonated an Arabian sheik and Mrs. Inascoe, a Japanese princess. About 200 people were present. This lecture will be given at Bunn on Friday night, the 28th.

The following report of the meeting of the Sandy Creek Woman's Club comes from Mrs. D. N. Nelms: "On Wednesday, January 19th, the Woman's Club met with the largest number present since its organization. Miss Pauline Smith having to attend a special meeting elsewhere, could not be with us. Miss Aycocke was asked to act in her place, which she very readily consented to do. Several were asked to tell what these meetings mean—or should mean to us. Some very interesting thoughts were brought out and we wish more of the girls and women could have been there to have heard the splendid talk made by Miss Aycocke. She always knows just the right thing to say to be of help to some one. After the discussion, indoor games were played which were enjoyed by all. Refreshments were served by the girls of the 6th and 7th grades. The club then adjourned to meet Wednesday after the first Sunday in February. Each member being asked to get as many new ones as possible to meet with them next time."

Pea or Pea Croquettes—1 cup mashed potatoes, 1 cup mashed peas or beans, 2 tablespoons flour, 1 tablespoon drippings, 1-2 cup milk, salt and pepper. Melt the drippings, add onions and cook to a golden brown; add flour, and when blended, the milk Cook until heavy enough to drop from the spoon. Combine with other ingredients, allow to stand 2 or 3 hours then shape into balls or croquettes. Dip in egg and crumbs and fry in deep fat.

Pea or Bean Salad—2 cups peas or beans (cooked), 1 cup shredded cabbage, 2 or 3 sprigs parsley, 1 grated onion, salt and pepper. French dressing, cooked dressing, or mayonnaise may be served with this salad.

Baked Beans—1 quart beans, 1 onion, 1-4 pound bacon, 2 teaspoons salt 1 teaspoon mustard, 1-2 cup molasses 1 cup tomato sauce, 2 tablespoons Chili sauce. Soak the beans two or three hours and when the skins are loose, rub them until they are removed. Then pour cold water through them and put them in the pot with the onion, tomato sauce and Chili Sauce. Bury the pork in the beans, add boiling water to the mustard, salt and molasses sufficient to cover the beans and keep them covered until the last hour of cooking. Then lift the meat to the top and brown.

sale of said land for partition. This Jan. 24, 1921. J. L. PALMER, Deputy, Clerk of the Superior Court. WM. H. & THOS. W. RUFFIN, Attorney for plaintiff, Louisburg, N. C. T-28-21

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