

Girls' Preparatory School For Tryon

The project of securing a girls' school for Tryon took another forward step Tuesday. The Kiwanis club joined with the Rotary club in the organization of a committee to explore the possibilities of getting a first class preparatory school for girls with a thoroughly modern educational plan. The committee now consists of Dr. W. S. Green, chairman; Dr. M. C. Palmer, Prof. W. A. Schilleter, representing the Rotary club; Carroll P. Rogers, Thomas Costa, and Dr. C. Arthur Lincoln, representing the Kiwanis club. The first committee meeting was held at Hotel Tryon Tuesday at 2:00 P. M. Suggestions as to means of making contacts with persons likely to be interested in the location of such a school were considered and tentative plans were made for expanding the membership of the committee to make it more representative of the community.

It was the opinion of the committee that only a school of the finest educational grade with a high annual charge per pupil should be encouraged to locate here. For such a school Tryon presents several unusual advantages. First, it has a unique all-year-round climate because of its location in the noted Thermal Belt, a climatic condition authenticated by numerous experiments made by the U. S. Government. Several expensive preparatory schools in the North now move their entire faculty and student body South

for at least three months each winter. Tryon's mild yet bracing winter climate which has made it popular as a winter place of residence obviates the necessity of such a move in the middle of the school year. Its summer climate with its cool mountain breezes would also be comfortable for summer school work.

Further points considered were the abundant supply of pure water making possible the development of a lake as well as swimming pools, the picturesque mountain scenery of this locality, the presence of a community noted for its cultural interests and the community's further advantage of being somewhat secluded with no city of considerable size in the immediate vicinity. It was also observed that while some excellent preparatory schools are located in other Southern states but very few are found in North Carolina, especially in the mountain sections of this state. The committee knows of no girls' school in this part of the South of the type it hopes to see located here. Suggestions will be welcomed on any phase of this project. Another meeting will be held at Hotel Tryon at 2: P. M., Tuesday, August 2nd.

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