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EDITORIALS

How Highlands Is Run

This town of Highlands, although very small, is incorporated. It is run by the Mayor, five men, and the cooperation of the people. The five men are: Messrs. J. D. Burnette and Joe Reese, who are on the street committee; S. L. McCarty, W. A. Hays, and J. E. Potts, who are on the light and water committee. The mayor votes when one or more persons are absent from a meeting and in case of a tie. But with five members on the board, ties can be avoided.

The Public Utilities help to make Highlands run. The water comes from what is called "The Houston Springs." The water is so enclosed that neither man nor beast can get to it. The water is so pure, I am

proud to say, that very little chlorine is needed to purify it. The water system could be improved by having larger pipes, but at present we are unable to get them. The water, also, is so soft that money can be saved by not having to buy so much soap. We certainly get a large economic break there.

The lights are something which also make Highlands run. As I consulted Mr. Jordan, he said that Highlands got power from three places; Highlands, Nantahala, and Glenville, and that consequently we were out of power at no time.

The disposal of garbage is a very efficient service, because the germs are destroyed by burning it. We are thankful for the trucks that pick up the garbage to benefit us and the town also. But, personally, I think that it would be better if the garbage were carried farther out of town to be burned.

Highlands would be helped very much if there were some all-time industry employing numbers of workmen such as a furniture factory and other factories using wood, perhaps a toy factory.

This town has a police force consisting of two men: Chief Olin Dryman, an assistant Frank Crane, and a highway patrolman, Mr. Jack Lunsford.

Because people from some states think Highlands is very nice, they come in the summer on a vacation. This affords the people around Highlands work in home construction.

The sewage system is not as good as it should be, because of lack of material and unlevel ground. Most of our sewage runs into Mirror Lake.

The soil is very suitable here for growing vegetables and some fruits.

The money which people get for working for tourists they can use to send their children to school for an education. We hope we are going to get a new school building as soon as possible.

I think that it would be good to