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HIGH SCHOOL IS PLACED ON ACCREDITED LIST

Graduates will Be Admitted To Colleges and Universities Without Examination

According to a communication just received from J. Henry Highsmith, State Supervisor of High Schools, the Murphy high school has been placed on the accredited list of the Southern Association of High Schools and colleges and its graduates will, in the future, receive the same recognition from all colleges and universities as pupils of any other high school in the South. This is a goal that has been striving for several years and this announcement will be received by the patrons, pupils, and teachers of the school with a great deal of pleasure. Mr. Highsmith says in his letter to Prof. Chas. F. Owen, superintendent of the school for the past two years:

"I have checked the report of the Murphy school for the past session and find that the requirements for accredited rating have been met. Your school, therefore, is being placed upon the accredited list in Group II, class A. I congratulate you upon this achievement."

To former Superintendent Owen is due the credit for this achievement of the local high school. Among the requirements met during the past year may be mentioned the addition of a science laboratory, the requirement of a library of 500 volumes for the school, the adoption of the required curriculum, the proper length class periods, and the continuation of the school for the full nine months exclusive of all holidays.

In commenting on this announcement, Prof. Owen says: "This next year the Murphy High School should be placed in group I, class A, of the accredited schools of the South. This can easily be done with the proper effort," continues Mr. Owen's statement, "and the children of Murphy are entitled to this advantage, which places them on an equal footing with the graduates from the best high schools in the South. Being placed on the accredited list of schools benefits not only the students," runs the comment, "but is a saving to the Murphy tax payers. Last year the tax payers paid all of six hundred dollars, the difference between what the State allowed and the salary paid the superintendent, but this year the State and county will pay four hundred dollars of this six hundred. Prof. Owen's full statement follows:

"Plott, N. C., June 25, 1923
"The Cherokee Scout,
Murphy, N. C.
Dear Editor:

"Please publish this communication from Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, supervisor of High Schools of North Carolina. This means that the graduates of Murphy High School of 1923 will be admitted to any college in North Carolina without examination, with other benefits as to securing certificates. This is one step upward for the Murphy High School. This next year the Murphy High School should be placed on the list of the Southern Association of Accredited High Schools and Colleges. This can be easily done with the proper effort and the children of Murphy are entitled to this advantage, which places them on an equal footing with graduates from the best high schools in the South. Being placed on the accredited list of schools benefits not only the students but is a saving to the Murphy tax payers. Last year the town of Murphy paid all of \$600, the difference between what the State allowed and the salary paid the superintendent, but this year the State and county will pay \$400 of this \$600.

"Last year we organized two debating societies in the high school and entered the State-wide debate. We were grouped with two schools that had had societies for years—Waynesville and Canton—and lacked only one vote of defeating them both and being allowed to go to Chapel Hill to take part in the final contests for the State championship in debate. We were justly

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STATE DOKAYS TO MEET IN CANTON IN JULY

Big Celebration Planned — Knights of Pythias Along Murphy Branch Invited

Canton, June 25.—What promises to be one of the largest and best attended Dokay ceremonies and meetings of the Knights of Pythias in this section of North Carolina, will be held at Canton, N. C., on Sunday and Monday, July 22 and 23, 1923.

On Sunday, July 22, the Dokays and Knights of Pythias will meet in the new St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Canton, for a religious service at 4:30. In full regalia the Knights and Dokays will march from the Champion Y. M. C. A. to the church. At the church service the Rev. Clarence Stuart McClellan Jr., Rector, and Prelate of the Canton Lodge, and an officer of the Dokay Temple Bagdad, in Asheville, will preach the sermon on "Tasks and Visions." Mrs. Alicia Freeman, of Asheville, a prominent church singer, will sing, and a Pythian male quartet will render "Abide With Me," and "Jesus, Lover of My Soul." The Asheville Dokay Band will play at the church. Committees from Pythian members of the Episcopal Church in Canton have been appointed as follows: Albert D. Wood, publicity and program; Frank W. Veto, decoration, and William Battison, entertainment.

The church will be decorated with red, yellow and blue flowers—the Pythian Colors—and banners and flags of the order. Vested choirs from Asheville churches will also render the music.

On Monday, July 23, the Dokays and Knights will meet in the Y. M. C. A. for a business session and registration of candidates for Dokays. At 6 o'clock there will be a street parade, and at 7 a banquet, and at 8 the ceremonial and later the initiations.

All Knights of Pythias, especially those living west of Asheville, are cordially invited to Canton for the celebration on July 22 and 23.

The Canton Lodge has recently appointed the following committees: Arrangement, David J. Kerr, chairman, and Albert D. Wood and C. B. Witt; Publicity, Rev. Clarence S. McClellan Jr., chairman, and Wm. Battison and Albert D. Wood; Reception, E. M. Geier, chairman, and William Roberson and W. Clyde Clark; Decoration, Lewis H. Clark and Frank Griffith and Frank Smathers.

COCHRAN HAS GOOD REVIVAL AT COPPERHILL

Holds Services in Tent With all the Churches Interested—Goes Etowah Soon

Dr. Fred Cochran has just returned from Copperhill, Tenn., where he closed a few days ago a very successful revival meeting, which extended over three weeks. All the churches in the town co-operated in the meeting and the converted persons were united with the church of their choice at the conclusion of the meeting. More than 100 people were reclaimed and converted during the meeting.

The meeting was held under a big tent provided for the purpose. A committee of business men of the city assumed the responsibility of raising the money for the tent and it was given to the Cochran Evangelistic party as an appreciation of the fine work he did while there. The tent will now be used regularly by the Cochran party, which will, in the future, be composed of three or four members. The next meeting will be held in Etowah, beginning July 8th, with all the churches of the town co-operating.

Dr. Cochran is said to be a very effective evangelistic speaker. He was highly commended for this type of work among the soldiers of the A. E. F. The evangelist has lived here for the past eight or ten months and has filled local pulpits a number of times, and his many friends here will be glad to learn of the success he had at Copperhill.

CHEROKEE LODGE NO. 146 INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS

W. S. Green Enters Upon 36th Year as Secretary—Studstill Re-elected W. M.

At a regular communication of Cherokee Lodge No. 146, A. F. & A. M., on Monday evening, June 25, 1923, the newly elected officers were installed. Messrs. A. J. Burns, H. E. Dickey and H. G. Elkins were the new officers elected. All the other officers were re-elected. In the re-election of Mr. W. S. Green as secretary, the lodge continues in office one of its most faithful members. Mr. Green now enters upon his 36th year as secretary of the local lodge.

The entire list of officers follows: W. E. Studstill, W. M.; J. G. Greene, S. W.; A. J. Burns, J. W.; R. M. Fann, Treasurer; W. S. Green, secretary; J. L. Hall, S. D.; Paul McClure, J. D.; T. J. McCombs, S. S.; H. E. Dickey, J. S.; H. G. Elkin, Tyler.

M. E. Conferences Hold Joint Session Here Last Monday

The Blue Ridge Atlantic Conference and the Georgia Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church were each represented in a meeting here Monday to consider the changing of the boundaries of the two conferences. As the western North Carolina territory is somewhat separated from the Blue Ridge conference this meeting was called to consider changing the boundaries so that the North Carolina territory could be placed in the Georgia conference. The Blue Ridge Atlantic Conference was represented by Rev. W. C. Mantle, Rev. A. S. Beaman, Rev. J. L. Fowler, Rev. D. L. Earnhardt, and the Georgia Conference was represented by Rev. E. B. Aycock, Rev. Chas. L. Hunter, Rev. E. L. Cochran, Rev. Fred Lonsdale, Proxy, W. F. Cochran.

Professor Cutter Has Charge of the Band

Prof. F. J. Cutter, of McCall, S. C., has returned to Murphy and is training the local band in order to whip it into shape for the public concerts on the Fourth of July and following. It is expected to hold public concerts on the square again this summer as was the custom some years ago.

Professor Cutter announces that he has some splendid material in the local band and expects to have it well organized and in first class shape by the Fourth. Excellent concerts are assured for that day, which will be celebrated under the auspices of the Chamber of Commerce.

Superior Court — Adjournd Saturday

What was probably one of the lightest courts ever held here was adjourned late Saturday afternoon by the judge on account of his not feeling able to continue it through another week. This was to have been a two weeks term. Besides the M. & M. Bank case reported last week and one or two other minor suits, four divorce cases were settled and the case of Nichols vs. Railroad Company finished. The railroad Company recovered its right of way and Mr. Nichols was given a verdict of \$100. There is another parcel of land which Mr. Nichols claims was damaged by water being turned on it by the railroad company and it is understood that a separate suit will be made of this. Several motions were also settled during the court. No case involving large interests came up for trial. The cases of the Carolina Tennessee River Power Company against the Hiwassee River Power Company were continued until next term of court. They had just been reached when adjournment was taken by the judge.

Bulgar Revolt will Take King Boris Out of Figurehead Class

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SITE FOR NEW HIGH SCHOOL IS SELECTED

Structure To Be Complete This Fall — Will Enable High School Do Better Work

Preparations for a better high school next year are going forward. The contract has been let to Barnett Brothers, local contractors, for the erection of a new high school building, which will provide larger and more suitable working quarters for the entire high school. In the past the elementary and high school have been housed in the same building, but with the completion of the new building, the high school will occupy separate quarters. The new building will contain larger space for science laboratories, library, superintendent's office, cloak rooms, domestic science room and six class rooms. The site for the building has been laid out and it is expected that dirt will be broken this week. The new structure will cost about twenty-six thousand dollars. It will probably be ready for occupancy some time this fall.

MRS. W. D. CRISP DIES SATURDAY NIGHT AT NINE

Funeral Services Held Wednesday Afternoon—Was Mother of Mrs. J. N. Moody

Mary Asenath Edwards Crisp, wife of W. D. Crisp, of Judson, N. C., was buried here late Wednesday afternoon in the city cemetery, following funeral services at the Baptist Church. The service was jointly conducted by the pastor, Rev. T. L. Sasser, and Rev. W. N. Cook, a visiting minister, formerly pastor of this church.

Mrs. Crisp fell last Wednesday and was brought here in a critical condition Saturday afternoon and died Saturday night about nine thirty o'clock. She was born Nov. 3, 1851, and was 71 years 7 months and fourteen days old. She was the daughter of a Baptist minister, and was born near Hayesville, Clay County. She was married to W. D. Crisp in 1884, and has lived in western North Carolina all of her life. She is the first of a family of ten children to pass away. Besides five brothers and four sisters, she is survived by her husband, nine children, three boys and six girls, a number of grand children and a host of relatives and friends. Mrs. J. N. Moody, of Murphy, is a daughter. Some of the children live in distant cities, and, although the remains were held several days before burial, they were unable to get here in time for the funeral and interment.

COUNTY S. S. A. TO CONVENE HERE JULY 12TH - 13TH

Co-operation of All Sunday School Officers and Workers Asked — Speakers to Be Here

According to announcements made public by D. W. Sims, general superintendent of the North Carolina Sunday School Association, and President J. H. Dillard, of the County Association, the Cherokee County Sunday School Association will hold its second annual meeting in Murphy on the 12th and 13th of July. Ministers and Sunday School workers from all over the county are expected to be here for this meeting. The out of county speakers on the program will be General Superintendent Sims, of the State Association, and Assistant Superintendent Miss Flora Davis. Both Mr. Sims and Miss Davis are well trained Sunday School workers. With these outside speakers and the splendid local talent from over the county, the county officers feel that an interesting program is assured.

One feature of the approaching session of the Sunday School Association meeting will be the presentation of a large felt pennant, measuring 18x36 inches, to the Sunday School having present the largest number of representatives over sixteen years of age according to the number of miles traveled. The number of representatives from a given Sunday School will be multiplied by the number of miles traveled to determine the school winning the banner. The Sunday school with which the convention is held and any other schools within one mile will not compete for the banner. There will also be a roll call of townships, when a record will be made of the number of Sunday School represented from each of the townships of the county, as well as the number from each school, and the number of pastors and teachers also will be determined.

The county and township association officers, who are promoting the plans for the convention are: County President, J. H. Dillard; county secretary, Arthur Akin, and the following township presidents: W. J. Martin, E. L. Shields, Mark Boone, T. T. Johnson, and O. L. Torrence. These officers request the co-operation of all pastors, superintendents and other Sunday School leaders in an effort to make the convention a grand success.

PLANS ABOUT COMPLETED FOR JULY FOURTH

One Hundred Dollars Worth Fire Works To Be Used at Night — Ball Game Feature

Plans for the celebration of the Independence Day here on the Fourth of July are about completed and indications are that a record breaking crowd will be here to enjoy the day with us. There will be something going practically all the day to entertain the visitors. The Hayesville-Murphy baseball game in the afternoon on the new city and county public park on Valley River is expected to be a drawing feature, especially for Clay County people. Word has been received here that many visitors will be present from North Georgia Counties.

There will be a speech in the morning by some prominent figure in North Carolina. Several are under consideration and the name cannot be announced as we go to press. There will be several band concerts during the day by the Murphy band, under the direction of Prof. F. J. Cutter, and special shows and other attractions will fill up the day.

The biggest event of the day will be the elaborate fire works display on the evening of the Fourth on the public grounds along Valley River. Thousands of visitors are expected to stay over for this event.

Free ice water will be furnished the public all during the day and the hotels, restaurants and special lunch stands will furnish lunches for the visitors. Many are expected to bring lunches with them.

DEWAR WOULD STAMP OUT THE BEAN BEETLE

Supplies Formulas and Insecticide and is Also Offering Personal Assistance

By Ex-Senator R. A. Dewar.
In response to many requests for information about the Mexican bean beetle, I am outlining as briefly as possible the situation that confronts us in Western North Carolina and suggesting certain remedies. Unless the citizens of this section at once commence work on a co-operative basis thousands of dollars will be lost to the counties next summer as well as the balance of this season.

In the first place, since 1920, the U. S. Government has been conducting extensive experiments in Alabama, having appropriated thousands of dollars for this investigation. For the same length of time the state of Alabama has had experts in the field. Within the past year, Georgia and North Carolina have joined in the fight. From these series of investigations the following formulas have been recommended:

1st. 1 part superfine dusting sulphur; 1 part Calcium Arsenate; 4 parts hydrated lime, mixed thoroughly.
2nd. 1 pound magnesium arsenate; one half pound caseinate of lime; 50 gallons of water.
3rd. 1 part calcium arsenate; 9 parts hydrated lime.

In addition to the above formulas there are several mixtures sold under trade names. Among these for which it is claimed that they will destroy the bean beetle are Hofstra—Ni Late and Cal Sulphur. The first two of these formulas are very expensive—selling for \$1.20 per pound, and they are only effective in so far as I can learn when sprayed directly on the beetles or worms.

The third formula—cal sulphur—is both cheap and effective and has the advantage of having had its ingredients recommended by both government and state authorities. This powder is very thoroughly mixed and contains sulphur, lime and arsenate in the proportion recommended above in formula No. 1. The problem facing us now is to place within the reach of all citizens a preparation all ready for use that is both cheap and effective. With the idea in view I secured for Western North Carolina the selling agency for Cal Sulphur. Believing in this manner it would be possible to introduce a practical remedy at the minimum cost.

A conference of interested citizens was held in Murphy on Saturday in the office of the county agent. After a careful investigation of all the facts obtainable, it was agreed that the most practical plan was to secure the co-operation of as many citizens as possible throughout the Western counties in fighting the bean beetle. Supplies of Cal Sulphur and suitable dust guns were ordered shipped to Andrews and Murphy by first express and the co-operation of the merchants secured to sell powder and guns at cost. County Agent H. H. Ellis is co-operating in this movement and will gladly direct interested parties where to secure supplies. The regular price of Cal Sulphur is 25c per pound. 50c for three pounds, and 75c for five pounds. A special price has been planned in order to place the powder in the reach of every citizen of twenty cents for one pound. Thirty-five cents for three pounds. Fifty cents for five pounds. Dust guns are seventy-five cents and one dollar and a half.

The point to be stressed is something must be done and done now. If we wait until next spring the beetle will have secured a still stronger foothold. Enough citizens must be volunteers in the fight to start now. If your beans are ruined plant a new crop. Spray them properly and convince others as well as yourself that a remedy is at hand both simple and cheap. When you have demonstrated the fact that a remedy is obtainable your neighbors will join in and within a season

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