

### THE GRADED SCHOOL IS NOT ACCREDITED

To the Editor of The News-Herald:  
I am sorry that Mr. Kerley thought that I was criticising him as superintendent of the above school, for I stated plainly in my first article that I was not. As a citizen and patron of the Morganton school I am more than glad to credit it for all its merits. I did not mean to infer that the graduates of the high school had to stand three or four days written examination before they were permitted to enter college, but I did mean to say that virtually all of the graduates are conditioned on certain subjects or have to make up work that should be done in the Morganton school.

It is a little surprising that Mr. Kerley has been superintendent of the graded school for four years, and overlooked the fact that it is not an accredited school. The University of North Carolina has nothing to do with making a school accredited or non accredited. It is true that Mr. N. W. Walker, the high school inspector for the State, is located at the University, and prescribes or outlines a course of study (to which Mr. Kerley refers as accredited for all the high schools of the State in case they follow and complete this work) in which Mr. Walker measures all high schools with the same yard stick. Evidently Mr. Kerley is not familiar with the facts in the case. I get my information from the report of the Southern Educational Commission, which passes on all secondary and college accredited schools in the thirteen Southern States. This commission has either left the Morganton school out by accident or on purpose. I shall ask Mr. Kerley to make a little investigation and see if these are not the facts in the case.

With about two years hard work and reorganization, the Morganton school could be made accredited. Why not do this and give our boys and girls the best? I have the rules and regulations with which the school would have to comply, and they are easy. Would be glad to furnish such if the trustees are interested. As to Mr. Erwin's reply, he says, "My statement that he should know and practically every educated man in the county does know, that he is not well qualified to hold this position, is born out by the petition, I am informed, that was presented to the board of education sometime ago, signed by more than 1300 men of the county." Now, if Mr. Erwin could get a little real information of a truthful nature I believe it would have a better effect. The petition to which he referred has been carefully preserved in the office of the board of education, and 369 names appear on this petition. Mr. Erwin's name is one, and I presume that he figures that his name counts for the other 368, which would make the 1300 or more—mostly more.

Mr. Erwin says that "I created this valuable asset (the Morganton graded school) to our county while in the legislature of 1903, against the protest of many of my friends, and I even went outside of the town limits and taxed them and myself to support this school, when I had no children to profit by it." What a magnificent act. I thought the people of this district established this school by a vote of the people, and that Mr. Erwin just secured the charter while in the legislature. That is the way we do business of this kind now.

Mr. Erwin says he did this through great trials and tribulations and contrary to the wishes of a great many of his friends, and if this be true, isn't it strange that Mr. Erwin (while the destiny of three hundred children in the Drexel graded school, was hanging in the balance and the county board of education doing all in its power to help these people to establish the Drexel school) would subscribe name and influence, to the above-named petition to help to defeat the county superintendent, the only man connected with county board that knew most of the facts in the case, and by so doing defeat the Drexel school. Mr. Erwin knew then as he knows now, that the petition referred to was promulgated by men who were fighting the Drexel school with their money and all the energy they had, and that that petition had nothing to do with the efficiency or inefficiency of the county superintendent.

If this petition (after Mr. Erwin's name is taken off) is all the evidence he can procure against the inefficiency of the county superintendent, I would either buy or buy the longest rope I could get, climb the highest tree I could find, tie one end to the highest limb on that tree, the other around my neck, and jump the longest jump I could jump.

But Mr. Erwin asks, "What has the mistakes of the trustees of the Morganton graded school to do with the fact that Burke county, if she keeps pace with the progressive counties of our State, needs a college trained man to head its schools system as county superintendent of schools?" I shall state that it does not have anything to do with it one way or the other. But the Morganton graded school is not a private institution, in that it is paid for by the people in the district and by the county. It is a public school and stands open to criticism just as much as other schools of the county. As a mathematical problem, I shall ask if two college men have failed to make the Morganton school progressive, how many college men would it take to make a whole county progressive?

I have two brothers who claim to be college men, and I reckon are, and no one has more respect for an educated college man than I, and no one more contempt for a college fool than

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I. It is out of the reach of any college to educate any man, but they can help. The educated man is so because of his own efforts and not from the fact that he is a college man.

This whole controversy has been brought about for the reason that the schools of the county have been more progressive than Mr. Erwin wanted them to be, unless Mr. Erwin had been consulted more as to how it should have been done, and not because of the innate desire he had to help the poor children of Burke county.

I have to more time to give to this controversy.

Very truly,  
T. L. SIGMON.

### THE BLIND TIGER ENEMY

To the Editor of The News-Herald:  
Will you allow me space in your valuable paper to express my gratitude that we still have loyal and honorable judges that not only know their duty but follow it. The good people of the grand old county of Burke should be thankful that the Lord has put it into the hearts and minds of the people to produce evidence against outlaws and criminals that the court and officers were enabled to bring that class to justice and proper punishment. Before I go further I wish to explain myself. I do not rejoice at the downfall and punishment of men or women, but I do rejoice at the efforts to overthrow the making and selling of stuff that will destroy both body and soul and which will not stop at that but will drag down other souls into shame and disgrace. I have come to the conclusion long ago that the man or woman who drinks the foul stuff is a murderer of that dwells in the body that came from God, called the soul. Those who deal in it aid in murdering both body and soul. There is one other class that would like for the good people to look upon as a high type of citizenship that would encourage the class named for the love of a few dollars by helping them to escape the penalty of the law. God pity the lawyer that for \$5 or \$10 would help them to evade the law and allow them to turn again to a work that degrades their county. The only remedy against it all is strong public sentiment. I appeal to the people of the county to cooperate with the officers and court officials to clean up whiskey making in Burke county that our children may be saved from drunkards' graves and hell. I have no apology for what I have said; where the shoe fits let it be worn.

A strong effort should be made to trap every blind tiger in town. I have been informed that some of the negroes who are sent to the roads are in the employ of men of means and when the negroes are sent up the king-bee blind tiger is left free to begin again with a new force. Clean up the town and it will be no trouble to keep the surrounding country clean.

I have seen so much sorrow brought to so many families by this awful business that my greatest desire is to see it put entirely out of our county and I want to see all of our forces for good cooperating to this end. After all we have witnessed it is what I call nerve for a man to come to me and ask me to sign a petition to turn loose again the devil in a man and by that action say that we want them to take the rest of our sons and daughters to hell. I do not see how people who have their names on church rolls and take part in church work can conscientiously do such things.

Let us work together to redeem the good name of the good old county of Burke.

Respectfully,  
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### A SUGGESTION

To the Editor of The News-Herald:  
Will you allow me space to say a few words in your paper? I see so much in your paper and cartoons about a farm demonstrator for Burke county. All farmers of Burke county don't object to anything that will help them. Now if the commissioners of Burke county will buy a good farm for Burke county, a county home, which the county needs very badly for the benefit of the aged and infirm and poor of Burke county, I and other farmers of Burke county say to get a farm demonstrator and put him on the county farm and let the demonstrator show the people of Burke that we need a farm demonstrator, and if he proves to the good of the county and all farmers, then I say take him off the county farm and put him in the county at large and pay him a reasonable salary and let him help the farmers of Burke county to improve the farm methods and the farm lands. I will say this will meet with the approval of the farmers of Burke county, and I hope all other people of the county.

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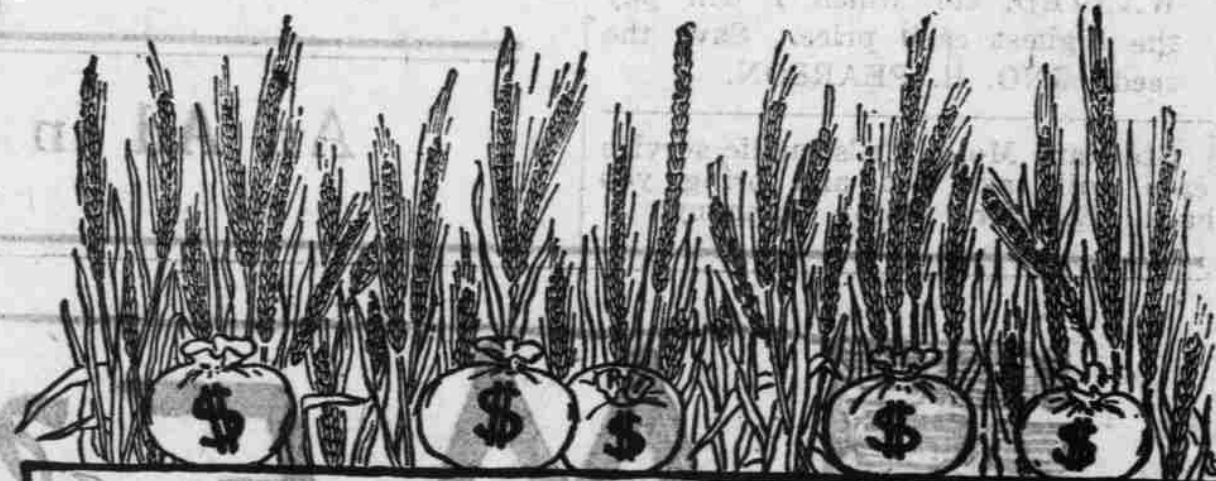
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