WILKESBORO HIGH SCHOOL

has reached 753 pupils. Of this number, 447 have been in the lower grades and 306 in the high school. There are 106 children in the first grade and 111 in the eighth. Fifty-eight have enrolled Speech of Hon. Gordon Hackett in the senior class. The sixth grade, with 41 pupils, has the the fall programs was a speech smallest number of any grade.

Hour Schedule

school has operated with the hour and is in a position to know more schedule. In most respects it has of our county than any other livworked well and noticeable bene- ing citizen in all probability. He ts have resulted from it.

Commencement

Plans are now being made looking to commencement. The closing date this year will be May 9. Programs somewhat in keeping with the past years, but with added improvements, are being plan-

1932 Graduates

year 1931-32 have been in college: bring Wilkes county into promi-Wake Forest, Ernest Settle, El-nence. mer Lowe; Davidson, Bill Prevet-Ferguson; N. C. C. W., Lutrelle and made short interesting talks. Let us look defeat, disaster-Foster: Flora McDonald, Jeanie Ogilvie; Statesville Female College, Nina Sale: Mars Hill, Joyce Wellborn; Draughan's Business College, modern brick building at Mt. Blanche Yates; Maxton Junior Col- Pleasant there has been constant · lege, Gordon Ogilvie. Three have married, Walter Johnson, Dorothy new building was completely sur-Hendren and Blanche Yates. Many of our graduates are on the farm and in other local vocations.

Forensic Contests

As in the past a good number of students has entered the various speaking contest offered by the school. In the fall the following students were in the try-out for the Mars Hill declamation and recitation contests: Neil Hartley, Myrtle Yates. Lillian Linney, Pauline Kinlaw, Vena Jarvis, Helen Bumgarner.

Those vinning were Myrtle Yates and Neil Hartley, who made the trip to Mars Hill with Miss Lillian Stafford on December 9.

Neil Hartley entered the county American Legion oratorical contest which was held in North Wilkesboro on December 2.

try-out for the state tri-angular debates: Lillian Linney, Myrtle and Ada Beshears. Yates, Tom Story. Marion Beach, Neil Hartley, Sam Ogilvie and Lucile Hartley. The last four named attached to the ball team." has and fewer have been lost. This, ty high school principal who led were successful in making the been applied to many schools, in addition to other improve- the movement which resulted in

Visitors

During the year we have had a great many visitors. We greatly appreciate the number of parents Mt. Pleasant boys entered the fall Dr. John Blair and Mr. W. F. None of the team having played Combs, assistant high school in- that a short period of intensive spector, and Mr. R. D. Beam, en- practice is better than longer gineer for the state board of periods. At no time have we had weeks for the purpose of check- city, will preach the sermon. education, were visitors in Feb- more than 45 minutes practice ing and mending. The Toronto ruary. Prof. Chappel Wi'son, of per day, and as most of our team method was used with materials A. S. T. C., Boone, was a pleasant was transported, this was during purchased from the Gaylord Brovisitor in March. Miss Fan Cra- the noon hour. nor in December spoke at the We are proud of having won rected by Miss Beatrice Holbrook grade chapel.

Entertainments

During the year a number of spirit" of the boys. entertainments have been held in, the auditorium for the pleasure of games won out of eleven played. the pupils and the patrons. In January the Dramatic Club under M. Creek 12 the direction of Miss Stafford presented a one-act play, "Barbara." R. Rivor 9 On this same evening the music department under the direction of Mt. View 15 Mrs. Prevette furnished a very M. Creek 22 happy hour of vocal and instrumental music numbers.

In early January, Mr. Lippin- Traphill 9 cott. a magician, furnished a very Mt. View 0 delightful afternoon program of

mer gave in the afternoon a very ball. Most of the team had nevinstructive illustrated lecture on "Scenic America."

Pal, Black Night and Susana.

Chautauqua The United Chautauqua present- R. River 24 ed a series of programs at the Wilkesboro 12 Wilkesboro school auditorium on Wilkesboro 29 October 29-31, and November 1, Traphill 24 1932. The six programs presented Mt. View 7 were excellent and the personnel M. Creek 12 of the programs was of the high- R. River 7 est type. The play, "Smilin' Traphill 2 Thru," was given on the second Mt. View 21 night. The music rendered by Brown-Manley on the second day and by the Jugoslavs on the third day alone would have made a has been very active in the prechautauqua worthwhile. Sam sentation of plays since moving with great interest and much de-Grathwell closed one of the best to the new brick building. The termination. We are compelled

Your Hoodoo."

Mount Pleasant High School

One of the most appreciated of on the history of Wilkes County by Hon. Gordon Hackett.

Mr. Hackett is one of our old-For the first time this year this est and most revered citizens, is now compiling data and intends to publish a complete history in the near future.

His talk was interesting from several angles, and especially from a historical viewpoint. During the course of his talk the names of people were called by Mr. Hackett that are now high in the affairs of our county, state and nation, and who not so The following graduates for the very long ago, were struggling to

Two members of the County te; Boone, Fern Bernard, Lola Board of Education. Mr. D. F. Church, Hester Settle; Johnson Shepherd and Mr. C. O. McNell City Business College, Winnifred came clong with Mr. Hackett

Improvements

Since the construction of the improvement on the campus. The rounded by stumps. This year saw the last of them removed. Many days were required to complete the work of removing the stumps and the grading of the ground. After the grading of the campus, concrete walks were constructed.

Every care has been taken to afford all children an opportunity for recreation. Basketball; courts, baseball diamonds and a volley ball court have been built.

Our recreation period is limited to the noon hour but each activity during this hour is super-

Debate

the triangular debate was com- sixty books were added to the li- by Rev. J. C. Story, of Marion. posed of Vincent Foster, Rose brary. Waters, upholding affirmative, The following pupils entered the Irene Foster and Zenna Beshears. been installed and has proven W. Phillips, Greensboro, and

who have from time to time come county tournament with only one to the school. During the early year of experience in basketball, Creedle, of Raleigh, came. Mr. until '31-'32. We have proved

the boy's championship with so and Mrs. Lena T. Billings. The little experience. We attribute it student librarians, Clara Hutchto the good coaching and "team inson, Eddie Miles, Joyce Yale,

Our record for the year is nine Boys Schedule

Mt. Pleasant 19 Mt. Pleasant 17 Mt. Pleasant 15 Wilkesboro 14 Mt. Pleasant 27 Mt. Pleasant 22 Mt. Pleasant 13 Wilkesboro 23 Mt. Pleasant 21 Mt. Pleasant 19 R. River 10 Mt. Pleasant 15 Mt. Pleasant 2

Mt. Pleasant sextet was outclassed from the first, this being On February 1, Col. H. M. Clemtheir first year playing basketer been on a court until last fall. "Scenic America.

On February 23. Mr. Alexander, of Charlotte, firnished a delightful hour of entertainment for the entire school with his trained dogs, next year.

We lost nine games and won one out of ten played. The girls showed good sportsmanship and hope to have a winning team next year.

Athletics

We students of Traphill High School wish to say that we surely enjoy our athletics. Our season next year.

Mt. Pleasant 4 M. Creek 20 Mt. Pleasant 5 Mt. Pleasant 4 Mt. Pleasant 13 Mt. Pleasant 3 Mt. Pleasant 3 Mt. Pleasant 10 Mt. Pleasant 11 Mt. Pleasant 0 Mt. Pleasant 1

Drama at Mt. Pleasant

Mount Pleasant High School balls.

Traphill High School

We Must Keep The Faith which began in twenty-nine, They say we've touched the bottom and that now we'll start

to climb. Yes, we're scraping on the bottom in this year of thirty-

We can't go any lower; so our hard times now must flee.

As we leave the dismal bottom and start upward on our climb, May momentum quickly gather and restore our wonderous

Now if we are anxious, brothers, that all this shall surely be, We must use cooperation; use it well and liberally.

We must all get down, my brothers, with our shoulders to the wheel:

And with superhuman effort do our part for common weal. Let us strain, then, every sinew in our labor for mankind. We should never be defeated,

never whimper, never whine.

these imposters-in the face. They must not become the victors on the pain of our dis-

Let us fight the battle bravely with no thought of dark dispair.

We must make conditions better for the people everywhere.

We must keep the faith, our brothers, with those heroes of the past,

We must fight retrenchments bravely, we must fight them to the last. Then when history is written of

the sons of thirty-three, Posterity shall witness what we

did for liberty.—Contributed.

Library Work

Book Week by giving a special gram: program in the auditorium on the value of reading, and by donat-Our school debating team for ing books. In this way about

negative, alternates, Marie Eller successful. By using this system, awarding of diplomas. the librarians find that it is much The expression, "a good school easier to keep check on books but this can not be said of Mt. ments, including the accession the Nathans Creek community exercises will begin on the eve- M. Creek 9 Pleasant. Here ball playing has record, the Dewey decimal classi- building a \$20,000 school build- ning of May 3 with the presenta- M. Creek 10 been subordinated to school fication, a card catalogue conshelf list, has helped to standard- big attraction at the Millers present their program, "The M. Creek 2

> read by the students this year the program. than previously.

thers. This work has been di-Nora Gambill, and Savannah Moody have been very efficient.

The magazines and papers which come to the library this year are as follows:

1. American Boy.

2. American Girl.

3. American Magazine.

Current History. 5. Literary Digest. National Geographic.

7. New Outlook. 8. Popular Science. 9. Readers Digest.

10. Review of Reviews. 11. Hustler. 12. Wilkes Journal-Patriot.

13. Wilkes News. EDDIE MILES.

was opened by many interesting ball games.

Money was raised by a nie supper, under the direction of Mr. C. P. Farmer and others. The citizens of the community took a great interest by buying cold drinks, ice-cream and pies. They never hesitate in helping us raise funds for athletic equipment. We did not depend entirely on the citizens for aid. The students sold candy to buy two new basket

Our basket ball season started (Continued on page 2 this Sec.) (Continued on page 3 this Sec.) (Continued on page 6 this Sec.) carry on.

High Schools Are All Set For **Fine Commencement Programs**

High schools of the county are mentary grades. We are still in that depression all set for the commencement exercises which get under way in most of the schools next week. In most instances the closing features, including the men who are to deliver the literary addresses and the baccalaureate sermons, have already been announced.

Despite the crowded conditions of the class rooms in most of the schools, high school principals feel that some excellent work has been done this year. Satisfactory progress in almost every line, class work, athletics and the like is reported.

North Wilkesboro Prof. W. D. Halfacre, superintendent of the North Wilkesboro schools which close a month latkin, in the afternoon. er than other schools, is now arranging details of the commencement program. The calendar of activities for the remainder of the year follows: gene Olive, North Wilkesboro.

noir.

May 5-Senior class play. al concert in high school audi- venerable Presbyterian minister

June 1-Class day exercises. June 2-Graduating exercises. Wilkesboro

begin its commencement program 2:30 p.m. on May 5 and the final exercise

W. Phillips, principal of Central high school, Greensboro, and thates for the seventh grade. baccalaureate sermon by Rev. J. C. Story, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, of Marion. Prof. T. E. Story, principal,

May 5-Recital by music class of Mrs. R. E. Prevette.

May 7-Baccalaureate sermon May 8-Class day exercises. May 9-Literary address by C.

Millers Creek

Prof. A. B. Hurt, Ashe coun- ford College. ing with a donation of only \$1,- tion of the high school play. taining an alphabetical list and 000 from the county, will be the ize the organization of the libr- Creek high school commence- Rainbow's End." on May 4. ment. He will deliver the literary Other programs as announced Total games won, 2; total More magazines have been address on the closing night of by Prof. Geo. H. Hill, principal, games lost, 6; standing in tour-

Rev. Eugene Olive, pastor of The library was closed for two the First Baptist church, of this

Prof. S. B. Smithey, principal, announces his commencement by Rev. G. R. Stafford, of Jones- M. Creek 28 program as follows: April 27-Program by ele-1 o'clock, May 7.

April 30-Baccalaureate serm

May 4-A play, "Marrying

Mountain View

of this city, will be the feature

Prof. E. R. Spruill, principal,

cises will get under way on Sun-

day, April 23. The program fol-

April 24—Operetta by

'Cabbages or Dollars?"

April 25-Senior class play,

April 27-Graduating exercis-

Roaring River

mentary grades.

attraction at the closing of Moun

tain View high school.

Delivery of the baccalaureate

April 28-Graduating class exercises. April 29-Senior class "Two Days to Marry." April 30-Baccalaureate sermon by Rev. Eugene Olive, North Wilkesboro, at 3:30 p. m. May 1-Literary address by Prof. A. B. Hurt, Nathans Creek.

Traphill Two well known ministers will feature the closing at Traphill high school. Rev. Eph Wisenhunt, of Elkin, will deliver the sermon and Rev. Eugene Olive, of this city, will make the ad-The program as announced by Prof. D. R. Wright, principal,

April 21-Music contest at Le-

May 7-Colored school music-sermon by Rev. C. W. Robinson,

· May 12-Piano recital by music pupils of Miss Ellen Robin-May 28-Baccalaureate serm- announces that the closing exer-

Wilkesboro high school will will be given on May 9.

Headlining the closing of the school will be the address of C. and awarding of diplomas.

Prof. C. M. Cook announces The students observed Good has announced the following pro- the following commencement program for Roaring River high school:

April 28 - Graduating class exercises. April 29-Senior class Beads On a String."

April 30-Baccalaureate serm on by Rev. Avery Church. May 1-Literary address Rev. C. A. Milner, dean of Guil-

Ronda high school's closing M. Creek 14 The elementary grades

follows:

Class Day exercises May 5. Senior class play, "A Little M. Creek 13 Clodhopper." May 6. The sermon will be delivered M. Creek 32

ville, on Sunday morning at 11 M. Creek 18

Schools Must Carry On

(AN EDITORIAL)

Much has been said and written on the depression since 1929, both of an optimistic and pessimistic nature. However, little good would have been highly pleased has been accomplished by these efforts. These are perilous times we to see the teams come out on are passing through. No one can deny it. The indecision, fear, and top they are nevertheless proud uncertainty becomes all the more serious since our leaders cannot of the record that has been made. agree and are more or less at a loss to tell us what is wrong. Many different theories have been formulated and expressed; many plans have been tried, in an effort to solve the complex problem confronting us; yet we still find ourselves in the economic wilderness. Probably Among those that were played activity; (a) Number employed, we are waiting for a Moses to lead us into the glorious economic and on this list were the three that social readjustment that inevitably must occur to restore prosperity and good times to our nation and the wor'd. The problem may be discussed from many different angles, but the one which interests us as attending school at Boone. All of ages. teachers is the economic side as it affects us in our work. It is true the schools have taken their cut, but in this time of

crisis, the schools may be forced to bear another cut. It would appear er interesting series was that to the more serious and sober-minded individuals that further reduc- played with the Cricket school. tion in teachers' salaries would be a very short-sighted policy indeed, Out of three games, the local since inevitably this would drive the better type of teacher from the quint won two. Very early in the field. Much attention should be bestowed upon the men and women season the boys went to Ronda, who are to teach the children. They are the ones who have the im- and, with part of their team on portant work to perform, and if the instruction is to be above the the injured list, they found themplane of mediocrity, we must maintain a relative'y high wage scale selves unable to withstand Ronin order to attract and hold the best brains in the profession. This is da's fast attack. In an interestno time for a short-sighted policy, it is no time for economic retrenchment. If we are to be given anything, let it be "cheap bread and themselves too good for the less costly brains"-a plea which General Abram Garfield, twentieth presi- mature and less experienced Mildent of the United States, made in an address to the Alumni of Wil- lers Creek lads. liams College in New York City, 1871. when he was taking a stand to Of particular interest to the secure high-priced teachers for that institution. Yes, give us teachers Millers Creek fans were the two of the right type moral'y, with the proper educational and professional games in which the local quint Dutch Farm," and "In the Counpreparation, with the skill, tact, patience, perseverence, foresight and helped to break in two new vision to carry on the great task before them. Give us teachers with character and the ability to stamp their impress upon the young lives placed in their hands, for the child is as the "vielding clay in the not placed in their hands, for the child is as the "yielding clay in the pot- gave to Millers Creek the priviter's hand," and after he has been molded into whatever form, he lege of trying the new floors. must remain ever so. It is a great and important work which teach- The West Jefferson game was chantanquas ever given in Wilkes- first year each class gave a play. to say that we are proud of, our ers must perform and may our legislators realize the necessity for pro- hard-fought and intensely interboro with a lecture, "Getting by The home room teacher of each teams. We are especially proud viding adequate funds to carry on this work effective'y. Other things esting throughout. West Jeffergrade acted as director. The of our girls, who planned to may wait but time wists for one one, and if the children are not to son won by two points. Both reading, writing and seat Chautauqua has been coming to plays given were: Eighth Grade: bring the silver loving cup home be sacrificed to ignorance and all its attending ills, the schools must teams journeyed to Cove Creek.

NORTH WILKESBORO HIGH SCHOOL

Millers Creek **High School**

School Days

It isn't school that I dislike. It's only maps and books, The exercises and tests. And sometimes teacher's looks.

chums. As in vacation days. What spoils it all are algebra, rules and sums,

In school we girls are mostly

When we laugh, he makes a fuss; And when we're having the best of times.

He comes and scolds at us,

And often the teacher's ways.

And leaves us to pine. on by Rev. Eph Wisenhunt, El-Then once our teacher punished

a girl Because she brought a cat-A baby one-to school one day.

May 5—Class day exercises Now, what do you think of that and literary address by Rev. Eu-There is but one way that I can

> It's very simple too, To make a school what it ought omics class.

And that is what we want to do. Just let us have all the fun

That's in our reach; And when we're done. We'll let the teacher teach. NELL GILREATH.

Record of the Basketball Teams

April 23-Baccalaureate serm-The basketball teams of Milon by Rev. C. W. Robinson at lers Creek High School have just ended an active season, one which has been highly successful if not entirely victorious. The April 28-Class day exercises mary show to some extent the record of the teams.

The County Tournament: Both teams entered the county tournament and acquitted themselves well. There were eight doubleheader games scheduled for this tournament, and all of them were played except one of the boys' games. The scores of these games were as follows:

M. Creek 20 Mt. Pleasant 4 M. Creek 16 Mt Pleasant 10 M. Creek 12

nament, sixth.

M. Creek 16 M. Creek 22

Mt. Pleasant 13 M. Creek 26 Total games won, 4: Total carefully. games lost, 3; Standing in tour-

nament, fifth. While every one interested

Outside of the tournament the girls played only one game, but the boys played about a dozen. were played with a group of Millers Creek Alumni who are now these games went to Millers Creek except the last which the grads won by one point. Anoththe Wilkesboro All-stars proved

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High School

The object of the French

of the North Wilkesboro His School is to bring about a thorough understanding and bette speaking knowledge of the Frence anguage and customs of French people. Some of the part cipations of the French Club thi year during the activity parties which fall on the first, third fifth weeks of the six-week period are the rendering of programs, by the French characters, a study of the industries of large country, the working of crossword puzzles in French, French dramatizations and chapel pro-

Socially we have entertained at French teas, have had numerous games and contests in which prizes were offered and the club is now planning "An Evening in Paris" where the club members will impersonate and represent important characters of French history.

An Experiment in Dietitics An interesting experiment in dietetics was recently carried on in

the North Wilkesboro Home Econ-

Two white rats were kept in separate cages. One was fed a balanced diet, the other an unbalanced diet.

First rat: Diet-Olive oil, oatmeal, milk, bread, green vege-Reaction: Gained weight steadi-

ly, condition healthy, fur smooth;

body well proportioned and disposition good. Second rat: Diet-White rice. bread and water.

Reaction: At first the rat gained weight. Then it did not show girls team has played a total of any gain and fially started to losnine games, while the boys have ing weight. Its fur became ragplayed twenty. In each of these ged, its body ill-proportioned, that games supporters of the teams is, enlarged stomach and diminishhave been abler to boast of a ing limbs. Its disposition became hardfighting, clean-playing group very bad, would try to bite when of players. The following sum- handled. This tendency developed to such a degree the experiment

had to be stopped. This brought out very clearly to the children the importance of a balanced diet.

Miss Wilhelmina DeLaney.

Vocational Guidance

The civics class of the North Wilkesboro High School is working on a project, "Earning a Liv-

The project began with a study N. Wilkesboro 18 of why we must work and what Mt. View 12 we do when we work. This led up Wilkesboro 14 to a discussion of evolution of gen-N. Wilkesboro 27 eral industry:

Mt. View 21 1. Everything produced in the Wilkesboro 29 homes. b. Beginning of specialization; 1. By giving all of one's time to the study of one article, a better

Mt. Pleasant 19 speed. Mt. View 18 c. Organization of companies: N. Wilkesboro 21 1. This led to the formation of Wilkesboro 20 companies and corporations and N. Wilkesboro 27 specialization in industry. After this discussion each pupil

article is produced with more

Wilkesboro 24 selected a vocation and studied it The following outline was used.

1. Name of vocation. 2. Historic background. 3. Importance of the occupation. 4. Statement of duties or tasks,

(a) What are the main branches, departments, or types of work in this occupation. 5. Condition of the work; Location, time, posture, speed, etc. 6. Economic conditions of the

pay, etc.; (b) Preparation. 7. Qualifications. 8. Advantages and disadvant-

> Miss Wilhelmina DeLaney. A Dutch Project

This month the second grades are carrying on an interesting Dutch project. They have made many free hand drawings as the outcome of their study of Holland.

To arouse their interest in Ho!land, we used pictures and souvenirs. The children were taught a Windmill poem in connection with study of Holland. We read to them "The Dutch Twins" and "Ned and Nan in Holland." The children made four drawings

which illustrated various phases of life in Holland, namely, "A Dutch Market," "Holland in Winter," "A try." These drawings provided The children were given many

seat work tests on their com hension and general knowledge of Holland. Through this project the

dren were provided with language