

COOL SPRINGS HIGH SCHOOL IS DEDICATED

Stands As a Monument to the
Progressive Township and
is One of the Finest in
the State.

The Cool Springs Township High School was formally dedicated Monday evening in the presence of a brilliant assemblage. The doors were opened at 7 o'clock and for an hour a tour of inspection was enjoyed by the visitors. Promptly at 8 o'clock the formal exercises began, with Supt. J. W. Eaks ably acting as master of ceremonies.

First on the program was a song by the Grammar Grade Glee Club, followed by a short talk by Rev. G. R. Gillespie, who told of the splendid accomplishment of the township in securing such a fine school. In closing, he told of the organization of the Family Welfare Association and the good it hoped to accomplish. Tag Day will be held Saturday, Nov. 28, followed by a general canvas on Monday, Nov. 30.

The High School Glee Club, next on the boards, brought forth warm applause.

The county, township and city school boards were on the stage, with County Supt. C. A. Ervin also present.

At this point, Prof. Eaks told of how the splendid co-operation and hard work upon the part of the school boards in Cool Springs Township brought to a successful conclusion the erection and equipment of the new high school building.

Mr. E. E. Smart, Bostic, member of the township board, then made a short talk, telling of the consolidation of the districts, the work of voting the bonds and the final completion of the handsome new structure. He then formally presented the building—using a small replica of the structure—to Prof. E. G. Lee, principal of the high school. Prof. Lee very gracefully accepted and then told something of the work they hoped to accomplish.

The faculty quartette, composed of Misses Wilder, Belle and Gaines and Mrs. Burrell Moore, then rendered a number that was warmly appreciated.

Beautiful Pageant

The large audience was then thrilled with a beautiful pageant, "Progress," which depicted the different departments. High School students taking parts were:

Miss Progress—Margaret Moore.
History—Cortez Hamrick.
French—Catherine Barber.
Mathematics—William Biggerstaff.
Music—Ruby Moore.
Science—Chas. Dalton.

Hi-Y Club—C. L. Moore.
Home Economics—Agnes Davis.
Agriculture—Craig McClure.
English—Philip Padgett.
Commercial Course—Ruth Doggett.

Latin—Jane Steinback.
Athletics—Mary Davis.
Art—Mildred Moore.

The pageant was beautifully executed throughout and most creditable, considering the students had gotten it up on very short notice.

Supt. Erwin Speaks

Prof. Eaks next introduced County Supt. of Schools Clyde A. Erwin, who was warmly received. Mr. Erwin has been in office for a very short time, but has gained the warm support and co-operation of the lovers of education all over the county. He is earnest and able and giving of his very best for the schools of the county.

Mr. Erwin was warm in his congratulations for the new high school and said it would soon take its place as one of the best in the state. Unlimited credit is due those who brought it about, said Mr. Erwin. He then pictured the splendid progress of the county schools, saying that the county had more than a million dollars invested in schools and has over 9,000 school children. Deploring the fact that one-half of the children in the county only had a six months' term of school, Mr. Erwin let it be known that he was fighting to the best of his ability to remedy this condition and would not let up until we have an eight months' term for all. There must be an equal opportunity for every boy and girl in the county.

LEADERSHIP TRAINING FOR BOY SCOUTS

On Friday, November 20th, a course in Leadership Training will be instituted for Rutherford County. The plan of the course calls for some ten sessions of about two hours each with one overnight and day camp. Meetings will be held on Fridays from 5 to 7 o'clock. It is highly possible that these meetings will be held at various towns in the county or at a central meeting place. This matter to be decided by the men taking part.

Rutherford County is looking to Scouting to render a great service to boyhood during the coming year. More leadership and trained leadership is needed to accomplish desired results. It is therefore our job, yours and mine, and the job of the various communities to recruit present leaders and many others to take advantage of this opportunity.

Text books and other matter will be furnished without cost. Meetings will be filled with activity, thereby giving in the shortest possible time, a most worthwhile training in Scoutcraft and leadership in boys' work.

All Scouts can render a great service by reaching every man in the county who, with the proper training, would make a leader for a group of boys.

The first meeting, November 20th, will be held at the new Rutherford High School promptly at five o'clock.

FLORENCE MILL NEWS

Those on the sick list are Mrs. Dan Hardin, Mrs. Cindy Pitch and Mr. Steptoe Flack.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Henderson and little daughter, Lois, Mr. Henry Henderson and Miss Lucile Brock enjoyed the birthday dinner at Mr. J. L. Henderson's near Chesnee, S. C., Sunday given in honor of Mr. J. L. Henderson, who was 59 years old.

Mr. McClure Johnson and family, Miss Mary Johnson, Rev. Hill Kizer, Rev. H. C. Sisk enjoyed a birthday dinner Sunday given at the home of Mr. William Laughter, of Spindale, in honor of his daughter, Mrs. Johnson.

Mrs. Alice Suttle died at the county home last Friday. She was about 70 years old. Rev. H. C. Sisk conducted the funeral service Sunday. She was a member of Cooper's Gap Baptist church. She was laid to rest in Rutherfordton cemetery.

Mr. Gip Warren has been in the mountains for several months on the account of ill health. He returned to his home last week and has taken his job back in the Florence mill. The church was also glad to see Mr. Warren come back to church and Sunday school again.

Dr. J. Henry Highsmith Also Strong For Eight Months' Term.

The dedicatory address was delivered by Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, of Raleigh, state inspector of high schools. Dr. Highsmith is a forceful speaker and thoroughly in earnest in his work. He reviewed the progress of education in the state and at the outset stressed the fact that every child is entitled to an equal chance of education. He, also, is going to do a big work in bringing about the eight months' term.

Some were surprised when he brought out the fact that Rutherford county now has as much school property as the whole state had 25 years ago. Finance is the most important part in the state's progressive educational program, according to Dr. Highsmith, who said, amid applause, that no community should ride in automobiles while children walked in ignorance. The state is eminently able to pay for education. To have good schools requires good teachers, hence the need of a normal training school for Western North Carolina. The big problem right now is to get an eight months' term and this will require a constitutional amendment. However, there will be no let up until this is accomplished.

Dr. Highsmith closed by warmly praising the pageant and an expression of appreciation of the fine high school.

After a song by the high school glee club, the meeting was closed by Dr. W. R. Ware.

COUNTY CLUB HAS GOOD MEETING

Entertained By P. T. A. At
Henrietta — Club Accomplishing Great Work.

A large number of representative men and women from the several cities and communities of Rutherford county attended the November meeting of the Rutherford County Club, held at Henrietta Tuesday. A most excellent dinner was served by the Henrietta Parent-Teachers' Association and everyone was made to feel very much at home by the cordial hospitality extended.

Mr. Kenneth S. Tanner, presided and the meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Geo. R. Gillespie, of Forest City. During the business meeting which followed, nominations were made for the officers and directors of the ensuing year. The merits of the Farmers Federation were set forth in a pleasing manner by Mr. Buff, who announced that on the Friday after Thanksgiving 200 farmers would motor to Asheville for a general inspection of the work of the Federation. A committee was appointed looking to a closer relation between the farmer and Federation and to prepare a resolution of endorsement for the county newspapers.

Superintendent Erwin reported from the Boy Scout committee as making headway and the President of the club, Mr. Tanner, became the first generous subscriber to the fund by donating one-half cent per spindle in the mills under his management to the enlarged program of scouting in Rutherford county.

Rev. G. R. Gillespie represented the Rutherford County Ministerial Alliance in its fight for good literature in the county. After his presentation of the matter, Messrs. H. L. Carpenter, R. E. Price and O. C. Erwin were appointed a committee to confer with other similar committees already appointed by the Kiwanis Clubs and Parent-Teachers' Associations.

Superintendent of Schools Erwin delivered in a masterly manner the address heard at the Forest City High School Monday night. Mr. Erwin stands uncompromisingly on his platform of "Completion of Consolidation of Schools," "A Higher Standard of Training for Teachers" and "Eight Months School Term for the County." Mr. Erwin's presentation of this vital matter so heavily laid upon his heart was the clearest, ablest and most concise statement of educational fundamentals The Courier has ever had the pleasure of listening to, and all the voters of Rutherford should back him to the last man and woman. At the conclusion of the able address the County Club went on record as heartily endorsing and supporting his entire program.

TATE-GILLIS

A marriage that came as a great surprise to relatives and friends here was that of Mr. Memory Tate and Miss Frances Gillis, of Omaha, Georgia, which was solemnized at the home of the bride's sister in Montgomery, Alabama on November 14.

Mr. Tate is the energetic and promising young son of Mrs. J. M. Tate, of this place, but has made his home in Omaha and various other places in Georgia for the past year.

Mrs. Tate is the charming daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. Gillis, of Omaha, Ga., and a member of the Senior class of the Omaha High School.

Mr. and Mrs. Tate arrived in Forest City Monday night to spend a few days with Mr. Tate's mother, after which they will be at home in Omaha, Ga.

This popular young couple have many friends who wish for them a happy voyage on the sea of matrimony.

STOCKHOLDERS TO MEET

A special meeting of the stockholders of the Chimney Rock Mountains, Inc., will be held at the office of the company, Chimney Rock, Saturday, November 28, for the purpose of considering any action taken by the directors of said corporation with reference to the issuance and sale by the corporation of \$1,000,000 for improvements.

ACCIDENTAL SHOT CAUSES THE DEATH OF ED. M'GWINN

Wesley Thompson Removes
Gun From Shoulder When
Hammer Catches On Button,
Causing Fatal
Discharge.

Mr. Ed. McGwinn, well known young farmer residing on the farm of Mr. J. I. Ridings, in the edge of Polk county, lost his life in a deplorable manner Friday, of last week. Mr. McGwinn and Mr. Wesley Thompson had started out on a hunting trip together. While walking up the road, and when opposite the home of Mr. C. W. Davis, Mr. Thompson removed his gun from his shoulder, when the hammer became entangled in a button on his clothing, causing the gun to fire. The load of shot struck Mr. McGwinn in the temple, causing almost instant death.

Mr. McGwinn was a war veteran, having served in the same company overseas as Attorney C. O. Ridings of this city. He was 27 years old and leaves a wife and three children. One brother, Mr. Baxter McGwinn, resides at Spindale.

The lamentable tragedy is deeply deplored on all sides. Mr. Thompson is almost frantic with grief over the death of his friend and companion.

PROVIDENCE NEWS

Forest City, R-2, Nov. 17.—Rev. J. C. Gentry filled his regular appointment at Providence church Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. His sermon was enjoyed by all that were present.

Mr. Roy Vess spent last week with his brother, who lives at Cane Creek. Miss Osteen Waters, from Alexander, spent the week-end with her cousin, Miss Mildred Wood.

Miss Virginia McDaniel spent Sunday afternoon with Miss Inez Waters.

Miss Dawsey Thomas spent Sunday with Miss Ethel Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Smith spent Sunday with his father, Mr. R. L. Smith.

Miss Rose Eaves spent the week-end at her home near Tanner's Grove.

Miss Mary Francis Smith spent the week-end with Miss Ila Phillips.

Mrs. Elizabeth Blanton spent the week-end with her daughter, Mrs. Bert Reynold.

Mr. John McDaniel and family spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. Crawford Costner.

We are sorry to note that Elizabeth Smith and Jennie Sue Butler are out of school on account of mumps.

Mrs. Norris Helms, of Kannapolis, is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Smith.

Miss Zonia Brindle and Mrs. Brunnie Tool motored to Spartanburg Saturday shopping.

Mr. Albert Phillips and Miss Ila Phillips spent Tuesday afternoon in Shelby visiting their cousin, Mrs. Mary McSwain, who is very sick. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

We are sorry to know that this writing Mrs. William McDaniel is very sick with pneumonia. We hope she will soon recover.

Miss Katy Smith spent Sunday with Miss Louise Smith.

Mr. John Henry Gordon and sister, Leona, from Gaffney, S. C., spent Sunday with their uncle, Mr. Roy Vess.

Mr. and Mrs. Harlow Brindle and Miss Ruby Brindle, of Henrietta, spent Sunday afternoon at the home of Mr. Amos Brindle.

PREPARING FOR REVIVAL AT PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Prayer meetings in preparation for the coming of Rev. William Black, D. D., next Sunday morning at 11 o'clock are being conducted by the Presbyterians of Forest City every afternoon and night this week. The cottage meetings being held at 4:00 p. m. on Monday with Mrs. W. P. Hall, Jr., Tuesday, with Mrs. B. H. Price, Wednesday, with Miss Kate McFarland. On Thursday the meeting will be with Mrs. G. R. Gillespie and on Friday with Miss Claire Reid.

Meetings are being conducted also in the Presbyterian church every night at 7 o'clock for one-half hour. Dr. W. R. Ware of the Methodist church, South, will conduct the meeting on Thursday night.

The meeting Wednesday night with Mr. J. E. McFarland as leader and Dr. G. P. Reid in charge Friday night. The attendance at both the afternoon and night meetings has been very gratifying and the public is cordially invited to attend all these meetings.

Preparation, publicity, preaching and programs are all necessary for a successful revival, but there can be no lasting and effective results without prayer. We bid for your presence, we need your prayers and every Christian in Forest City who knows how to pray is earnestly requested to besiege the Throne of Grace for an outpouring of God's blessings that will revive our entire city and surrounding communities.

OAK GROVE NEWS

Bostic, R-3, Nov. 17.—Rev. E. J. Poe preached at Oak Grove Sunday afternoon.

Miss Lillie Bailey and Mr. Carl Biggerstaff were happily married Wednesday by Rev. E. J. Poe. They spent Wednesday night with her sister, Mrs. Esther Matheny.

Mr. C. B. Harrill and family spent Saturday night at Mr. L. D. Wilkie's.

Several of this community gathered at the home of Mrs. J. M. Randall Friday afternoon and cut her some wood.

Miss Leigh Harrill and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Biggerstaff spent the week-end at Boiling Springs.

Mrs. J. M. Randall and Miss Olliea Randall spent Saturday night at Mr. Cletus Randall's.

Mr. L. D. Wilkie has been in this section for about a year and a half and has killed 24 hawks since he has been here and two hoot owls.

Rev. E. A. Blanton will move his family to Ball Creek this week where he will preach this year.

Mr. A. T. Tate and family, of Caroleen, spent Sunday in this community.

The Baraca class opened Sunday school Sunday with a very interesting program.

Mrs. Ivy Biggerstaff and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Biggerstaff was in Shelby Monday shopping.

Mr. and Mrs. Miller Martin and little son Jack, spent the week-end in this community.

Several of this community are killing hogs this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Magness and children, Ernest, Jr., and Sarah Martha, of Marion, spent one night last week at Mrs. Hester Magness'.

PARTIES LEAVING FOR CONFERENCE

Rev. G. F. Settlemyre and Mr. John T. Hardin left Tuesday morning for the forty-sixth session of the North Carolina Annual Conference of the Wesleyan Methodist church of America, which convenes in Gastonia, Loray Wesleyan Methodist church, Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock, and continues through Sunday. Rev. H. P. Rich, the newly appointed pastor of the local Wesleyan church, who already resides here and Mrs. W. F. Morris and Ira, of Alta Vista, Va., left Wednesday morning also. However, Mr. Rich will be here Sunday to fill the pulpit of his church. He resides the Saunders house on Mill street and desires you to visit him and to acquaint himself with the people of Forest City, regardless of church affiliations.

Visit The Fair Store when out to your coat or dress.

TWO YOUNG GIRLS BADLY FRIGHTENED SATURDAY NIGHT

Chased Into the Home of a Resident On East Main Street
By Marauder.

MIGHT HAVE BEEN HOAX

Was it a hoax, perpetrated by some neighbor with a perverted idea of fun-making, or—

Was it with malicious intent to molest a female, that some marauder chased two prominent young ladies into the home of a resident on East Main street Saturday night?

That is the question that has arisen since the recital of a bad scare received by the two girls on this occasion.

The story is as follows:

The two girls, residents of East Main street, were returning to their homes Saturday night, when one of them noticed that they were apparently being followed by a man. She mentioned this to her companion, and they began walking faster. The man increased his pace, and then the girls began to run. They were thoroughly alarmed when they noticed that the man was really trying to overtake them, and bolted into the first yard they came to, rushed in through the porch and into the hall, bolting the door behind them.

Looking through a window, they saw the man come into the yard and toward the house. At this juncture a neighbor happened to come into his front yard, close by and the intruder then made his escape.

The young ladies were terribly frightened at their experience, and can hardly believe that such an occurrence would take place upon the streets.

If it was the lark of a practical joker, it was in very poor taste, and should never be perpetrated again. If the work of a marauder, the culprit should be captured and severely punished.

KIWANIS CLUB NOTES

Featuring the Kiwanis Club meeting Monday evening was a short talk by Dr. J. Henry Highsmith, state inspector of high schools. Dr. Smith did not make an extended talk, as he was later to make his main address at the formal opening of the new high school building. He made it clear that he firmly stands for an eight months' term throughout the State and favors the establishment of a normal training school in Western North Carolina. He paid a glowing tribute to Cool Springs Township in providing such a magnificent high school building.

A night letter was ordered sent to Frank Page in remembering Black Bear Trail and the secretary was instructed to furnish data to two prospective manufacturing concerns who may wish to locate here.

Next Monday night is "Turkey Night" and a big time is expected. On the first meeting night in December the election of new officers will take place.

DEATH OF CHILD

Jennie Evelyn McMurray, two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joshua McMurray, stricken with pneumonia after a siege of whooping-cough, died Monday despite the efforts of family, friends and physicians to prolong her life.

A large number of relatives and friends of the family, together with the school mates and teachers of older children of the family, gathered at the home on Cherry Mountain street Tuesday laden with wreaths and other designs of beautiful flowers. Funeral services were conducted at the home Tuesday morning at 10:30 o'clock by Revs. W. R. Ware and G. R. Gillespie, acting for the pastor of the family, Rev. W. A. Ayers, absent from the city.

The sorrowing parents and older children have the sympathy of a wide circle of friends in the city and county.

You will find what you want at The right price at The Fair Store.