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TO HOLD COMMENCEMENT CONTEST NEXT SATURDAY

The preliminary contest to select the final contestants to participate in the county commencement will be held on Saturday, April 2, at the following places: Monroe, Marshville, Union in Lanes Creek, Prospect, Waxhaw, Indian Trail, Unionville, Olive Branch. The principals of the above named schools will have charge of these meetings and will devise plans for determining the selection of the winner in each group center. The following schools will be represented at the following places as indicated on April 2, 1921.

At Monroe:

Belfield, Cedar Grove, Rock Rest, Icomarlee, Fowels, Benton Heights, Carmel, Salem, Shiloh, Tyndale, Union Grove, Secrest, Corinth, South Monroe, Lee Park, McLarty, Mace-

At Marshville:

Wineate, Marshville, Gilboa, Maple Springs, Gaddy, Fairview, York, Midway, High Ridge.

At Union in Lanes Creek:

Union, Cool Springs, Smiths, Mills, Brown Creek, Jenkins, Beulah, Belks, Snyder, Oakland, Mountain Springs, Midway, Faulks.

At Prospect:

Prospect, Richardson, Plylers, Trinity, Parkers, Mt. Pleasant, Alton, Sandy Ridge, New Hope, Stewart, College Hill.

At Waxhaw:

Waxhaw, Jackson Forest, Tirzah, Rehobeth, Walker, Baker, Dixie, Weddington, Union, Pleasant Grove, Bonds Grove, Marvin, Flint Ridge, Beulah in Sandy Ridge, Mineral Springs.

At Unionville:

Jerome, Spruce Pines, Antioch, Pleasant Hill, Piney Grove, Belmont, Furr, Albans, Stevenson.

At Indian Trail:

Wesley Chapel, Antioch, Mill Grove, Stouts, Sustar, Hemby, Stallings, Piney View, Indian Trail.

At Olive Branch:

Olive Branch, Morgan, Euto, Pleasant Hill, Laurel Hill, Smiths, Littles, Stewart, Flint Ridge, White, Hamilton Cross Roads.

Each school will have one representative in the preliminary contests for the various events. The contests and rules governing same are as follows:

1—Declamation. Open to any white boy in the public schools of Union county. Declamation not limited to subject matter but not to exceed eight minutes in length.

2—Recitation. Open to any white girl in the public schools of Union county. Recitation not limited to subject matter but not to exceed eight minutes in length.

3—Debate. Query, Resolved, That

the policy of collective bargaining through trade unions should prevail in American industry. This debate open to any white boy or girl in the public schools of Union county. Each speaker shall have twelve minutes at his disposal, not more than nine of which can be used in his first speech. (Any pupil can secure a sufficient amount of literature by writing to E. R. Rankin, Chapel Hill, N. C., for extension series No. 40, on collective bargaining.

4—Spelling. Open to all pupils below the high school. New World Speller will be used. Words will be pronounced only once unless requested by pupils for a second pronunciation. Pupils will be given one trial. Whenever a word has been missed no other pupils will be allowed a trial at that same word, but the conductor will give the correct spelling of the word. The pupil who misses the fewest words in thirty minutes will be declared the winner. In case of a tie ten minutes will be allowed for spelling off the tie. The child may call for the definition of a word before spelling.

5—Story Telling. Open to all pupils below the high school. The story will be graded according to the grade of the pupil in school, that is, a first grade child will be given a story suitable for a child in the first grade, a sixth grade child will have a story suitable for a child in his grade, and so on. The pupil's teacher will read the story to the pupil in the presence of the audience and the pupil will then reproduce the story.

6—Story Writing. Open to all pupils in the public schools of the county. An original story on any subject not to exceed 2000 words but must contain not less than 500 words. Stories must be written with ink on one side of the paper only. Stories will be judged according to plot, grammar, character portrayal, sentence structure, punctuation and general neatness of work.

7—Essay Contest. Subject: How to make rural life in Union county more attractive. Open to any student below the high school. Not more than 2000 words nor less than 500 words allowed. An essay of 600 or 800 words would be more appropriate.

8—Glee Club. Open to any school in the county. The club must have twelve members. Each club will be allowed three numbers, one of which must be participated in by all twelve members of the club.

Each school in the county should have a contestant in the preliminary contest. By having this preliminary we can have only eight final contestants who will be the winners in the various sections of the county.

The final county commencement will be held at different places, as

follows:

Declamation, Essay, and Short Story at Marshville, April 8th, 8 p. m.

Spelling and Recitation at Waxhaw, April 9th, 8 p. m.

Glee Club and Story Telling at Monroe, date to be announced later.

Debate at Unionville. Date to be announced later.

Field Day, Athletic Contest, Monroe, April 15th.

Full particulars and rules governing the various events on final day will be given later.

Ode to the Girls.

(By One of the Boys.)
Little girl you look so small,
Don't you wear no clothes at all?
Don't you wear no shimmy shirt?
Don't you wear no petty skirt?
Just your corsets and your hose,
Are those all your underclothes?
Little girl you look so slight,
When I see you in the light,
With your skirts cut rather high,
Won't you catch a cold and die?
Aren't you afraid to show your calf?
It must make the fellows laugh,
Little girl what is the cause?
Why your clothes are made of gauze?
Don't you wear no undress?
When you go out fully dressed?
Do you like those peek-a-boos,
'Stead of normal underclothes?
Little girl, your suspenders show,
When the daylight plays on you,
I can see your tinted flesh,
Thru your thinnest gown of mesh;
Is it modest, do you s'pose,
Not to wear no underclothes?
Little girl, I see your chest—
Yes, I see way past your throat;
To a region most remote;
Tain't my fault now, don't suppose,
Why not wear some underclothes?
Little girl, your socks have shoals
Of those tiny little holes;
Why you want to show your limb,
I don't know—is it a whim?
Do you want to catch the eye
Of the fellow passing by?
Little girl, where is the charm
Of your long, uncovered arm?
In the V behind your neck?
Is it for the birds to peck?
Little girl, I tell you those
Ain't so nice as und-clothes,
Little girl, now listen here,
You would be just twice as dear
If you'd cover up your charms,
Neck, back, legs and both your arms,
I would take you to some show
If you'd wear some underclothes.
Little girl, your mystery,
Luring charm and modesty
Is what makes us fellows keen
To possess a little Queen;
But no lover, goodness knows—
Wants a girl "sans" underclothes,
S'pose I wore some harem pants,
Or no skirt like all my aunts,
Or a ringlet through my nose,
They'd arrest me, don't you suppose?
I wear a coat of mail,
Clothed from head to big toe nail;
I must cover up my form
Even when the weather is warm.
—Exeter, Ont., advocate.

The thinking man always wins out; in other words, he comes out on top. He may meet some reverses, but if he will keep on thinking and planning he will win in the end.

NOTICE

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