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OLDEST AND BEST PAPER IN THE COUNTY.

FIFTH ANNUAL COMMENCEMENT.

ROUND HILL ACADEMY EXERCISES ON WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY.

A. H. Nanney, Jr., and J. H. Nanney Graduate—Enrollment for the Year 192; Average Attendance 120—Eight Hundred Dollars Raised in Ten Minutes for New Dormitory Building.

The fifth annual commencement of Round Hill Academy took place last Wednesday and Thursday when the following program was successfully carried out:

WEDNESDAY MORNING.
Hymn—"All Hail the Power," Invocation.
Duett—"Praise the Lord"—Miss Be Linda Pruet and Mr. D. J. Hunt.
Scripture Reading.
Quartet—"Save me O God"—Miss Pruet and Lynch, Messrs. Silver and Hunt.
Baccalaureate sermon—Rev. W. B. Morton, Marion, N. C.
Hymn—"Nearer My God to Thee."
Benediction.
Ushers—Carl Horn, J. W. McCall, C. D. Barnes.

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON.
Song—Welcome.
Recitation—Primary class, little girls.
"What Shall I Be"—Nine boys.
Piano Solo—Orchard Hammocks—Miss Georgia Freeman.
Recitation—Little boys.
Song—"What We Learn at School."
Recitations—Primary Class—Second class of girls.

Dialogue—"The Doctor's Visit."
Vocal Solo—"Largely Dah"—Herman Brode.
Concert Recitation—"I Wish."
Dialogue—"The Surprise."
Motion Song—"By very small girls—The Quarrel of the Flowers."
Dialogue—"The City Cousin."
Temple Drill—"Mother Goose's Party."

Del Sarte Piece—Little girls.
Soldier Song—By four boys.
Queen of Night—Flower girls.
Piano Solo—Primrose—Miss Geneva Gardin.
Dialogue—"Aunt Betta's Journey."
Piano Solo—Massa's in the Cold, Cold Ground—Miss Reba Blanton.
Hoop Drill.
Ushers—J. L. Lynch, W. A. Silver.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT.
Piano Duett—Race for Life—Misses Morris and Blanton.
Dialogue—"Aunt Betsy's Ruse."
Character Piece—"The Three Missions."
Song—Little Maids of Japan.
Play—"A Duel to Death."
Character Duett—"Chickney Crainy Crow."
Dialogue—"Aunt Betsy's Beau."
Piano Solo—Li Lisoujira—Miss Lela Morris.

Nursery Rhymes.
Tableaux—"The Ten Virgins."
Play—"Cousin Faithful."
Dialogue—"The Master Piece."
Pantomime—"Nearer My God to Thee."
Recitation—"The Fate of Virginia."
Miss Susan Nanney.
Tableau—"The Fate of Virginia."
Harvest Drill—Sixteen young ladies.
Ushers—W. K. Reid, J. H. Nanney, J. D. Freeman.

THURSDAY MORNING.
Prayer.
Piano Duett—May Day—Misses Rucker and Freeman.
Recitation—"So Long"—Miss Besie Freeman.
Declaration—"The Way of a Woman"—Harvey A. Nanney.
Recitation—"Something Great"—Miss Georgia Freeman.
Piano Solo—Fifth Nocturne—Miss Lela Morris.

Recitation—"The Drummer Boy of Kent"—Miss Mary Kate Freeman.
Declaration—"Quit Your Foolin'"—Joseph Freeman.
Recitation—"The Vision of Handell"—Miss Lela Morris.
Part Song—"Massa's in the Cold, Cold Ground"—J. A. Parks, W. A. Silver, W. W. Nanney, E. M. Tate, C. D. Barnes, W. K. Reid.

Play—"Winning a Wager."
Recitation—"The Sleeping Sentinel"—Miss Callie Nanney.
Recitation—"Why Liah and I Parted"—Miss Elmie Gardin.
Song—"The Jolly Little Waiters."
A Comedy in Two Acts—"Dr. Cure-all."
Play—"An Old Maid's Wooing."
Indian Club Drill.
Ushers—E. M. Tate; R. S. McCall, I. C. Daves.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON.
Piano Duett—Waltz Asalea—Misses Morris and Tallent.
Recitation—"The Soldier's Prayer"—Miss Nannie Sue Rucker.
Recitation—"Buying a Feller"—Miss Vestie Hicks.
Literary Address—Rev. C. L. Dowell.
Chorus—"On the Road to Mandalay."
Recitation—"A Telephone Romance"—Miss Reba Blanton.
Recitation—"Whistling in Heaven"—Miss Ada Mae Pruet.

Ushers—Joseph Freeman, W. W. Nanney, J. L. Lynch.
Clear Creek academy, and obtained a collection for this purpose, but were not able to learn the amount. Sixty-seven had attended that school during its last session.
Round Hill academy having failed to obtain any part of the public school fund was thrown open in November to all the children of school age in the district free of charge, citizens of the district having subscribed a sum sufficient to defray the expenses of the public term.
One of the most unusual as well as the most interesting incidents of the commencement exercises was the graduation of a class of two young men—the first who had ever received diplomas from that school. These were A. H. Nanney Jr., and J. A. Nanney both of Union Mills. Their orations were well conceived, well written, thoroughly memorized and well delivered. "The Progress of Civilization" was A. H. Nanney's theme; and "Beyond the Alps Lies Italy" that of J. A. Nanney. We hope to obtain copies of these addresses for a subsequent issue or issues of this paper. Rev. D. J. Hunt, principal, on behalf of the trustees and faculty of Round Hill academy presented the diplomas after a feeling and eloquent speech of twenty minutes.
Red and blue were the society colors and these were in evidence almost everywhere.
There was neither jar nor failure at any point. Everything that could be done was done for the pleasure and comfort of all visiting guests. Dinner was served on the grounds in rich profusion both days; in the evening every house in the village and for miles around were thrown open to visitors and supper served in time to return for the exercises of the night. The weather was rather warm for comfort; the roads were dusty, but the moon at her full was resplendent with light. For the hot and thirsty ample provision had been made; lemonade and ice cream was served in the recitation rooms of the school building on the lower floor. Love got in her work in many cases but we must confess that we observed only two couples for whom there is no hope but plighting their vows in marriage at a very early date. Others had the disease in a lighter, but in most-cases, in an increasing form.
The annual return of the Round Hill commencement exercises is one of the permanent social and intellectual events of the season; and, as such is looked forward to with increasing interest every year. If there was any drinking or drunkenness we failed to notice it.
When it comes to a question of giving her visitors a good time no community in this county will go to greater pains or expense than the Union Mills people. They deserve the best and their energy, liberality and enterprise will make of their little city one of the most desirable places in the county in which to live permanently or to spend a vacation.

THE GREEN RIVER S. S. SOCIETY.

FIRST MEETING HELD AT MOUNTAIN CREEK CHURCH.

The Session Continues Through Saturday and Sunday—Constitution Adopted and Officers Elected—Next Meeting at Mount Vernon, May 1905.

The Green River Sunday School Society held its first meeting at Mountain Creek Baptist church on Saturday and Sunday May 28 and 29th under the following call:
Rutherfordton, N. C., April 16, 1904.
DEAR BRETHREN:—There will be a meeting in the interest of the Sunday school work in the Green River Association held with the Mountain Creek church, six miles Northwest of Rutherfordton, on the fifth Sunday in May and Saturday before, commencing at 11 o'clock on Saturday. You are invited and urged to send one or more delegates to meet with us there.
The following will be some of the subjects discussed:
1. A more intimate organization of our Sunday schools.
2. The encouraging and aiding in the organization of Sunday schools at destitute points.
3. The awakening of a greater interest in the Sunday school work.
4. How can we induce more of the older members of our church to attend the Sunday school?
5. The improvement in the teaching force in the Sunday school.
6. How can we interest the young people in the Sunday school?
7. Any other questions that will tend to improve the Sunday school.

Kindly, your brother,
C. B. JUSTICE, Chairman of Board of Missions and Sunday Schools.
On Saturday May 28th, at 11 o'clock a. m. Elder C. B. Justice read the 45th division of the Psalms. Prayer was offered by brother C. G. Hill.
R. P. Geer was called temporarily to the chair and A. L. Rucker was requested to act as temporary secretary.
The roll of churches was called and the following delegates were enrolled:
Coopers Gap: J. R. Blanton, T. N. Wilson; Holly Springs: M. B. Flack, A. E. Flack, R. E. Flack, P. C. Shurtle, Thomas Hill, Graham Lynch; Mountain Creek: H. Portrum, Martin Harris, R. P. Geer, J. H. Flack, A. F. Geer, A. L. Rucker; Pleasant Hill: C. C. Lovelace, M. D. Hill; Pleasant Grove: W. N. Spangler, W. L. Bland; Mountain View: R. T. Logan, J. P. Sorrels, C. G. Hill; J. W. Hill, A. H. Nanney, Jr., J. P. Nanney, J. H. Nanney; Rutherfordton: Rev. C. B. Justice, A. L. Grayson, J. L. Taylor.

A few of the above delegates not present on Saturday were added to the list on Sunday morning.
The temporary organization was made permanent.
The first subject under the call was taken up and discussed by Elder C. B. Justice, R. P. Geer, M. B. Flack, C. G. Hill and I. P. Sorrels.
A. L. Rucker offered the following which was adopted:
In considering the question of a more thorough and intimate organization of our Sunday schools we recommend:

1. That annual meetings be held at such times and places as may be thought best.
2. That each Baptist church and Sunday school within the bounds of this association shall be entitled to two delegates in said meetings, in addition to each Sunday school superintendent and ordained minister who shall be delegates ex-officio.
3. That said organization be known by such designation as may be agreed upon.
4. That said organization make such useful rules and regulations at this and at subsequent meetings as may be deemed fit and proper.
Elder C. B. Justice moved the appointment of a committee of three to carry these recommendations into effect. Upon this motion Rev. C. B. Justice, A. L. Grayson and A. L. Rucker were appointed to draft a constitution and report on tomorrow morning.
A recess of one hour was taken for dinner.

AFTERNOON SESSION.
On the reassembly of the delegates the second question embraced in the call was considered. Among other things Rev. C. B. Justice said, "There must be, and there shall be a Sunday school in every destitute neighborhood in the bounds of the Green River Association." He was followed by I. P. Sorrels, A. L. Rucker, H. Portrum and J. R. Blanton.
The third subject—"The awakening of a greater interest in the Sunday school work," was next considered. The speakers were, C. G. Hill, Rev. C. B. Justice, I. P. Sorrels and M. B. Flack.
The exercises were adjourned until 10 a. m. tomorrow. Benediction by brother J. R. Blanton.

SUNDAY MORNING.
Met pursuant to adjournment. In conducting the devotional exercises, Rev. D. J. Hunt read the 28th Psalm,

RECEIVER FOR A. & N. C. RAILROAD.

CUYLER AND FINCH GET IN THEIR WORK.

T. A. Meares Appointed as the Temporary Receiver—He Was Formerly Agent of Seaboard Air Line—Further Hearing of Case at Raleigh, in July. Special to Asheville Citizen.

RALEIGH, N. C., May 28.—A temporary receivership was to-day granted by Judge Thomas Purnell in the Federal court in the case of the complaint of Cuyler, of New York, owner of 37 shares and K. S. Finch, of New York, owner of 37 shares, against the Atlantic and North Carolina railroad two-thirds of the stock of which belongs to the State.
The first receivership made some months ago with V. E. McBee as receiver was vacated by Judge Simonton and to-day Thomas A. Meares, of Wilmington, was named as temporary receiver.
The further hearing of the case is set before Colonel S. G. Ryan, of this city, as special master to take evidence which is to be completed by the first of July, when action is to be taken as to permanent receiver.
Judge Purnell in his order announces that if the State in the meantime has an offer to lease the road, which is considered a safe one, he will vacate the receivership if he approves the lease as a safe one.

MR. ALEXANDER'S PLATFORM.
The Clear Creek People Particularly Endorse His Public School Plank.
The following clipping from The Charlotte News has been received from Ellenboro with a request that we publish it:
To the voters of Mecklenburg county: I am a candidate for the nomination for the lower House of the Legislature, and, if elected, will use my best efforts to have enacted the following laws:

FEES AND SALARIES.
(1). An act to pay all officers in the county whose compensation is in fees reasonable salaries instead of fees; the fees of said officers to be collected and turned into the county treasury.
(It is estimated that by such a law there can be saved annually at least \$5,000 to the tax payers.)
(2). That all officers of the county be required to make an annual statement to the clerk of our court of all fees and commissions received.
(3). That this law will not apply to the present incumbents nor to those elected at the November election, on account of provisions of our State constitution.

PUBLIC SCHOOLS.
(2). Such a revision of the public school law as will give communities more control over their public schools and school houses than they now have; and that the county board of education and the Superintendent of Public Instruction be elected by the people.
(3). Such amendments to our primary election law as to make a voter's registration prima facie evidence of his right to vote.
THOMAS W. ALEXANDER.

To the Editor of The News: I see in The News of May 14th inst. Mr. Thomas W. Alexander's platform, I want to say the voters of Clear Creek township heartily endorse Mr. Alexander's platform, as it is a platform I have been advocating for some time and particularly the public school plank, Mr. Alexander may be assured of a solid vote from Clear Creek township. We would like to hear from the other candidates as to how they stand on the Alexander platform.
Yours very respectfully,
C. P. MUNGO.
Clear Creek, May 16, 1904.

Wanted: A Good Legalized Primary System.
Roanoke Chowan Times.
The mild criticism of the primary system by our Jackson correspondent is probably deserved, but the primary as an institution is here today. Take it away now, under present conditions, and the Democratic party would be disrupted. It is better to trust to our own thinking and acting. If the people have a part in selecting candidates they will stand by the candidates better at the polls. The primary puts out of action, largely, the ringster and trickster. The people of this part of the county are perfectly satisfied with the primary. The present system of primary elections or nominations can be greatly improved upon. Let us go forward, not backward. Let us ask the next Legislature to give us a good legalized primary system.

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