

# Jackson County Journal.

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## TO BUILD CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL AT WEBSTER

The county commissioners have ordered that the old court house, jail, grounds, and the county's controlling interest in the Webster water works, be presented to the county board of education, to be used for educational purposes.

The action was taken when a large delegation from Webster, with Prof. Robert L. Madison as spokesman, appeared before the commissioners and protested against the sale of the property to private individuals, insisting that it should remain the property of the county, and that by this means the county could get greater returns from the property than otherwise.

The commissioners then met with the board of education, and when the matter was investigated, and it was found that the present Webster school is crowded, and that it will be necessary to secure additional rooms for the school, the board of education voted to accept the property, upon motion of Mr. M. Buchanan, seconded by W. M. Fowler, and the commissioners ordered that the deeds be drawn and the property transferred to the board of education to be used for school purposes.

It is the purpose of the board of education, so it is understood, to establish a central high school, using the present school building and the court house and jail property, for the township of Webster, Green's Creek and Savannah, as soon as the highway is completed, allowing the use of trucks for transporting the high school students to the school. It is stated that this is the only way in which provision can be made for high school training for the Savannah and Green's Creek districts, as the population is widely scattered, and as there is not a great amount of wealth in the large territory. The plan that the board has in view is to maintain all the present schools on Savannah and Green's Creek, and to use the Webster School as a central high school for the three townships, where high school and technical vocational training can be offered to the larger students, using the free transportation system to get the children to the school.

It is estimated that with the expenditure of a few thousand dollars on the old buildings that a school plant worth \$40,000 can be established at Webster.

The lower floor will be made available for use this fall, but the real work of preparing the central high school will have to await the completion of the road up Savannah, and the surfacing of it, allowing motor transportation throughout the winter months.

## WEBSTER MAY HAVE GIRLS' SCHOOL

Prof. Madison stated to a representative of the Journal that there is in prospect for Webster, this summer, a summer school for girls, similar to the number of camp schools in other parts of the mountain region, and that if the school comes to Webster which he believes it will, that a large number of girls from the lowlands will spend the summer in Webster, which by the way, is one of the best locations for a summer resort in all Western North Carolina.

## COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION ORGANIZES

The new board of education for Jackson county, composed of G. T. Cooper, M. Buchanan, W. M. Fowler, J. M. Watson and J. W. Buchanan, met Monday, and organized by electing Mr. Cooper as chairman.

An order was passed directing that the Big Ridge school house, which was burned about a year ago, be rebuilt.

Provision was made for the building the colored school at Cullowhee, which will be erected at the Monteith gap.

## SELL EAST LA PORTE BONDS

\$6,000 of East La Porte school district bonds were disposed of, Monday by the county board of education, the bonds selling for par and accrued interest.

The new school building, which will be a 6 room, frame building, of modern type, will be erected at East La Porte during the spring and summer, and will be ready for occupancy for the fall session of the school.

# Items Of News Gathered by Our Co. Correspondents

## BALSAM

Mrs. H. P. Ensley and Messrs Corbett, Hubert and Odell Ensley motored to Waynesville to see the movie, "Queen of Sheba."

Mrs. Ida Mehaffey and son, went to Sylva Wednesday.

Mr. Medford is running a bus from Sylva to Waynesville via Balsam, making four trips a day which is a great convenience to the people.

Miss Mary Mehaffey spent Easter with friends in Addie.

Mr. G. C. Crawford and his crew of men have done some good work on our roads for which we are most thankful.

Our population has somewhat increased since our last writing: Born to Mr. and Mrs. Martin Hoyle, Mar. 16th, a son, Henry Leonard; born to Mr. and Mrs. Bud Ammons the 27th, of March, a son; born to Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Dills, March 23rd, a son, Carl.

Mr. T. R. C. Duncan and son, Jim went to Sylva Saturday.

Mr. Glenn Jones spent Easter with his mother in Bryson City.

Mr. Martin Hoyle and son, Delos, went to Waynesville Saturday.

Sunday School was organized at Dark Ridge last Sunday. Mr. Tom Fox is the superintendent.

Rev. O. J. Jones, of Sylva, preached a good Easter Sermon in the Methodist Church here Sunday and administered the Sacrament.

The Methodist Sunday School had their usual egg hunt Monday.

Mr. Geo. T. Knight went to Waynesville Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Ensley, of Hazelwood spent Easter in Balsam.

Mr. J. K. Kenney, of Asheville, spent Easter in Balsam. His grandson, John Allen Kenney accompanied him to Asheville Monday afternoon.

Mrs. E. O. Queen and little Aggie are visiting her sister, Mrs. Nickerson, in Brevard.

Mrs. A. H. Haight went to Waynesville Monday.

Mrs. W. B. Farwell and Mrs. H. P. Ensley went to Sylva Monday.

Mrs. C. A. Foster has just received an announcement of the birth of another grand-daughter, weighing 11 pounds, March 26th, in the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Mehaffey, of Smokevent.

Mrs. D. T. Knight had an Easter dinner consisting of several kinds of fresh vegetables, sent her by her son, John P. Knight, of Tampa, Fla.

Easter hat in Balsam were conspicuous by their absence.

Miss Hannah Warren, who is attending school in Cullowhee, spent Easter in Balsam. She won the medal in a recent recitation contest. Our Balsam boys and girls are famous for winning prizes.

## MRS. COLEMAN BUCHANAN DIES

Mrs. Coleman Buchanan died at her home here last Saturday night, from an attack of pneumonia. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Robt. Cook, on Monday, April 2nd, at the New Savannah Baptist Church. We extend our sympathy to the bereaved husband, sons, and daughters, sisters and brothers. Mrs. Buchanan's kind smiles and cheerful words will be greatly missed in our community.

Mr. George Jones returned to his home last week from South Carolina, where he has been teaching for several months.

Mr. R. O. Higdon returned to his school work at the C. N. and I. S. last Monday.

Mrs. Manuel Cabe, of Webster, spent the week end with relatives.

Mrs. N. P. Jones returned from an extended visit to her daughter in Macon county, Mrs. Andy Reed.

## BARKER'S CREEK

Mr. A. M. Cooper called at Mr. W. W. Jones' Sunday afternoon.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Segle, a son.

Mrs. A. D. Jones called at Mr. John Davis', Friday.

Messrs. Tillman and Ottis Powell from Sylva motored to this place Sunday.

Mr. Isaac Martin passed through this place Monday, enroute to C.

Mr. Lyle Jones has moved to

## Fisher place.

Barker's Creek school closed Friday March 30th. A successful term of seven months taught by Mr. A. M. Cooper, principal and Mr. Claude Jones intermediate, Mrs. A. M. Cooper primary grades.

Our Sunday School was reorganized April first. We hope to see a large attendance.

Mrs. James Pangle called at Mr. L. A. Sutton's Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Fisher and little son, Rae, left Thursday, for Chattanooga, Tenn.

Mr. T. C. Jones made a business trip to Bryson City, Saturday.

Miss Mary Childers, of Whittier, attended the entertainment at this place Saturday night.

Mrs. Thomas have been sick with the flu, am glad to say are improving.

Miss Bertha Jones has been very ill. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

## SHOAL CREEK

Easter was a bright, sunny day. Quite a number assembled at the church for Sunday School. All seemed to be in a happy mood.

Rev. B. S. West held an interesting service at the Baptist Church Sunday afternoon.

Rev. J. R. Church, and family, Mr. H. G. Ferguson, Mrs. Otter Wiggins and Mrs. J. K. Terrell attended the Quarterly Meeting at Blue Wing Saturday.

Mrs. J. H. Hughes attended the school commencement at Whittier Friday night.

Some of our people attended an Easter service at Whittier Sunday.

Mr. Kinsland, Mr. Carl Charles Ensley attended a musical at Mr. J. B. Farmers' of Olivet, Saturday night.

Mrs. York Howell spent a part of last week with her daughter, Mrs. G. T. Cooper.

Mr. P. H. Ferguson and family and Mrs. J. R. Church and children called at Mr. J. L. Ferguson's, Sunday.

Mrs. W. F. House is spending a few days with her father, Mr. Joe Beck, of Olivet.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Thomas of Barker's Creek, have been visiting at Mr. James Sitton's.

Mr. and Mrs. James Fresman and Mr. Charles Ensley spent the week end with relatives at Beta.

Prof. and Mrs. C. R. Bird called at Mr. J. L. Wiggins' Sunday.

Mr. J. M. Hughes, Mrs. J. H. Hughes, Mr. Carl Hoyle, Miss Grace Hoyle and Mrs. N. E. Hughes motored to Lafty Sunday.

Mr. Harmon Queen and daughter, Miss Sadie, of Sylva, called at Mr. J. E. Hoyle's Sunday afternoon.

Mr. H. G. Bird returned to Sylva Sunday afternoon, after a visit with homefolks.

Mrs. Bertha Parris visited her mother, Mrs. S. R. Hoyle, Wednesday.

Quite a number of young folks enjoyed a visit at the home of Miss Etta Kinsland Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Oxner spent Saturday with his daughter, Mrs. Troy Turpin.

Mr. and Miss Nellie McLean, Mrs. Wm. Freeman and Mrs. Hoyle called at Mr. J. K. Terrell's Sunday.

Miss Annie Battle spent Tuesday night with Misses Pearl and Maud Cooper.

Mrs. D. L. Oxter and Mrs. Elias Ward went to Wilmot Monday.

Mrs. J. R. Messer visited Mrs. S. W. Cooper Wednesday.

Misses Mary Battle, Eunice Turpin and Mildred Blankenship spent Monday night with Miss Oma Gass.

Mrs. Sara Ann Gibson, of Sunburst, is visiting among relatives.

Miss Grace Davis, of Asheville, is visiting her brother, Mr. Ransom Davis.

Mr. C. A. Bird has extended the phone line to the home of Rev. J. R. Church.

Mrs. C. R. Bird entertained her day school pupils and her Sunday school class Saturday afternoon. Games, candy and the most important features of the occasion.

A new piano in the home of Mr. G. A. Kinsland.

## WILMOT

The farmers are all busy in this section with their crops.

Mrs. Mary Hughes, of Qualla, was in town Friday, shopping.

We regret to say that Mrs. Mae Raby and children are moving to Winston-Salem, where they will make their home.

A large crowd enjoyed the exercise given by the school Friday afternoon.

Prof. and Mrs. Gibbs moved to Whittier, Saturday after a successful school term here.

Mr. McKinley Farley, of Smokevent, spent the week end with home folks here.

Misses Ruby and Sallie Moody left Saturday for Winston-Salem, where they will stay for a while.

Misses Florence and Cleo Brown, and Nellie Nations, Messrs Addison Mathews and McKenley Farley attended the commencement at Barker's Creek, Saturday night.

Messrs. Frank Hall, Horace Howell and Rufus Mathews, of Qualla attended the exercise Friday afternoon at school here.

Misses Maggie and Annie Worley went kodaking Sunday.

Miss Lucy Ward was in town Saturday, shopping.

Mr. Jim Farley is moving to town.

Mrs. Fannie Bumgarner is seriously ill. We hope for her a speedy recovery.

Mrs. Lon Revis and children visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Penn Bumgarner, Sunday.

Mr. Davis returned Sunday to his work here on the bridge.

## FOR LIVE STOCK GROWERS

For the amount of capital involved, probably no industry is given so little scientific attention as that of growing live stock—especially by the grower who has but a few animals. The live stock department of the JOURNAL is designed to furnish valuable information as to the selection and care of live stock and the principal articles are prepared by experts of the Department of Agriculture at Washington. Housing, feed, sanitation and many other subjects are treated too, and the man with the care and growing of stock to see to, will find information of much value in this department.

## JURY DRAWN

The juries for the May term of the superior court were drawn as follows, by the board of county commissioners:

### First Week.

W. O. Allen, J. C. Monteith, L. H. Wood, J. R. Jones, T. B. Bumgarner, J. L. Sutton, Robert Potts, Will C. Bryson, W. A. Hooper, Jno. Buchanan, Sam F. Bryson, H. C. Bryson, J. E. Monteith, W. E. Grindstaff, Jno. Holcombe, R. W. Fisher, Ed Wilson J. H. Allison.

### Second Week.

Jasper Wilson, J. R. Collins, J. H. Middleton, R. C. Howell, Frank Wood, F. L. Henson, James Middleton, N. R. Christy, Guy Fisher, Leonard Jones, L. A. Melton, J. K. Terrill, A. D. Cowan, Columbus Deitz, W. H. Buchanan, B. L. Monteith.

## COUNTY TO PAY EXPENSES OF VETERANS

Acting under a statute allowing such action, the county commissioners passed an order, at their meeting, Monday, making appropriation for paying the railroad fare for any Confederate veterans in the county who desire to attend the reunion at New Orleans.

The action was taken at the request of the B. H. Cathey Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, Mrs. J. H. Wilson and Mrs. E. L. McKee appearing before the commissioners, as a committee, representing the Daughters.

## PROF. MADISON RESIGNS

Prof. Robert L. Madison, founder and president of the Cullowhee Normal and Industrial School, has tendered his resignation to the board of trustees, and A. T. Allen, has been elected to fill the vacancy.

Prof. Madison will continue at the head of the institution until the end of the present term; but presented the board with his resignation at this early date, so he states, in order that his successor might have ample opportunity for making his plans as to the faculty and other arrangements for the next term of the school.

Prof. Madison has always had the best interest of the Cullowhee School and the education of the youth of Western North Carolina on his heart, and has a warm place in the affection of the people. The board of trustees has offered him another position on the faculty of the school, but it has not yet been announced whether he will accept.

Prof. Allen, the new head of the school is one of the leading educators of the state, and has devoted his talent to normal and teacher training work under the state board of education for many years.

The Cullowhee school is attracting state-wide attention, as is shown by the following editorials from two of the leading dailies of North Carolina.

## The Cullowhee School

The press dispatches carry information of the resignation of Professor Madison, who has been head of the Cullowhee Normal and Industrial School, in Jackson County, almost, if not from inception of that institution. Mr. W. W. Watt, of Charlotte, who some years ago became a patron of the school and was subsequently given active opportunity in its development as member of the board of trustees, attended the meeting at which the change was made, and says the retiring president went out of the position with no charges of any kind against him. His faithful services were of just recognition; he sometime since asked to be relieved of the active work of the office and holds on until June, when his successor will assume office, Professor Madison, meantime, being retained in the faculty.

Mr. Watt, by the way, is one of the men who had foreseen the great possibilities in extension of the educational facilities at Cullowhee, and he pestered the last Legislature to the extent of half a million dollars in new money for the institution. By the same token, no time is being lost in application of this fund. The trustees this week set aside \$98,000 for completion of the two unfinished wings to the dormitory; \$75,000 for a steam plant and \$35,000 for a gymnasium. Not far from the school an excellent power plant site was discovered. A \$50,000 dam is to be built there and that region will be brought under the developing influences of electric power. The initial investment will create a plant of sufficient capacity to supply the present needs of the school and leave some for merchandise purposes. Cullowhee is on the road to development into one of the State's finest institutions.—Charlotte Observer.

## Prof. Madison Retires

Retiring from the presidency of Cullowhee Normal and Industrial School after twenty-five years of service, Prof. R. L. Madison leaves to his successors in office a solid foundation of achievement. Through his energy and enthusiasm, the school has grown to the stage in which it is recognized as a two-year standard normal institution and the Legislature, because of its good work, has been generous in appropriations for increasing its usefulness. By his personality and sound learning, Professor Madison has given a new outlook on life and helped them to equip themselves for service to the State in whatever field of work they chose.

A. T. Allen, State Director of Teacher training, newly chosen President of Cullowhee, is known throughout North Carolina as one of the State's ablest educators. Under his leadership Cullowhee School should have a future filled with larger opportunities for furthering the cause of education.—Asheville Citizen.

Sows and litters should run on clean lots to keep internal parasites down to a minimum.

## RECORDER'S COURT TRIES TWO CASES

Doek Gibson was found guilty of aiding and abetting in operating a blockade distillery. Gibson, who is but 18 years of age, was found at the distillery for operating which Tom King was found guilty two weeks ago, and young Gibson protested his innocence, asserting that he had nothing to do with the still and that he had gone looking for King who owed him some money, and had just found him when the officers came up. Owing to the fact that Gibson proved an excellent character, and to his youth, the court continued prayer for judgement until the second Monday in June.

J. C. L. Passmore, Vernon Nicholson and Roy McCall were found guilty of an assault and judgement was suspended upon payment of the costs.

The court will convene only on the second Mondays in each month, hereafter, and all justices of peace are requested to make their papers returnable to the recorder's court on the second Monday of the month.

## HYATT APPOINTED TAX SUPERVISOR

R. L. Hyatt, of Qualla township, was appointed tax supervisor for this county, by a unanimous resolution of the county board of commissioners, at their regular monthly meeting Monday.

Mr. Hyatt will make his appointments of township assessors within a few days.

The commissioners made an order sustaining the present valuations of real estate in the county, as a whole, though the law makes it mandatory for the commissioners to sit as a board of appraisers at their June meeting at which time complaints of valuations of individual properties must be taken up, and the board can either raise or lower the valuations of individual tracts to compare with the other valuations of the county.

## STILL TIME TO PLANT RED CLOVER

Raleigh, April 3.—Most of the red clover in North Carolina is sown upon small grain in the spring, states E. C. Blair, Extension Agronomist for the State College and State Department of Agriculture. Mr. Blair points out that the advantages of sowing at this time are that the ground contains plenty of moisture, the seed will germinate quickly, and the dry weather of the fall, and winter freezes will be avoided. Clover sown in the spring must be put in late enough to avoid severe freezing, which will kill the plants when very young; and early enough to let them get a good hold in the soil before the hot, dry weather of summer. On an average, between March 10 and April 10 is a safe date.

Mr. Blair states that it is just as important to sow clover seed in the right way as at the right time. He says, "The old way was to sow by hand when the ground was heaved up by a freeze, depending on the soil to cover the seed as it settled. Another way was to sow the seed and harrow or roll them in. Each of these methods require about fifteen pounds of seed per acre. More recent experience, however, has shown that the grain drill will do better than either. The drill distributes the seed more evenly, and covers them better so that each one has a better chance to grow. Seven or eight pounds of seed per acre, sown with a grain drill, may be depended on to give a better stand of clover than fifteen pounds sown by hand. Clover seed are always high in price and this difference is well worth saving.

A clover seeder may be attached to the drill at a small cost. The best type runs the seed into the soil, and drops the seed in the furrows, other, drop the seed on top of the discs. Some fertilizer should always be drilled in with the seed, for this gives a better stand and more vigorous growth.

Good clover may be obtained by mixing the seed with fertilizer and distributing it with a drill through the drill.

## HOME ECONOMICS CLUB WEDNESDAY

The Home Economics Club will meet at the High School building, on Wednesday April 11, at three o'clock. Mrs. Jones will give a cottage cheese demonstration at this meeting.