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CULLOWHEE PRESIDENT STATE SUPERINTENDENT

Raleigh, May 30th.—President A. T. Allen of the Cullowhee Normal and Industrial School has been appointed as State Superintendent of Public Instruction, by Governor Morrison, to succeed Dr. E. C. Brooks, who resigned to accept the presidency of the State College of Agriculture and Engineering.

Dr. Brooks succeeds Dr. W. C. Riddick as president of state college, Dr. Riddick having resigned that position a few days ago.

The president of Cullowhee Normal and Industrial School, who has just been appointed state superintendent, was elected to the head of the Cullowhee School a few weeks ago, and until that time had been the chief assistant of Dr. Brooks in the state educational department.

No intimation has been forthcoming from official sources as to who is likely to succeed Prof. Allen as the head of the Cullowhee Normal School, though a selection must be made soon, and meeting of the board of trustees will probably be held at Cullowhee or Sylva within a short while for the purpose of electing a successor to Prof. Allen.

GEO. COX AWARDED D. S. C.

Washington, April 12.—Another North Carolinian receives public acknowledgement of his courage and bravery in the World War because of his conduct while under fire from German rifles and machine guns. The Distinguished Service Cross has been awarded Capt. Geo. C. Cox, of Cullowhee. This was issued by the War Department, telling of the exploits and extraordinary heroism which won for him this high honor. The Distinguished Service Cross citation from the War Department reads:

"Geo. C. Cox, Signal Officers' Reserve Corps, then Captain, Signal Corps 2nd Field Signal Battalion, First Division, for extraordinary heroism in action near Hill 240 north of Exermont, France, October 4 and 5, 1918. Captain Cox made a most hazardous daylight reconnaissance in front of American lines to determine the position of the enemy, then holding this hill. During this entire exploit he was under close range rifle and machine gun fire. Subsequently he accompanied the assault wave in the attack, and with two non commissioned officers established and maintained telephonic communication on Hill 240 under intense artillery concentration, and in spite of direct machine fire, from October 5-9, 1918. This action was vital to the combat efficiency of the command and the success of the First Brigade". The Distinguished Service Cross for Captain Cox has been forwarded to the commanding officer of the Fourth Corps Area, at Fort McPherson, Ga., for presentation. He will arrange by correspondence with Captain Cox the time for this to take place and will have proper ceremonies in connection with the presentation.

Captain Cox is now a member of the faculty of the State College of Agriculture and Engineering, being an instructor in electrial engineering and having established the third largest radio broadcasting station in the United States. He has many friends here and in the state who will learn of the high honor bestowed upon him with great interest. Captain Cox has arranged with the commanding officer for July 24 as the day for the presentation at Fort McPherson, Ga.

CHEROKEE TO HOLD FAIR

Cherokee Scout, May 25.—County Agent H. O. Ellis has the backing of the county commissioners and city council of Murphy in his efforts to organize a Fair in Cherokee County, this fall and every citizen who has been approached on the subject has expressed a desire that the county hold a fair. A meeting is, therefore, called for Tuesday, June 2nd, to be held in the court house at 1 o'clock.

At this meeting the extent and nature of the fair will be discussed, a date named, committees appointed, officers elected and any other steps taken that may seem necessary. It is desired that as many farmers as possible attend this meeting.

A farmer in Granville County saved $80 on his tile bill by having the drainage engineer of the extension service survey his drains and give him a bill of material.

HANDLING THE SWEET POTATO CROP

Raleigh, N. C. May 31.—The best soil for sweet potatoes is a light well drained loam with a clay subsoil. This light soil will give plenty of room for the proper growth of the potato and produce one that is readily marketable. The clay subsoil will prevent the roots from growing deep into the ground and making a stringy potato. The disease known as scurf is more severe on the dark soils than on light and mars the looks of the crop. These are some of the suggestions about the kind of soil to use for sweet potato growing as recommended by R. F. Payne of the Division of Horticulture, State College and State Department of Agriculture.

He advises a fertilizer analyzing 8 to 9 percent phosphoric acid, 2 to 3 percent nitrogen and 3 to 4 percent potash, applied at the rate of from 500 to 1,000 per acre. About half of this application should be applied in the row at planting time.

To transplant the slips or draws, Mr. Payne suggests that the bed be thoroughly moistened before the plants are pulled. The plants are then wrapped with a piece of burlap, and for best results should be puddled in a tub containing a quantity of clay and manure before being set in the field. Mr. Payne suggests that a cloudy day be used for the transplanting and at least one-half pint of water be used around each plant as it is being set.

"The plants should be set 12 inches apart on rows 3 to 3½ feet wide. Good results are obtained from high ridging, as this gives the roots plenty of room to develop. Vine cuttings are more profitable than draws since they give a large percentage of marketable potatoes", says Mr. Payne.

NEGRO DROWNS IN THE TUCKASEIGEE

Bryson City, Route 2, May 27.—Alex Howell (colored), a son of Perry Howell, was drowned in the Tuckaseigee River near this place about 8 o'clock. The circumstances attending the accident are somewhat peculiar. The young colored boy who about twenty years of age was employed by Ralph Gibson to haul gravel out of the river from a point below town just opposite the coal chute on the Southern Railway. It is stated that the boy had driven the team belonging to Mr. Gibson into the river to the island where he loaded the wagon. About this time Mr. Gibson, it is stated came to the river bank and noticing that the river had begun to rise very rapidly ordered the boy to unload the wagon and bring the wagon and team out. He unloaded the wagon and started to the bank but just before reaching it the river had become so deep and swift that the horses were swept off their feet, pulled down by the swift under-current and all were carried down stream under the water. It is stated by some that the boy was at one time very near the bank but seemed to become bewildered and turned back toward the swift current and was swept under and drowned. Searching parties lined the river banks all day Wednesday and Wednesday night but up to noon Thursday no trace of the boy's body had been found. The horses, however, and the fore parts of the wagon were recovered late Wednesday at a point one-half mile below where the accident ocurred. The boy drowned is one of a family of fourteen children. He leaves ten brothers and three sisters besides his father and mother, "Uncle" Berry and "Aunt" Sally Howell.

FRYMONT INN OPEN JUNE 1

Bryson City, May 26.—Frymont Inn, one of the unique institutions of this section of the state, opens June 1. It is situated near the station here and is considered one of the points of interest for tourists visiting Bryson City.

Bryson City is looking for a large influx of tourists this season and hotels here are planning to accommodate the summer visitors.

Farmers of Halifax County have purchased 6,000 baby chicks, a carload of Holstein and Guernsey cattle, formed a seed breeders association and sold a carload of graded sweet potatoes in Los Angeles California, at 95 cents per bushel, according to recent reports from the county agent.

HIGH HAMPTON OPEN TO TOURISTS

Announcement has been made that the beautiful summer home of the Hamptons, High Hampton, in Cashier's Valley, has been leased to Douglass Bradley, by Mr. Frank Hampton, the present owner, and will be opened as a tourist resort, this summer.

High Hampton has been considered one of the most beautiful spots in all Western North Carolina, and has been the summer home of the Hampton family for half a century or more. It comprises several hundred acres of land, and has been the show place of that entire region for many years.

During the latter years it has been owned and occupied by Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Halstead, Mrs. Halstead being a niece of General Wade Hampton, and Dr. Halstead a famous surgeon at Johns Hopkins University. Last fall the death of both Dr. and Mrs. Halstead, coming within a few weeks of each other, the property was inherited by Frank Hampton, and he it was who, last week threw the beautiful property open to the public by leasing it to Mr. Bradley for tourist purposes.

CAMP CREEK

We are having so much rainy weather the farmers are behind with their work.

Miss Lillie Ward went to Whittier for training.

Miss Grace Davis went to Asheville Tuesday, where she will take up work again.

We are sorry to say that Hubert Queen was very ill Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Bridges were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Irvin Bridges, Sunday.

Mr. Garland Oxner made a trip to Cedar Creek Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Bob Howell were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Will Oxner, Sunday.

Dan Oxner and little daughter went to Willett Sunday.

Mr. J. A. Allison and Mrs. Willie Allison and little daughters, Gladdis and Irene, visited Mrs. Joe Brackshaw, Sunday.

Misses Cleo Brown and Nellie Nation dined at Mr. Kellie Bridges, Sunday.

Mr. Lloyd Quiett went to Balsam, Sunday.

A large crowd of young folks enjoyed an ice cream supper at Mr. Bob Howell's, Saturday night.

Miss Lillian Moody dined at Mr. Kellie Hyatt's, Sunday.

Mr. Allen Nation visited his mother, Mrs. Ace Nation, at Wilmot, Sunday.

Mr. Kellie Bridges took supper with Misses Nella Nation and Cleo Brown at the home of Miss Nations, Sunday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Grady Cooper and children, attended services at Shoal Creek, Sunday.

Next Sunday will be children's day at Olivet.

A NEAT STATEMENT

It has been discovered that newspaper subscribers are almost an infallible thermometer for registering a man's honesty. If he beats the printer he is dishonest, hence there is no escape. The editor's subscription books will be on hand judgement day and some people will pray for the mountains to fall on them because he didn't keep square with him.—Lake Wales (Fla.) Leader.

WITHERS GOES TO HOSPITAL

Mountaineer-Courier, May 25.—Ernest L. Withers, our wide-awake secretary of the Board of Trade, left yesterday with his father, W. A. Withers, for Baltimore, who goes to Johns Hopkins for examination and possible treatment.

The cost of making agriculture at the high school makes 52 bushels of corn per acre where Dad makes 17.7 bushels; he makes 512 pounds of cotton where Dad makes 278 pounds; he makes 814.8 pounds of tobacco where his Dad makes 610.4, and he makes 178 bushels of sweet potatoes where his Dad makes 106.6, according to findings of Dean C. B. Williams of the North Carolina State College.

Indications are that this is a good year to save out some good seed corn for sale this fall. There is always a shortage of wheat, oats and Abruzzi rye seed from the home grown stock.

JUDGE ADJOURNS COURT TO LIST TAXES

After trying two cases this week, Judge Henry P. Lane adjourned Jackson County Superior Court, Tuesday afternoon at 5:30, in order to return to his home in Reidsville and list his taxes, and certain properties he is holding in trust.

There were several cases left on the docket for trial, and a number of litigants were disappointed at not getting their cases tried this term of the court, as they had every reason to expect they would be.

The case of J. R. Dillard vs C. W. Denning Lumber Company, the first case tried this week, a verdict of $60.00 odd dollars was awarded to the plaintiff.

After the evidence for the plaintiff was in the case of J. K. Kenney vs the County Commissioners of Jackson County and the Board of Highway Commissioners of the County of Jackson, a non-suit was ordered, Judge Lane ruling that the road in question, passing through Mr. Kenney's property, at Balsam, and for which he had entered suit for $4075.00 for alleged damages, is a state highway, a part of the state highway system, and that Mr. Kenney's remedy is against the state highway commission and not the county or the county road authorities.

REMARKABLE PICTURE WILL BE SHOWN HERE BY AMERICAN LEGION

Arrangements have just been completed by the William E. Dillard Post of the American Legion for bringing to Sylva the American Legion's Film Classic, "The Man Without a Country". This unusual film feature will be shown at the Halson Theater on the night of June 13th.

"The Man Without a Country" is said to be one of the most remarkable photoplays ever produced. When the picture had its world premiere at the Washington, D. C., the top-[illegible] price was $2.00. Thereafter it ran [illegible] in New York [illegible] where it was most critically [illegible] as a "[illegible] that will inspire a pride of every American".

The picture is based upon Dr. Edward Everett Hale's masterpiece. Arnold Daly plays the leading role of Philip Nolan, the "Man Without a Country", who was banished after he had damned his country while on trial for complicity with Aaron Burr's treason plot. Patriotism and love are the keynotes of the production which are worked out to a surprising conclusion.

Mr. Cordell Russell, commander of the Post announces that proceeds derived from the showing of the picture will be used by the Legion in carrying on its program of activities, including the care of sick, disabled and needy ex-service men.

Please keep in mind the date picture will be shown here—June 13, at 8 P. M. We urge you to see this picture.

Watch the Journal for further announcements.

HE OWED NOT ANY MAN—EXCEPT THE EDITOR!!

The other day a good man was talking to several men on North Front street, and he remarked, "I don't owe any man a dollar, and I pay promptly every month or in cash."

He was sincere, too but he happened to look up and saw the editor of the Conway News standing looking at him, and the good man blushed and added, "Except the editor." and then he gave the editor the two years' subscription that was due, making him square with the World.—Conway (Ark.) News.

WOODMEN TO HOLD UNVEILING

The Woodmen of The World will unveil monuments to H. P. Ensley and Bob Rhinehart, at the Waynesville Cemetery, in Waynesville, next Sunday afternoon at 2:30, at which time Robert R. Reynolds and E. V. Grant will be the principal speakers.

Following the ceremonies at Waynesville, the Woodmen will come to Balsam and decorate the grave of Thad Conner, and James H. Cathey will be the speaker there.

MRS. CRISP BETTER

Friends of Mrs. G. C. Crisp will be glad to learn that she is rapidly recovering from her recent serious illness.

ORDER FIRE ESCAPES AT ALL SCHOOLS

The Jackson County Board of Education has made an order forbidding the use of the upper stories of any school house in the county, until adequate fire escapes can be provided, and has ordered fire-escapes constructed at all the school buildings in the county having an upper story, before the fall session of school begins.

The Board met Monday with the school committeemen from the various parts of the county for the purpose of making out the budget for the coming year, to be submitted to the county board of commissioners. The budget is not complete at this time, but it is hoped that it will be in time for publication in the Journal next week.

It was at this meeting that the progressive order regarding fire-escapes was made.

TO BUILD MEMORIAL FOUNTAIN

The pipes have been laid, the concrete forms have been made, and the work of pouring the concrete for the bowl and base for the fountain that is to be erected as a memorial to Jackson County's servants in the World War, will begin within a few days.

It is expected to have the water flowing in the fountain before the Fourth of July, although the statuary will not adorn the fountain for some time.

The fountain is located at the end of main street, and at the foot of the court house steps, in crescent shape, conforming to the steps and approaches, and when completed will be a piece of art that the town and the county can well be proud to possess.

BALSAM

Mr. James Mehaffey received an electric shock Wednesday while working with some wire during a thunder storm.

Mrs. Cumile Painter, daughter and little grandson, of Greenville, S. C., visited her sister, Mrs. C. E. Cowan last week.

Mr. J. A. Mehaffey and family of Smokemont are spending some time in Balsam.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee Crawford, of Greenville, S. C., who visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Crawford last week have returned home.

Mrs. Odelie Jones and little son, Robert, who have been visiting her sister in York, S. C., stopped over for a few days with her mother, Mrs. Rufus Jones and daughter, Miss Ethel Jones, enroute to her home in Bryson City.

Mr. J. A. Queen and sons, Robert and Wesley and daughter, Miss Martha Jane, motored from Gastonia last week and spent several days in Balsam. Mrs. Jane Parris returned with them to Gastonia.

Mr. John Brooks, father of Mr. Phill Brooks, died in Hazelwood, Saturday and his body was laid to rest in the cemetery near Sauneon, Sunday. Mr. Brooks had been in bad health for some time.

Misses Ruth Bryson, Hettie and Evelyn Bryson, Hazel Norman and Messrs. L. L. Cooper and J. E. Orr, of Asheville went kodaking Sunday afternoon.

WALHALLA HAS DISASTROUS FIRE

Walhalla, S. C. May 18.—The worst fire that has occurred in Walhalla since the town was almost half destroyed by flames a number of years ago occurred last Wednesday shortly before noon, when the alarm of fire was given and it was found that the large Main Street structure of W. M. Brown was being gutted by fire, which had its origin in the basement, which was being used as a feed and sales stable, and where large quantities of feedstuffs and other inflammable materials were stored.

The exact origin of the fire is in doubt, though it is supposed to have had its origin by the dropping of a match into the quantities of feedstuffs in the basement.

MARRIAGE LICENSE

License to wed has been granted to Grady [illegible] Eddis Crisp, and Mack [illegible] Queen Allison.

Farm grown feeds are usually cheaper than purchased feeds because all feeds must be grown on some farm. In buying feeds you pay the other fellow, and sometimes the middleman, a profit for handling them.

CLARKSON NEW JUSTICE

Henrit Clarkson, Charlotte, Attorney, and former campaign manager for Cameron Morrison, has been appointed as associate justice of the state supreme court to fill the vacancy caused by the death, last week of Justice Walker.

FOR BETTER SCHOOLS

Dear Editor:—Being well acquainted with the school situation at Glenville and believing that the conditions are better than they have ever been before, I am greatly surprised to read the views of your correspondent who writes from Cedar Creek and signs her name "Mother."

The County Board of Education has provided her community with a truck to carry her children and her neighbors' children to school and this truck missed only about four days. Now, if she prefers for her children to walk three miles to school rather than be carried in a truck that can be relied upon to run nearly every day, I think she ought to arrange with the school authorities for her children to walk and not object to a truck for her neighbors' children, who, so far as I have heard are glad to have the privilege of transportation.

The County Board of Education in the exercise of their duty and their honest judgement have thought it better for all concerned to transport the children to a central school than to spend $1000.00 or more to build a one-room school house where one teacher must teach seven grades. The one-teacher school has always been a make-shift. It is fast going into disfavor. Just as soon as it can be entirely eliminated from our school system, it most certainly will be, for no child ever does get proper attention in such a school.

I shall not undertake to answer all of the trivial objections and misstatements of "Mother", but I shall pay my respects to a few of the [illegible] for fear that false impressions will be made upon your readers elsewhere who do not know the facts or who are unacquainted with the situation at Glenville. In my opinion the whole article written in opposition to consolidation is inspired by prejudice or due to lack of knowledge of the children's educational needs and rights.

"Mother" is not satisfied with recording her opposition to consolidation and working herself into a frenzy over the danger of the children's being injured or killed in a wreck, she must make veiled charges against the Glenville School, its order and its discipline. The past session has been one of the best that Glenville has ever had. There have been three teachers, all holding first grade certificates and all having had normal training. The average attendance was 82 this year, while only about 65 each of the two previous years. If there have been any complaints of lax discipline or bad order, I have failed to hear of them nor do I know of any cases or occasion for any such.

As to there being 36 children in Cedar Creek community, who are out of the Glenville school limit, I would say that I know that community very well and after counting up very carefully I cannot find over 24 children between the ages of 6 and 21.

In conclusion, I wish to take this opportunity to urge every parent and every patriot, public-spirited citizen of Dist. No. 3, Hamburg Township, to work and to vote for the local tax election to be held June 12. The cost will be small in comparison with the great benefits to all the children. Taxation is the cheapest option. This tax is levied at home and spent at home. Is there any parent deserving of the name who begrudges his or her child the small additional tax that will give the child a longer term and a better school? By voting this tax, Dist. No. 3 will not only provide for its children a better graded school opportunity that puts within Glenville's reach a state high school. With the completion of the State highway and the establishment of a state high school, Glenville will come into her own. It will soon become one of the most progressive and attractive communities in Jackson County.

ALSO A MOTHER.

Salt serves as a spice or condiment which whets the appetite and increases the palatibility of feed for all livestock.