

Jackson County Journal

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CULLOWHEE ON AC-CREDITED LIST

Cullowhee, Dec. 27.—Notice has just been received from Prof. J. Henry Highsmith of Raleigh, State Supervisor of High Schools, that the Cullowhee High School has been placed upon the list of accredited high schools of the association of colleges and secondary schools of the Southern States. On this list North Carolina has only about thirty schools including city, district, county, private and church schools. This gives Cullowhee a decided advantage over all institutions not on the accredited list for its graduates will be admitted with full credit not only in all Southern Colleges but practically all colleges in the United States.

The faculty has been doubled this season. Exclusive of teachers employed by the county for the Graded or Demonstration school the institution now has a faculty personnel of twenty members in the High School and Normal departments. This number includes, besides the instructors in the High School and Normal School proper, two especially appointed demonstration teachers in the graded school, the business manager, the social director, librarian and two persons who are at present only nominally connected with the faculty; namely, Miss Brogdon county supervisor of Elementary schools for Jackson county, and Prof. Loehr, assistant State High School Inspector. The last two have their offices at Cullowhee and will be on the regular faculty of the summer session. Nine members of the faculty hold Master's degrees and nine hold Bachelor's degrees. Most of them have done considerable graduate work since receiving their degrees. The graduate work was done at Harvard, Chicago and Columbia Universities, Geo. Peabody College for Teachers, University of Chattanooga and the University of North Carolina. Their teaching experience includes the University of North Carolina University of Alabama, Geo. Peabody, Southern Methodist University, Baylor College, Wake Forest College, East Carolina Teachers College four Normal schools in Alabama and Virginia and public High School teaching in six different states. Two members have had experience as County Supervisors, while two others have been directors of summer schools.

Much new equipment has been purchased. The laboratory equipment, exclusive of furniture is now valued at \$3,400.00 while the library contains one thousand nine hundred and ten reference books with plans on foot that will double that number this year. Other improvements of equal importance are being made and there is little doubt that Cullowhee will soon be the best school of its class in the state.

FROM THE COUNTY HOME

The Journal is in receipt of the following card from the inmates of the County Home:

"December 26, 1923.—Editor Jackson County Journal.—We wish to thank the good people through your columns for the many appreciated and benevolent gifts which they did bestow upon us old, feeble inmates of the home, through Christmas. Not subscribers but readers of your paper."

Ella Green, H. R. Parker, J. A. Wilson, Mrs. Sharp, E. T. Matthews, Thos. Jenkins, Fate Jenkins, Webster, N. C.

COL. FAIR ENTERS FIELD

Broadus H. DePriest has sold the Shilby Highlander to Mr. Milton Tiddy and Col. W. A. Fair, and under the editorship of Col. Fair the Highlander will be published semi-weekly.

Col. Fair is well-known in North Carolina, especially among the boys of the 101st Central Postal Directory, with whom he was during the World War, and whom he was very popular. He is a friend of the boys in the military police of the 101st Central Postal Directory.

DOC. MESSER SUE, RENDERS HIMSELF

Doc. Messer, convicted some time ago, in the Recorder's court of transporting a jug of liquor, a nigger man and a billy goat, and who escaped from the jail after conviction and sentence, surrendered himself to the sheriff's department, last week, and is serving his term on the roads of Cherokee county.

MAKE THE HEN HOUSE A GOOD HEN HOUSE

Hens roosting in trees use all their food and energy just to keep warm. It makes vigorous stock, but it results in few eggs. The final test of the hen-house is the egg yield.

Clean. No matter how expensive your poultry house is, it is not a good home unless it is kept clean. Disease and vermin thrive in filth.

Plan the house so that it will be easily cleaned. Put a good floor, have a dropping board, hinged roosts, and nests that are easily cleaned. Make sure there are no cracks or crevices to afford hiding places for mites.

Light. Sunlight is the best germ destroyer in the world. Sunshine is a better egg producer than red pepper. Not many disease germs can develop in a dry, sunny house.

Dry. A good floor and a good system of ventilation insure a dry house.

Well ventilated. Hens require from two and one-half to three times as much air per pound of weight as horses, cows, or other farm animals. This is because they maintain a high temperature—106 to 108 degrees. It takes air and food to keep up this high temperature.

Another thing to remember is that hens have no liquid excretion from the kidneys and no sweat glands. All the moisture of the body is thrown off by the lungs. The air in a poorly ventilated hen house soon becomes full of moisture. Damp air is always cold air.

An open front, or partly open front house equalizes the temperature inside and outside and gives enough circulation of air to keep the house dry and comfortable.

Build the house deep enough so roosts will not be close to the open windows. Build it low enough to the rear so that the body heat of the hens will help to keep the space above the roosts warm. Unbleached muslin or burlap curtains are necessary for zero weather.

The warmly built hen house, with ventilation, is a hot-house during the day and a refrigerator at night. Cold, dry air is better than warm, moist air.

Free From Draughts. Avoid draughts in the hen house. Admit air from one side of the coop and have the other three sides tight. Feathers are a hen's overcoat—the coat as a insulator, holding in the body heat. They are a good protection against cold, but not against draughts. Because of her high temperature, a hen is more sensitive to draughts than other farm animals. Nothing induces colds, roup, and other respiratory diseases so quickly as draughts, striking the hens while they are inactive on the roosts. Convenient. Don't put the hen house too far from the other buildings. Make it of material that will be easy to clean. Put as many of the labor-saving devices in and around it as you can afford. Labor cost money. Anything which lessens the amount of labor in caring for your flock increases your profit.

Houses need not be expensive. Good housing does not mean expensive housing. Examine your hen house and see if you cannot make it a better home for your hens. Perhaps it needs a few boards nailed on the north side, or a hole cut in the south side, some good nests built, or clean litter on the floor. If you are building a new house, make it right if you already have a hen house, go out and look it over and make sure that it is clean and comfortable as you can make it.

H. M. MOODY.

HALSON TO SHOW FOUR NIGHTS WEEKLY

The Halson Theater will show moving pictures four nights a week Monday, Tuesday, Friday and Saturday, and a program of PatheNews, Mack Sennett Comedies, and Paramount Pictures has been arranged for every show.

THAD D. SMITH, JR. BURIED AT BALSAM

One of the saddest funerals ever attended was that of Thad D. Smith, Jr., only child of Mr. and Mrs. Thad D. Smith, of Florence, Ala., where Mr. Smith is engaged in civil engineering for a construction company. The little fellow had a

toy cap pistol and fired it in the bungalow of an old empty gasoline tank which caused an explosion blowing out both ends of the tank, and setting his clothing on fire. His father

saw him coming with the blaze high above his head. He pulled his clothing as nearly off as he could, and told some boys to hold him to a near

by pool of water as his hands were by that time burned so he could not use them. The little fellow ran and jumped in the water, thus putting his clothing out himself. One man

threw his arms around him to keep the flames from his face, which was not burned at all. This occurred about 11 o'clock Sunday, Dec. 16th, and all was done that medical aid, nurses and a host of friends could do, but the end came about 12 o'clock Monday. Death was due to the shock and not from the burns. He was

conscious until the end and said to his mother, "Don't grieve for me; daddy is burned worse than I am". He was 13 years old and an unusually bright, handsome boy and a great favorite. The funeral party reached

Balsam Wednesday evening and the services were conducted in the home of Mrs. Smith's brother, Robt. J. Bryson, Thursday afternoon by Rev. U. T. Morgan, pastor of Waynesville Methodist Church, and the body was laid to rest in the Bryson plot in the Crawford cemetery. The

floral offerings were many and beautiful. One lovely design was given by his Sunday School classmates in Florence. The relatives out

of town who attended the services were: Mr. and Mrs. Hamp Smith, of East La Port, Mr. John Smith, of Sunburst, Mrs. Varina Simps and Mrs. Carr, of Marion, Mrs. Sina Franklin, son and daughter, of Knoxville, Tenn., Mrs. Etta Hall and Mrs. Tela Peebles and daughter, of Andrews, Mrs. Irma Lake, of Mich. Tr. Beauregard Bryson and family of Asheville, Mr. Cling Bryson and family of Brevard. Mr. Smith's

hands are very badly burned. They have the deepest sympathy of their many friends all over the county.

Miss Faye Bryson, of Asheville Normal School, is at home for the holidays.

Miss Nellie Blanton, of Balsam, and Mr. John Mathis, of Willets, were married in Sylva, Saturday.

Mr. Charles Perry, of Chapel Hill, is at home for the holidays.

Mr. T. R. C. Duncan and Miss Belle Duncan went to Sylva Saturday.

Misses Ruth and Evelyn Bryson went to Waynesville, Wednesday.

Happy New Year to everybody inuding the JOURNAL.

SAW FILER LOSES LIFE

Cherokee Scout, Dec. 21.—Late Tuesday afternoon, Mr. O. W. Anderson was caught in some machinery at the mill of the Cherokee Company and was found in an unconscious and half dead condition a little after the accident. He was carried to the local hospital but was so badly mangled that he soon died. No one knows just how the accident occurred.

Mr. Anderson was an elderly man and was employed by the company as saw filer. His home was in Chattanooga.

MISSES COWARD ENTERTAINS

Misses Frances and Jane Coward entertained a number of friends from Sylva, Webster, East La Porte and Cullowhee, at the Coward House, Christmas evening.

WEEKLY MARKET

Issued by the State Director of Markets cooperating with the United States Department of Agriculture from the Raleigh office of the leased wire Service.

Chicago hog prices ranged from 25 to 40c. lower than a week ago, closing \$7 for the top and \$6.40 to \$7 for the bulk. Medium and good beef steers 40c. lower to 25c. higher at \$7.85 to \$11.4c. butcher cows and heifers 25c. lower to 25c. higher at \$3.50 to \$11.25. Cow steers steady at \$4 to \$8 light and medium weight veal calves steady to 50c. lower at \$8.50 to \$10.50. Fat lambs steady to 50c. higher at \$11.25 to \$13. Feeding lambs 15c. lower at \$10.75 to \$12.25. Yearlings steady at \$8.25 to \$11. Fat ewes steady to 25c. higher at \$4.75 to \$5.00.

In eastern fresh meat markets beef ranged from weak to \$1 lower veal \$12 lambs \$24 mutton weak to \$2 and pork loins \$1 to \$2.50 lower.

December 21 prices good grade meats; Beef \$14 to \$17 veal \$12 to \$18 lamb \$18 to \$23 mutton \$13 to \$16 light pork loins \$13 to \$14.50.

Potato markets generally steady to firm. New York round whites closed at \$1.60 to \$1.65 sacked and bulk per one hundred pounds eastern cities \$1.20 to \$1.25 f.o.b. Northern round whites 90 to \$1.10 in Chicago mostly 80c. f.o.b. Sweet-potatoes tend slightly lower. New Jersey yellow varieties \$2.50 to \$3 per bushel hamper New York and Chicago. Tennessee Nancy Halls \$2.20 to \$2.10 in Chicago. Danish cabbage showed an average decline of \$2 to \$6. per ton, ranging \$20 to \$30 consuming centers, mostly \$20 f.o.b. Onion markets tend lower. New York and Mid-Western yellow varieties ranged \$2 to \$2.75 sacked per one hundred pounds. Conn. Valley yellow globes medium sizes \$2.15 to \$2.35 f.o.b. Apple markets dull. New York Baldwins from cold storage \$5 per barrel in New York. Eastern York Imperials mostly \$3 to \$3.34 leading eastern cities Mid-western Jonathans \$5 to \$5.50 in Chicago.

Wheat market weak and prices 2 to 3 lower for week. Corn market also weak future prices fractionally lower and cash grain 1-3c. lower. Receipts not heavy but demand of small volume. Oats about 1c. lower, demand less active.

Quoted December 21, 1923; Not dark northern spring, Minneapolis \$10.9 to \$11.8. No. 2 Hard winter Chicago \$1.05 to \$1.06 1-2, St. Louis \$1.05 1-2 to \$1.06. No. 2 red winter St. Louis \$1.11 to \$1.12. No. 2 yellow corn Chicago 72 1-2. No. 3 yellow St. Louis 70 1-2 to 71 1-2. No. 3 white oats Chicago 42 1-2 to 43 1-4. Minneapolis 39 1-2, St. Louis 43 1-4.

SYLVA HOTEL ENTERTAINS

A large crowd of kiddies gathered at the Sylva Hotel for the Community Christmas Tree, lower end of Main Street, at 7 o'clock Christmas Eve, and took part in the impressive exercises consisting in prayer and the singing of Christmas carols.

Gifts were distributed to every child between the ages of 2 and 15 years in the community, and were sent to those who were sick and unable to be present in person.

The committee in charge of the tree and to work hard to prepare the tree and the gifts, but it was all worth it to see the happy, smiling faces of the children.

The tree was decorated and lighted with red and green lights, the work and power being donated by the Dillsham and Sylva Electric Light Company, Mr. Roy Early, Mr. Clyde Buchanan and Mr. Ramsey Buchanan.

A great degree of the credit for the success of Sylva's first community tree is due to Mrs. C. Z. Candler, Mrs. L. C. Hall and Miss Francis Coward, who secured the generous donations from the people of the town, to the business houses who cooperated with them, and to the Sylva Pharmacy for a donation of a large amount of toys, in addition to their cash contribution, and to the Mercantile Supply Company for paying the fruits and candies for the children.

On behalf of the central committee and the children of the town, this paper wishes to publicly express their appreciation of the service and generosity of each one who contributed to this most worthy enterprise.

The Sylva Hotel, under the management of Mr. J. W. Potts, has been so hard to make it the success that it was.

THE HOME PAPER IN VERSE

Today, so far as appearance goes, the chief difference between the country paper and the city paper is in size. The country paper, being in the main a local paper, does not need the space that the city daily requires for its general news and features. But today the country paper make use of many of the same typographical devices and pictures that the city paper uses. This word is needed to introduce a fine little poem by an unknown writer, who speaks of the older type of country weekly which too often was poorly printed and edited:

"Isn't filled with cuts and pictures nor the latest news dispatches; And the paper's often dampened and the print is—sometimes blurred. There is only one edition, and the eye's glance often catches

Traces of a missing letter, or at times a misspelled word. No cablegram or special anywhere the eye engages; The makeup is perhaps a trifle crude and primitive. But an atmosphere of home life fills and permeates the pages

Of the little country paper, printed where you used to live. How the heart grows soft and tender while its columns you're perusing, Every item is familiar, every name you know full well. And a flood of recollection passes o'er you while you're musing. On the past, and waves about you an imaginative spell. You can see the old home village once again in fancy, seeming To be clasping hand of neighbor, an of friend and relative; And their faces rise before you as you're idly, fondly dreaming. O'er the little country paper printed where you used to live.

SYLVA HOTEL ENTERTAINS

Mr. and Mrs. Potts and Mr. Hawkins entertained a large number of the young people of Sylva, in the handsome, new dining room of the hotel, Christmas Eve. The dining room has just been completed along with other improvements at the hotel, and was opened Monday evening, with invitations to all the young people of the town to be present.

Music and games were enjoyed, and delightful refreshments were served.

MAJOR CRAMER IS DEAD

Major W. A. Cram, Confederate veteran and North Carolina Commissioner of Agriculture since 1908, died at his home in Raleigh, early Monday morning, following an illness of influenza. Major Cram had been a distinguished servant of the state for 60 years, having served throughout the Civil War, and in various civil capacities since.

The funeral was held from the first Baptist church, in Raleigh at 10 o'clock on Christmas day, and he was buried at the Old McPha burying ground in Lincoln county.

G. C. CODY DIES

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT OF NORTH CAROLINA, 1922

Washington, D. C., Dec. 27, 1923.—The Department of Commerce announces that the costs of government for the state of North Carolina for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1922, amounted to \$25,364,112, which was a per capita cost of \$9.58. In 1918 the per capita cost was \$2.19, and in 1915, \$2.12, the total costs for 1922 consisted of expenses of general departments, \$5.48; payments of interest, \$0.28; and for outlays \$3.87. Of these the largest were nearly \$6,000,000 for highways and \$2,400,000 for schools.

The total revenue receipts for 1922 were \$13,164,249, or \$4.97 per capita. For the fiscal year the per capita excess of governmental costs over receipts was, therefore, \$4.61. Per capita expenses for general departments and payments for interest exceeded the per capita revenue receipts by \$0.74.

In North Carolina property and special taxes represented 41.6 per cent for 1918, and 51.7 per cent for 1915. The increase in the amount of property and special taxes collected was 22.0 per cent from 1915 to 1918, and 94.7 per cent from 1918 to 1922. The per capita property and special taxes were \$2.07 in 1922, \$1.20 in 1918, and \$1.03 in 1915.

Earnings of general departments, or compensation for service rendered by state officials, represented 13.7 per cent of the total revenue for 1922, 20.4 per cent for 1918, and 24.1 per cent for 1915.

Business and nonbusiness licenses constituted 33.9 per cent of the total revenue for 1922, 19.4 per cent for 1918, and 14.7 per cent for 1915. Receipts from business licenses consist chiefly of taxes exacted from insurance and other incorporated companies, while those from non-business licenses comprise taxes on motor vehicles, and amounts paid for hunting and fishing privileges.

The net indebtedness (funded and floating debt less sinking fund assets) of North Carolina was \$12.59 per capita for 1922, \$3.85 for 1918, and \$3.77 for 1915. During the current year over \$19,000,000 bonds were issued of which \$10,500,000 were for highways.

Taxes shown as collected for the current year were from the 1920 levy. Since that year there has been no general property tax for state purposes.

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