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\$2.00 THE YEAR IN ADVANCE OUTSIDE THE COUNTY

SYLVA SCHOOLS TO OPEN AUGUST 31ST.

The local school board announces the Sylva schools will open Monday August 31st.

The following regulations will help high school students in determining their classification.

Those wishing to enter the eighth grade will present their seventh grade diplomas or satisfy the school by examination. All students to enter this grade must meet one of the above requirements. Those students wishing to enter 9th, 10th or 11th grade must show approximately the following number of credits: 3, 7, 11. A student may be classed as a regular eleventh grade student with five subjects, but one carrying as many as six in order to graduate will be classed as "conditional". This plan will help keep students out of doubt about their work.

Fifteen standard units are required to graduate. A student should have more than fifteen in order to be well prepared. Some subjects must be taken; others are elective. English must be taken every year. Two years of Latin or French, one year of science, and country one among those that must be taken by all who expect to graduate.

Students from other schools of standard classification will be received and given credit for work done in other schools.

I shall be glad to go over the work of any student who may be in doubt about his or her work. I suggest you see me the week preceding the opening of school, so that we may avoid the rush.

I am sure we will have a much better school than we had last year. Let every one do his best.

With best wishes to the patrons, students and teachers, I am,

Sincerely,
A. C. LOVELACE.
Sylva, N. C.
Aug. 7, 1925.

WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA ANNUAL SINGING CONVENTION BIG SUCCESS.

The Western North Carolina annual singing convention which was held at Dillsboro, August 2, was one of the best held in many years, there being about two thousand in attendance. The convention was held in the Dillsboro High School Auditorium, which was altogether too small for the crowd, many being unable to gain admittance to the convention. We are very grateful to the rearing officers for their faithful service for the past year. The convention itself speaks for their untiring efforts.

Four counties were represented at this convention: Buncombe, Haywood, Jackson and Swain counties. About fifteen choruses and quartettes participated. One of the outstanding features of the convention was the singing of the Cherokee Indians, Rock Springs' Choir and Nick's Bortom. Those who failed to hear these two classes sing surely missed a treat. Not only did the Cherokee Indians perform well, but other classes and quartets came in for their share of the good work. It certainly is great to see and know the number of people in Western North Carolina that are taking part, and are encouraging others along in this fine work. May they continue this work and that new classes be organized throughout all the counties represented.

The following officers were elected: Ray Parker, President, Canton; J. M. Crawford, Vice President, Dillsboro; T. R. Ledford, Secretary.

County Secretaries: S. B. Smiley, Swain, Bryson City; Linton West, Haywood, Canton; F. B. McAfee, Jackson, Dillsboro; Miss Terra Pear, Pettit, Buncombe, West Asheville, Route 3.

LARGE MILEAGE OF PAVING TO BE LET AUGUST 25TH

Fourteen projects, aggregating 107 miles of road, are advertised for letting on August 25th. Of this mileage, bids will be asked for immediate paving of 86.4 miles, the remainder of the letting being for grading and bridges. A list of these projects, giving the lengths, quantities and descriptions, will be made public within the next week.

LICENSES TO WED

Licenses to wed have been granted to the following couples:

A. C. Crawford to Nettie Derriek, Golman A. Kinsland, to May Childers.
Floyd Miller, to Zelma Ferguson, both of Haywood.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE EMPLOYES WHOLE TIME MANAGER

The board of directors of the Sylva Chamber of Commerce, at a meeting held, last Thursday, unanimously voted to employ a whole-time manager for the Chamber, for the next 60 days.

"Jimmy" Smith was employed, and has entered upon his duties. Mr. Smith has done admirable work with the Greensboro Chamber of Commerce, organized the one at Concord, and has been engaged in the work in various capacities in other cities. He has just recently returned from the Northwestern University, where he has been taking a special course in chamber of commerce work. Sylva is especially fortunate in getting him, as he has two months at his disposal before returning to college, when he will take additional work along this line.

Mr. Smith will make a survey of the county and the town and get the facts and figures with which to work, fill out the machinery of the chamber, as it is expected to have it in excellent condition in the two months in which he will work.

The anticipated rapid development of Sylva that is sure to come, and that bounteously, within the next year, makes it necessary to have a whole-time worker at present, and it is expected that a manager will have to be engaged early in the spring, to carry forward the work.

THE NEW TOLLGATE

Seldom in history has a tax proved so painless to the payers as the gasoline tax, not only in North Carolina, but in the forty three other states that now have such a tax. The motorist public had become so accustomed to fluctuations in the cost of gas that when the tax was added it was looked upon as just another boost but the real reason that the motorist does not complain is that he sees where his money is going. He finds better roads under his wheels, roads that are maintained with the money that he pays for his automobile license and gasoline tax, and he is pleased.

When he toll turnpikes began replacing wilderness trails more than a century ago, our great grandfathers were mighty glad to pay the tolls demanded, so obvious were the advantages of the new "pikes" over the old roads. So with today's motorist when he turns from an unimproved cross road into a paved or well maintained soil highway. The contrast is so great that he almost feels thankful for the gasoline tax that makes it possible to keep the State highways in first class condition.

Indeed, the red, blue, yellow, or white pump at the filling station has become the present day toll-gate. However, the motorist of today enjoys two decided advantages that his turnpike traveling ancestors knew not. In the first place, actual saving in fuel, oil, tires, and wear and tear, more than pays the toll, and the added comforts and conveniences are all velvet. In the second place, the toll we pay at the pump is only a fraction of the toll, mile for mile, that our ancestors paid when he halted his team at the tollgate to drop a coin in the cup-on-a-stick thrust forward by the gatekeeper.

It has been estimated by an slightly less than three-tenths of a cent per gallon, the North Carolina rate, costs the motorist an average of slightly less than three-tenths of a cent per mile. What motorist is not willing to pay this insignificant amount to have the roads properly maintained and marked so as to make travel both comfortable and safe?

TOURISTS USE HIGHWAY INFORMATION SERVICE

Tourists are making use of the information service rendered by the State Highway Commission. Daily requests are made by mail, telephone or personal calls on the Information Department for routings to various points in this and other States. This information is free except that in case of requests by mail the requests should be accompanied by a two cent stamp to cover cost of mailing. Routes to the various summer resorts throughout the State are in good condition and the existing detours, of which there are very few, are well marked and in first-class condition. Large maps showing the State Highway System have been furnished to hotels and Chambers of Commerce throughout the State and may be consulted by tourists.

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE ENDORSES NATIONAL PARK MOVE

The Smoky Mountain National Park project received the unanimous endorsement, by rising vote, of the Sylva Chamber of Commerce, at an enthusiastic meeting, held Monday evening. There was a large attendance and not a man raised his voice in objection. The Chamber of Commerce is pledged to work for the success of the project, and a committee was appointed to draft and circulate suitable resolutions, giving the enthusiastic support of the Sylva Chamber of Commerce to the movement.

Present as the guests of the evening were Col. Wade Harris, editor of the Charlotte Observer, and Mr. Clarence A. Koester, manager of the Charlotte Chamber of Commerce. These gentlemen have been in Jackson county for several days as the guests of Mr. Walter W. Watt, at his summer home, in Sylva, and have been making tours into all parts of Jackson county.

When the meeting was called to order, Mr. Koester was introduced by Mr. W. W. Watt, who spoke, in his usual enthusiastic style, of the opportunities of development in North Carolina, and especially in Jackson county, and Sylva. Both he and Col. Harris expressed themselves as being charmed by the magnificent scenery they discovered on their first trip through Jackson county. The charming little city of Sylva, the Tuckasee Valley, Cullowhee State Normal, Hamburg, High Hampton, Cashiers Valley, Whiteside Mountain, the Balsam range, and the area in which it is proposed to establish the National Park, all came in for their share of praise. "Charlotte", stated Mr. Koester, "would give ten million dollars for the Tuckasee River flowing near that town".

In giving his endorsement to the park project, Mr. Koester stated that his heart sank and he was filled with shame for the North Carolina cities, when he was told that the money that is enabling the friends of the park to prepare the literature and disseminate it, showing the wonders of the park area, to the world, was contributed, not by North Carolinians but by New Jersey friends of the movement.

The speaker congratulated Sylva upon the organization of a live chamber of commerce, and upon securing the services of "Jimmy" Smith, as manager of the organization. "All that is needed", he said, "is for the people to catch the vision of the great Western North Carolina, the great Jackson County, the great Sylva, that are to be, and then go to it with whole-heartedness to make the dream a reality".

Col. Harris and Mr. Koester plan to make another trip through this region, in October, at which time they will attend the Indian Fair at Cherokee, visit more of the park area and Cherokee and Macon counties.

BALSAM

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. John Kenney, August 6, a girl.

Rev. Forest E. Dudley, Secretary of Boy's Work, General Sunday School Board, Nashville, Tenn., preached a very interesting sermon in the Methodist church here Sunday morning. Balsam Springs Hotel orchestra furnished music for the service. Rev. Mr. Dudley was accompanied by his wife and Miss Bates, all of whom are guests at Lake Junaluska.

The revival at the Baptist church is growing in interest, large crowds attending every service.

Mrs. H. R. Bryson was operated on for appendicitis in the Mission hospital at Asheville last week and is recovering rapidly.

Miss Louise Arrington spent Sunday in Hazelwood.

Mr. Phill Crawford and family have returned from a visit to Mr. and Mrs. James Queen in Gastonia.

Mr. Wesley Queen and family left Sunday to spend some time in Gastonia.

Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Hargrove of Canton visited Mrs. Maybel Perry Sunday.

Mrs. H. P. Ensley, Mrs. W. P. Ensley, Miss Grace Meaherty, and Hubert Ensley motored to Asheville to see the movie, Rainbow Trail.

Mrs. Bob Cope and children of Asheville are visiting her parents, and Mrs. W. J. Cogdill.

Mr. Avery Bryson of Washington State is visiting relatives in Balsam.

WHAT IS A CHAMBER OF COMMERCE?

A Chamber of Commerce is an organization of individuals banded together to do those things which they collectively can do more effectively than they could as individuals, to promote commerce and industry and those general interests of the community which effect commerce and industry or with reference to which people engaged in commerce and industry should concern themselves.

To get citizens pulling together.

To raise the standards of the city.

To develop the business of the community.

To encourage physical improvement of the city.

To obtain good government at reasonable cost.

To inspire good citizenship.

To improve "civic" conditions, making your city "a good place to live in and work in".

To bring about relations between employee and employer that are fair, satisfactory and conducive to efficient production.

To render service of value to everyone.

To voice the views of the community in everything for the good of the greatest number.

Why A Citizen Belongs To The Chamber of Commerce.

Because no other organization can enlist so many of the ablest men of the city in service for the community.

Because it unifies the public spirit of the city and breaks down sectional selfishness.

Because it helps create and express sound opinions on questions affecting the welfare of the city.

Because it lines the city with others in great business and patriotic movements.

Because it holds up an ideal of civic development that tends to the encouragement of what is helpful and the elimination of what is harmful.

Because its activities and social life make its members better business men and better citizens.

Because it is the gauge of the city enterprise, prosperity and ambitions, and reflects accordingly upon every citizen.

"Men band themselves together for the sake of association, no doubt but also for something greater and deeper than that—because they are conscious of common interest lying outside their business occupation, because they are members of the same community and in frequent intercourse find mutual stimulation and a real maximum of vitality and power."

(WOODROW WILSON)

HENRY C. BRYSON

Whereas, on July 15th, 1925, it pleased the Great Architect of the Universe, who doeth all things well, to call unto himself our beloved brother, Henry C. Bryson from this transitory existence to that which endureth forever. Therefore he it resolved:

1st. That in the taking away of Brother Bryson the community has lost an exemplary character, whose absence we mourn, and whose place in our hearts be filled only by the recollection of his kind nature, his many virtues and his nobility of character.

2nd. That is the spirit of Brother Bryson, Sylva Lodge No. 513 A. F. & A. M., has lost one of its truest members, a good man and a true mason.

3rd. That when we give over our great loss, we submit to the will of Him who doeth all things well, and we commend his spirit to the God who gave it. We are confident he is resting from his earthly labors here.

4th. That we extend his bereaved family our sincere sympathy in this their hour of grief, with the assurance we will be ever ready to extend to them sympathy and help when needed.

5th. That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the records of this Lodge, a copy sent to the bereaved family, a copy to Jackson County Journal, and Orphan Friend and Masonic Journal, for publication.

M. D. COWAN,
J. R. JONES,
BEN QUEEN,
Committee.

SHOAL CREEK

Weddings bells as well as church bells Sunday morning when Mr. Golman Kinsland was united in marriage with Miss Mary Childers of Whittier, Rev. T. F. Deitz officiating.

Miss Frances Battle, Missrs. D. C. Hughes and Dallas Howell were present at the ceremony. The bride and groom left soon after the ceremony for Knoxville and other points.

Qualla High School opened Monday 10th, with Prof. and Mrs. W. C. Reed, Miss Anna Deakins, Mrs. Alice Howell, Miss Bertha Buchanan and Mr. Cope, of Andrews, as teachers. At the opening exercises Prof. Reed gave an encouraging talk on the words of Paul "Forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forward to those things which are before," never being satisfied with past achievements, but pressing forward day by day to the mark of a higher calling.

Several of the parents manifested their interest by being present at the opening exercises. There was, what we believe to be the largest number of children and high school students that ever assembled in the auditorium. 84 high school students were present. With Prof. Reed "at the helm" and all the tried and true teachers all of whom have taught in our school before (except Mr. Cope) we are expecting a most successful school year and a standardized Qualla High School. In fact the good folks of Shoal Creek community are expecting at least some of their dreams to come true in the not far distant future.

Miss Louise Parker of Sylva will teach for Mrs. Reed this week while she finishes her work in Summer School at Cullowhee.

Mrs. D. S. Flinton of Charleston, S. C., is spending awhile among relatives.

Mr. D. L. Oxner, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Oxner, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Oxner and Mr. and Mrs. Ed Oxner attended the funeral of Mrs. W. T. Carson at Dehart Cemetery near Bryson, last Thursday.

Messrs. P. H. Ferguson and G. T. Cooper are attending Camp Free Camp Meeting at Connelly Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Bird, Mr. J. L. Terrell and Mrs. D. S. Flinton motored to Webster Saturday to visit Prof. and Mrs. C. R. Bird.

Mrs. A. L. Beck, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beck and Mr. Glenn Beck of Balsam were guests at Mr. J. E. Hoyle's and Mr. Nute Snyder's Sunday.

Mr. D. L. Oxner went to Cullowhee Sunday returning Monday.

Messrs. C. A. Bird, J. L. Terrell, B. Nelson, H. G. Bird and J. O. Terrell called at Mr. Henry Nealon's at Bird Town Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Howell were guests at Mrs. A. C. Hoyle's Sunday.

Miss Florence Turpin and Mr. Garland Oxner visited at Mr. Thos. Gibson's Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. V. McLaughlin of Sylva called at Mr. K. Howell's Sunday.

Miss Essie Anthony was a guest of Miss Etta Kinsland Sunday evening.

Mrs. J. H. and Mrs. J. M. Hughes spent Thursday with Mrs. A. C. Hoyle.

Miss Fanny Anthony called on Mrs. J. G. Hooper Thursday afternoon.

Mrs. W. H. Hoyle and Miss Claudia Hoyle called on Mrs. J. R. Messer, Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hughes spent Saturday night at Mr. D. K. Battle's.

Mrs. D. L. Oxner and daughters spent the week end with relatives in Wilmot.

Miss Ida Battle spent Sunday night with Miss Claudia Hoyle.

Mrs. J. F. House and Mrs. Lizzie Snyder called on Mrs. M. A. Gibson Thursday.

Mrs. Troy Turpin spent the week end at Mr. W. H. Oxner's.

Mr. J. E. Hoyle made a business trip to Bryson last week.

Messrs. James Bradley of Oklahama, Paul Bradley of New York, Jack Battle, Claud Hughes and Luther Hoyle went out on a weiner roast Saturday night. They report a fine time.

Mr. J. O. Howell has purchased a car.

With the passing of an air plane over our homes Saturday afternoon we imagined that we were "coming some".