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The next commission that Governor McLean is expected to appoint is one to be denominated the Advisory Commission For Synchronizing Groundhog Day Throughout the State.

We favor electing a governor who knows North Carolina well enough to be able to find a place within the state that is suitable for vacation purposes.

Its hard to tell which is the most dangerous, to fly across the Atlantic or to drive on the roads of Jackson county of a Sunday.

Some day the people are going to get tired of the wild drivers taking charge of our highways over the week end, and are going to demand the protection that is their right.

## FOOTBALL THIS FALL?

Coach Roberts, up at S. C. I. states to The Journal that he has material that is the makings of a first class football team. The boys want football. The Coach wants it. Everybody and everything is all set, except for the unfortunate circumstances of finances. The school has no money with which to buy the necessary equipment.

With everything ready except that, it is now up to the friends of the school and the lovers of sports in this community. If the finances can be arranged by them, Mr. Roberts and his boys are ready to get down to business and give Sylva some real football. Who'll start the collection basket?

## CULLOWHEE TO BE CROWDED

Indications are that when Cullowhee State Normal opens for the Fall quarter, Monday morning, that the institution will have the largest enrollment in its history, and a larger increase over the previous year than has ever been registered.

Cullowhee is a fast growing institution. There are those in Western North Carolina who have hoped that it may some day become a big college with regular academic work, paralleling the work of the University of North Carolina. But, this is hardly probable, nor is such an institution especially needed. The natural evolution of Cullowhee should be into a four year teacher's college, for the training of teachers, and with adequate support to make it an institution second to none in the state. A school of that kind would be of great value to the state, and it would be cheerfully supported by the educators throughout North Carolina.

There are two things that stand in the way of Cullowhee's greater growth, and these two can be easily removed. The first is the need, the urgent necessity for the construction of a paved road from Sylva to Cullowhee. The county and state road authorities should be able to work that out. The other thing is the lack of recreational facilities. Two new tennis courts, of which any school could be proud, have recently been constructed. A large bathing pool is needed. A real athletic field, with perhaps a golf course in connection, should be established. The bathing pool, the tennis and the golf would be great attractions to the summer school, and an athletic field is a necessity if boys are to be attracted during the fall and spring. These things can be added without great cost.

Cullowhee grows and continues to grow. It is a great institution; and the Journal is pointing out the things that are needed, in a spirit of helpfulness, believing that public sentiment is with us, and that public sentiment will work with the trustees and faculty of the school in promoting the expansion of our institution into a great school.

## THE UPLIFT SAYS SOMETHING

The Uplift, published at Concord is making a fight upon a system of employing teachers solely upon the number of credits conferred by some institution. By such a system some of the best teachers in the state, who are really educated and who have the natural gift of imparting both knowledges and character, are debarred from our schools; while on the other hand, some mighty sorry

teachers, with credits enter into the work, or rather draw the salaries.

Te educational world has gone mad upon the subjects of credits. What difference does it make about the credits? To paraphrase Omar, take the knowledge and let the credits go. So long as the children are grounded upon the fundamentals are taught to think, the process of ratiocination started in their young brains, and their characters are found upon solid principles, what boots it if no institution or organization will recognize their credits? They are equipped for a life of service to the world of humanity, of pleasure to themselves, and a generous reward at its glorious end.

The Uplift quotes a Charlotte woman:

"Before I was married, I was a teacher for a number of years. Since I have become a mother, my constant hope is that in my teaching I led pupils to aspire to a better life, to the formation of good character and to lead a life of unselfish service.

After quoting the Charlotte lady, the Uplift then goes on to comment as follows:

"If this aspiration obsessed the lady when she was engaged in teaching the young, when she was engaged as a public school teacher, we may believe that her pupils today have taken a high place in the affairs of life. The finest lessons in good living are imparted in the school room where the pupils respect the teacher, have confidence in her and see her godly life lived before them. That's where impressionable lessons have their most lasting influence.

"If all this be true, it is a crime to employ a teacher lacking in the high ideals that lead to splendid manhood and womanhood. This system has put school finances in a dilemma and made the costs of public education unreasonably high for the results being had.

"Some of the finest teachers the state ever had, fine by the spirit of birth and heart, are debarred by this mechanical refuge that has been foisted upon the system. Just because a person graduates at the best college in the state does not carry with the accomplishment the assurance of a qualified teacher, but being a graduate of one of these institutions immediately places the subject on the payroll, with no further questions asked."

## CULLOWHEE TEACHERS ARE ARRIVING

Cullowhee, September 6—The loneliness about the campus of Cullowhee State Normal School which has prevailed since the last summer school closed, is soon to be broken by the roar of automobiles and the toot of horns, as the fall students come in and the faculty members return from their vacations. Fall reservations exceed by twenty percent or more the reservations at this time for any previous year. Among the teachers who have been in school this summer and who will return are the following: Miss Helen Saunders, Miss Fannie Goodman, Miss Glenna Cloyd, and Miss Alice Benton. These have attended summer school at Peabody College. Miss Annie Ray took summer graduate work at the University of Colorado. Miss Gertrude Rhodes, a new critic teacher comes to Cullowhee from Peabody College where she took her M. A. degree. Prof. C. H. Allen, who has been on an extended trip in the north with his bride, returns to his work in the chair of Education. Mrs. Frances K. Lide of Spartanburg, S. C. the new secretary arrived a few days ago.

Winter corn, is the way some good farmers describe the fall mixture of oats, vetch and barley. Those who have tried the mixture pronounce it a heavy yielder.

A prosperous fall is the indication from crops all over North Carolina. Many farmers will pay off the mortgage this year.

Seed corn selected from stalks in the field will produce 20 percent more corn the first year than the same seed selected from the crib at planting time.

It cost New York \$50,000 to welcome Lindbergh home. We'll bet Lindy would have settled for 25 cents on the dollar—and called it a good bargain.

A pedestrian is a logical prospect for automobile insurance.

Tom Tarheel says he will plant that extra five acres to alfalfa this fall. It's the best feed he can get for his hogs, chickens and cows.

## THE KIND OF LETTERS WE LIKE

This week, The Journal received a letter, from one of our friends, way out in the Whiteside Cove, that did us good more ways than one. We like letters like this:

"Rocky Grove Farm, Highlands, N. C. September 2, 1927

Editor Jackson County Journal: I enclose you \$4.50 to renew my subscription to the Journal and pay for arrears. Thank you for sending it right on. We take a daily, two farm papers, our church paper and several magazines, but none of them can take the place of the dear old Journal

Sincerely yours,  
Mrs. D. C. Pickleseimer.

## WILD FLOWERS IN THE MOUNTAINS

(Lisbeth Parrott, in The Asheville Citizen.)

The country cousins of the expensive blossoms in florists' shops thrive in the fields of Western North Carolina. Miss Cleo Rainwater and her class in nature study at the Cullowhee State Normal this summer identified more than seventy five varieties of wild flowers in the field around Cullowhee. Most of them are the "folks back home" to the plants that have gone to the city and taken on the "city air."

Many a young man finds a cheaper boarding place after Easter comes around, having splurged on a single orchid for his girl friend's bouquet—while just outside the back door, figuratively speaking, the rural relatives of this most coveted of flowers may be gathered by the casual passer-by. One of these, the yellow fringed orchis has been identified by Miss Rainwater's class. It is an attractive and rather common orchis with a tall leafy stem one to two feet high. The flowers are delicate and pretty, being as the name suggests fringed. Another member of the family, the Slender Ladies' Tresses, bears a name which is a pretty reminder of days when ladies and tresses were in fashion. The class first noticed the unusual braided arrangement of the flowers, and were to learn that an imaginative person had given the plant its name. A peculiar fact about this flower is that the leaves die down before it blooms.

Nor has the sweet pea, as we know it, any reason to be ashamed of the family from which it sprang. It has proud relatives. One of these is the Wild Senna, a flower of brilliant yellow contrasted by black stamens. The leaves are like those of the locust. The plant grows shrub like about three feet high. Another cousin is the Canadian trefoil, a pink or lavender flower, the showiest of the trefoils. This flower is blooming abundantly at this season around Cullowhee.

The bird foot violet has a leaf of unusual shape, and the blossom is pale in color. Unlike the commonly-known violet it blooms throughout late summer as well as in spring; it may be found now if one looks carefully in the damp hidden recesses of the woods.

Eulogized in music and poetry, the wild rose is probably the best loved of wild flowers. The delicate pink color and dainty perfume make it a favorite of hikers, who often stop by the roadside to gather the blossoms.

Christmas season—a friend in the hospital—a birthday—on these occasions the potted primrose comes to

the rescue and solves the problem of what to give. A freakish cousin of this plant, the evening primrose, growing wild has been found occasionally by Miss Rainwater's students. During one short evening it opens its beautiful lemon yellow flower which morning finds closed forever. A flower almost similar is the sundrop, so-called because it resembles a bit of the sun it is so yellow.

Our garden flowers requiring tender care, have hardy relatives in the fields. The tiger lily bears a close family resemblance to the small wild flower, the Turk's cap lily, which has smooth, orange petals black spots and pretty green leaves growing in a whorl around the stem. The petals turn backward so that one can easily imagine how the flowers got its name. This attractive lily grows in profusion in this mountain country.

Borneing Bet of the pink family, which looks much like a cultivated plant, bounces in the breezes that pass the banks of the Tuckasegee. Yellow wort sorrel, of the oxalis family, mountain phlox, the daisy—Close kin to the aster, the false fox glove, a showy flower—all of these growing wild out in the laboratory of Nature, the country fields and woods.

The tansy flower—common to hikers and automobilists in Western North Carolina for its small yellow flowers and ample leaves are prominent among roadside flora—is a runaway from old gardens where it was once cultivated. It is a native of Europe, and was brought to America on account of what they thought then, its wonderful medicinal power. The "oil of tansy," yielded by its leaves is very poisonous, and is used in medicine now to a limited extent.

In a paper published in 1656 there two unique savings were found: "Maidens are assured that tansy leaves soaked in buttermilk for nine days maketh the complexion fair," and "Tansy cures all ills of the flesh." To this day some very old women have implicit faith in the tansy's power. The name tansy, itself is connotative of mysterious healing power; it comes from a Greek word meaning immortality.

A common plant in these rural districts is the beautiful Joe-Pye weed a weed plant also once believed to have curative virtues. In fact, it bears the name of Joe-Pye, an Indian medicine man in New England, who gained fame and fortune by curing typhus fever with medicine made from this plant. This is a stately flower which grows from three to nine feet high. The blossoms are pale lavender pink, and grow in large loose clusters. This is perhaps one of the easiest of all wild flowers to learn.

Another interesting name is the bone-set—attributed to a plant once used to cure "break-bone" fever, or grippe, as it is called now.

Miss Rainwater's class has identified twenty plants believed to have medical value—plants on which the old time "yerb" doctor depended.

The wild flower's beauty is not appreciated by the average citizen. Often one must look closely to see and smell; the wild flower is not as showy as its cultivated kinsman. However, those who have learned to love the flowers of the field are their ardent champions. "A weed" says Emerson, "is a plant whose virtues have not been discovered." Wordsworth, olver of nature, said, "To me the meanest flower that blows can give thoughts that do often lie too deep for tears." It is this love of the wild flower that Miss Rainwater hopes to inculcate in her students, who in future years will teach their small pupils, in the primary grades to see the beauty in the flowers of the fields.

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