

FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

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Editorial

Work While You Work

"Work while you work,
And play while you play,
This is the way
To be cheerful and gay."

Everyone has had some one else preach that little sermon to him. But it really isn't so bad if you look at it right. Whatever your task may be, put your whole soul into it. That's the way the athletic teams win, by going into the game wholeheartedly. If you're studying, study. Don't think of that show you are going to see tonight, or that new dress you should be making. The dress will be made quicker if you put your mind on the lesson and get through with it. Then make the dress, never worrying about the lesson. Thus, both tasks are accomplished quicker and more efficiently, doing one at a time. If you're playing, play for all you're worth. It will do you much more good than half-hearted play. Don't drag along, for the fellow who gets up and goes, is the one who counts for something in this old world of ours. M. L. F. '26.

School News

"Beautify the school grounds" is coming to mean much to us. The eighth grade boys have been transplanting shrubbery on the school grounds to ward off spring fever as well as for beauty.

Miss Tim Crawford is having a swell time—mumps!

The program given by the S. S. S. Society last Friday was splendid in its music, history, and scenes from life.

The Franklin high school is training orators. If you don't believe it come to the school house Friday night, April 2, and hear Betty Sloan and William McGuire debate against two high school students from Waynesville. The subject will be: "Resolved: That North Carolina should levy a state tax on property to aid in the support of an eight months' school term." F. M. R. '26.

Franklin elementary school, like the high school, is to be put on the state standard list very soon. That is something to be proud of, because we are the third school west of Asheville to get on this list—Sylva and Waynesville being one or two years ahead of us.

What does being a standard elementary school mean? It means first of all that the teachers must be supplied with the necessary equipment for teaching; such as maps, globes unabridged dictionaries, library suitable for the elementary school, supplementary reading books, phonic cards and reading charts and so on. Teachers cannot, any more than mechanics, work without tools.

Teachers cannot be hired for work in the school who have less than an Elementary A, and this standard will be raised soon. Then the teachers of all the grades must put in a certain amount of time each day teaching the required subjects in our course of study. For instance, writing, because of a crowded curriculum, has often of late years been neglected. But in a standard elementary school a certain amount of time each day must be given to writing. Spelling must have its necessary amount of time. All students from the fourth grade up must have a dictionary and be taught in regular lessons how to use it. A certain amount of time must be given to music and games as well as such studies as geography, history, reading and arithmetic.

The county superintendent, Parent-Teachers association, teachers and students have all worked together to put this thing over. It is something to be proud of. And it is something of inestimable value to the children

of the Franklin high school.

We would like to say that Mr. Crawford and his teachers should be remembered for what they did last year in starting the work for the standardization of the school.

Republicans Hold Big Meeting at Asheville

Asheville, March 27.—Much enthusiasm featured the meeting of the Republican Executive Committee for the 10th North Carolina congressional district which met in Asheville on this date to discuss the coming campaign and political matters in general.

One of the first actions taken by the committee was the endorsement of the Republican national platform as follows:

"First, that we heartily endorse the platform of the national Republican party and pledge ourselves to stand by and support the principles and policies enunciated therein.

"Second, We heartily endorse the wisdom and patriotic administration of the affairs of this government by that profound statesman, Calvin Coolidge, President of the United States and commend him and those who have supported his policies for an unprecedented era of prosperity and progress that he has brought to our nation; and in this day when the burden of municipal and state taxation is growing almost unbearable we particularly commend the wisdom and patriotism of his policies which have eliminated extravagance and reduced national taxation to a reasonable basis."

The committee also went on record as unanimously approving the management of the affairs of the Republican party in North Carolina by the state organization and especially commending State Chairman W. G. Brahmam for his efficient service to the party. To fill the vacancy which will occur upon his retirement, the committee went on record as being unanimously in favor of Hon. Brownlow Jackson of Hendersonville as the Republican state chairman. A resolution commending Mr. Jackson to the Republicans of this district and the whole state of North Carolina read as follows:

"That we have the utmost faith in Mr. Jackson's integrity as a man, his devotion to the principles of the Republican party and his proven ability to successfully manage campaigns and party affairs."

Although the committee took no definite action regarding the coming congressional convention, it was unanimously conceded that Captain R. Kenneth Smathers, a native of Canton and a practicing attorney in Asheville, whose candidacy has met with approval throughout the district, would receive the nomination without opposition. Captain Smathers is not only popular with the organization, but is widely known throughout the district and has the support of the rank and file of the party.

Just when a district convention will be called was not decided, but it is thought that no convention will be held until early fall, at which time a general mass meeting and convention will be held and the campaign will be launched. It is rumored that General Chas. G. Dawes, vice-president of the United States will be invited to be present to sound the key-note of the occasion. It is no secret that the national Republican organization has hopes of carrying the tenth district this time and that they are going to put up a fight.

CITIZEN WANTS TO KNOW

Franklin, N. C., March 27, 1926.

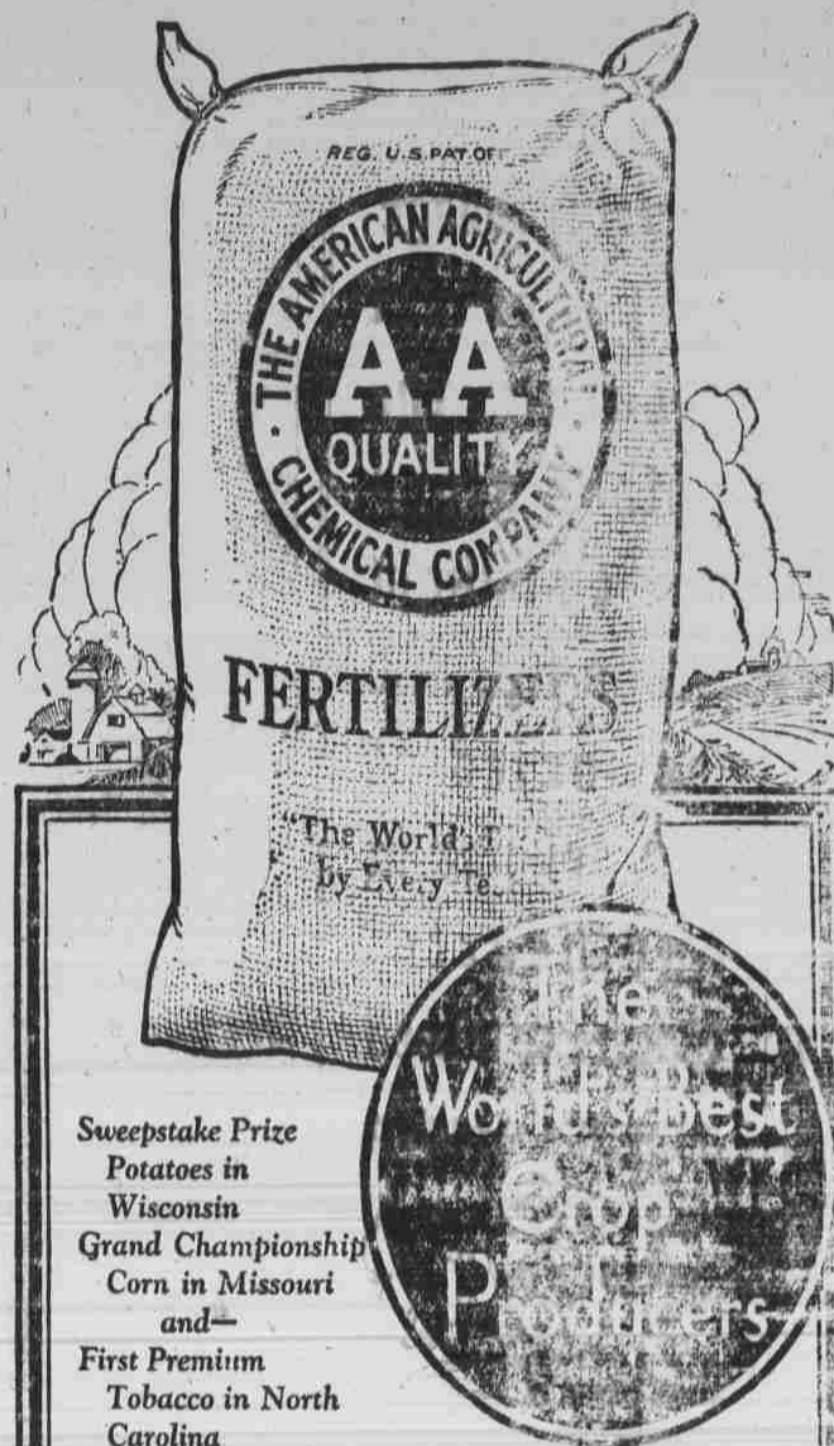
Editor Press:
I would like to know if Macon county has taken the present auditors to raise. I understand that the audit has already cost the county over \$16,000. I am also sure that the citizens of Macon county would like to have published a report by the auditors and the exact cost of the audit to date. S. A. MUNDAY.

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