

**STECOAH SCHOOL WORK**

School opened at Stecoah in the fall of 1929 with an enrollment of 238 in all departments including sixty in the High school. An average attendance of 48 has been made in the High school during the term.

The girls' basketball team gave a box supper and cake walk in the early fall. This was a great success, though the weather was bad. Enough money was realized at this supper to buy basketball suits for the girls on the team.

Thanksgiving was observed with an appropriate exercise in the afternoon, all the school participating. An interesting feature of the program was a debate: Resolved, "Washington was a Greater Man than Jefferson."

A most enjoyable Christmas exercise was participated in by all. A tree of great beauty and a great number of presents for all were the features most enjoyed.

All departments in the school have done good work and are now nearing completion of their various branches of study. The large Bible class of over seventy has been one of the outstanding features. It has studied the gospel of Matthew and the Acts of the Apostles. The class gave a Bible play entitled, "A Dream of Queen Esther," on Wednesday night, March 19. The class in American history has been one of the most interesting, it being divided into two sections with Walter Graham leading one side and Blaine Crisp the other. The interest in this class has never lagged, due to the plan of having the class divided in competition. A close count was made each day of the points gained by each side, the losing side to furnish a supper to the winners.

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A Junior-Senior banquet given by the principal of the Stecoah school, Dr. J. C. Coggins, and assisted by his daughter, Ruth Coggins, at the home of the principal was an enjoyable social feature of the school year. Games and plays were enjoyed, marshmallows toasted, and a salad course was served.

Mr. John McAllister, of Burnsville, N. C., and Miss Mamie West, of Stecoah, were married recently, Dr. Coggins performing the ceremony.

Mr. David E. Hyde, one of the oldest citizens of this county, being ninety-six years old, died recently. His father was well acquainted with Abraham Lincoln's mother, Nancy Hanks. He gave an interesting story on Mr. Lincoln's ancestry which will appear in the third edition of Dr. Coggins' book on this subject.

Mr. T. J. Edwards, of Stecoah, died in February of pneumonia. He leaves a large family of relatives, a wife and several children. He was sick only a short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Hyde lost their small son recently. He died of whooping cough.

Mr. Jim Pilkington, of Panther Creek, died in the early fall. He had been sick a long time. He was one of the most influential citizens of that community, being a father of a member of the Senior class in the Consolidated school, of Stecoah. He leaves a wife and several children.

Miss Mamie Moody of Robbinsville, teacher of English department in Stecoah school, took the Senior class to Robbinsville recently, where they saw the Senior play given, "The Little Clod Hopper." The class at Stecoah gave the same play at its commencement, March 20.

This year the Stecoah High school graduated its first class. The class members were as follows: Grady Crisp, Edna Crisp, Effie Crisp, Clyde Crisp, Lena Pilkington, Nell Crisp, and Olean Hyde.

Dr. J. C. Coggins will publish, in the near future, a third edition of his book, "Abraham Lincoln, A North Carolinian, With Proof." He has a large amount of new material for this new edition. It will be illustrated and will contain nearly three hundred pages.

**MILL WORKERS RETURN TO SOIL**

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early part of this year are chiefly responsible, both for the large increase in the number of people engaging in farming and for the acreage increase."

**LOCAL STUDENTS ENTER W. C. T. C.**

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Misses Armada Slagle, Mary Louise Slagle and Glee Garner, of Macon, visited Miss Dora Lee Garner one evening last week.

Miss Ferrel Ballau, sponsor of the Macon County club, last week entertained Misses Hazel Penland and

Grace Carpenter, who were leaving at the end of the winter quarter. Misses Ruth Byrd and Dora Lee Garner were guests at this party.

**NEVILLE SLOAN LEAVES BRYSON**

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title work the office has been in charge of Zebulon Weaver and will be as long as it is open, it was stated.

The work in Virginia will start at Front Royal. The lands lie in seven counties and there are some 2,000 owners. "One county will be taken at a time and finished, before going into another county," Mr. Sloan said he had been told.

It is gratifying to all his friends that he has been chosen to do this work in a sister state and in a sister park area. Mr. Sloan's family will remain in Franklin for the present.

**MACON COUNTY FLOWER SHOW TO BE HELD**

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will be voted on by the visitors.

**Committees**

The following committees and chairmen have been appointed: General chairman, Mrs. Jess Sloan; publicity chairman, Mrs. W. B. McGuire; floor chairman, Mrs. Arthur Wood; door committee, Mrs. Ed Cunningham and Mrs. Steve Porter; committee on arrangement, Miss Mary Willis,

Mrs. Will Sloan, Mrs. Jess Sloan; committee on selecting prizes, Mrs. Smith Harris, Mrs. Fred

Johnston, Mrs. A. W. Mangum. A committee of three out of town people will be selected as judges.

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