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PRESIDENT HUNTER OF CULLOWHEE PLEASED WITH NEWS-RECORD

Says Madison County Should Have One of Best County Papers in State

WHAT AND WHERE IS CULLOWHEE?

In a letter dated December 31, 1924, President H. T. Hunter of the Cullowhee Normal and Industrial School, Cullowhee, N. C., says:

Permit me to say, however, that, as a Madisonian, I have been pleased with the evidence of new life in the News-Record since you have taken charge. I congratulate you. Madison should have one of the best county papers in the State; and I believe you are going to do much in that direction.

With the letter, President Hunter incloses a booklet recently issued by his school entitled "What and Where Is Cullowhee?" This booklet proved to be most interesting to the editor of this paper. We have for several years heard of Cullowhee, but, living in the eastern part of this long State, we knew very little about this institute except that it was a school in Western North Carolina. This booklet, however, has given us a better idea of what the school is and we are glad to quote in part from the booklet.

WHERE IS CULLOWHEE?

"Going back to the location of Cullowhee, it is seven miles from Sylva, the county seat of Jackson County, which is approximately fifty miles from Asheville.

"Cullowhee, we found, is near the center of Jackson County and is also the geographic center of nineteen counties of Western North Carolina. We were interested to learn that in Jackson County, which has varied industries and abounds in natural resources, are twenty-six mountains more than six thousand feet in altitude. Encircled by these towering mountains, one has a feeling that Cullowhee is peculiarly favored and protected."

WHAT IS CULLOWHEE?

The term "Cullowhee" is one of the beautiful expressions of the Cherokee Indian language. Occasionally one finds, in this neighborhood, hidden away in some shady nook or along the river bank, a cluster of rare, beautiful white lilies. The Cherokees, who once inhabited the Tuckaseegee Valley, observing these clusters of rare flowers, called this neighborhood "Cullowhee," which liter-

ally means "A place of lilies." The term is often used locally, either to refer to the neighborhood—the township of Cullowhee—or to the charming little mountain school village on the banks of the Tuckaseegee. But to those interested in education in Western North Carolina, the term Cullowhee suggests the Cullowhee Normal and Industrial School, to give the institution's legal title.

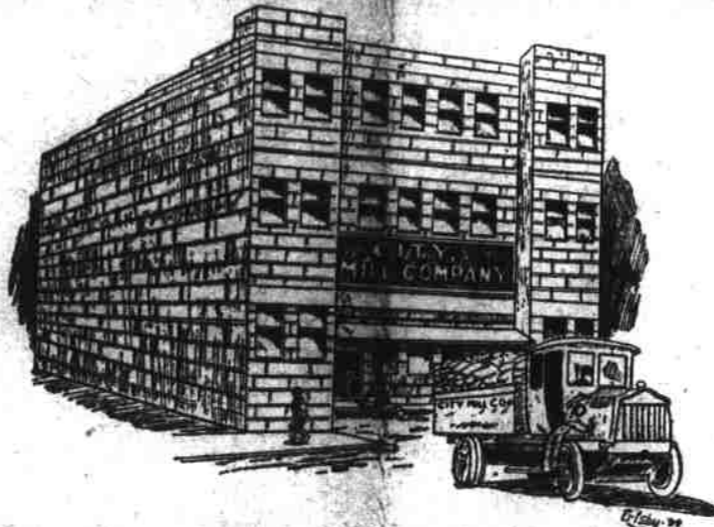
The Cullowhee Normal is a State institution. The State owns, supports and controls it.

WHAT OF ITS HISTORY?

Cullowhee started in 1889 as a local semi-public institution, supported in part by local taxation, in part by private subscription, but mainly by the sacrifice and energy of its principal and founder, Robert L. Madison, a young Virginian, with a master's degree from the University of Chattanooga. After being chartered as a State institution in 1891, it was known as Cullowhee High School until 1905, when its present name was given it by the General Assembly.

Professor Madison was succeeded in 1912 by Supt. A. C. Reynolds, of Buncombe County who presided over the destinies of the institution until 1919, when he resigned to become County Superintendent of Haywood County. Professor Madison was recalled as president, which position he filled until 1923, when he resigned, to be succeeded by Professor H. T. Hunter, of Wake Forest College. Professor Madison's labors as president extended over a period of 26 years, while those of Professor Reynolds extended over a period of 7 years. The period of their administration were years of struggle, but withal years of planning and of laying foundations and establishing the institution in the minds and hearts of the people. Presidents Madison and Reynolds had the faith and courage of educational pioneers; and the present Cullowhee, with its widened influence and its growing usefulness, attests the soundness of their visions and the value of their heroic labors.

Cullowhee is a member of the Southern Association of Teacher-Training Institutions. Its present faculty consists of a group of men and women specially trained for their work holding a total of 29 academic degrees from the best colleges, universities and teacher-training institutions in this country. They have had extensive teaching experience in several states in all the grades from the kindergarten to the university. As to its present outlook, physical equipment and its immediate needs, any person interested will be furnished this information by addressing the president.



CITY MILL COMPANY OF MARSHALL WILL DO \$75,000.00 BUSINESS THIS YEAR

BIGGEST MILL OF KIND IN WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA

EDITORIAL

It is the purpose of this paper from time to time to give our readers some idea of the industries in our own County and adjoining Counties and to make our readers more familiar with the things worth knowing about in our midst, by which they may pass year in and year out and never have the time or inclination to visit and learn about. Hot Springs, Mars Hill, Walnut and other places near by will furnish material for articles of this kind in the future, as soon as we have the time to prepare these articles. But in keeping with the Biblical injunction to begin at Jerusalem, we are beginning at Marshall. And first of all we take up the prosperous and progressive organization known as the City Mill Company, the products of which company are advertised in this paper every week.

The City Mill Company was organized in August, 1918, beginning at first as a partnership with a capital of less than \$3,000, Messrs. Fred E. Freeman and Gudger Goforth being the owners, starting business in the building now occupied by the News-Record printing establishment. For several years this business grew and prospered in this building until about a year ago, it had outgrown its quarters and the owners decided to move the plant, build anew and increase the capacity of the business. Accordingly, a site was purchased just across the street from the Southern Railway Station, a commodious and handsome building was erected of concrete blocks, and new and more up to the minute machinery installed. The organi-

zation then became a corporation, with a capital of \$35,000. Mr. W. G. Goforth, Mr. W. V. Farmer and Mrs. Fred Freeman becoming stockholders in addition to the original two owners. Mrs. Freeman was made Secretary-Treasurer of the business, which office she now holds most efficiently.

In these few years the business has grown until it is estimated that the gross output of the mill this year will be about \$75,000 worth of products. For a radius of thirty miles around, this mill carries on an exchange business, that is, people bring corn and wheat and exchange it for meal or flour. In some cases the corn is brought in the shucks and crushed into feed, the shuck, cob and all being crushed into feed.

Recently, the business has grown until a warehouse has been established at Asheville for the products of the mill, and a carload of products are shipped every week to supply the Asheville trade. In Asheville the products of this mill are handled by three wholesale and one hundred retail stores and the latter part of November, Mr. Gudger Goforth moved his family to Asheville to look after that end of the business. The outlook is that another year this mill will do at least a hundred thousand dollar business. All this business is being handled by the people named and only two employees, Mr. Doyle Rogers and Mr. Will Ballew, Mr. Rogers having made the splendid record of having lost only one day in four years. What this business means to Marshall and the County for miles around can be judged by those who appreciate what a thriving business means to any community.

LIVING AT HOME IN MADISON COUNTY

H. K. Ramsey Wins First Prize For Madison County, Offered By The Wachovia Bank and Trust Company, For The Best Article On Living at Home

Mr. H. K. Ramsey of Marshall, R. F. D. No. 5, is the winner of the \$25 prize offered last year by the Wachovia Bank and Trust Co., for the best 500-word article by farmers in the county giving their experience in 1924, toward "Living at Home." This contest was submitted to twenty counties making the total amount offered by that Banking institution \$500. The judges in Madison County were Messrs. Homer Henry, G. L. McKinney and Guy V. Roberts. The papers were to be in by the first of December, 1924. Of the papers submitted, that of Mr. H. K. Ramsey was considered the best and we publish it in full:

"Living at Home"

My Progress during 1924 toward "Living at Home."

The farm contains forty acres in timber and eighty acres cleared land in high state of cultivation. It has sixteen springs on it, running water in every field. There are twenty acres of good meadows, twelve of extra fine corn, two of tobacco, eight sown in wheat, one half each in Irish potatoes, garden, melons and strawberries, with big red strawberries the whole summer.

The orchard contains seventy apple, twelve peach, three cherry, one pear tree, and two grape vines.

Our garden was just fine this year, with plenty of nice vegetables and eats. There were tomatoes that averaged one and one-half pounds. We have some on the vines now, November the twentieth, hanging in the flower pit.

We had sweet corn from July 15, until after frost, by planting two rows about every two weeks.

We sold about twenty dollars worth of garden truck.

We grew big, sweet, juicy

water melons for home use. We have canned about four hundred glass cans of vegetables, fruits and meat. Stored away in the cement spring house, are plenty of Irish potatoes, sweet potatoes, squashes, and apples to do us until the new ones come in.

We have three good milk cows—good milk and butter on the table every day—also milk to feed the hogs and chickens.

The pasture land of seventy acres is out into four lots, one for cows and three for beef cattle. We keep the steers and heifers in a separate pasture during summer. The fall pasture, of orchard grass and clover, will keep them in beef order until Christmas.

We have harvested a fine lot of hay, and four hundred and thirty bushels of corn, which we stored in a new rust-proof crib for cattle and home use.

We sell the beef cattle, put the money in the bank, to clothe the family and school the children. We have one away in school and one teaching for ninety-five dollars per month. I think this is the best investment we have made for the children.

The tobacco will sell for enough to pay taxes and keep clover and grass seeds for re-seed the wheat and oats land.

We have a private electric wire line, which makes the home and work more pleasant, by lights, washing machine, iron, churn and heater. Also electric pump that forces water up to the house from the spring in the hollow, three hundred feet away, by turning a switch in the kitchen.

We have a first class flower pit, six feet by eight, which is a regular flower pit in winter with all kinds of house flowers in full bloom.

We take two good farm, two weekly and one daily newspapers. So we keep well posted on current farm news. Hurrah for the Farmer! He feeds them all.

Yours for better farming,
H. K. RAMSEY.

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS MET

ON MONDAY, JANUARY 5

1923, Tax listed 1924.

Ordered by the Board that M. M. Ramsey of No. 1 township be released of \$6.07—special school tax for the year 1923 by virtue of not living in the district.

Ordered by the Board that Rumbough sisters of No. 9 township be released of \$36.66 tax for the year 1923, road and special school tax included by virtue of error in listing property.

Ordered that Vertie Bullman of No. 10 T. S. be allowed \$10.00 as a pauper for the month of January only.

Ordered that John Jarrett be released of the taxes on the J. B. Hensley farm for the reason that it was listed to Jarrett and Ramsey.

Ordered that L. P. Boone be and is hereby appointed for No. 11 T. S., Madison County, for a term of two years from first Monday in December 1924.

Ordered that Z. R. Merrell be appointed constable for No. 3 township for a term of two years from first Monday in December 1924.

The board of County Commissioners met in regular session Monday, January 5, 1925. Present were Mr. G. L. McKinney, chairman, W. R. Ellerson and G. B. Brown, members. The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

Ordered by the Board that Patterson Ray of No. 10 township, upon presentation of a petition signed by a majority of the citizens of said township, be appointed constable for two years on presentation of and acceptable bond.

Ordered by the Board that Mrs. Pete Haynie be allowed \$20 per month for keeping the four Blaine Haynie children until a home can be provided for them by the Clerk of the Superior Court.

Ordered by the Board that Jeff Bruce of No. 9 township be released of his fall tax of \$2.00 for 1924 by virtue of death.

Ordered by the Board that T. B. Davis of No. 3 township be released of \$7.00 worth of property tax for 1924 by virtue of death.

SHERIFF WILLARD C. RECTOR CAPTURING LIQUOR, STILL, CARS, MEN

Sheriff Rector and his deputies have been busy the last thirty days. They have captured seven men charged with violating the prohibition laws, four cars, 160 1/2 gallons of liquor, and five stills. The fourth car captured, a Ford touring car, was captured on Little Laurel, and is thought by the officers to be a stolen car.

WIFE DIED LAST JULY MARRIED TWICE SINCE

Mr. J. W. Rector and Mrs. Zura Pegg, both of Marshall, were married January 5, Mr. Rector's wife died last July. In the fall he and Mrs. Pegg were married.

This marriage was annulled on account of the girl's age, and objection on part of parents.

The budget system in house-keeping means telling your money where to go instead of asking where it went any home.

There was a young man from Woonsocket Who had never a cent in his pocket. His girl's pa lived in Nantucket And kept all his cash in a bucket. His daughter, named Nan, ran away with this man, And as to the bucket, Nan—"tuck"—it.

This same old man from Nantucket He followed the pair to Pawtucket; He said to the man "Now, you're welcome to Nan." But as to the bucket, Pa—"tuck"—it.