

Upper Crabtree

ONE OF HAYWOOD'S 26 THRIVING COMMUNITIES PARTICIPATING IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM



Members of the Upper Crabtree community. In the background Jean Bradshaw, Adeline Best, Patricia Messer and in the front row, Tooney Bradshaw.



Dan Best in the background shelling corn. These 7 sows are fed 40 ears of corn a day.



Frank Medford farm. (Also see picture No. 6.) No. 4—The purebred Hereford bull owned by Tommy Ferguson, one of the larger cattlemen of the



Part of the purebred hogs of Ray Best, with



Part of the Black Angus herd of 136 on the



community. No. 5—A closer view of the Frank Medford prize Angus bull of Frank Medford who is shown holding the animal.

Robert Trantham and they have moved to a new place.

Many Outstanding Pupils Attended Old Rock Spring High School In Crabtree

Among the families comprising the first settlers and their descendants contributing to the development of the Upper Crabtree community, include the McCrackens, Crawfords, Kirkpatrick's, Haynes, Youngs, Sanfords, and James, Hills and Walkers. When progress of the past is considered in Haywood, one must remember the Old Rock Spring school located at the spring of that township was organized into a special district, and voted a special school tax upon itself for operating a ten-month school several

years before the high school was established. At that time, most of the other schools in the county were operating only four months out of the year. The Rock Spring school had the support of the Baptist and Methodist churches of the community, and with such backing, became one of the best rural high schools in all Western North Carolina. More than 95 pupils have gone out from the old Rock Springs high school as teachers in Crabtree and other communities and states. The school was looked upon as so good that many students from other areas attended and boarded in the community. The records show that some eight or ten of the students entered the ministry. This was attributed to the influence of the two supporting churches in the community. Five young men entered the field of medicine, and rose to the front ranks of their profession. In the field of law, the late William T. Crawford was among the Rock Spring students making an outstanding record. He represented Haywood county in the state legislature, and served three terms in Congress from this district. The interest of the citizens of Crabtree in education exists today as it did back in the days of the thriving and renowned Rock Springs High School.

St. Joseph Hospital and gone home of Mrs. McElroy's sister in Asheville. He will be coming home soon.

Dr. Paul Clark has been in the Waynesville hospital. He went last Friday and was brought home Tuesday. He is improving now. He is the superintendent of the Rock Springs Baptist Sunday School.

We are sorry to hear of the death of Mrs. Roy Clark's niece, Mrs. M. Burgess, of Clyde.

Mrs. Hillard Ross has been sick, but is improving now.

THE OLD HOME TOWN By STANLEY



FORMER LUFTWAFFE TRAINEE GETS U. S. "GREETING"
WAUKEGAN, Ill.—(AP)—Pvt. Karl Stanke, former member of the German Luftwaffe, is viewing the U. S. Army uniform. He was drafted in 1945, he went AWOL from the German army near the French border. He stayed with a farmer near Baden. His aunt, Florence Schmitt, Wis., sent necessary supplies for her nephew brought to the States.

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