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## COMMISSIONERS AND COUNCIL ACCEPT WALL

The Board of County Commissioners met with the Board of Town Commissioners of the Town of Hayesville, on April 7th, 1928, with two members present, viz: J. H. Gretn, Chairman and J. V. A. Moore, Commissioner, for the purpose of passing on the Ruble Masonry Wall constructed around the courthouse square by Herbert & Heaton.

The two Boards received said work which was measured and found to contain 111 cubic yards at a cost of \$6.75 per cubic yard amounted to \$749.25.

The two Boards received and agreed to pay for two sets of steps not included in the contract, on the basis of \$15.00 per cubic yard which amounts to \$53.33.

It was agreed to pay contractors \$1.00 each for six cement caps on columns not called for in contract, \$6.00, making the total amount due contractors \$808.58 one half of which was to be paid by the Town Commissioners and one half by County Commissioners.

It was found that the total amount of cement used in the construction of said wall and steps was 196 bags at 75c per bag \$147.00, Terra Cotta Pipe \$1.00, Cost of Wall including steps \$808.58. Total \$956.58.

County's one-half \$478.29. Amount paid by town \$630.00. Amount due Town by County by claim July 1st, 1928, \$151.71. Amount due contractors by claim July 1st, 1928 \$326.58. Total \$478.29.

Ordered that the empty cement sacks be returned to W. M. Fain Grocery Company, and that Town and County share one half each of any credit allowed on same.

Since Town Commissioners receive no compensation for their services and that considerable donation of services have been rendered by members of that body, it is ordered by the Board of Commissioners that no compensation for mileage or service be entered to said County Commissioners for this meeting.

There being no further business, the Board adjourned to meet in adjourned session on Monday, April 16th, 1928, for the purpose of adjusting the matter of Tax Supervision for the year 1928, and any and all other business that may come before said Board.

J. H. GREEN, Chairman.  
GLOVER P. LEDFORD, Clerk.

## Frank Hogsed Sells \$160 Worth of Broilers

Mr. Frank Hogsed, of Elf community sold 300 eight weeks old Rhode Island broilers Tuesday at the poultry sale which was held here. The 300 broilers weighed exactly 400 pounds, and brought 40 cents per pound or a total of \$160.00. Mr. Hogsed stated that the baby chicks, feed, etc., cost him \$88.00. This leaves him \$72.00 clear profit. He also stated that he went right ahead with his farm work as usual, thus clearing \$36.00 per month over what he did before he went to raising chickens. He stated that he has one of the Witt Penland type of brooders, and finds it the most satisfactory brooder there is. He plans to grow more poultry next year.

## Tax Advertisements Will Begin on May 1

Delinquent taxpayers must get busy. The Commissioners in compliance with the law, have ordered the Sheriff to begin the advertisement of the lands of all those who have not paid their 1927 taxes by May 1.

The Commissioners and the Sheriff are sorry that pressure must be brought so early, under the circumstances, but it is a matter of law, and they cannot help themselves.

## ELF TEACHERS ARE SELECTED

At a recent meeting of the Elf School committee the following teachers were selected to fill the Elementary department of the school.

H. O. Waldroup, sixth and seventh grades.

Thelma Penland, fourth and fifth grades.

Dessie Moffitt, second and third grades.

Dair McCracken, first grade.

The matter of electing the principal was deferred until a later date, because of the uncertainty of just the type of school that will be maintained next year.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL RALLY HELD AT BRYSON CITY

On Sunday, April 15th, representatives of the Methodist Sunday Schools of Franklin, Bryson City, Murphy and Hayesville met in the Methodist Church at Bryson City at 11:00 o'clock a. m., for the purpose of putting on a contest in the respective Sunday schools for the period of six months. It had been previously announced that this meeting would be held at Patterson Springs but the weather man told us that the comfortable church at Bryson City would be a better place.

The idea of making our various Sunday schools better by entering this contest was conceived by the Methodist church at Franklin, and the Men's Bible Class of this church bought a magnificent Silver Cup, to be presented to the winning class. Although Sylva, Whittier and Andrews were not represented the convention was sure these towns would also enter the contest which will make seven contestants. Notwithstanding that the day was very cold and disagreeable over a hundred of enthusiastic Sunday school workers from the above mentioned places were present. The program consisted of speaking, singing, handshaking and eating. Col. George B. Patton of Franklin made the welcome address, in well chosen and beautiful language, he made us all feel at home indeed. Speeches on Sunday school work and the contest were made by the following gentlemen: Col. G. H. Haigler, Hayesville; Mr. Bob Long, of Bryson City; Mr. R. R. Beal, of Murphy; Mr. R. E. Crawford, of Hayesville and Col. O. L. Anderson, of Hayesville; and Rev. Brog, former pastor of Franklin. A permanent organization was made, the following gentlemen being elected to the various offices: R. E. Crawford, of Hayesville, President; Bob Long of Bryson City, Vice-President; W. M. Fain, of Murphy, Secretary and Treasurer. A committee constituted of the following men was appointed by the president: Franklin, Geo. B. Patton; Sylva, M. Buchanan; Whittier, R. J. Roan; Bryson City, J. E. Coburn; Andrews, John Walker; Murphy, R. R. Beal; Hayesville, G. H. Haigler. This committee is charged with the duty of drafting the constitution and by-laws, and determining the basis of the contest.

Mr. Street, of Franklin, served as temporary chairman, and Bob Davis one of the originators of the plan was on the ground.

The next place of meeting will be near Nantahala Station, October 18th. No more beautiful place could have been selected, and it is practically in the center of the contestants.

Those who attended the rally from Hayesville are as follows: Mr. and Mrs. O. L. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Anderson, Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Crawford, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Ketchum, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Padgett, Col. G. H. Haigler, Misses Avis Crawford, Opal Anderson, Evelyn Crawford, Mrs. U. K. Hyatt, Mr. and Mrs. Silvy Penland.

## TRAGIC CONFLICT BELLEAU WOOD IN BIG 'PARADE'

Major Engagement of the World War Reproduced for Vidior Film —U. S. Officers Preside

Down to the last graphic detail, the battle of Belleau Wood, one of the major engagements of the World War in which American soldiers took part, was reproduced in motion pictures as one of the sequences of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "The Big Parade," to be shown at the Bonita Theatre, Murphy, Friday and Saturday, matinee at 2 p. m.

The battle was planned by general officers of the Second Division, U. S. A., and to their rank and file it was both a school of instruction and a review. The newer recruits learned how 'twas done, but the vets relived the unforgettable reality.

Several thousand Yanks, most of whom had been in the real thing, advanced through Bellevue Wood, supported by artillery, airplanes, tanks, observation balloons, signalmen engineers, supply service and division train. Raked by machine gun fire and halted now and again by exploding mines, the boys in khaki stormed the enemy trenches, cleaned out machine gun nests, and "mopped up" the field of action.

The doughboys, the officers, the tremendous mass push through the Argonne, the hand-to-hand fighting that cleaned up the enemy trenches and machine gun nests, have been reproduced, not like the war propaganda pictures of that period, but in the intimate realism of the saner ten years' view. It is the doughboy's story—his, and the story of the girl back of the lines who also drank of war's dread cup.

John Gilbert as Jim Apperson "mopping up" the German nest shows a frenzy that only those who have lost a "buddy" in battle can know. Bull O'Hara, the other surviving "buddy," cries out: "Don't let this war. They cheer us when we leave, and cheer us when we return, but what's it all about?"

An Incident Nearing the end of the awful clean-up Jim spares a bayonet thrust and soothes the last moments of his wounded foe by the proffered solace of a cigarette.

Pioneer work through the Forest, skulking from cover to cover, taking it on the run across leas and meadows, meeting enemy in the open in widely spread formation, putting on the gas masks, deploying in trenches and shell holes just captured, going over the top again and again, the Yanks show the mettle that was embodied in an Argonne Commander's famous answer: "We will not go back, and we are ready!"

## ANNUAL SINGING CONVENTION 5TH

The annual singing convention for Clay County will be held at the Baptist church in Hayesville on the 5th Sunday in this month.

The announcement was made a few weeks ago that the convention would be held in the courthouse; but owing to the fact that court convenes the following day, it has been decided to hold the convention in the Baptist church.

We hope to see every community in the county represented, at this convention—not only with a good choir, male or mixed quartet, but with plenty of good things to eat. Let everyone bring a basket of dinner and be prepared to stay all day.

A banner will be awarded to the winning class in the contest singing. The banner is now held by the Ogdens class.

A prize will be given the best male or mixed quartet. Any community or township in the county may send a quartet.

The convention will open at 10 o'clock a. m. Don't forget the time and place.

W. L. Matheson, President.

## HICKS' STUDENTS TO HOLD REUNION

There is a movement on foot to hold a reunion of all the students of John O. Hicks, who taught school in Clay County many years ago. This reunion will be held, probably, some time in July at Hayesville, on the grounds where the old Hickeyville Academy stood, and where the Haysville High School now stands.

It has been requested that all who went to school to this famous old man, send their names to the Clay County News office, giving their ages etc., so that the committee can arrange for your entertainment on that eventful day. There are several of these old students in Clay County and quite a few in Cherokee County who will be glad to get together in memory of this great educator.

## CLAY FARMERS SHIP \$1670.82 WORTH OF HOGS

The Swine Growers Association of Clay County shipped 106 head of live hogs on last Wednesday and Thursday. Twenty five head were shipped from Brasstown Township and these were loaded in a car at Murphy with Cherokee County. The 25 head weighed 3675 pounds and brought \$331.76. Eighty one head were loaded in a car at Hayesville Thursday, they weighed 16571 pounds and brought the farmers \$1339.06, making a total for the 106 hogs 20246 pounds, \$1670.82.

The hogs were bought by the Eaker Packing Company, Asheville, N. C. This company paid from one cent to one and a quarter cents more per pound than the Richmond market.

## HISTORY OF FIRST SETTLERS IN CLAY

From time to time the News will carry a history of the first settlers of Clay County. A few weeks ago we carried a story on the life of John C. Moore, first white man to live on Tusquitee. We feel that this history will be of interest to many people now living in the County and also to those who have lived here but now live in distant cities.

Later we are going to try and get a complete history of Clay County, beginning with its organization and coming on up to the present. We feel that this will be of interest to our readers. It is hoped that you readers who have friends and relatives living elsewhere will let them know that this history will be published so that they can subscribe in time to get the beginning of this interesting history.

## MRS. J. O. SMITH IS OPERATED ON

Mrs. John O. Smith, of Hayesville route 1, underwent an operation at Dr. Angel's hospital at Franklin Saturday, April 14th. She was accompanied to Franklin by Dr. and Mrs. P. B. Killian and Mr. Ernest Smith. Latest reports are that she is doing nicely.

## OGDEN NEWS

Mrs. Julia Ledford of Brasstown is spending several days with her son, Amos Ledford, who has been ill with measles.

Miss Emma Teems spent Thursday night with Oneita and Louise McQuire.

Mrs. J. L. Elliott and children spent Thursday with Miss Myrtle Trout at Brasstown.

Mr. Roscoe Teems of Hayesville was the guest of Mr. Riley. Ellis Sunday.

We are glad to say that Miss Ina Elliott is improving after having measles.

Mrs. Hattie Ledford of Warne route 1, spent Friday afternoon with Miss Georgia Watkins.

## CRAWFORD TALK TO STUDENTS ON CONSERVATION

R. E. Crawford, Mayor of Hayesville and former teacher in Hayesville High School, addressed the student body of the Hayesville school Friday morning April 13th, at 10:00 o'clock on game and fish conservation. He told the students that extermination and conservation were in a death grip, and called upon them to go to the aid and assistance of conservation. He said "God must have been in a good humor when He made North Carolina, but he smiled a broad smile when He made the western part." He made us his custodians over forest and stream but we have been very bad managers in the days past and gone, w'd life is struggling for existence here, he told the student body, and they are pleading with us to render it assistance. He said that the successful conservation program was principally up to the young people of this section, and scathingly denounced that well known animal, The Game Hog, that so commonly stalks in our forests and fields out of season. He called upon the young people to aid the officers of the law in the enforcement of the game and fishing laws. The student body manifested much interest in the subject.

## TAKE TWO MEN AND WHISKEY SUNDAY

Charlie Sexton, white, about 35 of Hiwassee Township was taken Sunday by officers who found four fruit jars with whiskey in them in his home. Sexton was placed in jail until he can be given a hearing.

Bon Berrong, of Georgia, was arrested Sunday by officers, charged with assault with a deadly weapon, also some whiskey was found in his pocket.

## 4302 POUNDS OF POULTRY SOLD

After weighing up and loading the poultry that was brought in by the farmers of Clay County Tuesday it was found that there were 4302 pounds, bringing to the farmers \$1061.18. The poultry going to the Farmers Federation at Asheville.

There were 1855 pounds of heavy hens, 1201 pounds of light hens, 745 pounds of heavy broilers, 358 pounds light broilers and 143 pounds of cocks. This concern paid 20 cents for heavy hens, 18 cents for light hens, 35 cents for light broilers, 40 cents for heavy broilers and 9 cents for cocks. The farmers of Clay County were forced to take a loss of \$55.00 as County Agent Arrendale had a bid from an Atlanta firm of 21 cents for all hens, 35 cents for light broilers and 40 cents for heavy broilers. This was caused by the agents in the counties east of Clay having sold to the Farmers Federation at the low price.

Coops were on hand and the poultry was quickly weighed and loaded, farmers not having to spend many hours in town waiting to get their poultry weighed. There was some delay again about the money, the concern buying the chickens did not get the money here until about 9:00 a. m. It was promised to be here the day before.

## MRS. NEIL HAIGLERS FATHER, DIED 7TH

Mr. T. J. Glausier, age 70, of Baconton, Ga., father of Mrs. B. Neal Haigler, died April 7th after an illness of several weeks following a stroke of paralysis. Mrs. Haigler reached the bedside of her father a few days before he died.

Mr. Haigler left Monday for Atlanta, where he met Mrs. Haigler, and they returned to Hayesville Tuesday.