

HILLCREST NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. W. L. Hood, of De-rita, N. C. spent the week-end at Hillcrest visiting their niece, Miss Martha Hunter Hickman.

Born, April 26, to Mr. and Mrs. M. Georgian, a baby boy.

Mrs. R. N. Hunter was the delightful hostess to the Senior class of Hillcrest Friday April 24. She had as guests besides the seniors the faculty and matrons. She served a five course dinner that was delicious and the beautifully decorated table and favors added to its charm. The class colors were used in table decoration.

Rev. R. N. Hunter and J. S. Watson left early Tuesday morning to attend the meeting of the first Presbytery of the A. R. Presbyterian church held at Taylorsville, N. C.

Rev. R. N. Hunter was a visitor to Asheville Thursday.

Rev. W. B. Lindsey spent Wednesday and Thursday nights at Hillcrest in the interest of the work here.

The tenth and eleventh grades of Hillcrest had the privilege of hearing Dr. G. Campbell Morgan Wednesday afternoon. It was very beneficial to hear Dr. Morgan and especially helpful because of the background they have had in Bible study under Miss Spencer.

Miss Nellie Reid and some of the Hillcrest boys went to hear Dr. Morgan at Spartanburg Thursday evening. It was a great treat to hear Dr. Morgan.

The Baccalaureate sermon of Hillcrest Institute will be preached May 3rd at Sandy Plains church. Dr. E. N. Orr, of Gastonia will deliver the sermon. Dr. Orr is a noted evangelist and Hillcrest is very fortunate in securing him. The public is invited to worship with us on this occasion.

Mr. Grady Walker and Miss Margaret Shehan were married Saturday evening.

Mr. G. Isham Henderson is spending his vacation at home.

NOTICE

Having qualified as executor of the estate of James Leonard, deceased, late of Polk County, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned executor, at Tryon, N. C., within twelve months from date of this notice will be pleaded in bar of recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This April 22, 1922, 1925. Peoples Bank & Trust Company Executor.

PLAY AT MILL SPRING

Mill Spring High School will present a three-act play, "Home Acres" next Wednesday evening, May 6 at 7:30. Admission will be 10c and 25c. The cast includes: Ann Rickett (a gossip spinster) Nina Wood. Jane Whitman (maiden aunt) Adelia Cochran. Dave Holden (a young farmer) George Gibbs. Rose Whitman (a country flower) Inez Wood. "Lib" (out of her element) Virginia Brown. Enoch (the chore boy) John Cochran. John Whitman (who has been to college) Claude Edwards. Winifred Clay (a New Yorker) Fred Barber. Helen Dalton (a product of the "Gay White Way") Fae Gibbs. Jim Ferguson (a schemer) Robert Bell.

NOTICE

Having qualified as administrator, with will annexed, of the estate of Helen Leonard, deceased, this is to notify all persons having claims against said estate to present them to the undersigned administrator within twelve months from date of this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. This April 22, 1922, 1925. Peoples Bank & Trust Company Administrator.

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FISHTOP, N. C.

By E. J. Bradley.

I have been asked to write the history of this section by several persons, and while I am not as well informed as I would like to be, to undertake such a task, possibly I am as well qualified as anyone now living here. So if the Editor will give me space in his valuable paper, I will give the readers from time to time what I know, and what I received by tradition.

Green River Cove, now known to many as Fishtop, was the home of a small band of Cherokee Indians when first discovered by the whites. They made earthenware and stone implements, as signs of their kiln and pieces of their ware, arrows, hammers, axes, plows, etc., have been found on the Bradley plantation.

The Indians would occasionally raid the Whites in the lower settlements. The last raid they made they found a woman and her boy on getting pine. They killed the boy and scalped both. It is not known whether they let the mother go on purpose, or that they overlooked her, each thinking that some other had killed her, as she pretended to be dead. She gave the alarm to some other families. They gathered up a bunch of men and came to the Cove and killed five of the bucks and returned. The rest of the colony moved out leaving the settlement, which the whites soon took possession of, using it as a resort for hunting and fishing for many years.

Samuel Spencer first took grants for land, 600 and a 200 acre tracts; then Thomas Justice 100, James Gad, 50 (on Gad's Creek) and others. Men of note first occupied this section, such men as General Miller, Abram Sted, John Mills, and several family of Morrises. The Morrises were Methodists, and Governor Brownlow of Tennessee preached for the settlement, Columbus Pace's mother who was the daughter of Richard Morris, was born on the Bradley farm.

Fishtop Postoffice was established 38 years ago with T. E. Pace as Postmaster which he still holds. It took its name from the Falls at the upper end of the cove on Green River, and Fishop Falls took its name from the fact that it was the highest point that fish could go, having reference to shad and other salt water fish; as eel and trout and jumping sucker would climb over where the water was high. They were not considered a game fish in those days. There was a grist mill at the fall 100 years ago, which washed away about 74 or 75 years ago. There was also one on Laurel Branch (or creek) and it washed away in the same freshet. There was a bolting cloth at this mill, and a large sycamore log was used for the chest.

Mrs. Philbeck and young son who have been stopping at Boxwood Inn for eleven weeks have returned to their home in Chicago.

The Woman's Auxiliary of the Diocese of Western North Carolina will meet in the Holy Cross Parish House Tuesday night and Wednesday on May 12th and 13th. This includes Morganton, Gastonia, Asheville, and all towns West of Morganton. Women from all these cities will be present, and an interesting meeting is anticipated.



COLUMBUS

With the close of school the following teachers of Stearns High School left for their respective homes: Miss Celeste Legette to Red Springs, Miss Elizabeth McLurry to Abbeville, S. C., Miss Myrtle Chandler to Weaver, Miss Loraine Rinehart to Harpers-town, Md. and Mr. A. D. Huffine to Denton, Texas.

Miss Loraine Rinehart was accompanied to her home in Maryland by her friend Miss Vadah McMurry who will make a month's visit with her.

Miss Dorothy Edwards of Rutherfordton greeted old friends in Columbus last Thursday and spent the day with Miss Annie Lois Mills.

The Columbus Parent-Teacher Association will hold its regular monthly meeting in the school auditorium Friday evening, May 1st at eight o'clock. As this will be the last meeting until school re-opens in the fall all members and others are urgently requested to be present.

Mr. J. Austin Newman of Gaffney, spent the past week-end at home.

Following the entertainment given last Saturday afternoon by the primary and intermediate grades and the Baccalaureate sermon delivered at the Baptist church last Sunday morning by Rev. Wilkes Denny, of Columbia Seminary the commencement exercises of Stearns High School were continued during the past week and brought to a successful close last Friday, evening.

On Tuesday evening at eight o'clock Miss Loraine Rinehart instructor in music in S. H. S. presented the following pupils in a recital: Anna Lynch, Irene Edwards, Grace Hamilton, Coy Smith, Ruth Cobb, Eloise Cobb, Emma Kathrine Cobb, Eleanor Bird, Ruth Tate, Lizzie Lee Wilson, Grace Smith, and Harriet Peagan. Numbers rendered by these young ladies were complimentary to both teacher and pupil. These numbers were pleasingly interspersed with selections rendered by the Boys and Girls Glee Clubs.

On Wednesday evening the Senior class gave their class day exercises which were interesting and enjoyed by a large audience. Class officers and those taking part in the program were as follows: Eulas Davis class president; Carrie Barber, vice-president and gitorian; Jacob Cobb, secretary and valedictorian; Eleanor Bird, treasurer and salutatorian; Ed Barber, historian; Ernest Gibbs, poet; Hugh Jack, prophet; Barbara Voorheis, last will and testament; and Little Miss Mary Lillian Blanton class mascot. The program opened with a piano duet beautifully rendered by Misses Anna Lynch and Irene Edwards of the Junior class and ended with a piano solo by Miss Lynch.

On Thursday night the Seniors gave their class play which brought out to perfection the dramatic ability of the various members of the class.

On Friday night the high-water mark of the whole commencement was reached when Prof. W. A. Anderson of A. & E. College delivered the commencement address, using for his subject, "Where are we going in North Carolina Rural Life." As objectives to be obtained in our rural life, Prof. Anderson urged first, the highest possible standard of morals in rural communities; second, the highest possible educational advantages for country boys and girls; third, the making of rural N. C. and rural America a sanitary and healthy place in which to live; fourth, cooperation among our rural inhabitants. Following this able address Prof. McIntosh presented diplomas to the following High School graduates: Misses Nannie Sue Arledge, Eleanor Bird, Carrie Barber, Thelma Hague, Marie Hall, and Barbara Voorheis; and Messrs. Ed Barber, Forrest Cloud, Jacob Cobb, Eulas Davis, Ernest Gibbs, Hugh Jack, Hanford Thompson and DeWitt Smith. An interesting and unusual thing about this graduating class is that it contains more boys than girls. It is also unusual for a boy to be valedictorian of a High School graduating class as is true in this case. The fact that this boy happens to be the youngest member of the class makes this honor all the more honorable.

The members of the seventh grade who received promotion to the eighth grade were: Alice Edwards, Edith Durham, Jeanette McFarland, Ellen Hague, Ruth and Eloise Cobb. Those receiving certificates of award for perfect attendance were Clara and Gwendoline Constance, Marie Hall, Anna Lynch, Mary Sue Green, Emma Kathrine Cobb and Clarence Davenport.

Little Charles Hutchinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Major Hutchinson who has been in the orthopedic hospital at Gastonia, came home the middle of last week. He is able to walk now with the use of crutches and unless he grows worse, Charles will be able to stay at home for good.

Miss Lelia Wilson spent Saturday in Spartanburg, and returned Sunday accompanied by her friends, Miss Grace Wiggins and two brothers, who remained in Tryon until Monday noon.

Miss Ryan, a young woman of much charm and culture, was in Tryon last Friday in the interests of a Chautauqua Company of Kansas City Mo. Miss Ryan is booking entertainments and was successful in getting Hendersonville on her list for the fall season.

Judge J. J. Gentry of Bird Mountain was looking after business matters here last week. Judge Gentry recently returned from Petersburg Va., where he had held a wonderfully successful revival meeting at the Second Baptist Church, 75 uniting with the church by profession, and about 50 by letter. As a minister of real Christianity who each day practices what he preaches; as a forceful and eloquent speaker; as a man of fine intellect and cultivated manner, Judge Gentry is in a class by himself with his congregations, and is in great and constant demand among the Baptist churches of the larger cities. He left again one day last week for Augusta, Georgia, where he will hold a two weeks revival at the Crawford Avenue Baptist Church of which Rev. B. F. Holford is the regular pastor. The congregation of Crawford Avenue has a rare treat in store for them.

Miss Techenor, a journalist of prominence in the East, with her mot-

er, has been spending a few days in beautiful Tryon after a delightful visit in Charleston. Miss Techenor spent about two years in Germany where she had to wear an assignment as feature writer for the New York Globe, and in our own...

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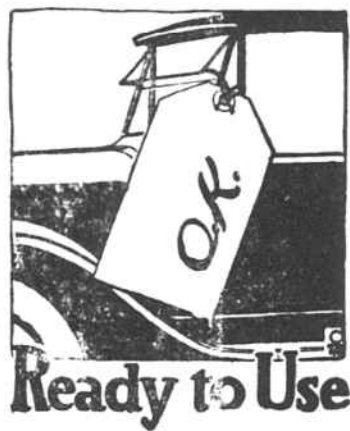
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