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THE APPALACHIAN TRAINING SCHOOL MAKES REPORT.

Beginning With Nothing But Grit and Determination to Succeed, the "Dougherty Boys" Have Done Great Good in the Mountains—State Has Great Plant Worth \$25,000—Run Economically.

Raleigh Evening Times.

If the Times man were called upon to name the State's most economically managed institution, the one with the greatest future and the one doing the most good with the least expenditure, he would not hesitate to name the Appalachian Training School. In saying this there is no exaggeration. Only one who knows the mountain section and who knows conditions there can appreciate the work being done.

The school is laboring to equip teachers for service in the mountains. Many years ago Supt. B. B. Dougherty and his brother, D. D. Dougherty, just graduated from the State University and splendidly equipped for service left the halls of our great university and "buried themselves" as their friends said, in the back woods. Both of them fully realized that the path they were setting themselves to tread was beset with many difficulties. Neither wavered. They saw their duty and they did it without question. Their hearts were burning with a desire to help their people, the whole-hearted, simple minded but great people of the mountains, and without reward, or hope of reward, other than a consciousness of duty performed, they pushed forward without shadow of varbleness or turning. They began humbly and their influence has widened and widened until the name of the "Dougherty Boys" is really a household word in a dozen mountain counties. The people know them and love them. The people have watched the growth of the great training school. Ten years ago the idea began to take form in the minds of the "Dougherty Boys." Mr. B. B. Dougherty, superintendent of the school, did many hard weeks of manual labor on the first building. With his own team he graded the ground and hauled the lumber for the first building. For four years he struggled for a foothold. Finally the State came to his rescue, six years ago, with an appropriation. Small wonder that Supt. Dougherty loves the school. It is the direct result of his own unselfish labors.

What the school is today can best be shown by a few extracts from the biennial report of the officers of the school which has just been issued. Capt. E. F. Lovill, ex-Senator from Watauga, is president of the board of trustees. In his letter to Governor Ketchin transmitting the report of the school he says:

You will observe that the school property has cost \$24,410. Of this amount the people have given \$7,620.58. We have five buildings. One large brick building, containing 9 rooms; two dormitories for girls, one containing 44 rooms; the other 18 rooms; one boarding hall for boys—32 rooms, and Watauga Academy—11 rooms.

The farms contain 200 acres; the campus, including the Stantbury property, 18 1/2 acres.

The water is brought from never-failing springs above habitation, providing water for the entire school town.

The attendance at present is 225. We are astonished ourselves at the growth of the school. The school has drawn patronage from 25 counties.

Ten teachers are employed in the school, and matrons have charge of the boarding houses. Over one hundred students are in the higher grades. The course of study is full four years above the public school course. With all this, the state does not spend over \$10 per capita for a whole year on our students.

I, as chairman of the executive committee, have given much time and often I have been at considerable expense, working for the school. Also it should be known that B. B. Dougherty collected from the people \$7,620.58, without charging the institution one cent, always traveling at his own expense. Nor has any member of the board of trustees received anything for their services. Our labors are labors of love for our beloved state. We have been paid, for our efforts in the realization of the vast amount of good our institution has done, is doing, and will continue to do we pray, for all time to come, to our mountain country.

I respectfully submit that no institution in North Carolina has accomplished so much on so little.

The great desire of the trustees is to own a farm large enough to produce hay and other products for the institution—that we may be able to help poor boys by giving them work on the farm, we should have an experiment station—or test farm—connected with the institution.

We are profoundly thankful for the aid we have received, and we trust in the future the school will receive favorable consideration from this state.

Superintendent Dougherty, in his report says:

We believe the business has been managed as economically as any business could be. The state has now spent \$15,790.47 on the plant. The people have spent \$7,620.58, making \$24,410.00. This is aside from many local favors.

The institution owns a farm of 200 acres having an orchard of 200 apple trees, gardens, small meadow, grazing lands for 15 cattle, and 100 acres of woodland.

The campus contains 7 1/2 acres. Upon this are three buildings: Watauga Academy, containing 4 recitation rooms, book store and printing office. In this building the advanced grades are taught.

The enrollment last year was 387. We have in school now over 200. The enrollment this year will be above 400. I think they must have taught 16,000 students, as number taught two schools.

As to our needs, they are many. We should finish painting, and furnish the boarding hall for boys; we should get better desks and blackboards, and spend money on the campus, beautifying and building sidewalks.

Owing to the growing condition of the school, it is almost a necessity that waterworks and sewerage system should be installed.

All together this institution has made as fine a showing as any institution in North Carolina, public or private.

I do not believe our plant could be duplicated for \$35,000. The state spends only \$10 per capita on our students. Furthermore, the school has had a healthy and an uplifting influence for public school education throughout this mountain country. It reaches all classes of people, rich and poor.

That the spending of money on such an institution is wise, no

thoughtful, observing person will any longer doubt. There is a kind of double influence about this work that reaches, directly or indirectly, every home and almost every child.

Pensions Increased.

It is generally understood that the Legislature which has just adjourned made no change in the laws pensioning Confederate soldiers. We heard quite a number of people yesterday express themselves on this question, and it was not complimentary to the members of the legislature—Lenoir News.

The Legislature increased the general pension appropriation from \$400,000 per annum to \$450,000 and it also passed an act authorizing county commissioners to increase the pension act in each county 2 cents on the \$100 valuation and 6 cents on the poll. It is estimated, we believe, that this will add \$100,000 to the pension fund. Petitions were presented asking the Legislature to abolish the property qualification and pension all Confederate soldiers. We think the Legislature was wise in refusing to do this. It would have placed on the pension roll numerous men who are wealthy or independent well-to-do, who do not need the pension, and would as a result have reduced the amount paid to those who need the money. The state is not able to pay liberal pensions to all Confederates and it is not wise to do some thing in a gush of sentiment that would give to those who do not need while depriving the needy. Under the law a veteran who owns \$500 worth of property cannot draw a pension.—Statesville Landmark.

The Secret Of Long Life.

A French scientist has discovered one secret of long life. His method deals with the blood. But long ago millions of Americans had proved Electric Bitters prolonged life and makes it worth living. It purifies, enriches and vitalizes the blood, rebuilds wasted nerve cells, imparts life and tone to the entire system. It's a god-send to weak, sick and debilitated people. "Kidney trouble had blighted my life for months," writes W. M. Sherman, of Curhig, Me., but Electric Bitters cured me entirely." Only 50c, at all druggists.

The prize recently offered by Moore & Coffey and won by Winborne Cardwell, is making rapid strides in improvement. The prize, which, by the way, is nothing less than a fine blooded mare with the modern attachments of spavin, stringhalt, scratches etc. has reached the convalescent point where she can stand alone by leaning against the fence. It is claimed that this wonderful rejuvenation of horse flesh is due to application of pure apple vinegar purchased from N. B. Smith. They say Cardwell is proud of his prize and is often seen holding up the mare with one hand and feeding her grass with the other.—Wilkesboro Chronicle.

Revolts At Cold Steel.

"Your only hope," said three doctors to Mrs. M. E. Fisher, Detroit Mich., suffering from severe rectal trouble, lies in an operation. "Then I used Dr. King's New Life Pills," she writes, "till wholly cured." They prevent Appendicitis, cure Constipation, and Headache. 25c. at all druggists.

A large number of people are naming their babies William Howard Taft nowadays. This all right, of course, even if the present-day supply of adult Grover Cleverlands is not everything it might be.

At the White House.

Mrs. Taft has the reputation of being an excellent house keeper, but little of this kind of work will fall to her lot as mistress of the White House. A steward is provided at \$1,800 a year to look after such matters.

It is his duty to hire all servants, to give orders to the house keeper and to do all the marketing. He is provided with a government Dayton wagon in which to do his shopping.

He is a sworn government official who under the terms of a bond of \$20,000 given before he enters upon his duties is personally responsible for all government property used in the White House. This includes table linen, plate glass, furniture, carpets and ornaments.

When the first lady of the land wishes any repairs or changes made she has simply to call upon the engineer-officer of the army who is detailed in the dual capacity of superintendent of public buildings and grounds and master of ceremonies at the White House. He is allowed \$35,000 a year for the care and refurnishing of the mansion and an equal amount for repairs, \$6,000 for fuel, \$9,000 for greenhouses and \$4,000 for care of White House grounds.

All food bills, including those for the four State dinners given each year for the entertainment of distinguished foreigners in Washington must be paid out of the President's own private funds. The four state banquets usually cost about \$1,000 each. The floral decorations for the White House, however, come from the government greenhouse. The music, too, is free being furnished by the famous Marine Band at Washington.

In the basement of the White House the new mistress will find two modern kitchens, a large laundry room and a wonderful pantry containing an electric dish heater with a capacity of 3,000 dishes and plates. At the state dinners, over which she presides, the viands, prepared in her two kitchens by one of the best caterers in the country, will be served on a \$90,000 service of Wedge wood china, besides the new glass ware bought under the Roosevelt regime and the historic silver plate collected by White House matrons ever since Adams' time.—Technical Times.

Of the 1,318 acts passed by the recent General Assembly it is stated that only 78 have general or State wide application. This gives some idea of the enormous amount of time consumed by the Legislature in passing local or private acts, while many things of general interest to all the people do not receive proper consideration. It is to be regretted that the proposed constitutional amendment, designed to relieve the Legislature of much of this local business, failed to pass.—Landmark.

Sometimes we hear people talk as if opportunity were so rare that by dropping asleep a minute we might miss it for ever. Instead, life is all opportunity. There is not a moment that does not bring us some change to be improved; but sometimes, as we strain our eyes for the great opportunity, we miss the countless little ones all the time passing.—The Young Evangelist.

Branch up! It's only a matter of time until you will be selecting a straw lid.

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