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CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL CLOSES SUCCESSFUL TERM

The first term of Putnam County Central High School closed last Friday. The term was very successful in every respect. Ninety-nine pupils were enrolled in high school work exclusively. Of this number 44 were first year pupils, 16 second year pupils, 21 third year, 12 fourth year, 2 post graduate and 4 taking special work in domestic science. There were classes in all the four year courses offered in English, history, mathematics and latin, and in the three year courses in general science and household science and one class in German. Good work has been done in all departments but special mention should be made of the work in household science.

Domestic Science

This is one of the newest essential features of a modern high school. Our class consists of twenty-six. A visit to the department will convince any one that the time has been profitably spent. Not only are the shelves of the pantry filled with a variety of canned fruits and vegetables but the members of the class are able to readily compute the cost of a meal and estimate a balanced ration. With the weight and occupation given, any member of the class can tell how much food is required to keep a person going twenty-four hours. The class is now working on a kitchen plan, by which time and energy may be economized and modern sanitation observed.

Domestic Art

Last year the class in sewing was small but this year there is a decided improvement in numbers and interest in this line of work. During the past term a study of textiles has been made. In this work the class has been taught the prices, general character and uses of more than thirty of the most commonly used textiles. Hand sewing and drafting of patterns are being especially emphasized.

The Apollonian Literary Society

If any one thing may be said to have characterized the work of this society it is success. Diligence and interest on the part of the members are the things that contributed largely to the successful work. Much interest has been shown in the weekly programs. More than twenty members have done good society work. The officers for the term were Robert Elrod, Pres., Eugene Jared, Vice Pres., Cortez Clark, Sec., Ross Burton, Treas., Victor McClain, Sheriff, Tennie Smartt, Censor, John Terry, Atty., Bryan Cowden, Critic.

The Vena Mai Martin Society

This is a society among the young ladies and while it has only been organized since October it has done some high class literary work. This society meets each Friday afternoon. The officers for last term were Naomi Ensor, Pres., Mildred Cooper, Vice Pres., Janie Lowe, Sec., Rettie Ensor, Treasurer, Miss Vena Mai Martin, Critic. The society is planning a very interesting program for the first week of the new term on "Woman's Rights."

Athletics

A football team under the direction of Mr. Jim Wall made a very creditable showing. Two games were played, one with Livingston Academy at Livingston and the other with Carthage High School at Cookeville. Our team lost both games but displayed a splendid school spirit and made some good gains.

Field Day

Central High found it possible to enter only eleven events in the field day exercise and won seven. This was the best record made by any school. Our exhibit won first taking the most valuable prize offered—a Webster's International Dictionary.

Art

To accommodate those desiring to take art, Miss Fannie Kuykendall has taught at Central High School during the morning and at the City School in the afternoon. Some good work has already been done and the work of this department this year will no doubt surpass that of last year which received praise from all visitors.

The Second Term

The second term of three months began with very flattering prospects. Mr. Harrison has taken up his work in Agriculture and has organized three classes in that subject. An eighth grade class has been organized and is growing every day. Every thing points to a successful term.

RARE CURIOSITIES

S. C. Huddleston brought to the Herald office recently three rare curiosities in the form of tax receipts, two of them over one hundred years old and the other dated in 1821. They were written on small scraps of paper, two of them undated and none showing the amount of taxes. The receipts were given to Charles Huddleston, father of Jordan Huddleston, the latter still living and the oldest man in Putnam county. The receipts read as follows:

"Rec'd Charles Huddleston tax for 1812. J. Cooke."

"Rec'd of Charles Huddleston his state and county tax for the year 1813. J. Raulston, D. S."

"Rec'd 5th March 1821 Charles Huddleston tax on 12 acres land in White county for the year 1820. Thos. Taylor."

Sumner county was created before Tennessee became a state, and embraced all this section of country. Smith county came into existence in 1799, running from Sumner east. Then Jackson county in 1801, it taking a large territory from Smith.

White and Overton counties were created in 1806, from Smith and Jackson counties.

Putnam county was created in 1851 and Cookeville established. The county was made of portions of White, Jackson, Overton, Smith and DeKalb.

Sparta was begun in 1809, and White county had 4,028 population in 1810. It furnished two companies of troops for the War of 1812. The supreme court met at Sparta in those days.

ALLIE, NEW MEXICO

Dear Editor and all the Herald family. Hello, L. L. West, was sure glad to read your letter in the Herald. You asked how we liked it out here. We like it fine so far and the longer we stay the better we like it. There a man, with his wife and daughter, came 9 miles and spent the day with us today. He said he wanted me to build a house for him and do a lot of other work, and I have a three week's job with another man at \$1.50 a day and board, so I am finding work to do. Corn is \$1.00 per 100 lbs.; flour \$7.00 per bbl.; potatoes 3c per lb.; sorghum 50c per gal.; mch cows from \$40 up to \$100; horses good price. I believe we have got the biggest country I ever saw, and land is going up here, and it will soon be hard to get here. I wish I had a good man to live on my land and cultivate 50 acres, but a man can cultivate 80 acres here as the work is done by cultivators and it don't take much work. I can furnish land for two or three to put crops on, but I haven't the houses to live in and no stock.

Hello, E. A. Lewis and Mary Dyer. Why don't you answer our letter that we sent you some time ago. So let's all get busy and give each other the news. I think this is a fine country and feel like it is a blessing of God that we came and got a home. We have 320 acres of fine land, level and rich that will make as fine corn as river bottom and easy to cultivate. As it is getting late I had better ring off and asking God's blessings on all who read this, we remain, yours truly, G. W. and Mary Jaquess.

MONTELENY ROUTE 1

Mr. and Mrs. McCormick visited the writer and family Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Millegan are visiting his brother at Monterey.

There was a large crowd at Johnson church Thanksgiving. Mr. Bill Henry sang for us and dinner was had on the ground.

Mr. Bill Henry will begin a singing school here as soon as the free school is out.

Mrs. Lola Randolph and children, and Mrs. Sparks visited the writer Sunday and we sang and played the organ and had an enjoyable time.

Come on, all you western people and write to the Herald, and let us know if you are still living. Mollie Dahuff, why don't you write to the Herald. I miss your letters.

Preaching at Johnson church every first and third Sunday.

Misses Beulah Zella Farley have been visiting friends and relatives at this place for the last two weeks.

Mr. Elbert Roberson has moved to Board Valley.

F. E. Elrod has gone to Chicago. Alvin Whitaker why don't you write to the Herald.

I will close by asking for a shower of birthday cards. I will be 24 years old the 13th of December. All cards will be appreciated.

Mrs. Goolie McCormick, Monterey, Tenn., Route 1.

ANNUAL PRAISE SERVICE AT FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CH.

The Woman's Missionary Society will have charge of the 11 o'clock service at the First Presbyterian church Sunday morning. The following program will be observed: Song—"Holy, Holy, Holy." Responsive praise service by the president, Mrs. Thos. Finley. Prayer by the pastor.

Duett—Mrs. Chas. Farr and Miss Georgia Webb.

Recitation Prayer—Mrs. Quimby Dyer.

Reading—"What Christ Said," Mrs. Rutledge Smith.

Recitation by Louise Gibson. Quartet—"How Money Talked," Miss Ova Boyd.

Seven Mission Pictures—Mrs. Harding and the Juniors.

Solo—Mrs. C. E. Wilson. Remarks by Mrs. A. J. Colle, Reading by Mrs. C. E. Wilson. Thank Offering.

Benediction.

PLEASANT HILL

Dear Herald Readers: I wonder what you all are doing this cold day? Mrs. Lou O'Connor, why don't you write to me? I have written you three letters since I heard from you last.

Zella Farley, I hope you had a nice birthday. I wrote you a card, thought I sent but found I had not, after it was too late to send another.

Miss Lela Cross has moved to Miss Jones' table because Alex Green said she made him sick. She thinks it would be best for him to be sick for a few days, so the rest at his table can get enough to eat.

May Snodgrass says her highest ambition is to complete the fifth grade, and go to South Dakota. We wish her much success.

Uncle Josh is coming back to Pleasant Hill after Christmas, on account of "Aunt Betty," but his other girl is coming too, so he will be in a bad place.

Nancy Whitlow visited the writer recently.

Miss Ruby Thompson called on Thelma Music Thursday afternoon.

Miss Helen Downer has returned from Chicago, where she has been visiting. We are glad to have her back.

BANGHAM

Mrs. Tilda Norris, who has been sick for some time is reported some better.

Mrs. Ada Warren and children visited Addie Terry last Sunday.

A. E. Judd and family visited Glendon Johnson Sunday.

Mrs. Lula Norris, who has been sick is some better.

Misses Bertie, Bessie and Maud Wright and Vergie Farmer visited Cecile and Mamie Norris last Sunday.

Mrs. Avo Farmer's mother has been visiting her for a few days.

Mrs. Etta Warren is reported some better at this writing.

Bangham school is only two weeks longer.

Melvin Roberson has been in this part for the last few days.

Mrs. Avo Farmer and her mother visited Mrs. Etta Warren last Sunday morning.

Miss Florida Stockton visited her uncle, Geo. Norris, last Sunday.

Mrs. Martha J. Matheny has returned home from Nashville.

Mr. Lee Wright and family visited Mrs. E. A. Freeman last Thursday.

Jarvis Matheny and wife visited her father, Mr. Ben Phillips, last Saturday night.

Some of the people of this place spent Thanksgiving at Forest Hill and report a nice time.

Claud Terry is a regular visitor at the widow Jenkins' every Sunday.

The quartet will sing at Bangam all day the first Sunday in December. Dinner on the ground and everybody invited to come. Guess Who.

THE REV. IRL R. HICKS 1915 ALMANAC

The Rev. Irl R. Hicks' 1915 Almanac is by far the finest, largest and best ever before printed. The Hicks storm and weather forecasts for 1915 again have proven their truth and value, and this splendid Almanac for 1915 should find its way straight into every home and office in America. The Rev. Irl R. Hicks magazine, Word and Works, and his unique Almanac should always go together, both for only one dollar a year. The Almanac alone is 35c prepaid. Send to Word and Works Publishing Company, 3401 Franklin Ave., St. Louis, Mo.

TRUSTEE'S REPORT

The report of Trustee D. E. Slagle for the month ending Dec. 1, is as follows:

Total balances last month, \$12,964.13
Total collections this month, 1,190.08
Grand total, \$14,154.31
Disbursements this month, \$11,955.26
Amount due all funds, 2,199.05
The balances in each fund are:
Polytechnic, \$ 77.36
County, 20.20
School, 461.98
Road, 392.28
Special, 500.00
Good Road, 757.15
High School, 10.08

HEALTH AND HAPPINESS

In these days of new and enlarged governmental functions, when we hear so much of the conservation of our natural resources, it is well for us to remember that the public health—society's chief economic asset—is constantly impaired to a most alarming extent. If this wide-spread injury to the social body could be expressed in financial terms the total would run into hundreds of millions of dollars, and the prominent items would be the loss of earning capacity through inherited weakness, the waste of enforced idleness and the expense of sickness in general, the greater part of which might have been prevented. We are horrified at the enormous loss of life in the great European war, but let us not forget that right here in our own country, in times of peace and plenty, hundreds of thousands of valuable lives are every year sacrificed to the Moloch of Ignorance. The conservation of the public health is the supreme duty of society. It will one day be our chief study.

How to develop the highest possible degree of physical efficiency and well being is the fundamental business of our physical existence. It is infinitely more important than any knowledge of geography, or grammar, or mathematics.

Herbert Spencer defines life, broadly, as "the continuous adjustment of internal relations to external relations"—a kind of physiological balance between intake and expenditure. This automatic equilibrium is so delicately adjusted that the scale of life is constantly atremble as illimitable variations in mental and physical states react constantly one upon another. What infinite possibilities are wrapped up in this thought—and yet how slight is our knowledge of the laws governing the processes of the simplest organism.

Experience has taught us in a general way, that it is best to walk or sit erect, that a child should not lean upon his desk in school, and we even implore our friend to "drive away a frown" and at least try to smile. Somehow, we are quite sure that these things are best—but how?

It is a fact easy of demonstration, that if one will deliberately drop the corners of the mouth, frown, droop over and assume the physical attitude of extreme dejection, a corresponding mental state will supervene after a few minutes. On the other hand, if we elevate the corners of the mouth, smooth out the wrinkles, throw back the shoulders and assume the outward appearance of happiness, that state will shortly dominate the mental operations. It is probable that the sensory nerves carrying the impressions from the muscles back to the brain, arouse the cells normally responsible for such muscular action, and that the intellectual centers, learning of this activity through association nerve fibres, are induced to inaugurate the proper emotion. In a word, the muscle appeal brings a mental response.

When this new philosophy is understood we will come to see that vice and gluttony and dishonesty are as much diseases as typhoid fever—and just as preventable. Then all men will know that the Temple of Health is indeed the open gate to the New Jerusalem.—W. S. McClain in The Upper Country.

Shop early and you get choice selections, avoid the rush and please the merchants. Get busy now!

Any skin itching is a temper tester. The more you scratch the worse it itches. Doan's Ointment is for piles, eczema—any skin itching. 50c at all drug stores.

WELCOME!

Here's an entry for Luke McLuke's terrific tournament. Church Singer is a farmer in Muskingum county, O.—Zanesville (O.) Signal.

Will the Necks Do?

Wanted.—Any part of fifty Plymouth Rock hens not over one year old. Inquire at this office or phone 98.—From an Exchange.

COOKEVILLE, ROUTE TWO

Health is not very good at this writing.

Benton Grimes who is real sick with pneumonia is no better.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Jones spent Saturday night at S. W. Grimes'.

Misses Stoc's Mitchell and Daisy Pendergrass attended Sunday school at Shackletown Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. A. McCaleb spent Saturday night at Claudia Bryant's.

Come on, lonely boy of Hawaii, your letters are good. I guess C. L. C. is not married yet. She has just returned from a visit in Jackson county.

Wonder if Wade Bray isn't talking of buying a Mitchell wagon?

Haskell Randolph says he likes all kinds of building material but likes stone best.

I will close by asking for a shower of birthday cards for Milbra McCaleb December 10th; she is between 16 and 20 and will appreciate all cards. Her address is Cookeville, Tenn., Route 2, box 51. Wandering Jew

Kind Editor and Herald Readers:—A few lines to you all. We have certainly been having some fine weather in this part, it only being broken by a heavy rain Saturday night and Sunday, with a big frost Sunday night.

L. C. and Ada Collier were guests of Mrs. S. M. Ray Monday. Hello Mr. Jaquess, you ought to have seen Mary Jane today when Mrs. Ray and I were calling you, and she cried. I wish we could see you. Received your letter and hope Mrs. Jaquess' foot is better. Tell us how many birthday cards she got. We all wish her many happy returns or the gay.

Grandma Carr was here and took dinner Saturday and cried when she read the letter where he said to kiss Mary Jane for Jakey. Mr. Jaquess hurry and get your house done and we'll all come and spend the day with you all.

Say, you and Mrs. Jaquess are not here to help us out with this letter, but we will do the best we can. We certainly miss you all.

We are glad to say that Van Maynard is improving. Mr. Collier purchased a fine cow today from Mr. Elrod. Come on, all you western people with the news and lets make the Herald interesting. Especially Lola Lee West. Your papa and my papa are own cousins. Come on, Ruth and Cora Goolsby of Montana with your letters. Say, uncle Henry L. Porter of New Mexico, we would be glad to receive a letter from you, as Aunt Talitha is Grandpa Carr's sister. If some of the Herald family are strangers now, if we are all so fortunate as to meet in Heaven we will not be strangers there.

Irma Ray and Ada Collier.

SHIPLEY

Health is very good at this writing, except colds and sore eyes.

Mr. and Mrs. Pleas Kinnaird visited their daughter, Mrs. Jeb Judd, Wednesday night.

Lewis Gentry said he had a corn-shelling the other night, but didn't invite anybody except Willie Gragg and Dave Rippetoe. Willie and Lewis declared they could shell faster than those Black-Hawk corn shellers.

Hello Tilda Lee, of Route 3, how are you? Fine I trust. How many cards did you get? I meant to send you a card but our paper was late.

Wonder who "D D" is on Route 7. Say Foyil Woody, come again. Grasshopper, I don't know you, but write again. Your letter was good. Wonder how M. A. H. and F. C. W. are getting along? Wake up, Laura King, and give us the news, for you have been absent long enough.

Mrs. Martha Kinnaird visited Mrs. Mary Gentry recently. Guess there will be \$3.00 worth of papers bought before long as Lee Dyer goes to Cookeville very often. Hello Gertie Knight. How are you? What did you quit school for? Guess I know.

Mr. and Mrs. Marlin Bean visited Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Gentry Sunday.

Hello Lillie Ray (Dickerson) I wish you and Overton a long and joyful life together.

Mrs. Dahuff, wake up and write again for your letters are badly mis-addressed. Hello, Miss Rosie Lee West, wake up and give us the news. Say, Ila Gentry, how is Pleasant Hill now? Would like to be up there with you. I'm sure we would have a jolly time. Say, have you still got that picture? I'm sure you have.

Lee Dyer is a regular visitor at Cart Mills.

Lewis Gentry says he is lost nowadays since he swapped his mule. He can't go visiting every Sunday after noon.



Mt. View Lodge No. 179, I O O F, held a splendid meeting on November 27th, 1915, J. M. Qualls, N. G., presiding, with a good attendance. Bros. Bradford, Massa and Choat are all still improving.

The committee on celebration of the 42nd anniversary of the lodge made their report, which was adopted, and the secretary was directed to notify every member and cordially invite him to attend and participate in the exercises, which will be held in the lodge hall. As the anniversary date falls on Sunday—Dec. 19th—the committee suggests that the exercises be held on Friday night, Dec. 17th, our regular meeting. The suggestion was adopted. A very pleasant time is anticipated.

A very important resolution is to be considered at our next meeting, Dec. 4th, involving great interests, at which time the election of officers for the next term will also take place, and it is earnestly hoped there will be a very large attendance, as these are matters of great importance to the Lodge.

St. Charles' Lodge at Nashville, celebrated its 19th anniversary on the 18th inst., with 200 or more Oddfellows present and a good time was had.

MEMORY OF OTHER DAYS

G. W. Dillon, who lives on the farm where he was born, one mile from Livingston, is one of the few living Tennesseans whose memory looks back well into pioneer days in the Upper Cumberland. He is 82 years years, and still active and hearty.

He says that in the days of his childhood puncheon floors were the rule in that section. He hauled the first load of lumber to build a house where Cookeville now stands, bringing it from the old McCormick water mill. Mr. Dillon also hauled goods to and from Nashville, a distance of more than 100 miles, before a railroad had been built into the capital city. His team consisted of three yoke of oxen, and the round trip required two weeks.

SPARTA, ROUTE 8

Melvin Robinson went to Cookeville Friday.

Miss Mal Robinson spent Saturday afternoon with the writer.

Mrs. John Burnett is able to be out again.

Dudley Phifer took dinner with Ernest Trapp Sunday.

Miss Mal Robinson spent Thursday night with Miss Mary Chota.

Lester Clouse came in from Indiana a few days ago.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Tim Mackie, last week, a boy.

Mr. and Mrs. Tom Henry's little son, Benton, has been very sick this week.

Guess Bevie Robinson will be rather lonesome when school closes at Possum Trot.

Mr. Ernest Trapp's and Miss Willie Mal Clouse's birthday both comes the 9th of December. Lets give them a shower of cards. Their address is Sparta, Tenn., Route 8. All cards sent them will be appreciated. Anne

PLEASANT RIDGE

Health is not very good at this writing. The writer visited Maggie Bray Thursday night and had a fine time.

Well, I must tell about all those nice cards, also presents and letters. I received 22 cards, three presents and one letter. I thank you all very much for them.

A protracted meeting is to begin at Pleasant Ridge the fourth Sunday in November, by Rev. James Myers, assisted by Rev. Billie Howard. Everybody invited to come and take a part.

STOP THE GULLIES

The Forestry Division of the Tennessee State Geological Survey have issued and sent out posters urging and advising land owners to stop the gullies. The following statements are taken from one of these posters:

Gullies destroy land, hence rob the people. Stop them by planting trees. Plant black locust in them for quick, profitable yield of posts; or plant yellow poplar and black walnut in them for lumber. Plant Bermuda grass in them to stop wash and for pasture. Plant wild honeysuckle in them to stop wash. Put in dams and plant briars, grass or vines above the dams. Use any common sense method. A little attention for a few years will reclaim your gullied land. Try it. Nothing else would so improve your holdings.