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NORMAL SCHOOL BULLETIN

FOR

TEACHERS AND STUDENTS

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OBSERVATIONS.

1. Jacksonville is situated in the mountains of North Alabama where it never becomes excessively warm in summer. It has good water and its record for health is unexcelled in the state. This makes it an ideal place for summer study. Students invariably improve in health while here.

2. A bus meets all trains, but if notice is given of the time of arrival, a committee of the Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. will meet all who come and assist in making all arrangements.

3. It is not well to undertake to secure board before arriving here. All necessary assistance will be given after arrival. Those who come without giving notice of their arrival should go immediately to the office of the President or to his home if school is not in session.

4. Reviews for all state certificates including life certificate are carried on throughout the summer school.

5. The average age of those enrolled here is over twenty-two and many of them are married.

6. We assist our pupils in securing places suited to their ability and the students help one another. The acquaintanceship alone which is formed here with people from about fifty counties of the state annually is worth much to a teacher.

7. Special attention is called to the new examination law found elsewhere in this bulletin. Professional courses approved by the State Superintendent which allow the extension of certificates without further examination are given.

FACULTY OF NORMAL SCHOOL.

Clarence William Daugette—President and Teacher of Geology and Psychology.

Mary C. Forney—Pedagogy.

Elizabeth Privett—Mathematics.

Florence O. Weatherly—Penmanship, Shorthand and Typewriting.

F. H. Bostian—History and Economics.

Susan Lancaster—Librarian and Instructor in Library Science.

Benjamin Edward Harris—Assistant in Manual Training and Mathematics and Director of Athletics.

Claud Howard—English.

Charles W. Saunders—Physics, Chemistry, Botany and Zoology.

Sarah Powell Marks—Home Economics.

Minnie Jeannette Marks—French and German.

Albert Leon Young—Manual Training and Agriculture.

Martha L. Hyde—Public School Music.

Carolyn Tuggle—English.

Paula Gertrude Stamm—Drawing.

Grover Thomas Somers—Principal of Training School, Head Critic and Methods.

Edith Johnston—Third and Fourth Grades, Critic and Methods.

Louise Pelham—Critic and Methods.

Inez McGaugh—Kindergarten, First and Second Grades, Critic and Methods.

Florence O. Weatherly—Secretary to the President.

Mrs. Ila H. Polhill—County Agent and Extension Worker.

George Champion—Custodian of the Buildings and Janitor.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The summer school will begin June 7th and continue until the examination in July—six weeks. The library, manual training shop, and the complete equipment of the Normal School will be placed at the services of the summer school students. Saturday and Monday, June the fifth and seventh, will be registration days. This follows the close of the regular school with commencement, Wednesday, June second.

TEXT-BOOKS.

The Text Books used will be the State adopted books so far as they go. For all the books other than for public school subjects, those used are sold by the school, usually at publishers prices.

EXPENSES.

Board, six weeks.....	\$ 18.00
Incidental Fees.....	6.00
Laundry.....	2.00
Total	\$ 26.00

BOARD AND ROOMS.

Rooms and board may be secured at about \$3.00 per week, according to location and convenience. A list of all the boarding houses is furnished in the office. An attendant gives all necessary assistance to strangers.

LECTURERS AND ENTERTAINERS.

It is expected that we shall have several lecturers on school subjects, and entertainers during the summer school. It is expected that Superintendent W. F. Feagin, Supervisors Sibley and Hobdy, and Examiner Hodges will all be present at some time during the summer school and make addresses. The complete programme of speakers and entertainers cannot be given at this time.

COURSE OF STUDY.

The following groups of study have been arranged for:—

LIFE CERTIFICATE.

Life certificate under the direction of Miss Forney. The class will study the complete course required for life certificate, Literature and History of Education. All who took the course last summer secured life certificates.

FIRST GRADE CERTIFICATE.

A general review in all the subjects required for first grade certificate will be given, they are: Psychology, Algebra, Geometry, Physics, and Literature. In all of these subjects double courses are carried, one for those who wish to start at the beginning, and one for those who wish to take up the advanced portion of the subject.

SECOND GRADE CERTIFICATE.

Thorough reviews in all second grade subjects are given, with double courses in Arithmetic and Grammar.

THIRD GRADE CERTIFICATE.

All necessary work leading to the State Examination is offered for these students.

NORMAL SCHOOL COURSE.

Many of the subjects given in the State Normal School course are offered in the summer school, for which credit will be given toward a regular normal diploma. This affords opportunity for those who wish to begin the normal courses or continue it, to work with credit, and those who are conditioned have an opportunity here to remove the conditions. Those who secure a diploma are awarded a first grade certificate without examination.

MANUAL TRAINING AND DRAWING.

Instruction in wood, wood turning, copper work, card board and paper folding will be offered.

A course in free hand drawing for teachers with methods will be given.

GRADE TEACHERS.

Teachers in the grades of our village, town and city schools will find interesting work in the classes of general and special methods, in art and pedagogy and the course at Jacksonville often starts such teachers to doing more efficient work at better salaries.

SUPERINTENDENTS AND PRINCIPALS.

For superintendents and principals and others interested in school administration, special classes with round table discussions will be had. Classes in Psychology, school management, and educational problems will be organized.

RURAL SCHOOL TEACHERS.

The great progress made in rural school teaching requires attention. We shall teach and familiarize our students with the different lines of work by which they may make their school of service to the people of their community. Courses in Pedagogy for the Rural School teacher will be offered and even though one has a certificate it will pay every rural teacher well to take this course. This school and this county have taken an advanced place in the state in working for the betterment of rural education. It has a rural supervisor and a county agent, and constant progress may be found in rural school conditions.

COUNTY SUPERINTENDENTS.

The problems of rural school teachers of Alabama will receive special attention during the summer school session.

State wide Rural Supervision has been established in Alabama and a County Supervisor elected by many counties. Great responsibility rests upon the County Superintendent. The Normal School is giving its best effort to working out rural school problems. It seeks and needs the co-operation of every County Superintendent in its district. It is expected that we shall have a meeting of all of the county superintendents of this Normal School district at this school at some time during the summer term for the study of their problems and opportunities. A conference for rural schools for this district will be organized and light thrown on the problems peculiar to these schools by those who have been successful in working them out.

HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES.

Graduates of High Schools who expect to teach will have a good opportunity here to make professional preparation for their work. Many courses in Pedagogy which will be of benefit to them are offered.

AGRICULTURE.

Special attention is given to agriculture. Courses are offered in school gardening, poultry raising and the best methods of securing large yields of corn and cotton. It is expected that there will be a meeting of the farmers Union with the summer school and a farmers' institute led by the most prominent government demonstrators in the state and other leaders. This alone will be of much value to rural school teachers.

COUNTY AGENTS.

The Calhoun County Agent for the United States Government in club work is a member of the faculty of this school—Mrs. Ila H. Polhill. It will be but a short time until every county in the state has one or more extension workers. There is now great demand for efficient agents. A course of training for this work will be given in the summer school. Those who take it will have the opportunity of spending at least a few days in assisting Mrs. Polhill in the actual work in the County.

DOMESTIC SCIENCE AND ART.

Teachers who are able to introduce this subject into their schools in the rural districts are able to secure better places at better salaries. A course in the actual work of cooking and sewing for teachers together with plans for introducing them into the country school is given.

EXTENSION OF CERTIFICATES.

Under a law recently passed by the Legislature, any teacher holding any grade of Alabama State certificate may, by attendance at a Class A Normal School for a period of six weeks, during which time he takes a professional course of study approved by the State Board of Examiners, have said certificate extended without further examination for a period of one year. Courses for the extension of certificates will be given in the summer school. Several sections of the new law are printed below.

NEW CERTIFICATION LAW.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

1. That the State Board of Examiners is hereby authorized to grant a first grade teacher's certificate without further examination to graduates of the Class A Normal Schools of Alabama and to the graduates of such other institutions of higher learning in this and other states as may maintain departments for teacher-training meeting such requirements as may be designated by the State Board of Examiners; provided, that certification shall be issued only to such graduates of the different institutions as have successfully passed a minimum of courses in education designated and approved by the State Board of Examiners.

3. That the State Board of Examiners is hereby authorized to ex-

tend consecutively from year to year for a period of one year at a time and for a total of not more than four consecutive years, any first grade certificate, any second grade certificate, or any third grade certificate; provided, that the holder of any such certificate shall have attended some institution of higher learning for at least six weeks and shall have pursued a course of professional study designated and approved by the State Board of Examiners during the year next preceding the one for which extension of certificate for one year is sought to be granted.

4. The applicant for a certificate or for the extension of any certificate under the provisions of this act shall pay the same fees as are now charged applicants for certificates of the same grade.

COMMENTS.

Under this law a teacher may secure the benefit of the extension of a certificate not only in the summer school but in the regular session. The professional courses required are being given at this time. Those who enter by April 5th will have the opportunity of finishing them by the close of the regular session. Attention is called to the fact that under the law regarding county institutes, if a teacher takes professional courses prescribed by the State Superintendent which may or may not be the same as those for the extension of certificates and which also are given here he will be exempt from compulsory attendance at the county institutes.

NORMAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS.

For the purpose of preventing unseemingly competition for numbers, and of focusing the energies of normal schools upon the work of preparing teachers for the public schools, the Normal School Board divided the state into four Normal School Districts. The counties included in the Jacksonville District are as follows: Calhoun, St. Clair, Etowah, Cherokee, Cleburne, DeKalb, Marshall, Blount, Randolph, Clay, Talladega, Chilton, Coosa, Tallapoosa, Chambers, and Jefferson. (Two of the other schools have equal rights in Jefferson).

NEWS NOTES.

DORMITORY.

The state appropriation made four years ago for the erection of a dormitory for girls at Jacksonville has just become available, and it is the unofficial plan of the board to erect three dormitories for the Normal Schools, one each at Jacksonville, Troy, and Livingston, during the summer, to be finished in time for the opening of school in the fall. Jacksonville plans further to secure the Alleghany Hotel to be used in connection with Atkins Hall as a dormitory for boys.

ANNUAL DEBATE.

The annual debate between the Morgan and Calhoun Literary Societies upon the subject, Resolved that the Immigration laws of the

United States should be made more stringent, was held February 20. Fine efforts were made by all the speakers but the decision was awarded to the Calhoun which maintained the affirmative.

A departure in the social life of the school was the substitution of a rook party in the school building for faculty and students instead of the class socials. Practically the entire school attended and a pleasant evening was had. Light refreshments were served.

Greater interest was shown in foot-ball and basket-ball this session than ever before in the history of this school. No interscholastic games of basket-ball were played, but the class games proved highly interesting. All the foot-ball games were won except one.

President Daugette attended the meeting of superintendents at Cincinnati at which place a conference of the Normal School Presidents was held with Superintendent Feagin on educational conditions in Alabama, with special attention to Normal Schools.

We have had several visitors during the year and many instructive and inspiring addresses have been delivered at Chapel.

Mrs. Bashinsky, of Troy, State U. D. C. President, addressed the school on preparation for life work.

Dr. Smith, of Richmond, Virginia, Secretary of Foreign missions, who formerly made his home at this place, gave a reminiscent talk with advice to the students.

Hon. C. D. Martin, County Tax Commissioner, spoke on the subject of the responsibility of the teacher.

Mr. H. T. Persons, County Superintendent of Education, spoke on the agencies for education in the county, and the need of trained teachers.

Rev. Dr. Bowen, of Birmingham, made a talk in Christian service in the development of character.

Miss Cox, of Montgomery, one of our missionaries, showed curios from Africa, and spoke on the progress of civilization in the dark continent.

Mr. Legates, the general secretary of the Y. M. C. A. for the south, discussed the necessity of college students continuing their religious activities while at school.

In the extension work of the school, the President and Teacher of Pedagogy have been taking the Senior Class out once a week and giving a program in the schools of the county for the purpose of studying conditions and training the seniors up for efficient county supervision. More invitations have been received than could be accepted, and at most places visited up to this time the party has been received most cordially, dinner being had on the grounds, and the people have manifested their interest and approval by being present in large numbers. Superintendent Persons and Supervisor Watson enter heartily into this work, and where possible, are present and take a part in it.

BEGINNING OF THIRD TERM.

The third term of the regular session begins March 23, and any teacher entering within two weeks of that time will be able to enter many of the classes and finish the term's work by the close of school, getting credit for the work done. The standard of measurement used in the Normal Schools now is the term-credit instead of the session unit—three credits constituting a unit. This is for the special convenience and accomodation of those teachers who are in actual service and who can attend but one term at a time. A very large percentage of our enrollment are teachers holding certificates. The average length of service being two and a half years. Many married persons, both husbands and wives, are in school, who rent furnished rooms, and do light housekeeping, thus securing board for about the cost of one if boarding.

CORRESPONDENCE.

All the correspondence regarding the summer school should be addressed to the President of the State Normal School. He will be glad to furnish further copies of the bulletin.

