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1. Jacksonville is situated in the mountains of North Alabama where it never becomes excessively warm in summer. 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 The new dormitory for girls which accommodates 150 will be open for summer school, board being \$14 per school month, everything furnished. Students will be met at the depot, provided we are notified of the time of their arrival.

3 Reviews for all state certificates including life certificates are carried on during the summer school.

4 Courses for the extension of certificates are given in both terms of the summer school and in the regular session.

5 Credit work in all the regular Normal School subjects is offered for the full summer term of twelve weeks. Students are thus enabled to do one-third of a year's work in the summer.

6 The average age of those enrolled here is over 22

and many of them are married.

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

8 We have accommodations for not over 400, therefore, arrangements should be made early to insure getting in.



## FACULTY OF NORMAL SCHOOL.

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Clarence William Daugette—President and teacher of  
Geography and Pedagogy.

Mary C. Forney—Pedagogy and 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 — Director of Athletics and  
Teacher of Mathematics.

Claud Howard—English

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

Sarah Powell Marks — Home Economics.

Albert Leon Young—Manual Training and Agriculture

Martha L. Hyde—Public School Music

Ethel Randolph—Principal of Training School.

John F. Rowan — Physician.

Annie Agee— Matron.

Mrs. C. W. Sharpe—Food Supervisor

Florence O. Weatherly— Secretary to President

Emma Harvey—Home Demonstration Agent.

Geo. Champion—Custodian of the Buildings and Janitor

## ANNOUNCEMENTS.

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The summer school will begin May 16th, and will continue twelve weeks divided into two terms of nine and three weeks each, the fees to be \$10.00 for the term. The first term ends with the examination in July. The library, manual training shop and complete equipment of the Normal School, are at the service of the summer students. Registration will begin on Wednesday afternoon, May 16, following the commencement exercises which will close at noon on that day. This gives an opportunity to the summer students to attend the graduating exercises on Wednesday.

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## COURSES OFFERED.

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The following courses will be offered during the summer quarter.

1. The regular normal courses looking to graduation.
2. Courses for professional improvement, either general or special.
3. Courses for the extension of certificates already held.
4. Review courses for securing State certificates or for raising the grade of those already held.

Numbers 1 and 2 represent the distinctive work of the Normal Schools, and are, therefore, the ones upon which the chief emphasis is placed.

Number 3 is embraced in those two and, hence is classed as professional work.

Number 4 contains all the work required by the State for the certification of teachers by State examinations, and are given such attention as their importance deserves.

In planning these various courses the controlling idea is that of affording ample opportunities for those who are



ambitious to prepare themselves for skilled and effective service in whatever line of public school work they may choose to devote themselves; and the length of the term is sufficient for them to accomplish something really worth while.

Since the many public school terms are less than six months, the teachers of these schools could spend at least half of their time, if they wished, in attending these teacher-training institutions and better preparing themselves for their great work. If they should adopt this policy, they could get two-thirds of a year of professional training each year without losing any time from their teaching, and in this way they could work their own way through to graduation. In truth, this is what they should do if they expect to continue to teach, and it is what the Normal Schools hope they will do hereafter.

Those who are already graduates will find in these courses fine opportunities for keeping themselves freshened on pedagogical lines and inspired by the recent achievements of the profession. Those who may wish to specialize on any particular line will find an excellent opportunity to do so in these courses.

For those who already hold certificates and are situated so that they can remain in school only a few weeks the extension courses are arranged. They will extend throughout the term, but successful study for any six weeks will extend a certificate for one year.

Those who wish to secure a certificate and those who wish to raise the grade of certificates already obtained will find their opportunity under the fourth course enumerated; but even these should enrich their course by taking some professional work. This is the great advantage of taking such work in a Normal School.

An additional privilege accorded those who attend for

a minimum time of three weeks and devote themselves largely to professional work is that of exemption from attending institutes during the current year.

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### **EXPENSES.**

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The expenses of the Summer Term are as follows:

Board—\$14.00 per scholastic month, payable monthly or quarterly in advance.

Incidental fee—\$10.00 per term.

For those whose course includes subjects involving the use of materials, the usual small charges, will be made for the material used.

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### **EXPLANATIONS.**

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**Third Grade Certificates.** Applicants for third grade certificates are required to stand examination upon the subjects of orthography, reading, penmanship, grammar, practical arithmetic, United States History, geography, physiology and hygiene, agriculture, and theory and practice of teaching.

**Second Grade.** Applicants for second grade certificates must take examination in the following branches in addition to those required of applicants for third grade certificates. Advanced arithmetic, history of Alabama, English grammar, and literature, geography, United States History and civics, and theory and practice of teaching and class management.

**First Grade.** Applicants for first grade certificates will be examined on all the foregoing branches and the following additional subjects. Algebra through quadratics, plane geometry, physics, elementary psychology, the school laws of Alabama, and advanced English,



(higher grammar, literature, composition and rhetoric)

Life certificate. Examinations will be held on professional subjects. The following books have been adopted by the Department of Education as the basis for examination; *Better Rural Schools*, Betts and Hall; *Health and the School*, Burkes; and *A student's History of Education*, Graves.

The examination in literature will be based on the following:

Second Grade Literature. *The leap of Roushan Beg*, *The Burial of Sir John Moore*, *The Skylark*, *Wolsey and Cromwell*, *The American Flag*, *The Way to Wealth*, *Supposed Speech of John Adams*, *Napoleon Bonaparte*.

First Grade Literature. *Mid-summer Nights' Dream*—Shakespeare, *Milton's Selected Minor Poems*—Lycidas Essay on Milton—Macaulay, *The Talisman*—Scott.

### **Manual Training and Drawing**

Instructions 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. A training school will be maintained for observation and practice during the summer school.



## **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 make their schools 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 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 county demonstrator, and a county agent, and constant progress may be found in rural school conditions.

## **County Superintendents.**

The problem 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 efforts to working out rural school problems. It seeks and needs the co-operation of every County Superintendent in this district. The second annual meeting of the superintendents of this Normal School district will be held at this school some time during the summer term for the study of their problems and opportunities.

## **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 which will be of benefit to them are offered. Over forty graduates of High Schools and colleges are now enrolled with us and many of them will be doing credit work in the summer term.

### **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. There will be a meeting of the Farmers' Union with the summer school and the third annual farmers' institute led by the most prominent government demonstrators in the state, and other leaders. This alone will be of much value to the 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—Miss Emma Harvey. 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 Miss Harvey 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 these subjects into the country school is given.

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### **Extension of Certificates.**

Any teacher holding any grade of Alabama State certificate may, by attendance at a 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 without further examination, will be given in the summer school. Under the extension 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 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.

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### **The New Dormitory**

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It is a building of which this section of the state may well feel proud. It has accommodations for 150 girls, two to the room; it covers a space of 164x112 ft. and has four floors; it is heated with steam, lighted by electricity; it has running hot and cold water in every room; tub and shower baths with complete toilet arrangements on every floor; it is furnished with single beds, two to the room; oak study tables, with a drawer for each girl and

simple but neat room furnishings throughout. Each room has two closets. The building is located upon a hill and is but a few yards distant from the school building with which it is connected by cement walks. With a school physician to look after the health, a matron, the welfare, all the lady teachers of the faculty, the social life, the girls who attend the Normal School at Jacksonville find accommodations second to none in the state.

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### **Accommodations for Boys.**

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Men students may or may not get their meals in the girls dormitory. We have a boarding club for men in which the expenses are guaranteed to be in any condition as low as those specified for girls. If they board in the club the cost will be less.

There are furnished rooms to rent at a reasonable price to those who wish to do light housekeeping and thus still further reduce the price of board. We have a large number of both young men and young ladies who follow this plan as do most of the married people in school.

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### **Beginning of Third Term.**

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The third term of the regular session begins Feb. 27, and any teacher entering within two weeks of that time will be able to enter many of the classes and finish the terms 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 accommodation 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.

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### **Lecturers and Entertainers.**

It is expected that we shall have several entertainments and lectures on school subjects, and entertainers during the summer school. It is expected that Superintendent W. F. Feagin, will be present at some time during the summer school and make an address. The complete program of speakers and entertainers cannot be given at this time. But the following are now engaged: R. E. Hodnett, Principal Tallapoosa County High School; H. C. McDonald, Principal Chilton County High School; W. L. Davis, Principal Clay County High School; J. A. Morgan, Principal Talladega County High School.

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### **TEXT BOOKS.**

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

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### **Normal School Districts**

For the purpose of preventing unseemly 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, Chambers, Cherokee, Cleburne,

Dekalb, Marshall, Blount, Randolph, Clay, Talladega, Chilton, Coosa, Tallapoosa, and Jefferson. (Two of the other schools have equal rights in Jefferson.)

During the past term special exercises of members of the Young Men's Association were held twice a week. These exercises were conducted in a well equipped gymnasium and have been enjoyable as well as instructive. Further improvement of the campus has been made by the building of a cement walk on 17th Avenue, and a cement walk between the main building and the dormitory.

The schools very much enjoyed at the games of the first term. It has been the custom at these games to have a basketball team from each school. For the first time we have a basketball team from the University. When the school was first built up at the Athens Hotel, and while the boys have had some games, they have also won some, and this is all in all they have made a very creditable showing for the year.

Interest in school athletics has been increasing, and the institution of an inter-school basketball competition.

The other sports were held on the campus at 17th Street. The first game of the season was the football game of the University. The school of football was first organized in 1901 and since that time has been a popular sport.

A very interesting program was given by the Girls' Club. The program was held in the auditorium on the evening of Tuesday, October 10. The entertainment consisted of a one act farce which was produced by Misses Jean, Evelyn, Clara, and H. H. Evans. The following young ladies and young men composed the Girls' Club:

#### BOYS' GLEE CLUB

Members: William and Robert Anderson, Ava Stout, Mary Knox, and Max Belle Alexander.

#### BOYS' GLEE CLUB

Members: Paul Davis, Howard Davis, Joe Johnson, H. C. Maxwell, Henry Carpenter, and R. P. H. H. and G. H. Evans.

The Glee Club has been the most successful group, and has been the most successful group in the school, and has been the most successful group in the school.



## SCHOOL NEWS.

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During the past term special exercises by members of the faculty have been held twice a week. These exercises have covered a wide range of subjects and have been enjoyable as well as instructive.

Further improvement of the campus has been made by the building of a cement wall on Francis Avenue, and a cement walk between the main building and girls dormitory.

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The school is very much gratified at the success of the girls basketball team this season, as they lost only one game.

For the first time we have a basket-ball team amongst the boys. A fine indoor court has been fixed up at the Atkins Hall, and while the boys have lost some games, they have also won some, and take it all in all they have made a very creditable showing for the year.

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Interest in school athletics has been increased by the installation of an indoor baseball apparatus.

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The class socials were held on the evening of February 24.

Miss Bryan, Representative of the Palmer method of Penmanship visited the school on February 14th and made a short talk to the students at chapel.

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A very interesting program was given by the Glee Clubs under the direction of Miss Hyde in the Auditorium on the evening of December 16. The entertainment closed with a one act farce which was rendered by Messrs. Paul Davis, Lelas Adams and H. H. Evans.

The following young ladies and young men compose the Glee Clubs:

### GIRLS GLEE CLUB.

Misses Kathleen and Palmer Daugette, Ava Stout, Mary Knox Fitz, and May Belle Alexander.

### BOYS GLEE CLUB.

Messrs. Paul Davis, Raymond Davis, Joe Johnson, R. C. Maxwell, Henry Carpenter, and R. P., H. H. and Cecil Evans.

Rev. O. L. Millican, pastor of the Methodist church, entertained the student-body at chapel recently with story-telling.

Miss Foster, Field Agent of the Alabama Illiteracy Commission visited the school and gave an interesting account of her work in adult schools at chapel exercises. As a result of her talk many of the young teachers expressed a desire to help remove illiteracy when they go out to teach.

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No event of the school is looked forward to with greater interest and creates so much enthusiasm as the annual debate between Calhoun and Morgan Literary Societies. This debate took place on the evening of March 10th in the college auditorium.

The subject of the debate was: Resolved, That the single taxes defined by Henry George is just and sound in principle and would be a satisfactory system of taxation for the United States".

Affirmative, represented by the Morgan Society, H. H. Evans, H. C. Pannell. Negative represented by the Calhoun, B. E. Jones and J. C. Mooneyham.

The speakers all sustained their argument in a highly creditable manner, the decision being rendered in favor of the affirmative.

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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 enters heartily into this work and where possible, is present and takes part.

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### **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 or additional information.