

dren at Bonny Oaks in 1899, counting all expenses, totaled 14½ cents each per day, according to the same report.

In due time children were placed on probation and allowed to work for themselves. In case they made good the board released its legal claim on them.

In the minutes of Feb. 26, 1900, it was stated that "the secretary was instructed to see Recorder Cummings and notify him that Carl Camp would not be again received into the school." Recorder Cummings is Judge Will Cummings. He was city judge (recorder) in 1900.

Supt. Kalleen remained at the institution until Dec. 1, 1902, and was succeeded by H. T. Price.

Patten Interested.

THE equipment and buildings on the farm have been gradually increased. Early in the life of the school many influential Chattanoogaans became friends of the institution. Among them was the late Z. C. Patten. He donated the girls' department with a building and it has been named for him. It is still the best building in the school plant. There is also a boys' building, but there has been considerable agitation to erect a new building for the boys. The present one is not a modern structure. The building for the Negro boys is newer than that of white boys. It is located across the road from the other buildings.

The school is still following the policy of giving the children a half-day in school and a half-day on the farm. The school is in session all day long, some going to classes in the morning and some in the afternoon.

Supt. Keese says discipline is not a great problem. One would be surprised, he said, at the ease with which the children can be handled.

The average turnover in the institution is 100 a year. During the present economic crisis Supt. Keese said this figure would not be as high, as more remained at the institution because of inability to get work and because their families are unable to support them.

Vocational House.

SEVERAL efforts have been made to add a vocational department to Bonny Oaks. Once the old Peak house was equipped with machinery by the Kiwanis club and converted into a machine shop, but this plan proved unsuccessful, as the boys were too young to operate the tools furnished. It was finally abandoned. Lately a movement has been started to install a printing shop at the school.

This is expected to be done within the next three years.

The farm has been improved and now is regarded as one of the best in the county. Eighteen dairy cows are kept. These are some of the best producers in the county, averaging three gallons of milk each per day, according to the superintendent. The Bonny Oaks dairy led the county in production for the month of April and no dairy in the state exceeded its production record. Forty-five acres of corn has been planted this year. Various other crops are raised.

Three Bonny Oaks children graduated from Tyner High school this year. Nine were promoted into high school from the Bonny Oaks Grammar school.

For his work in creating Bonny Oaks a movement has been started to erect a memorial to the late Dr. Bachman. Mrs. Keese, who is assisting in this movement, said this work would likely go forward when the depression ends.

"There is about \$1,200 in the savings bank," Mrs. Keese said. "One thousand of this was given by the Chickamauga and Nancy Ward chapters, D. A. R., and the remainder in individual gifts as a nucleus toward the new building. It is the intention of the friends who are especially interested in this memorial to renew their activities in promoting the cause just as soon as the depression passes. H. M. McCulloch and Mrs. J. H. Cantrell are active in this undertaking."

An annuity of \$300 a year was bequeathed to the girls' home by Z. C. Patten. A committee composed of Mrs. C. A. Noone, chairman; Miss Marie Cager, Mrs. H. F. Corey and Mrs. Alex Guerry is in charge of this fund. It is spent in furnishing the home. Each Christmas Adolps S. Ochs donates the institution \$250. It is being spent this year for playground equipment.

A memorial in the form of a chapel has been erected on the Bonny Oaks premises to the late Scott Hyde, for many years a prominent citizen of Chattanooga. Mrs. Keese wrote the following about this chapel:

"The exact date of the erection of the chapel has not been preserved, but was approximately thirty years ago. It was erected as a memorial to Scott Hyde, whom many Chattanoogaans will recall. It was through the courtesy and kindness of Mrs. Anne Bachman Hyde, at that time serving her father as private secretary, that we have been able to procure some invaluable reminiscences relative to the little chapel. Quoting Mrs. Hyde: "My husband's aunt, Mrs. Mary

Hyde Rice, the beloved Mother Rice, life missionary to the Hawaiian islands, was very devoted to her nephew, Scott Hyde. After his death, June 30, 1897, she wrote that she wished to erect some memorial to him. Knowing my father's interest in Bonny Oaks, I wrote him from my home in Fort Worth, Tex. He suggested that a chapel for the boys and girls was greatly needed. Aunt Mary's gift of \$600 was supplemented and thus arose the little building for religious purposes."

closed Jan. 10, 1898, and on Jan. 29 Maj. McGuffey resigned. To succeed him, J. M. Trimble was appointed. He attended the first meeting on Feb. 8, 1898.

The first superintendent of Bonny Oaks was J. C. Kalleen, of Nashville. Kalleen, his wife and daughter were employed to work at the institution and paid a combined salary of \$75 per month. Bonny Oaks opened with only a few inmates. Some sent from this county to the state reform school were brought back here. The old homestead of the Peak farm was used as the home for a considerable time. It is now used as the superintendent's home. This building has undergone several changes since. At the regular meeting held May 30, 1898, Supt. Kalleen reported that he had fifteen inmates. The institution continued to gain in population as the farm was prepared for cultivation and equipped.

Regular Reports.

FROM time to time the board authorized the superintendent to add new equipment, to purchase stock and other necessities. Sickness was kept down at the institution for a considerable time. At each meeting of the board the superintendent was required to make a statement at length as to his activities at the school, what had been done, the names of the new inmates and other detailed information. The children were required to work one-half day and attend school a half-day. In a report made Oct. 31, 1898, Supt. Kalleen stated that there were twenty-two white boys and seventeen colored boys.

At the January term of the county court in 1899 a resolution was adopted authorizing a \$3,000 appropriation to provide for a girls' home at Bonny Oaks. The matter of getting state aid for the girls' department also was discussed at the board meeting following the action of the county court.

The written minutes of the board of trustees stated that on the night of Feb. 13, 1899, the thermometer was between 13 and 15 degrees below zero. The average cost of keeping the chil-