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S C H O O L C A L E N D A R.

September 4th.	Opening of Fall Term
November 6th.	Second Quarter Bills Due
November 29th.	Thanksgiving Holiday
December 22nd.	Close for Christmas
December 31st.Classes Resume
January 15th.Spring Term Begins
February 22nd.	Third Quarter Bills Due Washington's Birthday
March 19th.Fourth Quarter Bills Due
May 19th.	Baccalaureate Service
May 20th.Graduation

F A C U L T Y.

Alice Adshead, R. N. Nursing.
 Ruth M. Balcome, B. A. French and Mathematics.
 Alexander Boyce Treasurer.
 Retha B. Collins. 4th, 5th and 6th Grades.
 Thomas L. Cunningham. Labor Superintendent;
 Emma F. Dodge Librarian.
 E. Howard Elam, B. S. A. Principal.
 Paul A. Ervin, B. S. Agriculture.
 Mary E. Garner Secretary.
 Darline Johnson, B. A. History and Education.
 Harvey N. Lance, B. A. Science and Athletics.
 Emma Loughnane Preceptress and Mathematics.
 Mrs. Harvey N. Lance House Mother and Boarding Dept.
 Bradford W. Newcomb, B. A. Director of Music.
 Mary O. Perkinson, B. A. Home Economics.
 Mary H. Richardson, B. A. Junior High School.
 Mrs. George F. Seegraves 1st, 2nd and 3rd Grades.
 Mrs. Albert H. Smith, B. A. English and Latin.
 May C. Wharton, B. A., M. D. Physician.
 Edwin E. White, B. A. Pastor.
Magdalen Richardson Fireside Industries.

GENERAL INFORMATION.

Pleasant Hill Academy is situated in the mountains of Tennessee, on the Cumberland Plateau in Cumberland County. It is 17 miles east of Sparta and 11 miles west of Crossville on Tennessee Highway No. 1 (the Broadway of America) which passes through the campus. The elevation is 2,000 feet above sea level and the climate is most healthful and attractive.

The Academy has a farm and campus of near 200 acres. There are a dozen good buildings on the campus which are equipped with steam heat, electricity and running water. The farm which helps to supply food and labor for the students, has a dairy, a poultry plant and other equipment needed by a modern farm in this section.

About 100 students can be accommodated in the dormitories in addition to those who live in the vicinity. In all there are more than 200 students in attendance. The faculty is composed of twenty, well-trained, Christian workers from the best schools of the country.

PURPOSE.

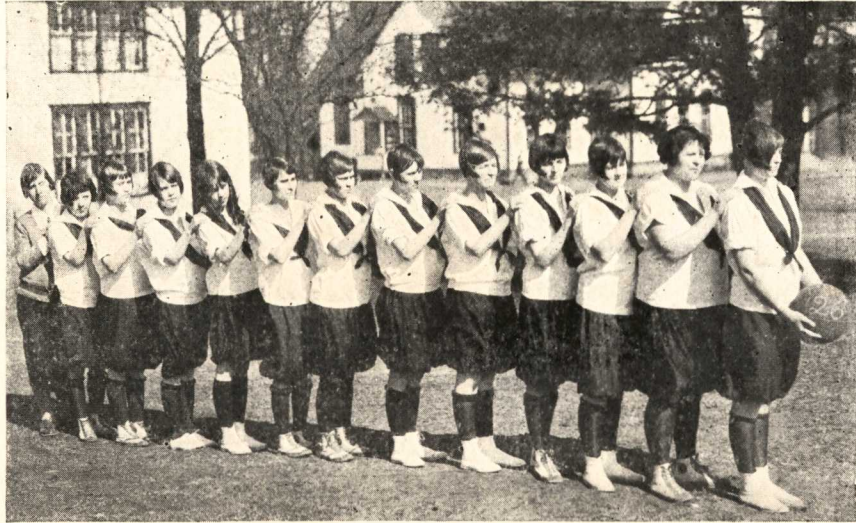
It is the purpose of Pleasant Hill Academy to provide a practical Christian education to as many mountain boys and girls of the South, and especially of Tennessee, as the school can accommodate. Students should go out from the school better fitted to cope with life's problems, better fitted in a Christian way to serve the world and mankind, better prepared for citizenship and for the upbuilding of the communities in which they live.

COURSE OF STUDY.

The four years of high school work together with the eight grades of elementary work are offered. The first eight grades are carried for, and in cooperation with Cumberland County board of Education. The high school follows the program outlined by the State board of Education, and the Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools of the Southern States of which the school is a member. Special emphasis is placed on vocational work and students have an opportunity to take work in such lines as Agriculture, Bible, Art, Home-Making, Manual Training, Music, Nursing, Printing, Teacher-Training, and Weaving in addition to the literary courses that are a part of any high school curriculum.

ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS.

Since the course of study embraces all the grades, a student may enter in any grade, except that students under fifteen years of age should not apply for entrance in the boarding department. Students entering any grade or class will be expected to show a certificate to the effect that all work in the previous grades has been satisfactorily completed. And in addition all applicants must agree to abide by the regulations of the school.



GIRLS BASKET BALL TEAM



A LITERARY SOCIETY GROUP

PROMOTION AND GRADUATION.

In order to graduate from the high school, a student must satisfactorily complete 16 standard units of credit. (A standard unit requires 45 minute recitations five times each week for 36 weeks). There are required for graduation 4 units of English, $2\frac{1}{2}$ units of Mathematics, 2 units of one foreign language or a satisfactory substitute, and 1 unit each of History, Science and Bible, together with $4\frac{1}{2}$ elective units. The electives are to be selected with the advice and consent of the principal. For promotion from one grade or class to another or for graduation a student must have a general average above "D" and must have all school bills paid or satisfactorily arranged for.

GRADING SYSTEM.

Students are graded both in classes and on labor by the letters "A" "B", "B", "C", "D", "E" and "F". For classes the grades are interpreted as follows:

A.....	93-100	Excellent
B.....	85-92	Good
C.....	78-84	Fair
D.....	70-77	Passing
E.....	65-69	Condition
F.....	60-64	Failing

In labor the student is paid on the basis of the grade of his labor as follows:

A.....	25¢	Per Hour
B.....	20¢	Per Hour
C.....	15¢	Per Hour
D.....	10¢	Per Hour
Below D.,		Failing

MEDALS AND PRIZES.

A Lincoln medal, given by the Illinois Watch Company will be awarded on Lincoln's Birthday to that student in the high school who writes the best essay on Abraham Lincoln..

A scholarship medal will be awarded to that student in the high school who maintains the highest scholarship average for the entire year.

By a donation of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Campbell^a medal is awarded each year for the best original oration.

Through the interest of a friend, a science award has been established in the name of the Pilgrim Congregational Church of Chattanooga for the student who makes the greatest accomplishment for the year in any branch of science

An endowment has been provided by Miss Emily W. Reece which makes possible each year an effort prize of \$5.00 for that student who shows the greatest effort for the year.

Through the interest of friends a scholarship of \$25.00 will be awarded to the best all-round student, graduating from the eighth grade. This is to apply toward the student's expenses in Pleasant Hill Academy the following year.

Two music scholarships have been given by the glee clubs this year to the boy and girl who have shown the greatest ability and accomplishment in the line of vocal music. These are of \$15.00 each and are to apply toward music expenses for the following year.

An athletic trophy in the form of a silver loving cup is awarded to the class in school which wins the field meet each year. The trophy is kept by the winner until it is won by some other class.

The Athletic Council awards each year to the best all-round athlete a woolen sweater with a starred official "A".

STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS.

One of the greatest aids to a student's progress is his active participation in student activities. It gives him an opportunity to compete and to compare his ability, with his fellow students.

There are two literary societies, the "James Robertson" and the "Samuel Doak." All students are supposed to be members of one or the other of these societies. New students may choose which society to join.

The Athenaeum is a literary organization of the entire school which meets once each month. The meetings are open to the public. This is the real literary mouthpiece of the school to the public.

The Young People's Society is a Christian organization of the young people of the school and community. It meets each Sunday evening and devotes its meetings to the promotion of Christian work.

There are two glee clubs, one for the boys and one for the girls. Through the assistance of the music directors, they add much to enrich the school and community life during the year.

The "Future Farmers of Tennessee" is an organization of the agricultural boys which has state and national affiliation.

Students are urged to engage freely in the activities of these organizations.

DEBATE AND ORATORY.

Pleasant Hill Academy has affiliation with the Big "5" interscholastic

Literary League which is statewide in its scope. Local winners in Debate, Original Oratory, Extemporaneous Oratory, Dramatic Reading and Humorous Reading are permitted to enter the contest at Knoxville to compete for the state championship in these events.

A T H L E T I C S.

There is an athletic council that directs the athletic activities. This is composed of both faculty members and students. The school is a member of the state athletic association. The main athletic sports, such as football, basket-ball, baseball, tennis and track are provided and coached by competent teachers. Students making the teams are awarded official letters each year. In addition to the regular sports, physical training is provided for and required of all students, in accordance with the state program.

M E D I C A L C A R E.

Dr. May C. Wharton, who is widely known through this section for her medical work, and who has her own private "Uplands" Sanitorium in Pleasant Hill, is the school physician. A small medical fee which is included in the school expenses brings the services of Dr. Wharton to the students. Miss Alice Adshead, head nurse at "Uplands" teaches nursing for the girls.

C O O P E R A T I V E S T O R E.

For the benefit of the students and the school, there is maintained a cooperative store to furnish the necessary school and incidental supplies that will be needed in school. All articles will be sold for cash. A profit of ten per cent will be charged. Savings from this enterprise will be used for student activities, such as athletics. Students and teachers will find this the best place to buy school supplies and many other necessities.

L A B O R A N D S E L F - H E L P.

Practically all of the work of the school is done by the students. In order that this may be accomplished all boarding students are expected to work as much as five hours per week. Students are paid for the work they do. Students who need to work a part of their way in school may be granted this privilege. Not many students will be permitted to work all their way in school as the fund which provides the labor is limited. Students are expected to pay as much of their expenses as they can. And any student who expects to work more than five hours per week toward his expenses must maintain a passing grade and good conduct.

M E R I T S Y S T E M.

The merit system is directed by a council of representative faculty members, alumni and students to recognize and promote progress and good citizenship in the

school. Through this system good conduct is recognized by merits and bad conduct is recognized by demerits. The merits and demerits are recognized in four groups as follows: self-improvement, scholarship, home and school service and general social service. The merits are accumulative from year to year and a student may advance from one degree of citizenship to another on the basis of his accumulated merits. Three degrees are recognized in school and may be gained by 200, 400 and 600 merits. On the other hand a student who does not have merits to his credit cannot graduate.

R E G U L A T I O N S .

The rules and regulations of the school are few. We believe in wholesome amusements, freedom and family-like friendship between the students in school. At the same time, if we cannot assure the parents that their children are under Christian leadership and influence, we should not accept the responsibility of their care. The regulations that we have were made with this end in view---that they shall help toward developing Christian character and orderly, well-rounded citizenship.

Profanity, rowdyism, gambling, card playing, and the use or possession of intoxicants, tobacco or fire-arms will be strictly prohibited. Students are expected to be in their rooms at night, and to attend all meals, classes, examinations, chapel exercises, church, Sunday School and literary societies regularly. Boarding students should not leave Pleasant Hill without permission of the principal. Students are not to bring automobiles from their homes to have in their possession. Automobile and horseback riding for boys and girls together are prohibited except in rare cases, and then by permission of the principal with a teacher present. A student representing the school on an athletic team, debating team, or otherwise, will be expected to maintain good moral character and a passing grade or better in all classes. All regulations apply to day students as well as boarding students during school hours and on the school premises. These regulations will be strictly enforced. Any student who persistently violates them or any one of them will not be permitted to remain in school.

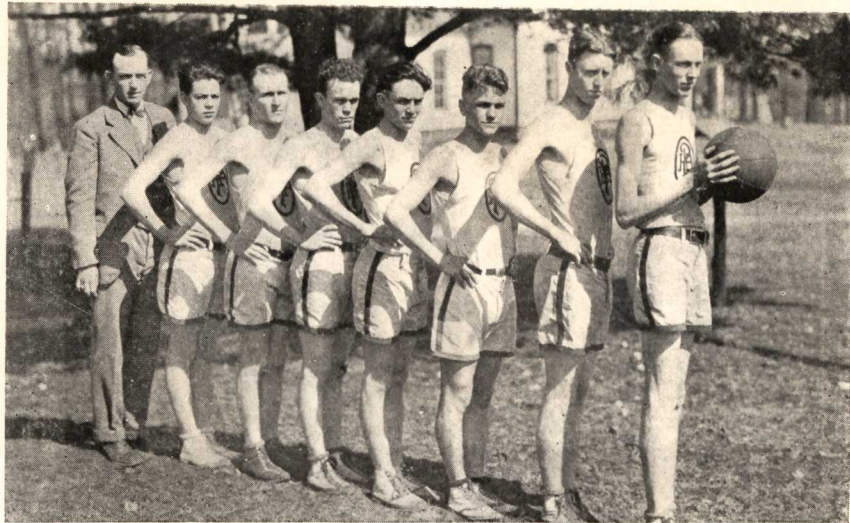
In general, boys and girls are to conduct themselves as gentlemen and ladies, and refrain from doing anything that could in any way be cause for criticism or doubt. Parents at home and in Pleasant Hill are asked to cooperate in making this possible.

V I S I T I N G H O M E .

Students who are working more than one half of their expenses in school should not expect to go home more than once during the school year. Other students will be granted permission to go home once each term in addition to the Christmas holidays. Except in cases of emergency no student should ask to go home within a month from the beginning of each term. All permissions to go home should be secured from the principal at least one week before the expected visit. If students wish to visit other students, a written statement should be sent from the parents of the visiting student to the principal beforehand. Such a visit will count as a visit home.



GIRLS GLEE CLUB



BOYS BASKET BALL TEAM

S I M P L E L I F E .

The life at Pleasant Hill Academy is simple. It is no place for extravagance, fine dress and unnecessary jewelry. No student should feel embarrassed because he or she does not have fine clothes and money to spend. The simplest dress or suit is good enough for any occasion if it is clean. Any manifestation of extravagance on the part of a student will be taken as proof that the student does not fit into the life of the school.

E X P E N S E S .

All boarding students, whether in the high school or in the grades, will pay the regular school expenses, which provide tuition, board, room, heat, light, laundry, bedding, room furnishings, physical examinations and incidental medical expenses. All bills are due quarterly in advance. Students will be prepared to pay bills on settlement days either by cash or labor or make satisfactory arrangements with the principal ahead of time. Bills will be due as follows:

September 4, 1928	\$50.00
November 6, 1928	50.00
January 15, 1929	50.00
March 19, 1929	50.00
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	\$200.00

Local high school students who live at home will pay tuition in advance as follows:

September 4, 1928	\$4.50
November 6, 1928	4.50
January 15, 1929	4.50
March 19, 1929	4.50
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In addition to the above expense all high school and boarding students will pay the following:

Registration Fee (with application)	\$2.00
Damage Fee (returnable)	3.00

Students who wish to take music in addition to the choral music which has no charge, will pay the following:

Piano Lessons	\$4.50 Each Quarter.
Piano Practice	4.50 Each Quarter.
Violin Lessons	4.50 Each Quarter.
Vocal Lessons	4.50 Each Quarter.

L O A N S .

The school has a loan fund from which it can make small loans to students who are in need and in good standing in school. Such loans will be made on a bankable note at a low rate of interest.

R E F U N D O F E X P E N S E S .

Any student who has to leave school because of sickness or for any other unavoidable reason may get a refund proportionate to the amount of time he or she is

absent, provided the principal is notified before the student leaves. In no case will a refund be made for less than a week's absence. If a student has to be sent home or if he leaves of his own accord without permission, no refund will be made and all bills to the end of the current quarter will be due.

F I N A L I N S T R U C T I O N S T O S T U D E N T S .

Students coming to Pleasant Hill Academy should bring whatever clothing and personal effects they will need, being sure to include some working clothes. Bedding will be furnished complete by the school. Books, towels and other needed articles may be bought from the school cooperative store.

All boarding students should arrive the day before the opening of school. Those coming on the N. C. & St. L. Railway will leave the train at Sparta and take a bus to Pleasant Hill. Those coming by way of the Tennessee Central will leave the train at Crossville and take a bus to Pleasant Hill.

A P P L I C A T I O N .

Application may be made to E. H. Elam, Principal, Pleasant Hill, Tennessee for admission or for further information about the school.

H O W T H E S C H O O L I S M A I N T A I N E D .

Pleasant Hill Academy is a project of the American Missionary Association. It is supported and maintained by the Association, together with the donations of many friends of the Association, the school and the work they are doing.

The Association provides a little more than one-half of the school budget of \$50,000 including the teachers' salaries, and some in addition for maintenance, repair and improvement. The amount paid in by the students, together with the income from the farm and all other local sources, amounts to a little more than one-fourth of the school expenditures. The remainder is given by organizations and individuals who are interested in the work.

Donations in any amount, large or small, are appreciated and will be used to further this program of work and service. They may be sent to the American Missionary Association, 287 Fourth Avenue, New York City, or to E. H. Elam, Principal, Pleasant Hill, Tennessee.