

## Chalybeate Spring School

**Location:** S51/T5/R7E

**Funds:** \$234

**1908-1909** W. H. Butler, 6 months at \$45

**1909, Aug 10** Mavel Benson, 1 1/2 months at \$40

**1909, Nov 13** Mae Latty, Principal, 3 months at \$50

Stella Berry, Assistant, 3 months at \$37.50

**1918-1919** No data

**1922-1923** Ola Cassidy, 6 months at \$80

Carl Cassidy, 6 months at \$70

**1938-1939** A. G. Strickland

Abby Laney

**School District:** 92

**Grades Covered:** 1-6

**Trustees in 1923:** D. C. Perry and W. H. Sewell

**Teacher in 1939:** A. G. Strickland and Mrs. Abby Laney

**Location:** Henager, Route 10

**Latitude:** 343749N

**Longitude:** 0855121W

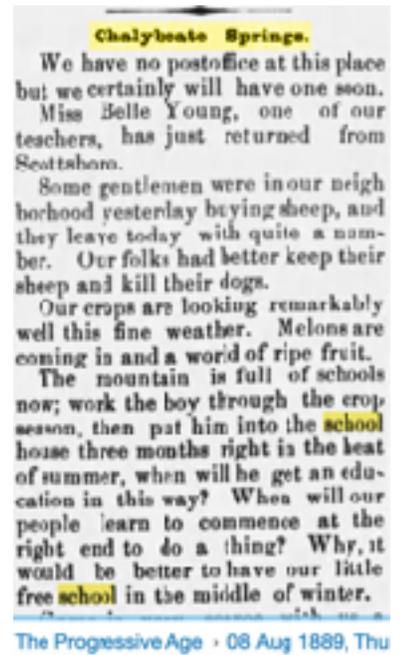
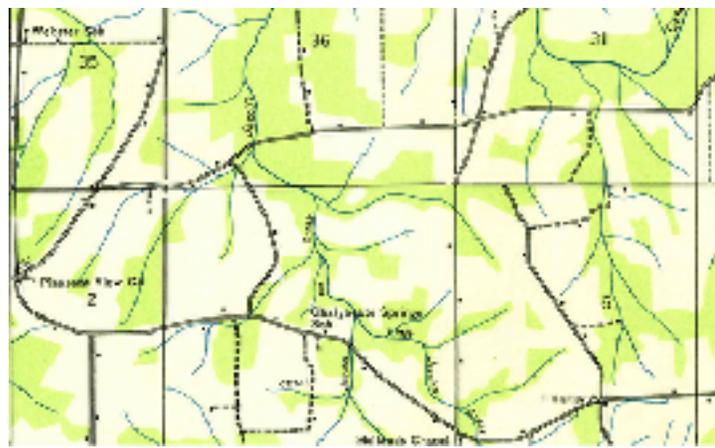
**Years of Operation:** 1888 or before through 1939

Closed when the WPA-funded Pleasant Hill School opened in 1939. Other schools consolidated at the same time into four-room Pleasant Hill. Nat Cisco's grandmother attended this school. He said that the original school was about a half mile west of County Road 22 on Hwy 40, about 1 1/4 miles east of Pleasant View Crossroads. A large white house sits on that site today.

**Jul 11, 1889 PA:** "Our school will open again next Monday. H. H. Coulson and Miss Belle Young have agreed to take charge of the school for a term of five years. Miss Young is much pleased with this mountain. She says she gained five pounds in four weeks....Miss Sallie Hill has returned from school at Pisgah, where she acquitted herself with honor as usual. She will commence a school near J. M. Gullatt's next Monday. Success to her."

**Aug 8, 1889 PA:** No post office. Belle Young teaching. Children on the mountain in school during the heat of summer; column advocates the middle of winters. See article

**Sep 5, 1889 PA:** Chalybeate Springs news. "School all doing well, and the teachers are beginning to count over the small amount that they will soon receive from the great state of Alabama....I attended the Congressional Institute at Stevenson, and was much pleased with it....I heartily indorse the mode of teaching as set forth by the professors present. From what I saw and heard, Prof. Gross is the right man in the right place, and the people of Stevenson should be proud of him. Success to him. I cannot particularize every one, but we would say success to every faithful teacher in our county, whether lady or gentleman, and may the time come when the people of Jackson will sustain good schools and educate their sons and daughters."



**Oct 10, 1889 PA:** Chalybeate Springs column. "Our school has closed for the present, after a term of seven months, in which sixty pupils entered. Owing to Miss Young's health, she has gone to the valley for the winter, with the promise that she will return in the spring when the school will reopen. We regret that she had to leave; the children are much attached to her, both in the day school and in the Sunday school, and they will think the time is long till she returns. I have been teaching in the county for over thirty years and have made the acquaintance of quote a number of teachers, but I am free to say that Miss Young is the best primary teacher I have met. Our near neighbor and special friend, Miss Sallie Hill, has closed her school near J. M. Gullatt, where she had certain been very successful as a teacher. She is now near Center Point looking for a location to teach this winter, and I would recommend her favorably to any neighborhood desiring a lady teacher....We expect to have several new houses by the time school opens in the spring."

**Jul 27, 1894 PA:** "Rev. C. B. Roach, of Fackler, has accepted and will teach a ten month school at Chalybeate Springs. He will be assisted by his daughter, Miss Jessie."

**May 22, 1902 PA:** "Prof George Hicks will sing all day at Chalybeate Spring school house the first Sunday in June. Everybody is invited to bring their baskets well filled with dinner."

**Jul 19, 1906 PA:** Chalybeate Spring column. "Miss Vesta Odell began her school here last Monday. Let everybody become interested and make the school a crowning success."

**Aug 22, 1907 PA:** New school district proposed. See article.

**Dec 10, 1908 PA:** Chalybeate Springs column. "School is progressing nicely at this place, under the management of Prof. W. H. Butler."

**Mar 11, 1909 PA:** "School Closes at Chalybeate Springs. March 6, 1909. Prof. Butler has closed his school at this place, owing to the illness of his mother."

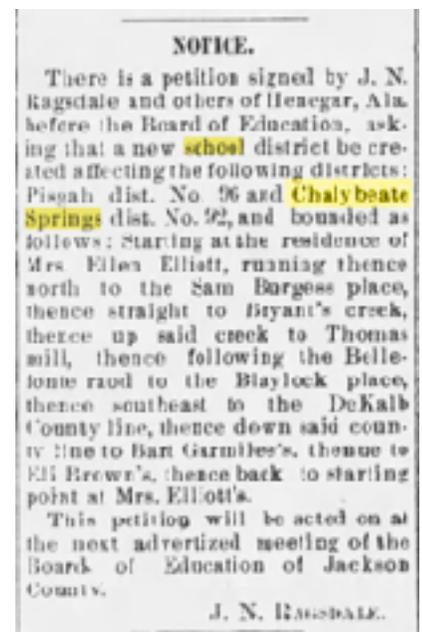
**Aug 12, 1909 PA:** "Miss Mabel Beeson is assisting Mr. Jarnigan in his school at Chalybeate Springs."

**Dec 16, 1909 PA:** Farmers' Union meeting at the school. Continued to be a meeting place for this group.

**Nov 18, 1909 PA:** Politicians lectured at all existing schools in 1909 for passage of Alabama Constitutional Amendment 1909 that prohibited the "manufacture, sale and keeping for sale of alcoholic and malt liquors and other intoxicating beverages." It was defeated 61% No, 39% Yes. J. R. Kennemore spoke for the amendment at Chalybeate Spring School Nov 20, 1909.

**Nov 23, 1911 PA:** "County Superintendent C. S. Brewton visited the Sulphur Springs public school Wednesday night and will visit the Flat Rock school Thursday a.m. the Rosalie School Thursday p.m., the Pisgah School Friday a.m., and Chalybeate Springs school Friday p.m. He will also attend public land sales at Dutton Saturday."

**Mar 25, 1915 PA:** A golden wedding anniversary celebrated at the school.



**Nov 16, 1922 PA:** Pleasant Hill Column. "School at Webster and Chalybeate Spring is moving on nicely."

**Jan 11, 1923 PA:** Trustees and teachers of all school listed.

**Mar 29, 1923 PA:** "Carl Cassidy and his sister, Ola, who are teaching at Chalybeate Springs, went home Friday."

**Jan 22, 1925 PA:** Boys from Chalybeate Springs played the boys at Webster and lost 14 to 3.

**Nov 4, 1926 PA:** "Miss Lois Wann began teaching at Chalybeate Springs last week."

**June 2, 1937 PA:** "Request was made for an order to the Commissioners Court for an election in the Chalybeate Springs district for the three mill tax."

**July 1927:** Published notice for the 3-mil school tax election in the Chalybeate Spring district. See article.

**Aug 11, 1927 PA:** The 3-mil tax was defeated in the Chalybeate Springs district, 8 for to 18 against.

**Oct 20, 1927 PA:** In the School Section, Chalybeate Springs identified as a two-teacher school.

**1927:** "Mr. Parker and other citizens from Chalybeate Springs, Webster, and Dutton convinced the Board to purchase a truck suitable for transportation of high school children living in their districts who attended Pisgah High School"

**Jan 12, 1928 PA:** School Page. "Chalybeate Springs: We had Parents' Day on Friday, November 29. There was a good attendance. The parents stayed most of the day and observed. They seemed well pleased with progress of school and splendid response of pupils.

**Mar 15, 1928 PA: School Page.** "Dutton March 5. Dear Miss Haynes. I am ten years old and in the fourth grade. I go to school at Chalybeate Springs. I have seven studies and I like my English best. We are studying 'care of the hair' in health, and in English we are studying 'story telling.' We surely did enjoy your visit to our school and hope you will come again before school is out. My teacher's name is Mr. Gipson. I like him fine. Now be sure to come again before school is out. Your friend, Edna Hicks."

**Apr 5, 1928 PA:** School Page. "Henagar, Alabama, March 17, 1928 Dear Miss Haynes: I am seven and in the second grade. I go to Chalybeate Spring school. Willie Whatley is our teacher now since his sister, Miss Ista, got sick. You must come see us again some time. Eschol Holloway" See article.

**May 3, 1928 PA: School Page.** Students who passed the sixth grade

**NOTICE OF SCHOOL TAX ELECTION, CHALYBEATE SPRINGS, DISTRICT NO. 92**

Notice is hereby given that a special election will be held in Chalybeate Springs, District No. 92, Jackson County, Alabama, on the 6th day of August, 1927, for the purpose of determining whether or not a special tax shall be levied and collected annually, at the rate of 30 cents on each one hundred dollars worth of taxable property in Chalybeate Springs, District No. 92 in said county, and to be continued for a period of four years from September 30, 1927, the same to be for the support of the public schools within said district.

The boundaries of said district are as follows:

Beginning at the N E corner of Section 31, Tp. 4, R. 8, thence west 1 1/2 miles; thence south 1 1/2 miles; thence west 3/4 mile; thence south 1/2 mile; thence west 3/4 miles; thence south 1 mile; thence east 1 1/2 miles; thence south 1/2 mile; thence east 1 1/2 miles; thence north 1/2 mile; thence west 3/4 mile; thence north 1 1/2 miles; thence east 1/2 mile; thence north 1 mile to point of beginning.

Said District contains Section 31, Tp. 4, R. 8, E 1/2 of 30, Tp. 4, R. 7, E 1/2 of NW 1/4 of 26, Tp. 4, R. 7, E 1/2 of SW 1/4 of 26, Tp. 4, R. 7, W 1/2 of 6, Tp. 5, R. 8, W 1/2 of 1, Tp. 5, R. 8, SE 1/4 of 7, Tp. 5, R. 8, E 1/2 of 12, Tp. 5, R. 7, NW 1/4 of 12, Tp. 5 R. 7, N 1/2 of 11, Tp. 5, R. 7, S 1/2 of 2, Tp. 5, R. 7, SE 1/4 of NE 1/4 of 2, Tp. 5, R. 7, E 1/2 and the SW 1/4 of 1, Tp. 5, R. 7, E 1/2 of NW 1/4 of 1, Tp. 5, R. 7, SW 1/4 of NW 1/4 of 1, Tp. 5, R. 7. All of said district being in Jackson County, Alabama.

The following are hereby appointed officers to hold said election: W. W. Richards, R. J. Allen, Earnest Rush, Inspectors; J. H. Holland, L. D. Clark, clerks; Carl Parker, returning officer.

W. R. Bogart, Probate Judge, W. W. Trice, Raymond Bradford, W. H. Cox, County Commissioners; M. C. Thomas, Sheriff of Jackson County, Alabama.

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Dear Miss Haynes:

I go to Chalybeate Springs school. I am in the third grade almost ready for the fourth grade. Our school has not been as good as usual. First messes got scattered and kept lots out for several weeks. Then our teacher, Miss Whatley, got sick. However, we have done some good work. I am sorry I was not present when you came to visit us.

You must come again some time. I enjoy reading the School Page very much and like to hear what other schools are doing.

I am 10 years old.

Respectfully,  
Ira Holloway.

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examination. Roland Hicks from Chalybeate Springs.

**Oct 18, 1928 PA:** Legislative representative Ira Pegues spoke at the school.

**Nov 22, 1928 PA:** "A cordial invitation is extended to our surrounding communities to come out to our box supper to be held on the night of November 29th....The school is progressing nicely under the supervision of Misses Laura Clements and Abby Hartline."

**Jan 17, 1929 PA:** "Among the new pupils enrolled in school since the holidays, three Millican children, three Marshall children, three Roden children....The school opened Monday morning after a vacation on account of the flu with the average of fifty pupils. We expect to average sixty by Tuesday."

**Jul 18, 1929 PA:** "Adult Schools Will be Established. Chalybeate Springs is one of the communities assured of an adult education program. See article.

**Jul 18, 1929 PA:** Henagar News "Opportunity School opens at Chalybeate Springs on July 22. Everybody in this community and all adjoining communities who are interested are invited to come and be with us the six weeks in this school and take advantage of this fine free school. Books are furnished and also one of the best teachers in the state."

**Jul 25, 1929 PA:** Preliminary enrollment for the Opportunity Schools is 351. Mrs. L. L. Williams of Hangar will teach the program at Chalybeate Springs.

**Jan 23, 1930 PA:** "We are sorry indeed to learn that our school term will be cut short one month....Mrs. William Hedrick visited the school Thursday afternoon. Misses Marie Davis, Rosalie Griffith were visited at the school Friday afternoon. A number from Webster school were also visitors. There are a few children who have failed to enroll in school, and it is understood that the truant officer has been looking into this matter."

**Feb 27 1930 PA:** School is participating in the basketball tournament.

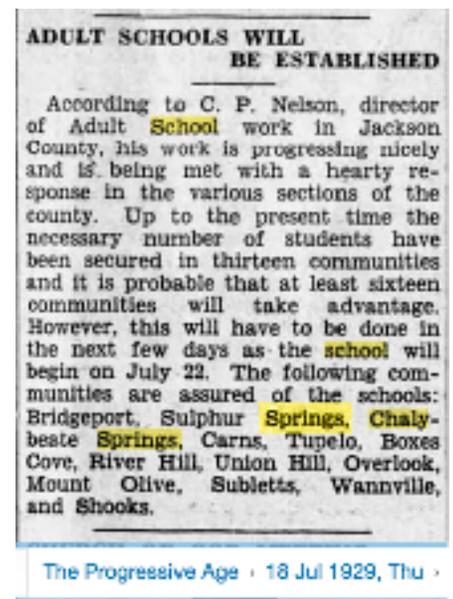
**Jan 29, 1931 PA:** Chalybeate Spring was at the 89% and recognized for high attendance. Also recognized the next month with 90% average attendance.

**Feb 12, 1931 PA:** Webster School News. "Several from here visited Chalybeate Spring school Friday afternoon. Webster played Chalybeate Springs two games Friday afternoon, winning both games."

**Feb 26, 1931 PA:** Chalybeate Springs recognized for 91% attendance.

**Sep 3, 1931 PA:** Health Department clinic held at the school house several times during the month of September.

**Nov 12, 1931 PA:** "Chalybeate Springs, a two teacher school on Sand Mountain, has earned one of the pictures offered for full attendance on the first day of school. The teachers, Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Williams, the pupils and the patrons of this school are to be congratulated. We hope



this high standard of achievement will continue throughout the year. Teachers are requested to send in to the supervisor list of text books needed in each of the elementary grades. Take this from your equipment sheet in your register.”

**Feb 25, 1932 PA:** Health Department movies and lectures on diphtheria, hookworm, malaria, sanitation, and drainage at the school on March 10. Also basketball game between the Pisgah Junior team and the Chalybeate Springs team.

**Mar 3, 1932 PA:** “There will be a comic drama in the acts, titled “A Poor Married Man,” presented at Chalybeate Spring Saturday night, March 5th. Admission 5 cents and 10 cents. The proceeds go to the school for library tables. Everybody cordially invited.”

**Jan 17, 1935 PA:** Attendance report. Chalybeate Springs reported 78% attendance.

**Jul 4, 1935 PA:** School bus contracts let. Route 16 was “Chalybeate Springs, Deans, Union Grove to Dutton or Pisgah.”

**Mar 12, 1936 PA:** “A pie supper is to be given at Chalybeate Springs Saturday night, March 15th for the benefit of Pleasant View Church. Everyone invited.”

**Jun 4, 1936 PA:** Congressman Sparkman campaign rally held at Chalybeate Springs school.

**Nov 4, 1937 PA:** Board of Education Financial Report. R. M. Ray was paid \$16.75 for labor at the Chalybeate Springs School.

**Nov 25, 1937 PA:** “There will be a box supper and fish pond at Chalybeate Springs school on Friday night, November 26th. Proceeds go to the school. Your help in making this occasion a success will be greatly appreciated.”

**Jul 7, 1938 PA:** As part of a Public Works Administration New Deal program, the county embarked on a \$400,000 county school building program, where half the cost was matched by the PWA. A four-room school building was built for Chalybeate Springs school.

**Oct 2, 1938 PA:** Contracts let for the construction of new school buildings. With the building of the new school, the name changed to Pleasant View, “a four-room building at Pleasant View called Chalybeate Spring in the contract.”

**Jan 26, 1939 PA:** School Directory lists A. G. Strickland and Miss Abbie Laney at the teachers at Chalybeate Springs.

**Feb 23, 1939 PA:** “Upon approval by the Public Works Administration of contracts award February 16 by the County Board of Education, Jackson County will have under contracts school buildings to the value of \$347,414 and equipment to the value of \$25,828, according to E. M. Beardslee, Resident Engineer Inspector here for the Public Works Administration. Of these buildings, 5 are expected to be ready for occupancy by the 2nd week in March, and these are located at Mount Carmel, Hollywood, Rash, Winger, and Chalybeate Springs. Total contract value of the buildings is \$35,581.” School thereafter known as Pleasant View.

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Work is well under way on the Jackson County High School at Sevierville, the Bridgeport High school and additions to the Elementary School in Scottsboro. The Jackson County High School is a modern, 2-story and basement building, of coal-fire-safe construction; the Bridgeport School is a one-story building, of brick and tile construction.

Construction has been started by H. O. Patrick, local contractor, on the new school at Larkinsville, which is a 5-room and auditorium building. This contractor will also build schools at Stevenson, Hodge, Macedonia, and other points throughout the County, under a contract totaling over \$125,000.

Bids were opened on February 16 for schools at Pisgah, Bryant, and Rozelle; these schools are expected to cost approximately \$42,000, and construction should get under way early next month, or as soon as PWA has approved the contract.

The total amount of the program is \$412,000, of which \$188,000 is a grant by the Public Works Administration. The balance being raised by the County Board of Education and the communities in which the schools are located.