THE NORTHEASTERN NORMAL FORMALLY OPENED.

With elaborate and appropriate exercises the Northeastern State Normal was formally opened on Statehood day. Many educators and men prominent in affairs were present. The Tahlequah Herald has the following to say of the opening:

Statehood Day was befittingly celebrated by Tahlequah on Tuesday of this week and the occasion was made especially interesting by the formal opening of the Northeastern State Normal School and the inauguration of the president, Prof. D. Frank Redd.

Practically all the business houses of the city were closed in the afternoon and the citizens visited the school, where an informal reception was held by the president in his office, and the visitors had the pleasure of seeing the work being done in the several departments of this splendid school. The equipment and the arrangement of the building was an agreeable surprise to most of our citizens, who had not heretofore visited the school since it was opened in September.

At 3:30 in the afternoon the football game between the East Central State Normal team, of Ada, and the Northeastern of Tahlequah, was called on the Normal athletic field. From the very first it was evident that the Ada team was no match for our boys. Through a series of excellent plays the Tahlequah boys succeeded in piling the score up to that of 41 to 0, over Ada, when time was called at the close of the game.

At 8:00 o'clock in the evening a splendid audience assembled in the chapel of the Northeastern to witness the formal opening exercises and the inauguration of the president, Prof. D. Frank Redd. Vice President Ira L. Cain presided. Governor Haskell and State Superintendent Cameron were unable to be present on account of urgent business. Hon. A. S. Wyly was asked to take the place of both these gentlemen on the program, but he said in his speech that he could not fill the place of three men. He made a most interesting speech in which he recounted the history of statehood and paid a glowing tribute to the Female Seminary.

Senator E. M. Landrum was the second speaker and he made one of his characteristic dialect speeches. It is so full of fun and interest that we publish it in full in this issue.

Mayor Houston B. Teehee made an excellent address in which he spoke eloquently of the advantage of Tahlequah as a school town.

Hon. A. S. Wyly introduced the president, Prof. D. Frank Redd, who treated the audience to a most able and eloquent inaugural address. In the course of his remarks Dr. Redd told of the work of laying the foundation for a great and successful school here, stating that with the support of the splendid faculty and the loyalty of the people of Tahlequah the future of the Northeastern was already assured. He said so many wise and good things that we deeply regret that the Herald did not have a stenographer present to take down his speech so that we could reproduce his remarks in full.

The music and reading were all excellent, as was attested by the hearty encores accorded each of them.