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**Advertising Pays!**

The best means for reaching the public is through a newspaper with a good circulation. When the copy is turned in the newspaper does the work and distributes the ad. An advertisement in a newspaper is likely to be read by every member of the family. In no other way can so many members of the family be reached.

Now is the best time for advertising people to begin for the fall trade. Do not gauge the future by the present. Times are getting better and there will be large purchases in the Fall. The back of "panic" is broken and we are entering on an era of prosperity.

**Try a Local in the Democrat & be Convinced**

**Southern Commercial Convention**

The Secretary of the Hickory Chamber of Commerce has received an urgent invitation from the Chattanooga Secretary to send delegates to the Commercial convention to be held in that city Aug. 11, 12, 13, and 14. Reduced rates are to be given on all railroads for the occasion and delegates are expected to attend from all over the South. Arrangements have been made for entertaining the guests in an elaborate fashion.

From the Asheville Citizen

The Citizen is not prompted by any political animus when it declares that this miserable exhibition of subservience to the Rough Rider should, and doubtless will defeat Taft for the presidency. We have requisitioned our memory in vain for a display equal to it. One life-long Republican stated to the writer yesterday that Taft made a colossal blunder when he announced through the Association Press that he would go to Oyster Bay for the purpose of submitting his speech to President Roosevelt, and there will doubtless be a small army of American citizens holding the same opinion. To express it in a vulgar way, we really believe that Taft has torn something.

**Removal Notice.**

Persons needing my services at night or on Sunday, can find me at my new residence on 17th street, or by calling 'phone 43.

J. W. SHUFORD,  
Funeral Director & Embalmer.

Competitive examinations in the United States Civil Service are to be held soon for many positions. Among the places to be filled is that of Teacher in Indian Service, Postal Clerk in Panama Canal Zone and a host of technical positions.

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**Garden Jest**

Come into the garden, Maud;  
Wear your summer rigging;  
Come into the garden, Maud;  
See your husband digging.  
—Montreal Herald.

Yea, come into the garden, Maud,  
When the summer sun is red!  
Watch the old man hoe the cabbagees  
That will cost \$2 a head.  
—Scranton Tribune

Yea, come into the garden, Maud;  
Cut out the billing, cooing;  
Reach for a club—come and see what  
Your neighbor's chicks are doing!  
—Houston Post.

Yea, come into the garden, Maud;  
Before the sun gets hot,  
And help to slaughter worms and bugs,  
That eats what truck you've got.  
—Waterbury American.

Yea, come into the garden, Maud,  
And see what Nature's granted!  
Behold the chickweed growing up  
Where spuds and beans were planted.  
—Buffalo News.

Yea, come into the garden, Maud,  
With cotton in each ear;  
Your blistered-handed husband says  
Some words you must not hear.  
—Commoner.

Yea, take your hoe to the garden, Maud,  
And hit some strenuous licks,  
For your old man's down at the grocery store.  
A-talking politics.

**Boone Items.**

Correspondence to The Democrat.

The five masonic lodges in Watauga have purchased near town a piece of ground which they are having beautified.

W. C. Coffey, one of our most substantial citizens was married at Creston on Tuesday of last week to Mrs. Ada Worth Penn. The wife of Rev. John Crisp was found dead in bed a few mornings ago.

Prof. Jerome Dowd, of the University of Okla., Baldwin, of Charlotte, and Atty. R. L. Durham, of Charlotte, Dixon, of Kings Mountain, spent a day here this week on a tramp trip through the mountains.

A friend hands us these items from the Appalachian Training School: Dr. B. F. Dixon's address to the senior class on the 24th was one of the best ever delivered here. Hon. W. C. Newland presented the diplomas in a very graceful manner.

The Alumni Association gave a banquet on Friday night. The graduating class numbered eleven.

Several of the faculty will go to the Grandfather mountain next week.

Prof. R. M. Brown, Miss Mildred Atkinson and Mrs. M. G. Reitzel have been added to the faculty.

**A. M.**

**Stops Work On Factory**

Quite a disturbance was raised in West Hickory last Friday tho it is usually quiet out there. The cause of the commotion was Mr. H. H. Abee, the town's recently elected Mayor tried to put a stop with a gun, to the erecting of the foundations of a picker-stick factory. The site of the factory is a lot belonging to Mr. George F. Ivey. Mr. Ivey is at the head of the company. Nothing can be done until the case is settled in Magistrate Site's court.

The citizens of West Hickory are much excited about the matter. Mayor Abee not only came out gun in hand, but kicked over the foundation.

The Charleston Post says Mr. John Temple Graves ought to be "poet laureate" of this country. If the Post thereby attempts to compare Mr. Graves with Alfred Austin, we hereby file our most solemn protest.—Ex.

**General News.**

Russellville, Ky.—Four negroes were taken from jail and lynched to the same tree. The cause of the lynching was the brutal murder of an aged white man.

Lincoln—Gov. Johnson has accepted Mr. Bryan's invitation to serve on the advisory committee of fifteen in the presidential campaign.

Boston—National Dental Association met in Boston with over 3,000 dentists in attendance. All the states were represented.

Atlanta—Congressman Clayton will deliver the notification speech to Bryan at Lincoln, Aug. 12.

Havana, Cuba—The elections passed off quietly the conservatives winning. Memorial was elected President.

Winnepay, Manitoba—Bush fires devastated the surrounding cities and left 3000 families homeless. Many lives have been lost.

Washington, D C—Attorney-General Bonaparte delivered an opinion in which he holds it is unlawful for National banks to take advantage of the Oklahoma guarantee fund.

Constantinople—The Sultan has granted a constitution to the country and has released all political prisoners. The Sultan has become very popular and walks the streets unarmed.

**Womens' Institute.**

In connection with the regular annual Farmers Institute for men to be held at Newton Tuesday Aug. 18 and Hickory Wednesday Aug. 19 there will also be held a meeting for the women from the farms. One or two women speakers will be furnished by the State Department of Agriculture and these will be assisted by the men conducting the men's institute. As this meeting will be held on the same day and at the same place as the farmers institute a joint meeting of the men and women may be arranged for the afternoon.

The women have greater and even more perplexing problems in the homes than the men have on the farms. Why should they not come together and discuss these problems and get inspiration and help in solving them. We have heard of no woman attending such an institute who did not become interested.

**At the Churches.**

**METHODIST**  
The Methodist church will not have any services Sunday, but will take the annual vacation. Rev. Weaver Pastor.

**LUTHERAN**  
Holy Trinity morning service 11 o'clock. Evening 8 o'clock. Rev. Moser pastor. After this Sunday the pastor will take his vacation of two weeks.

**BAPTIST**  
Regular services at 11 a. m. and 8 p. m. conducted by the pastor Rev. Hart.

**REFORMED**  
No service at the Reformed church Sunday. Rev. Murphy pastor.

**EPISCOPAL.**  
Services next Sunday at the church of The Ascension 11 a. m sermon with holy communion. Subject—"Is the average, everyday man outgrowing the religion of his forefathers? Special music with solo by Prof. D'Anna. 8 p. m. evening service and sermon.

Thursday is the Transfiguration of Christ, with the holy communion at 9:30 a. m.

**The Reading Room.**

The committee named for the purpose of raising funds for the furnishing of a reading room in the Library report that there has been very little response thus far to their appeal.

We feel that this action or non-action of the citizens is a reflection on the town.

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