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A GREAT TRIP TO CATAWBA.

Pure Bred Dairy Cattle Club Formed on Return—Lavis Favors by Catawba People.

Out of the visit of Davidson county farmers to the fine dairies and farms of Catawba county last Friday and Saturday...

More will be said later about the Dairy Cattle Club, but the purpose of this article is to tell something about the great reception accorded the Davidson farmers in Catawba.

Twenty-three Davidson county farmers, some of them the equal of any in the south, attended school in Hickory and Catawba county Friday afternoon and night and Saturday and Sunday...

IN PROGRESSIVE HICKORY.

Upon arriving in Hickory Friday afternoon the party was met at the train by Dr. J. L. Murphy, the well known Reformed minister and a native of Davidson county...

TO FINE CATAWBA FARMS.

Early next morning the party was conducted to the finest farm and beautiful home of Mr. John W. Robinson and shown about the things he has accomplished...

A luncheon fit for kings was served at the home of Mr. W. R. Lutz, this being provided jointly by all the owners of the Dutch Dairy Farms.

After leaving the Dutch Dairy Farms, the party was taken in charge by Mr. R. L. Shuford and Hickory...

The party then visited the Farm Life School at Startown, which is making for itself such an enviable reputation.

To My Democratic Friends in Davidson County

THE primary to select the democratic nominee for Congress in this the Seventh district will be held next Saturday, June 3rd, and I am naturally anxious for a large vote from my own county.

I STARTED out in this campaign with the determination to make a clean, honorable campaign, not to utter a word or do an act against any of my opponents...

I HAVE refrained from abuse of democrats, which creates bad feeling between factions of the party, because I abhor it, and for the further reason that I regard the harmony and success of the democratic party in the counties of the Seventh district far greater importance than I do the personal ambition of any one man or set of men.

I HAVE conducted the best campaign that I know how to conduct, appealing to the intelligence of the voters of the district and not to their prejudices and petty hates.

I HAVE not hesitated to let folks know where I stand on all public questions, as I had rather be defeated standing for progress and for right than to secure a nomination through deception and misrepresentation.

FROM investigation and information from friends, I feel confident that I will be nominated, and that I will carry the following counties by substantial majorities: Yadkin, Davie, Davidson, Randolph, Montgomery, Hoke and Lee; and that I will secure a good vote from Union, Richmond and Scotland.

W. H. HARRIS

where they inspected the big sweet potato houses and were told how this product was sold at a good profit...

RURAL CREDITS SYSTEM. One of the most interesting things investigated was the system of rural credits in Catawba.

Upon the return to Hickory Saturday afternoon a beautiful solid gold Masonic ring was presented to Mr. Varner by the party, the speech of presentation on their behalf being made by Mr. W. G. Fitzgerald of Thomsville.

"OUR DAVIDSON FRIENDS." "A finer body of farmers than the 23 Col. H. B. Varner brought to Hickory and Catawba county from Davidson county one will not see in the United States; a more intelligent community would not care to see, and many eyes would not care to see, and they are like our own Dutch folk."

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share anything they had with their neighbors. This one thing stood out prominently. Whenever the pure bred cow was found, there was a beautiful well-painted home, good barns, automobiles, all modern home conveniences and rich fields, backed by substantial bank accounts.

THOSE IN THE PARTY. Those who made the trip were: C. S. Palmer, Linwood; Stokes Smith, Newsom; J. D. Lookabill, Southmont; M. P. Reid, Harvey Green and M. R. Brown, Lexington; W. G. Fitzgerald, J. C. Meredith and J. A. Murphy, Thomsville; Carl Nifong, Midway; E. H. Michael, Tyro; C. H. Snider, Jubilee; W. M. Byerly, Yadkin College; M. S. Swing, Conrad Hill; H. P. May, Hannersville; Lloyd Wynn, Lexington; J. L. Zimmerman, Enterprise; R. M. Hunter, Linwood; S. A. Lanier, Denton; J. W. Walser, Yadkin College; Clifford Plummer, Hannersville; Col. John T. Patrick, Southmont; H. B. Varner, Lexington.

Lexington's New Directory. Lexington's first city directory was delivered to homes here Monday by Mr. Chas. S. Gardner, of Florence, S. C., the publisher. It shows Lexington to have 5,776 people, 914 of these being negroes.

Civic League Meeting. The last meeting of the Lexington Civic League until next fall will be held in the rest rooms next Tuesday afternoon, June 5th.

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BEST ROADS IN THE STATE.

Editor Ike London Writes of His Impressions of Davidson and Her Fine Highways.

Editor Ike London, of the Siler City City, and several other prominent Chatham citizens motored to Charlotte the 20th to attend the celebration. On the trip they passed through eight counties of the Piedmont section and Editor London hands the task to old Davidson.

"Leaving High Point we struck the first evidence of the macadam folly. Several years ago when the road fever first appeared, every section went wild over macadam. Guilford and Mecklenburg spent vast sums and boasted of their excellent macadam roads; but today these two counties have very poor roads. The macadam is worn out and travel is forced to the clay soil beside the macadam.

On every hand through Davidson we saw grey wheat, but little cotton and corn. Davidson is one of the best wheat counties. The wheat is better than in Chatham, with more stalk and thicker."

Erlanger and White Oak will meet Saturday afternoon in their second game of the season, the winning team having been won by the local 3 to 2. White Oak will be strengthened by Lewis, A. & M. catcher, and several other players, while Pharr and Younger, of Davidson College, will be seen at third and outfield and Druid Wheeler will play short.

Last Saturday Erlanger defeated Colesme here on the most exciting game of the season, 7 to 6, the winning run coming in the last half the ninth when Leonard got his second home run of the game. Luther Barnes fanned 12 men, eight of the first ten to face him being retired on strikes, and got two triples and a pair of singles in four times at bat. McQuaig started at bat and made several nice catches for the visitors.

Road Commission Audit. The report of Auditor Scott Charney, of Charlotte, upon his audit of the books of the Davidson County Road Commission appears in this issue. Mr. Charney highly commends the condition of the books and vouchers, due to the careful work of Clerk R. L. Burkhead.

A Teacher's Endorsement. To the Editor of The Dispatch: I wish to heartily endorse the candidacy of Mayor Charles Young for the State Senate and Col. H. B. Varner for Congress.

Everybody who knows Mr. Varner knows that he has been a life-long Democrat who has devoted his time, money and energy for the upbuilding of Davidson county.

Mr. Varner is not a farmer, as his opponents claim to be, but he is a successful editor and business man and has done more through his paper, The Dispatch as an advocate of better farming, better roads and better schools than any other man in North Carolina.

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SIX CANNING CLUBS THIS YEAR.

Twice Number of Clubs and More Than Double Number of Girls Who Will Take Part.

Probably no other line of endeavor in Davidson county is showing better increase or more hopeful spirit than that of the canning club work, under Miss Eunice E. Penny.

The clubs enrolled this year are at Happy Hill, Reeds, Newsom, Denton, Thomsville and Center Hill. There are also at Enterprise and Southmont, both of which places had clubs last year, a number of girls who will take part and be under the direct supervision of Miss Penny.

Another Evidence of Progress. The people of the rural districts of Davidson are taking hold of many "new-fangled" notions and they are rather proud of their success.

Rev. J. D. Newton Has Strong Letter Favoring Varner for Congress. Pride in one's county and in the folks is a commendable pride. If we thwart the purposes of our most capable leaders, what can we promise ourselves for the future?

Mr. Leos Sink, on Lexington Route 3, has gone even a step further and has made a fireless cooker for home use, and it cooks, too. He also has one of the iceless refrigerators and the two innovations are attracting much notice from his neighbors.

Mr. Howard Parrish and Miss Berle Cody were married Sunday. Congratulations to the happy couple.

Mr. Benny May has returned home from school. Mr. R. I. Nance, of Thomsville, was a pleasant visitor at Cid last Friday.

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Three days term of criminal court began Monday, with Judge E. B. Cline presiding. Practically all of the cases disposed of Monday were small offenses and several negroes were given road sentences.

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HINKLE-PRICE WEDDING.

Announcement Made of Wedding Well Known Lexington Couple Which Occurred in January.

The following announcement will come as a surprise to many Lexington friends of the parties concerned: "Mr. W. S. Thomas announces the marriage of his niece, Miss Mary Price, to Mr. George Fred Hinkle, at Orangeburg, S. C., January 27th, 1916."

This tells the facts of the marriage of this couple, but leaves an interesting story yet untold, of love and devotion of a girl who overcame such obstacles as parental objection and plans for a trip to London and other European cities and secretly wedded the man of her choice.

Miss Kate Sink, of Midway, is visiting Miss Ella Zimmerman. Mr. C. J. Leonard and family spent Sunday with Mr. Homer Leonard of Enterprise.

Miss Ruth Craver returned home last week from the Winston-Salem high school. She was a member of the graduating class.

Old News. Cid, May 29.—The death angel visited the home of Mr. John Delk last Saturday morning and claimed for his victim his beloved wife, Pallely.

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FARMER SPEAKS TO VOTERS.

Proprietor Big Montgomery Stock Farm Hints the Bell Which Varner Reasons.

Mr. T. H. Harris, of Mount Gilead, Montgomery county, who is proprietor of High Land Farm and a well known breeder of Short Horn Cattle and Duroc-Jersey Swine, presents to the voters of the Seventh District some convincing reasons as to why they should nominate H. B. Varner for Congress.

Since the commencement of the present campaign which will result in the selection of a candidate to represent this the seventh district of North Carolina in our next National Congress, I have noticed frequent communications by letter and through the public press, which call attention to the fact that at least two of the prospective congressmen were born and reared on the farm.

Figuring from this angle; from what Henry Varner has endeavored to do and from what he has accomplished since attaining his majority, I failed to see how or why any one of the other gentlemen now contesting with him for this nomination can lay claim to preferment.

Mr. Daniel Leonard has returned home from Georgia. Mr. Fred Mendenhall returned home from Whitesett Saturday. He graduated there this year.

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