

LOCAL SCHOOLS BANNER WEEK TO OPEN SEPT. 3 AT BROADWAY

Regular Work to Commence Tuesday, September 6.

Superintendent Harding Says 8,000 Will Register During First Week.

Charlotte city schools will open Saturday, September 3, when book lists will be distributed and children promoted.

The first day of regular school work will come Tuesday, September 6, Monday being Labor Day and always observed as a holiday by the schools.

Plans for the opening of school will be discussed by teachers who will gather in regular session Friday, September 2, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon at the Alexander Graham high school.

The colored schools will open Tuesday, September 6, the colored teachers meeting Monday morning, September 5, at 10 o'clock in the Myers street school.

Pupils who were not in the city schools last year, newcomers to the city, will be admitted to the high school Tuesday, September 6. However, new children who will be enrolled in the grammar schools will be required to present themselves at the ward schools on the opening day.

Examinations for high school students who failed on certain subjects will begin Saturday, September 3, when quizzes in mathematics will be given. English and history will come Tuesday, September 6, and science, modern languages and Latin Wednesday.

H. P. Harding, superintendent of schools, says even when the every school building in the city has been newly painted and many improvements have been made throughout the city.

One new building, the grammar school in North Charlotte, will be thrown open for the first time on the opening day. Twelve rooms and a cafeteria, capable of seating 500 pupils, have been added to the Alexander Graham high school building.

Mr. Harding is expected between 7,500 and 8,000 students to register during the opening week, and before the end of the school year at least 9,500 will have matriculated, is the opinion of the superintendent.

All children between the ages of 8 and 14 are required by law to attend the full nine months of school, Mr. Harding reminded.

One of the best years in the history of the local educational system is in prospect, according to Mr. Harding, who is highly pleased with the outlook for a successful year.

AQUATIC PRELIMS ARE PLANNED FOR TOMORROW

Local Team Will Be Made Up to Compete With Outfit From Rock Hill Wednesday.

Elimination contests for places on the Charlotte Y. M. C. A. aquatic team will take place in the "Y" pool tomorrow afternoon and night.

Juniors will contest for berths in the afternoon at 4 o'clock, intermediates at night at 7 o'clock and seniors at 4 o'clock.

About 50 local "water demons" have signed up to try for places on the Charlotte team, which will stage the first inter-city aquatic meet ever held with the Rock Hill, S. C., Y. M. C. A. Wednesday afternoon and night.

A. C. Sheldon, "Y" boys' work secretary, says the preliminary contests Monday will be the only chance to get on the team and urges all those who have signed up to turn out for the elimination events.

Medals will be awarded to the winners who make the largest number of points in each class.

The approaching meet with the South Carolina swimmers is attracting a great deal of attention around the association building and when the events are called Wednesday afternoon a large gallery is expected to be on hand to cheer the locals on.

The South Carolina team is said to be made up of experts in the various events and the Rock Hillians are confident of taking the honors in the titular meet.

A return meet in Rock Hill is also being planned for next week.

THE WEATHER

WASHINGTON, Aug. 20.—North Carolina: Partly cloudy with scattered thundershowers Sunday; somewhat cooler Sunday night; Monday generally fair.

South Carolina: Partly cloudy Sunday and Monday; little change in temperature.

WEATHER BUREAU OFFICE
Charlotte, Aug. 21, 1921.

Rainfall
Sunrise 5:47
Sunset 7:06
Moonrise 8:26
Moonset 8:27
Moon phase: Last quarter on 19th.

Yesterday's Temperature
Dry Bulk.

10 a. m. 79
11 a. m. 80
Noon 87
2 p. m. 89
4 p. m. 81
8 p. m. 84

Wet Bulk.

10 a. m. 78
Noon 76
2 p. m. 71

Highest 92
Lowest 70
Mean 81
Normal 81
Mean same date last year 78
Deficiency for month 5
Excess for year 118
Highest of record for August, 1920 100
Lowest of record for August, 1897 73

Precipitation
Total for 24 hours ending 8 p. m. 0.00
Total for month to 8 p. m. 2.28
Normal for August 4.25
Deficiency for year 6.99
Greatest of record for August, 1918 14.81
Least of record for August, in 1899 0.00

Humidity
10 a. m. 61
Noon 42
8 p. m. 53

Barometer
10 a. m. 30.08
8 p. m. 29.93

G. S. LINDGREN, Meteorologist.

his brilliant performance in "Scrap Iron," will be the featured player at this theater. He appears in his new play, "A Midnight Bell," a picture combining suspense, drama, mystery and humor in unusually liberal proportions.

Entertaining Norma Talmadge Drama.

Heralded as the most dramatic and fascinating screen vehicle yet given to that talented star, "The Sign on the Door," Norma Talmadge's latest feature release for Associated First National Pictures, Inc., will begin an engagement of three days at the Broadway theater tomorrow.

The production is a faithful adaptation of Canning Pollock's popular stage play of the same name, in which Marjorie Raimbeau delighted Broadway audiences.

The continuity for "The Sign on the Door" was written by Mary Murillo and Miss Talmadge was directed in the film version by Herbert Brenon.

Among those in the supporting cast are Charles Richmond, Lew Cody, David Proctor, Augustus Balfour, Mack Barnes, Helen Weir, Robert Agnew, Martinie Burnley, Paul McAllister, Lew Hendricks and Walter Russell. The production is released by Associated First National Pictures, Inc.

In it the star is said to have been given a wide range of opportunity for her histrionic ability. Miss Talmadge is seen in the role of Ann Hunnwell, a pretty stenographer,

who becomes the wife of "Lafe" Regan, a man of high social and business standing. As the result of an innocent escapade before her marriage, she becomes involved in a tragic situation when the son of her former employer is killed in a struggle with her husband.

To shield her husband, who does not know that she has witnessed the tragedy she calls the police and assumes the blame for the incident. The situation takes an extraordinary turn when the district attorney steps in, clears the mystery and restores the happiness of the Regans.

Spooky Charles Ray Picture.

Adventure and hair-raising experiences are to be found in small towns as well as in metropolitan centers, as Martin Tripp discovered in Bellport. Martin was a salesman, traveling for a large city concern, and circumstances compelled him to settle in the little town.

Things began to happen rapidly when Martin arrived, but it was lucky for Bellport that he was there. Five crooks had been attracted to the place by the prosperous condition of the bank, and they had made their headquarters in an abandoned church which had gained the reputation of being haunted.

Martin didn't believe in spooks, so he spent a night in the church. He admitted the next morning that it was a terrifying experience, but it didn't prevent him from paying another visit.

The second time he discovered

that the "spooks" had been engaged in digging a tunnel from the church cellar to the basement of the big coup. But complications arose, and he found himself bound hand and foot to a chair, and gagged. In spite of his bonds, he managed to ring the church bell and then excitement broke loose in the little town. But all ended well, and Martin becomes the hero of Bellport.

This is part of the plot of "A Midnight Bell," a First National attraction, starring Charles Ray, which will be the feature at the Broadway theater for three days, beginning Thursday. It is right up to the Ray standard, which is guarantee of its worth, and gives a faithful presentation of life in a small town. Other members of the cast are Donald MacDonald, Van Dyke Brooke, Doris Pawn, Clyde McCoy, Jess Herring, S. J. Bingham and Bert Offord. The story is based on one of the famous plays by Charles Hoyt.

SOCIAL PERSONALS

Misses Katherine and Lennie Burgin and Mrs. W. M. McGill are spending the week-end at Asheville and Lake Junaluska. They were accompanied as far as Marion by Mrs. E. W. Guiser and daughter, Matilda.

Mrs. A. J. Burks, formerly Miss Minnie McQuay of this city, and niece, Miss Rosebud McQuay, are visiting Mrs. J. D. Pettus at her home on West avenue.

PUBLIC INTEREST IN WALL STREET TACKLING

Financial Markets Fail to Keep Pace With Brighter Business Outlook.

NEW YORK, Aug. 20.—Financial markets this week failed to keep pace with the brighter business outlook reported by competent observers in various sections of the country. Stocks of the better class were barely steady, while many of the speculative groups displayed greater weakness.

Public interest again was almost wholly lacking and no support from that quarter is looked for until Congress makes known its attitude regarding the funding of railroad obligations and the proposed tax revision program assumes concrete form.

There was a fair demand for bonds and several new capital issues were readily absorbed. In the main, however, the investment inquiry was limited to rails and some of the better known foreign flotations, liberty issues reflecting further liquidation.

Conditions in the basic industries again were exemplified by the further wage cut by the United States Steel corporation. Independent man-

ufacturers increased their output on lower price schedules but the average of production was estimated at below 25 per cent.

In the many lines contributory to steel and iron, notably equipments, production continued at low ebb. Motor, oil, rubber, tobacco, sugar and paper shares were among the many low records of the week.

Heaviness of mail order issues testified to the light purchasing power among the farming element.

Large sums of money came into the local market from the interior but the best open rate for call loans was 5 1/2 per cent. Time loans extending beyond 60 days were mainly restricted to commercial projects on prima collateral.

Uncertainty continued to mark the course of foreign exchanges. Local rates were governed almost entirely by London, where conflicting reports arose regarding the retention of the bank rate. Unsettling of Dutch and Scandinavian exchange was popularly ascribed to heavy selling at those centers of German marks.

HUSBAND STILL SEEKS WHEREABOUTS OF WIFE

"What is home without a wife?" asks R. G. Marlow, of this city, as he continues his thus far fruitless search for the comely but high tempered young woman who until Friday noon was wife and home to him.

Mrs. Marlow left home Friday and has not since been heard from, Mr. Marlow states. A news story carried

in The Observer Saturday morning in which Mr. Marlow set forth his readiness to forgive and forget and receive Mrs. Marlow into her own again produced no results yesterday.

The couple have been married 15 years and this is not the first time his wife has left home following domestic storms, Mr. Marlow says. On previous sudden flights she has lodged with relatives until reconciled, but Mr. Marlow is quite confident that this time she has not sought the customary haven which, relatively speaking, have proved safe refuges.

Resorting to the newspapers as the only means of communicating with her in a strong appeal for his wife's return. "Tell her to wire or write me, letting me know where she is, and I will send money at once for the purchase of a return ticket. If she will only come home, I'll say not a word about what has transpired and we'll never quarrel no more," Mr. Marlow said, his voice choked with emotion.

POTTS BEATS FORTNER

FORT MILL, S. C., Aug. 20.—A large crowd of people interested in athletic sports gathered in the armory of Tom Hall gauds last night to witness a wrestling match between Robert C. Potts and John J. Fortner, Jr., both Fort Mill men, the latter claiming to be the 1920 champion of the United States navy. The victory went to Potts.



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Mahogany tea wagon	35.00	22.50

Bed Room Furniture

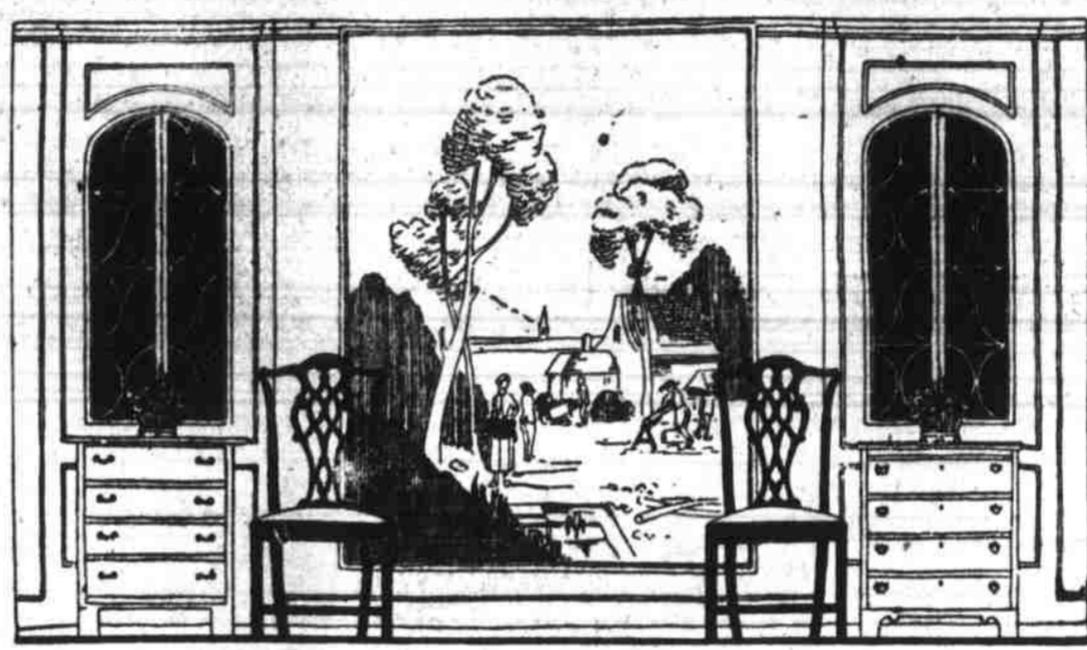
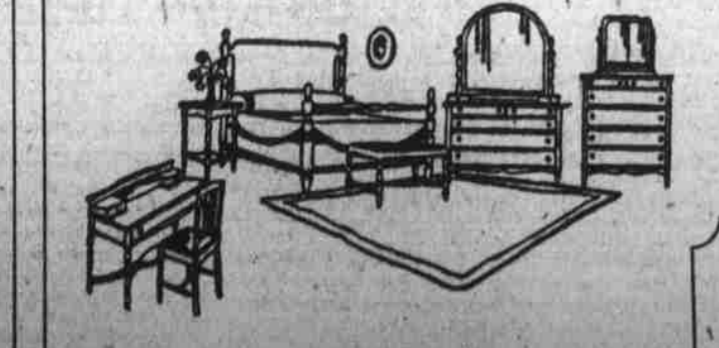
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Colonial mahogany vanity	150.00	112.50

Library and Living Room Furniture

Mahogany Windsor Rockers	25.00	18.75
Plain velour Chesterfield living room suit, davenport and arm chair	300.00	175.00
Mohair plush living room suit, davenport and chair	650.00	400.00
3-piece cane back living room suit	300.00	200.00
Extra large Chesterfield davenport in tapestry	350.00	150.00
Turkish fire side chair in tapestry	85.00	62.50
Turkish easy chair in tapestry	80.00	55.00
Solid mahogany Colonial chair in velour	60.00	30.00
Mahogany spinet desk	60.00	45.00
Mahogany bookcase	100.00	50.00
Chippendale mahogany bookcase	80.00	65.00
Mahogany library table	30.00	15.00
Mahogany console table	30.00	21.00
Mahogany 72" davenport table	60.00	45.00
Mahogany telephone stand with bench	15.00	11.50
Solid mahogany Colonial secretary	220.00	150.00
Mahogany gate leg table	75.00	37.50

Special Odd Pieces

Old Hickory blue enamel breakfast room suit, 5 pieces	70.00	56.25
Ivory breakfast room suit 5 pieces	50.00	35.00
Fiber floor lamps with shades	60.00	35.00
Fiber table lamps with shades	35.00	20.00
Blue enamel fiber settee	60.00	30.00
Blue enamel fiber chair	30.00	15.00
Brown fiber chair and rocker, tapestry	25.00	15.00
6x9 Rush porch rugs	25.00	15.00
42" mission porch swings	5.00	2.50
Ivory enamel Kiddie-Koops	35.00	23.50
Ivory enamel cribs	30.00	22.00
Square post ivory enamel beds	30.00	15.00



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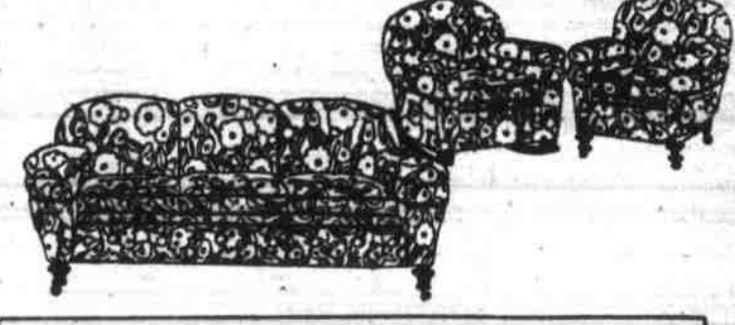
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